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CITY AFFAIRS.

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THE WEEKLY GAZETTE, for this week, is out, and can be procured at our counter, singly or in wrappers, ready for mailing. It contains all the important news of the week, by mail and telegraph, editorial, city and commercial reports—religious, miscellaneous and political news, &c. Price 5 cts.

Cruel Treatment of a Dying Girl.

An extraordinary case of religious contention has just been brought to our notice, which, being fully authenticated by eye witnesses, we feel justified in laying before the public. About seven months since, a man named Jacob Gardner, well known in this city, died—leaving a wife and several children. He had been educated in the Catholic faith, but he renounced that religion, and in his last illness was attended by Rev. John G. Brown, a minister of the United Presbyterian Church. It is said that on his death-bed he bequeathed to his eldest daughter, a girl about sixteen years of age, a Bible, with the injunction that she should live and die in the Protestant faith. The girl had been sickly for many years, and has since declined into consumption.

Last Sunday, the widow of Mr. Gardner died, thus leaving her children helpless orphans. She was a firm adherent to the Catholic faith; and on her death bed she expressed the ardent desire that her children all should be educated in that religion, and it is also said that she called her eldest daughter to her bedside, and after warning her that she could not long survive, enjoined her to be true to the faith of her mother.

The daughter grew weaker and weaker, and finally became bedfast, having taken up her abode with Mr. and Mrs. Israel, residing in a Court off Diamond alley. It became evident, a few days ago, that the poor girl was fast sinking to the grave, and she began to exhibit great concern in regard to her spiritual welfare. The family with whom she is stopping are Catholics, but they permitted her to read the Bible which her father had bequeathed to her under such solemn circumstances, and also to enjoy the visits and conversation of several of her Protestant friends.

Under such circumstances it is not surprising that sectarian bigotry should be developed; but that it should have been carried to the length of absolute cruelty is rather surprising in this enlightened age. On Wednesday morning a Protestant lady called to see the girl, and found her very weak and distressed in mind. She requested the attendance of a Protestant minister, and asked the lady to pray for her. She expressed a fear that the persons with whom she lived would send for a Catholic priest, and remarked that she did not wish to see him. The lady asked what minister she would prefer, and the girl said she had no particular choice, but she would be glad to see Mr. Brown, who attended her father. The lady, at the request of the girl, forthwith dispatched a messenger for Mr. Brown, thinking that there would be no opposition to his visit.

When Mrs. Israel and her friends heard of the contemplated visit, she at once sent word to Mr. Brown not to come, as his services were not required. At the same time she sent for a German priest, and Mr. Brown, not being in when the first messenger arrived, was puzzled to know what to do. He started down to the residence of Mrs. Israel, however, and arrived there about five minutes after the priest had entered.

The news of this affair spread rapidly in the neighborhood, and the greatest excitement ensued. The sectarian feeling was now fully aroused, and as the priest was already closeted with the girl, very few persons were permitted to enter the room. He administered the rites of the Catholic church in such cases, and at the close of the serious ceremony he asked the girl to be steadfast, as her salvation depended upon her dying in the Catholic religion.

Mr. Brown, the Protestant clergyman, declined to see the girl, deeming it improper under the circumstances, and after spending a short time in an adjoining house retired. The affair gave rise to a great deal of gossip, and the most extravagant stories were circulated, some alleging that the girl's Bible had been burnt. On Wednesday night, one of the Protestant ladies was called in, as the girl was thought to be dying. She was very weak from nervous excitement, consequent upon the treatment to which she had been subjected, but she rallied again during Thursday, still growing better.

Yesterday she was able to walk out of her room, and states that she is much better, and feels relieved in mind. Her Bible was not burnt, but had been removed from its accustomed place, and she is now entirely in the hands of her Catholic friends, her Protestant visitors say nothing to her upon the subject of religion. It is now asserted that she expresses a satisfaction with what had taken place, and we presume that she will be harrassed no more upon the subject.

Her case is most pitiful, as the persons having charge of her cannot afford her proper accommodations. She is in an ill-ventilated room, containing a stove, and without many of the comforts necessary for a person in her condition. The drunken brawls occurring beneath her bed-room are sufficient of themselves to shatter her nerves and prevent her recovery; to say nothing of the sectarian contentions which she has witnessed. We do think that it would be an act of charity for the Mayor or the Secretary of the Board of Guardians, to have this helpless creature removed from these adverse influences, and if she cannot recover let her at least have an opportunity to die in peace.

The Mercy Hospital.

The annual report of this humane and benevolent institution has been laid before the public, from which we learn that the receipts of the hospital, for the year ending January 14, 1861, were $4,676, of which amount $1,671 76 were from pay patients. The expenditures during the year were $4,602 17—leaving a balance on hand of $05,54.

The total number of patients under treatment during the year was 248. The Visiting Committee was composed of the following named gentlemen: Messrs. L. Zug, C. W. Ricketson, John McDevitt and Luke Tuffs. The institution is entirely free from sectarian influences, and is worthy the support of every true philanthropist. The following extracts from the report of the Visiting Committee are just and truthful:

"Few of us have not experienced the sad reality, without drawing upon our imagination to depict the amount of anxiety, trouble and expense, attendant on the protracted illness of a relative or friend; and when we have see 243 persons, in all the various types and stages of physical suffering, received without distinction of creed, country, case or color, relieved, and all their wants attended to, the mind is filled with astonishment to find so much good can be effected, upon such slender means, even with the praiseworthy gratuitous services of the physicians, and the unsurpassed efficiency of the estimable ladies having the institute in charge.

"The characteristic devotion of the Sisters of Mercy, to the relief of suffering humanity, in all its vicissitudes, from the cradle to the grave, is too widely spread throughout the Christian world, to require any corroborating testimony from us. Yet we cannot forbear remarking that in the management, arrangements and beneficial results of the Mercy Hospital, this trait is beautifully conspicuous; and with the sincere desire to see it enabled to extend the sphere of its usefulness, we confidently recommend this institution to the patronage of a discerning public."

A Ghost Story.

We have received by mail the following graphic description of an adventure with a ghost—with the request to "correct mistakes," etc. Not having time to make the corrections, we give the story in its original simplicity:

BEWARE OF GHOSTS.—In the vicinity of frog town is kecamintie township near the residence of William Tidings there has been great talk of a ghost being thar so a crowd was gathered on one rainy evening and went to see it. Mr. there names are Jac G cochran Jac bair sirus iora Mannas ramably Jac Carr and Robt Beaty they went up and seen it and it charmed the crowd Jac g cochran knocked his big toe nail off M ramaly nearly fainted with trigut So on returning M ramaly asked us if we were convinced so we said we were so the next day David howell told Mony that there was nothing there So he said that he would go up with him to sight and convince him So we gathered a crowd and went up and sen it and it sen us we broke for the meadow and it after Mony was first and said by jopers boys boys look out there is comin So we started and ran some same nearly heating there necks mony run and broke for howells house hallowed fat me is so he came out again it came past us and mony jumped the fence and broke it down then it disappeared and we went home Mony says boys are you convinced and by jopers would move as soon as he could very good fun Wm. Tertage was spook it was all a bore on mony.

CAPTURE OF AN EAGLE.—Upton F. Biggs, residing seven miles from Oakland, on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, captured a large eagle recently under the following circumstances. Some of the neighbor's dogs had been killing several of Mr. Biggs' sheep, which induced him to bait a trap for the benefit of the canine depredators. In the morning two of Mr. B.'s little sons discovered the eagle in the trap in a perfect state of health. The boys, after receiving a severe castigation from the noble bird, succeeded in getting him to the house. He measures seven feet four inches between the tips of the wing. For a few days the emblem of American pride was quite warlike, but finding he was domiciled with a good Union man, he became reconciled.

PROGRESSING.—The engineers of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad commenced operations last week between Meadville and the Ohio line. The work from the junction with the Sunbury and Erie and on the western end was commenced at the same time. The survey for a branch road from Meadville to Franklin, about 30 miles, is to be commenced forthwith. It is also understood to be the purpose of the Pittsburgh and Erie road to build a branch to Franklin.

OBSERVER.—We have received the interesting communication of "Observer," describing the commencement exercises at Jefferson College, and regret that it should have come to hand after we had published an account of the same, from another source.

ON STRIKE AT GLASSPORT.—Capt. Evans, of the Key West, struck a fine vein on Monday, at Glassport. A rich vein was struck in the Brown well, at the same place, on Thursday. The latter is said to be the best vein yet opened at this point.

Oil News.

It seems that Washington county, Ohio, is taking a prominent place among the oil regions of the country. Last week a well was opened on Cow Run, a small stream emptying into the Little Muskingum, about six miles back from the Ohio river. The oil rose to the top of the tube, which was at once closed to prevent an overflow. What the actual capacity of the well may be has not been determined, but the parties interested are in great glee, and think they have a "big thing." Near this well is a burning spring, which has been known to exist back as far as the memory of those now living in the neighborhood extends. On another stream, also a tributary of the Little Muskingum, is found similar springs. These springs are just such as the one in the heart of the oil region up the Kenawha, and are regarded as favorable indications of that which is sought for beneath the surface. On Burns' Run, a small stream emptying into the Ohio, near the village of Newport, fifteen miles above Marietta, the rock in places is thoroughly saturated with the oil, emitting a strong odor and imparting the oily scum to water. On digging down a few inches the oil will flow into a cavity, while during the summer it may be seen rising to the surface along the run in the form of bubbles, which, on bursting, leave their oily tracks. In the same vicinity veins have been struck at the depth of twenty-three feet. In one instance the gas was so strong as to lift the tools with great force some forty feet. As yet the excitement in the part of the country is in its infancy, and it might be well for oil men and those wishing to invest, to turn their attention towards Washington county, as leases can probably be had now on very favorable terms.

A Lucky Negro.

A few days since we noticed the arrest of a colored man named John Mason, charged with the larceny of a gold watch. The defendant had broken open the trunk of a passenger on board a steamboat, between Cincinnati and Maysville. The negro, after reaching this city, presented the watch to a fair friend of his, who was arrested with the stolen article in her possession. She accounted for the possession of the watch by stating that Mason had made her a present of it. Mason did not deny the larceny, and the prospect of a few years residence in the penitentiary frightened him most terribly. He was very penitent, and on the way to jail offered to "sell himself" to the owner of the watch until he was fully compensated for all the trouble he had caused him! He was tried and convicted on Tuesday last, but his attorney, Mr. Coyle, moved an arrest of judgment, upon the ground that the indictment charged the larceny in Allegheny county, while the evidence proved that the watch was stolen either in Ohio or Kentucky. Judge McClure remarked that, under the Penal Code, as cited by the District Attorney, he believed the indictment to be correct, as the stolen property was found in this county. He promised to investigate the point carefully, however, and give a decision on Saturday morning.

On Friday, at the opening of Court, the case was called up, and the Court granted the motion in arrest of judgment, for the reason that a conviction in Allegheny county would be no bar to a prosecution and conviction in Ohio or Kentucky—the watch having been stolen in one or the other of those States. The trembling negro was discharged, with tears in his eyes. Having no friends, and no home in his native city, Mr. Coyle, he generously tendered "servitude" in payment, which was as generously refused—and he left the Court House a happy freeman.

Another Burglary in Allegheny—Safe Blown Open.

Two burglars in Allegheny are still perpetrating their outrages in a bold and reckless manner. On Thursday night the office attached to Richard Dewhurst's saw mill, on Main street, near the line of Duquesne borough, was entered, and the safe blown to pieces by a heavy charge of powder. The building was one story, built of frame filled in with brick. So great was the force of the explosion that both sides of the office were bulged out, leaving the roof on either side without any support. The safe, however, remained firm, and the building was thus kept from tumbling to pieces. The safe door was blown against a heavy desk, which, together with several chairs, were badly smashed up. The powder had been poured into the keyhole, and it was evident from the general wreck inside that the thieves had taken the precaution to stay outside and apply the fire to a slow match leading to the keyhole. This supposition is strengthened by the fact that a fire mark extends over one of the window sills. Had the rascals been inside they might have been killed—a fate which would not have been at all undeserved. The noise of the explosion was heard for several squares around, but notwithstanding this they had the boldness to enter and rob the safe. They got but a paltry sum for their trouble—one dollar and a half!

The robbery was not discovered until the following morning, when information was conveyed to Mayor Drum and his police. A clock, which stood upon the mantel, had stopped at twenty minutes past eleven, and this no doubt indicates the time of the blow up! No clue whatever has been had to the perpetrators, but it is to be hoped that the citizens of Allegheny will not have to suffer these outrages much longer.

Arrested for Burglary.

About ten o'clock on Saturday night last, says the Washington (Pa.) *Examiner*, some male person entered the sleeping apartment of the residence of O. E. M'Nary, of that place, (having previously gained admittance to an adjoining room through one of the windows,) and before he had proceeded more than a couple of feet from the door was arrested by Mrs. M'Nary with the inquiry, "How do you do, sir?" (The lady was in bed, and had been asleep, but was aroused by the noise created by the individual in getting through the window of the outer room.) He immediately turned and fled, and she arose much frightened, and going to the front door aroused the neighbors by shouting "murder," or something of a similar character. Her husband, who was absent at the time of her misfortune, returned in a few minutes afterward, and to him and others she gave a description of the person, which so well suited that of William Conley, the young man who was convicted with M'Creary of the Burton burglary and robbery, and who was released from the penitentiary about a year ago, that on Sunday morning Mr. M'Nary made an information for burglary against him before Justice Hughes. He was arrested by officer Lyons and taken before the Justice, who committed him for a further hearing on Monday. While he was in the Sheriff's office, Mrs. M'Nary was brought in and instantly recognized him among a company of seven or eight persons. Tracks were traced from the residence of Mr. M'Nary to the house of Conley, and in his possession were found a pair of socks, the bottoms of which were covered with mud.

On Monday, at the further hearing, the accused was held to bail in the sum of thousand dollars to appear at court and answer the charge.

Court of Quarter Sessions.

Before Judges McClure, Mellon and Parke.

The second trial of the case of Dr. Alonzo R. King, indicted for assault with intent to outrage Miss Florida S. Knox, resulted in a verdict of guilty of assault and battery, after the jury had been out two hours and a half. When the verdict was delivered, the prosecutrix burst into tears, "and would not be comforted," under the impression that the verdict was an imputation on her veracity.

Jacob Hirshfeld plead guilty to assault and battery, and was fined $10 and costs.

The following persons plead guilty to indictments for selling liquor without license, and were fined as noted: Chas. Sweet, Stephen Coverselle, James Nesson, Wm. Healy, and Sebastian Foster, $10 each; Wm. Notter, $15.

F. G. Kuffman stood trial on a similar charge, was convicted and fined $10 and costs. The fine was light in consideration of the fact that the defendant was ignorant of the law, having got a license by proxy, which the Court held to be defective.

Jan Coffey, for selling liquor on Sunday, (plead guilty) was fined $10 dollars and costs; for selling without license she was fined $10.

John Roswell, convicted of assault and battery, was fined $5 and costs.

Elizabeth Griffith was convicted of the larceny of some clothing from a resident of Brownstown.

Edward B. Ferry was indicted for perjury, on oath of John N. Miller. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty, and ordered the prosecutor to pay the costs.

C. H. Eisley and Hugh McCue were put on trial on cross suits for assault and battery. The case was not concluded when the Court adjourned.

District Court.

Friday, March 29.—Before Judge Williams.

Samuel Marshall, executor of Sarah Mantz, vs. S. R. M'Aboy, executor of the estate of Joseph Stinson, dec'd. Action for services on a farm. On trial.

NARROW ESCAPE.—The wife of Aldeman J. H. Scott, made a very narrow escape from being killed by a horse on Thursday evening. It seems that the animal had been frightened by some children, and while turning the corner of East Lane and Ohio street, came suddenly upon Mrs. S., who was crossing the street. The horse halted almost instantly, and the lady in attempting to get out of the way, tripped on her dress, and fell violently to the ground, inflicting an ugly, but not dangerous, wound upon her forehead.

ANOTHER BURNING SPRING.—A burning spring, bearing a strong resemblance to the well known one on the Rathbone farm, on the banks of the Kanawha, in Virginia, has been discovered at the junction of the Blacklick and Two Lick creeks, about five miles north of Steinville. The discovery was the result of an accident; a party of gentlemen being engaged in fishing, dropped a torch into the water, when the oil upon the surface took fire and spread in all directions. The ground in the vicinity is low and wet, and has been leased for oil purposes.

ROBBERY.—In McKeesport, last Tuesday night about seven o'clock, some person or persons went into Eq. Wampler's shop, and took off his shoe case, containing optician's glasses. Mr. Wampler was at work in his back office, at the time of the robbery. The thieves took the shoe case to the grave yard, but finding nothing to suit them, left it there, and left a card on the tombstone of Mr. Wampler, stating where he could find his property.

TOOK THE BAIT.—The foundling noticed by us a few days since, as having been picked up on the steps of a residence on Penn street, has been taken by a lady in Lawrenceville, who has no children of her own, and wishes to adopt it.

DEAD.—Philip Kingsland, an old and highly esteemed citizen, died at his residence in the Ninth ward, yesterday.

THE Kittanning Rolling Mill, which has been idle since 1857, goes into operation on Monday. So much for the new tariff.

Arrivals at the Principal Hotels.

UP TO 8 O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.

ST. CHARLES—Corner of Third and Wood streets.

SAMUEL SHIRK, PROPRIETOR.

Mrs Reed & child, Washington
Philip Donahue, Cadiz, O
E Galway, city
B Murphy, do
T S Bloch, Washington
C Heydricks, Franklin
W Ross, Navarre
B H Fitch, Ohio
J G Oppelberg, Salem, Ohio
T A Speight, Connellsville
John Irvin, Wellsburg
F A Goff, Cooperstown, N Y
R B Hile, Columbus
Mrs Kate Rice, Detroit
Chas Rice, do
R O Moore, B B Minerva
S W Morgan, California
Miss L Carter, Beaver
A R Caldwell, Washington
Nelson Vankirk, do
A B Houston, do
Miss M S Forsyth, Browsers'n
" L S Forsyth, Bob Town
" Hattie Irvin, Mon City
" Maggie Irvin, do

SCOTT HOUSE—Corner Duquesne Way and Irwin street.

W. D. HARPER, PROPRIETOR.

G Manington, Chicago
G G Ralleston, Huntington
Mrs J P Hoover, Franklin
J Hill, do
R B Lipton, do
J A Abernethy, Easton
J Crossley, Phila
H O Tilestone, Mt Pleasant
J A Simmons, Phila
J Bird, do
S G Gibbs, do

MANSION HOUSE—No. 54 Liberty street.

GEORGE AUKEMS, EMPLOYEE.

D Beal, Beaver
T Davis, Stoneboro
H Jones, Chicago
G H Walmsey, Ft Wayne
W Throckmorton, Allianc
James Griffin, Johnstown
H W Biddle, Uniontown
T W Brown, Wheeling, Va
Samuel Warfield, do
W Jenkins, do
John Coats, Etowah, Ga
Thos B Dugan, Portsmouth, O
O Smith, Freeport
Geo Atkinson, do
Geo Hawk, Leechburg
T M Johnson, do
A Thomas, Indiana co
David F Sorney, Tarwell co
A Graham, Greensburg

PERRY HOTEL—Corner Duquesne Way and Hancock st.

MCCUNE & CAMPBELL, PROPRIETORS.

D B Shiels, Blair co
Wm Watson, Red Bank
W W Bonny, Kittanning
Samuel Oliver, Phila
J Ritchey, do
Henry Byers, Lancaster
S Hodgson, do
A Hiffer, Ohio
F Wilson, Columbus
L P Thompson, Louisville
J Hammond, Indianapolis
S W Johnston, Harrisburg
James Maginnis, New York

NATIONAL HOTEL—Water street.

F. SEITLER, PROPRIETOR.

G W Caufield, Lewistown, O
J S McIntosh, Zelienople, O
J Dobson, do
J Hovey, do
J H Maple, do
M Brannon, do
M H White, Wellsville
W Pugh, Chicago
T Pugh & lady, Ironton

EAGLE HOTEL—Liberty street, below Fourth.

JOHN MANN, PROPRIETOR.

J Walls, Smithfield
W F Johnson, Allegheny
W Gray, do
O Carson, Turtle Creek
W McCracken, Cumberland
J Carson, Turtle Creek
J Rosenbach, do
J Bailey, Ind. Pa
A M Jenkins, Logans Ferry
Mr Mosser, do

RED LION HOUSE—St Clair street.

E. F. GERDES, PROPRIETOR.

W Davis, Wash'n, Pa
J P Tilley, Freeport
L P Walker, do
F Curtis, Columbus O
J Cunningham, do
F Wiley, Columbia O
Dougherty, Saltsburg
J Moody, do
D M Coughey, Lawrenceville
L Mahan, Brooklyn, Va
A Mason, Brooklyn, Va
J S Hamilton, Brook co
Jas Tate, Manchester
A Mayer, Lexington
J Gilmore, Cleveland
W Tidy, West Green city
W G Rowley, do
J O Hough
J Barclay, Wash co
Jas Patterson, Warrave
R Williams, Up St Clair
W Kirk, Todyusic
S Ponter, do
J Eaton,
J Wallace, Zanesville
A B Hartzell, Johnstown
J L McGuire do
J Kelly,
A Kelly,
D Smith, Wash co
J Harvey, Deer Creek
D J Patterson, Crossline
A Taylor, Butler

MANSION HOUSE—No. 84 Liberty street.

GEORGE AUKEMS, EMPLOYEE.

F G Morse, Cleveland
Miles Jones, Buffalo
J W Arlonoy, Dresden, O
J H Barrister, do
O S Boston, Uniontown
John M King, Johnstown
David McGinn, Phila
Henry Lear, Bolivar, Pa
Wm O Hawkins, Braddock's Field
W J Gibson, jr, Centre co
D B Duff, Dayton
S C Reed, Curtisville
P Moser, Girard, O
W A Saunders, Ohio
W H Branden, Hillsboro
J A McElwery, Hinsley tp
Mrs Dickson, Sulphur Springs, O
Mrs Norton, Washington

GIRARD HOUSE—Corner Smithfield and Third streets.

S. M. SAMS, PROPRIETOR.

Z Carter, Brownsville
J D Wilgus, Braddock's Field
Miss Jones, city
B L Torrence, Penna
G W James, Cincinnati
Miss Hunter, do
James M Lyons, McKeesport
John Patterson, New Castle
John McKelty, Berks co

EXCHANGE HOTEL—Liberty street, near Wood.

C. H. BAKER, PROPRIETOR.

D Bubb, Saltsburg
J Kirkpatrick, Ireland
J Kelly, city
A Parker, Cleveland
Wm Smith, city
John W Pitcock, city
John D Simpson, do
James Simpson, do

MONONGAHELA HOUSE—Corner Water and Market streets.

JAMES FINLEY, PROPRIETOR.

J T Stewart & wife, Louisa, Ky
S A Craig, Brookville, Pa
F P Higgins, Freeport, Pa
A H Brown, Salisbury
Michael Sarver, Greensburg
J H Carlisle, Brownsville
Robert Crawford & daughter, Washington, O
John Murphy, Steubenville
Henry Percival, Phila
James Scroggs, Beaver co
John Jack, do
G G Fleming, city
J R Dickson, Sulphur Springs, O
John Logan, Cecil
D McDonald, New Brighton

MANSION HOUSE—Liberty street, near Wood.

JOHN MANN, PROPRIETOR.

J Wallis, Smithfield
W F Johnson, Allegheny
W Gray, do
O Carson, Turtle Creek
W McCracken, Cumberland
J Carson, Turtle Creek
J Rosenbach, do
J Bailey, Ind. Pa
A M Jenkins, Logans Ferry
Mr Mosser, do

BIRD HOUSE—Corner Penn and Hancock streets.

JOHN ROBINSON, BIRD'S HEAD.

J Scott, city
A Parker, Cleveland
Wm Smith, city
John W Pitcock, city
John D Simpson, do
James Simpson, do

THE LATEST NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH.

RECEIVED AT THE DAILY GAZETTE OFFICE.

Important from Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—During the late executive session of the Senate about four hundred nominations were confirmed, nearly fifty of which were sent in by the President to-day.

The Post Office Department, under the recently enacted provision of law, has restored the mail service between Georgetown and Lexington, Mo., six times a week.

Geo. Wm. Stickney was elected Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and not Secretary, as has been erroneously stated by some newspapers. Asbury Dickens retains the latter position.

The trial of Capt. Armstrong, for surrendering the Pensacola navy yard and other property, is still progressing. The government has sent to Florida for witnesses.

Much anxiety is expressed respecting the distribution of the building of the seven steam sloops-of-war ordered by the last Congress. No official action has been taken on the subject, and besides the appropriation for that purpose will not be available till after the 1st of July.

The Cabinet met at an early hour this morning. The administration is not particularly popular among the press for news revelations, but according to current reports, the threatening events in the South occupy their attention to-day.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Senator Cameron left for Pennsylvania this afternoon, to return on Wednesday.

Recently the arrival of ordnance in Richmond, from the Bellona Foundry, caused an intense excitement, many of the citizens being apprehensive that they were to be sent to Fort Pickens, and that the movement was accelerated by the present condition of Southern affairs.

The truth is, as has been ascertained at the Ordinance Bureau, that the cannon were contracted for three years ago, and the manufacturer merely delivered them at the place agreed upon, in order to receive his pay.

The appointment of Mr. James E. Harvey as Minister to Portugal, is regarded as the most complimentary, because it was gracefully conferred without his solicitation, and unanimously confirmed by the Senate.

Doctor Palfrey, of Cambridge, has been appointed postmaster at Boston. Messrs. Phelps and Pangborne were the principal contestants, though in an entirely friendly spirit.

G. W. Lamb, who was recently confirmed for Judge of the Northern and Southern District of Alabama, will, it is said, endeavor to hold his Court in Athens, in the Union part of that State.

NEW YORK, March 29—The steamship Quaker City arrived from Havana, from which port she sailed on Monday last.

Much excitement prevailed at Havana on the subject of the annexation of San Domingo to Spain. It seems that a system of Spanish emigration has been going on on that Island under the supervision of the government, the emigrants being instructed to hoist the Spanish flag when the proper time arrived, and thus to swell the sufficient strength in numbers, and invoke the protection of Spain. This was done on the 16th inst., much to the astonishment of the blacks and natives there. When the news reached Havana, the Spanish frigate Blanca, fully armed, and with a large number of regular troops, was despatched thither, and sailed on the 23d. Two screw frigates were soon to follow with five thousand regulars. A large naval and military force of ten thousand is said to be on the way from Spain to Cuba. It is stated that Hayti will soon share the same fate as San Domingo with the consent of France.

The U. S. steamer Mohawk arrived at Havana on Sunday last.

Business at Havana was depressed.

A million dollars are said to be on route from Spain to aid the metallic circulation of the island of Cuba.

Sugars were quiet. Freights declining.

Among the passengers by the Quaker City are Ex-President Miramon's family and suite; Col. S. Colt and family, of Hartford, Connecticut; Major Patterson, bearer of dispatches from San Domingo to Washington; M. Alvarez, the Spanish consul at St. Domingo; Lieut. Tyrrell, U. S. army and C. T. Gardills and Edwards, of the American Coast Survey.

NEW YORK, March 29.—The case of the steamer Bienville, which was taken in charge by the Custom House authorities at this port on her late arrival from Havana, not having the proper clearances from New Orleans has been arranged with the government at Washington, and she will sail for Havana and New Orleans on Monday next, the regular sailing day. The government, it seems, was supposed to be lenient with the owners, as the obtaining of a proper clearance at New Orleans is an impossibility at the proper time, and the confiscation of the vessel, together with the cargo as required by law would consequently be an act of injustice to irresponsible parties.

NEW YORK, March 29.—A Paris letter published in the *Times* this morning states that the French and English Governments are fitting out a powerful fleet of war steamers for the United States. The suggestion, it is said, came from England. France is to furnish three first class frigates, and the English contingent will perhaps be larger. The fleet is to sail with sealed orders. Spain is also preparing to send a formidable force to the gulf, though not working in concert with France and England.

NEW YORK, March 29.—The buildings Nos. 114 and 116 Nassau street, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss $60,000.

MARRIED:

BORLAND—BAYER—On Thursday, March 28th, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Mr. Stockton, Dr. WILLIAM C. BORLAND and MARY C., daughter of Dr. Bayer, of Allegheny city.

BLOOD FOOD.—Attention is called to this most remarkable and scientific preparation, advertised in another column. It is an entirely new discovery, and must be commended with any of the numerous patent medicines of the day. It is a certain remedy for all the diseases specified, and especially those of a chronic nature—of long standing—of weeks, months, and years. Sufferers, try it!

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☞ For advertisement. For sale by GEO. D. REYNER Agent, 110 Wood st., Pittsburgh, Pa. [mh27d&1w]

☞ NEW BOARDING HOUSE.—That large and well arranged three-story brick building, No. 123 First street, has been recently fitted up and furnished by Mrs. M. GILLINS, who solicits an examination of the apartments by those wanting rooms and boarding. Fifteen or twenty single gentlemen can be accommodated with large airy rooms, and a few day boarders not requiring rooms will be taken. mh18mdawtf

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TRUSS AND SUPPORTER MANUFACTORY.—W. W. YOUNG, No. 57 Wood street, begs leave to call the attention of the afflicted to the fact that he is the only Manufacturer of Trusses and Supporters in the city.

He has had an experience of years in the manufacture, fitting and repair of these instruments, and can furnish them at prices very far below any other establishment.

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OIL CLOTH TABLE COVERS—75 dozen assorted sizes and styles just received from Factory, at the Oil Cloth Warerooms, 56 and 58 St. Clair street.

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RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The Pittsburgh Annual Conference of the M. E. Church convened at M'Connellsville, Ohio, Wednesday morning the 20th inst.—Bishop Ames presiding. Rev. I. C. Pershing, President of the Pittsburgh Female College, was re elected Secretary, and Bevs Horner and Watkins, Assistant Secretaries. The Conference was in session six days, including the Sabbath. Without giving details of each session we note some items of general interest. On the first day, when the Standing Committees were announced, a motion was made to appoint a Committee on Slavery, which was tabled, followed by a motion to appoint one on the State of the Church, which, after debate was not pressed. The Committee on Missions appropriated seven hundred dollars, three hundred of which goes to the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Districts. Rev. C. A. Holmes of Christ Church, preached the annual Missionary sermon on Thursday evening, to an overflowing congregation. The Conference Stewards disbursed $3,131 89 to the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased ministers who have died in the work. Rev. C. Springer and Judge Tingle, Fraternal Messengers of the Muskingum Conference of the M. P. Church, addressed the Conference on Saturday, the fourth day. The anniversary of the Preacher's Aid Society, was held on Friday afternoon, 22d, addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Baird and others. In the evening the Missionary Anniversary was held, Drs. Harris, Loomis, and M'Abee spoke. The Sabbath services were very interesting. Quite a number of young men were ordained deacons and elders. Christ M. E. Church, Pittsburgh, was fixed upon as the place of holding the next session of Conference, March, 1862. Two ministers have died during the past year. The statistics for the past year are as follows: For Missions, $9,995 44; Tract Society, $282 81; Bible, $728 02; Sunday School Union, $584 89; Schools, 588; Officers and Teachers, 6,716; Scholars, 87,497; Volumes in Libraries, 48,211; Increase of membership, 1,562. Conference adjourned on Monday evening.

—The *Banner* says the French Bishops are denouncing the publication "Rome and the Pope," and have drawn a parallel between the Emperor and Pontius Pilate.

—Rev. Dr. Fisch, a Protestant pastor from Paris, preached on last Sunday morning in the Second Presbyterian church, Penn street, and at Dr. Paxton's in the evening. Large contributions were made in both churches to aid the cause he presented.

—It is stated there have been twenty three revivals at Hanover College, Ind., since it was chartered in 1832.

—The first number of the *Presbyterian Standard*, published in Philadelphia, appeared a few days ago. Rev. Dr. Nevin, editor, assisted by Rev. Drs. Edwards and Musgrave.

—The Presbytery of Allegheny city will commence its next stated meeting at Sharpsburg, on Tuesday the 23d of April, at 10 A. M.

—The next session of the General assembly of the O. S. Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, will be held in Philadelphia, commencing May 16th, and will be opened with a sermon by Rev. John W. Yeomans, D. D., Moderator of the last Assembly.

—It is supposed there are one hundred and seventy churches, says *The Presbyterian*, in Baltimore, capable of accommodating about one hundred and forty thousand people.

—In the South of Africa the second week of January was observed as a week of prayer.

—The venerable Joshua Taylor, a superannuated minister of the Maine M. E. Conference, died in Portland on the 20th inst. He had reached his ninety-third year, and entered the traveling ministry seventy years ago.

—The German Reformed Messenger on denominational exclusiveness, says:

"No denomination can prosper unless its members possess a proper degree of enthusiasm for its doctrines, worship and fellowship. This does not necessarily include bigotry or hatred of other branches of the church; just as little as an affectionate attachment to one's family, his brothers and sisters, includes hatred to those not thus related to him. If a denomination has any distinctive peculiarities which entitle it to a separate existence, they ought to inspire all who labor for its extension and enjoy its privileges with their own life."

—Bishop Potter recommends the clergy and congregations of the Diocese of Pennsylvania to use efforts to draw the attention of the Jews to the claims of Jesus as the true Messiah.

—At the first confirmation held in the church of which Dr. Huntington (recently from the Unitarians) is pastor, fifty persons were received into membership.

—An actor named Salisbury professed religion in a prayer meeting, held recently at Newark, New Jersey.

—Rev. Edmund Squire, of South Boston, hitherto a minister in the Unitarian denomination, has lately applied for orders in the Episcopal Church.

—A Havana paper reports that about fifty persons have united with the Disciples' Church, and the work is still progressing. The Rev. C. C. Foote is pastor.

—Immense success has followed the publication of Douay Bibles in Ireland in a cheap form. In one month three thousand copies were sold in Belfast, and nearly all to Roman Catholics, and the sale had extended to eight thousand copies; and subsequently we heard that it had gone into the hospitals and other institutions.

—A Protestant Episcopal brotherhood has been formed in New York city. The objects are: The relief care and rel