GAZETTE—CITY DEPARTMENT.

PITTSBURGH:

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JULY 23, 1856.

EXAMINATION OF TEACHERS.—Superintendent Kerr yesterday examined a large number of teachers in the Third Ward School House. The result, we believe, was creditable.

Of nearly one thousand teachers examined by this gentleman, this year, only six hundred were found qualified to teach. The fact that so large a proportion were found not at all fitted to assume the duties of teachers, is the best argument in favor of the law. The examinations this year are much more creditable than last, the candidates having prepared themselves to meet the strict and searching examination which Mr. Kerr institutes. The department has ordered two kinds of certificates, provisional and professional, to be given to teachers, the first renewable every year, and the last perpetual. Superintendent Kerr has divided the provisional into grades to suit the classification of schools in the city—the Primary, Medium and Grammar departments. Thus teachers who expect to take charge of a primary school need not be as well posted in advanced studies, as those who desire a higher grade, and they can procure certificates for that grade.

The manner of examination adopted by Mr. Superintendent Kerr is as follows: All applicants write their answers to the questions proposed, thus preventing all confidence. The books are then examined by Mr. K. as to the writing, orthography, grammar, and correctness as to the questions asked.

We have before us a copy of the last report of the Superintendent to the Department, in which he gives a flattering prospect of the excellence to which the educational system will be elevated by the law now in operation. He also includes specimens of the orthography of some of the teachers who were rejected, which are decidedly on the phonetic order, getting at sound without regard to the proper arrangement of letters.

The Superintendent has been very faithful in the performance of his duties, having visited every school district, and examined the systems of teaching in use. The good effects of this diligence are already manifested in the improvement of the schools in the county.

LICENSES GRANTED.—The Board of Licensers have granted the following applicants license since the last published grant of Illenso, some weeks ago:

Jay & John Gustins sell with other goods, W. Pittsburgh.
" " Henry Snyder, " " "
" " P. Shields, " " West Ward.
" " C Bank " " Birmingham.
" " William Grierson, " " Lower St. Clair.
" " Michael Grell, Tavern, " Birmingham.
" " 16 Fredk Walk'r, Eating House, Mck. sport.
" " Michael Hacker, " Allegheny.
" " Wm. Chambers, Tavern. " "
" " Francis Wolff " " "
" " Jas Boyd, Eating House, " "

Mrs. Hanna and a large number of other applicants have been refused.

The Board adjourned to meet on the 4th Monday, 25th of August, when they will receive new applications, and examine bonds filed between this date and the meeting of the Board. Now that the Board have almost concluded their labors, we may give expression to the general feeling of approval of the action entertained by the public. They have in all cases acted upon the evidence before them, and if they have not acted as judiciously in some cases as they might, it was not their fault, but the fault of the citizens in not appearing publicly before them, and giving the proper information.

THE HORTICULTURAL FAIR.—The Committee of Conference of the State Society and the Pittsburgh Horticultural Society met yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Horticultural Society.

On motion William Martin, Sr., was elected Chairman.

James Reed was chosen Secretary.

Members present—Messrs. Wm. Martin, John Merdrich, Jr., and R. C. Walker, of the State Society; Messrs. James Reed, James McKain, J. G. Coffin, Rev. J. Knox, and Charles Lockhart, of the Horticultural Society.

The object of the meeting was to make arrangements to unite the Fall Horticultural Fair with the State Fair. The arrangements were speedily made by a separate membership, erection of a building, &c. &c. The Committees spent the afternoon in the formation of a Horticultural Premium List, which we are pleased to learn will embrace larger figures than ever before.—Every encouragement will be given to the nurseryman and amateur, to make a fine display.

ARRANGEMENT CURE.—The Collector of the Water Rents of Allegheny city, Mr. Rush, informs us that at present he does not know of a single house of any description to rent in that city. In the Fourth ward, very many houses are occupied by four or five families, and he mentioned one case, where a married couple and eleven children occupied one room! Such distress was experienced in that portion of the city last winter, as the inhabitants are mostly German, and even now there is a vast deal of squalid wretchedness.

The scarcity of tenant houses, after the large number which have been erected within the last year or two are considered, indicates a large increase of population, and prosperity. In the upper wards there are many new houses in process of erection, and we presume next season, capitalists will invest in that line to a much greater extent than ever before.

VENTILATION OF THE JAIL.—The Commissioners are having the large grated windows made in the jail for the purpose of ventilation—two to each floor. The only objection to the jail as a place of imprisonment will be by the action in a great degree removed. The Jailer's office has been repaired and painted, and Jailor Philips is constantly attentive to the condition of the cells. The jail has never been in a better condition in this respect. The Commissioners intend having the outside of the jail whitewashed.

The painters are busily engaged upon the Court House outside and inside, and by the time the fall courts are ready to convene, the building will be completed, and appear as fresh as when new.

TEACHERS IN ALLEGHENY.—The following additional teachers have been elected to fill vacancies in the Ward Schools of Allegheny. South Canal street House, Fourth Ward: Miss M'Cassin; Principal of Medium School, Miss M'Allister; and Miss Tile, Teacher of Primary Department. Sandusky street School: Miss E. Davidson, Principal of Medium Department; Misses Wallace and Hammond, and Mrs. Johnson, Assistants; Miss M. White, Principal of Primary Department. First Ward: Miss M. Wallace, Assistant in the High School; Miss E. Wetring, Assistant in Grammar School; Miss H. Nixon, Assistant in Medium School; Mr. William H. Black, Teacher of Music in the Third and Fourth Wards.

THE STATE FAIR.—Appointments of sub-committees by Mr. William Martin, Sr., chairman of the Committee of Arrangements appointed by the State Executive Committee:

Printing—J. Murdoch, Jr., R. C. Walker, Benjamin Kelly.

Police—J. Young, Jr., B. Kelly.

Buildings, Repairs and Alterations on the Ground—R. McK. Sprogrand, J. Murdoch, Jr., J. Young, Jr., B. Kelly and R. C. Walker.

Doorkeepers and Clerks—J. Murdoch, Jr., J. Young, Jr., and B. Kelly.

To wait on the Manufacturers of Pittsburgh and vicinity to solicit them to exhibit their manufactures at the State Fair—R. C. Walker and J. Young, Jr.

BURGLARY.—On Monday night the Eldorado Saloon on Irwin st., kept by Richard Spiane, was entered feloniously and robbed of $28 in money, and a gold and a galvanized watch. The entrance was effected by forcing the cellar door and passing from the cellar through the trap door to the bar-room. The burglars were evidently acquainted with the house. An arrest was made by Alderman Donaldson's police, but there was no evidence to warrant the detention of the accused, and he was discharged.

STEALING HORSE AND SHOATS.—Catharine Deary, she woman who has figured extensively in the powder plot, had a further hearing before Esquire Symms, of Birmingham, on Monday, on the charge of participating in that affair. The charge was withdrawn, and she recommitted to answer at Court for the alleged larceny of ten hogs and shoats from a man named William Brown. The prosecutor alleges that she killed the animals. The charge is stoutly denied by the accused.

BOARD OF LICENSERS.—The application of William Chambers for license to keep a tavern on the Diamond, Allegheny, was taken up yesterday for further consideration. A number of witnesses were present and testified to the good character of the applicant, and the necessity for a public house in that locality.

RE-EXAMINATION.—The applicants for admission to the High School, who were examined last week, but did not come up to the full average required by the Board, will be re-examined today.

FIRE.—On Thursday night a fire broke out in a stable on Prospect street, owned by Mr. John Nolan, and together with a valuable horse, it was entirely destroyed. The loss is small.

FREMONT CLUB.—Our Birmingham readers will bear in mind that on this evening a preliminary meeting will be held to organize a Fremont Club. The attendance doubtless will be large.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—A man named John Nolan was arrested for highway robbery, yesterday, on process of Court, and thrown into jail.

LICENSES GRANTED.—Francis Wolf, of Allegheny, has been granted license to keep an eating house.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER.—An old and respected citizen of Allegheny, yesterday paid his fifty-sixth year's subscription to the *Gazette*.

Great Russian Remedy.—PRO BONO PUBLIC.—Every mother should have a box in the house handy in case of accidents to the children. Try it. DR. JACOBS' *RUSSIAN SALVE*.

READING'S RUSSIAN SALVE

It is a Boston remedy of thirty years' standing, and is recommended by physicians. It is a sure and speedy cure for Burns, Piles, Boils, Corns, Felons, Chilblains, and Old Sores of every kind; or Fever Sores, Ulcers, Itch, Scald Head, Nettle Rash, Bunions, Sore Nipples, (recommended by nurses,) Whitlow, Tetter, Fiery Rise, Spider, Spider Bites, Frozen Limbs, Salt Rheum, Scurvy, Sore and Blotchy, Frozen Limbs, Salt Rheum, Scurvy, Sore and Cracked Lips, Sore Nose. Wants and Flesh Wounds. It is a most valuable remedy and cure, which can be testified to by thousands who have used it in the city of Boston and vicinity for the last thirty years. In no instance will this fail to do an injury, or interfere with a physician's prescriptions. It is made from the purest materials from a receipt brought from Russia—articles growing in that country—and the proprietors have letters from all ranks of society—physicians, sea captains, nurses, and others of exception, physicians, sea captains, nurses, and others of exception, physicians, sea captains, nurses, and others of exception,