HOME MATTERS.

RIVER ITEMS.—The river was on the rise, until noon, yesterday, when it came to a stand! the channel depth being 13½ feet.

COAL BOATS LOST.—We learn from our friend, the Clerk of the Allegheny, that a pair of Coal-boats, belonging to Copeland & Co., of the Youghiogheny country, grounded at Brown's Island, during the late freshet, but not dangerously, and our informant rose would have taken them off, but a raft came along shortly after, which struck them and sunk them beyond redemption. There are also two pairs sunk between this and Beaver.

The *Crystal Palace* arrived last evening, having made her first trip within the usual time, and without any special effort. As soon as her machinery gets to work smoothly we shall expect to hear of her getting along as fast as any of them. We learn that she excited general admiration at Cincinnati.

The arrivals yesterday were the *John McFaden*, from Memphis, and the *Manchester* and *Arctic* from St. Louis. The McFaden had a large lot of barley on board, as part of her cargo, and the other boats had aeried but large cargoes.

The *American Star* and the Zanesville boats had their usual large variety of produce. See our list of imports.

The Wheeling Gazette of Friday raises a sort of shout over the *Falls City*, which boat, the Gazette alleges, beat the Allegheny on her late trip down. The Falls City, as it happens, left Wheeling some two and a half hours ahead of the Allegheny, and the officers of the latter never once thought of her during the whole trip down. There was no trial of speed between the two.

The *Helen Mar*, for Zanesville, the *Winchester*, for Wheeling, the *Julia Dean*, for Zanesville, and the *Allegheny*, for Cincinnati, leave to-day at their advertised hours.

At *St. Louis*, on the 18th, the Memphis, Australia, Empire State, and Equinox were advertised for this port.

The Louisville Journal of Thursday says:

"RIOT ON THE GEORGETOWN.—Last evening, when the steamer Georgetown had backed out into the river, a riot occurred between the mate and the deckhands. It appears that the mate had informed the captain that all was right, and the engines were set to work to back out. After getting out in the stream it was found that the iron chain had not been hauled in and was dragging in the river, which interfered with the progress of the boat. The mate, whose name is Whitlow, became excited, commenced cursing the men who were engaged in hauling the chain in, and it is stated kicked one of them. All of the hands immediately quit work, and the mate resorted to violence, drawing a knife and cutting some of the men. The captain and other officers came to the rescue of the mate, and a general melee ensued. The captain fired a pistol, without injuring any one, however, and several of the men were knocked down. The riot was finally quelled, and the boat proceeded over to Jeffersonville, where some twelve of the crew deserted her, being compelled to leave their luggage behind. They came over on the ferry boat. Four of the men were badly hurt, but not dangerously. They were able to get about as usual. One of them was cut in the head. The crew were all Irishmen.

COUNCILS.—The Select and Common Councils met in their Chambers in the new Market House.

SELECT COUNCIL.—Present: Allan, Armstrong, Cordell, Hill, Howard, Jr., Kincaid, Lorenz, Mackey, McCloury, McCurdy, McCutcheon, Oyer, Spear, Taylor, Wilson, President Shipton.

The Chair then presented and read a communication from Mayor Riddle, in which he stated that, upon satisfactory evidence of the compliance by the Allegheny Valley Railroad Company with the conditions included in the ordinance of Councils, he had subscribed for eight thousand shares of the stock of said Company.

The President also read a communication from William F. Johnston, President of the Company, in which the action of the Board of Directors was narrated, also enclosing the articles of agreement between Gov. Johnston, in behalf of Company, and by Mayor Riddle, in behalf of the city. All of which were read and ordered to be deposited with the City Treasurer.

A communication from the Mayor, stating that in the ordinance imposing a tax, &c., on theatrical exhibitions, &c., concerts were excluded. As they were legitimate objects of taxation, his Honor hoped that the ordinance would be amended. The communication was read and referred to Committee on Ordinances.

A communication was read by the President from the Street Commissioners, requesting Councils to fix the rate of city laborers' pay at one dollar a day. Referred to Committee on Streets.

A communication was read by the President from Bernard M'Afee, complaining that a Committee of Councils had granted the grading and paving of Green street at a higher rate than offered by the writer. On motion, laid on the table.

A petition from citizens of the First Ward, praying that a private street, opened by Samuel Haight, may be extended by the city through various lots, to run parallel with Pike street, in conformity with the intentions of Mr. Haight. On motion, referred to Committee on Grading and Paving.

A resolution was read, authorizing the Committee on Water to lay pipes on Webster street, from Fulton to Logan street, and along Logan to Wylie street. Read three times and adopted.

The Committee on Claims and Accounts presented a report, recognizing certain accounts, and recommending the passage of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to draw his warrants for the payment of the same.

Also, stating that the appropriation for gas was deficient some six thousand dollars.

Mr. Howard presented a resolution to the effect that the amount deficient be placed to appropriation No. 9, and that the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to draw warrants for that amount in favor of the Gas Company, and that the Mayor draw warrants for the payment of the smaller bills contained in the report.—Laid on the table.

The Committee on City Printing presented a partial report on William H. Whitney's bill of $22 for printing, accompanied by a resolution for its payment. Report accepted and resolution adopted.

Mr. McCloury presented a supplement to an ordinance passed in June, granting certain privileges to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, to the effect that for every violation of the provisions in that ordinance, on conviction thereof, the Company shall be punished by a fine of $50.

On motion, the ordinance was read twice and laid over.

A resolution was read authorizing the extension of the leases of city property, on the Reservoir lot of ground, expiring shortly, to the time that the longest lease shall expire. Read three times, and carried.

The special committee to whom was referred the petition of citizens on Liberty street, praying for the passage of an ordinance prohibiting the use of bituminous coal in the locomotives while on that street, reported that the nuisance was abated, as the Company were now using coke.

On motion, the report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Business from Common Council.—A communication from the Mayor was presented—read in C. C.—which stated that by a misprint, the market appropriation read $1000 instead of $100, and with that impression warrants had been drawn against that amount to over $500. The Mayor refuses to draw any more warrants until proper action is taken by Councils. Action concurred in.

An ordinance relative to the Diamond Market House—which was read three times and adopted, in C. C.—relative to the appointment of a superintendent of the building and for other purposes, was concurred in.

Resolution to lay water pipes on Pennsylvania Avenue. Read and referred to Water Committee in C. C. Concurred in by S. C.

Resolution to place gas on Green street. Read and referred to Committee on Gas in C. C. Concurred in by S. C.

Resolution to place a fire plug on the wharf between West and Liberty streets. In C. C. read and referred to Water Committee. Concurred in by S. C.

Resolution to extend water pipe along Van Braam street, from Pennsylvania Avenue to Patrick's alley. Read and referred to appropriate committee. Action concurred in.

A series of resolutions were passed by C. C. relative to the decease of V. President King, with orders to transmit them to the President of the Senate. A number of the gentlemen of the Common Council made eloquent remarks, but the lateness of the hour and press of matter on our columns prevents us reporting them.

In Select Council, the action of Common Council was concurred in.

On motion, adjourned.

ACCIDENT AND SMASH.—We learned, on Saturday night, after our forms had been closed that Mr. Robert Cust, a gentleman well known to our citizens, had been thrown from a buggy on the corner of Fulton and Cliff streets, about 6 o'clock on that evening, by the horse taking fright. Mr. Cust was dragged for several rods by becoming entangled with the reins. The horse ran down Cliff street, and jumped into a mortar box, where some little children were playing, cutting one of them very badly on the lip. The horse proceeded at a terrific rate to Tunnel street, from there to Wylie, and down Fifth, ending his performances for the day by running into Mr. Smith's drug store, on the corner of Smithfield and Fifth, shattering every glass in the door, but doing no other damage.

The Burgess and Council of Birmingham have offered a reward of $100, for information that will lead to the detection of the incendiaries who have infested that town for some time back. We understand that the citizens have offered two hundred dollars reward, for information leading to the detection and conviction of the scoundrels. Our Police should keep a look-out.

NEW LOCOMOTIVES.—We hear of a sale, by W. F. Herbert, to the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad Company, of another fine Freight Engine, built of those enterprising men, the Messrs. Blandy, of Zanesville, Ohio. The above shows good judgment on the part of the different officers of this road, as well as a spirit of liberality in encouraging Western manufacturers. Would it not be well for the officers of our Western roads generally to do the same?

THE JURY in the murder case, are still out, unable to agree. They stand, at the latest accounts, nine for acquittal, and three for manslaughter. They informed the Court yesterday, that they were unable to agree, but Judge McClure refused to discharge them until a verdict of some kind was rendered. They have been out since nine o'clock, Thursday evening.

KEY TO UNCLE TOM.—H. P. Callow, 3d street, has received a large number of Keys to Uncle Tom's Cabin. There is a great demand for this work, and those who wish a copy had better secure one soon.

Mr. Callow has also received "Home in Tasmania," the popular work of Mrs. Charles Meredith, very handsomely bound, and which is selling at low prices.

THE MURDERER ARRESTED.—We learned, on good authority yesterday, that Lanparter, the murderer, was arrested on Saturday, at Miller's Mills, Butler County, by Sheriff McGill, of that county. When he was discovered, Lanparter threatened to use a club, when the Sheriff shot at him, the bullet lodging in the groin. Lanparter was then taken to Butler.

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—The furniture in this venerable church was removed yesterday, preparatory to the building being torn down. The work of destruction will be commenced to day.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Mr. Thomas McIntyre, while engaged in laying brick at the bottom of a well back of Robert Dalzell & Co.'s store, Liberty street, was seriously injured by the falling of a bucket full of bricks from the breaking of the windlass. With some difficulty he was removed from the well. Medical assistance was called in. His injuries are not fatal.

UNITED STATES COURTS.—The United States Circuit Court will be opened on the second Monday of May. Two very important and extensive land cases will be tried at this coming term.

Judge Irwin will open the United States District Court on the first Monday in May.

ANOTHER MURDER.—A report of a murder of a canalboat captain, named Cassel, at Freeport, by an unknown person, was in circulation yesday. We learn that Cassel got off the boat to fasten a line, and while doing so was stabbed mortally. The crew made immediate search in the neighborhood, but unsuccessfully.

LECTURE.—The celebrated Alfred Bunn will deliver one of his highly interesting lectures this evening, at Masonic Hall. The very distinguished reputation this gentleman brings with him, will secure him a large and brilliant auditory.

HOUSE OF REFUGE.—This building is being pushed forward rapidly, the foundation being very nearly ready for the superstructure. It is beautifully located at the mouth of Wood's run, facing the river.

FUNERAL OF MR. FERGUSON.—The funeral of Mr. Ferguson, the police officer, which took place on Sunday, was attended by a very large concourse of sympathizing friends. Several benevolent societies were present.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.—Workmen have commenced operations on the middle tower of this beautiful edifice. We learn that the building will be pushed rapidly to completion.

A COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS.—Before Judge McClure, President, and Associates Adams and Boggs.

John Williams was arraigned for keeping a tippling house. He plead guilty, and was sentenced to pay twenty dollars and costs.

Thomas Bosworth plead guilty to a similar indictment, and was fined the same amount.

Commonwealth vs. James M. Kain. Indictment receiving stolen property. On the 7th of March last, officer Barton found two boys filling carpet bags with pig metal, from a large lot on Third street, between Market and Perry streets. He followed them to the shop of the prisoner, where he found about eight hundred pounds of iron, forty pieces of pig metal, and twenty pieces just bought from one of the boys, James Van Tassel. The officer arrested and took him before the Mayor, who finally held him for trial. The jury returned a verdict of guilty.

Mr. Mahon, counsel for defence, filed a motion and reasons for a new trial.

Commonwealth vs. Margaret McCloy. Indictment receiving stolen goods. The prisoner was accused of receiving a sum of money from her brother, stolen from her uncle, the prosecutor, Patrick McCoy. Verdict of acquittal.

The same defendant and her brother, Hugh O'Neal, were arraigned for larceny on the oath of the same prosecutor, and another indictment against the brother, was included.

DISTRICT COURT.—Before Hon. H. W. Williams.

In the case of Forrester vs Prescott, Counsel for defendant moved in arrest of judgment, reasons filed.

Thomas and John Reynolds vs Thos. S. Clark, No. 21, July term, 1851.

Action for damages in obstructing the bank of the Monongahela near McKeesport. Shaler and Stanton for plaintiff, Thos. Howard and Darragh for defendant. On trial.

THE April term of the District Court commenced yesterday. The following officers were appointed by the Court:

TIP STAVES.—Charles Glenn, J. K. Kennedy D. Mitchell, D. Mowry.

CRIER.—William Hamilton.

TIPPLING HOUSE.—John Speiler was arrested for keeping a tippling house yesterday, by process of Court. He is already indicted on three or four charges.

STRIKE.—We learn that the Cabinet Makers are contemplating a strike for an advance of wages.

A large stock of fashionable clothing, shirts, cloths, &c. will be sold this morning at 10 o'clock, at Davis' Auction Rooms, by order of assignee.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM CALIFORNIA.

NEW YORK, APRIL 25.

The steamer United States arrived yesterday at New Orleans, from Aspinwall, whence she left on the 18th. She brings California dates to the 1st.

The United States reports that the Independence, stranded, and was burnt on the beach at Margaretta Bay, in Lower California. She was lost on the 16th of February, having run ashore on the shoals of Margaretta Island, where she took fire and burnt. Five hundred passengers were on board, all of whom leaped into the water and tried to swim ashore. One hundred and forty were lost.

After stranding, the Independence backed off, but finding 8 feet of water in the hold, Captain Sampson ordered the pilot to run on the beach, three hundred yards from the land. There the ship took fire, from the intense heat of the furnace. The flames spread rapidly, creating the most frightful consternation among the passengers. A heavy surf was running, and all the boats were swamped in trying to make the first trip ashore. To add to the horrors of the scene, the fire reached the powder magazine, which exploded with terrible force, shattering the steamer's stern to pieces, and scattering the fragments in every direction. Many passengers were blown into the sea; others jumped in and were immediately carried off by the strong current sweeping from the shore. Many who had previously reached the shore, were unable to render assistance, and were obliged to remain passive spectators.

One hundred men, women and children perished by the fire, and the number lost is estimated at from one hundred and fifty to two hundred. The ship finally swung around to the beach, where the coal took fire.

The vessel was totally destroyed. The passengers saved, found themselves on an uninhabited island, without water, where they remained 56 hours, in a state of intense suffering. Finally, by the firing of cannons, they were enabled to attract the attention of some whaling vessels lying in Magdalite Bay, a few miles off, which came to their assistance with provisions, and finally took them off.

The following are the names as far as ascertained, of the passengers belonging to the East-ern States.

John Morris, J. Jones, George Light—Hartman, Wm. Doyle, Wm. Leonard, D. Moshur, J. Myers, Mrs. Mitch, T. O'Neil, New York.—Johnston, Robt. Taylor, and — Welsh, of Boston. O. Hale and W. T. Moulton, of Mass., also other New Englanders, whose names have not been ascertained.

The steamer Cortes arrived at Panama, being fourteen days on her passage from San Francisco.

The city of Marysville has again been inundated by a rise of Feather and Yuba rivers. Much loss of property has ensued.

The steamer California left San Francisco on the 1st of April for Panama. She took $2,232,000, in gold, of which $880,000 was consigned to Page, Bacon, & Co., and $500,000 to Adams & Co.

The markets at San Francisco were quiet.—There was expectation of a great change in consequence of the large number of marine arrivals. Flour was $12@$13. Small sales of Mess Pork at $40, and clear Pork at $44. Hams $24@$25. Butter 43@45. Rice 6@6¼.

From Buenos Ayres, Feb. 24th, we learn that the United States ship Jamestown was in port. All well.

The United States brought very few passengers.

The Uncle Sam left Aspinwall for New York on the 18th, in the morning.

BOSTON, April 25.

Bills have passed the House on Saturday, to incorporate the Webster, Everett, Howard, Elliott, and National Banks, in Boston, with a total capital of $2,600,000.

A lad named Davis was arrested at the Post Office, on Saturday, while in the act of calling for letters addressed to J. A. Davis. One of the letters contained $16,000. Mr. Davis has missed several letters lately.

WASHINGTON, April 25.

Col. Ituribide, of Mexico, arrived yesterday with the Sloo treaty, as negotiated by Mr. Conkling.

It is rumored that the French mission will be offered to Gov. Foote, of Miss.

The proceedings of the Gardno trial, on Saturday, were unimportant.

Longborough, editor of the St. Louis *Times*, an anti Benton paper, has been appointed Surveyor General of Missouri and Illinois.

PHILADELPHIA, April 25.

Among the passengers who left New York in the Northern Light, and were transferred to the steamer Independence, are Thomas Robinson, wife and five children, John S. Watson Clement W. Cook, and Mr. Taylor all with families, from St. Louis. Whole number of passengers 618.

New York, April 25.

The Washington *Republic* states that the Frenchman's Bank, in that city, has closed doore, leaving only $100 for the payment of its notes.

NEW YORK, April 25.—Coffee, sales 550 bags Rio at 9¼@9¾; Java, 11½, steady. Sugar, sales 150 hhds Orleans at 4¾@5, firm. Molasses, sales 150 bbls Orleans at 29@30, steady. Cotton, sales 500 bags, easier. Flour, sales 5500 bbls State $4,50@$6; Ohio $4 61, firmer; sales 400 bbls Southern at $4,87@$5,87. Grain, sales 100 bushels Wheat, at $1,10, steady; plentier. Whiskey, prison 22¾, firm. Provisions, Mess Pork, sales 900 bbls at $15,50@16,62. prime do. $13,25@$13,62, easier; sales 600 bbls Mess Beef at $12,75@$18, in demand. Lard, sales 150 bbls at 9¾@10, steady. Cloverseed dull at $10@12.

PHILADELPHIA, April 25.—The weather has been so unfavorable that little business was done. Cloverseed dull, not inquired after. Flour very quiet; holders generally ask $4,87, and $4,-75 is offered; small sales for retail at $4,87@5,-50 for common and extra brands; sales 100 Barrels Fancy New York brands at $6@$6,25. Rye Flour, sales 100 bbls at $3,81. Corn meal, in mere inquiry; sales 500 bbls Penna at $2,75. Grain; Wheat, in limited demand; sales 3000 bu at $1,17@$1,18, for prime Penna white, and $1,14 for mixed; red $1,12. Rye; sales 300 bu at 83. Corn in steady demand at 61 for yellow, and 57@58 for white.

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COMMERCIAL.

PITTSBURGH MARKET.

OFFICE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, Tuesday Morning, April 24, 1853.

FLOUR—The market was almost bare; the only lot sold we could hear of was 50 bbls superfine at the railroad depot, at $4.05; from store, sales were made by dray load at $4,18 to $4,25, for superfine.

POTATOES—sales on arrival of 20 bbls Pink eyes at $1,12; and 12 bbls, 63 and 65 cts mixed Baltimore Blues and Nechannocks at 45 cts ⅌ bush; sales from store of 70 bush Reds at 40, and 7 bbls at $1,25.

CORN—sales on wharf of 424, 68 and 72 sks corn reported to us at 55 cts per bus, of 70 lbs; this looks like a high figure.

SODA ASH—sales of 12, 18, 8, and 4 casks, domestic, and 18 tons, do, at 3¼; and 11 cks, imported at 3¾.

MOLASSES—a sale of 100 bbls, oak packages, was made at 23 cts, 4 mos.

SUGAR—sales by the hhd, at 5¾ to 5¾; no large transactions.

COFFEE—a sale of 42 bags, to city trade at 10, and 40 bags, in lots, to country, at 10½

FISH—sales of 0 bbls. Halifax No 2 pickled Herrings, at $5,50.

BUTTER—the demand continues active, and sales of 40 boxes of prime roll at 18.

CHEESE—in steady demand; sales of 150 bxs, in lots at 9@10.

ZANTE CURRANTS—a sale of 25 bbls, at 11.

HAY—the demand is not so brisk; sales of 12 loads at sales at $8 to 13 ⅌ ton.

TOBACCO—sales of 20 hhs, Virginia 5s, at 25.

LARD OIL—we note small sales of No. 1 making at 80.

WHISKEY—sales of 85 and 50 bbls, at 21.

RICE—sales of 10, tcs, at 5¾@5¾.

BACON—the demand yesterday was active, but prices were not so firm, the market below being unsettled by news of a decline in New Orleans; sales of 5,000 lbs, mixed, at 6¾ for Shoulders and 9¾ for Hams; 16,000 and 11,400 lbs. Shoulders at 6¾; 2,000 lbs. Sides at 8; 6,000 lbs Hams at 9¾, and 10,000 lbs. do. at 9¾@9¾; 4 tcs, Sugar-cured Hams at 11¾, and 10 do do, on private terms.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

THE WOOL SALE IN NEW YORK.—We gave yesterday morning the leading figures obtained for the wool sold at New York on Thursday last. A very large proportion of the wool sold was foreign; and the prices obtained for domestic wool do not strike us as being very high, although the New York papers all speak of them in that light. A Pittsburgher who was present at the sale says that the prices were not as high as they had paid lately for a very little wool, but were higher than it had been anticipated, all along, they would be. The effect of this sale on the wool market, remains yet to be seen; but we do not anticipate that it will be felt seriously. Prices of the coming clip will not be materially affected by it.

The Philadelphia Commercial List of Saturday says that the market had been exceedingly quiet during the week—the public sale at New York on Thursday having absorbed the attention of the dealers and manufacturers generally. The only sales reported are 10,000 lbs Texas, in small lots, at former quotations, and 30,000 lbs Buenos Ayres at 19 cts ⅌ lb, 6 mos.

The New York Economist of Saturday last says.—In Vermont and other states, contracts for the wool have been made at very high prices, and we feel confident expecting that manufacturers look for an unusually high range of prices the coming year. Last year, owing in a sense of circumstances, prices opened at very low figures, and after the supplies had passed into the hands of manufacturers and speculators, a rapid advance took place. This year the competition among the different buyers will enable producers to realize the very fullest prices. It seems to some as if we should have the manufacturers, in contracting at this high figure, have stepped beyond a safe point. But that a reaction is bound to take place. One fact is very evident, however, and it is, that the production of wool, even with our present machinery in operation, will fall materially short of the consumption; and unless something unforeseen should interrupt the great industry of the country, a reaction in this article is not likely to take place.

The receipts of the New York Sub-Treasury, for the week ending April 18th, were $667,791 17; balance on hands $5,544,659 27.

The exports of specie to foreign ports, from the port of N. York, for the week ending April 16th, and since Jan. 1st, have been as follows:

Total for the week	$281,257
Previously reported in April	341,500
	$622,757
In January	$747,679
In February	1,121,023
In March	1,809,019
	3,677,721
Total since Jan. 1st	$4,431,025
Same time last year	4,117,125

The N. Y. Mercantile Journal says that confidence is rapidly returning to the money market, and there is more boldness of action in consequence. The cause is to be found in the absence of large specie shipments, which have not occurred in a very considerable period, and there is an increasing feeling that the shipments will not be heavy all through the season. In consequence of this, there is less hesitation in the balances on hand.

From the same paper we quote the follow ng:

"We learn that the Government is likely to sent in force the act of Congress passed just previous to the adjournment, for investment in all public lines in the purchase of Bonds. This will tend to relieve the money market greatly in the coming months. Besides which the immense sum of money from Europe, seeks for investments in consequence of the state of the London money market foreseeing the immense accumulation of money in a very short time, the effect of which will, when it occurs, be speedily felt here. The English bankers here will use their funds to the best advantage in the market for temporary investments rather than there. The demand for money will be very great when the Government settles fairly down to six per cent, which is sufficiently low to encourage even to excess all sorts of internal enterprises."

RIVER INTELLIGENCE.

STEAM BOAT ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

ARRIVED.

Jefferson, Parkinson, Brownsville.
Col. Kinney, Pechles, Elizabeth.
Lucerne, Bennett, Brownsville.
Thos. Shriver, Dailey, New Haven.
Michigan No 2, Wolf, Wellsville.
Beaver, Conlon, Beaver.
Manchester, Gaston, St. Louis.
Arctic, Devinney, St. Louis.
Winchester, Moore, Wheeling.
Jno. McFadon, Cole, Memphis.
American Star, Sunday.

DEPARTED.

Jefferson, Parkinson, Brownsville.
Col. Kinney, Pechles, Elizabeth.
Thos Shriver, Dailey, West Newton.
Lucerne, Bennett, Brownsville.
Michigan No 2, Wolf, Wellsville.
Beaver, Conlon, Beaver.
Keystone State, Stone, Cincinnati.
Diurnal, Calhoun, Steubenville.

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DOWNWARD—Ohio, Scioto, Cincinnati, Louisville, Kentucky, Louisiana, Louisville, Louisville, Louisville