HOME MATTERS.

The Ohio is now swollen into a mighty river of more than a mile in width in front of the city, with a current as impetuous and resistless as a mountain torrent, or an avalanche that sweeps all before it. The wharf was entirely inundated last evening, the floor of the Third street bridge under water, and the boats in port had no spot of ground left to place their freight upon.

The river during the 24 hours ending with 6 o'clock last evening, had risen to the unprecedented height of *eleven feet*, and during the day yesterday, it was rising at the rate of six inches per hour, a rise heretofore unequalled at this point. As a natural consequence all the denizens along Water street were compelled to move out as hastily as if their houses were on fire and drays and laborers were in active demand all day. By timely warning, the freight, except a lot of iron that had been loaded on the wharf, was removed without damage, though most of the boats in port yesterday discharged but a portion of their freight.

The present rising is greater than we have ever known before, and will far surpass the flood of December, 1852. That year the rise commenced on Tuesday, the 28th of December, and on the following Friday the river began to stand. The greatest rise was on Wednesday, when the river rose ten feet in 24 hours, but during the next 24 hours it only rose six feet, and the next but 2 feet.—*Louisville Courier, Saturday.*

HABEAS CORPUS.—Drs. H. H. Hoffman and Fred. Taudte were brought before Judge Hampton, yesterday, on a writ of habeas corpus. They were committed the evening previously by Coroner Lowry, on the charge of causing the death of Mrs. Margaret Singer.

N. P., & G. L. B. Fetterman, James Dunlop, and J. B. Koethen, appeared for the defendants. The District Attorney and M. I. Stewart for the Commonwealth.

A motion was made that they be discharged as the warrant of commitment was informal, it not stating the manner, the time nor the place of Mrs. Singer's death.

The Court overruled the motion. After some discussion upon the amount, the Court released the prisoners on $2000 bail each.

IMPORTANT ARREST.—Alderman Major committed a man named Young to jail on Monday for being a participator in the Custom House Robbery. The suspicions against him are strong. The Dispatch of yesterday incorrectly states that a number of doubloons were found upon him.

BLASTING.—A man named Wm. Dalzell was fined yesterday, by Mayor Adams, for blasting rocks within the limits of Allegheny City, on oath of Mr. J. M'Gill. On a number of occasions large pieces of stones were thrown into Mr. M'Gill's garden, to the imminent risk of his family.

BRUTAL.—A young woman complained before Alderman Parkinson, yesterday, against her step-father, Samuel Thompson, for cutting her horribly with a cow-hide. Thompson was committed to jail.

SUIT.—Two of the Mayor's police were sued on Tuesday, by the Managers of the Niagara Ball, for disorderly conduct. The case was compromised.

CHARTERS RAILROAD.—We understand that nearly all the stock of this Railroad is disposed of, one firm in this city having taken $40,000 in railroad iron. The road will be placed under contract immediately.

BADLY INJURED.—A notorious woman named Eliza Brown was almost killed on Tuesday night, in an affray with a man named Emanuel Arthurs.

TO BE EXHUMED.—The body of Mrs. Margaret Singer will be exhumed to-day, for re-examination, at the request of the physicians, who have been under arrest, for causing her death.

STILL ALIVE.—The man Mink, in Sligo, who accidentally shot himself on Tuesday last, is still living.

MEETING OF THE CLERGY.—A meeting of the Clergy will be held this afternoon, to take action against the Nebraska resolutions.

HEADLY'S CARPET STORE.—Among the many fine business houses of Pittsburgh, we think the building occupied by C. B. Headly & Co., Carpet Dealers, Third street, will compare favorably with any. The warehouse is very large, and built in modern style, and presents an imposing appearance.

We yesterday strolled through the spacious sale rooms of this establishment, and found a stock for richness, extent, and beauty, unsurpassed by any in the city, and equal to the beauty of the building. The spacious shelves of the second and third rooms were crowded with imported carpets of the rarest quality. On the third floor we noticed a fine selection of fine and superfine ingrain tapestry, ingrain hemp and cotton carpeting of every shade and quality, hearth rugs, piano, table, and stand covering. The gentlemen of the establishment have lately imported a stock of Royal Turkish bath towels, we believe the only ones in this city. It is intended to obviate the necessity of flesh brushes in bathing, and for its excellence, carried the first prize in the Crystal Palace, London. The stock of table covers is gorgeous, and is well worth seeing. Every description, quality and design can be found here.

Descending to the second story, we examined a new style of carpets, called Crosley's Patent Abusson, an entirely new thing. This carpet can be washed without injury, is of the most beautiful pattern, and is as durable as the most costly Brussels. On this floor there is also an endless variety of Brussels, Royal Velvet Pile, two and three ply ingrain and all the more costly kinds. We were particularly struck with the stock of rugs. We were previously ignorant of the great skill to which the rug manufacture was carried. We had no idea of the exquisite art, rivalling the pencil of the most celebrated artists, designs and sketches were impressed upon the rugs. Some rugs imported from England were really gems of art, so accurate are the designs impressed upon them.—At the Messrs. Headly & Co's. establishment every variety and quality of carpets, rugs, covers, towels, oil cloths, woolen shades, matting, &c., making this have a most complete assortment of table rods, &c., *ad infinitum*. The establishment is nearly opposite our office, Third street. Give them a call.

NOTICE.—I have this day sold to JOSEPH CHAPMAN, my entire stock of tobacco, cigars and artificial, wishing him successful business. BENJ. WINCHESTER.

Pittsburgh, March 14, 1854.

Having purchased the stock of Tobacco and Cigars of B. WINCHESTER, I intend removing to the store room lately occupied by him, No. 53 Market st., between 2d and 3d sts., with my own stock, to which I invite the attention of purchasers, superior to any in this market. JOSEPH CHAPMAN.

mh14 Nos. 53 and 55 Market st., Pittsburgh.

SEEDS, SEEDS.—Sweet Vernal Grass; Italian Rye do; White Dutch Clover; Lawn Grass; French Lucerne; Orchard Meadow Grass, in store and for sale at 57 Fifth st., by JAMES WARDROP.

SUNDRIES.—20 bbls. Bavarian Smoking Tobacco; 10 gross fine cut chewing Tobacco; 12 do Wm. Penn do; 500 bbls. Straw Paper; 100 boxes Mould Candles; 25 do do Star; 50 kegs Tar, for sale by McGILLS & ROE.

NEW BOOKS.—Campaign of Waterloo, by Jomini, in 1 vol., 12mo; Memoirs of Sir Robert Peel, in 1 vol., 12 mo; Prescott's Conquest of Mexico, 3 vols., 12mo; French on the study of Words, do do; Claude Gellée (Lorrain), by Dore, 1 vol., 12mo. A few copies of the above works just rec'd by express and for sale by A. A. FULLER & CO., 85 Wood st.

THE only true and genuine Liver Pills, prepared by R. E. SELLERS, Inventor, Ohio, March, 1852.

I feel it a duty that I owe to my fellow-sufferers, to state that I have experienced great relief from the use of Sellers' Liver Pills. I have suffered severely with the liver complaint for several years, so much so, that both myself and friends have thought that I could not survive but a short time. Some months ago I commenced taking your pills, and present relief from the physicians, but all in vain; as a last resort, I purchased a box of your pills, and to my great surprise, of Sellers' Liver Pills, at your store, and found great relief from their use, and in the continued use of them I have almost entirely recovered my health. HANNAH COMPSTON.

Ask the testimony of Hannah Compston: I think Sellers' Pills a superior medicine, and believe that they were the means of saving my life. JACOB COMPSTON.

Prepared and sold by R. E. SELLERS & CO., 97 Wood street.

FOR SALE.—40 acres on the Fourth street road, near East Liberty, being the most eligible situation near the city for pleasant residence. It will be laid out in lots, with a broad avenue through the centre, and a splendid spring of water, making it a desirable location for a Water Cure and pleasure ground. Any property now offered in market. Enquire of THOS. WOODS. mh7

JUST RECEIVED AT HOOD'S, an entire new assortment of the GOLD JEWELRY, consisting in part of the following: Ladies' Breast Pins, Ear Rings, Chains, Bracelets, Gum, Gold Chains, Fine Watches, Gold Pens, Pencils, Fancy Inlaid and Chinese Combs, and a variety of other fancy articles, which we offer at reduced prices and for cash. We do not mean by this to say that we do not sell at the same quality of goods in this city. Call at 3 Market street, where you can buy Gold Jewelry and Silver Ware, at its real value, and get a good article for your money.

N.B.—Job printing in all its branches attended to in a superior manner, and warranted to give satisfaction. Charges low. at HOOD'S Jewelry Store, 3 Market st.

NEW BOOKS just received per Adams & Co.'s express:

Lives of the Judges and of the Disciples, being scenes and sketches of an overland journey to California, by A. Delaven.

Travel Colonies of Australia, New South Wales, Victoria, and Adelaide, their Present, Comprising Notes and Sketches of Life and Adventure, by Mrs. Charles Clacy.

Life of Sir Robert Peel, in 2 vols., 12mo, by C. R. Leslie.

Also, 10 bbls. Prime Cooking Apples, for sale by the barrel or quarter, or 25c. at the Sun Potato Rooms, 3 Market st. J. L. HILL, No. 78, 4th street.

A CARD.—Ladies and gentlemen contemplating a visit to the Paris World's Fair in 1855, or the city of Genoa, will find the subscriber a competent teacher of the French, German, Spanish, Italian and Portuguese languages. He can speak each language in the language to be acquired, and teaches not only the grammatical, theoretical and practical knowledge of the language, but also the best pronunciation, and the most approved method of conversation in the language. Terms moderate. Apply at the Music Store of Mr. H. Kleber, Third street, or at his residence, four doors from the corner of Grant st. O. F. RABENAU,

mh14 Prof. of Mod. Languages.

DRUG STORE FOR SALE.—The entire stock, fixtures, &c., of a Retail Drug Store, doing an excellent business, in a large part of the city, together with the lease of the building, for sale on reasonable terms. Nearly five thousand prescriptions were filled in the establishment last year. Good reasons for disposing of the business. For further information, address "Druggist," Post Office, Pittsburgh.

Tobacco market firm.

At Manchester prices were weak and transactions moderate.

HAVRE MARKET.—Cotton, firm, the sales for five days were 4250 bales.

There have been no hostilities yet on the Danube or Asia, in consequence of the heavy storms. The weather is now milder.

France and England insist that Russia shall evacuate the Turkish territory before the 30th April.

All parties are still arming.

The Greek insurrection is in a way of being suppressed.

LATEST BY MAIL.—A Vienna correspondent under date of the 2d, says that the Austrian manifesto is about to announce that Austria will occupy Bosnia and Servia. A panic ensued on the Vienna Bourse in consequence.

The St. Petersburgh Journal gives the following as the substance of the Czar's answer to Napoleon:—"If his imperial majesty extends his hands to me as I extend mine, I am ready to forget the mortification I have experienced, hard though it be. Then, but then only, can I discuss the subject of his letter, and we may perhaps arrive at an understanding. Let the French fleet prevent the Turks from transporting reinforcements to the theatre of war, and let them send me a Plenipotentiary to negotiate, whom I will receive as befits his character, the conditions already made known to the conference at Vienna, are the sole basis on which I will consent to treat."

VIENNA, Feb. 27th.—The movements of the troops towards the frontiers continues.

The government has decided in connection with the Western powers to summon Russia to evacuate the Principalities, and if necessary to employ force to compel her to do so.

Intelligence had reached Brussels that the Russian fleets were preparing to leave Cronstadt, probably to gain sea before the arrival of the combined fleet.

The negotiations between Russia and Sweden have not yet terminated.

Fears are entertained at Stockholm that Russia, in order to give weight to her demands, will make a demonstration with its fleets against that capital.

The Russian Envoy had a private audience with the King of Sweden on the 21st ult.

France, England and Russia continue their armaments on a large scale.

Sir Charles Napier is appointed to the command of the Baltic allied fleets. Admiral Seymour is in command of the 20 ships already assembled at Spithead.

The ice in the Baltic is breaking up, and the Russian fleet at Cronstadt is liberated and ready to sail.

A doubtful rumor prevails that the Czar had laid an embargo on British ships in Russian ports.

The Russians are making ostentatious preparations to cross the Danube, and Omer Pasha is making preparations to check them.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, March 15, 1854.

SENATE.—The bill for promoting the efficiency of the Army by providing a retired list for disabled officers was passed.

After some unimportant business the Senate went into executive session, and afterwards adjourned.

HOUSE.—The House went into Committee on the Deficiency and Appropriation bill.

Mr. Breckenridge showed that the amount of the appropriations was $3,490,000, and was the same bill as the one defeated semo time since, less the appropriations for a Marine Hospital and Custom House amounting to between four and five hundred thousand dollars. He urged the adoption of the bill.

Mr. Florence spoke against the $530,000 appropriation for purchasing an Assay Office, and other buildings at New York.

Mr. Preston offered an amendment making appropriations for Custom Houses and Marine Hospitals, being the same items voted in the Deficiency bill and defeated, and now grouped into a separate bill by the committee of Ways and Means.

The Message from the President in reply to a resolution of the House relative to the Black Warrior affair was read. It says that there have been many instances of aggression and insult to the American flag by the Cuban authorities, and all attempts to obtain redress have been fruitless. It says the seizure of the Black Warrior is a clear case of wrong, and it is but reasonable to expect indemnity therefor, as soon as this unjustifiable and offensive conduct shall be made known to the Spanish government. The offending party is at our door with large powers for aggression, but none, it is alleged, for reparation. The source of redress is in another hemisphere, and the answers heretofore received have been mere excuses for the misconduct of officials.

The Message says: "I have already taken measures to present to the Spanish Government the wanton injuries of the Cuban authorities and the seizure of the Black Warrior and to demand immediate indemnity. In case the measures taken for an amicable adjustment of our difficulties with Spain should unfortunately fail, I shall not hesitate to use the authority and means which Congress may grant to ensure the observance of our just rights; to obtain redress for injuries received, and to vindicate the honor of our flag. In anticipation of that contingency, I suggest to Congress the propriety of adopting such provisional measures as the exigency of the case may seem to demand."

The Message and accompanying documents were referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

The House then adjourned.

New Hampshire Election.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—The New Hampshire State election took place yesterday. So far as heard from 101 Democrats and 103 coalition have been elected to the House. The same towns last year, elected 116 Democrats and 77 opposition. The Democratic majority then was 89; if the remaining towns come in as last year, the Democrats will have 45 majority only. The towns to hear from are mostly Democratic and cannot reduce the majority below 25. It is the† that the Democrats have chosen 8 out of 12 Senators.

SECOND DISPATCH.—The majority for Baker, (Democrat,) for Governor is about 3000 over all. A majority of Democrats are elected to Council. Anti-Nebraska is triumphant. Several of the old Democratic towns have gone for the Whigs. Gen. Pierce's own Ward gave the Whig Representative 70 majority. The Whigs have gained 50 Representatives so far.

Loss of the steamer Carolina—Forty lives lost.

The White River packet, Caroline, was burned near the mouth of White river, on the 5th inst.—The boat was totally destroyed, and some forty or fifty human beings perished in the flames.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Cotton—market firm; sales 1500 bales. Coffee—Rio firm, sales 400 bags at 12. Rice—Sales 400 tierces at 4¼; unchanged. Flour opened buoyant but closed heavy; sales 6000 bbls at $7,87@8.—Sales 900 bbls Southern at $7,95@8,18. Wheat firm.—Corn opened heavy but improved at the close; sales 39,000 bush at 80@86. Sugar—Sales 800 hhds Orleans for refining, at auction, at 4¼@4½; sales 350 do at 5¾. Molasses—Sales 400 bbls Orleans at 29. Provisions—Sales 200 bbls Pork; market unchanged; moderate demand at previous rates; $13,25@15,50. Beef—Upward tendency; market firm at $14. Sales 700 bbls lard, prices lower, at 10 for bbl and 11 for keg.—Whiskey—Sales 200 bbls prison at 26. Iron, firm at $40@41.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—Cotton quiet—Cloversead decidedly dull, holders ask $5,75, no demand—Flour exceedingly quiet, both buyers and sellers holding off for later advices; sales $400 bbls straight brands at $8; mixed freely offered at $7,81—Rye Flour and Corn meal, nothing doing, prices remain unchanged—Wheat steady at $1,80 for prime red, and $1,90 for white at which some small sales have been made—Rye worth $3,95—sales 900 bush unchanged. Corn, sales 4000 bush yellow at 78, in store, and 80 afloat—Whiskey 27 for bbls, and 26 in hhds sales; 100 drudges at 25.

CLEVELAND, March 15.—The steamer Cleveland from Detroit, Michigan, arrived this morning; she reports but little ice on her passage.

The Erie difficulties have been settled. A bill has been perfected in the Legislature of Pennsylvania by which the Cleveland and Ashtabula Road agrees to construct a Road from some point West of Erie to connect with the Sunbury Road at Meadville. The arrangement is satisfactory to all parties.

COMMERCIAL.

PITTSBURGH MARKET.

OFFICE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, Wednesday Morning, March 15, 1854.

FLOUR—sales on arrival of two lots of 100 bbls each, superfine at $7 00; 21 bbls superfine and extra, on the wharf, at $7 12@7 25, and 92 bbls in the retail way at $7 50@7 62½ from store, sales 30 bbls extra family at $7 37.

SODA ASH—sales yesterday and on Tuesday of 20 and 15 casks domestic at 3¼, 4 mos.

GROCERIES—In fair demand; sales of 20 hhds Sugar at 4¾; 10 do at 4 56, 15 do at 4¾, 5 do at 4¾, 15 do at 5, and 20 do at 5⅛@5¼, to country; Molasses, sales of 24, 60 and 30 bbls cask, at 29; Coffee, a sale of 12 bags at 12¾, cash.

BUTTER—very dull; sales of a barrel common roll at 12½.

DRIED FRUIT—a sale of 20 bushels Dried Apples at $1 10, and 70 bus Dried Peaches, from store, at $1 65.

BACON—sales in lots of 20,000 lbs Shoulders, Sides and Hams, at 6, 7 and 9c.

BULK MEAT—a sale of 9,000 lbs at 4¾, 5¼ and 6¼.

LARD—we hear of sales of 200 bbls and tcs No. 1, at 9@9¼, and 100 bbls white Grease at 7¾, cash; 9 cents was offered and refused for 200 tcs.

WHISKEY—a sale of 35 bbls rectified at 25, cash, and small parcels at 26.

EGGS—a sale of 1600 dozen, on arrival, at 10½, for repacking, to go east.

HAY—sales on Tuesday and Wednesday of 80 loads at sales at $12@15 ⅌ ton.

GLASS—we heard of a sale of 100 box country brands, at $2 12½ for 8×10, and $2 37½ for 10×12.

FLAXSEED—a small sale reported at $1 25.

PEA NUTS—sales of 300 bus at 87½.

PIG METAL—a sale on Tuesday of 300 tons Washington, to arrive, at $45, six mos; the lots of Hanging Rock, not last, on the market, are going off in small parcels at $49 @50.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

The following money items are from the New York Tribune of the 13th:

There was a better supply of money today on call, and the demand was more light. Stock operators generally borrower found any difficulty in obtaining money to-day at 1 ⅌ cent. Paper is 1@2 ⅌ cent. for desirable names.—Railroad paper, of first class, 1@2 ⅌ cent.

The imports of the week (other than Dry Goods) are $1,819,071—including, as we stated yesterday, $1,230,000. Our letters tell us that after this week the imports will be comparatively light. The aggregate arrival of several steamers has made this week a very large one.

There is no feature of much interest in the private letters by the steamer. Money is decided to be very easy in London on short loans, but capitalists still exhibited a want of confidence in the future. There was a moderate inquiry for American Stocks, and a fair amount of business was transacted for stocks and bonds. There was, however, no disposition in London to take up the Illinois Central or Illinois Bonds at the prices offered in this market.

The internal trade of Great Britain continues large, the receipts of traffic on English Railways for the month show an average increase of ½ ⅌ cent. above the receipts of the corresponding month last year.

From the Parliamentary returns of the English Mint, it appears that the total coinage of the three years in Great Britain, France, and the United States in 1853 was 38,723,830, which amount has all been absorbed by the increase of trade.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

By G. & Pa. R. R. March 14—1 pkg to Wheeler, Bryan & co; 286 do sash; 3 Walnut 1 car horses, 12 do cattle; 6 spoke buckets, 6 do tubs, Lambert & Shipton; 10 do, T Little & co; 10 do do, 5 do do; Jacobs & co; 2 do Martin & Metcalfe; 8 do C Candless; 9 bags potatoes, owner; 1 do corn meal, Wilson; 8 bbls four Kearns; Walker & grindstone, Diplomatic; 50 do bbls butter, 2 do eggs, Wm Smith & co; 250 bbls oats, 50 do potatoes, Hutchison & co; 1 do sash, Wm Smith; 2 do eggs, Burgess, Smith & co; 250 bu oats to Mitchell & Roe; 1 do hat sundries, J & J Kennedy; 1 do, 2 bbls bacon, J Wickersham; 2 bbls eggs, Adams' Express; 6 do do, 2 butter, J W Rea; 1 do, 2 cheese, 2 bbls eggs, Hutchison; crate, cast; 7 bags, 1 bale, P McCormick, 408 bus oats, J D Miller; 940 pcs wash 6 kegs butter, cast; ¼ car lumber, H I Bryan; 1 car 26 W Bigelow; 1 car pipe, J Kennedy; 1 car Hallston; 20 bbls eggs, J & W Rea; 2 do apples, cast; 483 bu wheat, Byers & co; 20 sacks flour, Lambert & Shipton; 1 do do, 1 rick; 401 bus oats, J McClure; 1 car horses, owner; 15 bbls eggs, 40 pails, Adams' Express; 250 bu corn & bbls eggs, Bell & Liggett.

O. & Pa. R. R. March 15—855 pcs bulk pork, Brown & Richardson; 80 kegs lard, cast; 1 box tobacco, 1 do eggs, 1 do apples, J & W Rea; 1 do butter, Wm Kimble & co; 2 bbls butter, 2 bgs beans, H Collins; 8 bbls eggs Adams' Express; 3 bbls apples, Wm Smith; 1 do do, Wilson & co; 1 do corn, 8 bbls apples, 2 do onions, J Green; 21 sks dried peaches, J B Carnahan; 1 bbl 1 kg butter, Wm Smith & co; 1 do do, Graham; 211 bus oats, Hunter & Hare; 1 sks cloverseed, 1 bbl butter, 2 sks flaxseed, 5 kegs lard, cast; 4 bbls apples, Willis; 1 car sundry, Rea; 2 bbls eggs, Wm Smith & co; 1 do do, R Gardner; 10 sks hops, Dillan; 8 bbls flour, J Hoffman; 4 do pot ash, Miller; 2 sks flaxseed, Lambert & Shipton; 1 bus rye, wheat, Wilmarth; 30 kegs butter, Lambert & Shipton; 2 do, owners; 3 bbls cloverseed, Wick & McCandless; 10 pcs bulk pork, Wall & co; 1 bbl butter, 2 do eggs, Dalzell & co; 1 bags scrap iron, Coleman & co; 300 bus wheat, Wilmarth; 132 bu oats, Thos Walker; 3 bbls flour, 2 do meal, Wm Smith & co; 1 do do, 2 do flour