GAZETTE—CITY DEPARTMENT.

PITTSBURGH:

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 17, 1856.

SUPREME COURT.—From the proceedings of Monday, we gather from the *Pennsylvanian* the following action in cases from Western Pennsylvania. Justice Lewis, Lowrie, Woodward, and Knox.—Michael Weaver's Est. Error to Westmoreland. Opinion by Lewis, C. J. The decree of the Court of Common Pleas affirmed and the appellant to pay the costs accrued in this Court.

Fisher vs. Wheeley.—Error to Fayette county. Opinion by Lewis, C. J. Judgment affirmed.

Church vs. Church.—Error to Greene county. Opinion by Lewis, C. J. Judgment affirmed.

Spragg vs. Shriver.—Error to Greene county. Opinion by Lewis, C. J. Judgment reversed and venire facias de novo awarded.

Hutchison et. al. vs. Campbell.—Error to Fayette county. Opinion by Knox, J. Judgment affirmed.

Freeley vs. McCormick.—Error to Allegheny county. Opinion by Knox, J. Judgment affirmed.

Thomas H. Meeghan vs. The Farmers' and Drovers' Bank of Waynesburg.—Error to Greene county. Opinion by Knox, J. Judgment affirmed.

Samuel Thompson and James Moon vs. Joseph D. McConnell.—Error to Greene county. Opinion by Knox, J. Judgment affirmed.

Fisher vs. J. Mullen, et al.—Error to Greene county. Opinion by Knox, J. Judgment reversed, and venire de novo awarded.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER, QUARTER SESSIONS, &c.—Before Judge M'Clure and Associates.

In the case of Com. vs. Mevay, which has been on trial for some days, the jury yesterday returned a verdict of acquittal. The result gave much satisfaction.

Francis Miller *alias* Brown was convicted of the larceny of a shawl. Sentenced to ten days' imprisonment in jail.

John Montague plead guilty and was remanded for sentence on a charge of petty larceny.

John Doane was acquitted of the larceny of a watch from Mr. Knoebel.

Peter Delaney was convicted of stealing $100 from Mary Schwambly, of the Fifth Ward, in April last.

Wm. Dunlop was convicted of the larceny of a number of guns from M'Kenna's Auction House, Wood street, upon the oath of E. W. Lynd. He was remanded for sentence.

John Brown *alias* Baldwin, arrested in Allegheny some time ago, to answer a charge of assault and battery with intent to kill upon Mr. John Martin, farmer, residing near Manchester, on the 1st day of December last, while he (Brown) was secreting stolen goods in Martin's stable,—was brought in for trial. An effort was made to prove an *alibi*, but was unsuccessful, and the defendant was convicted.

ST. ANTHONY'S DAY.—To-day, the 17th of January, is known in the Catholic Calendar, as the "good St. Anthony's day," and is we presume, a prominent holi day, as St. Anthony was the Patriarch of Monks. The old chronicles say that the good father was an especial object of enmity to the foul fiend, who consequently turned out his legions of imps, disguised in every shape a fiendish fancy could devise, to torment him, and turn his thoughts to worldly objects. He fled to the mountains, and devoted a large portion of his life to a solitary wrestling with the spiders, Devil's Darning Needles, hobgoblins, &c., &c., sent to persecute him. He afterwards established the first monastery in the year 305.

This fact and the fact that he had such a time with the devils have given him great prominence among saints. His temptations have afforded good subjects to poets and painters. Only a few days ago, we saw an engraving of the good saint surrounded by his Devils, exhibited in a show window on Wood street. A very popular vesification of his temptations went the rounds of the press some time ago, and we presume, in the manner verses, jokes and statistics will it is still going the rounds. It did great injustice to the good father, however. According to the books he resisted all the arts of the Devil, but taking the account of the poet a beautiful woman was sent to visit him, whose fascinations had some effect upon him:

"Hey! the good Saint Anthony boggled his eye
Over the Holy Book;
Ho, ho! at the sweets they 'ran to rim,'
He knew that the thing had a lovely guise
And he could not choose but look."

Barring this piece of scandal, doubtless put in to make a good ending to the piece, and to hang a moral to, the poet does justice to the devilish qualities of the various insects and animals that visited the saint in his hermit life in the Sepulchre.

A WONDERFUL DOG.—A real true specimen of the canine species is now in possession of Quarter-Master Kinnan, of the Rover Regiment of this city. Bob, for such they call him, was presented to the Company about a year since, by John Layton, Esq., of Pittsburgh, and may be considered as the "Dog de Regimon." He is a regular military chap, attending all parades, and has of late been at every fire in the city. Whenever a drum and fife is, Bob's sure to be there. At the fire on Main street, Mr. Kinnan was mounting a ladder in great haste, hose in hand, and had barely gained the roof, when behold Bob was at his side, scratching and tearing shingles off the house. He descends a ladder carefully, and with the agility of a monkey. Bob is "death on rats"—has calls abundant every day. Mr. K. has traps well filled brought to him from the neighbors, and the way Bob uses them up is a sin to cats. Bob is a great pet—goes regularly every Friday to Andy Gall's stall, and on Tuesday to William Baggott's, for his meat. He must know the days, for he never makes a mistake.—On Sunday he attends the Cathedral, but leaves immediately after the musical part is finished.—At funerals he always follows the hearse. Take him all in all, a more peculiar freak in a dog we never witnessed, as he is entirely self-taught, doing every thing on his own hook.—*Cincinnati Home Journal.*

SHOCKING CASUALTY IN PORT PERRY.—The *Union* was informed by one of its subscribers, who resides at Port Perry, on Tuesday night, of the following circumstances of a shocking casualty which occurred there:

"On Monday night last, about eleven o'clock, fire was discovered in a house owned by Col. Wm. L. Miller, and occupied by an Irish family named Gallagher. The fire caught in the first story, after the inmates had retired, and the flames spread with great rapidity. Thomas Gallagher, aged fourteen years, and a young unmarried man named Owen Conner, perished in the burning building. Mrs. Gallagher was seriously burnt while rescuing her younger children. Mr. Conner worked on the Pennsylvania Railroad, and boarded with Gallagher. The building with nearly all its contents, was destroyed. The bodies were taken from the ruins, and an inquest held by 'Squire William M. Shaw, of Versailles township. The jury found a verdict of "accidental burning.""

Since the above was in type, we learn that Mrs. Gallagher and two others of her children were very badly burned about the head and arms.

COUNTERFEITERS ABOUT.—Two strangers have been passing counterfeit bills on the Agricultural Bank of Pittsfield, Mass., upon the merchants of the city. Among others, Mr. H. Cain and Mr. J. Albree, shoe dealers, Market street, took the money. The men left the city by the 8 o'clock A. M. train, O. & P. R. R. for St. Louis, *via* Indianapolis, and Mayor Bingham accordingly telegraphed the circumstances to a point on the line of the railroad.

The notes are well executed. The Vignette represents Justice on the right and Minerva on the left. A female reaper and agricultural tools on the right end, and two men, supporting a female strewing flowers on the left. As new counterfeits are generally sprung in large quantities at different places our readers should bear in mind this item.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA HOSPITAL.—At a late meeting of the Managers, Francis Hardinmeyer, M. D., of Allegheny city, was elected as attending Surgeon, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Schneck.

The following gentlemen compose the Medical staff of the Hospital: Surgeons, Drs. R. B. Mowry, M. R. Trevor, A. M. Speer, F. Hardinmeyer; Physicians, Drs. James King, J. A. Reed, and James Wilson, to either of whom application for admission may be made.

ASSAULT AND BATTERY.—Two man named Patrick and Owen Campbell, brothers, were arrested yesterday upon a warrant of Alderman Donaldson, to answer for assault and battery upon oath of Francis M'Cormick. The parties are ice cutters, and the assault was committed on Tuesday evening near the Old Bridge. M'Cormick is very badly hurt, his head having been cut with the iron hooks used for hauling out ice, with which the defendants struck him. The arrests were made by officer Reed.

THE STOLEN JEWELRY CASE.—It appears from a statement made by a young man engaged in H. Lynch's Dry Good store, Market street, that the show case stolen from the door of Mr. Robert's Jewelry store, Fifth street, on Monday evening, was taken by two women. He saw them in an alley in the neighborhood of the store, but paid no attention to them supposing they were arranging their dresses. The show case was found there minus the jewelry, which was valued at from $80 to $100.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—A switch tender on the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad, named Charles M'Cartney, was crushed yesterday morning between two cars at the outer Depot, in such a manner as almost precludes the possibility of his survival. While in the act of coupling the cars, the locomotive, which was to be attached, was run up with such speed as to come in violent contact with the first car, throwing it against the second, crushing M'Cartney between them.

DISTRICT COURT.—Before Judge Hampton.

In the case of Andrew McCoy vs. T. H. Reynolds, et. al.; reported in our last edition, the Jury yesterday returned a verdict for defendants.

Frederick Schoff vs. The Ohio and Pennsylvania R. R. Company. No. 826—November terms, 1854. Juror withdrawn and cause continued.

Isabella Hulings vs. George Ball et. al. No. 197 April term, 1845. McCalmont for plaintiff; McCandless for defendant. Plaintiff takes a non-suit.

DEATH FROM LIQUOR.—The *Franklin Citizen* says, that, on last Saturday, a young man named Levi Davidson, teamster for Mr. McBride, of Tionesta, Venango county, while on the road with a load of wheat for his employer, became intoxicated, left his team and crawled into a hollow tree, where, after remaining some hours, he was found nearly insensible, and before he could be carried to a house, expired. He was completely chilled when discovered.

MEETING OF PRINTERS.—A meeting of the Journeymen Printers of the city was held last night at the *Post* office to make expression in regard to the decease of Mr. Telford.

The late hour at which we were furnished with the proceedings prevents us publishing them.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—The train due from the east at ten o'clock, yesterday, met with an accident just this side of Greensburgh. One of the rails was broken by the frost, and consequently the last car was thrown off the track. Fortunately none of the passengers were injured.

FULLY COMMITTED.—Mayor Bingham yesterday finally committed James Miller, colored, for trial for the larceny of a mantel clock, upon oath of Augustus Washington, Esq., that gentleman having identified the stolen article as his property.

ALLEGHENY RIVER SLACKWATER NAVIGATION.—The citizens of McKean county recently held a meeting to discuss the policy of improving the Allegheny river by constructing slackwater navigation.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN are invited to attend the Free Lecture upon Commercial Ethics before the Students of the Iron City Commercial College this evening. Rev. E. W. Dickinson is a popular lecturer; we bespeak a large audience.

PERSONAL.—Smith Jackson, Esq., President of the Erie City Bank, died in Erie on Thursday last. He had long been declining of consumption.

LECTURE POSTPONED.—On account of the late accident on the Hudson River Railroad, the Lecture by Rev. Dr. Baird, will be postponed until further notice.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The first meeting of the Finance Committee of Councils was held last evening.

RETURNED.—Dr. Wyckoff has returned to the city from a professional tour fo Cincinnati.

TELEGRAPHIC

One Week Later from Europe.

ARRIVAL OF THE AMERICA

HALIFAX, Jan. 16.—The America arrived this evening with advices to the 3d of January.—Cotton has declined ¼d, sales 24,000 bales; Orleans middling 8¾; Fair 6¾; Upland middling 5¾; Uplands fair 5¾. Sales to exporters were 4001 bales and to speculators 1200 bales. The estimated sales on Saturday were 6000 bales and the market closed dull.

BREADSTUFFS.—Brown, Shipley & Co. quote Breadstuffs as generally unchanged, and dull; Western Canal Flour 41s. Ohio 43s 6d, there is but little speculative demand; Yellow Corn 42s 5d; Mixed 41s 6d.

Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 16.—Justice M'Lean delivered the opinion in the case of Manny's Reaping Machine, argued last summer at Cincinnati by Reverdy Johnston and E. N. Dickinson for M'Cormick and E. M. Stanton and Geo. Harding for defendants, Manny & Co., deciding all the points in favor of defendants, refusing an injunction and dismissing the bill at M'Cormick's cost. The Court held first that Manny's Reaping Machine does not infringe upon any of M'Cormick's patents; 2d, That the diver and reel used in Manny's machine are not the same in form or principle as the improvements patented by M'Cormick in 1845 and are no infringement. 3d, That the forkers and stand position on Manny's machine are useful improvements, invented and patented by John H. Manny and not covered by M'Cormick's patent, but differ in form and principle; therefore there is no infringement. The injunction was refused and the bill dismissed at complainant's cost.

John Pyne was admitted an Attorney in the Supreme Court.

Nos. 42 and 43. The heirs of Gen. La Fayette plaintiffs vs. Joseph Kenton Andal, and the same versus E. C. Carter et al. Argument continued by Taylor for plaintiffs and Jasnin for defendants.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 16.—*House.*—Mr. Therington offered a resolution that Lewis D. Campbell be declared Speaker of the House. He said his reason for offering the resolution was to constitute his mite towards organization. He had proposed Mr. Campbell's name because he heard him spoken of as less objectionable to some portions of the House than Banks.

Mr. Galloway, though personally favorable to Campbell could not change his position till he was assured the sentiment of the House was in his favor.

Mr. Giddings said this resolution had been thrown into the House without consulting those voting for Banks and by whom he would stand until he could see that a change of vote was for the better.

Mr. Mace said the fault of the House being unorganized was attributed to the Anti-Nebraska men, who have a majority and can say day effect the election of Speaker if they chose but to surrender their personal prejudices.

Mr. Purviance did not agree with the sentiments of Mr. Mace and attributed the failure to organize the Democrats.

Several others were explained, including Mr. Campbell of Ohio, who said his name was used in the resolution without his knowledge or authority.

The resolution was then rejected, yeas 50, nays 150.

Mr. Cumback offered a resolution which was afterwards withdrawn, declaring Mr. Mace Speaker.

Mr. Dean, in explaining his course, said he would submit to no caucus which presented to him the name of Banks. His remarks stimulated others to participate in a debate involving the action of the Republicans respecting their candidates for Speaker.

The House then balloted as follows:—Banks 88; Richardson 55; Fuller 29; Pennington 8; scattering 5. Whole number of votes 197; necessary to a choice 98.

The House then adjourned.

OHIO LEGISLATURE.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 16.—In the Senate, Mr. Brase introduced a bill to repeal the ten per cent interest law and to fix the rate at 7 per cent.

There was a debate on the question of printing extra copies of the Message and the reports of the Departments; a strong feeling against printing extra copies prevailed and the subject was laid over.

Several bills were introduced but nothing important transpired.

The Republican members have a caucus this evening to arrange the Senatorial question. It is expected that Mr. Wade will be re-nominated and re-elected this week.

In the House Mr. Edgely introduced a bill to repeal the present liquor law. Mr. Slough introduced a bill to abolish capital punishment. Mr. Corry introduced a resolution appointing Chas. Remelin to examine the condition of the State Bank, which was laid on the table to be printed. Some time was also spent on considering the question of restoring the jurisdiction of the Court of Common Pleas.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 16.—Messrs. Boyce, M'Queen and Keitt, being now satisfied with Mr. Richardson's explanations, have turned to his support. Mr. Faulkner, of Va., intends submitting a proposition if no Speaker is elected by Monday next, that the members resign, and that the House adjourn to meet on the first Monday in May.

The despatches received by the Government by the Atlantic contain nothing particularly important concerning affairs between Great Britain and the United States.

An Anti-Nebraska caucus is being held tonight as suggested by Mr. Campbell, of Ohio.—The debate to-day apparently damaged rather than improved Mr. Banks' prospects.

ALBANY, Jan. 16.—The Assembly organized to-day by electing Orville Robinson, Soft Democrat, as Speaker. The message of Gov. Clark was then read.

The financial affairs of the State do not present a very favorable exhibit. The deficiency during the financial year is upwards of $250,000. The surplus canal revenues over the expenditures is $1,650,000. After discussing various local topics the Governor closes by an allusion to the Kansas question, denouncing in strong terms, the overthrow of the Missouri Compromise and expressing the hope that the voice of New York will again as heretofore be unanimous in asserting the Jeffersonian policy of restricting Slavery and extending Freedom.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The ship St. Dennis, hence for Havre, foundered at sea on the 6th inst. The Captain, 2d Mate, 3 cabin passengers and part of the crew, in all 30 souls, went down in her. The 1st mate, Mr. Tufts, the 3d mate, Mr. Gardner, and nine seamen took to the long boat and were picked up after being 29 hours on it; they were brought to this port by the ship Naples, from Leghorn. The ship Naples was commanded by Capt. Follansby and was so badly damaged in the gale of the 5th that the above disaster ensued.

The following are the names of the passengers lost:—Frederick P. Weiss and wife; George Bratenare; steerage, George Baker Fish; Jane Helnhold, Paul Ludwig, wife, mother and child; John Gray; Gustave Schelen Bacher; Philip Ludwig. Also Capt. Alonzo Follansbee; 3d mate, Henry Gardner; carpenter, F. Smith; steward, J. Davis; 1st cook, C. S. Potter; 2d cook, Richard Henry, and 16 seamen. The last seen of the Captain, who refused to leave his ship though begged to do so by all, he was standing on deck winding up his watch; when she went down ten minutes after the boat left. Capt. Follansby had commanded the St. Dennis for 12 years. The rescued seamen were in the boat 29 hours with but one barel of sea biscuit soaked with salt water; they had not a drop of fresh water.

The vessel, cargo, freight and money were valued at $200,000, partly insured here.

There was an explosion of Fireworks yesterday at Edge's Laboratory, at Jersey City, by which two young men were killed and a third so badly injured that he will doubtless die.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 16.—The rumor which so greatly excites the Eropean Capitals is that the United States and Russia has entered into a conditional offensive and defensive treaty. The rumor springs probably from the fact that the latter has submitted the draft of a treaty of amity and Commerce.

The motion to adopt the plurality rule was tabled to-day by 4 maj. by the votes of all the friends of Richardson present, except Barclay, Hickman, and Vail. They were powered by the friends of Fuller and Campbell of Ohio, and Dunn, Harrison, Moore, Scott and Wheeler.—Boyce, McQueen and Keitt left Richardson today.

HALIFAX, Jan. 15.—The steamship Edinburg, from Glasgow is signalled below. This steamship is one of the Glasgow and New York line, and left for the latter port on the 26th ult., she is probably out of coal and is putting in here for a supply.

BOSTON, Jan. 16.—The Hon. H. Clifford was to-day elected Attorney General of the State, by the Legislature in joint convention, having received 250 votes out of 304 cast.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 16.—Commodore Morris is seriously ill of acute affection of the lungs, at his residence in this city.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Cotton has declined ¼; the sales were 2500 bales; Orleans middling 10 7-16; Uplands middling 9¼; Orleans fair 10. Flour firm; 15,000 bbls. sold. Wheat dull; sales 2000 bush. at $1,90 for southern red. Corn firm; 50,000 bush. sold. Pork firm; sales 400 bbls. Beef dull; sales 200 bbls. Lard firm; sales 1000 bbls. Whiskey dull; sales 250 bbls. Coffee firm; sales 1100 bags Rio. Sugar dull; sales 200 hhds. Molasses declined; sales 250 bbls. at 48. Oils steady. Freights firmer.—Bacon firm; Hams 9¼; Shoulders 7¾. Butter and Cheese dull. Stocks lower; Cleveland & Toledo 71¾; Erie 53¾; Galena & Chicago 126; Michigan Central 90¾.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—Breadstuffs inactive; a good attendance on 'Change and flour freely offered at $8,25, without finding buyers except in small lots for home consumption, and better brands and extra at from $8,87@8,75; fancy brands sell above the latter quotation. There is nothing doing in wheat; prices being comparatively nominal. Sales of flour, sales 800 bushels at $2 for red and $2,10@2,20 for white. Whisky, sales 150 bbls Easton at 35c, Cumberland 34 and in hhds at the same figure.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 16.—Flour is limited demand; the offerings are also light; sales 180 bbls. at $6,50@$6,75. Groceries better; sales 50 hhds. Sugar at 7¾@8 for fair and good fair; sales 75 bags Coffee, good and prime at 12¼@12¾. Sales 80 bbls. Molasses at 40. Hogs firmer; small sales at $5,75, holders ask $6. Whiskey steady; sales 450 bbls. at 28@29½.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 16—Flour, sales 1000 bbls. Howard, Ohio and City Mills at $8. Wheat, sales at $1,75@1,85 for western red and $1,85@1,95 for white. Sales white Corn at 73@76, and yellow at 76@78, receipts light.

The Southern mail brings three mails from Charleston, Savannah and Mobile.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Cattle Market.—The offerings of Beef Cattle to-day were 2,500 head, prices easier, sales at $9@$12; sales 6000 head. Sheep offered and at improving prices. Swine easier in price, sales 6000 head of corn fed at $5,50@$6,75, dressed.

COMMERCIAL.

COMMITTEE OF ARBITRATION, FOR JANUARY
GEO. W. CASS, V. P.—W. DARGAN, W. S. LAVERY, THOMAS BELL, S. P. SHAFFER.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH GAZETTE OFFICE,
Thursday Morning, January 17, 1856.

FLOUR—sales from store in small lots of family extra at $9.25; a sale not before reported, of 100 bbls do. at $8.12.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—sales from store of 2430 lbs in small sacks, at $2.50 @ 100 lbs.

GRAIN—sales from wagon of 300 bus Rye at 80, and 60 bus Corn from store at 44.

BUTTER—small sales of prime roll at 20.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

The imports at New York continue large, both in dry goods and general merchandise. The exports with the corresponding week of last year, are shown in the following table of the Journal of Commerce is as follows

	1856	1855
For the week	$1,858,240	$2,853,982
Dry Goods	1,274,860	1,314,097
General Merchandize		
Total	$3,130,108	$4,168,079
Previously reported	1,576,422	1,538,865
Total since Jan 1st	$4,706,530	$5,706,944
The value of merchandize entered for consumption during the week, was $972,967, against $1,000,041 in the corresponding week last year, and $1,000,000 in 1854. The aggregate for the last four weeks in the 1855 amounts to $3,293,377 against $3,000,000 in 1854. The aggregate from the first of January to date, is