PITTSBURGH:
TUESDAY MORNING, NOV. 20, 1855.

COURTS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Court of Quarter Sessions.—Present: Hon. Judges M'Clure and Adams.

The case of Wm. S. Thompson, Tax Collector of the Sixth ward, an applicant for the benefit of the insolvent laws, was postponed until Monday, Nov. 26th, at 10 o'clock.

Robert McCoy, Alfred Kelly and John Casey, the men accused of entering Capt. Hexlep's house on Franklin street, Sixth Ward, were brought into court and admitted to bail in the sum of $300 each for their appearance at the next term of court to answer the charge.

J. S. Sewell, Esq., attorney for the County Commissioners, addressed the Court, asking them to make some fixed rule relative to the payment of the expenses of officers who might bring persons charged with misdemeanor from other States under the Governor's requisition. He stated that an order of Court had been made for the payment of nearly $100 for bringing one prisoner from Iowa, and another for bringing a person from Ohio charged with false pretences.

The District Attorney, Mr. Roberts, replied that the first case was that of Kidd, who had been brought on by officer Bougher to be tried for the same offence for which Iggleson and his companion were now in the penitentiary. Mr. Dougherty had brought the other prisoner, who was charged with false pretences; the Court had made an order for the Commissioners to pay the amount of his bill, about $48, which the Commissioners had refused to pay. The Court said there was no point on motion before them to decide. Let the matter come up in proper shape and they would dispose of it. Mr. Dougherty informs us that he intends to procure a mandamus upon the County Commissioners for the payment of the money.

Mr. Brown applied to the Court to appoint reviewers for a portion of a State road to Hazelburg, in Butler county, which passes through West Deer township, in Allegheny county. The Court granted the motion, and said they would name the reviewers at a future day.

Supreme Court.—Before Ch. J. Lewis, and Judges Lowrie, Knox and Black.—Nov. 19.—Haigh, Hartupee & Co. vs. Hamilton; Craig & Co; Allegheny county. Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Chief Justice Lewis.

Trisket vs. Weatherby. Betsy Triaket's appeal. Warren county. Decree affirmed with costs. Opinion by Lewis, J.

Colvin vs. Schell; Somerset county. Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Lowrie, J.

Fayette County Mutual Insurance Co. vs. Frisbie. Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Lowrie, J.

Waggoner vs. Ernest; Westmoreland Co. Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Lowrie, J.

M'Murray vs. Low; Lawrence county. Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Lowrie, J.

Hays vs. Sample; Allegheny county. Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Lowrie, J.

Stephens vs. Shriver; Greene county. Judgment affirmed. Opinion by Lowrie, J.

Demmy vs. Hinds; Allegheny county. Judgment reversed and new trial awarded. Opinion by Lowrie, Justice.

Wilson vs. Hay et al. vs. Steamboat Tuscarora, Allegheny county. Argued by Mr. Ritchie for plaintiff in error, and by Stanton for defendant in error.

Robert Wightman vs. the Penna. Railroad Company. Equity case; argued by Stanton for plaintiff, Stokes for respondents, Hampton for respondents, and closed by Stanton for complainant.

Court adjourned till 9 o'clock this morning.

The Elections for Bank Directors.

The different banks of this city held their annual elections for Directors on Monday between the hours of nine and three o'clock.

The following are the tickets elected:

BANK OF PITTSBURGH.

John Graham, President, Thomas Bakewell, William Holmes, D. T. Morgan, H. Hepburn, George A. Berry, M. Whitmore, Charles Hays, Lewis Hutchison, Alex. Laughlin, John Bissell, O. W. Nicketson, Dennis Leonard.

MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' BANK.

James Scott, President, Wm. P. Baum, Morris Jones, James Lippincott, Thomas Barlow, Walter Bryant, D. Lhomsen & Son, Jas. Park, Jr., George B. White, G. E. Warren, J. W. Hallman, William Addison.

MECHANICS' BANK.

Reuben Miller, Jr., President, John Herron, James A. Hutchinson, Robert Dalzell, George W. Cass, William H. Smith, Alexander Speer, Wm. B. Holmes, Isaac Jones, John W. Butler, James P. Hanna, Wm. J. Morrison, Alexander Gordon.

EXCHANGE BANK.

Thomas M. Howe President, William B. Puseys, George Weyman, William Bagaley, James M. Cooper, David C. Stockton, Benj. R. Mevey, Robt. Dunlap, Jr., William J. Anderson, John W. Shoen, James Lyne, George Darsie, James R. Lyon, John D. McCord.

The city papers published some days since a notice of the bearers of Mr. W. P. Sterrett, contractor on the Connellsville Road, on a charge of false pretences preferred by a man named John Guffy. Mr. Sterrett makes the following explanation of the matter:

"I never in my life purchased one bushel of wheat from said Guffy. I never in my life gave Guffy a check on Jones & Co., and of course he never was able to present a check from me on that firm. The statement that I had thrown up my contract on the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad, is a pointed, positive, absolute lie. I proceeded in completion of my section on the road until stopped by some heavy landslides, which on account of the wet weather, cannot be removed this fall, and the company propose themselves to do that work, when the weather will be more suitable. There is no difficulty with me and the company. They honorably propose to pay me according to agreement. I have not been at Irwin's station for a month or more. This man Guffy went to my men on section 20 on Saturday last, and endeavored to raise an excitement among them by saying that I would not pay them and that I was going off. I went to Pittsburgh on Monday, where this warrant was served, and drew sufficient money with which to pay off all my hands, about 50 in number, and the most of them are now on their way to my work in Missouri where I expect to join them very soon. They are all well pleased, and expressed the fullest satisfaction.

"I am prepared to prove by my clerk, Mr. Mangruder, that whatever Guffy may claim for anything furnished any of my men, will not be due or payable till after the estimate day on the 20th inst. Therefore the grounds on which he procured a warrant against me, are misrepresentations and falsehood, and his motives were malicious and of the meanest character. In this locality where the litigious, quarrelsome and invidious spirit of this particular Guffy family is known, this statement would be unnecessary, but as the report has gone elsewhere, I feel it incumbent on me thus to vindicate myself from this malignant proceeding. I shall, in due course, "put 'em through," and make John Guffy and his instigators sick of his business before it ends."

This is the last week of Bullard's Panorama of New York City in Pittsburgh. It merits will secure full houses at each of the afternoon and evening exhibitions, to be given here. The Panorama is truly lifelike. Any man who has ever visited New York, will be struck with the fidelity of the picture, and as the canvass slowly unrolls, he sees spread before him the localities with which he was familiar, and which immediately attract his attention; while to those unacquainted with the city, an admirable idea is given of the bustle, confusion and greatness incidental thereto, which could not probably be acquired by an actual visit. From the first starting place to the close of exhibition, taking in one entire side of Broadway, besides a great portion of the docks, the North river, and the Battery, nothing is omitted, all being faithfully represented and colored to the life; while the explanatory lecture by Mr. Doel, one of the proprietors, conveys a mass of information relative to the manners and customs of the people, together with some interesting statistics as to the resources and business of the city, which could not be gained unless at the cost of much time.—To describe in detail all that is to be seen on the canvass, is more than our limits would permit; we can only recommend our readers to go, see, and judge for themselves. It exhibits at Masonic Hall every evening this week, and to-morrow, Thursday, and Saturday afternoons, at 3 o'clock. On Thursday forenoon at 10½ A. M.

Another Extensive Burglary in Allegheny.—We have to record another daring midnight robbery in Allegheny.

The boarding house of Mrs. Kinney, on the bank of the river just below the upper bridge was entered sometime during Sunday night, and almost every room in the house was honored with a visit from the pilfer-loving rascals. They succeeded in carrying away a large amount of jewelry, &c., belonging to the boarders and to Mrs. Kinney's family. They also made very profitable booty of a trunk which contained considerable clothing and $55 in money.

The value of the property stolen, including the money, is nearly $200. The police were informed of the robbery, but that the burglars will be apprehended is a matter of great doubt.

It is noticeable that the burglars always watch for a rise in the rivers, and time their operations by the amount of water in the channel. Hundreds and hundreds of dollars of property thus stolen is annually shipped down the river to be sold.

Isaac Mokelly, Esq., has been elected Recording Regulator of Allegheny.

Beautiful Furniture.—There is at present a set of Rosewood parlor furniture, at the Ware Rooms of Mr. J. W. Woodwell, Third st., manufactured by him for a gentleman in this city that far surpasses anything in the furniture line that we have ever seen.

Tete-a-tete, Etagues, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Arm Chairs, Center and Pier Tables, are all of solid Rosewood of the most chaste and beautiful design, and are covered with the richest and most costly articles of Brocatele; we do wish that persons who are in the habit of purchasing expensive furniture in the east, would pay a visit to the ware-rooms of Mr. Woodwell, and examine this set of furniture, which we think will convince them that they can obtain at home as elegant, as can be manufactured in any city in the country, and we are informed at much lower prices than the same quantity of work can be had either in New York or Philadelphia. The reasons for this are very cogent and convincing. The expense of manufacturing is not one-fourth as much as is incurred for Factories and Ware-Rooms in the large eastern cities, while common burden which is a very important item is not one-third the price here that it is in the eastern market. The furniture in question not only reflects credit on the taste and skill of Mr. Woodwell, but also redounds to the reputation of our city in this important branch of business.

The Temperance meeting at the City Hall last night was largely attended. There were over twelve hundred persons present. Rev. Dr. McKinney opened the meeting with prayer. The officers were as follows:

President—Rev. Dr. Pressly.

Vice Presidents—Rev. John Douglas, Allen Kramer, Dr. McCook, Rev. John G. Brown, N. Holmes, John Chambers and John Riley.

Secretaries—S. N. Lightner and Minas Tindle.

Addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Cookman, and Hon. John Williamson, of Huntingdon county.

Dr. A. G. McCandless offered a series of resolutions, which were adopted, except one reflecting on the Sheriff, which was withdrawn.

A collection was taken up, and $75.15 was realized in cash and as much more in subscriptions.

Another meeting is soon to be held.

Fire on Smithfield Street.—The fine four story brick building on Smithfield street between Fifth and Sixth streets, owned by Irwin Reed, and partially occupied by W. & J. A. Hunter, cabinet ware manufacturers, caught fire in the fourth story on Monday afternoon about one o'clock. The flames were subdued without much difficulty though the building suffered considerably from water.

The Armory of the Duquesne Greys in the third story was flooded with water and some damage done the arms.

The loss of the Messrs. Hunter is about $500 principally in damaged furniture. The building is very slightly injured, except that the wood work in the fourth story is charred.

The fire originated from a stove-pipe which passed through a board partition.

Grand Thanksgiving Festival.—By reference to advertisement, it will be seen that those interested in the prosperity of the Ninth Ward Mission Church will give a Grand Festival, at Lafayette Hall on Thursday evening next, the proceeds of which will be applied to aid in the completion of their new sanctuary, now in progress of erection. The Ninth Ward, with a large and rapidly increasing population has no place for Divine worship, the outer depot of the Central Railroad having been abandoned owing to the inclemency of the weather. The Sabbath School of two hundred and sixty-six children now in session in this place, will also redounds to the reputation of our city in this important branch of business.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Alexandria, Va. Nov. 19.—About 12 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the China store of James L. Dowell, evidently originated from an incendiary. The walls fell while the fireman were actively engaged in endeavoring to extinguish the flames, and a number of persons were buried in the ruins. Five dead bodies have been taken out and five others seriously injured, one of whom has since died. The search for other bodies is still going on. The loss is about $15,000, much excitement has been caused by this sad calamity.

SECOND DISPATCH

The fire at McDowell's store it is said was caused by deliberate incendiaism. Candles saturated with Camphine, and tracks of gunpowder, leading to the crates, were found. Mr. McDowell and two of his clerks have been arrested charged with the incendiarism and much excitement exists. Mcdowell had $20,000 insurance; the value of the Dock is said to be but $5000.

New York, Nov. 19.—The Cahawba from New Orleans via Havana arrived this morning with dates to the 13th. Business was dull. The price of sugars had declined a trifle, and the market was dull. The stock on hand is 40,000 boxes. Freights dull. The health of the city is good, and political affairs are quiet.

The Cahawba brings upwards of $100,000 in specie.

Owing to a derangement of the mails between Mobile and Montgomery the New Orleans mails of the 9th and 10th were put on board the Cahawba as well as the mail for the English steamer to sail on Wednesday from Boston.

Chicago, Nov. 19.—On Friday night and Sunday morning there was a severe gale from the eastward on this part of the lake.

The schooner Reindeer with a cargo of brick went ashore on Saturday morning half a mile north of the piers. She is probably a total loss; she was owned by Capt. Gilmore and Benjamin Phelps of Milwaukie. The schooner St. Lawrence went ashore near Grosse Point, but being light, she will probably be got off; she is owned by Geo. Steel of this city.

The schooner W. A. Small, Hooker was on the beach just north of the pier.

Chicago, Nov. 19.—A severe gale occurred on Lake Michigan on Friday night. The schooner Reindeer, St Lawrence and William A. Small were driven ashore. The former will be a total loss.

New York, Nov. 19.—The Chamber of Commerce held a meeting this morning in reference to the seizure of the Bark Maury and the course of the British Government relative thereto. The British Consul at this port was severely denounced and a committee was appointed to investigate the facts of the case.

Philadelphia, Nov. 19.—E. Dubust, an eminent mineralogist of North Carolina, committed suicide at a hotel in this city to-day. The rash act was caused by peculiary embarrassment.

Springfield, Nov. 19.—An unsuccessful attempt at murder and robbery was made in this city last night. Two men gained admittance to the Pynchon Bank Building during the day and on the entrance of the clerk at night attempted to murder him. They stabbed the clerk but the latter created alarm by shouting and his assailants fled. The clerk was not seriously wounded.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 19.—In our Legislature on Saturday last, a resolution to go into an election for U. S. Senator on the last Monday of the present month was read twice, and after an elaborate discussion and much feeling from members, was passed.

New York, Nov. 19.—The weekly statement of the City Banks show an increase of $447,000 in specie and a decrease of $424,000 in loans; $147,000 in circulation and $459,000 in specie.

New York, Nov. 19.—The U. S. store ship Relief arrived this morning from Rio Janeiro.—She brings power for the trials of S. W. Spencer, late Chief Mate of the clipper ship Sea Witch, on a charge of murdering Capt. Frazier of said ship.

Charleston, S. C. Nov. 17.—The Grand Council of the American Party have recommended that the subordinate lodges disband and absolve their members from their obligations.

New York, Nov. 19.—Stocks firmer, Virginia five 94¾; Reading 91¾. Cotton firm sales 2000 bales. Flour firm, sales 21000. Wheat improving. Sales 24000 bbls. Corn dull 46000 at one dollar for western. Pork firm 450 bbls. Beef firm 250 bbls. Lard firm 400 bbls. Whiskey firm 550 bbls. Coffee firmer, 7000 Bags Rio at 11¾. Sugar active, 250 Hds New Orleans at 6¾. Molasses steady; Linseed Oil dull, sales 5500 gallons at 87½. Lard Oil steady at 94. Butter and cheese firm. Freights on Cotton to Liverpool declined ⅛ to Havre one.

Philadelphia, Nov. 19.—Cotton dull and stock now reduced to a low figure. No new feature in flour, shipping brands still held at 925, but no export demand and sales confined to 8 to 900 bbls for home consumption, within range, 9@9.25@9.25. Not few sales of wheat offered on 'change, good demand for prime, to be poor lots neglected, sales of 6000 prime Delaware red at $2.02 afloat, 1000 prime white at $2.10; and 400 fair white, at $2.10. Whiskey lower, sales 9bls at 40 cents for Easton and 41 for Ohio.

Baltimore, Nov. 19.—Flour, sales 4700 bbls. Ohio & City Mills at $9 old price, sold at 90@95 for white and yellow; new corn 70@75. Whiskey advanced 4c the receipts are large but the market continues firm and active, while; good to choice, sells at $2.05@$2.06; red $1.98@$2.03.

New Orleans, Nov. 17.—Cotton firm sales 5500 bales. Business checked in consequence of light stock, fair sugar 6¼@6¾.

Cincinnati, Nov. 19.—The river had risen over 10 feet to-day; however it has fallen 18 inches; another rise is expected.

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