PITTSBURGH:
MONDAY MORNING, JAN. 7, 1856.

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE KNOW NOTHING CONVENTION.—At two o'clock on Saturday the adjourned meeting of the Know Nothing convention was held, Daml. M'Cordy in the chair.

The Secretary called the roll of delegates.

Mr. Riddell moved the appointment of a Committee of one from each ward, to draft resolutions.

The President, having the list already made out, very promptly announced the committee and Mr. Riddell, the mover of the motion, was seen fumbling in his pockets in a manner that betokened an equally forward state of the resolutions. The committee are as follows:

1st Ward—W. Evans; 2d, W. H. Johnston; 3d, J. W. Biddell; 4th, Chas. Chadwick; 5th, H. M. Corwin, 6th, J. Armstrong; 7th, Henry A. Weaver; 8th, Lewis Garber; 9th, R. H. Corbett.

On motion the convention proceeded to nominate a candidate for the Mayoralty, and the following gentlemen were named:

William J. Howard,	2d Ward;	
Samuel Morrow,	8th	do;
William McCandless,	6th	do;
George Hamilton,	4th	do;
Isaac N. Whittier,	4th	do;
B. T. C. Morgan,	2d	do;
Wm. Bingham,	4th	do;
B. C. Sawyer,	8th	do;

On motion the nominations here closed.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Nesbitt that the convention proceed to nominate a candidate by ballot, two-thirds of the vote being necessary to constitute a choice.

Capt. Ward made a lengthy, if not eloquent, speech in favor of the resolution, insinuating in the course of his remarks that a bare majority might be obtained in the Convention by "chicanery and all manner of log-rolling." There had been some little "log-rolling and moving round" he knew. He urged the Convention to nominate a "backboned" man, and that too, by a two-thirds vote.

Some gentleman moved that no member occupy the floor more than five minutes—thus showing a singular appreciation of the eloquence of the Captain.

The resolution of Mr. Nesbitt was adopted, and the members proceeded to ballot with the following result:

	1st ballot.	2d bal.	3d bal.
Wm. J. Howard,	4	00	00
S. Morrow,	15	9	4
Wm. M'Candless,	3	1	1
Geo. Hamilton,	4	00	00
I. N. Whittier,	00	00	2
B. T. C. Morgan,	7	7	1
Wm. Bingham,	9	26	37
B. C. Sawyer,	2	1	00

Mr. Wm. Bingham having received the required vote on the third ballot, was declared the nominee.

On motion he was declared unanimously elected.

A committee, consisting of one from each Ward, was appointed to wait on Mr. Bingham and inform him of the action of the Convention. The committee is as follows:

1st Ward, Capt. Miller; 2d, T. F. Wilson; 3d, John Barton; 4th, Dr. Wright; 5th, B. F. King; 6th, Capt. Ward; 7th, H. Weaver; 8th, D. M'Cordy; 9th, James Nott.

Mr. Riddell, from the committee on resolutions, reported the following:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention the time has arrived for a radical and entire reform in our municipal affairs—a bankrupt treasury, oppressive taxation and imbecile administration of the city government has materially retarded our prosperity and injuriously affected our standing as a community.

Resolved, That we earnestly invoke the aid of all good citizens in our efforts to secure the election of an energetic and faithful chief magistrate of this city; and to that end we confidently present for their suffrages our candidate, William Bingham. If unsullied character, known integrity and moral worth are paramount to the claims of trading politicians, he should be triumphantly elected.

Resolved, That the recent coalition of the leaders of the old parties, under the name of "Fusion," betrays on their part an apprehension by no means groundless, of the success of the American party, and furnishes abundant evidence of their conscious inability to meet us fairly in the political field. We give our opponents to understand, however, that the members of the American party are firm, united and resolute, and bid defiance to their unscrupulous foes, and if true to ourselves we will achieve an easy triumph over all opposition.

Resolved, That the Supreme Court, in the reappointment of our townsman, Gen. J. K. Moorhead, a gentleman of exalted public and private worth, as Inspector of the Western Penitentiary, has administered a stinging and well deserved rebuke to the political intriguer who sought to prostitute that tribunal to the purposes of party.

Resolved, That in our opinion sufficient efforts have not yet been made to detect and bring to justice the perpetrators of the robbery of $10,000 of the public moneys from the Custom House in this city, and we call upon the constituted authorities to make renewed efforts to bring the culprits to punishment. No political consideration should deter the present distinguished U. S. District Attorney from bringing the matter to the attention of the U. S. Grand Jury.

The executive committee were authorized to procure a Hall and call a mass meeting for Monday night.

The chair appointed the following named gentlemen to serve as the executive committee for the year:

First Ward—W. Mason, Wm. Evans; Second Ward, A. McClintock, F. F. Wilson; Third Ward, John Barton, J. D. Owens; Fifth Ward, H. W. Corwin, William Nesbitt; Sixth Ward, T. A. Rowley, Jas. Armstrong; Seventh Ward, M. Moorhead, John Hopper; Eighth Ward, Daml. McCurdy, S. Morrow; Ninth Ward, E. H. Lightner, R. H. Corbett.

CITIZEN'S TICKET.—We publish below the citizen's tickets put in nomination in the several Wards of this city, as far as published:

Second Ward—Select Council—Richard F. Smyth; Common Council, Wilson M'Candless, Adam Wilson, J. B. Sweitzer.

Third Ward—Select Council—David Reed.

Common Council—John Layton, Jas. Herdman, John Quinn, L. M. Marshall and R. Duncan.

Fourth Ward—Select Council—Robert Galway.

Common Council—William R. Brown, James A. Hutchison.

Fifth Ward—Select Council—William Wade.

Common Council—D. C. Kammerer, Joseph Irwin, Francis Felix, Robert Dickson, and Samuel McKelvy.

Sixth Ward—Select Council—Henry Lambert.

Common Council—William A. Lee, Russell Errett, William B. Kelly, and Robert M'Adams.

Seventh Ward—Select Council—William M'Catcheon.

Common Council—William Skeen, M. Dalzell.

Eighth Ward—Select Council—John Allen.

Common Council—John Calhoun, Lewis King and William Griffin.

THE GREAT FORGERY QUESTION.—The testimony in the case of the Commonwealth vs Leverton Thomas, closed on Saturday at 3 o'clock P. M., being the tenth day since the commencement of this most remarkable and interesting case.

The jury will be addressed on Monday by the following counsel:

Thomas Mellon, Esq., will open for the Commonwealth and be followed by Messrs. Hopkins, Brady and M'Candless for the defence, Col. Black will close for the prosecution.

CORRECTION.—In the report of the Council proceedings published in the last issue of the *Dispatch*, an error appears in the statement of the accounts of Mr. Scott, Wharf Collector of the Allegheny wharf. The whole amount collected by Mr. S. is $2,924,45, of which only $42,46 remain uncollected. Judgment for this amount has been obtained, but an appeal was taken. Except this disputed claim the Wharf Master has collected every dollar of wharfage.

OHIO FONOLOGICAL CONVENTION.—The meeting of the Society will be held to-morrow in Cleveland. The committee appointed by the Horticultural Society of this County to attend the Convention, will leave by the early morning train to-morrow.

Those of our readers who desire to have their fruits correctly named will leave specimens with Mr. Wardrop, Fifth street, by noon to-day.

A DANGEROUS AMUSEMENT.—A negro named William Manly amused himself in the streets of Allegheny city on Friday night, in shooting off the contents of a revolver. One of the bullets ploughed up the ground at the feet of a passer-by, who, not appreciating the sport, caused him to be arrested.

Being unable to pay the fine Mayor Adams imposed, he was sent to jail.

NARROW ESCAPE.—A young son of Col. Glass of the Perry Hotel, while coasting down the Allegheny wharf, on Thursday, being unable to check the speed of his sled, ran into the river, and was drawn under a steamb oat (ying there. A Mr. Parks rescued him in an insensible condition.

HOUSE OF REFUGE.—There will be a meeting to day at the office on Grant street of the contributors to the erection of the House of Refuge. The report of the Board will be read, and officers elected for the year.

THE DUQUESNE GREYS.—This brag company of Pittsburgh, will parade on Tuesday, commanded by Capt. Campbell.

THE Pittsburgh Female College will re-open this morning.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FEMALE BIBLE SOCIETY OF PITTSBURGH AND VICINITY.—That the Bible is the revelation of God's grace pointing out the way of life for sinners, is the strong argument for its force and general distribution. In view of this fact no Christian can be hostile or indifferent to the Bible cause, which proposes to supply the destitute of the world with the word of life.

This benevolent object our Society has steadily pursued for thirty-two years. Prayers, offerings, and personal labors have been consecrated to it. Many thousands of copies of the Sacred Scriptures have been distributed by its instrumentality, not only in our own vicinity but in distant places and foreign lands. And who that possesses even a moderate degree of faith in the divine promises can doubt, that this distribution of the Holy Scriptures has shed light upon the darkened understanding of some poor sinners? That it has led some to repentance? That it has prepared some for immortal blessedness? This hope is enough to repay all labors and to stimulate us to renewed endeavors.

The report of the Treasurer accompanying this, will show the amount of money collected and what disposal has been made of the same. We could wish that the amount were greatly increased, but it cannot reasonably be expected that the funds of our Society should be as large as those of some others engaged in the same good work, since we receive only the contributions of members and of those ladies to whom we make personal application.

During the year, three Directors of the Society have been removed by death; Mrs. E. Bakewell, Mrs. H. Sterling and Mrs. Dr. Heron. One in the morning, one in the midtime of life, and one in the tranquil shades of evening. Many hearts are thus desolated, and we are called as in past years, repeatedly, to mourn the loss of those, who having left their testimony of love for this cause have gone to their heavenly rest. Yet we are permitted to rejoice that the work of the Lord is not strayed. The post of usefulness vacated by the death of individual Christians, is not abolished thereby, nor is it left unoccupied. New incumbents are raised by divine grace and the work is carried on. Since the last it has been blessed with abundance by a kind providence we respectfully solicit a share of the benevolent contributions of the Christian community to the funds of this Society. The Lord loveth a cheerful giver, and whether it be the magnificent offering of affluence or the literal mite of poverty given in true love to God and charity to man, the gift will not be without reward from him.

M. B. MCLAREN, *Sec'y.*

The Treasurer's report is as follows:

By cash on hand from last year	$4,00
" " rec'd from annual collection	20,00
" " " collections in various districts	848,65
	$872,55

EXPENDITURES.

To cash paid Rev. J. J. Aiken	$158,55
" " balance in hand	214,00
	$372,55

A. B. PHILLIPS.

The officers for the ensuing year, elected at the Annual Meeting on Wednesday last are as follows:

President—Mrs. Elizabeth Denny.
Vice President—Mrs. McCracken.
Treasurer—Mrs. A. B. Phillips.
Secretary—Mrs. M. B. McLaren.
Managers—Mrs. Alex. Laughlin, J. Laughlin, H. B. Rea, W. Semple, Dr. Brooke, Morgand, W. Shaw, C. Rowan, McElroy, McCahon, Jno. Greer, Lightner, S. Mowrie, A. Chambers, Mrs. Duncan, M. Matthews, Barclay, Williams, Dickson, Tanner, Snodgrass, Jas. Irwin, Cust, Misses Thaw, Hare, E. A. Laughlin, Fahnestock, Gunning, Geddis, Ralston.

A HEARTLESS WIFE AND MOTHER.—A German woman residing at the Point eloped on Saturday night from her home taking with her her child by a former marriage and leaving her husband's two children totally unprotected. It appears she had thrown her husband into jail on a charge of surety of the peace, in order that her plans might not be disturbed. The cries of her children in the morning attracted the attention of the neighbors when it was ascertained that the mother had fled, taking all the money in the house. The children were placed under the care of the Guardians of the Poor.

A NARROW ESCAPE.—On Saturday morning a horse attached to an errand wagon became frightened at the noise made by a locomotive attached to a freight train, on Liberty street, opposite the Mansion House, and ran off, throwing the driver, a young lad, immediately before the locomotive. His head was badly cut and he was otherwise injured. He was taken from the Mansion House, where Dr. Walters dressed his wounds. The shafts of the wagon were broken.

Had it not been for the instant checking of the train the lad would have been killed.

CHARGE OF LARCENY.—A man named George Free appeared before Ald. Parkinson, on Saturday, and made oath that a man and a woman named Frank Hollow and Mrs. Metzgar "packed up the goods and chattels of a man named Metzgar, living at the lower end of Penn street, put them on a dray and did steal and feloniously carry them off."

A warrant was issued.

DAMGING OF SLEDDING.—On Saturday afternoon a boy named David Jones had his leg broken while coasting down Wylie street. He turned his sled suddenly to avoid coming in contact with a horse which was being driven rapidly up the street, and ran against a post on the corner of Wylie and Townsend streets. He was promptly cared for.

MAYOR VOLZ has returned more fines and forfeitures this year by several hundred dollars than was ever returned by any of his predecessors.

THE DISTRICT COURT.—Judges Hampton and Williams.

The Equity List was concluded on Saturday.

JURY TRIALS RESUMED.—The disposal of the cases on the trial list of the District Court by jury will be resumed to-day.

MASS MEETING.—The Irwin Democracy will hold a mass meeting this evening in Masonic Hall.

TELEGRAPHIC.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 6. —The Senate was not in session to-day.

House.—Mr. Ethridge said the action of the House demonstrated two propositions. 1st, that the gentlemen voted for have enthusiastic friends, and secondly, that if either is elected he will not decline the honor of the chair. He did not believe that any successful candidate would so conduct himself as to occasion the just reprehension of his official conduct. In the present condition of the public mind it would be injurious to the country to elect as Speaker a gentleman who is the embodiment of the extreme sentiment of either section and he proposed as a compromise, Mr. Wilson of Va., who was opposed to the alien suffrage feature in the Nebraska bill, voted against its passage, and was not in the Democratic caucus which nominated Mr. Richardson. He appealed to moderate and conservatives men to assist him in putting an end to this strife.

Mr. Brown could not agree with Mr. Ethridge to descend from that exalted position and pursue the course suggested. To all who were elected on the paramount issues of Americanism, to come together and agree upon a candidate or let the House adopt a resolution he would offer namely; that the friends and supporters of the prominent candidates for Speaker ship be requested to withdraw them from the further action of the House and that the members representing the different parties in the House meet each party appointing a committee of five with a view to selecting a compromise candidate for Speaker.

Mr. Wilson expressed surprise at the announcement of his name in that connection and requested Mr. Ethridge to withdraw the nomination.

Mr. Stephens opposed Mr. Brown's resolution as wholly impracticable.

Mr. Ethridge finally withdrew his motion when a long debate ensued on the merits of the several parties, particularly Americans and Mr. Brooks resolution was then laid on the table.

The House then voted twice for Speaker the last ballot standing as follows: Banks 98; Richardson 72; Fuller 29; scattering 10. Whole number of votes 209; necessary to a choice 105.

The House then adjourned.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

HARRISBURGH, Jan. 5.—*Senate.*—The Speaker laid before the Senate a number of annual reports of corporations.

The following bills in place were presented.

A supplement to the charter of the Philadelphia and Norristown Railroad Company, also one relative to real estate held by the Penna. Railroad Company.

By Mr. Crabb, a bill to extend the charter of the Philadelphia Bank.

By Mr. Flenniken, a supplement to the General Manufacturing Law.

The nomination of Superintendant of State Printing was confirmed by the Senate, which afterwards adjourned until Monday afternoon.

BOSTON, Jan. 5.—The boarding house attached to the Wesleyan Academy at Wilbraham was destroyed by fire yesterday. There were 200 boarders in the house, but they fortunately all escaped. The loss amounts to $20,000, over insurance.

HALIFAX, Jan. 5.—There are no tidings of the Canada, now in her 14th day, with dates to the 22d ult.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 4.—Robert Witherspoon, an aged and extensive cotton and rice factor, died at his residence in this city to-day, of apoplexy.

SYRACUSE, Jan. 5.—An extensive block of stores and offices owned by J. M. Welting'e, was destroyed by fire this morning. The block was valued at $100,000, and was insured for $60,000. The granite building adjoining was nearly destroyed; it was insured for $10,000. Other adjoining buildings were badly damaged. Welting's block was occupied by the House Telegraph Co. the Mechanic s Bank, Grocer's Bank, J. I. Ballard, hatter; Butterworth & Co., hatters; Marwin, May, & Herman, hardware dealers, E. S. Dawson & Co., saddlery warehouse. Bullard & Co's. stock was wholly destroyed. It was insured for $22,000. The stocks of the other parties were badly damaged, but the losses are generally covered by insurance. The total loss is over $150,000.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 5.—Nine persons, all Irish, were arrested by the United States Marshall, charged with violating the neutrality laws. They were held to bail this morning in the sum of $1,000 each, to appear on Monday next. The general impression is that they were acting in concert with parties in New York and elsewhere contemplating a descent upon Ireland.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The steamship Pacific sailed at noon to-day with over $21,000 in specie.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.—The Flour market is firmer under the influence of the export demand, sales 2500 bbls superfine at $8,60@8,62½ per bbl, mostly at the latter price; a lot of 1200 bbls Western sold yesterday at $8,87½; a steady demand for the supply of the city trade at $8,50@9,50 per bbl for common to family brands. Rye Flour steady at $1,12½. Corn Meal inactive; held at $3,75; a lot of 100 bbls Buckwheat Meal from Western New York sold at $5,37½; there is a good demand for Wheat, and a small amount is offering at firmer prices, sales of 5000 bushels prime red at $2, which is an advance. Rye steady, small sales at $1,20.—Corn in fair request, at 2000 bushels Pennsylvania new yellow at 77@78 per bushel. Oats steady, sales 2000 bushels prime Pennsylvania at 42c per bushel. Whiskey dull at 37½ per gallon in bbls, and 36 in hhds.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Stocks firm; Canton Co., 22½, Cleveland and Toledo 72½, Cumberland Coal Co., 23½, Erie 51½, Michigan Central 90, New York Central 91½, Reading 93. Money market unchanged. Cotton quiet, sales 800 bales.—Flour drooping, sales 8000 bbls at $8,62½ for Ohio. Wheat firm; sales 20,000 bushels at $1,95 for Western red and $2,18 for Southern white. Corn firm, sales 80,000 bushels. Pork drooping, sales 800 bbls at $6,50 for mess. Whiskey improving, sales 300 bbls at 35½. Iron firm, sales 50 tons Scotch pig.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 5.—Flour dull, sales 55 bbls at $7. Hogs, holders are not offering and no sales are reported. There would be a fair demand at $5@$5,15. In provisions there has been nothing done. Whiskey unchanged, sales 400 bbls at 25½@25¾.

The river is falling very fast; navigation is still suspended.

COMMERCIAL.

COMMITTEE OF ARBITRATION, FOR JANUARY
Geo. W. Cass, V. P.—W. Dawson, W. S. Lavely, Thomas Bell, S. P. Schuyler.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH GAZETTE OFFICE,
Monday Morning, January 7, 1856.

FLOUR—transactions confined to lots from store for home use; sales from store in small parcels of 110 bbls extra and extra family at $8,00@8,25.

GRAIN—a sale of 5000 bus Tennessee Red Wheat (prime) to arrive at $1,85 and 260 do from store at same; from wagon 200 bus Rye at 85.

WHISKEY—sales of 57 bbls rectified at 35.

LARD—a sale of 20 bbls No. 1 at 11.

MALT—sales at brewery of 2000 bus at $1,60.

HOPS—sales of eastern No. 1 at the small way at 15.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Lard—Upper mines held at 6½c.

Flour—Not a transaction made public. City superfine nominally at $7,62½ to $7,75, with offers at $7,50.

Wheat—An occasional lot at 1,80 to 1,85, and red fall. Amount in store estimated at half a million of bushels.

Corn—A few sales now and then reported at 58c. This morning 800 bags on private terms.

Oats—Sales at 42½ to 43c—market quiet.

Rye—Last sales at 90c, including 4x.

Coal—Packers offer 5c for the year.

—St Louis Rep., Tuesday.

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IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

OHIO & PENNSYLVANIA R R.—13 sks B W flour, Fleming Bro; 20 do do, 43 bxs candles; Leech, M'Alpin & co; 2 pkgs wool, 80 bbls flour, 12 do lard, 10 do whiskey, 2 do bacon bags, each; 9 pkgs butter, 1 do sugar, R Mitchell & co; 15 bbls flour, 2 do ox tail; Bell & Wilson; 5 do flour, Wilmarth & co; 16 bags, 4 bbls lard, 1 do cheese, Watt & Wilson; 665 bbls flour, 50 do wheat, 63 bbls whiskey, 12 do ale, 50 bbls meal, 21 sks rye, 23 do meal, 414 bus barley, 1322 bags, 50 casks, 4 bbls cider, sundry consignees.

Ohio Pomological Convention.

ALL persons wishing to have their fruit named correctly, and get all the information concerning it that can be had, are requested to leave specimens at J. KIDD'S Fruit Store, No. 84 Fifth street, before 6 o'clock, P. M., on MONDAY, January 7th.

By order of the Committee.
jn5 dtd&tw3 E. ROBERTS, Jr.,
Sec'y. Hort. Society.

For Sale.

THREE valuable Farms lying on the Pa. Central Railroad, 16½ miles from Stewarts Station and 18 miles from the city, each with 50 acres cleared, fair proportion cleared, the balance timbered, covered last summer and all improvements thereon. The whole will be offered together or separately, to suit purchasers. Terms very low. Apply to or address J. A. DICK, Penn Newton, Pa.

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AN ORDINANCE

authorising the Treasurer to Negotiate a Temporary Loan to pay Interest on the Bonds of Pittsburgh and Steubenville Railroad Company.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Citizens of Pittsburgh in Select and Common Council assembled. That the Mayor of the city is hereby authorized to negotiate on the faith of the city a temporary loan for a sum not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars, to be loaned to the Pittsburgh and Steubenville Railroad Company, for the purpose of enabling said Company to pay the interest due on the bonds of the city issued to the said Railroad Company, and for which the city will be compelled to pay the same. An election will be held on the second day of February, A. D. 1856, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M., when a statement of the affairs of the Company will be submitted to the citizens entitled to vote. At