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THE PITTSBURGH WEEKLY GAZETTE.—The extensive circulation of our Weekly Gazette offers to our business men a most desirable medium of making their business known. Our circulation is between four and five thousand, reaching almost every village and county in Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio.

THE NEW ENGLAND SUPPER.—This annual Festival takes place on next Wednesday evening, Dec. 22d, at the St Charles Hotel. All sons of New England who wish to join in this appropriate and delightful celebration, are desired to call at the store of Luke Loomis, on Wood street, and procure their tickets.

The previous celebrations in this city have been delightful occasions of pleasant re-unions and social enjoyment, and we feel assured that no New Englander who can attend will fail to be present on the next anniversary of the Landing of the Pilgrims.

HOUSES FOR THE SECRETARIES AT WASHINGTON.

The Secretary of the Interior proposes, in his report to Congress, that houses should be built at Washington City by the Government, for the use of the Heads of Departments, to be occupied by them, rent-free. The expense of living in Washington City is so great, it is urged, that the annual salary of $6000 is not sufficient to enable them to keep up a proper appearance; and that, if the present condition of things is not changed, none but men of private fortunes can be prevailed on to take a secretaryship.

In connection with this, we see it stated that Mr. Corcoran has offered to build the houses, in neat and suitable style, and transfer them to the Government at cost. Mr. Stuart estimates the cost at $300,000.

This estimate, however, does not include the cost of *furnishing* the houses when built; and yet it must be conceded that the argument which is relied on to justify the building of the houses, must inevitably lead to the furnishing of them. The houses, doubtless, are intended to be on a grand scale, and would of course have to be furnished magnificently; and as the President's house has to be re-furnished every four years, it would be deemed parsimonious to refuse a like favor to the residences of the Secretaries. The Upholsterers in the eastern cities ought certainly to favor Mr. Secretary Stuart's proposition.

We confess our surprise, however, to hear that there is any difficulty in getting men to fill the Secretaryships at Washington, on account of the low salary and high price of living. If our experience of the past does not deceive us, there has been no trouble, heretofore, in getting men to accept these situations; the difficulty has been, rather, that there was danger of offending those who were unsuccessful in their applications. We may have been wrongly informed, but we certainly have heard that there are always enough *Virginians* on hand to fill all the offices that can be had at Washington; and it strikes us that at this present writing there is a large number of men from *other* States, who are willing to take the Secretaryships, and run the risk of losing money by the operation. It may be "patriotism" in them—perhaps it is; but when it is offered so freely, certainly, in our opinion, the Government may reap the advantage of it without incurring reproach.

A great mistake, in our view of this matter, is made in assuming that our Secretaries at Washington *ought* to live in grand houses, and make a magnificent display. Ours is a republican government, and simplicity becomes its public officers better than ostentation or parade. In despotic governments, magnificent displays are resorted to, to give the people an idea of the power of the government which holds them in subjection; but under our simple form of government, an attempt at such a thing is but an imitation of foreign practices without having the same motive for them. Nothing to us seems so anti-republican as the desire to give a European air to our seat of government by building palaces for our officials to live in, and enabling them to give magnificent dinners, balls, and parties. If our Secretaries choose to make magnificent displays, let them do it as citizens, not as Secretaries. A republican people ought to be served in a republican way.

If the salaries are not large enough, let them be increased; but let them be increased only with reference to the duties to be performed. If, for the services rendered by a Secretary, a salary of six thousand dollars is not an ample compensation, let it be increased; but if, out of his office, the Secretary wants to "spread himself" before the public, his "private fortune" is the most legitimate source to draw upon for the cost.

The accumulation of a large surplus in the Treasury will give rise to numberless such expedients as these for spending it; and with so many temptations to such extravagance, it is to be feared that our Government will gradually be corrupted from its true republican simplicity.

THE FRENCH IN SONORA.

The French Courier, a paper published in New York, speaks of Boulbon, who is reported to have "annexed" Sonora to France, as a mere adventurer, for whose acts the French government is not responsible. The New York Times, on the contrary, says:

"We happen to be in possession of important documents in regard to this matter—showing the interest taken by France in the progress of our country westward, and the steps already taken in pursuance of a grand design to check that progress, and to erect a barrier against our further growth. We have reason to believe that the great object of planting these French settlements in Southern Mexico is to prevent the United States from acquiring a feasible route for a railroad to the Pacific."

The Times further says, speaking of Boulbon: "The Government of France will undoubtedly disavow his proceedings; and yet the extracts we give to-day show that leading men in France would gladly aid the design of which his *coup de main* forms so auspicious a commencement. There are not far from twenty thousand Frenchmen in California; and most of those who have gone to Sonora, we understand, are members of the *garde mobile*, who were banished from France for their participation in the sanguinary insurrection of June 1848."

In addition to the French seizure of Sonora, we have reports that a French naval force has taken possession of Samana, a station situated in the northeastern portion of the island of Hayti, between the parallels of 19 and 20 north, and 69 and 70 west from Greenwich. Judging from its appearance on the map, it must be the most desirable location for a naval depot which the whole island affords.

A letter published in the New York *Courier des Etats Unis*, signed by M. Farrence, contends that the French occupation of Samana, and conquest of Sonora, are the initiatory steps by which Napoleon III, in the interest of the allied despotisms of Europe, intends to commence an active intervention on this Continent, against the further spread of democratic principles.

It appears, from the documents published, that a certain M. Dupasquier du Dommartin, has twice visited this country on a specific mission, and has written a Memoir, in which he comes to the conclusion that the only way to check the encroaching progress of the United States—which threatens the political and commercial supremacy of Europe, is by preventing the construction of the great Pacific Railroad;—and that this can be done effectually by planting vigorous French Colonies in Sonora and Chihuahua—and which nothing but such a preoccupation can prevent from falling into the hand of the Americans.

A Frenchman named M. Dupasquier has a colony in Sonora, invited thither by the local authorities, and established with the active concurrence of the French Minister in Mexico, and for the avowed purpose of pre-occupying the only route by which a railroad can be constructed to connect the Mississippi with the Pacific. And now we have this movement under Count Boulbon in the same department, who has gone to work with still more energy, and has already overthrown the Mexican military power and proclaimed the annexation of the Department to France.

Some of the members of Congress have expressed their opinion that the movement in Sonora is instigated by France, and that it will ultimately lead to a war between that country and ours. It will be best, however, not to rush too hastily upon that conclusion.

We copy the article below from the *Wheeling Gazette and Times*, of the 17th instant, for the purpose of shewing the people of Pittsburgh and Pennsylvania, the kind and amount of opposition and malignity they meet with in that quarter to every and any proposition, however reasonable, which may seem to benefit our interests. Appeals are made to every prejudice, passion and interest, however diverse, opposite and incongruous, in order to defeat a most reasonable application to the Virginia Legislature; and a depth of malignity is manifested which foreshadows perpetual war and sleepless assaults upon our interests.

It is well known here that Wheeling has been for years, by the grossest slanders upon our merchants and business men, by means of letters and publications in Western papers, striving to procure sympathy for herself and to excite prejudice against our city. In this she has succeeded to some extent, but her mistaken policy is beginning to re-act upon herself, and her rage and malignity is exhibited in such articles as the one below, which is a disgrace to the people and city from which it emanated. We give it without further comment, except to express the opinion that the Legislature of Virginia will not espouse the quarrel of Wheeling, nor refuse the very reasonable request of the Steubenville Railroad Company:

THE RIGHT OF WAY THROUGH HOLLIDAY'S COVE.

We are informed by letters from Richmond that there are six persons employed by Pittsburgh, now at Richmond, for the purpose of getting through, by any means they can use, a charter for the Pittsburgh and Steubenville Road, through Virginia, at a point called Holliday's Cove. By the city of Pittsburgh, the Pittsburgh and Steubenville Railroad Company, and the Steubenville and Indiana Railroad Company they are furnished with any amount of money they desire or can use. We learn, also, that the application has been made in behalf of Steubenville, Pittsburgh being fearful of the reputation to which she has damned herself before the Virginia Legislature, and thus deeming it expedient to slip the application from her own shoulders.

The facts of the case are few, plain, and simple, and having full knowledge that those facts will be duly considered by the Virginia Legislature, we have no fears of their passing any bill granting the right of way over the point named; but to lay our case plainly before the public, that the public may see where we stand, why we act in the premises, and how infamous the impudence, on the part of Pittsburgh, in asking such a right of way over the territory of Virginia, to the detriment of the citizens of the State, and exclusively for her own emolument, we will state a few of the leading facts bearing upon the matter.

From the time when Wheeling and Pittsburgh were first settled, Pittsburgh has used every means to prevent the growth of Wheeling. The whole wealth of the city, and the patronage of the State of Pennsylvania, were brought to bear to crush Wheeling. Efforts were made to defeat the construction of the National Road by the members from Pittsburgh, because it terminated at Wheeling, as the records of Congress show.—The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad was refused a charter from the State by the influence of Pittsburgh, because it terminated at Wheeling.—The boat companies, their boats being owned by the capitalists of Pittsburgh, have charged less to Pittsburgh for freight and passengers, than to Wheeling, although the distance from any point below Wheeling was one hundred miles further than to Wheeling, and a systematic scheme for the detention of freight destined for Wheeling, has been constantly kept up, as any examination of the records of freight will show. The present scheme of a road through Holliday's Cove, or from Pittsburgh, west through Virginia, was only gotten up since the charter for the Hempfield road was passed by the Legislature of this State, and the design for which it has been raised and kept up, has been solely that of preventing Philadelphia from subscribing stock to the Hempfield road, and thus ensuring the construction of that road. Had it not been for this influence on the part of Pittsburgh, and the promise by Pittsburghers to the people of Philadelphia that they would obtain the charter for their road this winter, the citizens of Philadelphia would long since have subscribed to the Hempfield, and Wheeling, the principal town of Western Virginia, would now have been receiving the benefit of that road. The grant by the State of Virginia of the charter, will thus result in the fulfilment of their purposes and premises, and the defeat of that measure of protection, by the State, from foreign influence, oppressions and injuries, which we have the right to ask from a State to which we have ever yielded a filial allegiance, and to whose revenues we have ever contributed a cheerful portion.

Were this not enough we could show, by a reference to the National Archives, that Pittsburgh influence over Pennsylvania members, for years defeated our application to Congress for the construction of a Bridge over the Ohio at this point, as Congress was bound by contract with the State of Virginia to do; but more than all, when Virginia had chartered a Bridge Company, and the funds of individuals had erected the noblest monument of Virginia enterprise that has ever graced the States of the Union, that same Pittsburgh that now comes cringing with a sneer, to ask a favor from the State, endeavored by every means in her power, to bring into disrepute the character of Virginia laws, and crush her independent State sovereignty before the Supreme Court. The dockets of the United States Court show her malignity, and with its stains unerased, her hands still reeking in blood shed but to soil her impotent self, she comes to claim a favor of Virginia and to ask her Representatives to sell their birth-right and dignity for the coinage of the mint. Nor is this all, the very men that are now before the Legislature propose to make

"The funeral bakemeats
Coldly furnish forth the wedding dinner"

by going back to Washington, and there pressing upon the Supreme Court to enter into conflict with Congress, and in the males to crush alike the Wheeling Bridge and our State sovereignty. Such schemes may work in Pennsylvania, such bullying and the management of plans so unholy may do in Pennsylvania, where any connection with the public works or with public acts is but another term for fraud and peculation. But in Virginia there is another code of morals and a simple honor and integrity that will floor such contemptible trickery as too dastardly for gentlemen to deal with.

They will cast it away as they cast from them those who dispute their sovereignty and their independence at the same time that they steal their property. Virginia is not fond of legalizing under ground railroads, and giving Pittsburgh improved facilities for running off her slaves.

It is claimed on the part of the delegates from Pittsburgh, and particularly by the worthy old gentleman who owns Holliday's Cove, and whose nephew, another of the delegation, who is presumptive heir thereto, that it is to benefit a portion of Virginia population. Let us see. There are not over twelve families and land owners, who will derive any benefit from it—they pay to the state perhaps one half as much tax as the surplus that the State is compelled to expend on the county of Hancock, over and above the revenue from it, while the same act would be detrimental to the 20,000 population of Ohio county who nett to the State some $15,000 annually. Besides this these farmers on that line have the river within a stone's throw to five miles of them, and at that river can get as much for their produce as they would if they had a railroad.

What good then can it do persons in the State? None. What evil? It may delay the construction of the Hempfield road, and cannot fail to cramp Wheeling and retard her enterprise for the benefit of a malignant and overgrown northern rival.

Again, Virginia has refused from time to time to grant that charter, and by so doing has drawn out the expenditure of two or three millions of money for the construction of the Central Ohio Railroad to terminate at Wheeling. It has, by its refusal to grant this charter, given the public abroad to believe that the position and rights of Wheeling will be preserved, and that at an early day she must become one of the strongest among us the cities of the West. With this faith and this belief, thousands are annually coming among and bringing their money and their labor here to be a part, in good faith, of Virginia. Will Virginia now do an act that will serve to paralise their arms and crush their hopes? No, she will never be so unjust to those who have sought her protection.

But in all this it must not be forgotten that daily through the past year the Pittsburgh press has declared that the road should be constructed through the State whether the right was granted or not, that the company has been constructing the road to the State line, having no point to terminate except the right was granted, and thus giving color to the threat that they would overawe the State and make the mother of nations the pliant tool of law-violating Pittsburgh. We have said that every shovel full of dirt thrown from the Pittsburgh and Steubenville road without a charter, would be thrown upon the coffin of that law, and we have now as much confidence in Virginia wisdom and independence, honor and truth as we have ever had.

For these reasons we say to our friends abroad who have any doubts about investing in Wheeling from the fear of the passage of that bill, don't fear. You may always lean on Virginia as an arm of integrity and strength.

☞ We learn from the Dispatch of Saturday that Dr. King has accepted the challenge of Dr. Dake to discuss the merits of Homoeopathy and Allopathy.

ANOTHER ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

Dr. E. K. Kane, who accompanied the American expedition in search of Sir John Franklin, is about to undertake the command of another expedition for the same purpose. He states that Mr. Grinnell has placed at his disposal the Advance, and the Secretary of the Navy has assigned him to special duty for the conduct of a new Expedition, the details and outlines of which are thus described:

"My plan of search is based upon the probable extension of the land masses of Greenland to the far North—a view yet to be verified by travel, but sustained by the *analogies* of Physical Geography.

Believing then in such an extension of Greenland, and feeling that the search for Sir John Franklin is best promoted by a course which will lead directly to the open sea. Feeling too, that the approximation of the meridians would make access to the west as easy from Northern Greenland as from Wellington Channel, and access to the east far more easy. Feeling too that the highest protruding headland will be most likely to afford some trace of the last party, I am led to propose and attempt this line search."

Dr. Kane believes that there is a large *open* sea about the North Pole, which Sir John Franklin has probably reached, and that the best way to reach that sea is by following the coast of Greenland, overland to the North. He says:

"The starting point I would endeavor to attain, would be the highest attainable point of Baffin's Bay, from, if possible, pursuing the Sound known as Smith's Sound, advocated by Baron Wrangell, as the most eligible site for reaching the North Pole.

As a point of departure, this is two hundred and twenty miles to the north of Beechey Island—the starting point of Sir Edward Belcher—and seventy miles north of the utmost limits seen or recorded in Wellington Channel.

The party should consist of some thirty men, with a couple of launches, sledges, dogs and gutta percha boats. The provisions will be Pemmican—a preparation of dried meat, packed in cases, impregnable to the appetite of the Polar bear.

We shall leave the United States in time to reach the Bay at the earliest season of navigation. The brig furnished by Mr. Grinnell for this purpose, is admirably strengthened and fully equipped to meet the peculiar trials of the service. After reaching the settlement of Upernavik, we take in a supply of Esquimaux dogs, and a few picked men to take charge of the sledges.

We then enter the ice of Melville Bay, and, if successful in its penetration, hasten to Smith's Sound, forcing our vessel to the utmost navigable point, and there securing her for the winter.

The winter is to be spent in preparing for the journey overland, which is to be accomplished on sledges drawn by dogs.

The sledges which constitute so important a feature of our Expedition, and upon which not only our success but our safety will depend, are to be constructed with extreme care. Each sledge will carry the blanket, bags and furs of six men, together with a measured allowance of Pemmican. A light tent of India Rubber cloth of a new pattern, will be added, but for our nightly halt the main dependence will be the snow house of the Esquimaux. It is almost incredible, in the face of what obstacles, to what extent a well-organized sledge party can advance.

Alcohol or tallow is the only fuel, and the entire cooking apparatus which is more for thawing the snow for tea water than for heating food—can be carried in a little bag. Lieut. McClintock, of Commander Austen's expedient, travelled thus 800 miles.

But the greatest sledge journey upon record is that of my friend Mr. Kennedy, who accomplished nearly 1400 miles, most of it in mid-winter, without returning upon his track to avail himself of deposited provisions. His only food—and we may here learn the practical lesson of the traveller to avoid unnecessary baggage—was Pemmican, and his only shelter the *Snow House*.

It is my intention to cover each sledge with a gutta percha boat—a contrivance which the experience of the English has shown to be perfectly portable. Thus equipped, we follow the tread of the coast, seeking the *open water*.

Once there, if such a reward awaits us, we launch our little boats, and, bidding God speed us, embark upon its waters.'

PUBLIC READINGS.—We are gratified at being able to state that Wm. J. Ross, Esq., will give two "Public Readings"—one on Tuesday night and the other on Thursday night. Subject, the Festivities and Celebrations of the Christmas Season, with selected recitations from the best authors. The place and hour will be announced to-morrow.

Mr. Ross is a Pittsburgher, and a man of fine talents and varied acquirements. The entertainments he proposes will doubtless merit the most liberal patronage. We bespeak for him the kind regards of all who wish to spend an hour pleasantly and at the same time encourage a deserving fellow-citizen.

FROM NEW YORK.

Correspondence of the Daily Pittsburgh Gazette.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16, 1852.

The banks of the city have, for a few days, been calling in their short loans, and forcing weak holders of stocks to realize at something less than the expected profits. This cautious policy on the part of the banks is caused by their ignorance of the data upon which they must make up their quarterly report to the Comptroller. Most of our banks being managed by ignoramuses in finance, all sorts of blunders are created in this quarterly report, to the no small loss of their customers. To-day the supply of money is rather better, and after the banks make their report, we shall have abundance again at any prices.

Dr. Kane, of the Grinnell Exploring Expedition, read an exceedingly elaborate and interesting paper a few nights ago, before the Geographical society, upon the Arctic Regions, and announced that another expedition will depart next season for Greenland. The party will push northward by ship as far as possible consistent with prudence, and thence push their way over land on sledges, to the point of their proposed examination. Dr. Kane is confident that with sledges properly organized and equipped, a much more satisfactory exploration can be made, than by any other method; and he hazards the prediction that he can reach an open sea beyond the present impassable barrier of ice.

Yesterday fire was applied to the engines of the Caloric Ship, with a result that is completely satisfactory to all. Her wheels were turned at the rate of five revolutions per minute while at the dock, which is equal to eleven turns when under weigh. The wheels were kept moving several hours, and upon her trial trip she is expected to do as well as most ships of the present day, and to far surpass the first efforts of such ships as the Great Western and President of the old school.

The Methodist Church case is, after all, destined to be taken to Washington, for settlement by a full bench; as Judges Betts and Nelson are unable to agree upon certain points. The sooner it is settled the better, for no harmony can subsist until this thorn of a lawsuit is withdrawn.

The Art Union pictures were brought to the hammer yesterday and this afternoon, and realized very satisfactory prices. None of the pictures brought quite as high a price as the gem Marshal Soult "hooked" in Spain, but still sold at their full commercial value by which, after all, "art" has to be estimated. It is now said that the value of the lease-hold property, upon which the Art Union room stands is so great that the stockholders of the present season will not be losers to the value of anything. The reserved fund is also understood to be quite large, and sufficient to cover any depreciation in the value of pictures from the prices paid the artists.

The city railroad fever has broken out again, and the sixth avenue line has commenced to extend itself down to the battery. The Broadway swindle has not been consummated, but it certainly will be. The managers make nothing of offering three thousand dollars fees for an opinion of half a dozen lines, that it is all correct, as passed by those honest gentry that compose our Common Council. So great is the amount of our taxes, and so large the proposed increase next year, that real estate holders have commenced an organization, looking to a change in the mode of paying the tax. The plan now proposed is to make the tenants pay, thus bringing home more closely to voters the atrocious swindles our *city rulers* perpetrate. This suggestion is full of meaning, and will soon, if carried into effect, sweep out of office any thing like a *loco foco*, (a bad breed, with great aptitude for *spending*, and no disposition for honest labor,) and give us a city government capable of putting down the hordes of scoundrels who now make our streets unsafe. C.

NEW YORK CANAL COMMERCE.—It is estimated that during the present year the increased value of flour, grain, beef, pork, butter and lard, transported over the New York canals will amount to $7,677,000. In corn, rye, bacon and cheese, there will be a decrease in the value of all. In corn and rye the receipts at tide water have fallen off materially compared with last year. Cheese has fallen off about 9,000,000 pounds, owing to railway competition, and bacon a decline in the receipts of 1,000,000 lbs.

In Milford, Mass., there are many young men at work on boots, who make one hundred dollars per month!

FROM WASHINGTON.

Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Daily Gazette.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15, 1852.

Notwithstanding the disguises it has subsequently assumed, I cannot look upon Mr. Brooks' resolution as anything but a free trade movement. If Mr. Brooks is not ambitious of playing the renegade on this question, after the models now so popular in England then I have mistaken his motives. Sincerely attached to the doctrine of protection to national industry by the legislation of Congress, as a political principle, I have deprecated from the beginning this opening of the question at the present session. The cause can gain nothing from agitation here and now; if it have any result at all, it will be to assist the effort to remove the duty upon railroad iron. Fortunately the debate cannot long continue, for I understand that the Committee of Ways and Means are determined to push forward the appropriation bills, and the mass of other important business pressed forward, too, by powerful influences, will cut short discussion upon mere abstractions. You will observe how eagerly the ultra free trade democrats have availed themselves of the opportunity to insist upon a general reduction of the present tariff.

In the various recommendations and suggestions of change, it is common to hear it said that wool, being a raw material and entering largely into one of our most important manufactures, ought to be duty free. I entirely dissent from this. Wool, it is true, is a natural product which may be produced in considerable abundance without any protection, but there is no article which is susceptible of greater improvement, and that improvement generally follows good prices. That fact is shown very clearly in the Census report, the returns of which prove that the weight of a sheep's fleece in Vermont, Massachusetts and New York is nearly double what it was ten years ago.

The House followed the Senate's example, today, in honoring the memory of Mr. Webster, by testifying its sense of his high abilities and statesmanlike character. But in both bodies it occurred to me that the addresses were of an order indicating a decline in eloquence and oratorical talent.

The Union having dropped the Lemmon case, that horrible outrage upon the South lately committed in New York, has taken up St. Domingo. The Union is glad and it is sorry that the French have established themselves on the Peninsula of Samana, in the Dominican republic, which is said to be a sort of Haytian Gibraltar. It is glad, because with French assistance, the Dominicans, who are a mongrel brood of mulattoes, Moorish Spaniards, and half and half French and Mestizoes, will be enabled to overrun the western end of the island, now under the dominion of the Emperor Faustin 1st, and reduce all the black rascals resident therein, to Slavery. We can't say anything in favor of Monsieur Soloque, or Faustin 1st. He ought to have had the good sense to have continued a good colored republican, whereas he chose to set up for a nigger Emperor. But there is no proof that he is not a more honest and respectable Emperor than the white rascal over the water, who has just imitated him, in his imperial usurpation. On the other hand, the Union is very sorry, that by fortifying Samana, the French will be able to annoy and harrass our trade around Cape Horn, and will also make a sad encroachment on the Monroe doctrine, of no further European colonization in America. In all this, one clearly enough perceives that the central organ of Democracy is only alarmed lest France shall have the first grab at Hayti, which it already looks upon as an American colony.

The city is filling up. We are about to have a gay season. The President had a pleasant reception yesterday morning, which was attended by a brilliant assemblage of beauty, distinction and fashion. Stylish and expensive equipages are the rage. I have never known them half so numerous. They shew the increasing wealth and luxury of the country.

Among the work laid out for Congress this winter, is the adoption of plans for providing official residences for the heads of the departments, and for supplying the city with water by a permanent aqueduct. The Secretary of the Interior very justly and appositely calls the attention of Congress to the rise in prices, and comparative depreciation of money, since the salaries of these high officers were fixed sixty years ago. He says that three thousand dollars then would purchase more than six thousand dollars will now. It is probable that Congress will order the demolition of the rickety old buildings surrounding the White House, now occupied by the State, War and Navy Departments, and authorise the erection of their sites of suitable mansions for the Cabinet Ministers. JUNIUS.

DEATH OF SEGUIN, THE VOCALIST.

We learn from the New York Herald, that Mr Edward S. Seguin, the well known vocalist, died at his residence in that city on Monday. He was born in London, April 7, 1809, and was a member of the London Academy of Music, from which he retired in 1830, having gained all the honors of the academy. In the following year he made his first appearance on the English stage, at the Queen's theatre, under the management of McFarren, on the 3d of February, 1831, and made his *debut* in the character of Polyphemus, in Handel's "Acis and Galatea." Mr. Seguin became a great popular favorite, and enjoyed profitable engagements at the Italian Opera House, and the theatres of Covent Garden and Drury Lane. He came to this country in 1838, and made his first appearance on the American stage at the old National theatre, in New York, on the 15th of October in that year. Here Mr. Seguin played as a star, having made his *debut* as General Von del Zelmar in the opera of 'Amelie.' He subsequently visited, professionally, the principal cities of the United States, and maintained an excellent reputation as a bass singer and comic actor. Mr. Seguin had been unwell for some time past, and had become quite thin and emaciated, though his voice had lost little of its power. While at rehearsal about three weeks since he was observed to become suddenly ill and faint, and had to be accommodated with a chair. He was immediately sent in a carriage to his residence, and has not visited the theatre since. His disease was an affection of the heart. Mr. Seguin has left a handsome competence to his family consisting of a wife and four children. Mrs. Seguin is an accomplished lady and vocalist. She has withdrawn from the stage, and at present devotes her time to the teaching of music and singing.

PREMIUM HOGS.—At Jackson, Owsley & Co.'s 1,000 hogs were killed yesterday which will average over 300 pounds net. They were bought from Boyle and Mercer.

Two hogs killed at the same house and belonging to Mr. Worley, of Boyle, weighed 1,348 lbs. net; 6 hogs belonging to Mr. Moore, of Clarke, averaged 628 lbs. gross—one of them weighing 830lbs. gross; and 6 hogs belonging to Mr. Sam. Clay of Bourbon, averaged 608 lbs. gross. The latter took the premium at the last Bourbon Agricultural Fair.—*Lou. Courier*

THE ASPDEN WILL CASE.—The U. S. Supreme Court, it is said, is equally divided on the Aspden will case from Philadelphia. This affirms the judgment of Mr. Justice Grier in the court below, and gives the estate to the American heirs of the half-blood.

PROSCRIBED PIGEONS.—The Austrian Police of Parma, the famous little Duchy which was once transferred to Maria Louisa, the widow of Napoleon, has recently discovered that carrier pigeons may be made the means of diffusing political heresies, and so have made war upon that poor harmless race, which they have exterminated.

An iron manufacturer at Covington, Ky., has realized $50,000 by the late rise in iron.

John P. Hale, it is now said, will not take up his residence in the City of New York, but will remain in New Hampshire to run for Congress in Amos Tuck's district.

On Sunday we visited all the por[illegible] in the city. Notwithstanding its bein[illegible], they were all in full operation. On [illegible] pork-house of Huffman, Cunningham [illegible] saw a large number of little girls c[illegible] a room in the second story, and on in[illegible] ed that that part of the house was [illegible] Sunday school, under the superint[illegible] Mrs. Huffman. This is certainly [illegible] tastes.—*Lou. Journal.*

The grave-diggers in Saint Jago, [illegible] become so panic struck at the ravages [illegible] that they utterly refuse to assist at the burial of the dead.

The two Generals now at the head of the British Army, Lord Hardinge and Somerset, [illegible] between them two arms, the pairs be[illegible] on the field of battle.

Meat Cakes made at Galveston, Texas [illegible] ing a large sale in England. They are a [illegible] ent of flour and good meat mixed tog[illegible] then dried. They will last for years, [illegible] highly nutritious.

LARD.

☞ R. WATSON is now engaged in slaughtering 4,000 Hogs, and will have constantly on hand a large stock of Bulk Pork of his own curing; also, a No. 1 article of Lard, in bbls and kegs, for sale at his Ware House, corner of Liberty and Wayne Streets. nov23:lm*

M'Lane's Vermifuge.

☞ The effects of this truly extraordinary medicine are most satisfactory in all cases in which it has been tried. No other medicine has ever produced such effects so instantaneously. It has only to be administered, and relief follows as a matter of course. It has been used in the practice of the best physicians of our country, and by them been pronounced equal, if not superior to any medicine ever offered for the expulsion of worms. Read the following—

George Maxwell, Augusta, Ohio, has used it with great effect in his family, and has sold large quantities, which have given the highest satisfaction.

J H Cutter, merchant, Louisville, administered a dose to his child, who discharged a quart of worms. He had tried other Vermifuge in vain.

D J & J W Cotton, Winchester, Indiana, happened to get a lot from an agent, which was soon sold out, and proving highly efficacious, became very popular, and sold more rapidly than any other Vermifuge.

For sale by most Merchants and Druggists in town and country, and by the sole proprietors.

J KIDD & CO., 60 Wood street. dec18:d&w8

Scrofula.

☞ IT is due to Kier's Petroleum to say that it has been known to completely eradicate every vestige of this dreadful disease in less time than any other remedy, and at less cost or inconvenience to the patient.

The thousands of certificates in the hands of the proprietor, many of which are from well known citizens of the city of Pittsburgh and its immediate vicinity, go to show clearly and beyond all doubt, that KIER'S PETROLEUM is a medicine of no common value, not only as a local remedy in Paralysis, Rheumatism, Deafness, loss of Sight, but as a valuable internal remedy, inviting the investigating physicians, as well as the suffering patient, to become acquainted with its merits.

Those having a dread of mixtures are assured that this medicine is purely natural, and is bottled as it flows from the bosom of the earth.

The following certificate is copied from a paper published at Syracuse, New York, and bears date August 2, 1852, to which is also appended the certificate of the celebrated D. Y. Foot, M. D., of Syracuse:

This may in truth certify, that I have been so badly afflicted with Scrofula for the last seven years, that most of the time I have been unable to attend to any kind of business, and much of the time unable to walk, and confined to my bed, and have been treated nearly all the time by the best physicians our country affords; I occasionally got some relief, but no cure, and continued to grow worse, until Dr. Foot recommended me to try the Petroleum, or Rock Oil, as every thing else had failed. I did so without faith at first, but the effect was astonishing; it threw the poison to the surface at once, and I at once began to grow better, and by using seven bottles, I have got a cure worth thousands of dollars. MRS. NANCY M. BARKER.

This may certify that I have been acquainted with Kier's Petroleum, or Rock Oil, for more than a year, and have repeatedly witnessed its beneficial effects in the cure of indolent ulcers, and other diseases for which it is recommended, and can with confidence recommend it to be a medicine worthy of attention, and can safely say that success has attended its use, where other medicine had failed. D. Y. FOOT, M. D.

For sale by all the Druggists in Pittsburgh. aug30d&w

☞ WINES, &c—Persons wishing to purchase FOREIGN WINES AND LIQUORS of all descriptions, pure as imported, can obtain them, at the lowest prices, at the Wine Store of JACOB WEAVER, Jr., Market and Front streets. oc15

W. A. M'CLURG & CO.,

HAVE REMOVED TO THE CORNER OF WOOD AND SIXTH STREETS,

WHERE they offer to their old customers and the public generally, at the lowest rates, Wholesale and Retail, the largest, most select and complete Stock of

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GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHING MADE EXCLUSIVELY to order, and warranted to suit. Has constantly on hand a choice assortment of CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, VESTINGS and OVERCOATING, OF THE LATEST STYLES.

Selected expressly for the custom trade. Gentlemen leaving their orders will have their wishes consulted and complied with, as all work is done under his own supervision.

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MANUFACTURERS of Gun-Barrels, Cast Steel and Hammered Shovels, Spades, Solid Box Vices, Hoes, Hay and Manure forks.

All articles made of the best materials, and warranted equal to if not superior to any in the market. Merchants and others wishing to purchase will find it to their advantage to call and examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere. se15

MARRIED,

On Tuesday evening, the 14th instant by the Rev. Dr. Swift, Miss MARGARETTA S. PARK and ALGERNON S. BELL, both of Allegheny City.

By the Rev. Mr. Torrance, on Tuesday the 14th inst., at New Alexandria, Westmoreland county, Dr. I. W. SNOWDEN, of Tarentum, Allegheny county, to Miss M. E. COOK, second daughter of Joseph Cook, Esq., of the former place.

Holiday Presents.

GENTLEMEN'S Dressing Cases, Bohemian and French Toilet Bottles, Spa Boxes, Odor Boxes, Fancy Boxes, Cut Fanpeneis, Portmonaies, Fine Water Colors, Fine Perfumery, Toilet Cologne, &c., for sale by JOHN S. IRWIN, de20 No. 58 Market street.

POST OFFICE PAPER of Superior quality received and for sale, at the Wall Paper Warehouse, No. 55 Market st. by THOMAS PALMER.

SIENNA MARBLE PAPER a very beautiful paper for Halls, Offices, &c., for sale by de20 THOMAS PALMER, 55 Market st.

Country Residence for Sale.

A LARGE two story Brick House, and about three quarters of an acre of ground, in Lawrenceville, near the Greensburgh Turnpike, and adjoining the grounds of the United States Arsenal. Apply to J W PIERCE, on the premises.

Allegheny Valley Rail Road Lettings.

SEALED Proposals will be received at the Company's Office, in Fourth street, Pittsburgh, until the 3d day of February, 1853, for doing the Grading, Masonry, and Bridging on the portion of said Road, between Pittsburgh and Kittanning, in Armstrong County, a distance of 44 miles. The line will be divided into sections of about one mile each, and bids may be made for one or more, or all of said sections.

Plans, Profiles and Specifications will be ready for inspection on and after the 20th day of February.

Proposals will be received for the Grading, Masonry, and Bridging, and also for the superstructure, and finishing said 44 miles, complete, (except furnishing iron.) Bids will be received for constructing the entire work (except furnishing iron,) from Pittsburgh to the New York State line.

Satisfactory references will be expected from bidders not personally known to the Company.

For further information, application may be made, personally, or by letter, to Hon. Wm. F. Johnston, President of the Company, to George R. Rickhaum, Esq., Associate Engineer, or to the subscriber. MILNOR ROBERTS, Chief Engineer.

By order of the Board of Managers.

Office Allegheny Valley Rail Road Company, Pittsburgh, December 20th, 1852. de20:td&wtdlet

American Rail Road Journal, N. Y.; American Railway Times, Boston; Tribune and Herald, New York; National Intelligencer, D. C.; American, Rochester; Commercial Advertiser, Buffalo; Armstrong Democrat and Free Press; Clarion Register and Democrat; Jeffersonian Star; Elk County Advocate; McKean County News. The above named papers will copy weekly till day of letting, and charge Gazette.

OIL—15 bbls. winter strained Lard Oil; landing and for sale by de20 O BLACKBURN & CO.

CHEESE—1009 lbs. Extra Cream Cheese rec'd and for sale at FRANCE'S Family Grocery and Tea Store, corner Federal and Water streets, Allegheny.

FRUITS, NUTS, &c.—
Seedless Raisins, 12½ cents per pound.
Prime Bunch Raisins, 12½c
Prunes 10c
Best Zante Currants, 10c
Prime Valencia Raisins 10c
Candid Lemon and Citron.
Almonds, Filberts, and Cream Nuts.
Fire Crackers, Torpedoes, and Fire Wheels, &c.
For sale at FRANCE'S Family Grocery and Tea Store, corner Federal and Water streets, Allegheny. de20

APPLES—2 casks Dried Apples, received and for sale by de20 VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

BUTTER—9 casks Prime, received this day by VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

BLACKING—1 cask Mason's, for sale by de20 VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

CHEESE—40 Epicurean, on hand and for sale by VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

SUGAR—32 hhds new crop, landing and for sale by [de20] JOHN WATT & CO.

SALMON—450 bbls new Lake Superior, arriving and for sale by JOHN WATT & CO.

CODFISH—50 drums and tierces Grand Bank, large size, on hand and for sale by de20 JOHN WATT & CO.

MACKEREL and HERRING—
20 bbls No. 3 Mackerel;
50 bbls No. 1 do;
100 bbls gib'd Herrings
For sale by JOHN WATT & CO.

CHEESE—250 boxes W. R., on hand and for sale by [de20] JOHN WATT & CO.

BUTTER—4 bbls prime Roll;
10 kegs do Packed;
For sale by [de20] JOHN WATT & CO.

BLANKETS—Just received and for sale low, a large assortment of superior Blankets, of all sizes and qualities, by [de20] WILLIAM NOBLE.

MAGAZINES and GIFT BOOKS—
Godey's Lady's Book, for January;
Graham's Magazine;
Peterson's Magazine;
Uncle Tom's Cabin, cheap edition, price 37½ cts.;
Uncle Tom's Cabin, illustrated edition in one vol. extra gilt and gilt edge, $2.50;
Uncle Tom's Cabin, plain, 1.50.
A large assortment of Annuals and Gift Books, for the Holidays, just received this day at W. A. GILDENFENNEY & CO.'S, de20 No. 76 Fourth street.

Six Cents Reward.

RUN away from the subscriber, on the 23d of October last, R. W. PIERCE, an indented apprentice to the Blacksmithing Business. The above reward will be given to any person bringing said boy back to the subscriber. DAVID COUCH, Noblestown, Allegheny County Pa. de20:3t*

Holiday Gifts.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends, and the public generally, that his Stock for the coming season, is now complete, consisting in part, of Papier Mache Ware; Rosewood and Mahogany Work Boxes and Writing Desks; Cabas; Portmonaies; Gold Jewelry; Card Cases, &c., together with a large and well selected assortment of Toys, imported direct from France, and Germany, by himself, which he offers for sale at the lowest cash prices. C. YEAGER, 110 Market st., de18:d2w Pittsburgh.

Caution.

A CHECK was remitted to us from Jefferson Co., Pa., on the 27th ult., for $600, drawn by or on the Merchants Bank, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., which has not been received. A Check answering the above description, with our endorsement forged, was offered at the Bank... [illegible] ... ROBERT DALZELL & CO.

CARB. MAGNESIA—500 lbs. English for sale by J KIDD & CO., 60 Wood street.

PRUSIATE POTASH—409 lbs. in store, and for sale by [de18] J KIDD & CO.

FILTERING PAPER—20 reams German and English, for sale by J KIDD & CO.

BALSAM COPAIBA—100 lbs pure, for sale by [de18] J KIDD & CO.

LARD OIL—15 bbls. No. 1 in store, and for sale by [de18] J KIDD & CO.

GUM EUPHORBIUM—50 lbs in store, and for sale by [de18] J KIDD & CO.

QUININE—100 lbs. for sale by de18 J KIDD & CO.

SUGAR—55 hhds. new crop Sugar landing from steamer Twin City, and for sale by de18 JAS A HUTCHISON & CO.

MOLASSES—67 bbls. N O, new crop, now landing from steamer Equinox, and for sale by de18 JAS. A HUTCHISON & CO.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN; a new edition for the million, price 37½ cents; just rec'd. Also, "The Ocean Born," a tale of the Southern Seas, by Stuart Adie Godman, author of the Opium Smuggler, &c. &c.
For sale by W. A. GILDENFENNEY & CO., de17 76 Fourth street.

SUNDRIES—
250 bags Rio Coffee.
50 bbls. N O Molasses.
10 hhds N O Sugar.
100 bxs Window Glass, assorted sizes.
200 kegs assorted Nails.
50 boxes Tobacco.
15 kegs Va. Twist.
40 half chests Young Hyson and Black Teas.
15 bbls Lake Trout.
25 half bbls. Lake Trout.
30 doz. n Kips and Upper Leather.
250.0 Havana Cigars. In store and for sale by
de17 McGILLS & R—R, No. 257 Liberty st.

Card.

MESSRS. TODD & SMITH, Attorneys at Law, No. 144, Fourth street, will attend to my professional business during my absence.
de11:tf GEORGE P GILMORE.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—103 sks. (50 lbs. each) a handsome article; rec'd and for sale by de17 R W POINDEXTER, 63 Water st.

HIDES—2000 Beef Hides in store and to arrive; for sale by [de17] S. HARBAUGH.

MILLER'S COUGH SYRUP, For Coughs, Colds, Influenza, Asthma, Hooping Cough, and the various affections of the Lungs. This valuable medicine has been in use, with universal success, for the last 16 years, and we confidently recommend it as being the best remedy for the above complaints now in use. It is a happy combination of expectorant, diaphoretic, and anodyne medicines, compounded upon regular pharmaceutical principles. It has been and is still prescribed by many of our physicians. It was a favorite prescription of an eminent physician of this city, (the late Dr. Agnew.) All we ask is to give it a fair trial. Prepared and sold by L WILCOX & CO., 84 Market st., de17 and 56 Smithfield street.

Governors for Steam Engines.

THE subscriber having the General Agency for the sale of Pitcher's Hydraulic Governors, the only one that received a medal at the Fair of the American Institute in 1852, is now preparing to attach the same to Steam Engines, and warrants them to give a regular and steady motion to the Engine—Engines making 60 revolutions per minute, can be held, regardless of the kind of work to be performed, so as not to vary more than one half of one revolution per minute. For further particulars, address T SWAN, Jr., de17:d6m care of Thompson & Hitchcock.

TAKE care of your Lungs, if you do not wish to die of Consumption.

PITTSBURGH, April 15, 1847.

Mr. R E Sellers—Dear Sir: I have on several occasions expressed to you personally, the high estimation in which from having made use of it for several years in my family, I hold your "Imperial Cough Syrup." I have never known it to fail in relieving Coughs, Colds, or oppression of the Lungs, when used promptly, and according to your directions. I have given it to infant children with highly beneficial effects, and so far as my own case is concerned, a dose taken at night before retiring has invariably relieved me from coughs, or any disagreeable tickling of the chest. I always keep it in my house, and would not, on any account be without it.

Every person who may use it, will pronounce it an agreeable, mild, yet highly effective cough medicine, which, in a climate as changeable as ours, cannot fail to prove a great benefit to all who may give it a trial.
Yours, respectfully, WM. H. WHITNEY,
Editor Pittsburgh Daily Chronicle.

☞ For sale, wholesale and retail, by R E SELLERS, No. 57, Wood st., Pittsburgh, Pa., and by Druggists in town and country. de17

BEANS—50 bu just rec'd for sale by de17 J T & J J BOONE, 207 Liberty st.

DEER HAIR—200 lbs in store, and for sale by [de17] J T & J J BOONE.

TANNERS' SCRAPS—3000 lbs just rec'd and for sale by J T & J J BOONE.

WANTED—1000 lbs. Tub Wool, by de17 J T & J J BOONE.

WANTED—2000 bu. Dried Apples, by de17 J T & J J BOONE.

TOW LINES—300 yards in store, and for sale by de17 J T & J J BOONE.

PITCH—10 bbls. just rec'd and for sale by de15 J T & J J BOONE.

Citizens' Insurance Company.

PITTSBURGH, December 15, 1852.

THE President and Directors of this Company have this day declared a dividend of Two Dollars and Fifty Cents per share, upon the capital stock, payable to the Stock-holders, or their legal representatives, forthwith. SAMUEL L MARSHELL, de16:d3t Secretary.

HOLIDAY HATS. McCORD & CO.,

RESPECTFULLY invite Gentlemen to call and examine their beautiful style of Hats got up expressly for the holidays.
de16 CORNER WOOD AND FIFTH STS.

REUBEN MICKEL, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, M'Keesport, Allegheny County, Pa.
N.B. Special and prompt attention given to Collecting, and Conveyancing carefully attended to. de15-ly

Cleveland & Pittsburgh R.R.

FIFTY Shares of this Stock wanted at No. 75 Fourth st. [de16] A WILKINS & CO.

Copper Stocks Wanted.

15 SHARES Cliff Mine.
50 " North American.
50 " Copper Falls.
100 " Toltec.
100 " North Western.
100 " Dana. [de16] A WILKINS & CO.

DRIED PEACHES—50 bu. rec'd by de16 W A McCLURG & CO. Wood and Sixth sts.

SOAP & CANDLES—
40 boxes Cincinnati Mould Candles,
35 do extra No. 1 Soap for sale by de16 W. A. McCLURG & CO.

HOMINY—10 bbls. Cincinnati, rec'd by de16 W. A. McCLURG & CO.

St. Peters Episcopal Church—Public Sale of Pews.

THIS Splendid Gothic Church being now completed, will be opened for Divine Service on Sunday next, the 19th instant, at 10½ o'clock. The m. and 3 o'clock, p. m.
A public sale of the Pews will be held in the Church Edifice, on Tuesday morning, 21st inst., at 10 o'clock. The building will be open on Monday to afford opportunity to select Pews.
Terms—One fourth cash, residue payable by notes at 6, 12, and 18 months with interest. By order of the Committee.
de16 P M DAVIS, Auctioneer.

CASH FOR WHEAT!

PEARL STEAM MILL;

CANAL BASIN, ALLEGHENY CITY.

(NEAR THE RAIL ROAD STATION.)

BRYAN, KENNEDY & CO.,
John V. Logan, Wm. Bagaley,
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Henry P. Schwartz.

ON AND AFTER THE FIRST OF JANUARY, *We will pay the highest market price in Cash for Wheat, at our Mill.* de15-wtf

At Private Sale.

A VALUABLE property, situated in the flourishing town of Salem, Columbiana Co., 60 miles from Pittsburgh, on the line of the Ohio & Penna. R.R. The improvements are, an excellent Brick Store House, 40 by 22 feet, and a two story Brick Dwelling House, adjoining, with three large rooms on the first floor, and a Hall running through the House, 5 rooms on the second floor—well of excellent water on the porch, and a cistern attached; wood house, wash house. Barn and Wool house; a variety of fruit trees on the Lot; also, five fine Catawba and Isabella Grape Vines, in bearing condition. This is an excellent stand for business, it having been for many years, and now is, one of the best in the place. The subscriber being desirous of changing his business, offers this desirable property for sale. Price, $3,300. Payments made to suit purchaser.
For particulars, enquire of SAMUEL CHEESMAN, de15:d1w twltT Ticket Agent, Salem Depot.

New Orleans Funds.

EXCHANGE on New Orleans, for sale in sums to suit purchasers.
WM. A. HILL & CO., Bankers, de17-d&w3w8 64 Wood street, near Fourth.

NEW SEED STORE. James Wardrop,

OFFERS for sale CANARY BIRDS of the most approved breed, being very hardy and fine singers. Bird Seeds—Canary, Hemp, Millet, Rape and Mixed Seed. Bouquets will be furnished composed of the finest FLOWERS, viz:Camellias, Rose Buds, Heliotropes, &c. Evergreens (in pots) for Christmas Trees, from the Seed and Horticultural STORE, No. 49 Fifth street, near Wood. de15

BLACK GOODS—Murphy & Burchfield have now a very full assortment of Mourning Goods, including—French Merinoes; Coburgs and Paramettoes; Silk Warp; Thibet Merinos; Mouse Delaines; Bombazines and Bombazine Alpacas; black Canton Crapes; Mourning Prints, &c. de15

PETERSON'S NATIONAL MAGAZINE for January, 1853;
The Private Life of Daniel Webster, by Charles Lanman;
Frank Freeman's Barber Shop, by Rev. Bayard R. Hall, D. D., author of "Something for Everybody."
Romance of Student Life, by Richard S. Kimball.
Just received and for sale at W. A. GILDENFENNEY & CO'S de15 No. 76 Fourth street.

CLOAKS, CLOAKS—A. A. Mason & Co. will open, this morning, a beautiful assortment of Cloth and Paramatta Cloaks of the newest and most fashionable styles. de15

FRENCH MERINOES—A. A. Mason & Co. keep constantly on hand a large and rich assortment of the best qualities of French Merinoes, Paramattas, Coburgs, Alpacas, &c. &c. de15

GREEK MERINOES—Murphy & Burchfield have a few patterns left of this new and handsome article, for ladies' dresses; also, choice shades of French Merinoes and Coburgs. de15

SUNDRIES—
20 bbls. Tallow,
50 bus. Cloverseed,
4 bbls. fresh roll butter; Rec'd and for sale by
de15 S F SHRIVER & CO.

GROUND NUTS—379 sacks now landing from steamer H T Yeatman; for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. de15 Water and Front sts.

NAIL RODS—10,000 lbs Slit Nail Rods, for sale by de15 VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

FLAXSEED—300 bushels in store and for sale by [de15] S. HARBAUGH.

BUTTER—10 boxes Fresh Butter, rec'd and for sale by [de15] S. HARBAUGH.

SUGAR—10 hhds prime N. O. Sugar, in store and for sale by S. HARBAUGH.

WANTED—1000 bbls Flour, de15 SPRINGER HARBAUGH.

WHITING—125 bbls, for sale by de15 B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

SALAD OIL—75 baskets (fresh) for sale by [de15] B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

VEN. RED—50 bbls English, for sale by de15 B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

POW'D ANTIMONY—200 lbs. for sale by de15 B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE.

JOSEPH C. FOSTER — LESSEE AND MANAGER.
J. P. BRELSFORD — STAGE MANAGER.
☞ Doors open at 6¼ o'clock; Performance commence at 7 o'clock.

PRICE OF ADMISSION:

Box	50 cents.
Second Seats	25
Private Box	$1.00
Second Tier	25

☞ Seats may be secured at the Box Office, during the day, without extra charge.

GRAND FESTIVAL NIGHT—COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT to MRS. FARREN.

THIS EVENING, December 20th, the performances will commence with Sheil's great Tragedy of THE APOSTATE.

Pescara	Mr. Brelsford
Hemeyra	Mr. Boniface
Florinda	Mrs. Farren
Pas Seul	Mrs. Gilbert

After which will be played the affecting and beautiful Drama of

CLARI; THE MAID OF MILAN.

Rolamo	Mr. Brelsford
Clari, (with Song of "Home Sweet Home")	Mrs. Farren
Vespina	Mis Wheeler
Dance	Mrs. Gilbert

To conclude with the new and amusing Farce, (now played for the first time in this country,) entitled THE MILLER OF WHETS ONE.

Fabian Leslie	Mr. Boniface
Kate Carraway	Mrs Farren
Cyprian Gladley	Miss. Wheeler

ORIGINAL NEW ORLEANS OPERA TROUPE.

S. S. SANFORD — MANAGER.

WHOSE Concerts throughout the United States, Canada, and the West Indies have for many years created a *furore* of excitement unexampled in the musical world, and whose Soirees, and Unique Operas, in all the principal cities of Great Britain, were nightly witnessed by crowded audiences, comprising the elite of the land, including Queen VICTORIA and ROYAL FAMILY, at whose especial request they appeared on several occasions at the ST. JAMES THEATRE, London.

The public are respectfully informed that the talented troupe give a series of their recherche Entertainments in Pittsburgh, at the MASONIC HALL, commencing on Monday Evening, December 20th.

Doors open at 7; the Overture will commence at 8, precisely.

Cards of Admission 50 cents.

A SYNOPSIS of each night's programme will be found in the Bills of the day, and will consist of the Gems of Operas, Original Melodies, Duetts, Glees, Quartettes, Choruses, Overtures, Piano and Violin Solos, concluding with inimitable burlesques on the Italian Operas, including Norma, Il Pirata, La Cenerentola, La Sonnambula, Amilie Il Barbiere de Seviglia, Tancredi, Bohemian Girl, &c. &c.

The intermediate performances will consist of a ludicrous olio illustrative of Southern Cabinlife, in which a melange of Banjo Solos, Comic Dances, Breakdowns, Characteristic Morsels of Wit, Fun and Humor, and all variety of the Negro peculiarities, will be presented by the Ethiopian Troupe.

THE PROPRIETOR, in justice to himself and the talented members of the New Orleans Opera Troupe, deems it proper to caution the public respecting various itinerant bands, who, without one iota of musical talent—acquired or natural—have, in consequence of the immense success and reputation of this Company, with the aid of flaming bills, and inflated advertisements, endeavored to foist upon the community an absurd imitation of the performances originally introduced by the New Orleans Troupe, an entire absence of Vocal or Instrumental ability, a miserable and painful attempt at Wit or Humor—a stereotyped routine of old jokes, culled from old newspapers, a series of absurdities calculated to disgust an intelligent audience, and, in many instances, a failure to fulfil any pecuniary obligations, distinguish these counterfeit Companies from SANFORD'S ORIGINAL TROUPE, whose reputation as Artists and Gentlemen, both in Europe and America, has been established upon an unfailing foundation.

ATHENEUM HALL,

(LIBERTY STREET.)

LAST WEEK—WILL CLOSE ON SATURDAY—BAYNE'S CELEBRATED SERIES of Gigantic Panoramas, entitled

A VOYAGE TO EUROPE!

Embracing magnificent views of Boston, its Harbor, Halifax, the Atlantic, River Mersey, Liverpool.

The Crystal Palace of the World's Fair,

West Minster Abbey, LONDON, from the Thames, passing under the Bridges, and ending with the magnificent view of the THAMES TUNNEL, brilliantly illuminated, and both banks of the beautiful RIVER RHINE.

☞ An Exhibition on Wednesday and Saturday Afternoons, at 3 o'clock.

☞ Admission 25 cents; children under twelve 15 cents.

☞ Doors open at 6¼; Panorama to commence moving at 7½ o'clock. de20

LAST WEEK

OF BAYNE'S GIGANTIC PANORAMAS,

ENTITLED, A VOYAGE TO EUROPE, and CRYSTAL PALACE OF THE WORLD'S FAIR, at the Athenaeum, Liberty street.

Notice—On Christmas Day three Grand Exhibitions, viz: at 10 in the morning, 3 in the afternoon, and at 7½ at night. de20

WILL OPEN FOR A SHORT TIME AT PHILO HALL—THIRD STREET.

ON Monday Evening, December 20th, and continue every evening during the week, and on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, HENDERSON'S CELEBRATED DIORAMAS AND ORIENTAL ILLUSIONS, embracing a series of magnificent Dissolving Views of Cities, Ancient Abbey Ruins, Moonlight in Europe, Egypt, Persia, &c. Each Entertainment will conclude with the far-famed CHEMICAL DIORAMAS, and Hydro-Oxygen Oriental Illusions.

☞ Admission 25 cents; Children under 12 years, 12½c. Doors open at 6½ o'clock, to commence at 7½. de17:d3t

Library Lectures.

HONORABLE HORACE MANN.

THE Hon. HORACE MANN, of Massachusetts, will deliver three Lectures at LAFAYETTE HALL, before the Young Mens Library Association as follows:—

On Thursday evening next 16th inst., (by special request,) to Young Men.

On Friday and Saturday evenings, the 17th and 18th, to Young Women.

Admission 25 cents. Tickets to be had at the door. Doors open at 6½ o'clock. Lectures commencing at 7½, precisely. de13:d6t

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DICKENS' HOUSEHOLD WORDS and UNITED STATES WEEKLY REGISTER.

NEW ARRANGEMENT.—The publication of this periodical will hereafter be carried on by the undersigned, who has become sole proprietor of the work. With the present volume commenced a new series of the work, under the title of "Dickens' Household Words and United States Weekly Register." The original work has attained such an unprecedented popularity both in England and this country, as to render any commendation of it in this place superfluous. For purity and richness of information, vivacity of style, and genial tone of feeling, it has no rival in English periodical literature. It may justly be styled the greatest intellectual labor-saving machine of the age. It gives, in a small compass, the gist of all the useful information of the day...

The "Weekly Register" portion of this work contains a record of important statistics, as well as of other passing events of general interest in the United States.

The present volume of The Household Words commenced with No. 1 of the New Series, with which, and the succeeding numbers, all new subscribers can be furnished.

TERMS.—The Household Words may be obtained of Booksellers, Periodical Agents, or from the Publishers (No. 17 Spruce street) at $2.50 a year, or 6¼ cents a number. Specimen copies of the work will be furnished gratuitously to all who may desire. Clergymen supplied at $1.75 per annum.

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Persons contemplating subscribing to a periodical will do well to procure a specimen number before deciding. All orders must be addressed to

McELRATH & LORD, No. 17 Spruce street, New York.

☞ Agents wanted in the City and for the Country. de16:d1m

DRY PEACHES—11 sacks in store, for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. nov16 Water & Front sts.

GUM MYRRH—200 lbs Turkey and Bombay, for sale by B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

CHAMOMILE FLOWERS—5 bbls for sale by [de15] B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

RHUBARB ROOT—200 lbs selected, for sale by B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

JAMAICA GINGER ROOT—3 bbls for sale by [de15] B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

TAR—50 bbls North Carolina Tar, for sale by VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

NAILS—500 kegs (all sizes) for sale by de15 VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

WOOL—Cash paid for Wool. de15 VON BONNHORST & MURPHY.

TALLOW—4 bbls for sale by de15 HENRY H. COLLINS.

BEANS—8 bbls White Beans, for sale by de15 HENRY H. COLLINS.

BUTTER—3 bbls (packed) for sale by de15 HENRY H. COLLINS.

GREASE—20 bbls No. 1 Grease, just rec'd and for sale by [de15] S. HARBAUGH.

COFFEE—380 bags Rio Coffee, in store and for sale by [de15] S. HARBAUGH.

MOLASSES—50 bbls New Orleans Molasses, (new crop,) just arriving, and for sale by de15 S. HARBAUGH.

SUGAR—10 hhds N. O. Sugar, in store and for sale by SPRINGER HARBAUGH.

FLOUR—100 bbls. Extra and Superfine, just rec'd and for sale by de15 J T & J J BOONE.

DRIED APPLES—200 bushels just rec'd and for sale by J T & J J BOONE.

SHEEP PELTS—720 just rec'd and for sale at 207 Liberty street. de15 J T & J J BOONE.

BUTTER—20 bbls prime Roll, just rec'd for sale by J T & J J BOONE, de15 207 Liberty st.

MOLASSES—50 bbls New Orleans, just received and for sale by de15 J T & J J BOONE.

COFFEE—42 bags prime Rio Coffee just received and for sale by de15 J T & J J BOONE.

BUCKETS—50 doz. Beaver, just rec'd and for sale by J T & J J BOONE.

LEATHER—100 sides red Leather, low to close consignment. J T & J J BOONE.

FEATHERS—1000 lbs. prime, to arrive, for sale by [de15] J T & J J BOONE.

SUGAR—21 hhds. N. O Sugar—just received and for sale by J T & J J BOONE. dec 15.

SUNDRIES—
23 casks Potash;
11 " Pearls,
14 barrels White Fish,
50 " Green Apples,
3 " Leaf Lard,
10 sacks live geese Feathers,
7 " Tanners' Scraps,
1 " Ginseng,
1 " Hops,
50 " Buckwheat Flour; in store and for sale by
de4 WICK & McCANDLESS.

TRANSPARENT WINDOW CURTAINS.—A large assortment of new and very beautiful patterns, rec'd at the Wall Paper Warehouse, No. 55 Market street, and for sale by THOMAS PALMER. de4

BUTTER—5 bbls. prime Roll Butter rec'd per O & Pa. R.R., and for sale by de4 R DALZELL & CO., Liberty street.

APPLES—50 bbls. Green Apples, in store and for sale by R DALZELL & CO.

MARSH'S TRUSSES—The best now in use. A full assortment on hand and for sale by L WILCOX & CO., 84 Market street, de4 and 56 Smithfield street.

SUNDRIES—
100 bales Cotton,
50 bbls. Flax Seed,
14 " No. 1 Lard,
4 " Grease,
35 sacks Feathers,
[illegible] " dry Peaches; now landing from the steamer H T Yeatman; for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO., de3 Water & Front streets.

AUCTION SALES.

Dry Goods, &c., at Auction.

ON Monday morning, December 20th, at 10 o'clock, at the Commercial Sales Rooms, corner of Wood and Fifth streets, will be sold

A large and general assortment of seasonable staple and fancy Dry Goods, comprising super Cloths, Cassimeres, Satinets, Tweeds, Thibet Cloths, Cashmeres, Alpacas, Beaver and Pilot Cloths, Coatings, Jenny Mill Muslins, White Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, Threads, Linseys, Wool Flannels, red, white, and yellow Flannels, Blankets, &c. &c.

At 2 o'clock, p. m. Household and Kitchen Furniture, Glass and Queensware, Table Cutlery, Looking Glasses, Teas, Groceries, &c. &c.
de17 P M DAVIS, Auctioneer.

Perfumery, Fancy Soaps and Variety Goods at Private Sale.

JUST rec'd, and will be offered for a few days, at Davis' Auction Rooms, corner of Wood and Fifth streets:

A large assortment of very superior Colognes, Ox Marrow, Pomatums, Hair Oils, French and English Fancy Soaps, Chinese Floating Soaps, Shaving Creams.

Also, Superior Shell, Tuck and Side Combs, &c. &c. Dealers are invited to call and examine the Stock, which must be closed soon.
de4 P M DAVIS, Auctioneer.

Citizens' Insurance Company.

A MEETING of the Stockholders will be held at the Office of the Company, on Monday the 20th instant, between the hours of 9 o'clock, a.m. and 3 p.m. for the purpose of electing fifteen Directors to serve for the ensuing year. SAMUEL L. MARSHELL, de10:td Secretary.

Wanted.

AT the "Peach Orchard Coal Company," on Big Sandy River, Kentucky, 40 miles from the mouth,
Fifty Coal Diggers,
Ten Mule Drivers,
Ten Boat Builders and Riggers.
Seventy five cents per ton will be paid for digging coal, and liberal wages and steady employment given to drivers and boat builders. Apply to
de13 J DILWORTH, 21 Wood street.

For Rent.

THE House and Grounds at Manchester, commonly known by the name of Rosedale, and comprising some three or four acres of land. Possession can be given immediately. Apply at the office of THOS. WILLIAMS, de11:d1w 4th street.

For Rent.

THE STORE on the corner of Third and Market sts., now occupied by Wm. M. Harsh as a Fancy Store and Gentlemen's Furnishing Rooms, being one of the best business stands in the city. It is elegantly finished and completely furnished. Possession will be given during the present month. For terms, enquire of WM. M. HARSH, or R DGAZZAM, Market street, de14 between Third and Fourth streets.

Pennsylvania Rail Road.

PERSONS having business with the Pennsylvania Rail Road Company West of the Allegheny Mountains are informed

That the repairs of the Road and construction of the second track and Depots have been committed to the Engineer Departments, Edward Miller, Esq., Chief Engineer, office, Philadelphia; assisted by Oliver W. Barnes, Esq., F. A. Engineer, office Pittsburgh, and Geo. V. Leather, Esq., F. A. Engineer, office West Florence, Westmoreland Co.

H J Lombaert, Esq., has been appointed Superintendent, office, Altona, Blair Co., and J. A. Scott Assistant Superintendent, in immediate charge of all matters in relation to the transportation of Freight and Passengers, office at Pittsburgh.

H H Huston, Esq., of Philadelphia, is the General Freight Agent of the Company, charged with the receiving and forwarding of Produce and Merchandise, office at Philadelphia, assisted by J. L. Sneeder, local agent at Philadelphia, and Covode & Graham, at Pittsburgh, until January 1st, 1853.

J. Meskimen is the passenger agent at Pittsburgh.

J. Ross Snowden, Esq. Solicitor of the Company at Pittsburgh. de14:tf

SAND PAPER—60 reams for sale by de15 B. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

POTATOES—180 bbls. choice, well packed, for sale by BELL & LIGGETT, de13 Water street.

BEANS—30 bu. small white, for sale by de13 BELL & LIGGETT.

APPLES—22 bbls. Newtown Pippins, for sale by [de13] BELL & LIGGETT.

REEL & CALLOW, opposite the Post Office, have rec'd
Vols. 9 and 10 Chamber's Papers for the People.
Adventures of an Aid-de-Camp.
The Successful Merchant—352 pages—50 cents.
Basil, a Story of Modern Times.
The Heroine of Tampico; or Wildfire the Wanderer.
Home Scenes and Heart Studies, by Grace Aguilar, fresh supply.
Uncle Tom's Cabin.
Walde-Warren, a Tale of Circumstantial Evidence, by Emmerson Bennett.
A lot of new style Albums, 25 cents to $6.
Gift Books for the Holidays.
Drawing Lessons, &c.
Brother Jonathan for Christmas and New Year.
Thompson's Detector.
A fresh supply of Harper's Magazine, for December.
de13 REEL & CALLOW.

FRUITS—
25 bxs Layer Raisins, New Crop.
50 " Bunch " "
50 " " "
25 " Valencia " for cooking.
25 " " " Old Crop.
10 casks Currants.
5 bxs Citron.
2 " Orange and Lemon Peel.
1 case New Figs, for sale on the best terms by
de11 W A M'CLURG & CO. Sixth & Wood sts.

WOOL—20 sacks in store and for sale by de11 RHEY, MATTHEWS & CO.

NEW BOOKS—Just received.
The Knickerbocker Magazine for December.
My Novel or Varieties of English Life, by Bulwer.
Lord Saxondale, or Life among the London Aristocracy, by G W M Reynolds.
Confessions of Fitzboodle, and Tremendous Adventures of Major Gahagan, by Thackeray.
Knick Knacks from an Editors Table, by L. Gaylord Clark, (fresh supply.)
Pocket Diaries for 1853—adapted to the use of business men in general. For sale by
de14 GILDENFENNEY & CO. 76 Fourth street.

Exchange on the East Reduced.

WE are drawing on Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, at par for specie funds, and three eighths of one per cent. for currency.
de11 A WILKINS & CO., No. 75 Fourth st.

SUGAR HOUSE MOLASSES—50 bbls for sale by [de11] BURBRIDGE & INGHRAM.

LOUISVILLE LIME—150 bbls for sale by [de11] BURBRIDGE & INGHRAM.

GREEN APPLES—50 bbls assorted kinds in store and for sale by RHEY, MATTHEWS & CO.

FLAX SEED—5 sacks in store and for sale by [de11] RHEY, MATTHEWS & CO.

CHESTNUTS—12 bbls. a prime article, in store and for sale by RHEY, MATTHEWS & CO.

FEATHERS—15 sacks, Live Geese, in store and for sale by RHEY, MATTHEWS & CO.

HORSE COVERS—Just received at the "India Rubber Depot," No. 8 India Rubber and Oil Cloth Horse Covers, for sale low by J & H PHILLIPS, No. 116 Market street.

INDIA RUBBER PASTE—This article is warranted to make boots and shoes perfectly waterproof, at the low price of 12½ cts per bottle. For sale by the single one or dozen at No. 116 Market street. de11 J & H PHILLIPS.

BUTTER—2 bbls fresh Roll, rec'd this day and for sale by H H COLLINS.

GOTHIC CHIMNEY TOPS—140 this day rec'd and for sale by [de11] H H COLLINS.

CHEESE—300 bxs. prime cutting; [illegible] English Dairy, rec'd and for sale by [illegible]

BROOMS—140 doz. rec'd for sale by de11 H H COLLINS.

APPLES—141 bbls. Pippins in prime keeping order; for sale by H H COLLINS.

APPLES—80 bbls. Russetts and Green Pippins; just rec'd and for sale by J S DILWORTH & CO.

POTASH—10 cks. rec'd for sale by J S DILWORTH & CO.

WINDOW GLASS—200 bxs. 8 by 10; 50 do 10 by 12, for sale by J S DILWORTH & CO.

N. Y. SYRUP—20 bbls. prime, for sale by de11 J S DILWORTH & CO.

TURPENTINE—10 bbls. for sale by dell J KIDD & CO.

LIQUORICE ROOT—1200 lbs fresh, for sale by [dell] J KIDD & CO.

OIL BERGAMOT—100 lbs pure, in original cans, as imported, for sale by J KIDD & CO.

FLOUR SULPHUR—5 cks. in store, and for sale by [dell] J KIDD & CO.

BLUE SMALTS—300 lbs for sale by dell J KIDD & CO.

LARD OIL—10 bbls. No. 1, in store, for sale by [dell] J KIDD & CO.

YELLOW OCHRE—1600 lbs. Trieste for sale by dell J KIDD & CO.

WINDOW GLASS—
100 boxes 8 by 10;
50 " 10 by 12;
30 " assorted large; in store and for sale by [dell] J A HEFFERT.

FRESH FRUITS, ETC.—
50 boxes and half boxes M R Raisins;
25 " Cluster "
300 lbs Seedless "
6 bbls Zante Currants.
24 jars Bordeaux Prunes.
20 [illegible] Almonds.
150 bags prime Rio Coffee.
25 " Laguyra "
10 " Old Government Java.
75 packages Green Teas.
30 " Black "
20 Chests Metallic Tea.
8 cases Avering's [illegible] Soap.
10 bbls. crushed and pulverized Sugar.
[illegible] clarified "
20 " New York Syrup.
20 hhds. Golden "
10 bbls. sugar House Molasses.
20 " New Orleans "
20 doz. Zinc Wash Boards.
10 " Corn Brooms.
100 " Mason's Blacking.
1 case Miller's Water Proof Blacking.
25 bbls pure Cider Vinegar.
50 mats Cassia. For sale by
de10 J D WILLIAMS, Wood st.

LARD OIL—10 bbls No. 1, rec'd by steamer Messenger, and for sale by dell ROBISON, LITTLE & CO.

Western Insurance Co.

FORTY Shares of this Stock for sale at 75 Fourth street. [dell] A WILKINS & CO.

LIQUORS—We have on hand a supply of Liquors of superior quality, for medicinal purposes, viz: French Brandy, Port, Sherry, and Claret Wines. L WILCOX & CO., No. 84 Market st. and 56 Smithfield st.

SHOT—50 kegs assorted numbers, this day received per steamer Prairie City, and for sale by [de10] JAMES A HUTCHISON & CO.

SHAWLS—SHAWLS—A. A. Mason & Co are constantly receiving cases and packages of Shawls comprising Brocha, Merino, Bay State, Cashmere, Waterloo, Plaid, &c. &c.

SCARFS and COMFORTS—A large assortment of every size and quality, just received at dec10 A A MASON & CO.

BONNET RIBBONS—A. A. Mason & Co. keep constantly on hand a large and varied assortment of the newest and most fashionable styles of Winter Bonnet Ribbons.

BEST KID GLOVES—Just received per Express, at A A Mason & Co's, 50 doz. Alexander's Best Kid Gloves.

FRENCH CLOTH—25 pcs. Fine French Cloth, assorted colors, for Cloaks, &c., just received at [decl0] A A MASON & CO.

CHINTZES, CHINTZES—Now opening at A A Mason & Co's, a beautiful assortment of 4-4 French and English Chintzes, fast colors, and superior quality.

Furs, Furs, Furs.

M'CORD & CO. have just rec'd via express, a fresh supply of Stone Martin and Fitch Muffs, Boas, Victorines and Cuffs.
de4 Corner Wood and Fifth streets.