HOME MATTERS.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTH DAY.

CELEBRATION AT NEW BRIGHTON.

The spirited and patriotic people of the delightful village of New Brighton, celebrated, on Monday evening last, in a very appropriate manner, the anniversary of the birthday of the great and good WASHINGTON.

A supper was prepared at the Merrick House, where over a hundred ladies and gentlemen sat down and partook of the bountiful feast provided.

The officers of the meeting were, B. B. Chamberlin Esq., President, Thos. Cunningham, A. T. Shaffenberger, R. R. Bradford, Benj. Wilde and John Collins Esq., Vice Presidents, and Dr. Wm. J. Wilson Secretary.

After the cloth was removed, the President introduced the more interesting exercises of the evening, with some very appropriate and eloquent remarks, in which he paid a just tribute to the immortal statesman and hero, whose birth-day they had met to celebrate.

Letters were then read from Gov. W. F. Johnson, Judge M'Clure, Judge Williams, and Judge Irwin of Pittsburgh, and Hon. John Allison, member of Congress from the Beaver district.

The following sentiments were sent by these gentlemen.

By Hon. W. F. Johnston—Washington and his works. They annihilated the nicely adjusted machinery of a tyrannical government, for the infliction of human wrongs. Their influence is progressive and should forever be sacred.

Hon. W. B. McClure—George Washington—*His name alone* strikes all comparisons and titles *dead.*

Hon. Thos. Irwin—The policy and advice in our relations—upon them the stability of the Union rests, and upon the Union, the dissemination of republican institutions.

Hon. John Allison—Sympathy with oppressed of all nations, entangling alliances with none.

The regular toasts were then read by the Secretary.

REGULAR TOASTS.

1. The Memory of Washington.

This toast was drank standing, and in silence, and the sentiment was responded to in a very elaborate, classical, and eloquent speech, by Rev. G. S. Holmes, in which the great character, genius, and wisdom of General Washington were vividly portrayed. This able speech we understand will be published in the Beaver papers.

2. The President of the United States.

3. The Congress of '76, which proclaimed our independence and published man's rights to freedom and revolution—from their Councils breathed a light, though gloaming in the Eastern, yet illumines a *Western* World.

4. The soldiers of the Revolution—Their devotion and sacrifices, fidelity and prowess, rewarded only by the achievement of *our* liberties.

5. Union—In our colonial trials a refuge, in the Revolution the fortress of our strength, in our confederate Republic the pillar of national independence and greatness.

6. The Constitution of the United States, resulting from conciliatory and patriotic counsels, it was successfully set in motion by the wisdom and determination of Washington. Let none undervalue this heritage of our *Fathers.*

7. The Judiciary—Its integrity and supremacy, the only bulwark against tyrannical encroachment on the one hand, and popular licentiousness on the other.

8. The Army and Navy of the United States.

9. Lafayette, Kosciusko, Pulaski, and De Kalb, volunteer devotees of liberty from distant lands, may their example and services imitated in the contests for *liberty* throughout the world.

10. The Governor of Pennsylvania.

11. Washington's Farewell Address, the last testament to the American people: in political wisdom and prudent counsels, no richer legacy was ever bequeathed to mankind.

Hon. John Dickey being called on, responded to this sentiment in some very effective remarks.

12. The Mother and Wife of Washington, the one devoted a son to patriotic deeds and virtue, the other cheered a husband's perils and fortunes in *life*, each consecrated by his affections, in *death* both *eternized* with his name.

13. The Ladies.

VOLUNTEER TOASTS.

E. P. Oliphant, Esq., of Fayette, county, being called on, made some very happy and appropriate remarks, and concluded with the following sentiment:

Fort McIntosh—Though its name is partially lost in the dim recollection of the past, the influence of such early defences of our country should never fade from the memory.

By W. J. Wilson—the Independent Press of the United States, the watchmen upon the walls, to which the people look for direction and counsel, in the cause of popular rights, liberty, and education.

D. N. White, Esq., of Pittsburgh, responded in a few remarks, principally in reference to the harmony of principles existing between Washington and Kossuth, and concluded with the following toast:

Washington—Eminently wise, just, and patriotic—we revere his memory, respect his counsel, and imitate his example, may we discharge our responsibilities with the fearlessness and wisdom which marked all his splendid administrative acts.

Mr. White having signified, that he left Mr. Harper, of the Pittsburgh Post, to speak for the press, that gentleman made some remarks in reference to the great advance, power, and influence of the press, and offered the following sentiment:

Pittsburgh and New Brighton.—As they are united by bonds of iron, may the hearts of their citizens be ever joined in friendship and love.

By R. R. Bradford.—We celebrate the natal day of the illustrious Champion of Liberty, the profound Statesman and Christian Philanthropist, characteristic of the Father of his Country.

By A. T. Shallenberger.—Washington and Liberty—immortality of the name, secures the perpetuation of the principle.

By H. B. Boisel.—Armed intervention—the sure downfall of our nation.

By J. Logan.—Kossuth—the genius of Liberty found him an advocate of Civil Law—threw her mantle on him, and sent him forth the advocate of Civil Liberty.

By M. Weyand.—Washington and Franklin—The brightest stars in the constellation of Revolutionary worthies. The one fought the enemies of freedom, with his *sword*; the other did good service with his *pen.*

By J. Oathcart, Jr.—The Pulpit of our Land—may it ever be one of the safe guards of those liberties we have received from Washington and his associates.

A song—"Washington's Grave,"—was sung by Mr. David Critchlow.

By the Company.—The Merrick House—may its success, equal the merits of its worthy proprietor.

The company then adjourned to the ample and well furnished parlors, of the Hotel, and passed several hours in social intercourse, enlivened by songs and music. We seldom have passed a more pleasant evening, and beg leave to commend the example of the citizens of Brighton to those of other places. These social gatherings, of ladies and gentlemen, on patriotic and public occasions, produce a very beneficial effect, and contribute much to good morals and social happiness.

DISTRICT COURT.

TUESDAY, Feb. 24.

Before the Honorable Henry W. Williams.

The case of Moses Thoral vs. James Wood & Co., before reported, is still on trial.

Before the Honorable Walter Forward.

In the case of Benjamin Glyde vs. Samuel W. Stone et. ux., action against defendants as garnishees, the jury returned a verdict for the defendants.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

TUESDAY, Feb. 24.

Before the Hon. Wm. B. McClure President Judge, and T. L. McMillan and Wm. Boggs Associate Judges.

In the case of John Edmundson vs. overseers of the poor of Mifflin Township, the jury returned a verdict of $64 for plaintiff.

A. W. Alton vs. Andrew Beebe, John Bubop and Stephen Jackson, No. 126, October, List No. 149. Non suit as to S. Jackson, and case on trial when the Court adjourned.

MALICIOUS MISCHIEF.—Ellen Campbell was yesterday committed by Mayor Guthrie, charged, on oath of Sarah M. Shuttleson, with surety of the peace, and malicious mischief.

SURETY OF THE PEACE.—Mayor Guthrie, on Monday, committed C. M. Burns to prison, charged, on oath of Nicholas Snyder, with surety of the peace.

LADIES' MEETING.—A stated meeting of the Ladies' Association of the Friends of Hungary will be held this afternoon, at 2½ o'clock, in the meeting house of the Fifth Presbyterian Church. It was expected that an address would be delivered by Wm. J. Rose, Esq.; but, owing to the extensive arrangements which the Committee are making for the supper on the Fourth of March, it is deemed most proper to defer the address until the next meeting. All ladies who feel interested in the cause are earnestly invited to attend.

Professor LOCKE'S Lecture at Lafayette Hall last evening, was highly interesting and instructive, illustrated as it was by a great variety of beautiful experiments in Pneumatics and Hydrostatics, explanatory of various phenomena in these sciences. The audience was large, and all appeared to be highly gratified. He gives two more lectures on Friday and Saturday evenings.

WE ARE PLEASED to learn that the loss of Messrs. Campbell & Chess, is not nearly so much as they at first supposed, it being found on investigation, that it will not exceed $8,000.

FALSE ALARM.—The alarm of fire last night was false.

FIRE PROOF ROOFING.—We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Garwin & Co., in another column.

ASSAULT.—Henry Knop was committed on Monday by the Mayor, charged, on oath of John Rowing, with assault.

MELANCHOLY DEATH.—An old gentleman, named William McKelvy, a resident of the 4th Ward, Allegheny, was yesterday instantly killed by accidentally falling down a stairway leading to the cellar kitchen of a dwelling house in Isabella street.

Mr. McK. was about sixty-four years of age. A Coroner's inquest was held, and the jury returned the following verdict, 'that the deceased had come to his death by falling down a deep stairway of a dwelling house on Isabella street."

John Bostick was yesterday committed to prison by Alderman Major, charged, on oath of John Craig with assault and battery, and surety of the peace.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.—Patrick Duffy, one of our most efficient night watchmen, arrested a man named John Johnston, at an early hour on Tuesday morning, while in the act of breaking into H. D. King's brokers office, corner of Fourth street, and Post Office alley. The scoundrel had bored four holes in the back door, and would soon have succeeded in effecting an entrance, had it not been for the officer's vigilance. A centre bit, chisel, and other tools were found at the door, where he had dropped them, and in his pockets were a counterfeit dollar note, four or five dollars in good money, and a ticket for a watch which he had left in pledge with a Mr. Spencer on Second street. The rogue was fully committed for trial.

About a year ago, another attempt was made to rob this office, and the thief is now in the Penitentiary. Their efforts are vain, however, for Mr. King never keeps money in his office.

BURGLARY.—Some rascals on Monday night broke into the dwelling house of Mr. J. McClaren, on Sandusky street, Allegheny, but fortunately in opening a bed room door, they awakened the person who was sleeping within, when en alarm was raised, and the burglars decamped without any booty.

LOCAL NEWS.—Much local news is unavoidably crowded out, owing to the length of the interesting Council proceedings.

PROCEEDINGS IN SELECT COUNCIL.

[OFFICIAL.]

FEBRUARY, 23, 1852.

Council met. Present all the members.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The President submitted a communication from the Diamond Market House Association, announcing that they are awaiting the perfection and adoption of a plan of a Market House to occupy the Western half of the Diamond, and that the building will be put under contract in the ensuing Spring.

The communication was read, and on motion of Mr. Lorenz, was referred to the Committee on City Property.

The President also submitted a communication from a Cincinnati Committee on the subject of additional facilities for passing the Falls of the Ohio, which was read.

Also, the following resolutions in relation thereto, which were read three times, and adopted:

Whereas, Propositions are now before the Congress of the United States for the improvement of the Falls of the Ohio river; and separate bills have been reported for two different modes of improvement. Ohio emanating from the citizens of Louisville, authorizing the General Government to purchase the individual stock, and enlarge the Louisville and Portland Canal." The other conforming to the petitions from commercial points on the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers, requesting the General Government to purchase the stock in the present canal, and to authorise the construction of a new work, in a more favorable location, with locks suitable to the present and future commerce on these rivers.

And whereas, the citizens of Pittsburgh being deeply interested in the cheap, safe and speedy transportation of their commerce on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, they claim the right of expressing to Congress their opinions on the subject of the proposed modes of improvement of the navigation at the Falls—

Therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Select and Common Councils of the city of Pittsburgh, that the Ohio and Mississippi rivers being acknowledged as great National highways, under the care and supervision of the General Government, a free and ample mode of conveyance should be provided, and at all times preserved for the passage of boats and other vessels conveying the commerce of the river around the natural obstruction known as the Rapids or Falls of the Ohio.

Resolved, That the rapid increase of commerce has rendered necessary two canals for the accommodation of vessels ascending and descending the Ohio and Mississippi, and that this necessity will be greatly increased by the completion of the present system of Railroads now in progress of connexion with the river above the Falls.

Resolved, That the repair and enlargement of the present Canal would at all times (excepting during the period of very high water) present an obstruction to the passage of vessels, and cause the portage of freight a distance of two miles within the City of Louisville, subject to the penalties and regulations incidental to a corporation; thus suspending navigation through the Canal for years, creating delay and losses highly injurious to commerce, and fatal to the interests of those concerned in the navigation of the river.

Resolved, That the surveys and estimates heretofore made by competent engineers, established, that the construction of a new canal around the falls of the Ohio, adapted to the present and future wants of commerce, would cost very little more than the repairs and enlargement of the present work; which if repaired, would present but one passage around the falls, and that from the unfavorable location, never could be as useful for passing the longest class of boats as a new work, constructed with the advantage of the present experience in navigation.

Resolved, That the Senators and members of Congress from this State be, and are hereby earnestly requested, to use their best exertions for the passage of a law authorising the construction of a new Canal on the Indiana side, and to prevent the interruption of the commerce of the river through the Louisville and Portland Canal, until some other mode is provided for the passage of boats around the Falls.

Resolved, That the Presidents of the Councils cause certified copies of these resolutions to be sent to our Senators and Members of the House of Representatives in Congress from the State of Pennsylvania.

Also, a communication from the Mayor and Aldermen of Burlington, Iowa, asking the co-operation of Councils in urging Congress to grant a donation of lands to aid in the construction of a Railroad, from Lafayette, Ia., via Peoria and Burlington to the Missouri river near the mouth of the Platte.

The communication was read, and on motion of Mr. Bruce, referred to a Special Committee of one from S. C., and two from C. C., with instructions to prepare and transmit to Congress a memorial in conformity to the communication. And the President appointed Mr. Bruce on part of S. C.

Action concurred in, and Messrs. Riddle and McAuley appointed on part of C. C.

Mr. Kincaid presented a petition for paving Marbury st. Referred to Com. on Streets, with instructions to report at next meeting of Councils.

Also, one for water pipes on Roberts street from Centre Avenue to Reed st., to supply Pasavant's Infirmary, &c. Referred to Water Committee.

Also, one for grading and paving Duquesne st.

Also, one paving Bell's Alley.

Mr. Cassel, one for grading and paving Quarry, from O'Hara to Factory st.

Also, one for grading and paving Harrison from Liberty to Penn st.

Severally referred to Com on Streets.

Mr. Bruce, one for a grant of 500 feet of hose to the Friendship Co. Referred to Com. on Engines and Hose, with instructions to report at next meeting of Councils.

Also, one for the grading and paving of Crawford street, from Centre Avenue to Webster st; and of Wylie street, from Fulton to Crawford st. Referred to Com. on Streets, with instructions to report at next meeting of Councils.

Also, a bill of Dr. Dorsey, $25 for medical services in 1850, to prisoners at watch house.

Mr. Armstrong moved to refer the same to the Police Committee, which was negatived.

And on motion of Mr. Bruce, the same was referred to Com. on Claims.

Also a bill of the Pittsburgh Gas Company, $1,870 44 for new gas posts and repairs, and $5,076 15 for gas for public lamps for the six months ending 31st Dec. 1851. Referred to same Committee.

Mr. Armstrong, one from Good Intent Fire Co. for an additional appropriation of $300 for paying for erection of Engine House. Referred to Com. on Fire Engines and Hose.

Also, one for grading Franklin street, from Washington to Congress st. Referred to Committee on Streets, with instructions to report at next meeting of Councils.

Also, one for fixing the grade of, and grading Carpenter's alley. Referred to same.

Mr. McClowry, one for water pipes on Roberts street from Centre Avenue to Pasavant's Infirmary, and also to Duncan st. and on same to Green st. Referred to Water Com.

Mr. Morrow, one for grading Pride st. Referred to Com. on Sts.

Also, one for water pipes on Van Braam st. Referred to Water Com.

Mr. Allen, one for deferring the grading of Forbes street. Referred to Committee on Streets.

In all of which action of S. C., the C. C. concurred.

Mr. Lorenz, from the Com. on Finance, made a report, submitting an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance making appropriations for the year 1852."

The report was read and accepted, and the ordinance read a first and second time.

Mr. Bruce moved to amend the clause, therein fixing the assessment of the improvement tax at 2½ mills, by striking out 2½ and inserting, "three," which was disagreed to.

And the ordinance was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Lorenz, also submitted the following resolution, which was read three times and adopted, and action concurred in by C. C.

Resolved, That the Mayor be authorized to draw his warrant on the City Treasury, in favor of Charles Shaler and Thomas Williams, Esqs., for the sum of $300 each, being the balance in full, for services rendered in the cases of St. Paul's Church, P. McGarr, and others vs the Mayor, Aldermen, and citizens of Pittsburgh, and that the same be charged to contingent fund.

Mr. Bigue offered the following resolution, which was read twice and laid over on third reading, viz:

Resolved, That the Mayor draw his warrant in favor of J. I. Kuhn, for the sum of $100, for extra services in the cases of St. Paul's Church, and P. McGarr, and others, against the City of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Cordell, from the Com. on Markets, made a report submitting an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance creating a Market Constable.

The report was read and accepted and the ordinance was read three times and passed.

Mr. Wilson, from the Com. on Streets made a report as to the probable expense of opening Quarry street, Allegheny, the same to be $1800. Read and accepted.

Mr. Morrow, from the Special Committee on the petition for an ordinance to prohibit the manufacture of friction matches in the City, made a report adverse to the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was read and accepted, and the Committee discharged.

A report from the minority of said Committee (Mr. Bissell,) submitted the draft of an ordinance restricting and regulating such manufacture, was also presented and read.

Mr. Kier, from the Com. on Fire Engines and Hose, presented a communication from the Com. on Conference and Inspection, on behalf of the Firemen's Association for the passage of an ordinance to protect hose from damage by drays, &c., while in service at fires. Read and Referred to Com. on Fire Engines and Hose. Action concurred in by C. C.

The following business from C. C. was then taken up:

Report of the Committee on Police submitting a copy of their minutes. In C. C. read and accepted, and the action of the Police Committee approved.

The report and minutes were read, when on leave.

Mr. McCloswry presented a communication from the Mayor on the subject of the disagreement between the Police Committee and himself, and conveying the written opinion of C. Darragh, Esq., in relation thereto, which were read.

After which, Mr. Armstrong moved to concur in the action of C. C. as to the report of the Committee, and called the yeas and nays thereon, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bailey, Bruce, Cassel, Edwards, Kincaid, Mackey, McCutcheon, and Wilson—11.

Nays—Messrs. Cordell, Kent, Kier, Morrow, Clowry, Speer, and President—7.

So the motion to concur prevailed.

The other original business from C. C. was then taken up; (vide proceedings C. C.) and action concurred in.

Mr. Wilson offered the following resolution, which was read three times and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Ordinances be, and they are hereby instructed to report an ordinance for the purpose of carrying into effect the act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved 6th day of April, A. D. 1850, and supplement thereto approved A. D. 1851, establishing a uniform measure and weight of bituminous coal in the city of Pittsburgh, &c.

The Ordinance making Appropriations for the year, 1852, was returned from C. C. in which body it was "recommitted to Finance Committee, with instructions to add the contingent fund $5,000, for the purpose of paying back the amount taken from improvement fund of 1849."

Mr. Armstrong moved to concur in the action of C. C. and called the yeas and nays, which were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Armstrong, Bruce, Kent, Morrow, McCutcheon, Wilson—6.

Nays—Messrs Allen, Bailey, Cordell, Edwards, Kier, Kincaid, Lorenz, Mackey, Speer, and President—10.

And the Council adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS IN COMMON COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, Feb. 23, 1852.

Members present. Messrs. Bailey, Bissel, Black, Carling, Bitbridge, Getty, Gribben, Howard, Kennedy, Little, Lowry, McAuley, Mackey, Montooth, Reis, Scott, Shore, Smith, Stanger, Taylor, Young, Rea, Long, Riddle, Falston, and President Marshall.

The minutes of the two preceding meetings were read and approved.

Mr. Penniman read a bill of J. W. Riddle of $18. Referred to Com. on Claims and Accounts.

Also, a communication from John Fox, claiming a reward for the arrest and conviction of persons charged with burning board yards ect.

Mr. Young moved to lay the communication upon the table, which was lost by the following vote:—

Yeas—Mr. Young.

Nays—Messrs. Bissel, Black, Carling, Bithridge, Funston, Getty, Gibben, Howard, Kennedy, Littel, Long, Lowry, M'Auley Mackey, Montooth, Reis, Scott, Shore, Smith, Stanger, Taylor, Young, Rea, Long, Riddle, Falston, and President Marshall.

The minutes of the two preceding meetings were read and approved.

Also, a communication from the Diamond Market House Association. Read and referred to Com. on Markets.

Mr. Scott, a petition for grading and paving of Clay Alley, 3d Ward. Referred to Com. on Streets.

Also, one for the paving of Federal st. Referred to the same Com.

Mr M'Auley, a petition for the paving and grading of Duquesne Way, from East side of Pitt street to East side of Hay st. in 4th Ward; Also for the grading and paving and building a sewer in Evan's alley, from Penn st. to Duquesne Way, 4th Ward; also for grading and paving Hay st. from Penn street to Duquesne Way, 4th Ward. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Mr. Curling, a petition for the laying of water pipes on Clarke st. between Townsend and Fulton sts., on Penna Avenue. Refered to Com. on Gas Lighting.

Mr. Lowrie, a petition for the extension of water pipes on Crawford st., 6th Ward. Referred to Water Com.

Also, a petition relative to the condition of Webster street. Referred to committee on Streets.

Mr. Curling, a report from the Police Com. enclosing a copy from the minutes of their proceedings. Read and accepted, and the action of the Committee approved by the following vote, viz:

Yeas—Messrs Black, Curling, Day, Dithridge, Getty, Kennedy, Littel, Long, Lowry, Mackey, Montooth, Reis, Riddle, Scott, Shore, Smith, Stanger, Young, and President—19.

Nays—Messrs Funston, Gribben, Howard, M'Auley, Rea, Spaulding, and Taylor—7.

Mr. Lowry, "An ordinance relative to the Engineer of the Water Works. Read three times and adopted.

Also the following resolution, which was read three times and adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to report an ordinance requiring the owners of property on the line of such streets as may hereafter be properly graded, to set the curb and pave the footway in front of their property, preparatory to the paving of the gutters thereof by the city.

Mr. Rea, a report from the Committee on Claims and Accounts, accompanied with the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the City Treasury in favor of J. R. Hartley, for $7 37; R. E. M'Gowin for $219 75; C. M'Gowin for $79 50.

Report accepted and resolution read three times and adopted.

In all of which actions of C C the S C concurred.

Mr. Shore, offered "An Ordinance Supplementary to an Ordinance for the establishment of a permanent watch passed 26th March, 1850.

Read twice, and there being objections to a third reading.

Mr. Lowry moved to suspend the rules, and two-thirds not voting in the affirmative, the motion was lost, and the Ordinance was laid over.

Mr. McAuley the following, viz:

Resolved, That the Messenger of Councils be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to procure good locks, and have them placed upon the desks occupied by the members of the Councils.

Mr. Funston moved to lay the resolutions on the table—lost.; and it was then adopted.

The Clerk of C. C. communicated an Ordinance making appropriations for the year 1852." In S. C., read three times and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Gribben, the Ordinance was amended by increasing the amount appropriated for Contingent Fund from $4,000 to $12,000.

Mr. Lowry, moved to re-commit the Ordinance to Com., with instructions to add the $5,000 to Contingent Fund for the purpose of paying back the amount taken from the Improvement Fund of 1849.

And the yeas and nays being called the motion was adopted by the following vote.

Yeas—Messrs. Bailes, Curling, Day, Dithridge, Gribben, Kennedy, Lowry, Montooth, Reis, Scitt, Shore, Smith, Taylor, and President—14.

Nays—Messrs. Bissel, Black, Funston, Getty, Little, Long, M'Auley, Mackey, Rea, Stanger, Young—12.

Also, a communication from the Mayor, enclosing opinion of C. Darragh, Esq., on the relative rights and powers of the Mayor and Police Committee, in the matter of the appointment of the night watch. In S. C. read.

On motion of Mr. Riddle, the papers were laid upon the table

Also, a majority and minority report from the Special Committee, to whom had been referred the petition relative to the manufacture of lucifer matches, within the limits of the city.—In S. C. read and accepted, and Committee discharged.

Read and referred to Committee on Ordinance.

The remainder of the business from S. C. was then taken up. Action concurred in, and Council adjourned.

STEAM BOATS.

FOR CINCINNATI & LOUISVILLE—The regular packet steamer JANE FRANKLIN, Capt. Geo. Benedict, will leave for the above and all intermediate ports on Thursday next, the 26th inst., at 10 A. M.

For freight or passage apply on board. fe25

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For freight or passage, apply on board. fe25

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For freight or passage apply on board or to fe25 JOHN FLACK, Agent.

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For freight or passage apply on board or to fe25 J. N. JONES, Ag't.

FOR HOCKING PORT.—The fine light draught steamer PILOT No. 2, Capt. Crane, will run regular packet between the Hockingport trade, leaving Pittsburgh every Tuesday morning, at 8 o'clock.

For freight or passage apply on board. fe25

FOR LONG REACH, MARIETTA, PARKERSBURG AND BALLISTVILLE.—The regular packet steamer J. H. Means, Capt. Shunk, will run regularly to the above ports, leaving Pittsburgh every Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. fe25

REGULAR WEDNESDAY PACKET, CINCINNATI, Captain John Hasselman. The splendid new and well built steamer ISAAC NEWTON, and others, for the owners of the steamer Isaac Newton, and others, for the regular Wednesday packet trade, and will leave every Wednesday for Cincinnati.

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Goods loaded into our Boats at Pittsburgh remain undisturbed until delivered at our warehouse in Market street, Philadelphia, thereby avoiding the delay, risk and expense of *three different transhipments*, and securing the delivery of goods in entire lots, the packages clean and in as good order as when shipped.

Produce, &c. consigned to our House at Pittsburgh, will be received and forwarded at the lowest current canal rates, strictly according to instructions, without any extra charge for commission, storage, or drayage.

C. A. McNAULTY & CO.,
Canal Basin.
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WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

WE HAVE NOW COMPLETED ARRANGEMENTS for the regular transmission of freight during the winter, between this city and PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE.

Bills of lading will be given for delivering through, at moderate rates.

CLARK & THAW,
Liberty street, Pittsburgh.
LEWIS & BUTLER,
219 Market street, Philadelphia.
L. S. GORDON,
78 North street, Baltimore.
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For Sale or Perpetual Lease,

FORTY-THREE BUILDING LOTS, laid off in out lot No. 29, in the original plan of the town of Allegheny, fronting on both sides of Rebecca street, and on Bank Lane.

Also, for rent for one or more years, the residue of the out lot on the Hill, extending back to Ridge street, lately occupied as a pasture lot.

For terms, enquire of Mr. MOSES DORLAND, near the premises; or of the subscriber, at his office, No. 101 4th street, Pittsburgh. jy14

H. GRADY WILKINS.

A Good Horse Wanted,

FOR A GENTLEMAN living out of the city. A horse that will be suitable for riding, safe in harness, and go fast. Enquire of fe24 A. WILKINS & CO.

SARTAIN'S UNION MAGAZINE, for March, just received at W. A. GILDENENNEY & CO'S, (late W. G. Wallis,) No. 76 Fourth st. fe17

NO. 0. MOLASSES—50 bbls. for sale by fe17 R. DALZELL & CO.

NO. 0. SUGAR—5 hhds. for sale by fe17 R. DALZELL & CO.

SATINETTS!!—MURPHY & BURCHFIELD have just rec'd, direct from the manufacturer—1 case Satinette, consisting of grey, Brown and Black, plain and ribbed, and which they are selling low by yard or piece. fe17

DARK MIXED CASSIMERES!—An assortment of dark mixed, black, and other colors, to be found at the store of fe17 MURPHY & BURCHFIELD.

SUGAR—50 hhds. for sale by fe17 W. & F. WILSON.

MOLASSES—101 bbls. prime, for sale by fe17 W. & F. WILSON.

RAW WHISKEY—81 bbls. for sale by fe17 W. & F. WILSON.

GREASE—19 bbls. now landing from str. Hindoo, for sale by fe17 ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. Water and Front sts.

ONTAILS—6 sacks landing from steamer Hindoo, for sale by fe17 ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. Water and Front sts.

SARDINES—100 boxes and half boxes fresh, Halifax, of the genuine Quiberon brand, on hand and for sale by fe17 A. ROSE.

BY TELEGRAPH.

RECEIVED BY THE O'REILLY TELEGRAPH LINE, AND REPORTED FOR THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.

Senate—Mr. Cooper reported a petition for the modification of the tariff, and against the Woodworth patent.

Mr. Mason, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported against an investigation into the decision of the late Board of Commissioners on claims against Mexico.

Mr. Gwinn reported a bill increasing the pay of officers of the Army and Navy, engaged in California and Oregon.

Mr. Borland introduced a resolution declaring that each State shall at the next Presidential election, be entitled to electoral votes equal to what it is entitled to under the enumeration of 1850, and not under 1840.

The bill granting land to Iowa for the construction of certain railroads was taken up, and Mr. Greer addressed the Senate in its support.

Without further considering the question, the Senate adjourned.

House—The House resumed the consideration of the bill granting the right of way, and a donation of public land to Missouri for the construction of a railroad from St. Joseph to Hanibal, and from St. Louis to the western line of the State.

Mr. Orr, of South Carolina, advocated the bill, and urged the propriety of the Government granting lands asked for such purposes. He quoted the speeches of Calhoun, Cass, and others in support of his position.

Mr. Welch, of Ohio, gave notice that he would introduce an amendment to the bill, which he explained by saying that it proposes to take the roads from St. Louis, and thence to the western line of Missouri, through the States of Illinois, Indiana, and part of Ohio, to Cincinnati, thence to some point on the line of Washington county, Ohio river, at or near Marietta, or a town in Virginia on the opposite shore; and thence on to the Three Forks, on the line of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad in Virginia.

Before concluding this morning hour expired, and the House went into committee on the bounty land law, but without coming to a conclusion, the committee arose.

Mr. Darby, of Missouri, who was stricken with paralysis the day before Congress met, was brought into the House for the first time in a chair, and the Speaker left his place, and went down to him, and administered to him the oath of office.

The House then adjourned.

WEBSTER'S SPEECH.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24

Niblo's was filled to overflowing last night, with a brilliant audience of ladies and gentlemen, to listen to the discourse of the Hon. Daniel Webster, before the State Historical Society.

The Speaker dilated at considerable length upon the ancient history of Greece and Rome, that had been handed down to us, alluding to the difficulty of distinguishing between the fabulous and actual. After reviewing the progress of literature, poetry, and historical compositions, among the ancients, the speaker next turned to the history of our own country. He said it was divided into three epochs—the first extending from the settlement of the colonies to 1774; the second from that period to 1789, when the present constitution of the government was established; and the third embraced the period from that date up to the present time.

The speaker mainly considered that portion of the 3d period embraced within the administration of Washington. The assembling of the first continental Congress in Philadelphia, was a grand event, and may be regarded as the era at which the Union of the States commenced. Let this day be ever remembered. It saw assembled, from several colonies the great men whose names have come down to us, and will descend to posterity. On that day there could have been assembled on no part of this globe, an equal number of men possessing greater talents and liberty, or animated by higher and more patriotic motives. They made no speeches for ostentation—they sat with closed doors, and their maxim was *"suave sans et."*

After giving a rapid sketch of the events that chequered the proceedings of that assembly, and the first struggle in which blood was shed in Massachusetts, he entered at length into an allusion to the scenes and day on which Washington first took on himself the government of the city of New York. He also said the first Congress makes an illustrious passage in our history, and that might it might be classed with the sections that framed the Constitution, and the first Congress filled by grey haired men of the revolution, and Washington himself in the principal chair of State, surrounded by the heads of the departments.

The importance of this Congress did not strike the minds of ordinary men, but Burk and Fox, and the sagacious minds of Europe, beheld it, and had their advice been followed, how would the destiny of England been altered.

Instead of subject colonies, England now beholds on her mighty rival, rich, powerful, and intelligent like herself. And may they be forever friendly rivals—may their power and greatness, sustaining themselves, be always directed to the promotion of the peace, prosperity, enlightenment and manhood of mankind. If it should be their united destiny, in the course of human events, to be called on in the cause of humanity, and cause freedom to stand against a world in arms they are of a race and blood to meet the crisis without shrinking from the danger—without quailing in the presence of earthly power.

The close of the address was a most eloquent allusion to the present state of the country, and the prospects before it. If we and our posterity be true to christian religion, and maintain just moral sentiments, and such a conscious conception of duty as should control our hearts and lives, we may have the highest hopes of the future fortunes of our country.

Mr. Webster spoke on at considerable length, dilating upon the history and future prospects of our country.

BALTIMORE, Feb., 24.

A printer named D. F. Gould of this city committed suicide yesterday, by blowing out his brains with a pistol.

BOSTON, Feb., 24.

Two more arrests have been made of the parties charged with stealing specie from the Missouri Bank. They were, a brother of Capt. Dicon, and a boatman named Dunbrow, who was paid $1000 to row Pitman from Holmes Hole to Falmouth.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.

Theodore Ezekiel was yesterday arrested and committed, charged with defrauding to a large amount, Solomon Ross.

ALBANY, Feb. 23.

Large numbers of the police started from here last night to Berne, among the Helderberg mountains, and arrested two ringleaders of the anti-rent riot of last April, when E. P. Fisk was tarred and feathered. Considerable resistance was made by the anti-renters, but the police reached Albany safe with the prisoner, named Yurger.

ALBANY, Feb. 24.

The anti rent ringleaders on examination to day, were identified by Mr. Fish.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.

The steamer Georgia sailed for Chagres today, with 300 passengers. The Cambria passed the Asia on the 7th inst., from Liverpool.

PHILADELPHIA MARKET.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.

Cotton—Sales of 3000 bales at unchanged prices.

Flour—Sales 500 bbls city mills at $5,87½, and 600