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FINANCE AND TRADE,

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, SATURDAY, Jan. 26, 1867.

The New York stock quotations to-day, as reported by Robinson, McClean & Co., were as follows: Gold, 134@134¼; Eighty-one bonds, 107¾; Five Twenties, old 104; Five Twenties, '65, 105¼; Five Twenties, new, 104¼; Seven Thirties, 105¾; Michigan Southern R. R., 71¾; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, ——; Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago, 94¾; Chicago and North Western R. R., 73¾; do preferred, 62½; Western Union Telegraph Co., 45; New York Central, 109¾; Erie, Railroad, 34¾; Hudson, 121; Illinois Central, 112; Toledo, 117; Ohio, 21¾; Cumberland, 35; Quicksilver, 28.

—It is hardly probable that Congress will really perfect any of the currency and financial measures now before it until after the 4th of March, though there are several matters waiting final action which are of vital importance. In the meantime Secretary McCulloch will go on with his regular withdrawal and destruction of greenbacks at the rate of $4,000,000 per month, which is not much, but better than nothing. When these greenbacks were first authorized and issued it was with a distinct understanding that they should be convertible into interest bearing bonds at the option of the holder, and that they should be redeemed in coin at the earliest possible day. They were issued as a gigantic forced loan, and were tacitly regarded as promises to pay so soon as the stress of war should have passed away. Now that we have peace, says the *New York Tribune*, "and are paying off the national debt rather than incurring new obligations, it is time to resume payment; at all events, let us not multiply falsehoods which have not even the doubtful merit of deceiving. Only let the Treasury resume payment in coin, and then, if there be an equitable mode of replacing our bank note currency by greenbacks, we have not the least objection."

—The failure of banks in the petroleum oil region in 1866 is still fresh in the minds of the people. The Legislature did not, at that time, pay much attention to the matter, but the Auditor General of Pennsylvania appointed a committee to examine into the causes which produced the failure of one of them—the Venango Bank. The report of the minority of this committee has never been published. An effort was made last week to secure its printing, but, for unexplained reasons, the Legislature, after ordering the printing, almost immediately withdrew its consent. A correspondent has sent the following abstract of this document to the Philadelphia *Ledger*:

"The Venango Bank was chartered under our state law, and deposited $600,000 in Government securities at Harrisburg to redeem its issues. It was afterwards merged into the Venango "National" Bank, and the Directors ordered $200,000 of the securities to be transferred from Harrisburg to Washington as a basis for the new institution. The Hon. C. V. Culver was authorized to make this transfer, and certain parties, signing themselves "agents," "factors," and "messengers," actually withdrew $300,000 more of the bonds. The failure took place on March 27, 1866, when the liabilities of the bank were $1,168,301. Its nominal assets were $1,036,045 31, although in reality worth but $386,154. Culver, Penn & Co. owed the bank $601,315 at the time of the failure, and the same Oil and Land Company (under the same auspices) owed $19,257. In addition to these amounts, Culver, Penn & Co. acknowledge the sum of $76,000 to be due—which sum the cashier of the bank apparently judged too small to be entered on the books. These books, however, were scarcely models, for they stated that the bank had securities to the value of $225,150 deposited at Harrisburg, while actually but $50,000 had been left there. These same books did not come within half a million of dollars of showing the true indebtedness of the institution when it failed!

"After reaching this point, the minority report on the subject speaks of the directors as men whose "honesty" is unquestioned, and who are recognized by the entire community as prudent, cautious and upright business men. How, then, did they allow the Reno Oil and Land Company to overdraw their account nearly $50,000? This is explained by the minority by saying that they (the directors) "were the victims of misplaced confidence and astounding imposition." The report charges that C. V. Culver was the person who, by appointing his brother-in-law cashier, "kept the directors in ignorance of the condition of the bank." This brother-in-law, it is stated, "purposely evaded the examiners." The report concludes by saying that "the operations of C. V. Culver were conducted on a most gigantic scale. His financial operations are without a parallel. He is either guilty of a criminal recklessness or a most stupendous fraud."

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, SATURDAY, January 26, 1867.

The produce markets have been dull and neglected during the past week, and while the transactions in the leading commodities have been very light in the aggregate, and generally speaking, prices have undergone material change, though the tendency is downward.

GRAIN—Wheat is quiet and unchanged; sale of 3 cars on private terms. Oats dull and drooping; may be quoted at 48 to 49, on track, and 51 to 52, in store. There is little or no inquiry for Corn, and we continue to quote at 85 to 90, on track, and 75 to 80, in store. Sale of 1 car Rye at $1.20. There is some little inquiry for Barley, but we have no sales to record—may be quoted at 90 to 95 for fine 1 Spring.

FLOUR—The market is dull, and a little weak, though, as yet, prices are not quotably lower. Well-known brands of Spring Wheat may be quoted at $12.25 @12.50; Winter Wheat at $13.50 to $14; and fancy Staint Louis brands at $16@17. Rye Flour is selling at $7½ to 8, and Buckwheat at $3.50 to $3.75 per cwt.

PROVISIONS—Bacon is quiet and unchanged—small sales at 12 for Shoulders; and 17 for Sugar Cured Hams. Prime kettle rendered Lard is selling at 12½ to 13. Mess Pork is held firmly at $26½ to $27—$26½ was offered to-day for 100 bbls, to go to Baltimore. Dressed Hogs 7½ to 8.

HAY—Is in rather better demand, and the market is a shade firmer. Sale of 2 cars at $22, and 1 car, strictly prime, at $23. Arrivals continue comparatively light.

SEEDS—Flaxseed is in demand, and may be quoted firm at $2.30. Nothing doing in Clover or Timothy Seeds—may be quoted at $4 to $4.25 for the latter, and $6 to $6.50 for the former.

BUTTER—Prime Roll is in steady demand at 35 to 38. Sale of 9 bbls "unlucky," at 30c. Common and inferior very dull—almost unsaleable.

EGGS—Fresh packed scarce and in demand—may be quoted firm at 30@32. Pickled Eggs in good supply and dull.

APPLES—Quiet but steady with regular sales, in store, at $5.50 to $6.50 per bbl, for common to choice.

DRIED FRUIT—Unchanged. Small sales in store at 9 to 10 for Apples, and 16 to 20 for Peaches—quarters and halves.

BEANS—In rather better supply, and while the market is a shade easier, prices remain unchanged—$2.50 to $2.75 per bushel for prime small white.

POTATOES—Dull and unchanged—small sales of Peach Blows in store, at 90c p. bushel.

PITTSBURGH PETROLEUM MARKET

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, SATURDAY, January 25, 1867.

CRUDE—The market for crude has been dull and neglected throughout the past week, and while there has been but comparatively little done, prices have undergone but little change, though if anything, a fraction lower, and the tendency seems to be downward. The only sale reported to-day was 500 bbls "Smith's Ferry," at 7¼, packages returned—quotations may be fairly given at 7¼ to 7½, packages returned and 7¾ to 12½, packages included. There have been a few sales of Venango oil for spring delivery, on private terms—one early in the week at 9, and one later at 9¼, and 8 to 8½ may be regarded as the ruling quotations for that delivery, though some dealers refuse to sell ahead for less than 9. The eastern and European advices have been unfavorable for the past two or three days, and this, as a matter of course, produces a kind of stagnation and restricts operations.

REFINED—There was but a single operation reported to-day, and it even had not been positively closed at last accounts—one thousand barrels for this month, at 28, delivered in Philadelphia—there may have been some other sales, but the above was all we could hear of. The market continues quiet and dull, though prices are unchanged, and we continue to quote, on the spot, at 22 to 23½, on cars here, and 28 to 29½ delivered in Philadelphia. Those of our refiners who were disposed to sell ahead have already made nearly all the contracts they care about, and consequently, there is but comparatively little oil offering, and our brokers have considerable difficulty in finding sellers at present quotations. For March delivery in Philadelphia, 30½ could doubtless be obtained, and 31, we have no doubt, might be realized for April. Free oil is dull the demand being restricted entirely to supplying the wants of the jobbing trade.

ARRIVALS—The following arrivals of oil were reported to-day—all from Smith's Ferry.

D. Bitz	54	Nat. Ref. Co.
S. McMahon	35	"
Total	122	

Total Receipts for the week 1507
Total Receipts last week 963
Total Receipts since Jan. 1 6386

Louisville Market.

LOUISVILLE, January 25.—Superfine Flour, $10.00. Prime wheat, $2.85. Corn, shelled, bulk, 70c; car, 65c. Oats, 60c. Mess Pork, $21.50. Bulk Shoulders, 8½c; Clear Sides, 11½c. Packed Bacon Shoulders, 12c; Clear Sides, 12½c. Lard, 13½c. Raw Whisky $4.25.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Financial Matters.

NEW YORK, January 25.—Affairs in Wall street to-day are calmer. The heavy fall in Stocks brought out buyers for investment, houses of failures have ceased. Transactions in Stocks for the last six days aggregated 722,000 shares. The market to-day was active and confident, with a general advance at the close. Erie was weaker, though the balance of the market strong. The following were the closing prices: New York Central, 109¾; Erie, 68¾; Hudson, 122; Reading, 102¾; Michigan Central, 104; Michigan Southern, 72½; Illinois Central, 112½; Pittsburgh, 82; Northwestern, 36; do. preferred, 64½; Toledo, 116; Rock Island, 96; Fort Wayne, 95¾; Ohio Certificates, 21½; Cumberland, 35; Pacific Mail, 157; Western Union Telegraph, 45¾; Adams Express, 60; American, 66¾@68½; United States, 65¼@66; Wells, Fargo & Co., 70½; Merchants' Union, 12½; National, 90. Governments quiet and steady; coupons 1881, 107¾@108½; do. 1864, 105¼@105¾; do. 1865, 105¼@105¾; Ten-Forties, 99¾@99¾.

The money market closed easier and a more cheerful feeling prevailed. First class firms were readily supplied on call at 7 per cent, but there is a close scrutinizing of stock and collaterals and wide margins are exacted. Government bankers accommodate at 5@6 per cent; next to nothing doing. Imports paid this week, $4,365,509; including $3,052,061 dry goods. Mining shares active; Mariposa fell to 4@50, but rose at the close to $10.00; Corydon, $7.50; Gunnell, $108; Gold Hill, $4.62; Smith & Parmalee, $0.50; Quartz Hill, $1.50. Prices of mining stocks in Boston this day: Canada, 50; Copper Falls, 49; Franklin, 23; Hancock, 95; Huron, 21; Isle Royal, 6; Minnesota, 10½.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Cotton unchanged; sales 600 bales. Flour dull and 10c lower; receipts 2,257 bbls; sales 600 bbls Superfine State and Western at $9.50@10.25; extra Western, $10.50@11.75; choice, $13.75; shipping brands, Round Hoop Ohio, $11.80@13.75; trade brands, do, $12.20@13.50, closing dull. Whisky more active; sales 500 bbls, in bond. Wheat active and unchanged; sales 2300 bush No. 2 Milwaukee at $2.35; No. 3 do, $2.12@2.12. Rye quiet and heavy; sales 300 bush Western at $1.37, on outside price. Barley quiet; sales 12,500 bush Canada West at $1.12½@1.20. Corn dull and 1c lower; sales 8,000 bush mixed Western, in store, at $1.18@1.16. Oats heavy; receipts 2850 bush; sales 17,000 bush Western at 66@68c. Groceries quiet and firm. Leather quiet and unchanged. Wool steady; sales 210,000 lbs at $1.40@1.60 for domestic fleece, and $1.44@2.45 for pulled. Pork firmer; sales 5000 bbls new mess at $26.87@26.87, closing at $26.50 old mess, $19.31@19.50, closing at $19.25; prime $18.75@17.00; prime mess $19.50@20.50. Also, 1200 new mess, at $20.50, to Keller & Burger, for February and March. Beef unchanged; sales 700 bbls. Beef Hams quiet; sales 2250 bbls at $27@33.50. Bacon quiet. Cut Meats dull and unchanged; sales 250 pkgs. Dressed Hogs firmer; Western at 8@8½c. Lard dull and heavy; sales 500 tcs old, 12@12½c; new 12¾@13c. Butter steady and unchanged. Cheese quiet, at 14@16c.

WEEKLY REVIEW—BOOTS AND SHOES.

Breadstuffs have been much depressed and lower prices accepted. There is a panic in high grades and prices declined 75@$1 for family brands of flour, and the market closes unsteady; low grades are more steady. Pork has fluctuated rapidly from the highest point about $1.00 per parcel.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 26.—Flour held firm, but the demand has been but moderate. Wheat firm; no change; No. 1 winter, $2.30@2.35. Corn firm, though the demand is light; sales 35@36c for shelled. Oats dull, at 48@50c. Rye unchanged; common dull, at 56@60c. Barley in fair request; prime is scarce, but there is barely any demand. Whisky dull, at $4.25 in bond. Hogs, $5.25@5.75; holders firm; lot 1, averaging 400 pounds, was not sold at the latter rate, but this was an extreme rate, owing to the unusual large size; medium to good, $5.00@5.50, though packers were not willing to pay these rates. Receipts, 8,400 head, which includes some which had not been reported by telegraph. Most pork sold to a limited rate, at 20; but inside the city brands were offered at this rate sparingly, though enough to meet the demand. Bulk meats, in but little demand; held at 7@8c for shoulders, and 9@9½c for sides. Lard dull, at 12c, with sales of 150 tierces. Green meats quiet, at 8c for sides and 10½c for shoulders; sides are wanted for immediate delivery, at 12c but can be had to be delivered at week hence, at 12c; shoulders, 11½c. Sugar, 11½c. Coffee, 22@26c.

Chicago Market.

CHICAGO, January 27.—Flour dull and nominal at $10@10.50 for spring extra. Wheat opened a shade firmer and closed quiet at $2.12@2.30 for No. 1 and $2.02@2.07 for No. 2. Corn dull and unchanged; light sales at 78@79c for No. 1. Oats dull and lower; sales 46@47c for No. 2. Rye dull and nominally lower. Provisions opened dull but closed firm and more active. Mess Pork 26@30 better, at $19.25@19.37½. Lard steady at $5.75@5.80; common, light at $5.35@5.40; good to smooth, heavy, $5.50@5.60; 100@15 higher; sales range from $5.37½@5.60, closing at 35 lots dwelling on $5.60.

St. Louis Market.

ST. LOUIS, January 26.—The markets are nearly at a standstill to-day, buyers holding off or closing with larger concessions than sellers are willing to make, and an unusually small business was done. In Cotton, Hemp, Tobacco and Pork nothing transpired. Flour unchanged. Wheat heavy and dull at $2.85 for choice, and $2.55 for fancy. Corn lower at 80@82c. Oats dull at 46@50c. Provisions nominal. Hogs lower, at $5.75. Number killed to date, 122,000. Whisky, nothing done.

Milwaukee Market.

MILWAUKEE, January 26.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat dull and unchanged. Oats weak and nominal, at 36c for No. 1 and 41c for No. 2. Corn quiet, at 66c for shelled. Provisions dull. Mess Pork 40½. Dressed hogs quiet at 8@8½c.

Philadelphia Market.

PHILADELPHIA, January 26.—Flour dull and drooping; superfine $8@8.75, extra family $12@14. Wheat nominal. Oats 37@38c. Clover seed, $6.25@6.50. Whisky nominal. Petroleum 18@20c; refined in bond, 22c.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, January 26.—Coffee quiet; stocks light; held firm. Flour nominally unchanged. Wheat, $1.15 for Southern. Corn steady; 60@65c for mixed. Provisions unchanged. Whisky nominal.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, January 26.—Dry goods that have prices sustained, except for Atlantic A and heavy Brown Sheetings, which are reduced ½c.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE & CHICAGO R. R. January 26—4 cars bulk meat, E H Myers & Co; 1 car potatoes, Potter, Aiken & Shepard; 30 bxs candles, 26 do soap, Shoemaker & Lang; 10 do do, Smith, Johnston & Colvin; 3 do do, L J Blanchard; 5 kegs pearl barley, Shields & Bonsiers; 2 cars steel, Jones & Laughlins; 1 car hay, Lang & Bros; 4 cars lard, 1 car grease, 1 do tallow, 1 do meat, 1 car 160 bbls, J H Ralston; 100 do do, J A Kaercher; 21 bbls collett, McCully & Co; 10 bbls flour, Head & Metzger; 10 sewing machines, Wm Sumner & co; 1 car corn, Henry Rea jr; 2 cars barley, Carson, Darlington & co; 1 car hay, W D Patterson; 50 bbls rye flour, Culp & Shepard; 1 car hay, Shoemaker & Lang; 1 car do, D N Courtney; 1 car blooms, Park, Bros & co; 5 cars metal, Nimick & co; 10 do do, Bryan & Cassidy; 250 bbls flour, Shoemaker & Lang; 1 car potatoes, Potter, Aiken & Shepard; 1 car hay, Adams & Austin; 1 do do, H Rea jr.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD.—January 26—8 bbls lime, Fahnestock & co; 21 bbls paper, F Woods; 12 pcs marble, Anderson & Boyd; 1 car lumber, Millinger & Bildwell; 1 do do, L Schmidt; 5 cars iron ore, Shoenberger & Blair; 12 bbls flour, Dickson, Marshall & co; 18 bdls paper, Hostetter & Smith; 1 candle tobacco, E Megraw; 10 bbls oil, Hartman & co; 40 do do, National Refinery; 35 do do, S McMahon; 51 do do, D Bigy; 22 bgs rye, J Glenn; 1 car hay, J Scott; 1 car do; 22 tcs lard, F sellers & co; 16 bgs seed, Blair & Woods; 3 kgs lard, M W Rankin.

PITTSBURGH, COLUMBUS & CINCINNATI RAILROAD.—1 car corn, Gilmore, Simpson & co; 10 do do, W W Moore; 90 bbls flour, Shoemaker & Lang; 2 cars wheat, S Harbaugh & co; 200 bbls flour, J Gaudinier; 22 bales cotton Kennedy, Childs & co; 15 dressed hogs, E Jackson; 11 sks barley, F Shields; 15 bbls apples, Meanor, Harper & Hood; 34 sks oats, Bricker & co.

ALLEGHENY STATION, January 26—10 bbls apples, J Herbert; 14 sks oats, J M Tate; 15 doz brooms, Hahn & Hadley; 15 bbls apples & Weise; 1 car wheat, 3 cars corn, Kennedy & Lytle; 1 do oats; 1 do hay; 1 do corn, Kennedy & Lothrop; 1 do hay, J W Graham; 1 do do, M Weil; 1 do wheat, Coy, Noble & co.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD.—Jan. 26—2 bbls butter, 7 sks seed, H Riddle; 89 sacks rye, J Glenn; 169 do oats, 10 do rye, W Bingham; 20 do do, J S Finch; 20 do oats, W D Patterson; 27 do corn, 6 do seed, A D Copeland; 60 bbls salt, Seghmyer & Vokamp.

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RIVER NEWS.

The hopes entertained on Friday of an early resumption of navigation have not been realized, as yesterday was about as cold a day as we had this winter. Considerable snow fell on Saturday, and the wind was very fierce during Saturday night and Sunday.

We see it stated that five-sixths of the little steamer J. L. Graham was sold at Nashville the other day for $3500. The Graham formerly plied between this city and Smith's Ferry.

The following boats were in port at Cincinnati, on Friday last:

Potomac, Mollie Norton, Bostona, Major Anderson, Rosseca, Shamrock, Nightingale, Champion, Clifton, Ironsville, Anglo-Saxon, Emerald, Armadillo, Emma No. 3, Robert Burns, Anna, Alice Dean, United States, Mary Erwin, Arabian, Importer, Leonora 2, Minnesota, Westmoreland, Starlight, and Petrolia.

We clip the following from the Cincinnati Commercial, of Saturday:

Dispatches received from Cairo yesterday announce that the stern-wheel steamer St. Cloud, Captain W. J. Rusk, bound from Evansville for New Orleans, struck a snag at Plumb Point, and was run ashore on the Arkansas side, where she sunk. The dispatch does not give the condition of the wreck. Her cargo was received at Evansville, and principally out of the Wabash river. The St. Cloud was built at Pittsburgh, in November 1859, and owned by Captain W. J. Rusk and A. Byers, of Covington, Kentucky, and recently valued at $22,000, and insured in the following Cincinnati offices for $15,000, viz: Central, $3000; Buckeye, $2000; Commercial, $2000; America, $3000; Boatmen's, $2000, and Magnolia, $3000. Her cargo is insured in Evansville, Cincinnati, and the other eastern agencies. The favorable change in the weather yesterday caused the underwriters to permit shipments, when all the steamers at the wharf commenced engaging and receiving freight forthwith, a number of which are advertised to leave to-day. Captain Hugh Campbell is renting and refurbishing the St. Charles throughout, for the Louisville and Vicksburg trade. Capt. Campbell is the right man to pace her decks. Capt. H. C. Richmond, of the Arsenal No. 2, passed through the city yesterday, en route from Louisville for Pittsburgh. The Rowena, for Nashville, passed Madison yesterday, in the cabin of the old Superior, lying on the bank above the foot of Indiana, fell in with a tremendous crash, and commenced to fill her hold with water and snow on the roof. No one was injured, though the concussion was slightly felt. Capt. W. T. Davidson, J. T. West and Captain Hilary Lee were among the delegates appointed by the St Paul Chamber of Commerce to attend the River Improvement Convention, to be held in St. Louis on the 12th of February. The mate and pilot of the Equator arrived in the city yesterday, to report that steamer as having laid up at Napoleon.

The Argonaut No. 2, that recently sank at the New Albany shore, below the falls, has to be caught less elevated to the subsequent tors. The freight has all been removed, for the most part, and the cargo has been highly valued at only $4,000 as she now lies, which is but little, if any, more than owners have given her up to the insurance companies.

The Louisville *Courier* sticks to the prediction that there is a flood impending in the Ohio. It says: "All dwelling along the river in Southern Indiana are warned to use this time to prepare for a flood. The fall of snow and rain of last week, of course is almost unprecedented, and it goes on with rain, we predict the most disastrous overflow that has ever occurred in the Ohio Waters. The rise will be sudden and decisive."

John J. Grammer, an old and well known steamboat man, died at his home in Jefferson Grandeau county, Missouri, on December 12th. He was a pioneer in the business, having been engaged in it for upwards of 40 years, when the principal inhabitants encountered in the navigation of the Ohio were Indians, and when nothing was less of a novelty than a steamboat explosion.

Says the St. Louis *Democrat*: A Mr. Lee, the strong man who drew Crosby's opera House, yesterday exhibited his feats of strength on an old steamboatman. About 1850, when Lee was a young man, he was a deck hand on Missouri River packet, Henry J. Moore was commander, Mr. Lee first clerk, and Wm H. Saunder second clerk. The latter is at present secretary of the M. V. Cargo Company in this city. Mr. Moore was subsequently a clerk in the commission house of Dodge, Dodge & Co., and married Mr. Saunderman's deceased sister. Mr. Anderson, brother of the famous banker, succeeded to the place. He accompanied Moore and Saunder to New Orleans, where they left him on a spree, and they proceeded on their way without their clerk. Mr. Lee says he was very sorry for this, and thinks he was entirely justified. She became with the exception of a few days, he has been with the steamboat business ever since.

Capt. Wm. Phillips, of the Cincinnati Enquirer, says the Cincinnati Chronicle of Friday: At a meeting of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, held yesterday morning, in the rooms of the New Orleans Pilots' Association, the following steamboat Captains were unanimously elected Directors of the organization, viz: Captains Wm. Gregg, U. B. Pierce, John S. Shunk, J. H. Barnett, John A. Patterson, J. T. Backman, Jas. Rees, Jas. Adams and James S. Wise. The towboat Windsor is aground on the bar, just this side of the mouth of Millcreek. Capt. A. Stein, of the steamer F. W. Brewer, which left Cairo on Wednesday, telegraphs us from Mount City, Illinois, that he can let four coal barges adrift, and will do so if the coal and succeeded in landing them safely at Mound City. The towboat Wheeler left Cairo at work yesterday, pulling Captain J. V. Throckmorton's steamer Ben Franklin off Flying Eagle off the shore above the foot of Broadway. The Boat got her bad piled up, and her 12 barges "hung on" The Wheeler pulled her from her perilous situation handsomely.

Mr. John G. Burbridge has arrived at St. Louis, as a passenger on the Upper Valley when she went down, below Memphis, on his authority the St. Louis *Democrat* says:

How the pilot came to strike a wreck, the position of the boat allows to almost every one that has been in the pilothouse of a steamboat, and yet it is a question, and a question yet to be answered. It is generally supposed that the wreck somewhere near or in the channel and shows a clear and well defined "break." The night was clear, with a bright moonlight, and the waterman only be charged to the utmost diligence and skill. If, yet, it is but justice to humanity that he should be made the subject of investigation, and if he is, it is heart-rending to contemplate such wholesale loss of human life, and more especially in this instance, when the circumstances are considered.

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