CITY DEPARTMENT.

PITTSBURGH:
WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 7, 1855.

THE PITTSBURGH INFIRMARY.—ANNUAL REPORT.—We have received a copy of the Fifth Annual Report of the Pittsburgh Infirmary (usually known as Passavant's Hospital,) under the care of the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses.

The Board of Visitors met on the second Monday of January. Their remarks with regard to the internal condition of this noble institution are interesting and we extract as follows:

After a personal inspection of the interior arrangements of the Institution, it affords the Board great pleasure to bear testimony to the neatness, order, and decorum which prevail in all its departments. The conveniences and comforts of home have been gradually gathered together, and the appearance of the house is that of a well regulated dwelling, rather than the forbidding aspect of most hospitals. The tenderness and fidelity of the deaconesses to the sick, even in the most loathsome and dangerous cases, is truly affecting, and merits more than a passing notice at our hands—while every thing that medical skill can perform for the removal or alleviation of suffering is rendered by the physicians, who gratuitously devote their time, and services to the inmates of the Institution.—It is evident, from the registry of the patients, that the provisions of the Charter concerning the impartial character this charity must sustain, have been faithfully observed. There is literally no distinction of creed, color, or country, either in the granting of permits or the treatment of the patients. The sick and suffering African receives the same kind treatment and attention which is bestowed on his brother of a fairer skin. The Protestant and Roman Catholic, are alike taken in and cared for—and even the infidel and the man who hath said in his heart "there is no God," if suffering, are welcomed, and made to experience that there is a God who careth even for them! And so, too, the sick emigrant from every clime, finds a home and a couch on which to rest his aching head—side by side with the native born citizen of our own land.

In January, 1849, the Rev. W. A. Passavant commenced this Institution in a rented house, and without a dollar in his hands, but full of faith that the Lord had directed him to this work and that He would provide for all its wants. That faith and seal have been abundantly rewarded in the establishment of an Institution which is a credit to our city and an honor to Christianity. Since its commencement, nearly fifteen hundred patients have found relief within its walls, and every day more fully demonstrates its utility, and increases the number who are the recipients of its benefits.

There were admitted to the Infirmary during the years 1853 and 1854, five hundred and thirty-six patients; deaths 67; discharged cured, 371; do. improved, 23; do. unimproved, 12; eloped, 10; discharged for bad conduct, 3; now remaining, 24.

By the Treasurer's Report we learn that the receipts for 1853 were $3,011 97; expenditures $3,116 67, or $104 70 over and above the receipts. For 1854, the receipts were $4,059 89; expenditures, $4,502 97, or $443 08 over and above the receipts. We shall refer to this report again.

WATCH STUFFERS ABOUT.—POT-METAL TRIP PIECES.—A man came to the Mayor's Office on Monday evening last and stated that he had been the victim of a watch-stuffing game, exhibiting at the same time a miserable piece of metal, having the form of the watch was never made to keep time longer than ten or fifteen minutes at once, and was the veriest libel on the name of watch. The deluded individual stated that he was standing at the window of a store on Wood street, looking at the various pictures and articles therein displayed, when he was accosted by a rough-looking fellow, who put on a woe-begone face and told him with a whining voice that he was out of money—that he had just heard of sickness in his family in Ohio—that he wanted to sell his watch in order to obtain means to pay his passage in the evening train for the West, and that it was worth $125, but he was willing to sell it for $30. Deluded individual was captivated, and yet had a lingering doubt in his mind from the rather rough appearance of the time-piece in question. But to make confirmation doubly sure, a third party stepped out of the store with his hat off and addressed the owner of the watch—

"Hach's! you better take my offer for your watch! Come, here's the money." He was apparently alluding to some previous attempt to purchase the watch.

But the mourning father of a sick family in Ohio refused to have any conference with the hatless gentleman and started off down street with his affectionate and deluded friend in tow. Hatless individual calls deluded individual back, and says, "if you get that watch from him for $30, come back to my store here, and I'll give you $70 for it!"

What a glorious chance for a speculation! thinks deluded, and off he starts after sorrowful father. A bargain is soon closed. The $30 are paid over, the watch changes hands and a pleasant good day!" closes up operations between these two. Deluded now goes back to the store, enters, and inquires—

"Where's the boss?"

"He's in Philadelphia, sir!" was the reply.

The truth, like a burst of inspiration, flashed upon deluded's mind. He was sold. He was done for. He was the victim of a vile conspiracy. He had paid $30 for a watch which rascals purchase for $18 a dozen. Crushed in spirit and empty in pocket, deluded repairs to the Mayor's office to pour out his tale of sorrow in the ears of the officers. They promise to keep a look-out for the sorrowful father and the hatless individual, and deluded departs a poorer but a wiser man.

THE COMPLAINT BOOK.—The value of the complaint book as a remedial agent is beginning to be appreciated by our citizens. A good many pages have already been filled and so far as we have learned, every reasonable complaint has been promptly attended to when in the power of the officers to remedy it.

The complaints entered yesterday are as follows:

That a crowd of rowdies are in the habit of congregating at the corner of O'Hara and Penn streets, every day. Last Sunday, there were as many as sixteen there at one time. They are a nuisance to the entire neighborhood.

That Foster's Alley near Sixth street is in such a bad condition that the waste water cannot be carried along the alley, but runs over into the cellar of the lot on the lower corner of Sixth street and the Alley.

That a cartway over the board side walk on Webster street above Fulton, entirely obstructs the walk and should be removed.

That there is a cock pit kept in Wilkins Hall to the annoyance of the neighbors and injurious to the health of a woman lying sick in the building. (This is the second time this notorious house has been complained of this week.)

That six or seven public lamps on Pennsylvania Avenue are not lighted at half past eight o'clock, though the night is dark, and there are several piles of obstructions in the street. (The Watchmen state that they cannot get the gas to burn owing to frost in the pipes.)

That the side walk adjoining and below house No. 100 on Ross street has been made a depot for the ashes of those residing at corner of Ross and Fifth streets (opposite side) and is in an almost impassable condition.

That during market hours a large number of drays, carts, hand-carts, &c., are permitted to occupy the west side of the Diamond to the great annoyance of persons living on that side as well as to country people coming to market in wagons.

That on every Tuesday and Friday mornings from about 3 o'clock to daylight there is so much hallooing and loud talk in the Scotch Hill Market House, that it has become a nuisance. Persons in the neighborhood cannot sleep well on account of it.

OHIO BRANCH SOUP HOUSE.—Adam Reineman, Treasurer of the Allegheny, Duquesne and Reserve Soup Association acknowledges the receipt of the following sums in support of said Association, by the hands of his Honor, Mayor Adams, viz: $83,00, collected by Mr. John Bennett, from the laboring hands at the outer depot of the O. & P. R. R.; $17,95 collected by Henry Osmond, also from the laboring hands at the same outer depot. Further the treasurer acknowledges the following contributions: Third Ward Public School, Allegheny, $20,27; hands in Banner Cotton Mill, $37,37; hands in W. B. Scaife's shop, $6,50; Robert Bloom Lodge, No. 414, I. O. O. F., $10; Rev. Weiterhauen's church; $11,86; hands employed on the O. & P. R. R. at the Federal street station, $18,50; proceeds of exhibition of Montaldi's Diorama; $16,00; Gutenberg Hair Lodge, No. 40, $10,00; proceeds from concert of the Germania Society, in German Evangelical church, Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, $26,03; St. John's German Society, Allegheny, $50,00; German Cabinet Makers' Association, $5,00; St. Mary's church, Allegheny, $20,11; Gruetli Verein, Allegheny, $15,00.

The Society distributed during the week ending Saturday March 24, to 5,466 persons, 4,000 pounds of bread and 1,300 gallons of soup.

FALSE PRETENCES.—A man named John Wernt was brought before Paul A. Way, justice of the Peace at Newtown, yesterday, charged, on oath of John Fisher, with obtaining goods under false pretences. Defendant purchased of complainant a horse, plow, wagon and harness, under pretence of having one thousand dollars at interest in this city, and that good security should be given for payment of the property. On subsequent inquiry, it was ascertained he had no money in Pittsburgh, nor could he give the promised security. After an examination, he was ordered to be committed to the County Jail for trial. Robert Neely, Supervisor, committed him yesterday.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.—Mr. John McCarney while walking along Factory street, Fifth Ward, on Saturday night, accidentally shot himself in the right thigh. A revolver was in his pocket, and in searching for some article, his hand came in contact with the trigger, which caused the discharge of the weapon. He fell prostrate upon the sidewalk, and some persons in the neighborhood hearing his moans and the report of the pistol, hastened to his relief. He was carried to the office of Dr. McCook, where the ball was extracted, and he was afterwards conveyed to his home in a carriage. We understand he is now doing well.—*Union.*

GAMBLING.—Clement Chadwick, of the First Ward, Allegheny, was arrested yesterday by Officer Long and brought before Mayor Adams, on a charge of tolerating gambling in his house.—After trial, he was fined $10 and costs. It appears that a party of butchers and drovers engaged a room in Chadwick's house, and had a game of cards interspersed with sundry rounds of liquor. They played for money. The party assembled yesterday at the Mayor's Office and agreed to pay Mr. Chadwick's fine for him, as they were the cause of his arrest.

TO THE HOUSE OF REFUGE.—Judge McClure, of the Court of Quarter Sessions, yesterday sent nine young lads to the House of Refuge. They were all members of a gang of juvenile thieves. Every true philanthropist will sincerely pray that reformation may be the result of the training under which they will now come.

On Saturday next, five more boys will probably be sent to the House of Refuge by the same Court.

OFFICE BROKEN OPEN AND ROBBED.—A man named Robert Stewart was arrested yesterday by Officer Reed, charged on oath of Charles M'Clure Hays, Esq., with having broken into his law office some days since and taken therefrom property and clothing to the amount of over $75. When arrested, he had on a pair of shoes, pair of pants and a hat, which Mr. Hays identified as his property. Stewart had also sent a shirt to be washed which was marked with Mr. Hays' name. He was committed to jail for further hearing.

CHARGE OF FALSE PRETENCES.—Officer Hastings, yesterday, arrested a man by the name of William Savage on a charge of false pretences preferred against him by John Doak. Savage, it appears, borrowed $8 of Doak, and stated that he had a note of $200 against William Larimer which he expected to sell and would then return the money to him. Doak avers that he sold the note, but did not pay him as promised. The defendant was committed to jail by Ald. M'Kenna to await a further hearing.

NEW LOCOMOTIVE.—We observed yesterday a new first class locomotive—the "Franklin"—on the track of the Penna. Railroad, near Duquesne Depot. Workmen were engaged in preparing it for shipment down the Ohio River, to the Fourmile switch, where it will be put on the track of the O. & P. Railroad, to which road it belongs. It is a splendid piece of workmanship and will be a material addition to the machinery of the road.

MR. MCCOMBS, the Market Constable, thinks we did him injustice in a brief notice we gave him a day or two ago. We should have stated that Mr. McCombs has arrested two hucksters in the market since his induction into office, as the Mayor's docket shows.

DRAYS AND CARTS.—Officer Trovillo has reported to the Mayor some forty or fifty carts, drays and wagons which were found standing on the streets last Sunday. The owners have all been notified to appear on Friday next to answer for this breach of the ordinance.

FOR KANSAS.—A company consisting of about one hundred and fifty persons will leave this city the latter part of this week, if the river is open, on the steamer *Tropic*. The steamer will proceed direct to Kansas City, Missouri.

THE TOWNSHIP ELECTIONS.—The annual elections of the Townships of Allegheny County take place on the third Friday of March—the 16th instant.

HUCKSTERING.—Mayor Adams yesterday fined Edward Smith, $5 and costs for huckstering.—He was arrested by Market Constable Hollar.

SEVERAL young men were yesterday fined $1 and costs by Mayor Adams, for standing on the corners of the public streets on Sunday.

THE workmen of the Gas Company were engaged yesterday in removing the ice and frost from the lamp-posts in different parts of the city.

BY TELEGRAPH

ELMIRA, N. Y., March 6.—We had a Regular West India squall last night. Chimneys were blown down, houses unroofed, &c. The car house of the Williamsport & Elmyra Railroad was blown down and three engines injured.—Signs, boxes, &c., were scattered about in all directions. McCoy's Hotel, near the Depot took fire, burning during the night and doing considerable damage.

RICHMOND, March 6.—The mail agent between Raleigh and Weldon, named M'Gowan, was yesterday attacked in Weldon by three men for a trifling debt. They left him for dead, and body, there being not less than six bulls in his person. When the cars left he was supposed to be in a dying condition.

AUBURN, N. Y., March 6.—The Know Nothings have elected their Mayor by 200 majority.

At Oswego there was an exciting election and the Know Nothing Mayor was defeated by 500 majority.

CONCORD, N. H., March 6.—The People's Anti-Administration Convention is in session. The two largest halls are filled to overflowing. John P. Hale, George Nesmith and others made speeches.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The frigate Des Genoys has been released by the Health officer and is coming up to the city. Fifty-eight of her passengers state that they are political exiles.

BOSTON, March 6.—The town elections were held throughout the State yesterday. The Know Nothings have carried 40 out of 50 heard from.

DETROIT, Mich., March 6.—The returns show that Ladyard, the Democratic candidate for Mayor has a majority of about 600.

CINCINNATI, March 6.—The municipal election in Newport yesterday resulted in the defeat of the American ticket.

CINCINNATI, March 6.—Markets quiet, no change in prices. Provisions at a stand.

Weather wet. River stationary.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Cotton declined ⅛; market dull. Flour, prices higher; sales 7000 bbls. good Ohio at $9,25@$9,62½, and 4000 bbls. at Southern $8,87@$9,56; market firm. Corn easier, but not lower; sales 59,000 bushels.—Pork a trifle higher; sales 1000 bbls old mess at $13,75. Beef firm; sales 600 bbls. Lard, stiffer, but not quotably higher; sales in bbls. at 9⅞@9¾. Whiskey, Ohio 31½. Groceries unchanged, a limited business. Sales 8000 gals. Linseed Oil at 79@80. Money and Stocks unchanged. Virginia sixes, 5, 20; 96½; Canton 24½; Cumberland 34; Erie 46½; Reading 79½.

PHILADELPHIA, March 6.—No new feature in Flour; the receipts and stocks are small and the demand for export limited the sales were 200 bbls. good brands at $8,87½. Rye flour scarce and in good demand, sales 500 to 600 bbls. at $5. Corn meal held firmly at $4@$4,75.—Wheat in fair demand but very little offering; sales 1200 bushels good Southern red at $2,11. Rye worth $1,12@$1,15. Corn has been arriving quite freely, and prices have receded 3 cents per bushel; sales 1200 to 1500 bush. yellow afloat at 90. Whiskey held firmly; small sales in bbls at 32@33.

CINCINNATI, March 6.—Flour firm at $8,40@$8,50. Oats 40. Whiskey dull; no sales.—Cheese firm at 9½@10. Provisions at a stand; holders firm and buyers not willing to accede to any advance. The only sale heard of was 2500 bacon hams at 7c, loose. Sugar firm at 5@5½ for fair. Molasses 24@25. Coffee 11@11½. Butter firm at 18@20 for roll. Cloverseed dull at $6,50.

River stationary. Weather wet.

TO the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the county of Allegheny.

The petition of Wm. H. Hulick, of the 5th Ward, Pittsburgh, in the county aforesaid, humbly showeth, That your petitioner hath provided himself with materials for the accommodation of travelers and others, at his dwelling house in said Ward; and pray that your Honors will be pleased to grant him a license to use a public house of entertainment. And your petitioner as in duty bound, will ever pray. W. H. HULICK.

We, the subscribers, citizens of the Ward aforesaid, certify that the above petitioner is of good repute for honesty and temperance, and is well provided with house and lot, convenience for the accommodation and lodging of strangers and travelers; and that said tavern is necessary.

W. J. Moore, U. O. Loomis, W. Barr, John S. Whitten, Henry Lambert, James Jones, Daniel Armstrong, W. G. Peet, John Wallace, T. M. Hulick, James Dougherty, Jr., B. Haas. mh6 2d

TO the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the county of Allegheny.

The petition of Byron & Shiris, of the 2d Ward, Pittsburgh in the county aforesaid, humbly showeth That your petitioners hath provided themselves with materials for the accommodation of travelers and others, at their dwelling house in said ward, and pray that your Honors will be pleased to grant them license to keep a public house of entertainment. And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray. BYRON & SHIRIS.

We, the subscribers, citizens of the 2d Ward, do certify that the above petitioners are of good repute for honesty and temperance, and are well provided with house room and convenience for the accommodation and lodging of strangers and travelers, and that said tavern is necessary.

W. S. Campbell, S. W. Carr, T. J. Kearns, Simon Chalfant, Jas. Gallagher, R. A. Wateman, Wm. Denringer, C. Reed, Thos. Sargent. mh6 2d

ALPACCAS.—100 pcs. Black Alpaccas just rec'd at A. A. HASON & CO.'S, 75 4th st. mh6

COMMERCIAL.

COMMITTEE OF ARBITRATION, FOR MARCH.—W. R. BROWN, V. P.—PAT. SELLERS, JOHN RHODES, JAS. MCCRISTY, JAS. SCOTT.

REVIEW OF THE PITTSBURGH MARKET.

For Old Rock refining Metals see Circular.

The week that has just gone by has been productive of no less incidents than any one since our last, and the sanguine hopes of a Spring trade seem to be not far distant. We are favored (Tuesday) without rain, however, and we can hardly anticipate a rise in the River until the snow is somewhat up. Notwithstanding the snow, the country is remarkably free from moisture, and the Springs are all low to an extraordinary degree.—We have had no heavy, soaking rain since the Summer drought set in; and although what rain we did get was sufficient to bring the Fall crop handsomely forward, it did not penetrate deep enough to replenish the springs and keep up the minor streams. The ice and snow now on the ground may, by melting, have sufficient effect upon the River to produce a temporary rise; but without a steady and continued rain the rise will be too brief to be of value.

The intelligence we get of the growing crops continues to be encouraging. From all quarters we hear the same word—an increased breadth will likely be sowed with Wheat and the crop in excellent condition.

If the Spring would now set in and growing weather be experienced, it would be a great relief to farmers. The past season has been a severe one, and the supply of food for cattle has been too short for their wants. Throughout this whole region our farmers have been sorely troubled to get through the Winter, and in some sections, especially in the Western Reserve, cattle have died in considerable numbers of starvation and disease superinduced by want of sufficient food. The injury inflicted upon cattle must, it is thought, affect seriously the future production of Butter and Cheese.

Business during the week has been unchanged from its previous dullness. There is nothing doing worthy of note, and our Merchants are impatiently waiting for an opening in the River to secure the much needed revival.

The River was sliding slowly yesterday, with about 4½ feet water in the channel. The ice in the Monongahela was beginning to move, and it is expected that the Brownsville boats will resume their trips this morning. The ice in the Allegheny had not yet got in motion.

Money matters are a little easier in the East, if anything, and first class borrowers find no difficulty in obtaining Money. In New York it is said that it is the lenders who are pressing the market, and not the borrowers, as was wont. On call, Money is quoted at 5@6 ⅌ cent. and on time paper, rates range from 7@10 ⅌ cent. on prime names, for short and long dates. In Philadelphia, the N. American says "the rates for Money remain the same as last quoted, with a moderate demand—6@9 ⅌ cent. for first-class paper and 10@12 ⅌ cent. for second class."

In Baltimore, the American says:

The Money market is easier than it has been for many months. The supply on the street is abundant and prime paper is much sought for. Some business, as we are remarked last week, comparatively little prime paper offering, and that being taken in order to obtain Bank discounts to meet extensive payments. We quote to-day first-class paper at 5@6 ⅌ cent. and second-class do. at 10@12 ⅌ cent. Money is easier at the street rates. Money can be readily obtained on call or on short paper with good collaterals at 6 ⅌ cent. There is but little paper offered in the Money market than there has been for some months, and it is to the hopeful that financial troubles are at an end, as least by the balance of the season.

As a backset to favorable expectations, the Imports continue large. For last week the Import of Foreign Dry Goods amounts to $1,459,149, against $1,631,687 the corresponding week last year; and for the month of February there is an increase, on the whole Import, over an even last year's figures. As made up at the Custom House they are as follows:

In Store for Entry	$ 8,218,923
Goods Warehoused	2,228,294
Free Goods	1,461,445
Total Entries of month	$12,014,127
Against February, 1854	10,916,222
Increase in February, 1855	$ 1,097,905

This, with the heavy exports of Specie, and the falling off of other exports, does not improve our prospects in the least. A continuance of this state of things will precipitate another Bank contraction and a stringent Money market. Even now the paper is scrutinizing the Banks to take in all and be prepared for a possible squall.

Money at Boston remains very nearly the same as last week, and no change in rates. The Banks furnish nearly all that is wanted for legitimate business purposes, and the offerings of paper for discount in the street are extremely limited.

The Imports at New York for the week show a very slight falling off as compared with the corresponding week last year, as will be seen by the annexed comparative figures:

	1855.	1854.
For the Week		
Dry Goods	$1,459,157	$1,631,219
General Merchandise	977,475	1,019,435
Total	$2,459,150	$2,479,654

Our dates from New Orleans are to the 27th ult. Sugar had advanced to 7½@7¾ for fair, and Molasses had declined to 18½ for prime. The stocks of Sugar and Molasses in all the Western States are extremely low.

The Baltimore American quotes Government Gulf and Expressed and selling at $6,00@$6,50; in Cincinnati there is said to be a good demand at $6,50.

From St. Louis we have dates to March 3d. The Mississippi was open to the month, but falling; the upper Mississippi and Illinois being closed. The Missouri was open and boats advertised to leave that day.

The Ohio was open on Monday from Cincinnati to the mouth, but falling. The Cincinnati of that date says:

The feeling in the Provision market, yesterday, partakes of a speculative character, and the sales today were quite large, including the following items:

We notice the arrival of four hundred bbls. Flour from St. Louis; the lot sold from the wharf at $8,25. There is no change to note in the Flour market, but the fact of this being a bare of this article, and will depend upon St. Louis and other points on the Mississippi River for the Spring trade of the amount consumed during the next four months.

Dried apples are very scarce and prices tending decidedly up. Butter is likewise very scarce and the supply not nearly equal to the demand.

The Meat market continues quiet, with a great scarcity of currency; the protracted and the late unusual cold weather of Winter, has placed many in somewhat embarrassed situations and produced a more pressing demand for money.

Exchange is unsettled, and Bankers checked at ¼, but several negotiations were made outside at ⅛@⅛ for sight drafts on New York.

Lard is quiet, and the demand for the Spring trade is from 9¾ to 10½c ⅌ lb; averaging about 10,000 ⅌ 100 lbs. Bacon is in good request, and the supply is not equal to the demand; sales of Hams and Shoulders are taking place at 7½@7¾c ⅌ lb.

Whiskey—sales of 50 bbls. Pearls yesterday at 6, which is about the ruling rate; Pots are salable at 5, but this is the outside figure. Tobacco 5½@6; Soda Ash, common, 3¼.

APPLES—a few small sales from first hands, of higher qualities at $2,50, and better qualities up to $3,00.

BACON—there is a buoyant feeling on the part of holders and the demand is quite active. The supply is not by no means well supplied, and there is more demand than means to meet it. Prime city cut Meats is firm at 6¾ for Shoulders, 7¼ for Sides and 8¼ for Hams, with a freedom in selling; when a long credit is given or country cut Meats offer about ⅛ below these quotations. Sugar Cured Hams firm at 11.

BULK MEAT—the reported sales of the week are 55,000 lbs. in lots, and all sold at 5, 6 and 7, cash, and six months' money.

BEANS—a sale of 16 bbls. Small White at $3,00 ⅌ bush., held at $3,00@$3,25.

BROOM—common Ohio sell on arrival at $3,25, and other qualities up to $4,75 ⅌ dozen, as to quality.

BUTTER & EGGS—Butter is scarce; prime Roll is firm and in demand at 20, and other qualities range downwards to 15; Packed, 11@12. Eggs are not to be had, and would command 22@30 ⅌ dzn; Saratoga is here; a good supply would of course bring figures down.

BEESWAX—is nominal at 24 for Good Yellow; there is scarcely any offering.

BUCKETS & TUBS—sales of Buckets at Factory at $2,10 and from stores at $2,25; Large Tubs, from store, $7,50 @7 50 per doz. small do. $6,50.

COTTON YARNS, &c.—The following are the ruling rates:

No. 5 to 10, inclusive	18 c ⅌ lb.	No. 16	21 c ⅌ lb.
No. 11 & 12	19	No. 17	22
No. 13	20	No. 18	23
No. 14	21	No. 19	24
No. 15	22	No. 20	25

BOXES, TARE.

No. 500	8 ⅌ lb.	No. 800	6¾ ⅌ lb.
No. 600	7	No. 900	6½
No. 700	6¾	No. 1000	6¼

Carpet Chain, White, 19@20; Colored 23; Covered Yarns 22@23; Candlewick 9; Twine 30; Batting, No. 1, 19; No. 2, 22; Family Batting 18; Cauliflower 18.

CORDAGE—THE QUOTATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Manilla Rope, coil 10 c ⅌ lb. Manilla Rope, coil 10 c ⅌ lb.
Manilla Rope, coil 9 c ⅌ lb. Manilla Rope, coil 9 c ⅌ lb.
Tarred Rope, coil 8 c ⅌ lb. Tarred Rope, coil 8 c ⅌ lb.
Tarred Rope, coil 7 c ⅌ lb. Tarred Rope, coil 7 c ⅌ lb.
BED CORDS—Manilla, 60 lbs. $4,50 ⅌ doz.
Manilla, Wood, 10 c ⅌ lb.
Hemp, 7 c ⅌ lb. Hemp, 7 c ⅌ lb.
Hemp, 6 c ⅌ lb. Hemp, 6 c ⅌ lb.

FLOUGH LINES—Manilla $1,25 ⅌ doz. Hemp $1,00 ⅌ doz.

COTTON CORDAGE—Cotton Rope, ⅝ and upwards, 20c ⅌ lb. below ⅝, 22. Bed Cords, $9,00; $7,50; $6,75 ⅌ doz.

Plowlines, $1,25; Sash Cords, $9,00.

CANDLES & SOAP—demand moderate; sales of Dipped Candles at 10½; Mould 12½; and Adamantine at 12@12½. Common Soaps Soap, 5, and Superior Soap at 6@6½.

CHEESE—the supply is but no more than the demand is not active; sales in small lots at 9½@10½, as to quality.

DRIED FRUIT—Peaches are firm at $2,25 and Apples at $1,37, in lots, and in small lots at 1½ cents advance, for prime. The supply is light and the feeling good on the part of holders.

DRIED BEEF—small sales by the tierce at new at 9@9½.

FEATHERS—nothing doing, except in the small way at 45@50.

FEED—the following are the wholesale prices in mills: Bran & Screenings, $1,00 per bbl; Shorts $1,10; Fine stuff $1,15; Finished middlings $1,40.

FISH—prime large No. 3 Mackerel, new, are selling at $11,50, in the small way, and small 3's at $7,50; Shad sold at Herring $6,00; Lake Fish, fresh $4,50@5,00 ⅌ bbl, and White $5,00@5,50; half bbls in like proportion. Codfish is scarce, and not to be had in large quantities. Held nominally at 5.

FLOUR—sales on Monday and yesterday 37,400 bbls extra, that keep been in store, at $9,25; superfine, weight bring $8,87, at this rate, but the steam mills are selling superfine at $8,50. Friday's sales are making at $8,125 $8,25, superfine and extra, with considerable demand in the tone of the market.

GRAIN—Wheat—supply of good to prime Southern is fair at $2,05 depot and 14 delivered; Corn is big in good supply, sales at depot being made at 80 for Shelled, and 65 for Ear; from store Shelled is $2,85 and Ear $7,600. Barley is nominal at $1,75@$1,80, and Rye at $1,20. Wheat is in demand at $2,10@$2,15.

GROCERIES—the market is bare of Sugar and our Grocers are unable, generally, to fill ordinary orders; it could be sold to country retailers at 6½ for the bbl. Molasses is coming to Ohio River at 25, and to the retail trade is from 27@30. Coffee is held with considerable tenacity at 11½.

HIDES—Green Beef Hides are inactive at 6@6½. Sales of Dry Hides, by the lot, at 12, and to the retailer trade at 13@13½. Dry Salted 11@11½.

HAY—good demand; sales at stores at $20@22 ⅌ ton, and bales from store at $22@23.

HOPS—nothing doing, except in the small way, at brewery, at 25@30, on time.

HONEY—sales from store in small lots at $1,00 ⅌ bbl.

IRON & NAILS—very little doing; we repeat our former nominal quotations at 3 cts. for Common Bar and 3¼ for 304 Nails and upwards.

LEAD—sales of 57 bbls. and 15 kegs Bolts [illegible] and 10 kegs do. on the usual terms; of country, 15 half bbls. and 6000 lbs. at 6½ cash.

Red Seconds, Bbls. ⅌ lb.			6½c
Slaughter			7
Upper Leather, Sides			42@44
Belts			36@40
Country Hides			6@6½
Skirting Leather ⅌ lb			42@45

The week that has just gone by has been productive of no less incidents than any one since our last, and the sanguine hopes of a Spring trade seem to be not far distant. We are favored (Tuesday) without rain, however, and we can hardly anticipate a rise in the River until the snow is somewhat up. Notwithstanding the snow, the country is remarkably free from moisture, and the Springs are all low to an extraordinary degree.—We have had no heavy, soaking rain since the Summer drought set in; and although what rain we did get was sufficient to bring the Fall crop handsomely forward, it did not penetrate deep enough to replenish the springs and keep up the minor streams. The ice and snow now on the ground may, by melting, have sufficient effect upon the River to produce a temporary rise; but without a steady and continued rain the rise will be too brief to be of value.

The intelligence we get of the growing crops continues to be encouraging. From all quarters we hear the same word—an increased breadth will likely be sowed with Wheat and the crop in excellent condition.

If the Spring would now set in and growing weather be experienced, it would be a great relief to farmers. The past season has been a severe one, and the supply of food for cattle has been too short for their wants. Throughout this whole region our farmers have been sorely troubled to get through the Winter, and in some sections, especially in the Western Reserve, cattle have died in considerable numbers of starvation and disease superinduced by want of sufficient food. The injury inflicted upon cattle must, it is thought, affect seriously the future production of Butter and Cheese.

Business during the week has been unchanged from its previous dullness. There is nothing doing worthy of note, and our Merchants are impatiently waiting for an opening in the River to secure the much needed revival.

The River was sliding slowly yesterday, with about 4½ feet water in the channel. The ice in the Monongahela was beginning to move, and it is expected that the Brownsville boats will resume their trips this morning. The ice in the Allegheny had not yet got in motion.

Money matters are a little easier in the East, if anything, and first class borrowers find no difficulty in obtaining Money. In New York it is said that it is the lenders who are pressing the market, and not the borrowers, as was wont. On call, Money is quoted at 5@6 ⅌ cent. and on time paper, rates range from 7@10 ⅌ cent. on prime names, for short and long dates. In Philadelphia, the N. American says "the rates for Money remain the same as last quoted, with a moderate demand—6@9 ⅌ cent. for first-class paper and 10@12 ⅌ cent. for second class."

In Baltimore, the American says:

The Money market is easier than it has been for many months. The supply on the street is abundant and prime paper is much sought for. Some business, as we are remarked last week, comparatively little prime paper offering, that being taken in order to obtain Bank discounts to meet extensive payments. We quote to-day first-class paper at 5@6 ⅌ cent. and second-class do. at 10@12 ⅌ cent. Money is easier at the street rates. Money can be readily obtained on call or on short paper with good collaterals at 6 ⅌ cent. There is but little paper offered in the Money market than there has been for some months, and it is to the hopeful that financial troubles are at an end, at least for the balance of the season.

As a backset to favorable expectations, the Imports continue large. For last week the Import of Foreign Dry Goods amounts to $1,459,149, against $1,631,687 the corresponding week last year; and for the month of February there is an increase, on the whole Import, over an even last year's figures. As made up at the Custom House they are as follows:

In Store for Entry	$ 8,218,923
Goods Warehoused	2,228,294
Free Goods	1,461,445
Total Entries of month	$12,014,127
Against February, 1854	10,916,222
Increase in February, 1855	$ 1,097,905

This, with the heavy exports of Specie, and the falling off of other exports, does not improve our prospects in the least. A continuance of this state of things will precipitate another Bank contraction and a stringent Money market. Even now the papers are urging the Banks to take in sail and be prepared for a possible squall.

Money at Boston remains very nearly the same as last week, and no change in rates. The Banks furnish nearly all that is wanted for legitimate business purposes, and the offerings of paper for discount in the street are extremely limited.

The Imports at New York for the week show a very slight falling off as compared with the corresponding week last year, as will be seen by the annexed comparative figures:

	1855.	1854.
For the Week		
Dry Goods	$1,459,157	$1,631,219
General Merchandise	977,475	1,019,435
Total	$2,459,150	$2,479,654

Our dates from New Orleans are to the 27th ult. Sugar had advanced to 7½@7¾ for fair, and Molasses had declined to 18½ for prime. The stocks of Sugar and Molasses in all the Western States are extremely low.

The Baltimore American quotes Government Gulf and Expressed and selling at $6,00@$6,50; in Cincinnati there is said to be a good demand at $6,50.

From St. Louis we have dates to March 3d. The Mississippi was open to the month, but falling; the upper Mississippi and Illinois being closed. The Missouri was open and boats advertised to leave that day.

The Ohio was open on Monday from Cincinnati to the mouth, but falling. The Cincinnati of that date says:

The feeling in the Provision market, yesterday, partakes of a speculative character, and the sales today were quite large, including the following items:

We notice the arrival of four hundred bbls. Flour from St. Louis; the lot sold from the wharf at $8,25. There is no change to note in the Flour market, but the fact of this being a bare of this article, and will depend upon St. Louis and other points on the Mississippi River for the Spring trade of the amount consumed during the next four months.

Dried apples are very scarce and prices tending decidedly up. Butter is likewise very scarce and the supply not nearly equal to the demand.

The Meat market continues quiet, with a great scarcity of currency; the protracted and the late unusual cold weather of Winter, has placed many in somewhat embarrassed situations and produced a more pressing demand for money.

Exchange is unsettled, and Bankers checked at ¼, but several negotiations were made outside at ⅛@⅛ for sight drafts on New York.

Lard is quiet, and the demand for the Spring trade is from 9¾ to 10½c ⅌ lb; averaging about 10,000 ⅌ 100 lbs. Bacon is in good request, and the supply is not equal to the demand; sales of Hams and Shoulders are taking place at 7½@7¾c ⅌ lb.

Whiskey—sales of 50 bbls. Pearls yesterday at 6, which is about the ruling rate; Pots are salable at 5, but this is the outside figure. Tobacco 5½@6; Soda Ash, common, 3¼.

APPLES—a few small sales from first hands, of higher qualities at $2,50, and better qualities up to $3,00.

BACON—there is a buoyant feeling on the part of holders and the demand is quite active. The supply is not by no means well supplied, and there is more demand than means to meet it. Prime city cut Meats is firm at 6¾ for Shoulders, 7¼ for Sides and 8¼ for Hams, with a freedom in selling; when a long credit is given or country cut Meats offer about ⅛ below these quotations. Sugar Cured Hams firm at 11.

BULK MEAT—the reported sales of the week are 55,000 lbs. in lots, and all sold at 5, 6 and 7, cash, and six months' money.

BEANS—a sale of 16 bbls. Small White at $3,00 ⅌ bush., held at $3,00@$3,25.

BROOM—common Ohio sell on arrival at $3,25, and other qualities up to $4,75 ⅌ dozen, as to quality.

BUTTER & EGGS—Butter is scarce; prime Roll is firm and in demand at 20, and other qualities range downwards to 15; Packed, 11@12. Eggs are not to be had, and would command 22@30 ⅌ dzn; Saratoga is here; a good supply would of course bring figures down.

BEESWAX—is nominal at 24 for Good Yellow; there is scarcely any offering.

BUCKETS & TUBS—sales of Buckets at Factory at $2,10 and from stores at $2,25; Large Tubs, from store, $7,50 @7 50 per doz. small do. $6,50.

COTTON YARNS, &c.—The following are the ruling rates:

No. 5 to 10, inclusive	18 c ⅌ lb.	No. 16	21 c ⅌ lb.
No. 11 & 12	19	No. 17	22
No. 13	20	No. 18	23
No. 14	21	No. 19	24
No. 15	22	No. 20	25

BOXES, TARE.

No. 500	8 ⅌ lb.	No. 800	6¾ ⅌ lb.
No. 600	7	No. 900	6½
No. 700	6¾	No. 1000	6¼

Carpet Chain, White, 19@20; Colored 23; Covered Yarns 22@23; Candlewick 9; Twine 30; Batting, No. 1, 19; No. 2, 22; Family Batting 18; Cauliflower 18.

CORDAGE—THE QUOTATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Manilla Rope, coil 10 c ⅌ lb. Manilla Rope, coil 10 c ⅌ lb.
Manilla Rope, coil 9 c ⅌ lb. Manilla Rope, coil 9 c ⅌ lb.
Tarred Rope, coil 8 c ⅌ lb. Tarred Rope, coil 8 c ⅌ lb.
Tarred Rope, coil 7 c ⅌ lb. Tarred Rope, coil 7 c ⅌ lb.
BED CORDS—Manilla, 60