HOME MATTERS.

RIVER NEWS.—The river was still falling yesterday, the stage of water in the evening being about 9 feet. It snowed heavily all day, and sufficiently to warrant the expectation of another rise, when the snow goes off.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather, there was a brisk time on the wharf. The following boats were unloading: the Allegheny, Pittsburgh, Messenger, Crystal Palace, Cuba and Golden State from Cincinnati; the H. T. Yeatman from Nashville, and the Gazel from Louisville. All these boats had full loads; but the Pittsburgh, Crystal Palace and Gazel had remarkably large cargoes. The latter, although only a moderately-sized stern-wheeler, had 400 tons on board.

The regular Cincinnati packet for to-day is the favorite Allegheny, Capt. McLean; she leaves at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Pittsburgh, Capt. Hugh Campbell, was loading for Cincinnati and Louisville, and leaves to-day. She will be able to make a trip to Louisville and be back in time to take her regular day in the line.

The Gazel will load for Louisville, and leave on to-morrow evening at 4 o'clock.

The Forest City is the Steubenville packet for to-day, and the Winchester for Wheeling.

FIRE.—Three 3-story tenements in Temperanceville were destroyed by fire on Sunday morning about four o'clock. They were occupied by the families of Messrs. Dr. William J. Smith, James Donnelly and ——— Armstrong. The latter was the proprietor of a grocery store, also in the building. The families were turned out without a single article of clothing, and were obliged to rely on the kindness of the neighbors to protect them from the atmosphere.

The houses were insured for $1000, though worth probably $3000, and belonged to Mr. John McTurk. The insurance was effected in the Lycoming Company.

Mr. McTurk lost a trunk containing between $200 and $300 in gold. Mr. Donnelly loses some $300 in furniture. Mr. Armstrong is insured for $500 on h's store, and $250 on his furniture, in the Franklin Insurance Company. Over and above his insurance he loses about $1000. Dr. Smith was entirely unassured.

The fire originated in a wagon shop, owned by McTurk, under Smith's dwelling. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—An accident occurred on Sunday morning on the Pennsylvania Road, near Latrobe, by which some twenty freight cars containing a very valuable cargo of goods, were entirely destroyed, and an engine much disabled. The loss to the Company will be very heavy.—A man whose name we did not ascertain, had both his legs broken. He resides in the Ninth Ward.

The accident occurred by a rear car of a freight train becoming detached, and while the train was stopped, until the car was refitched, a second freight train came along at a swift rate of speed, and ran into the first. We did not ascertain where the fault lies.

DISTRICT COURT.—Before Judge Williams.

Wm. L. Grier vs. A. L. Wangenheim, No. 75, April term, 1853. M'Clelland, for Loomis, for plaintiff. Umbstaeter & Shaler for defendant. Defendant confesses judgment for $46 88.

Robert C. Loomis, surviving partner of Mc. Curdy & Loomis, vs. Thomas Daft, No. 145, April term, 1853. M'Calmont, for plaintiff; Darragh & Mellon, for defendant. Verdict for plaintiff for $857 43.

Grier's vs Wangenheim, (two cases.) Defendant confesses judgment for $46 74 and for $45 99.

Hack & Klemburg et al. vs; Rowland Crimlein, No. 199, April term, 1853. Shaler & Umbstaetter, for plaintiffs; Knox, for defendant. On trial.

THE RECENT RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—The recent railroad accident near Canton, Ohio, by which the freight train was pitched over an embankment some twenty feet high, nearly a week ago, the engineer was badly scalded. He was thrown under the engine, and was only kept from perishing from the extreme heat by the exertion of two citizens, who kept throwing hatsful of water on him, until further assistance was obtained.

Davis, the conductor, and Fisher, the fireman, were both badly hurt. All the injured are now lying at Perring's Hotel, Canton.

The East Liberty Library Association thankfully acknowledge the receipt of sixteen volumes Pennsylvania Colonial Records, and seven volumes Pennsylvania Archives, from Dr. Jonas R. M'Clintock.

BREACH OF PROMISE.—Isaac Williams was lodged in jail, yesterday, in default of $5000 bail on a capias, for breach of promise of marriage, on oath of Elizabeth Ensell.

LARCENY.—Alderman McCune committed Nicholas Sager to jail, yesterday, charged with stealing coal from John Agnew.

DEATH IN COUNTY JAIL.—One of the miserable beings who lie in jail year after year on charges of drunkenness and vagrancy, died on Sunday evening of *mania a potu*. His name was Patrick Byrnes. He was interred by the county yesterday morning.

LECTURES.—Bayard Taylor has signified his consent to deliver two lectures before the Library Association, in the latter part of March; his subjects to be "Japan, the Japanese and the Arabs."

Park Benjamin has also consented to lecture on the 10th, on which occasion he will read his celebrated Poem, entitled "Fashion."

Rev. Miss Bremner lectures on the 2d and 3d. The Lecture Committee have written to Dr. Elder, who will probably consent to deliver one or two lectures.

CAPIAS ISSUED.—A capias was issued for Geo. W. Tims for defamatory words, at the suit of Catharine Home. He was arrested and gave bail in $100.

WARRANTS ISSUED.—Mayor Nolz yesterday issued warrants for the arrest of seven or eight merchants for violation of a city ordinance, by leaving dry goods boxes on the streets after night. They will have a hearing this morning.

EXTENSIVE HOSE.—The hose by which the fire in the Monongahela House was extinguished on Saturday is 1200 feet long and two inches in diameter. The hotel is plentifully supplied with water and hose, and there can be no danger of a fire doing much damage before it is extinguished.

FOR SALE—A Barge or S. B. Hull 180 ft. long, 5 ft. hold, calked anew from her knuckle seam to Note 1 order, will carry 600 tons. Apply to B. McLAIN, No. 21, 5th st.

ALPACCAS—A. A. Mason & Co., No. 25 Fifth street, are clearing out their large stock of alpaccas, 25 per cent. less than usual prices.

KENTUCKY MUSTARD constantly on hand and for sale by J. A. HUTCHISON & CO.

METAL SCALES—1 pair for sale low by J. A. HUTCHISON & CO.

LOAF SUGAR—Coarse ground, at 8c per lb, at MORRIS & PATTON'S.

ROLL BUTTER—10 bbls. fresh, in cloths, just rec'd and for sale by R. DALZELL & CO.

DRIED PEACHES—500 bus. rec'd and for sale by D. W. HERSTINE, 65 & 95 Pt. st.

70 HHDS. SUGAR to arrive per steamer Georgetown and for sale by SHRIVER, DILWORTH & CO.

OATS—20 bags Oats for sale by R. DALZELL & CO.

TAYLOR'S VEST BINDINGS in store and for sale by HARD & DE LANGE.

MEN'S CLOTHING, Boys' Clothing, Furnishing Goods, of superior quality of material, style and workmanship, and at extremely low prices, at GILCRIST'S, 74 Wood st. Customers' orders promptly attended to.

11 TONS Ohio Fire-Proof Mineral Paint, on hand and for sale at J. & H. PHILLIPS', No. 116 Market st.

FARINA COLOGNE—A large supply gen uine Farina Cologne rec'd by JOSEPH FLEMING.

CORN STARCH—A supply of the genuine Orrego Corn Starch, received by JOSEPH FLEMING.

LUBIN'S EXTRACTS—A supply of Lubin's genuine Extracts, received by JOSEPH FLEMING.

15 KEGS nice Dairy Butter just rec'd and for sale by T. LITTLE & CO.

BEANS—50 bbls. small White just rec'd and for sale by WICK & McCANDLESS.

BUTTER—100 kegs pkd. in store and for sale by WICK & McCANDLESS.

S. H. MOLASSES—200 bbls Steam Refined Sugar House, just receiv'd per steamer Prairie City, and for sale by JAMES A. HUTCHISON & CO.

FEATHERS—400 lbs. prime in store and for sale by D. W. HERSTINE & CO.

NITRATE SODA—100 bgs. for sale by R. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

CARB. MAGNESIA—10 cases for sale by R. A. FAHNESTOCK & CO.

60 BUS. C. SEED, prime; for sale by SHRIVER, DILWORTH & CO.

GO TO CHESTER, for Clothing, 74 Wood st.

TIMOTHY SEED—12 bbls. in store and for sale by R. DALZELL & CO.

200 BBLS. N. O. MOLASSES for sale by A. CULBERTSON, 108 Liberty st.

50 KGS. 6 TWIST TOBACCO for sale by A. CULBERTSON.

300 KGS. NAILS, ass'd sizes, for sale by A. CULBERTSON.

150 BXS. WINDOW GLASS, ass'd, for sale by A. CULBERTSON.

WALL PAPERS ONLY, but of every possible variety and price, sold by WALTER P. MARSHALL, 85 Wood st.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

FOUR DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE BALTIC.

General War Imminent!

Russian Ministers Left France and England.

ENGLAND SENDING TROOPS TO CONSTANTINOPLE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.

The Baltic arrived below last night, at 9 o'clock, with Liverpool dates to the 8th.

The Europa arrived out on the 6th.

Count Orloff's mission having failed, the Russian Ministers left London and Paris.

The Czar's last proposal has been rejected finally. Negotiations are broken off.

Cotton firm: sales for the last three days 25,000 bales. Breadstuffs slightly declined. Consols 91¼@91¾.

PARIS, Tuesday.—The rumors of the ill success of Count Orloff's mission are now confirmed. He leaves directly for St. Petersburg. Foreseeing the rebuff at Vienna, he will refrain from visiting that capital.

It is said that the Servian government, yielding to the suggestions of the Russian consulate at Belgrade, will refuse to accept the firman of the Sultan, unless Russia gives consent.

PARIS BOURSE.—The fall in English funds affected prices, which earlier in the day showed a tendency to rise; Threes closed at 68f 30c; Four and a half per cent 97f 50c.

ST. PETERSBURG, January 29.—It is said that the Emperor, who is fully aware of the position in which he is placed, will endeavor to avoid a general conflagration if he can only preserve the honor and rights of Russia.

The influence of Count Nesselrode is again in the ascendant. It is also said that the Czar is about to write an autograph letter to the Queen of England, in which he will endeavor to prove that he has not been the aggressor.

The imperial ukase confirms the summoning to arms of all the reserves as well of the soldiers on furlough.

Several of Cunard's steamers are taken up by Government to carry troops to Constantinople; 6000 men go from England.

Others will be taken up from different stations. About 10,000 will soon be collected to form part of the Ist expedition. No doubt Brigade Guards will form part of the expedition. The 46th Regiment that which under orders for Australia, is now to hold itself in readiness for foreign service, taking all the best men, and leaving all the young soldiers and recruits at home.

VIENNA.—A correspondent telegraphs that Orloff leaves for St. Petersburg, probably, on Wednesday.

The combined fleets were at Beyros Bay on the 27th. Six ships again convoyed a Turkish steamer into the Black Sea.

BELGIUM.—Kisseleff, the late Russian envoy, arrived at Brussels at 6 A. M., on Tuesday.

It is understood that four vessels, originally taken up by the Government to convey troops from Creland to Malta and from thence to the West Indies, have been taken upon monthly charters so that they may be available to proceed to any point at the shortest notice.

BUCHAREST, Jan 28.—The Russians have made a retrograde movement and fallen back on Riboila. The Turks remain in the position they last occupied.

Omer Pacha has effected a most important movement, having crossed the Danube with 60,000 men and divided the Russian army, the right wing of which is at Krajova, the left wing at Calafat and the centre at Bucharist where the Russian force is weak. Omer's movement was to attack the rear of the Russian army on its march from Krajova against Kalafat.

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