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IN 1847 O. RICE, of Cincinnati, invented a valuable Improvement in Washboards, for which he obtained a Patent in Oct., 1849. Said improvement consisted in properly preparing the Edges of a sheet of Zinc (or other suitable metal) and there causing them to Incise or cut their way into the solid wooden sides or legs of a Washboard; the methods previously employed, having been to plough a groove or cut a mortice to receive the metallic plate. O. RICE subsequently sold his entire interest and ownership in said Patent to the subscriber, who is now Sole Proprietor thereof, as well as only authorized manufacturer of O. RICE'S IMPROVED PATENT ZINC WASHBOARDS, having succeeded the late firm of Wayne, Bailey & Co. in that business. Induced by the popularity and extensive sale of said Patented Washboards, sundry persons have engaged in making and vending them without authority so to do, thereby violating the Right secured by said Patent. Suits have been commenced and are now pending against certain parties, known to be thus engaged, and it is my intention to prosecute for all infringements upon my legal and just right to the extent of the law. All persons are therefore cautioned against purchasing or dealing in Zinc Washboards, made after the manner patented by RICE, unless branded "O. Rice's Improved Washboards, Patented Oct., 1849," none other being genuine. It may be well to remark that the variation in the shape of the crimp, or the employment of any Patented Machine to nail Washboards, does not give the right to use the Patented Incising Process above described, upon which the value of the Board really depends.—Wholesale orders for the genuine article respectfully solicited and promptly executed at as low prices as any of the unauthorized makes, by JOSEPH W. WAYNE,
Sole Proprietor and Manufacturer thereof;
Office at Hardware Store, No. 196 Main st., opposite 5th.
fe28 Cincinnati, Ohio.

J. SCOTT, Dentist, Fourth street, five doors west of Market. Office hours from 9 A. M., to 5 P. M.
All work warranted. ja18

Barlow's Indigo Blue.
BARLOW'S INDIGO BLUE is now well established as the best article ever offered for Blueing Clothes. It is entirely free from ACID or anything injurious to the finest articles.
All Housekeepers who have not used it will find it much cheaper and less trouble than Indigo or any other article out. The great demand for it has brought out several imitations. Housekeepers and Consumers will be careful to get BENJAMIN BARLOW's, put up at ALFRED WILTBERGER'S DRUG STORE, No. 169 N. SECOND ST., PHILADELPHIA. Storekeepers can get their supplies from the Grocers and Druggists they deal with, at prices that pay them a good pro.
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PAINTS, VARNISHES, DYE STUFFS, &c., with a first rate assortment of everything in the line. Storekeepers, Physicians and Manufacturers supplied at reasonable rates.
ALFRED WILTBERGER, Druggist,
ap2-6m No. 169 N. Second st., Philadelphia.

Intelligence Office,
NO. 2 ST. CLAIR STREET.
SERVANTS of all descriptions supplied. Private families and Hotels are respectfully solicited to avail themselves of the facilities now offered. Past services offered as guarantee of future favors.
N. B.—Collections promptly attended to.
fe9-1yd JOS. LEWIS.

OHIO & PENNA. RAILROAD—Wanted 20 shares of Stock to complete an order.
WILKINS & CO.,
Bankers and Commission Stock Brokers, 71, 4th st.

J. A. BROWN, would most respectfully inform the public that he keeps on hand, at his stand on the west side of the Diamond, Allegheny City, a complete assortment of Venitian Blinds; Also, Venitian Shutters are made to order in the best style, warranted equal to any in the United States. His Blinds can be removed without the aid of a screw driver. Having purchased the stock, tools, and wood of the Cabinet Establishment of Ramsey & McClelland, I am prepared to furnish their old customers as well as the public at large, with everything in my line. Agency, No. 5 Wood street, Pittsburgh.
mch26 J. A. BROWN.

LAUNDRY BLUE—The attention of families and wash-women is invited to this Blue, which is simply Indigo dissolved, having all its properties retained. The Laundry Blue possesses, over the undissolved Indigo the advantage of imparting a better color to clothes, of being much more simple and convenient for use, and of being a saving of about one half, owing to the fact that not more than one half of the Indigo can be dissolved by water. It is entirely destitute of any properties injurious to cloths. We would solicit a trial, and warrant it to be as represented. For sale by JOHN HAFT, Jr.
de29 No. 141 Wood

Hagan & Ahl,
NO. 91 Market st., are closing out their entire stock of Dry Goods at an immense discount from former prices, preparatory to purchasing their spring supply. We have on hand a fine assortment of the following goods: Paramettas, French Merinos, Wool DeLaines, Worsted Plaids, Madonna Cloth, Tames Cloth, Bombasines, English Chints, & English do., Muslins, superior makes of Welch and other Flannels, with a great variety of Black and Colored Brocade Plaid and Striped Dress Silks, all of which will be sold at a great sacrifice. ja29

Spring of 1855.
MURPHY & BURCHFIELD
Will commence opening
On Monday, March [illegible]th,
Their early supply of SPRING GOODS. mh

A. A. MASON & CO. are now opening 200 cases and packages of Calicoes, Muslins, Ginghams, Checks, Summer Stuffs, Lawns, Muslin de Laines, &c., &c., which have been purchased at the large peremptory sales at much less than cost of manufacture. ap3

SILKS—A. A. Mason & Co. will open on Monday, Feb. 12th, 20 pcs. of rich Plain and Plaid Silks, including a few pcs. of those 4-4 Plaids, at $1.50.

WOOL PLAIDS—A. A. Mason & Co. are selling out the balance of their Plaids at a discount [illegible]

NEW YORK ADVERTISEMENTS.

From VISSCHER & SCHEIDE'S General Advertising House, No. 346 and 348 Broadway, New York, (late No. 80 Nassau street.)
Reliable Firms in the City of New York.

Pure Unadulterated Brandies,
DIRECT FROM THE GROWERS.
ONE of the principal and great causes of the high price of Brandy in this market, is the indirect source from which it is derived. Nine-tenths of that imported is received from mercantile houses in Cognac, who buy of the farmers in that district and ship it to the United States at much advanced prices, and frequently in an adulterated state. In view of these facts, and for the purpose of securing a fair price for their product, a union of brandy growers in France has been accomplished, with the view of shipment to the United States.
The name of the consolidation is the Central Society of Vineyard Proprietors of Cognac, under the general management and the direction of E. Reddon, President, a Vice President, and a Committee of Inspection of eight members. The society itself numbers five hundred vineyard proprietors, amongst them some of the most influential noblemen in the neighborhood of Cognac, who contribute, under certain by-laws, the entire growth of their vineyards to the general fund of the society, the present capital of which is three million francs. The advantages to be obtained from this combination are so apparent as to render unnecessary any further comment on the subject; nevertheless, it may be worthy of observation that few features in this society possess a more striking claim to public attention than the fusion of interest effected between buyer and seller. Since all are shareholders, it necessarily becomes the interest of each individual to contribute by every means in his power to uphold the reputation which the society is endeavoring to earn, for shipment of the best qualities of brandies. For this purpose a clause introduced in the statutes (article 40) renders it imperative that shareholders shall supply the society with the very best Cognac brandies, otherwise they incur the liability of an entire forfeiture of their shares.
The undersigned, sole agents in the United States for the Central Society of Vineyard Proprietors of Cognac, would solicit the attention of merchants, hotel keepers, grocers and others to the vintage now on hand, confident that they will compare more favorably than with any article now in the market, and at prices far below the standard of even ordinary Cognacs. DE VENOGE & CHARLES,
my5-1mv 128 Pearl street, below Wall, New York.

PAPER HANGINGS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
THOMAS FAYE & CO.,
256 and 257, Broadway, New York,
Directly opposite the City Hall & Park,
HAVE constantly on hand a full stock of American and French Paper Hangings, Borders, Fireboards, Prints, Curtain Papers, Bed Testers, Statues, Landscapes, &c., of every style known to the trade.
Merchants laying in their stocks, can buy from first hands, as we manufacture largely and import direct from French Manufacturers, for whom we are sole agents in the United States.
Our retail department comprises the richest styles of Decorations. Special Importations made, when desired, from our splendid collection of samples. Artistic Paper Hangers sent to any part of the United States. mh19-3mv

1855. MILLINERY. 1855.
Mrs. WM. SIMMONS,
564 Broadway, N. Y.,
IS now prepared to exhibit, and offers for sale to wholesale and retail Buyers, at the lowest possible cash prices, the largest and best selected stock of French, English and American Millinery and Straw Goods ever offered at any one establishment in this city; equal if not superior to her former importations. They have been selected with great care by the celebrated French milliner, Madame Lehailleur, of Paris, and Mrs. Lermintine, of Bond st., London.
P. S.—Pattern Bonnets constantly on hand. Orders by mail punctually attended to. Mrs. SIMMONS,
fe27-3mv 564 Broadway, New York.

Daguerreotype Materials, &c.
Merchants are respectfully requested to show this advertisement to any Daguerreotypist in their town.
ANTHONY'S General Depot of Materials for the Daguerreotype, and for Pictures on Paper and Glass. Catalogues furnished on application.
Goods can be sent by express, payable on delivery, but parties with whom we are unacquainted, must give references or send to their ability to pay for the goods on arrival, or remit with their order enough to cover expenses of transportation. fe27-3mv E. ANTHONY, 308 Broadway, N. Y.

New York Bag Manufactory.
HAM, Flour, Feed, Grain, Meal, Hominy, Shot, Buckwheat, Salt, Guano and all other kinds of Bags made and printed to order by machinery with despatch. Address, as above,
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WM. SIMMONS,
Wholesale Dealer in
STRAW GOODS AND MILLINERY,
fe27-3mv 202 BROADWAY, N. Y.

SCHIEFFELIN BROTHERS & CO.,
WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS,
NEW YORK,
Have removed to No. 170 William st., cor. of Beekman.
IMPORTING the leading Drugs from their original markets, both in Europe and East Indies, and also French and English Chemicals, Perfumery, Tooth, Nail and Hair Brushes, Hair Gloves and Straps, Paris and Trieste Sponges, Corks, Soaps, &c., &c., they offer them on the most reasonable terms. Orders either in person, or by mail, will receive their best attention. je12-12mv

ALDERMEN.

I. Donaldson, Alderman.
OFFICE, corner of Penn and St. Clair sts., Pittsburgh. All business pertaining to the office of Alderman will be promptly attended to. fe6-1yd

Patrick McKenna,
ALDERMAN OF THE THIRD WARD.
OFFICE corner of Grant and Fifth streets, (formerly occupied by Alderman Lewis,) where all business pertaining to the office of Alderman and Justice of the Peace will be promptly attended to. fe3-3m

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STEWART & KILGORE,
MANUFACTURERS OF
COOKING, HEATING,
AND
FANCY STOVES,
GRATES, FENDERS,
Pipes, Boxes, and Foundry Castings of all kinds.
OFFICE AND WAREHOUSE,
No. 267 Liberty St., corner of Hand,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

ROBERT H. PATTERSON'S
LIVERY AND SALE
STABLE,
Corner Diamond street and Cherry Alley,
ap18-tf PITTSBURGH, PA.

ASHLAND HOUSE,
ARCH STREET, ABOVE SEVENTH STREET,
PHILADELPHIA.
H. S. BENSON, PROPRIETOR.
Price of Board, $1,50 per day.
May 3, 1854—1vd

WALTER P. MARSHALL, Importer and Dealer in Plain, Figured and Decorative Paper Hangings, No. 85 Wood street, Pittsburgh.
Sole Agent of the celebrated manufactures, Messrs. Delicourt & Co. of Paris. mh3-43

PARIS FASHIONS FOR LADIES' DRESSES.—The Parish Fashions for JUNE, direct per steamer will be on sale on the 1st proximo by
MRS. L. S. WILSON,
fe27tf No. 251½ Penn. above Hand street.

M. KIER ... R. F. JONES ... ALEX. KING
KIER, JONES & CO.,
PROPRIETORS
KIER'S PORTABLE BOAT LINE,
FORWARDING AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, Canal Basin, Seventh street, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Bacon, Lard, Lard Oil, Mess Pork, S. C. Hams, Kier's extra and No. 1 Salt, Anthracite and Scotch Pig Iron, Bolivar Brick and Clay. Anthracite Coal, &c. my19

BANKING HOUSES
OF
JOHN T. HOGG:
No. 22 SOUTH 3D ST. PITTSBURGH, NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA.
SOMERSET, ALLEGHENY CO.
MOUNT PLEASANT, SOMERSET CO.
CONNELLSVILLE, WESTMORE'D CO.
UNIONTOWN, FAYETTE CO.
BROWNSVILLE, " " } Penna.
Deposits received, Discounts made, Drafts bought, sold and collected, Bank Notes and Specie bought and sold Stocks, Notes and other Securities bought and sold on commission, Correspondence and collections solicited.
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LOUIS SCHAEFER,
Attorney at Law, and Eastern Collector
IN THE COUNTIES ALONG THE
OHIO AND PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD, Viz:
Stark, Wayne, Holmes, Tuscarawas, Columbiana, Richland, Carroll, Summit, Portage, Trumbull, Mahoning and others, CANTON, Ohio.
REFERENCES:
Messrs. Raiguel & Co., " M'Farland, Evans & Co., } Phila.
Mr. Isaac Harter, " M. Widikal, } Canton, O.
" Henry Greff, Messrs. F. & W. M. Faber, Theodore Umstaetter, Esq. } Pittsburgh, Pa.
H. P. Mueller mh1-dly

BOOTS AND SHOES,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
JAMES ROBB, 89 Market and 6 Union sts, third door from the Market House, Pittsburgh, would respectfully inform his numerous friends and customers, that he has just received his Spring and Summer Goods, in all varieties, and of the latest style, now worn in the eastern cities.
The particular attention of the Ladies is invited to a well assorted stock of Gaiters, and Fancy Boots and Slippers of all descriptions also a nice stock of Children's Gaiters and Fancy Shoes which was carefully selected. For Gentlemen, he has any pattern of Fancy and Wearing articles. Purchases for cash in large quantities enable him to sell at as low prices as any establishment will sell in the city. He still continues to manufacture as heretofore, any kind of Ladies' and Gentlemens' wear, in the newest style and of the best materials. ap21-tf

PAINTERS.
LONG & LANE,
HOUSE AND SIGN PAINTERS,
NO. 96 THIRD STREET,
(Between Wood and Market streets.)
All orders promptly attended to.
Signs executed in a superior style. mh27-tf

THOMAS MITCHELL ... JOHN S. HERRON ... WM. STEVENSON
UNION FOUNDRY,
Mitchell, Herron & Co.
WILL continue the business of the Union Foundry, at the old stand of PENNOCK, MITCHELL & CO., No. 194 Liberty st.
They will manufacture as usual, a large and general assortment of CASTINGS, comprising
Cooking Stoves, Ranges and Side Ovens;
OFFICE AND PARLOR STOVES,
MANTLE & KITCHEN GRATES,
Hollow Ware, Wagon Boxes, Dog Irons, Sad Irons,
Tea Kettles, Plows and Plow Points,
Mill and Machinery Castings generally,
And GAS and WATER PIPES of all sizes,
IRON & NAILS OF THE BEST BRANDS,
Shovels, Spades, Picks, &c.
All of which will be sold at manufacturers' prices.
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JOHN T. SHRYOCK,
Book and Job Printer and Publisher.
No. 82 Fifth street, above Smithfield, Gazette Building.
BOOK BINDER'S and Box Maker's Straw Boards always on hand. Also, Books, Papers and Stationery. my10

Cider and Vinegar.
VINEGAR made expressly for family use and now sold in more than one half of the Retail Groceries of Pittsburgh and Allegheny, where families can be served in the Warehouse that have been served in it six years.
Wine Vinegar made from Ohio Grapes, equal to the best imported.
Old Cider Vinegar that will bear reducing one half and still be good retailing Vinegar.
The attention of private families, hotel keepers and the country merchants in particular, is directed to this Vinegar.
Cider that will keep sweet until next Fall.
The above Vinegars and Cider warranted to keep as stated. mh21 A. BALLOU, 144 Water & [illegible]

PITTSBURGH GAZETTE.

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 4, 1855.

A PREDICTION OF THE PRESENT WAR.—The Rev. John Cumming, D. D., of the Scotch Church London, in a lecture delivered in Exeter Hall in the year 1847, pronounced, among other matters, the prophetic words written below. They are copied from his 'Apocalyptic Sketches.':—

"Having explained the pouring out of the six preceding vials, the learned lecturer proceeds with the seventh—his text is Rev. xvi., 17 to 21.

"The seventh vial is ready to be poured out or if not already pouring out we are upon the very verge of its being so. It trembles in the hands of the angel. We may expect that during the action of this vial, the mountaineer and the fastnesses—the miner in his subterranean caves—the voyager upon the ocean's bosom—the Arab in his desert—the moslem in his mosque—the Cossack in his Steppes—the King upon his throne—the mother in her household—the babe in the cradle—all will feel its vibrations, receive the taint of its influence, and respond in a thousand echoes to the voice from above, 'It is done.'

"There will be rocking thrones; there will be subverted dynasties; there will be dislocated systems; there will be nations scattered and shaked as by a whirlwind; and the hearts of the great and the mean, the rich and the poor trembling for fear of the things coming on earth.

"Now you will notice that under the seventh vial the ten-kingdom form is no longer to be the distinctive characteristic of the Romish nations; they are to assume a new shape; they will be divided into a tripartite shape; three great masses will be the ultimate form into which all the nations of Europe and Christendom will be divided; as soon as you see three great leading powers coming into collision, with broad Europe for the battle field, and the evening of the world for the hour of the conflict, you may expect that the downfall of Babylon, and the advent of Christ and the dawn of the millenium are near. It is probable that this tripartite division will consist of France leading its hosts upon the one side, as the great partisan of the Papacy; the Autocrat of all the Russians, who has more than once played a cruel game, may lead the second part; and I have some idea that this old England of ours, so illustrious by its sainted sufferers, its noble army of martyrs, its devoted Christians, its preached Gospel, its spreading Christianity, its circulated Bibles, will be also the third part; and when the conflict comes, it will be as of old England against the world, the truth of God against the apostacy of Satan and the infidelity of man."

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ST. LOUIS.—*Friday, May 25th.*—Interesting statements respecting the state of religion in California, were made by Rev. Mr. Willey, of San Francisco, at the devotional session.

Church Extension Committee.—The following gentlemen were nominated and elected the Standing Committee on Church Extension, in pursuance of the plan adopted by the Assembly:—Rev. Albert Barnes, Philadelphia; Rev. Thomas Brainerd, D. D., do; Rev. Thomas Shepherd, do; Rev. Henry Darling, do; Rev. Benjamin J. Wallace, do; M. W. Baldwin, Esq., do; John A. Brown, Esq., do.; Thomas B. Sparhawk, do.; Rev. Geo. L. Prentiss, D. D., New York; Rev. Jonathan F. Stearns, D. D., Newark; Rev. Samuel T. Spear, D. D., Brooklyn; Rev. John C. Smith, D. D., Washington; Hon. John L. Mason and Joseph B. Sheffield, Esq., New York; Hon. Edward A. Lambert, Brooklyn.

Trustees of the Church Erection Fund.—The following gentlemen were elected to fill the vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Church Erection Fund:—William E. Dodge, Esq., New York; Walter S. Griffith, Esq., Brooklyn; Oliver H. Lee, Esq., New York.

Trustees of the Presbyterian House.—The following gentlemen were elected Trustees of the Presbyterian House:—John A. Brown, Philadelphia; M. W. Baldwin, do.; Charles S. Wents, do.; Samuel H. Perkins, do.; John C. Farr, do.; Rev. Albert Barnes, do.; Rev. Benj. J. Wallace, do.; Rev. Thomas Brainerd, do.; Rev. Henry Darling, do.; Rev. D. H. Riddle, D. D., Pittsburgh.

Standing Committee on Education.—Rev. Dr. Smith nominated the following gentlemen to be Standing Committee on Ministerial Education, who were elected:—Rev. Albert Barnes, Rev. Thomas Brainerd, D. D., Rev. John Jenkins, Rev. George Duffield, Jr., Rev. Henry Darling, Rev. T. J. Shepherd, Henry Purves, Esq., Hon. Wm. Jesup, Rev. T. H. Skinner, D. D., Rev. Wm. Adams, D. D., Rev. J. J. Owen, D. D., Rev. A. E. Wood, J. G. Pinneo, Esq., Norman White, Esq., J. W. Benedict, Esq.

We continue to receive accounts of the ravages of the fly, commonly called the *Hessian fly*, in the Northern tier of counties in Ohio and Indiana, and the Southern tier of counties in Michigan. In previous years, the panic caused by such reports, was not justified by the result. The ravages are committed on the varieties of white wheat, particularly the choice varieties of this latitude—*white flint* and *blue stem*. The insect generally has shunned the Mediterranean. We made an extract from a letter yesterday, saying that in the precise locality named, little Mediterranean had been sown. That is not true of other localities. On account of the superior hardiness of the plant, its greater productiveness per acre, and its exemption from ravages of insects, there are portions of country, (St. Joseph county, Michigan, for instance,) where it is now pretty extensively cultivated. The judiciousness of this course is illustrated by a fact stated to us yesterday, that a field which was half covered with white, and half Mediterranean, was ravaged to a well defined line over the white portion only.

It is well understood by millers that the Mediterranean neither yields so much flour in quantity, nor so fine in quality as the choice white varieties. The difference is material and the value less. It is well established, however, that take an average of years, any given number of acres will produce so large a per centage more of wheat, that the disadvantage is doubly or quadruply offset.

The fly in question at this time is a little, motionless, white grub, within the stalk of wheat, about an inch or an inch and a half above ground. Its presence is detected by the discoloration of the stalk over him, and sometimes by the lopping of the wheat, and the incipient decay and absence of natural color in the whole plant. In a week or ten days from the present stage of the wheat, the grub will be found of a brown color, and much larger. Of the precise period of which it is fledged and takes flight we are not aware. Fields of very vigorous growth seem to resist it somewhat. We heard of fields yesterday, where it is found, which yet promise a very respectable crop.

Judging from the experience of settlers of 15 years standing, this pestilent insect has appeared, perhaps, in five of those years. It destroys from one-tenth to seven-eights of the fields it infests, but not an average of one-half of the crop for any *large* area of territory. On these data it will be perceived, that as great a curse as the insect is, it cannot have destroyed one-tenth of the white wheat, since the settlement of the country. A little thriftlessness, use of bad seed, shallow ploughing, poor fences, neglect in harvesting, misjudgment in marketing,—either one of the errors, in a series of years, costs the country more than the fly, as great and mischievous a scourge as it proves, and much as it is dreaded.—*Toledo Blade.*

CROW BAR LAW.—At the late Court of Common Pleas of Jefferson county, Ohio, the case of the Jefferson Branch of the State Bank of Ohio, *vs.* a State Treasurer of said county for trespass—in taking under the crow bar law $5,568 from said Bank, as taxes and penalty for 1852, was tried—and resulted in a verdict for the Bank of $6,292,80, the amount taken with interest. But this is not all; the people had to foot the Treasurer's fees amounting to near $1,000. Will that be paid back?

FARMS IN KANSAS.—It is said there are subject to settlement within three miles of Lawrence, Kansas Territory, 315 square miles, or land enough for 1,260 farms of 160 acres each. One half of these are unoccupied. Two new saw mills are now in progress of erection in Lawrence, and one is warranted to be in running order within ten days.

FAMINE IN LOWER CANADA.—The editor of the Montreal Commercial Advertiser has been shown letters from ministers and others in the eastern and western townships, which describe the amount of want existing among all classes, from the scarcity of breadstuffs, as frightful in the extreme. In some parts scurvy has made its appearance.

The Medina *Gazette* notices much complaint among farmers in regard to the depredations of the cut or wire worm in the cornfields. The young plant is cut down before it fairly gets out of the ground. Many are replanting their fields, and as a preventive are soaking the seed in copperas.

THE VIRGINIA ELECTION.—The Richmond Enquirer of yesterday has returns from all but 14 counties, and makes Mr. Wise's majority so far 10,572. It says his majority in the State will be about 11,000, as the strong democratic counties of Scott and Lee are among those not heard from. The Dispatch makes the majority only 9,295, and 18 counties to be heard from, which gave Pierce 910 majority. The democratic majority in the legislature will be over 40. The Enquirer says the returns leave no doubt of the election of Lewis to Congress, so that the democrats will have the entire delegation.

RETALIATION.—The following extract from a letter in the St. Louis *Republican*, dated Iola, Kansas territory, shows that the free State party are disposed to retaliate on the Missourians:

"Mr. Kirby of Jackson county, Missouri, came over and located a claim on Marie de Seine, the south branch of the Osage river, and some twenty or thirty miles from Lawrence. When he had finished his cabin, three men came to him and ordered him off, saying that no Missourians should settle in that neighborhood. As he was alone and had nothing but a rifle, while they had double barrelled guns, he thought "discretion was the better part of valor," and left. He went to Jackson county and got some twenty of his friends to accompany him and returned; but, upon their arrival, they found the cabin filled and surrounded by about fifty armed men. Thinking it not prudent to attack so large a party, they returned to Missouri, and spread the news through the border counties. Meetings were held at Weston, Liberty and Independence, and resolved that Mr. Kirby should be protected in his right, and that a force should be raised to place and defend him in the possession of his claim.

A MIRACLE AND LAW.—It may be remembered that some time ago great noise was occasioned by a pretended miracle on the mountain of La Salette, near Grenoble, consisting in the appearance of the Virgin to a shepherd boy. Two priests of the diocese of Grenoble, M. Dellon and M. Cartelier, published pamphlets, in which they labored to prove that there had been no miracle at all, and that the person whom the boy had supposed was the Holy Virgin was a young female named Lamerliere. Mad'lle Lamerliere considered herself defamed by these publications, and a few days ago she brought an action before the civil tribunal of Grenoble against the two priests, and against M. Redon, their printer, to obtain 20,000f. damages. But the tribunal, after making a searching examination into all the facts, and hearing lengthened readings, decided that what the defendants had said with respect to her part in the alleged miracle did not amount to defamation; that they had, besides, honestly believed it to be true, and that they had sufficient reasons for so believing. It therefore dismissed the action.

THE CROPS.—We watch our exchanges from all parts of Ohio with much interest, for the purpose of arriving at the true state of the prospects for crops this year. Of course it is yet too early to determine the result with regard to a portion of our products. The wheat may be attacked by the fly, and it may be destroyed by the little, orange-colored insect called the weevil, which is sometimes deposited on the kernel after it is formed and while it is in a milky state. But at present, the prospect for an abundant crop was never fairer. More ground is in corn than was ever before planted in Ohio, and it is in fine condition. There is yet time enough for a failure by drouth, but the first difficulty is over. Oats, potatoes, spring wheat, &c., are all looking very finely, and promise an abundant yield.

Of fruits we have also a most favorable report. Apples in this section do not cluster so thickly upon the branches as they are sometimes seen, but a full average crop is in prospect. The peach trees were never before so loaded with fruit. They are now safe from frost. These two staple articles of fruit will, in all probability, be very abundant, not only in Ohio, but in all the sections of our country where they are generally cultivated. Pears, plums, cherries, &c., all promise a full yield. Prices of dried fruit, &c., now up to starvation point, must soon fall, to the very great joy of all who are compelled to attend market for daily supplies.

The terrible drouth of last year, and the destruction of our corn, wheat, and potatoe crop, with the consequent high prices, have made us watch the prospect for the present season with more than ordinary interest. We are happy to say that, up to this time all is well, and a year of abundance seems to be before us. *Ohio State Journal.*

THE EARTHQUAKE AT BROUSSA.—The latest accounts from Broussa state that there is no truth in the report of Olympus having given signs of a volcanic eruption. There is a strong smell of sulphur, but this is explained by the number of mineral springs which have forced their way out, at Kekhirgi, a village in the neighborhood, a stream of chalybeate water was running down the side of the hill. The shocks still continue, which may well be believed, as there is scarcely a day that some perceptible oscillation does not take place at Constantinople. Abd-el-Kader was still at his farm in the plain of Broussa; indeed, no one who is able to leave the city will remain in it. All the European residents have left. A subscription has been opened in Constantinople for the poor; and the Turkish government has been liberal in devoting a sum of money to the relief of the destitute. Mithad Effendi has been sent to Broussa for the purpose of succoring those most in need. He has distributed 180,000 piastres among the Mussulman population, and 70,000 among the Christians. The want of provisions is strongly felt, for, though there is an abundance in the neighborhood, yet such is the terror of the peasantry that they will not bring it into the city to sell.

RUMORED DISSENSIONS IN THE CABINET.—The London Times, in a leading article, says it is informed that there is dissension in the Cabinet; that Lord John Russell is now seeking to undo the work of last year, and to abandon Turkey to the discretion of Russia; that in this ignoble task he is seconded by several of his colleagues; and that the division in the Cabinet, which is clearly and distinctly marked, would long ago have resulted in open discord and disruption, had the smallest encouragement been afforded from without to the craven desire for peace at any price. An impatient desire is therefore expressed that Parliament will, as speedily as possible, pronounce on the great question, so that the country may know "who is on our side and who on that of the Emperor of Russia."

The *Siecle* says, several chiefs of the Polish and Hungarian insurrections of 1830 and 1848 have, within the last few days, left England and France to embark for Constantinople. Many of them went to that capital at the beginning of the war, and the Ottoman government accepted their services, but afterwards, owing to the intervention of foreign diplomacy, declined them. They hope that at present their entrance into the service of the Porte will not encounter any difficulty, or, at all events, calculate on being raised by the British government. A number of the prisoners taken from the Russians at Bomarsund arrived last week at Montpelier, under the command of an officer of the 6th Regiment of the Line, who is to accompany them to Marseilles. These men have been enrolled for the Polish Legion in the service of Turkey, almost every one of them being Poles.

SOAP MADE FROM LOCUSTS.—The seventeen year locusts, while in an underground, grub state, are said to be a favorite food of various species of animals. Immense numbers are destroyed by the hog before they emerge from the ground; they are also, when in their perfect state, eagerly devoured by chickens, squirrels, and many of the larger birds. The Indians likewise consider them a delicate food when fried, and in New Jersey, they have been turned to a profitable account in making soap.

CHOLERA AT NEW ORLEANS.—The New Orleans papers of the 26th ult. record several very sudden deaths from cholera. Mons. Godard, the celebrated aeronaut, who was alive and well on the night of the 25th, was a corpse the next morning. Hugh Grant, a well known engineer, and late city surveyor, also died after a few hours illness.

EVERY SEVENTEEN YEARS.—Hard times are said to be like that species of locusts which visit us every seventeen years; in support of which the following years are quoted as peculiarly distinguished for high prices and scarcity, beginning with 1808, 1820, 1837, 1854.

COPPER SHIPMENTS.—Copper continues to arrive from the mines freely, and is accumulating at this point in considerable quantities—much of it from the mines which have hitherto shipped little or none. Shipments for the week—May 19, per *Northerner*, Ridge mine 46 barrels—38,904 lbs.; Forest mine, 59 barrels—41,853 lbs; May 24, per *North Star*, Northwest mine, 81 barrels—50,651 lbs.—*Lake Superior Jour.*

PRESBYTERIAN PROGRESS.—At the New School Presbyterian General Assembly, in session at St. Louis, a committee, after having examined the narratives of the presbyteries, have made an interesting report on the state of the church.—From it we learn that, of the 107 presbyteries on the roll, 69 have sent up their annual narratives, which, on the whole, present a very gratifying picture, though showing many wants requiring to be attended to. Among these is the necessity for church edifices completed during the year, or as now being completed, while a great number of congregations are waiting for aid from the church erection fund. Ministers are sadly needed west, south and north. One presbytery reports many of its churches without preachers, another has but nine ministers for twenty-four congregations, and another but six ministers to seventeen congregations.

Some time Tuesday night, a raft of lumber broke loose or was cut loose from the upper wharf, at Louisville, and floated over the falls. It was valued at $12,000, and was the property of J. H. Breeden & Co.

FIRE IN NEW YORK.—We have learned, from Mr. Putnam, that the fire at Mr. J. F. Trow's printing office, last night, destroyed 12,500 copies of the 12 mo. edition of Irving's Life of Washington, and also a quanity of paper provided for a third impression of the octavo edition; but fortunately, owing to the special precautions of the printers and publishers, the stereotype plates of both editions are all safe in the vaults, with the exception of a few pages on the press which will be replaced in a few days. Not a line MSS. was lost, as great care is taken to preserve all the MSS. in a safe except the few pages actually in the hands of the compositors. The printing of the second volume will be commenced immediately; and subscribers will only have to wait a week or two longer for the first volume.

Beside the loss of the large 12 mo. edition of Washington (and this edition cannot be issued for some time,) Messrs. Putnam & Co. lost the wood cuts of their great illustrated work on Art and Industry, which cost about $12,000, and about 100 reams of printing paper. Their loss was only partially covered by insurance, as the small edition of "Washington" was to have been removed to-day—but they will proceed immediately with the new impression of the octavo edition of "Washington," trusting to the indulgence of subscribers, who are assured that they will receive their copies in the order of their names, at the earliest possible moment.

We subjoin a complete list of the insurances on Mr. Trow's stock:—

North Western Ins. Co.		Philadelphia	$5,000
North Western	"	Oswego	2,000
Pennsylvania	"	Pittsburgh	4,000
Franklin	"	Philadelphia	5,000
Firemen's	"	New York	3,000
Ocean	"	"	2,500
Granite	"	"	2,500
Atlantic	"	"	2,000
Webster	"	"	5,000
Fulton	"	"	3,000
Mechanics'	"	"	3,000
Merchants'	"	"	2,000
Pacific	"	"	2,000
Hamilton	"	"	5,000
Total			$46,000

The policy of the Hamilton Co., was a special one on the copy, &c., of the City Directory, and the policy of the Pacific only covered the stock in the building No. 53 Ann street, the other policies were general, covering all the stock in the whole establishment.

Mr. Trow's loss must be fully covered by these insurances, especially as it is understood that he lately reduced his stock by selling printing presses, &c., of the value of $20,000 to Messrs. Appleton & Co.—*N. Y. Courier, 31st.*

SAMUEL W. BLACK ... JNO. MELLON
BLACK & MELLON,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW, (Successors to Darragh & Mellon) Bakewell's Buildings, Grant st., Pittsburgh.
Will undertake the prosecution of Claims, before the Court of Claims, Washington City. my22-3md&wT

Pekin Tea Store.
No. 38 Fifth st., one door East of the Exchange Bank.
GREEN & BLACK TEAS, comprising all the different grades in use, purchased direct from the Importers, for cash, of recent importation, warranted fresh and of superior flavor, will be sold, wholesale and retail, at the lowest prices. my26 S. JAYNES.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ss.
SUPREME COURT, MIDDLE DISTRICT, Harrisburg, May 22d, 1855.
IT is ordered that writs of error and appeals from the several Counties composing the Western District of the Supreme Court, shall be made returnable as follows, until the further order of this Court, and that all writs heretofore issued, and all appeals heretofore filed and now pending, shall be considered returnable upon the days hereinafter mentioned, viz:
Erie, Crawford, Warren, McKean, Jefferson and Elk—Upon the third Monday in October.
Beaver, Butler, Mercer, Lawrence, Venango and Clarion—Upon the fourth Monday in October.
Westmoreland, Armstrong, Indiana, Somerset and Cambria—On the fifth Monday in October, or the Monday succeeding the fourth Monday in October.
Fayette, Greene and Washington—On the first Monday in November, or the Monday succeeding the return days for the Westmoreland District.
Allegheny—On the first Monday after the return day for the Fayette District, which will, for the present year, be the 2d Monday of November. Cases to be heard for three weeks, if necessary.
And it is further ordered that notice hereof be given in the Legal Journal and in three daily newspapers published in the city of Pittsburgh, for two weeks.
I certify the above to be a correct copy from the minutes, the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in and for the Middle District, at Harrisburg.
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court, this 22d day of May, A. D. 1855.
[L. S.] my26-2wd WM. H. MILLER, Proth'y Supreme Court.

Notice to Contractors.
SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the Engineer, until Friday, the 1st day of June next, for the grading, bridging, &c., of the Allegheny and New Brighton Plank Road, from the Manchester line to the traveled road at the corner of Cooper & Poe's lot (distance about two miles). Also, for grading, bridging, &c., from a point on the present road at the corner of land of Campbell & Hackett to A. J. Gillespie's land on said road. This section crosses Jack's Run, and will include the Trussel Bridge at the Run, (distance about three-fourths of a mile.)
Bids will be received for the whole work, or in sections.
Plans and Specifications of the work may be seen at the office of the Engineer, R. E. McGowan, on Penn street, Pittsburgh. Any information necessary for bidders, may be obtained on application to the undersigned, or of the Engineer.
my11-dtd JOHN BIRMINGHAM, Pres't.

Ketchum's Mower with Reaper Attachment.
THE most perfect machine in use, warranted to cut from 10 to 15 acres of grass or grain per day as well as would be done by scythe or cradle. Price of Mower, $120, combined $140. For sale by
my11 E. R. SHANKLAND, 128 Wood st.

Mechanics' Bank.
AT a meeting of the Commissioners of said Bank, held on the 3d inst., it was
Resolved, That the subscribers to the Stock of the Mechanics' Bank of Pittsburgh, be required to pay to the Treasurer the sum of *Twenty Dollars* on each share of the stock held by them, on or before the *Sixteenth day of June next.*
Payment will therefore be made by the Stockholders, to Samuel Jones, Esq., Treasurer, at the office of S. Jones & Co., Pittsburgh. DAVID CAMPBELL,
my5-dtawtd Secretary.

PINE AND CEDAR WARE.—SAMUEL KROESEN keeps constantly on hand a good assortment of Wash and Bath Tubs, Horse, Steamboat, Oak Well, Kitchen or Draw Buckets; Wooden Bowls, Churns, Dry Measures, Zinc and Cherry Wash Boards, and all other kinds of ware in his line.
Also—50 nests Tubs, and 100 dozen Buckets.
Wareroom, Masonic Hall, Fifth street, Pittsburgh, Pa. au24:v

Notice to Banks and other Corporations.
AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, Harrisburg, May 14th, 1855.
MR. EDITOR—You will please publish, for four consecutive weeks, the two following sections in conformity with the provisions of the 73d section of the Act of Seventh May, 1855, entitled "An Act to provide for the ordinary expenses of government, the Repairs of the Public Canals and Railroads, and for other general and special appropriations."
Very Respectfully, &c.
WM. Q. WALLACE,
for E. BANKS, Auditor Gen'l.
SECTION 71. That all banks, institutions and companies of every kind and nature whatever, incorporated under or in pursuance of any act of the legislature of Pennsylvania, general or special, or of any other state, and doing business in this state, shall give notice, accompanied by the oath or affirmation of the President, Secretary or Treasurer, to the Auditor General, of the corporate name, date of incorporation, time of commencing business and place of business of such bank, institution or company, the amount of capital stock, dividends declared, if any, with rate and time thereof, or the value of stock, according to the provisions of the act to reduce the state debt, and to incorporate the Pennsylvania Canal and Railroad Company, passed April twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.
SECTION 72. That all banks, institutions and companies, who do not, by their officers, as aforesaid, give notice to the Auditor General, as aforesaid, on or before the thirtieth day of November next, and annually thereafter, and pay the amount of tax they are legally chargeable with, into the State Treasury in the month of December then following, shall forfeit and pay for the use of the Commonwealth interest thereon, at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum until paid. my16-4wd

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AT BOSTON STORE, 63 MARKET STREET.
PRINTED LAWNS, 50 cts. per Dress, fast colors;
BERAGE DE LAINES, 75 cts. per Dress;
WET LINENS; WET DRAPERY MUSLINS
WET HOSIERY; WET TABLE CLOTHS.
Now is the time to buy cheap goods, at the Boston Store, 63 Market street. my15

FOR SALE—12 Country Seats on the right hand side of the Fourth street Road, 3½ miles from town. This is one of the handsomest and most healthy locations near the city, and a most agreeable road for driving at all hours. They are situated opposite the residences of Joseph McFarland, and adjoining Robert Hartley and Springer Harbaugh, Esqs. Persons forming a colony, have in this an offer of the best location in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, or it will be sold in lots to any parties who will improve them. Enquire of
my1-tf THOMAS WOODS, 75 Fourth st.

Athenæum Fire Insurance Company of London.
Authorized Capital, $10,000,000.
REFERENCES IN PHILADELPHIA:
Atwood & Co., John Farnum,
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my23-1yd No. 80 Water street.

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LOOKING GLASS MANUFACTURERS and Wholesale Dealers in Variety and Fancy Goods, Clocks, Willow ware, &c. A large variety of Willow Wagons, Cradles, Chairs, Baskets, &c., just rec'd at corner of Wood and Fourth sts. my21 tf

Soldiers' Bounty Lands & Claims against the Government.
I WILL procure Bounty Land Warrants for Soldiers, their widows and minor children, and will prosecute claims against the Government, and attend to business in the "Court of Claims," recently established by Congress.
Office, No. 145 Third st., one door above Smithfield. mh30 tf CHARLES NAYLOR.

Fancy China Store.
HODKINSON'S FANCY CHINA STORE cannot be surpassed in its assortment of elegant and useful CHINA, GLASS or QUEENSWARE, for Families, Hotels or Merchants, at unusual low prices, for cash. ap23-1md

LEATHER—12 doz Upper Leather in store and for sale by p26 S. HARBAUGH & CO.

PLAIN BERAGES—A. A. Mason & Co. have just rec'd a large assortment of all colors Plain Berages. my16

A. A. MASON & CO. are just opening 30 more cases and packages of Fast Colored Calicoes and Ginghams, Bleached and Brown Muslins, Checks, Tweeds, Summer Stuffs, Lawns, Berage de Laines, &c., &c.

LEMONS—20 bxs, now landing from B. R. for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO.

SUNDRIES—7 bbls. No. 1 Lard; 4 bbls. Grease; 35 bags Sumac; 1 bag Flax Seed; 1 cask Beeswax; to arrive and for sale by my28 ISAIAH DICKEY & CO.

DRY FRUIT—50 bags Peaches; 15 bags Peaches, pealed; 3 bags Apples; [illegible] my22 ISAIAH DICKEY & CO.