HOME MATTERS.

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL, Monday, February 27, 1854.—Members Present, Messrs. Black, Caldwell, Chignell, Duncan, Getty, Gracey, Hamilton, Kirkpatrick, Thos. M. Little, James Little, Mackin, M'Auley, Mercer, Miller, Mc-Master, Quigg, Reed, Rowley, Scott, Singerly, Storer, Tucker, Verner, Woods and Young.

In the absence of the President, on motion, Mr. M'Auley took the Chair.

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

Mr. Mackin presented a communication from Backofen & Bauer, proposing to publish the proceedings of Councils, &c. Read and referred to Committee on City Printing.

Mr. Woods, a communication from S. & W. Nesb, for publishing proceedings, &c., of Councils. Referred to Committee on Printing.

Mr. Young, a communication from White & Williamson, asking the privilege of loading and unloading their boat at the corner of Canal Basin and Liberty street, free of charge. Read and referred to Committee on Aqueduct and Canal, in connexion with the City Solicitor.

Mr. Reed, the following resolution, which was referred to Committee on Claims and Accounts:

Resolved, That the Mayor be authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Bernard Dougherty for $75, for police services for the quarter ending the first of Jan., 1854.

And the ordinance was then read a third time and passed.

Yeas—Messrs. Black, Caldwell, Chignell, Getty, Hamilton, Kirkpatrick, James Little, Mackin, M'Auley, Miller, McMasters, Quigg, Reed, Scott, Singerly, Tucker, Verner and Young—18.

Nays—Messrs. Duncan, Gracey, T. M. Little, Mercer, Rowley and Storer—6.

The Clerk of the S. C. communicated the following resolution:

Resolved, That the S. and C. Councils of the city of Pittsburgh hereby protest against the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, and that we are and ever will be opposed to the extension of Slavery by our National Legislature over territory now free.

On motion of Mr. T. M. Little, the Mayor was directed to forward a copy of the resolution to our Representative in Congress.

And the resolution was then adopted by the following Vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Black, Caldwell, Chignell, Duncan, Getty, Hamilton, Kirkpatrick, T. M. Little, J. Little, Mackin, M'Auley, Mercer, McMasters, Quigg, Reed, Rowley, Scott, Singerly, Storer, Tucker, Verner, Woods and Young—23.

Nay—Mr. Gracey.

The remainder of the proceedings same as S. C. On motion, adjourned.

READING OF THE DEATH WARRANT.

The death warrant of DAVID JEWELL was received at the Sheriff's office yesterday morning, but owing to the absence of the Sheriff the document was not read to the prisoner until the afternoon.

About half-past four o'clock the Sheriff, accompanied by the Commissioners, Auditors and other gentlemen, entered the cell of the prisoner. After announcing his business, the Sheriff read aloud the warrant. A letter from Secretary Black accompanied the warrant, and was also read to the prisoner. It stated that this was the final action of the Governor; that every circumstance in the case had been fully and carefully examined by his excellency and that he made up his mind *independent of the charge of the Court.*—The Sheriff was requested to impress upon the mind of the prisoner the absolute certainty of his fate, and provide such means for his future salvation as may be necessary.

The prisoner was very much affected during the reading of the papers, but made no remark.

The twenty-fourth of March is the day of execution—three weeks from to-morrow.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—An elderly German named Anthony Shaffner, aged 74 years, was killed on the O. and P. R. R., yesterday, in the following manner. He was walking along the main track, near the outer depot about ten o'clock, as the locomotive "Allegheny," used for shifting cars, was going to the outer depot on the side track. The whistle was blown, and the deceased thinking the engine was on the track on which he was walking, stepped on the other track, immediately before the locomotive. The engine was immediately reversed but without avail. One foot was taken off above the ankle, and the ribs on the right side of the back were broken, being struck by the bumper.

The deceased was a native of Germany, and had been in America but eighteen months.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—On Tuesday, the Express train going westward, ran off the track four miles beyond Salem. The accident was caused by a plank which had fallen on the track from a wagon. The locomotive, baggage and a passenger car went off the track. A German named Cooper, jumped from the baggage car and fell under the wheels and was instantly killed. None others were injured in the least.

Coroner Lowry held an inquest upon the body yesterday morning.

LECTURE.—We hope our readers will not fail to remember the lecture for to-night. The Rev. Antoinette L. Brown has established a wide reputation for eloquence and ability. She has chosen an excellent *subject*, "the old and the new." Tickets can be procured at any of the book and music stores.

Dr. B. Brown Williams, whose new developements in mental subjects have so much astounded the world for the last ten years, has at last paid our city a visit, and will commence a course of Lectures this evening at the City Lecture Room, as will be seen by his advertisement. If the half be true that is said of him, a rich treat is in store for all. We invite a full attendance, and no doubt it will be here as it was in Lancaster, overflowing houses for weeks. It appears after all, if the intelligent citizens of Lancaster are not mistaken, there is something new under the sun. We will see.

DISTRICT COURT.—Before Judge Hampton.

In the case of Evans vs. Dravo, the jury returned a verdict for defendant.

Jno. D. Williams vs. Fry & Painter, No. 347, July term, 1853. Weaver for plaintiff; Fetterman for defence.

Defendant confesses judgment.

Before Judge Williams—The ejectment case is still on trial.

LARGE SALE OF FINE OIL PAINTINGS.—As will be seen by reference to our advertising columns, the large collection of valuable pictures, from Europe, is to be disposed of by P. M. Davis, Auctioneer, at Washington Hall, Wood street, on to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 7 o'clock. There are some one hundred and forty specimens, all works of true art, and such as we have no doubt will meet the views of the lovers of the fine arts of this city and vicinity. The pictures are now open, and may be examined all day, and in the evening till 9 o'clock, as also all day to-morrow, and all should pay them a visit, as it will amply repay them the trouble. The sale is to be peremptory.

The water in the Canal will reach here to-day about noon. The transportation houses are crowded with produce,

A new line of omnibusses will be started on Friday, in competition with the Excelsior Line.

DANGEROUSLY SICK.—A man named Murry, in the County Jail, is dangerously sick, and not expected to survive over the night.

The depot of the Central road, on Liberty street, has been extended one hundred and eighty-seven feet backward.

LARGE FORGERY.—Daniel Dawson, one of our subscribers, of Beaver County, yesterday sold three hogs, seventeen months old, to Jno. Aiken, butcher, which weighed—one 521, the others 551 and 514 pounds.

SINGULAR AFFAIR.—Two boys, aged nine and eleven, sons of a minister residing in the 8th Ward, on Thursday left their home, taking with them their clothing, and a dog trained to haul a wagon. Before leaving they bid good bye to a neighbor, saying they were going a long distance. Since then nothing has been heard of them.

FINALLY COMMITTED.—Craig Walker was committed finally yesterday for Court, on a charge of robbery, preferred against him by John A. Schmidt.

JEWELRY.—We refer our readers to the advertisement of Hood's stock of Jewelry, in another column.

STATE CENTRAL (TEMPERANCE) COMMITTEE.—The Committee for Western Pennsylvania organized on Tuesday.

The Committee is composed of the following gentlemen:

Pittsburgh—Rev. Jno. T. Pressly, Thomas Steele, C. L. Magee, A. M. Bryan and John Wright.

Canonsburgh—William McDaniel.

Curwinsville—William Irvine.

Uniontown—James Piper.

Waynesburgh—J. Lazier.

The Rev. John T. Pressly was chosen Chairman, William McDaniel, Secretary, and Alderman Steele, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

It was resolved to take measures to form "Carson Leagues" for the purposes of having an efficient organization, to raise funds and to carry on the efforts in favor of the Maine Law.

FOUR DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE ANDES.

BOSTON, March 1.

The steamer Andes from Liverpool on the 14th, arrived here this morning.

The Niagara has been withdrawn to carry troops to Malta. The Cunard Company advertise, that in consequence of the Niagara being taken by the Government, the propeller Alps will take her place on the 18th.

Government has chartered thirteen steamships to convey troops to Malta.

LONDON, Feb. 13—Evening.—Foreign wheat held firmly; prices unaltered.

The steamship Great Britain arrived at Liverpool on the 14th, in 68 days from Melbourne.

The following steamers have been taken by Government:—From the General Screw Steamer Company, Propontis, Cape of Good Hope, Golden Fleece, and Jason; from the Oriental Company, Himalaya, Manilla, and Repon; from the Cunard Company, Niagara and Cambria; from the Australia Company, Victoria.

It is reported that Lord Raglaw is to have chief command of the English force. The Duke of Cambridge, the Earl of Cardegan, and Generals Evans and Botherton are to have appointments.

Advices from Krajova state that the bad weather alone prevents the Russians from attacking Kalafat.

Breadstuffs unchanged.

Consols unchanged; 91¼@92.

It is confidently announced that a manifesto, signed by Nesselrode, is shortly expected at Vienna in which the Czar will announce to the world his final intentions.

A camp of 40,000 is being formed on the sea of Mormora near Constantinople.

Gen. Guyon has commenced offensive operations in Asia against the Russians.

Kalafat is invested by 60,000 Russian troops.

The Czar has given orders to every fort to drive the Turks out of Lesser Wallachia without further delay.

PARIS, Monday.—The Bourse is very firm.

A report that the Emperor of Austria had declared that he would make common cause with the Western Powers if the Russians crossed the Danube, produced an important rise in the funds, throes closing at 69@69,75 and four and a half per cents closing at 96,75.

The Andes proceeds to New York after discharging her cargo, and returns again to Boston to the mails to Liverpool.

The Nashville was to sail on the 15th.

The following additional steamers have been chartered by government: Hydaspes and Queen of the South.

Great excitement prevails at Lombardy. Radetzky having issued a proclamation to arrest all persons from spreading false reports, much excitement exists throughout Italy.

Frankfort, Feb. 14.—Ten thousand men are marching against Scedatila, an important military position of the Russians.

LONDON.—A new reform bill was introduced into the House of Commons on the 13th by Lord Russell. The details of the bill are distasteful both to the Conservatives and Liberals. Lord Russell stated to the House that arrangements had been made between the English and French Ambassadors as to the course to be taken by the combined fleet.

He also said that the government had no reason to be dissatisfied with Count Orloff's mission to Austria, as the object was to secure the neutrality of Austria in case of war, but it had failed.

VIENNA, Feb. 10.—The details of the conflict at Giurgero on the 6th have reached us. Eight hundred Turks, with eight open boats and four sailing vessels, crossed the Danube early in the morning, and landed near the Quarantine building, arranging themselves in line of battle. Two battallions opened a murderous fire, lasting three hours, and forcing the Turks finally to retreat to Rutschuck. The Russians also suffered severely.

The Andes passed the Cambria going into Liverpool on the 15th, and in the Irish channel the steamer Atlantic from New York. The ship Mary J. Sterritt, of Rockland, from New York for Havana, was fallen in with on the 1st February at sea, in a sinking condition; her crew were taken off and carried to Liverpool on a ship from Philadelphia.

The sales of Cotton at Liverpool on the 13th were 10,000 bales; market more active and prices steady.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, March 1.

SENATE.—The bill granting land to all the States for the benefit of indigent Insane was taken up. Mr. Clayton spoke in favor of the bill.

HOUSE.—The House resumed the consideration of the motion to refer to Committee of the Whole the Senate bill granting lands to Wisconsin for Railroads.

Mr. Disney, of Ohio, spoke in support of the constitutional right and policy of making such grants for that object.

After some discussion, Mr. Jones, of Tenn., moved that the bill be laid on the table. Disagreed to.

The Speaker announced that the time had arrived for the election of a public printer, when the nominations were made.

Mr. OTT nominated A. O. P. Nicholson, editor of the Union. Mr. Chandler nominated Joseph Gales, editer of the National Intelligencer.—Various other nominations were made.

Mr. Nicholson received 122 votes; Mr. Gales 48; scattering 33.

Mr. Nicholson was therefore declared elected.

CINCINNATI, March 1.—Flour market opened dull, but closed firmer under the steamer's advices, sales 250 bbls this morning at $6,16; holders asked $6,20 at the close. Provisions—Sales 20 hhds bacon sides at 6¾; packed; sales 100 bbls mess pork at $12; sales 2500 bbls do., deliverable in Cleveland in May, at $12,50; and 1000 do., deliverable in New York in June, at $15; market quiet. Groceries moderately active, sales 300 hhds sugar at 3¾@4¾, common and fair. Coffee—Sales 150 bags at 12¾. Cloverseed $5,50 @$5,55, fair demand. Whiskey 22¾, steady.—Butter dull, prices nominal. Cheese 9¾. The river has risen 2½ feet within the past 24 hours, swelling. Weather cloudy and mild.

PHILADELPHIA, March 1.—Cotton unchanged; market firm; transactions moderate at previous prices. Flour very quiet; good shipping brands offered at $8 without sales. Rye flour and Corn meal dull at former rates. Wheat $1,85, asked; small sales at 2 to 3 cents less; 400 bu. prime white bought at $1,95. Rye, no sale. Corn unsettled and lower; sales 1000 bu. Penn. yellow at 80 which is refused by regular holders. Whiskey dull at 31 for bbl., and 30 in hhds.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Cotton firm; sales 2500 bales. Coffee, Rio firm; sales 250 bags at 11¾. Flour opened heavy but closed buoyant; the steamer's news depressed the market. No quotations for Breadstuffs were received by the steamer to-day. Sales 8500 bbls. Flour at $7,87 @8,12; sales 659 bbls. Southern, market unchanged; moderate business at previous rates $8@8,37. Wheat market unchanged; moderate business done at previous rates. Corn unchanged, moderate business; sales 15,000 bu. at 87½ @93. Sugar, sales 250 hhds. New Orleans at 6. Molasses, sales 600 bbls. New Orleans at 29. Whiskey market unsettled, sales 300 bbls. Prison at 30. Mess Pork, prices a trifle higher; sales 400 bbls. $13,37@16. Beef firm; sales 400 bbls. at $14. Lard unchanged, a limited business at previous rates; sales 100 bbls. at 10¼. Cut meats firm, sales 500 bbls. at 6¾@9. Iron firm.

A COUNTRY SEAT FOR RENT.—Situated in Ross Township, on the Beaver Road, 3½ miles from the city, contains 11 acres under cultivation; Cottage House, Stable and Spring of Water at the door.

Also, a Lot of Ground of 20 acres, 6 or 8 acres cleared, on the North-East corner of the above place, well suited for pasture. For terms, apply to B. MCLAIN, 21½ 6th st.

GOLDEN SYRUP—12 bbls. and 8 half bbls; 20 kegs Golden Syrup, on hand and for sale by J. A. HUTCHISON & CO.

WOOL—6 sacks Wool for sale by fe11 RHEY & MATTHEWS.

MAPLE SUGAR—20 bbls. prime just received and for sale by fe11 JOHN WATT & CO.

COMMERCIAL.

PITTSBURGH MARKET.

OFFICE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, }
Thursday Morning, March 2, 1854. }

FLOUR—sales on the wharf and from wagon of 50 bbls. Superfine and extra at $7@7 12; 25 bbls extra at $7 12; and 23 do superfine at $7. Sales of superfine from store by dray load at $7 25.

GRAIN—the supply yesterday and day before was pretty fair; sales of 680 bus. Oats at the depot, at 40; 225, 84 and 122 do on wharf at 41; and 59 and 62 do at 42 from store. Corn, sales of 450 bus shelled at 60, and 250 do at 65.

APPLES—sales on the wharf of 66 bbls inferior varieties at $1 50, and 22 bbls good quality at $2 25.

DRIED FRUIT—sales of 340 bus dried Peaches, in lots, on Tuesday at $1 62½@1 70, and 40 yesterday at $1 75.—Dried Apples, 100 bus at $1 12.

CLOVERSEED—sales of 23, 15 and 54 bus, from first hands at $5 25@5 30, the inside figure ruling.

ROSIN—a sale of 20 bbls at $3.

POTATOES—second Potatoes are in request; sales on arrival of 40 bus Nockamixons at 40; a leg of 40 bus mixed. Nothing added to the supply of Peachblows and Pinkeyes at 40@45.

BUTTER—there is no demand for any but prime qualities; sales of 1300 lbs prime roll at 14; and 40 bxs. choice, to go east, at 15.

EGGS—sales on arrival of 1000 doz. at 11½; the market tends downwards.

LEAD—a sale of 300 pigs, at 7¾, equal to cash.

BEANS—a sale of 15 bus mixed at 90.

CHEESE—sales of 100 boxes Western Reserve at 9@9¼.

IMPORTS BY RIVER.

BROWNSVILLE, by Lunsrow—16 bbls flour, 6 W Swindler; 2 pumps, A Patton; 10 sks corn meal, H & T Conway; 9 empty sks bbls, G W Smith; 16 bbls flour, S George, 1 bbl, Quigley; 10 bdls and iron, 9 sheets iron, M M Smith.

STEUBENVILLE, by Newell, City—4 cks jowls, 8 bbls clo'verseed, 30 do flour, Jones & Denny; 54 bbls flour, 6 do flax seed, Brown & Kirkpatrick; 58 sks wheat, Bryan, R & co; 4 bbls paper, Hall & Lippincott; 1 do do, Hall; 1 do leather, H H Collins; 22 cks ware, A & A McKane; 10 sks bbls, Trax & Wilkins.

PORT HARMER, by Jas. Watt—1350 bbls flour, Bell & Liggett.

WHEELING, by Winchester—1 bx clocks, Thos Kennedy; 1 bx cigars, P McCormick; 44 bxs do, J Stewart; 100 empty bbls, J Hall; 150 do, 10 bbls wheat, L Wilmarth & co; 245 sks wheat, Bryan, Kennedy & co; 1 pkge, Adams & co; 30 tax candles, I L Sher; 25 bbls ale, 10 half do, G W Smith; 3 pkgs mdse, J J House; 38 bbls apples, Brown & Kirkpatrick; 30 empty bbls, Bryan, Kennedy & co; 50 bbls flour, Brown & Kirkpatrick; 1 bbls apples, C Arbuckle; 4 pkgs ware, Francisco; 112 bbls flour, 7 hogs and 3 pkgs, Pomeroy; 32 bbls flour, A & A McKane.

CINCINNATI, by Crystal Palace—10 hxs mdse, B A Fahnestock & co; 10 do H S Sellers; 3 do, J Jamison; 3 do, J S Herron; 2 bbls Hardy, Jones & co; 144 sks wheat, Bryan, Kennedy & co; 2 bbls rags, 120 bbls flour, Wm Holmes & co; 9 bbl bacon, 25 bbls whisky, 10 do lard, 10 do D W Smith; 5 bbls sugar, 1 do molasses, 1 do alcohol, (G W Swindler; 40 bbls whisky, J Grout; 20 do do, H L Allen; 95 do do, H Watson' 11 bbls apples, 2 do peaches, 1 do pears, 1 do lard, Coleman & co; 2 bbls leather, Gardner & French; 4 bbls & 18 pcs scrap iron, Bailey, Brown & co; 4 hhds & 1 bbl bacon, 1 bbl lard, Wm Holmes & co; 50 do do, Clark & Thaw; 66 sks dried fruit, 5 bbls lard, 2 do flaxseed, Hitchcox.

NEW ORLEANS, by Washington City—100 bbls molasses, 13 bbls sugar, Barbridge & Ingraham; 200 bbls molasses, Lawrence, Orr & Co; 9 bbls sugar, McIlwain & Bro; 40 do do, Smith & Sinclair; 100 bbls molasses, Hall, Lippincott & co; 3 do do, Hutter, 3 sks feathers, A Gordon; 25 bbls sugar, Leech, M'Alpin & co; 1 bbl molasses, Leech & co; 2 do do, Sawyer, M'Alpin & co; 1 bx 2 cracks butter, 1 bbl sugar, 2 calves Jno Gribben; 1 bbl & 1 keg lard, J Dalzell; 1 bx & 2 pkgs dry goods, Jones & Peebles; 1 bbl & 1 keg lard, 1 do butter, 1 do feathers, Kay & co; 1 bbl & 1 keg lard, 9 do do, Leech & co; 1 bbl & 1 keg lard, 9 do do, Jones & Peebles