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FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 8.

CITY AFFAIRS.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations for the *Gazette*, by G. E. Shaw, Optician, 55 Fifth St.—corrected daily:

	IN SUN.	IN SHADE.
9 o'clock, A. M.	30	23
12 " M.	39	28
6 " P. M.		28
Barometer		29 8-10

Uniforming the Night Police.

The Mayor, in conjunction with the Police Committee, has adopted caps of uniform make to be worn by the Night Police, with a bright metallic number in front, so that they may be recognized readily by the public. The caps have been worn for two nights past, and while we look upon this as a step in the right direction, we think that the Mayor and the Police Committee should go a little further and provide a complete uniform. There are many reasons why the Night Police should be uniformed. Strangers arriving in the city after night, and others who are not familiar with the streets and localities, would feel much safer in making application to a person whose clothing clearly indicated his position, than to an ill-favored individual with a club in his hand, who might or might not turn out to be an officer.

Another evil would be remedied by a uniform which could not be counterfeited—the practice (frequently resorted to by scoundrels) of assuming the character of an officer, and under that guise committing the most flagrant outrages. There have been numerous instances in which persons of both sexes have been grossly abused by a resort to this infamous scheme.

The most wholesome reform, however, which would follow the adoption of a full uniform, would be developed in the police department. We have no charges to make against any individual, but it is notorious that policemen, when on duty, *have* frequented taverns, and other places of evil resort—that they *have* been seen carrying the mace while intoxicated, and that the offences of the *officer* have been too frequently screened in the *citizen*. A cap and number, it is true, will tend to correct these evils; but the facility with which a cap can be doffed renders it extremely probable that the reform will not be complete.

A full uniform puts the officer directly under the eye of the public, and he will be known and scrutinized as soon as seen. His appearance will have a restraining effect upon evil doers, and his demands will be more readily obeyed when his position is unquestionable. Many other reasons might be urged in favor of a perfect uniform, and we can imagine of no objections excepting that the police themselves are generally opposed to it upon the ground that it would render them too conspicuous, and perhaps subject them to ridicule. But there is really no weight in these objections, and they are in fact insignificant when compared with the reforms which the measure would carry with it. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the matter will receive the favorable consideration of the Mayor and the Police Committee.

Military News.

For some time past efforts have been made for the organization of a new Military Company, and we are pleased to learn that the efforts of those engaged in the enterprise have been entirely successful. There are about forty or fifty names on the roll of the company, comprising those of many of the leading young men of the city. As far as we have been posted, the object of the organization is the same as that of every other company—instruction in military matters. We are sure the new company will be heartily welcomed by their fellow soldiers of the city.

At a recent meeting, the Company was styled THE CITY GUARDS, and the constitution of the second Company of the St. Louis National Guards, with a few changes to suit circumstances, was adopted for the government of the Company. At the same meeting, Capt. T. J. BARNUM, late of the U. S. A.—who has taken great interest in the affairs of the new Company—was elected Captain; Mr. JAMES St. CLAIR, First Lieutenant; Mr. A. S. M. MONAN, Second Lieutenant; and G. L. B. FETTERMAN, Esq., Brevet Second Lieutenant.

Every arrangement has been made, we learn, for immediate and thorough practice. The Armory will be in Neville Hall.—We had almost forgotten to state that the arms adopted is the rifle, with sword bayonet.

We may also state that it is the intention of Capt. Brereton to spare no exertions to perfect his men in the higher grades of military knowledge—to make the organization really a school of instruction. We feel confident, from our knowledge of the men in his command, that his efforts in that behalf will be ably seconded by themselves.

Accident on the Allegheny Valley Railroad.

A serious accident occurred on the Allegheny Valley Railroad, near Manor station, on Saturday evening last, on the approach of the train to Kittanning, by the breaking of a rail. One of the baggage cars was thrown off the track, and a man named O'Donnell, the only person in it, and who was standing in the door-way, was precipitated underneath it, crushing both of his legs below the knee, in a shocking manner, and otherwise injuring him. One of the limbs, it is thought, will require amputation. He is a carpenter by trade, a resident of Kittanning, and a man of family. He was working for the Company in repairing the bridge at Crooked Bridge. He is in a precarious condition.

Jail Fees.

We have seen some printed statements, and heard some verbal statements, recently, in reference to the above item of County expenditure, which are grossly inaccurate. The entire cost to the County for maintenance of prisoners, for the year 1859, as we find by reference to the Auditor's accounts for that year, was $5,667.45. Out of this sum the Sheriff pays for the provisions used by the prisoners, and also the salaries of the Jailor and turnkeys. This is something less than one-half the amount which has been alleged as paid by the county for maintenance of the jail.

Court of Common Pleas.

Before Judges Mellon, Adams and Parke.

James M. Sterling vs. James Dermott; action for rent. Verdict for plaintiff for $275.

George Ralph vs. Fitzsimmons & Morrow; action for services rendered. Verdict for defendant.

Joseph Stah vs. S. Merriman; action on a mechanic's lien. Verdict for plaintiff for $70.

Michael Kyo vs. John McGowan and others; action of trover and conversion for some household furniture. Verdict for defendant.

The trial list in this Court for the present term is now concluded.

HELD TO BAIL.—Levi W. Stewart, proprietor of the Keystone Billiard Saloon, Federal street, and T. Heinrich, keeper of a beer saloon on the same street, have been held to bail by Mayor Drum, to answer a charge of selling liquor to Robert Kennedy, a minor. On the hearing, Mr. Stewart contended that he had sold the saloon some two months since to his barkeeper, Mr. Shoemaker, but the latter, in making an information against young Kennedy, some days before, for disorderly conduct, stated under oath that "he was Mr. Stewart's bar keeper." Mr. Heinrich, in defense, alleged that the offense was committed through ignorance, as Kennedy looked to be over twenty-one years of age. The mother of the boy swears, however, that he is only seventeen, and the Mayor had no alternative but to hold the parties for trial.

SUDDEN DEATH—INQUEST.—On Wednesday, about ten o'clock, a woman named Mary Wier died suddenly at the residence of her husband, on Centre street, Third Ward, Allegheny. She was about twenty years of age, of Irish parentage, and had recently been married to a German. She was in bad health, and had been subject to severe attacks of headache. On Wednesday morning she appeared to be in her usual health, but about ten o'clock was seized with one of her attacks of headache and died in about an hour. There was no evidence of foul play, and no post mortem examination having been held, the Coroner's jury returned a verdict of "death from unknown causes."

DEATH OF A MINISTER.—Rev. J. S. Henderson, President of the Mendota (Ill.) Collegiate Institute, died at that place a few days since. Mr. H. was born in 1813, in Perry county, Pa. He was educated at Jefferson College and the Western Theological Seminary. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Beaver, in 1840, was ordained pastor of the Slippery Rock church the same year, where he continued as pastor and Principal of the North Sewickley Academy until his removal to Mendota in the fall of 1855. By his untiring labor he established a flourishing literary institution at the place of his decease. He was universally beloved.

LAWRENCEVILLE NOMINATIONS.—The following nominations have been made by the Republicans of Lawrenceville. The election takes place next Tuesday:

Burgess—Edmond Wilkins; Council—J. Wainwright, J. Chalfett, jr., H. Robinson; Assessor—Charles Peterson; Assistant Assessor—James T. M'Clure; School Directors—S. F. Barr, Samuel M'Mahon; Election Judge—Jacob Wainwright; Inspector—John Gillon; Auditor—Thomas Dougherty; Constable—Ira Sibley; Street Commissioner—Wm. Hine.

VERY BELLIGERENT.—David Cowhen, who lives, (when at home,) in a court off Wylie street, was before Alderman Rogers on two charges. His father alleges that he committed an assault and battery upon him, and his wife demanded that he should be bound over for surety of the peace, having made divers threats against her. In default of proper security, he was committed to jail. Of course whisky was the prime mover in all the mischief.

MANCHESTER ITEMS.—The borough authorities have passed an ordinance against the erection or enlargement of oil refineries within the corporate limits, unless under the express permission of Council. A violation of the ordinance involves a penalty of not less than thirty nor more than fifty dollars.....Mr. John Zeigler has been elected Street Commissioner of the borough.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD ELECTION.—The annual election for Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad was held on Monday, at the office of the Company, and resulted in the re-election of the old Board of Directors, viz: Messrs. J. Edgar Thomson, Washington Butcher, William H. Thompson, Josiah Bacon, Thomas Mellon, John Holmes, G. D. Rosengarten, Wistar Morris, G. W. Cass, Pittsburgh, W. H. Smith, Pittsburgh.

SEN. KENNEDY'S advertisement of Children's Coaches, in another column. His stock of home manufactured coaches is always a large and varied one.

Meeting of Allegheny Councils.

The regular monthly meeting of this body was held last evening.

In *Select Council*, after disposing of some unimportant matters, the regular monthly reports were presented and resolutions adopted.

Mr. Wright presented an ordinance for the grading and paving of First alley, in the Third ward, and Asylum alley, in the Second ward, which was adopted.

Mr. Wright, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the reception of President Lincoln, presented a report, with resolution, for the payment of bills for carriage hire, etc, amounting to $105.

The report was accepted, and resolution ado 90.

An ordinance relative to the rates and collection of wharfage was read three times and passed.

The Police Committee submitted a report, with a resolution, appropriating $30 for the purchase of articles for the Mayor's office, which was adopted.

The Committee allude to the unhealthy condition of the lock-up, and designate it as a nuisance and a disgrace to the city. They recommend the erection of a suitable building for the use of the Mayor and other city officers—thus obviating the payment of the rent, and affording better accommodations.

Mr. Brown offered a resolution for the appointment of a committee of five, to ascertain and report to Councils the cost of erecting a suitable building for the use of the Mayor, City Treasurer, Recording Regulator, and other officials.

The resolution was adopted, and Messrs. Brown and Ashworth of Select, and Ball, Whiston and Heath of Common Council, were appointed said committee.

In *Common Council*, a petition numerously signed was presented, asking Councils to take measures for regaining possession of portions of Bank lane, granted to the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company, said corporation having failed to grade and pave Bank lane, as required by the contract. Referred to Committee on Railroads.

The Committee on Markets, to whom was referred back the matter relative to the removal and increase in ground rents, reported that they were more than ever convinced of the necessity and utility of the change, which could be effected at a cost of $300—and a resolution was reported to carry out the project. Select Council non-concurred, and the matter falls to the ground.

A resolution authorizing the expenditure of $25, for repairing Pasture and Island lanes, at their junction, was referred to the Street Committee, with power to act.

A resolution was adopted, requesting the Ordinance Committee to confer with the City Solicitor and report the cost of codifying the City Ordinances.

Councils then went into Joint Session to elect a Weighmaster for the Second Ward Scales, in place of Mr. Chambers, deceased. The principal contestants were John A. White and John Moon. The ballots resulted as follows:

	I.	II.
White,	10	15
Moon,	9	6

Mr. White was declared duly elected, and Councils adjourned.

Our Book Table.

The "Old Log School House." Furnished with Incidents of School Life, Notes of Travel, Poetry, Hints to Teachers and Pupils, and Miscellaneous Sketches. Illustrated. By Alexander Clark, Editor of the "Ohio Public School Visitor." Philadelphia: Leary, Gely & Co, 1861.

The author of this volume, Mr. Clark, is so well known to our younger readers, that we need not do more than tell them that here is a new story written by their friend—a story, too, the very name of which refers us to the past, when woods were everywhere around the rude homes of the hardy pioneer settlers; and when schools, such as we have now in our cities, and district schools, such as we have now everywhere in the country, were not to be found, nay, were not as yet even to be dreamt of.

Besides the story called the Old Log School House, the volume contains several lyrics, miscellaneous poetical pieces &c; in all which the author has set himself always to combine the useful with the agreeable,—to amuse and at the same time to instruct his readers.

Cassius, Courtlon, and Civil War. The Story of 1861. Philadelphia: T. B. Peterson and Brothers." For sale in Pittsburgh by Hunt & Miner.

We hope this is not, and is not to be, *the* story of 1861.

"A Message from the Sea; and The Uncommercial Traveler. By Charles Dickens (Boz.) Complete in one volume.—Philadelphia: T. B. Peterson and Brothers." For sale by Hunt & Miner.

Our readers will welcome another volume from Charles Dickens—though not in the "Box" or "Pickwick" vein, still genuinely its author's own, and racy of the soil from which it has sprung.

We have also received two numbers of Beadle's Dime Biographical Library—viz: "Daniel Boone, the Hunter of Kentucky, by Edward L. Ellis;" and "Kit Carson, the Rocky Mountain Scout and Guide." Of Beadle's Dime Novels we have received "Nathan Todd; or the Fate of the Sioux Captive." This series of books is neatly printed, and the price, as the name indicates, is a Dime each. For sale by Hunt & Miner.

Destructive Fire.

Last night, a few minutes before twelve, a fire broke out in a farrier shop on Decator street, in the First ward, and from thence communicated to the warehouse of Hays & Signart. The stock in the warehouse was nearly all of a combustible nature, and consisted of oil, hides, and general produce. The engines were promptly on hand, but the flames had acquired so great a headway that all efforts to save the building proved fruitless. Nothing was saved. A stable adjoining the blacksmith shop was burned; the horses were taken out, and the fire extinguished. A two-story brick dwelling house, on Liberty street, next to the tannery warehouse, was in imminent peril, and perhaps, with fire and water combined, is rendered unfit for residence.

Great credit is due the fire department for their energetic labors in staying the flames.

LITERARY UNION.—A meeting of the Central Literary Union will be held this evening at the Court House, at which it is expected that at least twenty Societies will be represented. The Committee on Constitution and By Laws—of which J. F. Dilenbacher is Chairman, and H. Snowden, Secretary—will make a report, which it is said meets the approbation of several Societies. Considerable interest is manifested by all the Societies, and a full attendance is desirable.

MR. MURDOCH'S BENEFIT.—This eminent actor takes a benefit at the theatre this evening, when he will appear in two characters—as the "Stranger," in the celebrated play of that name, and as "Vapid" in Reynolds' play of "The Dramatist." The bill is an attractive one, and cannot fail to induce a large audience. Mr. Murdoch closes his engagement on Saturday evening, and another opportunity for hearing him may not be offered for years.

EXPLOSION OF A FURNACE.—On Wednesday evening, a workman employed at the Pennsylvania Forge, (Kennedy, Preston & Co.) Pipetown, threw some water into a furnace which still contained a quantity of heated metal, and a serious explosion was the consequence. The furnace was blown apart, the stack was damaged, and bricks flew about in every direction. A man named Thomas was slightly injured by being struck in the face with a brick, but aside from this no personal damage was sustained.

STOLEN GOODS RECOVERED.—In yesterday's paper we noticed the commitment of a girl named Catharine Woods, for the larceny of dresses, etc., from Mrs. Jones, for whom she had been sewing. A search warrant was issued by Mayor Drum, and the goods were found at the house of a friend of the girl. She was taken before the Mayor, for a further hearing, and as the lady declined to prosecute, the youthful offender was discharged.

MILITARY ELECTION.—The election for first Major of the First Regiment of Allegheny county Volunteers, has resulted in the choice of Melchoir Varner. Major Hay, the Brigade Inspector, has not received the full returns, but from the figures so far received, the indications are that Mr. Varner is successful. The position was rendered vacant by the resignation of Major Delworth, of Birmingham.

SERIOUS CHARGE.—A man named John Marshall was before Alderman John S. Miller, of Allegheny, yesterday, charged with attempting to outrage the person of Mrs. Jane Palmer. The offense was committed some time since, but for some cause or other no steps were taken towards prosecuting the defendant until lately. He gave bail for a further hearing, which takes place to-day.

A CALATHUMPIAN.—A lad named William Porter was committed by Alderman Rogers, for surety of the peace, on oath of Robert Franklin, of the Seventh Ward. It appears that the lad has given the prosecutor a good deal of annoyance, especially about two weeks since, when he and some others gave the old gentleman a calathumpian serenade on the occasion of his marriage.

DWELLING BURNED.—The house of Wm. Corey, in Summerhill township, Crawford county, was burned to the ground on Sunday morning last. The fire originated from a stove pipe in the garret, and when discovered had obtained such headway that the building could not be saved. Loss $2,200. No insurance.

ELECTION.—The stockholders of the Pittsburgh Coal Company have elected the following directors: President—Hon. Thomas Mellon; Treasurer—Charles Lockhart; Secretary—Andrew McMaster; Directors—Thomas Seabrook, Wm. P. Baum, Jno. Mellon, L. P. Winchilde, A. J. Woolslayer, Jno. Scott.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Mr. Hugh M'Candless, of Robinson township, died very suddenly on Monday night, 26th ult. He went to bed in his usual health and was dead in the morning. His complaint was disease of the heart.

THE Y. M. M. Library Association tender their thanks to Messrs. Penney and Errett, of the Pennsylvania Senate, for regular files of the *Legislative Record*, and other documents.

HORSE STOLEN.—A large, dark-brown horse was stolen from the stable of Joseph Dickson, of Meadville, a few nights since. A reward of $50 is offered.

KILLED.—John Dall, of Hickory township, Mercer county, was recently killed by the falling of a limb, while engaged in cutting timber.

Geo. S. PIERCE, of Steubenville, has been designated, by ballot, as the choice of the people for postmaster of that city.

☞ DOCTOR C. BARIZ, Water Cure and Homopathic Physician; also agent for Rainbow's celebrated Truss for Ruptures. No. 130 Smithfield St.

☞ DENTISTRY.—Dr. C. Sill, No. 246 Penn street, attends to all branches of the Dental profession.

☞ ALL should not fail to read the advertisement of Prof. Wood, to-day's paper.

☞ NEW BOARDING HOUSE.—That large and well-arranged three-story brick building, No. 33 First street, has been recently fitted up and furnished by Mrs. GILES-CUS, who solicits an examination of the apartments by those wanting rooms and boarding. Fifteen or twenty single gentlemen can be accommodated with large sleeping rooms; and a few day boarders not requiring rooms will be taken. pittsburgh

THE LATEST NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH.

RECEIVED AT THE DAILY GAZETTE OFFICE.

From Washington.

[Special Dispatch from our Evening Edition.]

WASHINGTON, March 7, 1861.

If the imports should increase largely at Southern ports, under the low tariff of the confederated States, our revenue may be so much affected as to render an extra session of Congress necessary—otherwise no extra session will be necessary.

The new Cabinet formally enter upon their duties to-day, with the exception of General Cameron, who is absent temporarily.

Secretary Black has sent notice to all Foreign Nations not to recognize Davis' so-called government. This notice will be immediately renewed by Mr. Seward.

Desperate efforts are being made to get Virginia to secede, by Botsler, and others, who professed conservatism.

Despatches from Major Anderson deny the statement that he expected an attack. His correspondence with Gov. Pickens is quite pacific.

The coast guard at Charleston has been greatly increased, in order to prevent reinforcements. H.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON CITY, March 7.

Senate—The Vice President laid before the Senate a letter from Mr. Chase, inviting a visit of the United States Senator from Ohio, and asking him to have the kindness to inform the Senate and the Governor of Ohio.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Oregon, a copy was ordered to be furnished the Governor of Ohio.

The debate on the inaugural was resumed.

Mr. Wigfall, in reply to Mr. Douglas, denied that the former Union now exists. He repeated, there is no Union left. The seceded states will never accept, come back under the present administration. Withdraw your troops, make no attempt to collect tribute, and enter into a treaty with those states—do this, and you will have peace: send your fleet and forty-four stars thither, and it will be fired into, and war will ensue. Divide the public property—make a fair assessment of the public debt.

Mr. Douglas repeated what he had said yesterday, that he had carefully read the inaugural, for the purpose of ascertaining distinctly and certainly what was the policy of the new administration, and he came to the conclusion that it was the wish and purpose of the President to pursue a peaceful policy, and avoid civil war. He had arrived at his conclusion fairly and candidly, and had expressed his gratification at the result. If he had arrived at the conclusion that the inaugural meant war, he would not have defended it. He was with the President as far as the President was for peace, and would be against him when he departed from this line of policy.

Mr. Wigfall said, as the Senator from Illinois seemed to be speaking for the administration, and as masterly inactivity would not do, he would ask whether the Senator would advise the withdrawal of the troops from Fort Sumter and Pickens, and the withdrawal of the federal flag from the borders of the Confederate States, and no effort be made to levy tribute on foreign goods.

Mr. Douglas replied that he was no part of the administration, and could not speak for it; but if, although he hoped he spoke the same sentiments which animated this subject. Yet while he was not in its counsels or confidence, he should not tender to his advice until it was asked for. (Suppressed applause in the galleries.) However, the admonition wanted the advice of the Senate, it could doubtless ask for it; he did not choose to proclaim what his policy would be, in view of the fact that as the Senator from Texas did not regard Mr. Lincoln as the guardian of his section of the country. It would hardly be the part of wisdom to state what his policy might be to one who may be so soon in the councils of the enemy and the commander of an army.

The debate was further continued between Messrs. Wigfall, Douglas and Mason. The latter viewed the inaugural as a declaration of war and said that if coercion was used toward the seceded States, an army marched, the first shot fired would sever Virginia from the Union.

Adjourned.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

Arrival of the Steamship Bremen.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The steamship Bremen has arrived this evening from Bremen, bringing Southampton dates to the 20th ult.

The steamer Etna arrived out from New York on the 19th ult.

In the House of Commons, on the 19th a motion was made for more equality in assessing and levying the income-tax, and carried by majority against the government.

The Italian Parliament was opened by Victor Emanuel in person, on the 18th ult.

The proclamation for the emancipation of the serfs in Russia was to be issued by the Emperor on the 3d of March.

Direct negotiations are in progress between the banks of St. Petersburg and France for the exchange of thirty millions of francs in gold for the same amount in silver.

Fresh disturbances against the Christians have commenced in Cochin China.

Liverpool, Feb. 19.—The sales of cotton for Monday and Tuesday have been 19,500 bales, including 1600 bales for speculators and exporters. Messrs. Heavitt's circular says that although cotton closes very dull, the quotations are not lower than on Saturday. Middling Orleans 7d; middling Mobile 6¾; middling Upland 6¾.

The Manchester advices continue unfavorable. Goods close very dull and the prices are unchanged.

Liverpool Breadstuff Market.—Flour closed very dull at 6d@7d decline. Wheat is also dull, and considerably lower, closing irregular. Corn is quiet at 6d decline. Red Chicago wheat 11s 1d @11s 3d; Southern 12s 6d@13s; white 13s@15s. Mixed corn 35s 9d@37s; yellow 37s@37s 9d; White 35s 6d@36s 3.

Provisions—Beef, dull; Pork, dull; Bacon, quiet; Lard, dull, at a decline; sales at 56s.@57s. Tallow closes quiet and steady for fine qualities.

Produce Market.—Sugar, steady; Coffee, quiet; Rice, steady at 29s; Pearls, steady at 29s 6d.; Rosin, firm at 4s 9d. for good common; Spirits Turpentine, firm at 31s., and holders demand an advance.

London, Feb. 19.—The demand for discounts at the Bank is limited, and in the open market the terms are lower. Consols closed at 91¼@91¾ for money and 92@93¼ for account.

ST. LOUIS, March 7.—Among the resolution offered in the convention, this morning, and referred to the committee on federal relations, was one moving that a convention be called of all the Southern States not seceded, to meet in Nashville, Tenn., on the 15th of April, for the purpose of providing such amendments to the Constitution of the United States as shall secure to all the States equal rights in the Union. Another declaring that no reason existed why Missouri should secede, and that it would be highly injurious for her to do so. Another declaring that the States having once bound themselves together, they could not break asunder that connection at their pleasure. Another, that Missouri adopt a policy according with her true interests, and invite other Western States to join her in an effort to maintain peaceful and unbroken States. Col. Doniphan offered a resolution declaring that any attempt to use coercion by the Federal Government would inevitably result in civil war and military despotism.

ST. LOUIS, March 7.—The Convention met at 10 o'clock.

A large number of resolutions were read, and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations. Among the most important of them was one providing for a committee to confer with the Border States as to the best means of keeping the Western States in the Confederacy; another, declaring secession a dangerous political heresy, that the Constitution has never failed to confer the blessings intended by its founders, that the Southern States have no excuse for seceding, and asking the Northern States to repeal all acts making the rendition of fugitive slaves impossible or difficult; another, that there is no excuse for coercion, and that Missouri will furnish neither men nor money for that purpose, and that a National convention be called, making Mr. Crittenden's proposition the basis of action; another, that the General Government be requested to yield up the custom houses and other offices in the seceded states to the people, and withdraw the federal officers and forces now occupying them.

Resolutions were unanimously adopted tendering the thanks of the Convention to Senators Crittenden and Douglas for their efforts to procure peace in our distracted country.

Judge Birch, the candidate for U. S. Senate, made a strong speech against secession, declaring in favor of enforcing the laws, and expressing a willingness to support the government in its efforts to uphold the Union.

FORT KEARNEY, March 7.—The western stage coach for Omaha, with the mails and passengers per Hitchley & Co.'s Express, and $7000 treasure, passed at 11 o'clock A. M.

Denver, March 5th.—A nugget was found at Georgia gulch last week, which weighs $192. The mines are doing exceedingly well in that neighborhood.

Many people are going to Platte and Clear Creek diggings.

Four cords of quartz from Horse Fall lead boulder mines, fifteen or twenty miles from Clear Creek, last week gave over $1500.

A letter from Fort Wise brings intelligence that Col. Boone has concluded a most favorable treaty with the Cheine and Arcopaho Indians. It contains special provisions respecting the site of Denver.

The Rocky Mountain *News* has published the new secret discovery for saving gold from iron pyrites and oily plumbago. By this process the yield of gold has been increased from 300 to 400 per cent. over the old method.

RICHMOND, March 7.—Mr. Carlisle, in his speech before the Convention, against the Committee on Federal Relations being instructed to report a resolution pledging the State to resist coercion, upheld the right of the government to collect the revenue, and said he had been agreeably disappointed with the tone of President Lincoln's Inaugural. He was opposed to any action that would place the State in a hostile position to the general government and believed that it was yet in the power of the people to restore harmony.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The bark Cora has been again seized on suspicion of being fitted out as a slaver.

Interesting from Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The War Department to-day received letters from Major Anderson, dated the 4th inst., but they contained nothing of special importance. He represents that the most friendly feeling exists between himself and the South Carolina authorities. The postal facilities are still open to him, and the privilege of marketing to a limited extent continues.

Gen. Cameron leaves to-day for Pennsylvania. He has not yet been qualified, but will return probably on Monday; in the meantime Mr. Holt, by his request, will continue to discharge the duties of Secretary of War.

John A. Jones, of Illinois, was to-day appointed Superintendent of Statistics in the State Department, vice H. C. McLaughlin. There were numerous visitors at the department this morning, and many applications for office were filed.

The new Cabinet held their first meeting to-day.

Despatches from Maj. Gen. officer Stribling were received at the Navy Department to-day. He says that in consequence of the disturbed state of China he had not, until the 1st of January, considered it proper to send any vessel southward. The John Adams had sailed for Manilla, Siam and Singapore. The commerce of the United States with Siam, he says, is of considerable importance, and an occasional visit of a man-of-war to that country is desirable, as well as to all the countries round the China sea and Japan. The frequent presence of a man-of-war is beneficial to our commerce and our countrymen residing there. He expected to go North with the Hartford and Saginaw.

The New Orleans *Picayune* of the 2d instant, received by mail, contains Galveston dates of the 26th ult.

The Texas forces under Col. Ford, accompanied by Commissioner Nichols, visited Brazos and found there twenty soldiers under Lieut. Thompson, about twenty heavy guns, plenty of artillery, stores and ammunition. Capt. Hill had previously withdrawn the light battery, and a party sent on the route to Brazos to destroy the gun carriages and immovable stores. On demanding of Capt. Hill the surrender of Fort Brown, he called Commissioner Nichols and his men traitors. He had sent to Ringgold Barracks for 200 more men, and little more; say that he is determined to defend Fort Brown to the last, and that he refused to obey the order of Twiggs to surrender.

The troops at Fort Brown are in excellent health and spirits. The Texas State troops are being sent from Galvestown to reinforce Col. Ford, at Brownsville.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The Charleston *Courier* of the 5th inst., say that Brigadier General Beauregard has expressed a perfect confidence, after viewing the fortifications, that Fort Sumter can be reduced and it was only a question of time.

The Diplomatic Corps, in full costume, this afternoon paid an official visit to the President by previous arrangement, as is the custom on the coming of a new administration. They were accompanied by Secretary Seward, who presented to the President Commander Fitzgerald, the Minister from Portugal, and the longest in point of diplomatic service, who made an address, in French, a translation of which had previously been furnished to President Lincoln. It was of a complimentary character and expressive of the good will and kind feeling of their respective governments towards that of the United States, and for the success of the administration. All the diplomatic corps, he said, entertained the best wishes for the peace and prosperity of the Union, and for continuance of the friendly feeling now existing. President Lincoln replied with much warmth, heartily reciprocating both officially and personally the kindly sentiment expressed.

NEW YORK, March 7.—A fire at Dundee has destroyed thirty-five dwellings, a church, two taverns, and all the stores in the place except one; the loss is estimated at one hundred thousand dollars, but was generally insured.

NEW YORK, March 7.—A two story tenement house in West Forty-fourth street was destroyed by fire this morning. Seven persons were burned to death. The victims were Mary Woods, his wife, two sons and three daughters. Mrs. Oakley and son, and a Mr. Lynn were also badly burned. An inquest will be held on the bodies this evening. After the flames had been extinguished, the firemen fell down in a fight. Reed's gin distillery was also burned this morning. Mr. Reed, the proprier, and two of his men were badly burnt on the face and hands.

DETROIT, March 7.—The Democratic State Convention in this city to-day nominated Charles F. Walker, of Wayne county, Justice of the Supreme Court.

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Weekly Review of the Pittsburgh Market

[*Reported specially for the Pittsburgh Gazette.*]

PITTSBURGH, THURSDAY, March 7, 1861.

The general market has undergone no particular change since our last. The transactions in the leading articles have been moderate, but seem principally of a local character, while rates, with but few exceptions, remain as before.

The indications now are favorable for a brisk Spring business, an event most decidedly hoped for by all—more especially by our merchants.

The money market continues to grow easier and exchange is still falling. The weekly bank statements show a small increase in the discount line and a larger one in circulation. The summing up is against the banks.

[NOTE—The quotations given in the following Review, it must be understood, are the wholesale prices, except where otherwise noted; and that in all cases in the filling of small orders to the city and country trade, an advance of three to five ⅌ cent will be charged over these quotations.]

APPLES—most with a good request at advanced rates. The supply in market is not large, hardly equal to the demand.—We note sales at prices ranging from $1.75 to $2.00 ⅌ bbl, as to quality.

ASHES—quiet and dull. Sales Pearls 6¾; Soda Ash 2@2¼; Pots range from 5@5¼.

ALE—Pittsburgh manufactured continues in fair demand, with steady shipments to all parts of the country. The established rates of present are:

	bbls.	half bbls.
Keystone	$5	$4.00
Cream	4	2.50
X	3	3.00
XX	7	3.50
Porter	6	3.00

BAGS—the price current of Messrs. Hartel & Barker, for printed bags is as follows: four sacks, 12¼ lbs. $25@37.50 ⅌ 1,000; 25 lbs $50@65; 50 lbs $85@75; 90 lbs $100@110; salt bags—4 lbs $15@18; 10 do $17.50@25; 14 do $22@30; 20 do $25@40; 25 do $32@45. Hats and beef bags—10 lbs $5 ⅌ 100; 14 do $4.75; 12 do $4.50; 10 do $4.25. Grain bags—2 bush, muslin, $10 ⅌ 100; 2 do, drilling, $13; 2 do, Osnaburg's, $14 (cash in 60 days.) Shipping, 25c ⅌ bush.

BRANS—are in moderate request, and prices are firm but unchanged. Sales of Small White at $1.75@1 ⅌ bush.

BROOMS—The market is well supplied and prices have a declining tendency. We note sales at $1.75, $2.25 and $2.75 for common, medium and choice.

BUCKETS AND TUBS—The factory prices (cash, par funds) at Fallston and New Brighton are for Buckets $1.60 and $1.75, and Tubs, $4.75@5.75 ⅌ doz. From store, buckets sell in the retail way at $1.75@2.00.

BACON—continues firm but quiet while rates remain inactive. The current rates now are: To for Hams, 9½@10c for Sides, 10½@10¾c for plain Hams and Sugar Cured do at 11c.

BUTTER & EGGS—Butter is in good supply but the demand is about equal to it. We quote Common Roll at 12@12½c; prime do at 13@15c, and choice 15@16c. Eggs are steady at 15@16c ⅌ doz.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—is much neglected, the season having about over. We quote nominally at $1.37½@1.40 ⅌ box.

CHEESE—more steady with a light stock in market. We quote sales of W Rat 8@10c; Hamburg at 10½c, and Goshen at 12c.

CORDAGE—

Manilla Rope, coil, 10 c ⅌ lb	Manilla Rope, coil, 11 c ⅌ lb
Hemp Rope, coil, 11 c ⅌ lb	Hemp Rope, coil, 14 c ⅌ lb
Tarred Rope, coil, 11 c ⅌ lb	Tarred Rope, coil, 12 c ⅌ lb
Packing Yarn, 17 c ⅌ lb	Packing Yarn, 12½c ⅌ lb

BED CORDS—Manilla, $1.50, $2.25@3.00 ⅌ doz.
Hemp, $1.37, $2.00@2.75 ⅌ doz.
Hemp sell, 11 c ⅌ lb.

PLOUGH LINES—Manilla, 37 c ⅌ doz. Hemp, 70c.

COTTON YARNS—The market is steady at the