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A WORD TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Owing to the stringent rules adopted with carriers by a contemporary local journal which takes alarm from the rapid growth of the GAZETTE circulation, our paper was not delivered, yesterday morning, to some subscribers in the upper wards. We are about to reorganize our system of delivery, and no trouble from this quarter can hereafter annoy us. It is a matter of congratulation with us that our subscribers refuse to accept our neighbor's journal as a substitute for the GAZETTE, and we hope, they will adhere to their good judgment and refuse to pay for the *gratuitous* copies of papers which may be "run in" upon them.

MAIL GLEANINGS.

THE Siamese twins are traveling *together* in Michigan.

DANIEL MCINTOSH, a hero of 1812, died at Albany, N. Y., on Sunday.

THE heavy wool firm of J. & A. D. Gonsalus, Troy, N. Y., have failed.

THE first American Sunday School was formed in Pittsburgh in August, 1809.

TAYLOR CASEY was run over and killed by a street car in Philadelphia, Sunday night.

THE Allen street Presbyterian Church celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on Sunday last.

HON. JOHN MORRISSEY is "in training" at Willard's Hotel, Washington. Somebody calls him the great *ex-pounder*.

NEXT Monday will be one of New York's great holidays—the anniversary of the evacuation by British troops in 1783.

A NEGRO WOMAN of Philadelphia has turned professional burglar, and was arrested in the act of attempting to rob a residence.

RICHARD LAWRENCE, who attempted to assassinate General Jackson in 1835, is still living, an inmate in the Maryland Insane Asylum.

MARY JANE WRIGHT, a negress, has been arrested in Washington, D. C., for murdering her new born infant, and throwing it into an out-house.

THERE were sixteen deaths from cholera in Cincinnati during the week ending Saturday last. In Philadelphia there were five deaths from the same disease last week.

THREE YOUNG MEN were arrested in Philadelphia on a charge of stealing several bundles of printing paper valued at $250, from the warehouse of W. H. Filtcraft & Co.

THE fast urchins of the "Hub" have fallen into a way of appropriating other people's horses and buggies and driving till they are tired about the streets. They then turn them loose to get home the best way they can.

THE PRICES in the Philadelphia family markets are coming down. Butter sells at 60 cents per lb.; sirloin, 30 cents; venison, 30 cents; partridges, 60 cents per pair; chickens, 23 cents per lb.

A LAD twelve years of age has been arrested in Washington on two charges of daring robbery. The great capital is a bad place to raise children—perhaps, they see too much of the Congressmen.

PROF. GESSLER is to lecture in Detroit on the "Religious and political condition of Italy." In the same city General W. G. Halpin is announced to lecture upon the "Impending crisis in Ireland."

It appears that the Resident National Union Executive Committee of the Johnson party did not "go up" financially, as stated, but have a handsome balance to their credit in their Washington depositing house.

H. L. HULBERT, the reformed drunkard, is lecturing in Utica, N. Y., where Alf. Burnett is also holding out to crowded houses. Rev. W. C. Steel, of Auburn, N. Y., formerly of Utica, has entered the lecture field for this winter.

THE Philadelphia *News* says that the health of that city is remarkably good, but few deaths occurring, and winds up by saying that their "best and most renowned city physicians may be seen down in the marshes engaged in shooting." The latter fact may account for the scarcity of deaths.

DETROIT is a famous spot for sensations. The latest is the tale of how an orphan girl named Catherine Bruner was wooed, but not won, by her aged guardian; how a young beau made his appearance and became a suitor for her hand, and how he fooled the old gentleman by eloping with the girl and making her his wife.

THERE will possibly grow out of the seizure by the Government of large distilleries in New York a very interesting legal question. The manufacturers, who are charged with defrauding the Government, out of an immense revenue, claim that they were engaged in the manufacture of burning fluid. For the privilege of doing so they were to pay a direct tax of fifty dollars per annum to the Government. In the manufacture of burning fluid twenty per cent. turpentine and 80 per cent. coloigne spirits or alcohol are used. The distiller pours the turpentine into his mash tubs, and distills altogether, turning out burning fluid. Honestly every gallon of alcohol should pay two dollars revenue into the treasury of the government, but as these men did not make spirits, but burning fluid, they have thus far saved the tax upon every gallon manufactured. In chemistry there is nothing easier than to separate alcohol from turpentine. After the burning fluid passed the Inspector, it was converted into its two separate elements, and the manufacturers realized an immense profit. As the case stands the question will prove very interesting. The fraud is very apparent, but it is quite probable through the meshes and technicalities of the law the offenders may escape the penalty.

(By the Merchants' National Telegraph Co.)

From Oil City.

Special to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

OIL CITY, Nov. 19, 1866.

River four feet; raining hard. Old market dull. K.

From Franklin.

FRANKLIN, Pa., November 20, 1866.

River at Franklin, four feet six inches; raining. At Oil City, four feet six inches; at Tionesta, Wealthy's ebonty. At Oleopolis, river four feet four inches and falling.

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CITY ITEMS.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

PENNSYLVANIA, SS:

In the name and by the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

ANDREW G. CURTIN, Governor of said Commonwealth:

{L. S.} A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, It has been the good and worthy custom of the Commonwealth to set apart, annually, a day for the special acknowledgment of the goodness of the Almighty and for expressing by the whole people, at one time, and with a common voice, the THANKS and PRAISE which throughout the year are springing from the hearts of men, therefore,

I, ANDREW G. CURTIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do by this my proclamation, recommend that the good people of the commonwealth observe

Thursday, 29th day November, 1866,

As a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer, and do then assemble in their respective Churches and places of worship and make their humble thank offering to ALMIGHTY GOD for all His blessings during the past year.

For the abundant gathered fruits of the earth;

For the thus far continued activity of industry;

For the general prosperity of the land;

And especially for that to His DIVINE MERCY He hath stayed the threatened pestilence.

And moreover that they do beseech him to continue unto us all his blessings, and to confirm the hearts of the people of these united States, that by the lawful force of their will, deeds of good justice, Wisdom and Mercy may be done.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the State, at Harrisburg, this 29th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and of the Commonwealth the ninety-first.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

ELI SLIFER,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

If There Are Any

Of our readers who have any doubt as to where to get the best Patent Medicines, we would suggest that they walk around to Fleming's Drug Store, No. 84 Market street, and look at his well filled store. Fleming does a big business, changes his stock every few weeks, so that you always get a fresh article, (no *small item*,) and his prices are lower than at any other establishment. Give him a call.

Hazard & Caswell's Cod Liver Oil.

The Purest and Sweetest Cod Liver Oil in the world, manufactured from fresh, healthy livers, upon the sea-shore. It is perfectly pure and sweet. Ask for "Hazard & Caswell's Cod Liver Oil," manufactured by

CASWELL, HAZARD & CO. New York.

Sold by all druggists. MW

Country Merchants

Will find that we now offer strong great inducements in all kinds of dry goods.

J. W. BARKER & Co., 59 Market St.

Boys' Whole Leather Boots,

Cut and cut—oak tan soles, high legs—only 75 cents a pair, dirt cheap, as everything is, at the Opera House Shoe Store.

Flannels and Blankets.

Great bargains in them, at

J. W. BARKER & Co.'s, 59 Market St.

Speedy Relief

Will be experienced by using the Cough Candy manufactured and sold by George Beaven, 115 Federal street, Allegheny City.

Evening Silks

In great variety and at reduced prices.

J. W. BARKER & Co., 59 Market St.

You Can Buy

Foreign Liquors of all kinds at Joseph S. Finch's Distillery, No. 189, 191, 193 and 195 First street, Pittsburgh.

Shawls and Cloaks

Greatly reduced in price.

J. W. BARKER & Co., 59 Market St.

Calf and Kip Boots,

The best made—warranted—Opera House Shoe Store.

Dress Goods

At incredibly low prices and in great variety, at J. W. Barker & Co.'s, 59 Market street.

Greatest Bargains

Of the season now offered at the Opera House Shoe Store.

Superior Shoes,

Of every description, at the Opera House Shoe Store.

Women's Gaiters,

Best quality, 90 cents, Opera House Shoe Store.

You Can Buy

98 per cent. Alcohol at Joseph S. Finch's.

You Can Buy

New Hops at Joseph S. Finch's.

TELEGRAPHIC ITEMS.

The Mexican brig Brebasto, on her way from La Paze to San Francisco, was boarded at St. Lucas, on October 23d, by Gaston, Asta, and two others, who were armed with pistols, and demanded of the Captain the papers on the vessel. The brig was released next day after giving bonds for $10,000.

Forty thousand pounds of cotton have been received at San Francisco from Tahiti.

Secretary Welles announces that Admiral Leonard, of the U. S. steamer Michigan, dismissed on suspicion of Fenianism, has been reinstated.

A grand Masonic banquet was given at Baltimore last night. Tickets of admission—$25 each.

In the Supreme Court of New York, yesterday, the decision of the special term, awarding to Ketchum, Rogers & Bemant $100,000 damages by the Schuyler frauds, was affirmed.

Business men at Boston are giving serious attention to the decline of that city, as compared with other Northern Atlantic cities.

Captain Ludlow, Deputy Collector at New York, yesterday siezed Wilson's Distillery, one of the largest in Brooklyn, on suspicion of fraud. Other seizures will be made.

General Alegre has furnished a full report of the attack upon Fort Currapaity.

The message of Governor Worth, of North Carolina, has been sent in. He declares that law and order exist everywhere in the State, and the Civil courts are sufficient. He opposes negro suffrage and the amendment.

A rumor from Boston states that two firms there have failed for $175,000. Their assets will amount to nothing.

The import trade of Boston this year will amount to over one hundred millions of dollars.

The Charleston and Savannah Railroad was sold at auction yesterday to Joseph H. Taylor and others for $20,000, cash.

Government has ordered two regiments of infantry to be stationed at Bedford, Va., during the Fenian trials there.

A Woman's Rights Convention was held in Albany yesterday, Lucy Stone Blackwell presided, and Mr. Stanton, Fred Douglas, Parker Pillsbury and others addressed the Convention. Resolutions were adopted recommending the right of suffrage for all, without reference to sex or color.

Large Fire at Cincinnati—Startling News to Come from Mexico.

NEW YORK, November 20.—A Cincinnati dispatch says a fire there last night destroyed four hundred thousand dollars' worth of property, belonging to S. Jones & Brannon, liquor dealers, and Nipper & Brosher, dealers in clothing. They were partly insured.

A *Herald* Washington special says: News of a very startling character may be expected from Mexico in a short time. It is asserted, upon good authority, that Maximilian will leave Mexico shortly after the arrival of General Sherman, and that there will be no French troops on the soil of Mexico thirty days after his arrival there. Quartermasters' and commissary stores for six thousand troops have been ordered to Fortress Monroe. This is supposed to mean *Sherman and Mexico.*

Arrival at Treasure at St. Joseph.

ST. LOUIS, *November* 20.—The Northwest Fur Company's steamer Miner, from the Upper Mississippi, arrived at St. Joseph, Sho per Mississippi, arrived at St. Joseph, Sho pedigree, IOWA, $200,000 in gold. She passed about one hundred Mackinaw boats on the way down, each liberally supplied with furs.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

VERY LATEST TELEGRAMS.

LATEST EUROPEAN NEWS.

A New Russian Loan—Opening of the Dutch Chambers—France and Mexico—The Evacuation of Rome—Russian Loan—Reform Measures—The King of Prussia Invited to visit Paris—The "Moniteur" on Italy—Commercial.

[BY THE CABLE.]

NEW YORK, November 20.—The following dispatch has been received at Reiter's Telegraph office, this city:

LONDON, November 19.—A new Russian loan of six millions has been announced.

The Dutch Chambers have been opened to the King. In his opening speech he expressed hopes for reciprocal confidence and loyalty to the constitution.

Before official business hours to-day there was a better inquiry for United States 5-20 bonds, and sales were reported at 70⅝@70¾, against 70⅝@⅞ on Saturday. The advance was fully sustained at the regular opening of the market, when sales were announced at 70⅝@70¾.

Dispatches from France and Amsterdam are also better by 1-16@¼ per cent., with a steady business reported. In the former market Italians were also affected at 75½.

American railway shares are rather higher, the leading quotations for Erie and Illinois shares at 78¼ buyers, 78¾ sellers.

LIVERPOOL, November 19.—There is continued firmness in the market for breadstuffs, sound parcels finding buyers at the current rates of Saturday.

PARIS, November 20.—It is said that M. Monstoir, the French Minister, is preparing a note on the Mexican question, in which it is understood that it will be conciliatory towards the United States, and will not object to the recognition of the new Government.

The preparation for the evacuation of Rome by the French troops will be finally completed on the 16th of December.

ST. PETERSBURG, November 20.—A proposition has been introduced in the House to authorize the negotiation of a loan of forty million florins.

MANCHESTER, November 20.—At the National Reform Conference, held in this city, it was resolved to use all possible efforts to counteract tactics of the Tories, and to prepare the outline of a Reform Bill.

QUEENSTOWN, Nov. 20.—The steamship Hecla has arrived from New York on the 7th.

PARIS, Nov. 20.—It is said that Napoleon has invited the King of Prussia to visit Paris.

FLORENCE, Nov. 20.—Gen. Cialdini has arrived at Palermo.

PARIS, Nov. 20.—The *Moniteur* of to-day sees in the nomination of Baron Ricasoli the intention of Italy to obey the September convention.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 20.—*Noon.*—Cotton opens quiet and steady, at 1d for middling uplands. The business thus far indicates a day's sale of 10,000 bales.

LONDON, November 20.—*Noon.*—Consols for money opened at 89⅝; United States 5-20s, 70½; Illinois Central, 76½; Erie, 50.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 20.—*Evening.*—The cotton market is dull and unchanged, at 1d for middling uplands; the sales were 8,000 bales. The breadstuffs market has shown an advancing tendency; Wheat closed 4d higher; Flour has advanced 1s. The Provision market is easier to-day; Rice has advanced 2s6d.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—*Evening.*—Consols closed, at 89¾; U. S. 5-20's, 70¾; Illinois Central, 76½; Erie, 50.

FROM EUROPE BY STEAMER.

Arrival of the Hibernian and Bremen—Advices from all Quarters.

PORTLAND, Me., Nov. 20.—The steamship Hibernian, from Liverpool, at 11 o'clock on the morning of November 8th, and Londonderry on the 9th, arrived here at 7½ o'clock this morning.

A number of cabinet councils were being held in London The *Times* says they can hardly agree on the subject of reform, as the uncertainty is especially liable to be so forward a state as to permit an elaborate discussion of its details, and it, therefore, presumes the attention of the public is occupied by departmental business, amongst which, the *Times* hopes, is included the arrangement for Ireland.

Sir J. L. Knight Bruce, late Lord Justice of the Court of Appeals, died on the 13th inst.

The chief of Peter & Co, of China, were, on the 7th instant, refused acceptance by Kent, Palmer & Co., of Liverpool, upon bills, which are generally distinct. The engagements of the firm are estimated at £2,000,000. The assets are reported to be very large, and the creditors will receive the whole of their claims.

It is announced that ex-Governor Eyre, on his return, would be arraigned at the Central Court of London in about ten days, for the Jamaica massacre.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—By the Bremen's mails we have the following additional items of European news:

The British Secretary of State for war has decided upon granting a substantial reward to the family of the now unfortunate deceased, Mr. Jacob Snider, in the rescue of the war ship Conqueror. The funeral of Mr. Snider, who was an American, took place at Kensal Green Cemetery, on the 3d instant, the sixth day after his death. Mr. Snider informed a friend at his bedside, that he had a new sword which was to be given to his surviving son, if national defence, more important than any he had yet discovered. I will tell you the secret, and the reason why, which you can tell to no one. The morrow came, but he was dead, and his secret with him.

Count Mendorff, who negotiated the treaty of peace between Austria and Italy, has arrived in Paris. He is said to be charged with the task of arranging the restitution of the private property belonging to the dynasties of the two Sicilies and Parma.

It is stated that for eleven months neither rain nor snow has fallen in Pekin, and the greatest distress prevails in consequence in that part of China.

The *Moniteur de l'Armee*, of Paris, publishes an article upon the inferences drawn by Paris journals relative to the proposed reorganization of the army, and says that the National Guard will never be anything but a reserve. Above all, it is necessary to have an army before the formation of a reserve. The effective force the formation of a reserve. The effective strength of 400,000 men is a peace establishment and will not therefore be reduced. Text object of the Commission appointed to report on this question will be, to discover the best means of constituting a reserve always available, more considerable and better instructed than the present.

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Arrest of Supposed Robbers.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 20.—Seven men were captured on Saturday near Mitchellville, Tennessee, by a band of detectives of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, acting with the United States Marshal, and lodged in the military prison in Louisville yesterday in the belief that they are connected with the robbery of the recent pay train.

Decision of a Tennessee Judge.

NASHVILLE, Nov. 20.—At Murfreesboro, on Saturday, Judge Henry Cooper, of the Circuit Court, decided the present State Legislature to be illegal, and declared the franchise law constitutional in a judgment in the case of Gilbert vs. Sherbrook, adjudicating the case of Gilbert vs. Rutherford commissioner of Registration for Rutherford county, for refusing to issue voting certificates to the Sheriff.

FROM CANADA.

Gold in Canada—The Abduction Cases—Confederation Rumor Contradicted—General Napier's Successor.

TORONTO, November 20.—The discoveries of gold at Madoc are corroborated and there is little doubt as to the extent or richness of the deposits.

Both the Colonial and foreign officers are making strict investigation into the Lamirand's abduction cases.

The statement that Bishop Horan is going to England to oppose the Confederation is contradicted.

Major General Stisted, C. B., will succeed Major General Napier on the Staff in Canada at the commencement of next year. General Stisted served with distinction in Persia, and through the critical periods of the Indian mutiny.

Imposing Demonstration of the Masonic Order in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, November 20.—The demonstration made by the Masonic Brotherhood here, to-day, was a very imposing one. From five thousand to six thousand were in the line of procession, dressed uniformly in black, with regalias, and carrying the symbols of the order. President Johnson and Governor Swann were witnesses the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of the new Temple. The President, wearing his Masonic regalia, reviewed the procession from the steps of Gov. Swann's residence.

The procession was formed with the Junior lodges in advance. Among the lodges from Washington, Alexandria, Norfolk, Petersburg, Lynchburg, Winchester, Shepherdstown, and other points in Virginia, and among the commanders of the Knights Templar, there were those from Philadelphia, Pa., New York, New Jersey, Louisville, Ky., and Washington.

As soon as the procession had gathered around the site of the new temple, and the positions assigned to the various bodies forming in line, the Grand Lodge of Maryland was opened with the ceremonies appointed for such occasions.

The Worthy Grand Master, John Coates, directed the exercises, which consisted of the usual formalities of dedication and the chanting of several hymns written for the occasion. The ceremony was concluded by pouring oil, wine and corn upon the stone, the Grand Master making solemn invocation at each libation.

J. N. B. Latrobe, Esq., delivered the oration

Disgusting Prize Fight.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—About eight o'clock this morning, the expected prize fight took place at Johnson's Landing, below Alexandria. The contestants were Mike Carr *alias* English, of this city, and W. H. White, of Baltimore. Forty-four rounds were fought in thirty-six minutes. On the seventh round White's shoulder was dislocated. It is said that the English tactics of the Tories, and to prepare the outline of a Reform Bill.

Additional Telegrams on Fourth Page.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

(ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS ON THIRD PAGE.)

Star Brick Works Destroyed by Fire.

Number "62" was signalled this morning in mournful tones by the great fire alarm bell at the Court House, and within five minutes after, every engine in the city was on its way to that station—the Independent Engine being the first to immediately departed likewise and found the extensive Star Fire Brick establishment of Messrs. Lemon, Kingan & Co., located on the Allegheny Railroad, near the end of Allegheny street, completely in the grasp of Mr. Fire. The steam engines were all upon the ground, but owing to the great scarcity of water in that remote neighborhood, could do but little effective service. The building was constructed of fire proof brick, covering about one-fourth of an acre of ground. The roofing, walls and timbers were completely destroyed, although the kilns and fires are thought to have escaped serious damage. Fortunately the wind was blowing in a north-eastern direction, else the destruction of property must have been greater, as the extensive lumber yard and planing-mills of Mitchell, Gillespie & Co. adjoined the burning building upon the other side. Within an hour after the alarm the flames were subdued.

We were unable to learn the origin of the fire, but it was doubtless caused from the flues, which were in use at the time, reaching to the dry timbers which were immediately over them. Two or three men were working at the upper story and did not discover the flames till they had gained great headway. The loss will probably approximate ten thousand dollars, which we learn is fully covered by insurance.

The Result of an Election Bet.

During the recent election campaign Mr. George Allouse, of Allegheny, bet Mr. Julius Moore, of this city, that General Geary would not receive five thousand majority in the State. Mr. Allouse bet his guitar against ten dollars. Last evening the loser of the bet made his appearance at the Mayor's office in a state of intoxication, in search of his father, Daniel Davis, whom he supposes to be employed in some of the iron mills hereabouts. He could give little idea as to where he came from, but said it was a Welsh settlement somewhere, and that his mother has been dead for several years, and it has been two years since he saw or heard from his father. When the elder Davis left "America" he left his child in the charge of David Jones, a tenant farmer, and not to believe, and at length the conversation having waxed warm, the parties indulged in a little pleasing to each other. As a finality Mr. Moore, according to his account, called Mr. Allouse a "d—d liar," and then knocked him down. The blow damaged the countenance of the latter gentleman considerably and knocked out one of his teeth, but as the tooth was a false one, and was picked up afterwards the damage was not so serious. An information for assault and battery was made, and a warrant for the arrest of Moore was issued.

Probably Fatal Accident.

On Monday evening Norris Slay, a laborer at the Grain Elevator, on the corner of Liberty and Washington streets, met with a serious accident which may prove fatal. He was hoisting on the bumper of a freight car which was being hauled into the lower story of the building, when the rope broke and he was falling to be filled with grain. The rope broke, more considerable and better instructed than the present.

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Good Haul of Professional Thieves.

For a considerable time, our city has been infested with a gang of professional thieves, some of them imported and some of them native and to the manner born. These gentry have carried on their sneaking operations with no small success, from time to time, surprising and knocking down gentlemen whom they might encounter alone at night, robbing helpless women and children, and committing sneaking depredations about the depots and warehouses. Fair specimens of their operations are offered in the robbery of Mrs. Conner, last week, near the the elevator, and the knocking down of Mr. Blair near the same place.

So adroit were the operators, however, that no definite clue to the perpetrator of any particular outrage could be obtained, and those who were suspected of being professionals kept themselves so scarce that the officers could not get sight of them. It was ascertained, however, that the objects of solicitude were making their headquarters at the Irwin House, on Liberty street. A descent on them was determined upon, and at about 10 tonight procession, dressed uniformly in black, with police made a raid on the Irwin House and succeeded in arresting five of the rascals.

A choice lot of birds they were who were captured in that nest! They were Bob Gillespie, a well known character who has served one term already in the Penitentiary; Tom Dougherty, who has the reputation also of having graced a stone cell; John Bird, who has served the State compulsorily during two terms; "Sniba" Arnold, who has also been two terms in State quarters; and Jack Young, an operator who eclipses all his compeers in their peculiar glory, having served out three terms in the Penitentiary, and possessing brilliant prospects for another. Two revolvers were found in the possession of the disturbed party, and were duly appropriated. A fine-tooth comb was the only other weapon of death-like character found in their possession.

The prisoners were conveyed to the lock-up, where they still remain, awaiting a hearing, which will probably be accorded to them to-day. There is no doubt that they will all get "Ninety Day law," and it is possible that they may receive something of severer nature for the attempted murder, and renew their acquaintance with the familiar scenes of the W. P.

Trouble at the Irwin House.

A man giving his name as Foster M. De Armitt, a blacksmith in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, in the Ninth ward, put in a hasty and sanguinary appearance at the Mayor's office, yesterday afternoon: His face was streaming with blood which flowed from a severe gash on the right head, not much bruised but a badly bruised pate. His hair was standing in about the position that might be expected if Hamlet's father's ghost's tale had been unfolded to him.

He had cut and evidently been roughly treated by the hands of one who was by no means an anti-reformer, if being torn and ripped in the most complete manner. As soon as he had recovered his blood sufficiently from his mouth to permit him to speak, he proceeded to make information for assault and battery, against John Irwin, proprietor of the Irwin House, No. 350 Liberty street, alleging that he (De Armitt) had called to the hotel and took a position quietly by the stove, where he stood, saying no word to any one present, but only warming himself. Irwin, who stood behind the bar, peremptorily, and without any preliminary, ordered deponent out of the house. His visitor demurred, when Irwin came from behind the bar and summarily knocked De Armitt down, and subsequently kicked him in the face, the heel of his boot leaving the gash aforesaid. A warrant was issued and Irwin arrested. At the hearing it was proved that although the accused did knock the deponent down, he had provocation for so doing. It appears that De Armitt entered the bar room, and instead of comporting himself like a gentle lamb, had kicked up a row, and on a remonstrance from the proprietor, had not only refused to leave, but had aggravated his previous conduct wherein he had been knocked down as aforesaid. In this view of the case, the prisoner was discharged.

North vs South.

Patrick Driscoll and Michael Britt, both claim the sweet "Gem of the Sea," as the land of their nativity, but unfortunately the youth of one was spent amid the cold breezes that play around the rugged mountain sides of Munster. On Monday evening, at the solicitation of Driscoll, Michael paid a visit to the home of the latter on the Allegheny side of Wylie street, where the twain managed to pass a pleasant hour in sweet converse, interspersed with the singing of Irish ballads and the relating of anecdotes. Things moved on smoothly as friends should, until Britt recounted a joke that reflected upon the intelligence of the north country, whereupon Patrick became indignant with sectional enthusiasm, and announced in terms more pertinent than polite, that if his guest did not immediately quit the protection of his roof, he would be forced to use vehement measures in ejecting him. This in turn exasperated Britt, who unable to cleave the floor due to his southern blood, struck his angered host in the right eye with such violence as to form him to open a new door in the cheek and distend the other beyond attitude he further maltreated him by kicking him in the chest and doing him other bodily injuries. When certain his victory was complete Britt repaired to his home in Brownsville, while the vanquished hastened to the office of Alderman Lynch and made oath against Michael for assault and battery. A warrant was issued and placed in the hands of officer Conners who succeeded in arresting the aggressive Michael, who was released from custody on furnishing bail in the sum of $300 for a hearing to-day.

Deceptiation.

No part of the human structure is so essential to existence as the head, and as a natural sequence it is *highly* prized by any person that desires a little longer to remain upon God's footstool. One of this class is Dennis O'Neil, who, until recently, was in the employ of the Western Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Sharpsburg. A few days since, Mr. Wheeler, the Superintendent of this section of the road, telling Dennis that vitality had a difficulty with Dennis, who he threatened to decapitate if he ever caught sight of the offending O'Neil again. Fearing such a catastrophe the latter appeared before Alderman Lynch and made information against Wheeler for assault and battery. The accused, on being arrested, waived a hearing and entered bail for trial.

Terrible Pain—Man Injured.

Between eleven and twelve o'clock last night, an old man named Thomas Wilson was brought to the Mayor's office in a vehicle, he being unable to walk on account of injuries received by falling over an embankment in the Ninth ward, about one hour previous. Since very improbable this was walking along the track of the Pennsylvania Railroad, near the outer depot, when a train approaching, impaired his vision with the light, so that in stepping aside he missed his footing, and fell over an embankment as stated, some twenty feet in h. Besides breaking one leg a little below the knee, he sustained other injuries of an internal nature. When we saw him late last night he was suffering acutely.

The Gazette, as the oldest journal, deems it fitting to speak of Shophard's Steam Bakery and Confectionary as the oldest establishment of the kind in the city. For more than forty years Shophard, of No. 37 Liberty street, has furnished the best and purest of bread in all its forms of loaf and roll, cake and cracker. A hundred thousand mouths have been added to the bread-eating population of Pittsburgh since he began to feed them, and still the order Shepherd, aided by his sons, stands ready to regale them all with the choicest products of the baker's art. Among these are included a superior quality of *Sparkling Ginger Beer*, which, for the benefit of Graham, or anti-dyspeptic bread, is now being served every morning, all the common kinds of bread and crackers, and a choice variety of candies and confectionary of his own manufacture. We can safely, as we do cordially, commend this establishment, not only as the oldest, but as among the very best of the kind in the city, one that keeps fully up to the times in all manner of improvements.

The Value of Good Lungs.—We advise our readers who are desirous of preserving the usefulness of the lungs and bronchial apparatus not to defer taking medicine in time for their cure. Most of the consumptive cases which end fatally, are the result of a small beginning of a cough or cold, which could be easily removed by a bottle of *Dr. Keyser's Pectoral Cough Syrup.* It has had abundant evidence of its vast superiority over most other remedies, and those who resort to it in time will save a great deal of suffering from those disagreeable diseases which are so prevalent during the winter and spring months. You can get it at Dr. Keyser's Drug Store, No. 140 Wood street.

Sad Accident.—As the Express train on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, was passing Littleton, westward bound, last Friday, a little child, whose parents live at that place, happened to be playing on the track, and, as engineer saw it, but too late to save its life. Although every effort was made to stop the train in time it could not be done, and the child was crushed to death.

The Sand Patch Tunnel.—The Sand Patch tunnel on the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railway, is at last cut through. The tunnel is 4,700 feet, being 1,000 feet more than length is 4,700 feet, being 1,000 feet more than the long tunnel on the Pennsylvania Central Railroad through the Allegheny mountains between Altoona and Gregson. It is intended for a double track, and is 22 feet wide by 19 feet in height.

Appointment of Gauger.—Colonel Joseph Brown, as has numerous friends will be pleased to learn, has received the appointment of Consul Gauger for this county, at the hands of the Governor of Pennsylvania. He will no doubt do credit to himself and the community at large.

The Prestley Scandal—Official Report of the Presbytery Committee on Publication.

When a minister of God falls from the path of virtue and morality the community sadly deplore the fall, and if he should continue to develop a strong desire to sink him even to the lowest depth of degradation. The case of the unfortunate and erring Dr. Prestley is a sad example of this truth. He has been excoriated to a fearful extent by a gossiping community, and his dark deeds of cruelty have been made darker and heralded to the world through every accessible avenue. Thus far we have refrained from publishing any of the current gossip concerning the case, out of a spirit of charity for the wrecked Doctor of Divinity, believing that all reported of him could not be true. We awaited the action of the Presbytery, and to-day publish the report of its Committee on Publication: Here is the document:

The committee appointed by the Monongahela Presbytery to make a statement of the case of Dr. James Prestley, lately tried in said Presbytery, would present the following:

At a meeting of Presbytery, held at Union, September 18th, 1866, Dr. Prestley stated that certain rumors touching his character as a Christian and a minister were in circulation in the community, and asked Presbytery to investigate said rumors.

In compliance with his request, a committee was appointed, which, at a meeting of Presbytery held in Lawrenceville, October 24, reported that the rumors were of such a character that they should receive a thorough and impartial examination.

In accordance with the report of this committee, a committee was raised to prepare a libel against Dr. Prestley. At a meeting of Presbytery held in the First Church, Pittsburgh, October 16th, said committee reported a libel.

An investigation of the libel began at a meeting of Presbytery held in the Fifth Church, Pittsburgh, October 23d, and continued in session eleven days, and the charges contained in the libel were particularly investigated. About thirty-two witnesses were examined.

The libel contained three charges. The first was "drinking, cruel and violent treatment of his family." The second was the use of "vulgar and profane language." The third was, "Unfaithfulness to his marriage vows."

The first and third of these charges were *unanimously* sustained. The second charge was also sustained, but not unanimously, as to the "*profane language*" is concerned. Under these charges were fourteen specifications, which were all sustained, nine of them unanimously.

Presbytery, however, were careful to say "that by the language of the second charge it did not find Dr. Prestley guilty of adultery, or even charge him with that sin."

The charge and specifications against Dr. Prestley being found proved, Presbytery indefinitely suspended him from the exercise of the ministry, and from membership in the church.

When the sentence was pronounced, neither the Moderator or the members of the Presbytery could restrain their feelings. Every man seemed to feel his responsibility, and every heart was moved with sympathy for the brother, on whom Presbytery was compelled to pass this painful sentence.

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