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CITY ITEMS.

Letter From Dr. Robert Hunter of New York.

LETTER No. 7.

ON THE CURABILITY OF CONSUMPTION.

TO THE EDITORS OF THE GAZETTE:—As it is the aim of these letters to remove popular errors in regard to pulmonary diseases, I will say a few words on the *curability of consumption*. It is not, I think, assuming too much to say that most persons entertain grave doubts on this subject, while many are so thoroughly convinced of the impossibility of curing this disease, that they do not hesitate to characterize all medication, having that object in view, as "dishonest" and "empirical." Tubercles in the lungs are, in their opinion, equivalent to the *hand of death*; and the delusion is so deeply rooted and inveterate that I can hardly hope *common sense, plain fact* and *unimpeachable testimony* will prove sufficient to dispel it. Still it will not do to lose faith in the wisdom of the old Roman maxim, *Magna est veritas et prævalebit.*

Before I proceed to give the testimony of others, let me endeavor to make my own views clear on this point. The question is, *Can consumption be cured?* My answer is unequivocally *Yes*, even *after* tubercles are deposited—after they have *softened* and broken down the air-cells and bronchial tubes of the part in which they are deposited, forming a *cavity*—the lungs can still be healed, and the patient regain comfortable health. Neither the presence of tubercles, nor the actual existence of a tuberculous abscess in the lungs, precludes the patient from the hope of recovery.

Let it not, however, be inferred from what I have said, that I do not regard consumption as a most alarming disease; or that it can be cured as readily in the *last* as in the *first stage*. What I mean is, that this disease is not *necessarily fatal* in any stage—that patients may recover after the lungs have actually undergone *partial destruction by ulceration*.

How does cure take place? It sometimes takes place by *absorption*; that is to say, the tubercular deposit is taken up by the absorbent vessels, and expelled from the system among the excretions of the body. When the tubercular matter is in the *first* stage, or *not far* advanced in the *second*, cure generally takes place in this way.

Another way in which cure takes place is by the *softening* and expulsion of the tubercular matter, and the subsequent *cicatrization* of the cavity formed. When a boil breaks, its *matter* is discharged, and then the part heals up, leaving a scar. The parts destroyed are never reformed; but new matter is thrown out, which draws the sides of the cavity together and seals it up.

But, it may be said, the blood is always *impure* in consumption, and hence cure will not take place so readily in this as in other diseases. That is very true; but it will do so if the physician restores the blood to its purity by proper Inhalations. To accomplish this should be the first aim of treatment, for no cure can be expected so long as the blood remains loaded with carbonaceous impurity. Now there are no means by which the blood can be deprived of carbon, except the use of highly oxygenated inhalations; nor any method by which we can act directly upon the lungs, except by medicating the air which the patient breathes.

There are, no doubt, to be found among medical men, some who, drawing their conclusions from the results of their own practice, still feel disposed to deny that it is possible to cure consumption. To a physician who has grown gray in practice, and yet cannot recall to recollection even *one* consumptive invalid among the hundreds who have sought his advice, cured through his ministrations, this scepticism is perhaps natural. But let us hear what those who have carefully investigated the matter say on the subject.

The late Dr. Swett remarks:

Another important question presents itself. Is consumption a curable disease?—and if so, what is the proportion of cases which recover? The general impression in the medical profession is, that a patient with consumption is doomed to death. * * I have known a number of patients during the last fifteen years who have had the evidences of consumption, and sometimes in an *advanced stage*, who finally recovered, and are now in the enjoyment of good health. (Page 273.)

Sir James Clark, Physician to the Queen of England, says:

That pulmonary consumption admits of a cure is no longer a matter of doubt; it has been clearly demonstrated by the researches of Laennec and other modern pathologists. (Page 157.)

Prof. Carswell, the eminent pathologist, observes:

Pathological anatomy has perhaps never afforded more conclusive evidence in proof of the curability of a disease than it has in that of *tubercular consumption*. (Cyc. Prac. Med.)

And Laennec declares, that the cure of consumption where the lungs are not *completely* disorganized ought not to be looked upon as at all impossible, in reference either to the nature of the disease or of the organ affected. * * The destruction of a part of the substance of the lungs is by no means necessarily mortal. (Page 315.)

It being then established that there is nothing in the nature of consumption to prevent its cure, the only question remaining of interest to the afflicted is, by what means this can be effected. At present Cod Liver oil and the administration of tonics and cough mixtures by the stomach constitute the chief reliance of medical men. Will those effect the cure of this disease? I answer unhesitatingly *no*. But lest it should be said that I am unjust to these remedial means, let us hear what other physicians of experience say on this subject.

Dr. Edward Smith, LL. D., F. R. S., physician to the Hospital for Consumption, London, in his work published only two years ago, says: "We are not agreed as to the essential nature of consumption, * * and the disease is essentially and almost *universally* a fatal one, as it has been in all ages."—p. 30.

Dr. A. B. Maddock, in his work on "Diseases of the Lungs," (p. 1) says: "This strange apathy has been exhibited, it must be remembered, in the treatment of those diseases declared to be *incurable under the old routine practice*."

Dr. John Sweet, late professor of the Institute of Medicine in the University of New York, says: "*Antimony, digitalis* and *iodine* have all had their day of imaginary success, and all have been forgotten. Cod Liver oil is destined to experience the same fate. It has not, in my opinion, any specific influence on consumption. It is good nourishment, nothing more."

Dr. MacCormac, of Belfast, a recent and most able writer on this disease, says: "All the cod fish that swim in the mighty ocean, were they converted into oil, could not relieve or avert, were it but in a single instance, consumptive tubercular decay."

And lastly, Sir James Clark, M. D. F. R. S. physician to Her Majesty, the Queen of England, says:

"The *total inefficacy* of all means hitherto adopted for diminishing the frequency or reducing the mortality of this class of diseases is of itself sufficient incitement to *seek for some other method of remedying the evil*."

These are the frank admissions of the great lights of medicine put forth in their published works. They reveal to the public the actual opinions entertained by the great body of the profession. No medical man can hope to accomplish from these means more than temporary palliation. It is because of this admitted "*inefficacy*" of the ordinary treatment that I advocate its abandonment, and that a fair and impartial trial should be given to the treatment through the lungs by medicines which cleanse the air-tubes and purify the blood. I know from long experience and the results obtained in thousands of cases so treated that it will arrest the progress and effect the cure of this disease where all other means have failed; and it is because I believe it to be the only means which can give those afflicted with diseases of the air passages and lungs a reasonable chance of recovery that I so strongly advocate the practice.

While the treatment by the stomach is admitted to be worthless, so far as cure is concerned, the public and the profession ought, in the language of Sir James Clark, to "seek for some other means of remedying the evil," and I know of no means which promise the same prompt benefit as the use of properly adjusted medicated and oxygenated inhalations.

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT HUNTER, M. D.

MERCHANT'S HOTEL, Pittsburgh, April 8, '67.

P. S.—As Dr. Hunter is compelled to return to New York by the 1st of May this letter will conclude his series to the papers of this city. His views on the important questions discussed—questions which involve the health and lives of thousands, are now fairly before the public, and he can only hope that they may be instrumental in establishing what he believes to be a great improvement in medical practice upon a firm and enduring basis.

Chinese Ginger in Syrup.

Tourtelot's Extract of Beef, Borden's Condensed Milk, Imperial Bordeaux and Turkey Prunes, Dates, and Figs, Seedless Muscatel and London Layer Raisins, Cross and Blackiss' noted Pickles and Mustard, Sauces, Jellies, Preserves, Ketchups, Spiced and Pickled Oysters, Chocolates, fresh Pears and Pine Apples in glass jars, Canned Fruits, and Vegetables, Virgin Oil of Aix, Choice Mixed Candies, all kinds of Foreign and American Nuts, Philadelphia Walnut Candy, Nuts, Bonbons, &c., &c.

GEORGE BEAVEN,
112 Federal street, Allegheny.

CITY ITEMS.

This Week, This Week, This Week.

The opening sale of new Spring Dress Goods begins at the new store of Gardner & Stewart, on west corner of Market and Fourth streets, No. 65. Goods are all new style, just purchased, and will be sold at the lowest figures. Many of them are real bargains, and range in price from 12½c per yard to $1.25; in colors most beautiful, and in materials exceedingly desirable. Prices fully one-half less than last season. In connection with dress goods we will offer an entire new stock of dry goods at astonishingly low prices.

At 37½c per yard, one lot yard wide fine Earlston Ginghams, very best styles, selling elsewhere at 62½c.

At 18¾c, an extra heavy Domestic Gingham.

At 12½c, Red Bordered Huck Towels, sold elsewhere at 25c.

At 50, 62½, 75, 87½c, extra heavy Damask and Loom Table Linens.

At $1.00 per yard, beautiful light French Cloth Sackings.

At $1 12½ and $1.25 per yard, Black Silk for Sacques.

At 75 and 87½c, 5-4 all wool Delaines, in all colors.

At $2.75, extra heavy white Hamburg Quilts.

At 25c, good Cassimere Tweeds, for boys' wear.

At $2.50 Spring Balmoral Skirts, cheap at $3.50.

The choicest stock of French Chintzes in the city; prices low.

Lawns, Organdies, French Cambrics, Figured Brilliants. New stock of White Goods, cheap and very choice.

Prints at 10c and 12½c, fast colors.

Yard wide Brown Muslin, 12½c.

Bleach Muslin, from 10c up; 12½, 15, 18c.

Russia Crash, for 12½c, fine; sold everywhere at 18¾c.

We are determined to open the Spring trade at our new store with new goods at low prices. Our customers and the public shall have the benefit of our low purchases.

SILK GARMENTS.—We are prepared to show some very select styles, and take orders at very popular prices.

GARDNER & STEWART,
New Store, West corner of Market and Fourth streets.

Pure North Carolina Tar,

In barrels, half barrels and kegs, can be had at Fleming's Drug Store, No. 84 Market street, at lowest rates; also, Turpentine, Rosin, Oils and Varnishes.

Remember that the Tar is the genuine Southern article, and can be had cheaper of Fleming than elsewhere in the city.

Go to the Continental Saloon.

The best conducted and cleanliest Restaurant and Dining Rooms in the city, for a meal fit for a king, at the most reasonable of prices. Holtzheimer knows how to cater to the hungry millions, and it is no wonder that the Continental, next door to the Post-office has such an enormous patronage.

New Goods Cheap.

12½ cents red bordered Huck Towels; 12½ cents yard-wide unbleached sheeting Muslins; 37½c cents fine Scotch, French and Earlston yard-wide Ginghams, sold everywhere at 62½ cents; 50, 62½, 75 and 87½ cents; Damask Table Linens.

GARDNER & STEWART.

Cool Ale—Sparkling Wines.

Call in at Holtzheimer's popular Continental saloon, next door to the Post Office on Fifth street, for a glass of good old ale or sparkling Catawba wine.

New Spring Dress Goods.

Opening sale this week; prices 12½, 18¾, 25, 31, 37½ cents up to $1.25, all new goods, at the new store of Gardner & Stewart, west corner of Fourth and Market streets.

Attention! Attention!!

Grape Vines of Concord Grapes and all others just from the nursery ready for setting, out at J. W. Elliott & Son's, No. 105 Market street.

This Week

Begins the opening sale of new spring dress goods, at Gardner & Stewart's new store, corner of Fourth and Market streets. Prices from 12½ cents to $1.25 per yard.

Everybody is Going

To Gardner & Stewart's this week. The sale of New Spring Dress Goods begins. Prices very low. West corner of Market and Fourth streets. New store.

Dress Goods for Walking Suits,

Splendid stock from 37½c to $1.25 per yard, at the new store, west corner of Market and Fourth streets. GARDNER & STEWART.

Black Silks,

For Sacques, $1.12½ and upwards. New store of Gardner & Stewart, west corner Market and Fourth streets. No. 65.

Beautiful Silk Sacques and Shawls,

Opening this week. West corner of Market and Fourth streets.

GARDNER & STEWART.

New Goods Arriving Daily,

embracing all sorts, kinds and descriptions of superior spring and summer Boots and Shoes; selling at extremely low prices. Opera House Shoe Store.

A Large Assortment

of Ladies' Lasting Congress Gaiters from $1.25 a pair upwards; best goods in the city. Opera House Shoe Store.

Gents' Calf Boots

In great variety—make a speciality of these goods, and can offer great bargains. Opera House Shoe Store.

Try the Cough Candy;

It will do you good. Manufactured and sold by George Beaven, 112 Federal street, Allegheny City.

You Can Buy

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

Pure Drugs!

Pure Drugs!! Pure Drugs!!! Pure Drugs!!!! at Kain & Druit's, Allegheny.

Artificial Human Eyes,

Adjusted without pain, by Dr. Spencer, Dentist, 254 Penn street.

New Cloaks, New Goods, New Prices

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.

United States Senate—Extra Session.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Mr. Williams offered a resolution that the President of the Senate, at 5 o'clock P. M. next Wednesday, adjourn the present session *sine die*.

Mr. Sumner objected to the present consideration of the resolution.

VACANCY FILLED.

The President appointed Mr. Johnson on the Committee on Printing, to fill the vacancy occurred by the death of Mr. Riddle.

HARPER'S FERRY PROPERTY.

Mr. Willey offered a resolution, which was adopted, that the Secretary of War be requested to communicate to the Senate copies of all deeds, conveyance and other evidence of title by which the United States have claim to any lands, tenements and water privileges at or near Harper's Ferry, in West Virginia, what part thereof, if any, be sold or transferred, and for what purposes, and whether there is any reason why any part of the lands and tenements, and water privileges, unsold and undisposed of, should not now be sold.

On motion of Mr. Ramsey, the Senate went into Executive Session.

Two Girls Burned to Death.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

PETROLIA, CANADA, April 8.—The bakery owned by J. Kuth was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Two of Kuth's daughters, aged respectively twenty-one and twenty-eight years, perished in the flames. The rest of the family barely escaped with their lives.

FIRST EDITION.

ONE O'CLOCK, A. M.

HARRISBURG.

APPROPRIATION BILL REDUCED.

Reduction in the Western Appropriations.

SUNDRY BILLS PASSED.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

HARRISBURG, April 8, 1867.

SENATE.

Mr. Connell, chairman of the Finance Committee, offered a resolution to take out of the sinking fund the foreign insurance and license tax, amounting to $800,000, to make up the deficiency between the appropriation and the revenue, the appropriation exceeding the revenue from $700,000 to $1,000,000.

Mr. Wallace opposed the resolution on the ground that it was unconstitutional. The resolution was lost.

The Senate reconsidered the appropriation bill, going into Committee of the Whole, and reduced it five hundred thousand dollars. Among the reductions to western institutions are the following: House of Refuge, $40,000; Soldiers' Home, $15,000; Insane Asylum, $18,000.

The appropriation bill, as passed with the reduction, exceeds the revenue over two hundred thousand dollars.

BILLS PASSED.

Evening Session.—A supplement to the act incorporating the Mechanics Saving Bank of Pittsburgh.

Act incorporating the Keystone grain elevator and warehousing company.

Act regulating licenses for restaurants and hotels in Lawrence county.

Act preventing any but regular druggists vending medicines in Mercer county.

Act regulating the manner of the assessment of city taxes in the city of Pittsburgh.

HOUSE.

BILLS PASSED.

An act making an additional Law Judge in the Schuylkill district, by a party vote.

Act to relieve wives and children deserted by husbands and fathers in the Commonwealth.

A resolution requesting Congress to repeal the neutrality laws.

Act to regulate the carriage of baggage by railroad companies.

Saturday's Legislative Proceedings.

Debate on the Appropriation Bill—Salaries of the City Judges Increased to $5,000—Free Railroad Bill Passed the House.

[Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

HARRISBURG, April 6, 1867.

SENATE.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Act incorporating Sharon Savings Bank.

The following bills were called up and passed:

By Mr. Lowry: Act incorporating Oil Creek Lake and Transportation Company; also, the Meadville Driving Park Society. Senator Donavon, of Philadelphia, asked to have Dan Rice inserted as an additional incorporator, (laughter), which was agreed to.

Mr. Bigham: An act authorizing the Courts of Allegheny county to appoint short hand clerks.

Mr. Browne, (Lawrence): Act relating to the paving of streets in the borough of New Castle.

Mr. Lowry: Act to examine claims of the heirs of Colonel McClaine.

Mr. Searight: To authorize courts to change the place of holding elections in the Commonwealth.

SENATE ON APPROPRIATION BILL.

The appropriation bill consumed the three sessions to-day. There was a great deal of discussion on the different items of the bill. The members' salary was reduced to $1,000. All of the appropriations to the western institutions were passed as they came from the House. The Senate did not adjourn until midnight.

A lengthy debate occurred on the appropriation to the common schools, in which Messrs. Bigham, Fisher, Marrow, B. Lowry and Senators Landon and Wallace participated. A contest occurred on compelling School Superintendent Wickersham to publish his decisions in the *School Journal*, edited by Mr. Burroughs.

Mr. Lowry said: Mr. Speaker, we have as much right to make Mr. Wickersham publish the school decisions in Thomas H. Burrough's *School Journal* as you have to make me take the Erie papers, and no more.

Mr. Fisher remarked: Mr. Speaker, Thomas H. Burroughs was a friend to the common school system when these mushrooms—these upstarts were in their nurses arms.

Mr. Cowles: It is unjust—it is unwise—to compel the State Superintendent to publish his orders right along side of the vituperation. If Mr. Burroughs wants to be a pensioner, if he must feed off the State, let us pension him. Since this man has left the school department, he has determined that there shall be no success—no good done. Do not force him on the school department to enable him to destroy it. If his fame is in danger, let us erect him a monument; but if the school system is to be destroyed, let it be done by partizans, not by us here.

Mr. Burnett defended Mr. Wickersham.

Senator Brown, of Lawrence: Mr. Speaker, it is law to rescind old laws in the General Appropriation bill, it is a new thing to me. I object to making the official organ of the school department carry with it the criticism of that department by Dr. Burroughs.

Gen. Fisher, of Lancaster, wanted to see the papers of those who abused Dr. Burroughs. He would not take the *ipse dixit* of any man.

Senator Brown disclaimed any personal abuse of Dr. Burroughs.

INCREASING THE SALARIES OF JUDGES.

Mr. Lowry—Why is this done?

Mr. White—Yes; that is what I would like to know.

Mr. Lowry—Why don't the Judges of Erie county get as much as the Judges in Allegheny and Philadelphia?

Mr. Donovan—Because they haven't the same ability.

Mr. Lowry—Yes; that's likely. They will have to be transplanted to Philadelphia.

Mr. White—My old district, the Tenth Judicial, contains 150,000 inhabitants, and there are only 180,000 in Allegheny, or one-third more population, and they have five more Judges, and there is but one in mine. Do something like justice, and bring up the salaries of country Judges.

Mr. Bigham—Mr. Speaker, any one of our Judges sits more days than any country Judge in the State. The Judge of this (Harrisburg) district said here the other day he had'nt enough to do; and then the cost of living is much larger in the city—there is more than $1,500 difference—and that is why we make it.

Senator White insisted that the country Judges have more to do, and should be equal.

General Fisher—We have in Lancaster, thirty-four weeks of court; why should they not have the same amount of pay? It looks to me as if Philadelphia and Allegheny were going to swallow up the rest of the State. "Ye Gods, upon what meat doth this our Cæsar feed that he has grown so fat."

The yeas and nays were required, and resulted 15 to 12. So it was determined on paying the city Judges $5,000; all others $4,500.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Act to change the venue in the case of the Johnstown sufferers from Cambria to Centre county.

Act leasing the Kersey Oil and Mineral Company Railroad to the Farmers' Railroad Company of Venango county.

Act to incorporate the Oil Storage and Improvement Company.

Joint resolution requiring the State Treasurer, Auditor General and Secretary of the Commonwealth, to collate, revise and digest the laws of the Commonwealth.

The following bills were passed:

An act relating to footwalks in Oakland township; also to authorize the School Directors of Oakland to borrow money for school purposes; also supplement to the act incorporating the Pittsburgh and Minersville Passenger Railroad; also act to provide for the payment of the cost of removing paupers in certain cases in this Commonwealth.

Mr. McKee read in place and had passed an act to incorporate the Ridge Valley Co-operative Association of Allegheny.

Mr. Chase called up and had passed an act to secure uniformity in the guage in the purchase and sale of crude petroleum. This act authorizes the Governor to appoint suitable persons to inspect crude oil in the counties of Venango, Crawford and Warren, the fees of the inspectors to be one dollar and fifty cents for cars containing one or more tanks, and two cents per barrel for tanks containing less than five hundred barrels, and one cent for vessels containing more than five hundred barrels.

Mr. Boyle called up an act to commute the death sentence.

Mr. Linton offered an amendment that the act should apply to convictions prior to the passage of the act.

The amendment was lost, and the bill passed finally.

Evening Session.—The cattle bill being before the House, Mr. Boyle raised the point of order that the bill contained two different subjects, and was therefore unconstitutional. The Chair ruled the point of order not well taken. Mr. Boyle appealed from the decision of the Chair, and upon the question shall the Chair be sustained the vote was 33 yeas to 22 nays. Upon the final passage of the bill the yeas were 30 and nays 30, so the bill failed. The reason for the small vote on this question was that a great many members had paired off on this question. The vote was reconsidered and the bill passed, finally.

The *genuine* Free Railroad Law passed without a division.

FROM EUROPE.

War Panic in England.

ITALIAN MINISTRY ORGANIZED.

Fluctuation in the Stock Market.

THE PRUSSIAN EMPEROR ALARMED.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

ENGLAND.

STEAMERS ARRIVED OUT.

LIVERPOOL, April 8.—The steamer Malta arrived here, the Africa at Queenstown, and the Union at Southampton.

A WAR PANIC.

LONDON, April 8.—The uncertainty in regard to the future action of Napoleon, and the fears that he will adopt a warlike policy, create a wide-spread distrust among the business men, and there is a great depression in consequence in commercial and financial circles in both this city and Paris.

ALARMING NEWS.

LONDON, April 8.—In the House of Commons this evening it was stated that alarming news had been received in Berlin from Paris, and that the King of Prussia had sent for Bismarck at two o'clock Sunday morning.

ITALY.

NEW MINISTRY ORGANIZED.

FLORENCE, April 8.—The organization of the new Italian Ministry was completed by Baron Ratazzei. The Cabinet will be composed of prominent members of both political parties.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, April 8—*Evening.*—Consols declined and closed at 91. There is a general decline in American securities, closing quotations: Five-Twenties 73½; Illinois Central 75½; Erie 37.

FRANKFORT, April 8—*Evening.*—U. S. bonds 75½.

LIVERPOOL, April 8—*Evening.*—Cotton continued heavy throughout the day, and closed with a declining tendency; middling uplands 12½d; Orleans 12¾; sales amounted to 8,500 bales. [illegible] western canal per 100. Corn 41 [illegible] mixed western 43 [illegible] per quarter. [illegible]—Wheat shows an advance of 3d per cental for No 2 Milwaukee at [illegible]. Corn very active at the close of the day. Provisions and produce unchanged.

[*By Steamer.*]

NEW YORK, April 8.—The Bremen steamship Hansa, Capt. Ottersdorf, from Bremen, March 28th, via Southampton on the 27th, arrived here this evening. She brought 569 passengers, and reports experiencing heavy westerly winds during the whole passage. She brings details of news to the 27th, three days later than previously reported.

ENGLAND.—In the House of Commons on the 25th ult., various questions were asked and notices given relative to the reform bill. The most important of these was a notice given by Lord [illegible] relative to Lord Grosvenor, of an amendment to the Commons, fixing borough suffrages at a [illegible] rating. Sir R. Develey gave notice of his intention to move a reduction of the country franchise to twelve pounds rating, and Mr. Roebuck promised to move to reduce the terms of rating to six months, and to introduce the lodger franchise.

It is believed that the captain and crew of the steamer Stonewall Jackson, wrecked off Keratie, were drowned, together with the captain's wife and son.

A very large amount of gold is on its way to England from Australia. The London *Standard* says it is currently reported in St. Petersburg, that an offensive and defensive alliance has been concluded between Prussia and Russia, and that Constantinople is party to the arrangement.

FRANCE.—The Prince Imperial has quite recovered.

The *La France* declares that no negotiations are pending relative to Luxemburg, and says the rumors current on that subject are due to newsmongers.

PRUSSIA.—The Prussian *Cross Gazette* publishes the statement from Paris that Count Frossard, one of the Emperor's Aides-de-Camp, is going to proceed on a special mission to Luxembourg, and adds that the rumors current in Paris of the intended purchase of Luxembourg by France are gaining credence.

The supplement to the Italian budget shows a reduction of expenditures of 50,000,000 francs.

The resolution of France, Austria and Russia recommend to the Porte the cession of Candia to Greece, has not been carried out, on account of England's refusal to join them.

The Turkish journals say that Turkey will never cede an inch of territory which is guaranteed by the treaty of Paris, 1856.

ITALY.—The Florence journals declare that the King's speech at the opening of Parliament has produced a good impression upon the public mind. The Chamber of Deputies have, up to the present time, confirmed 142 electors.

FROM NEW YORK.

Steamer Supposed to be Lost—Methodist Conference—Life Saving Inventions Commission—Proposed Punishment of Lobbyists.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, April 8.—The steamer Java, which left Wilmington, N. C., March 15, for this port, is supposed to be lost, as no information has been received of her.

At the meeting of the Methodist Conference the Secretary of the Missionary Society reported that there will be a deficiency of $150,000 at the close of the present year. Among the speakers to-day was Rev. Mr. Walden, of Cincinnati.

The Government Commission for examining the life saving apparatus, met to-day, viz.: James Cragg, of Baltimore; A. S. Bemis, of Buffalo; Alfred Guthrie, of Chicago; J. N. Guthrie, of Louisville; William Rogers, of New Orleans; William Bradford, of New York; John M. Weeks, of New York; Charles L. Stephenson, of Galena, and Wm. Mew. Mr. Bemis was chosen President. Resolutions were adopted as to the order in which the inventions will be examined, and some other matters of detail arranged, when the Commission adjourned till to-morrow. Over ninety inventors have registered their names and inventions.

A report from Albany says measures are preparing for a Commission for the arrest and bringing to justice of at least a half dozen of the most notorious lobby operators on behalf of New York jobs.

FROM KENTUCKY.

Deposed for Usurping Authority—Conviction for Manslaughter.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

LOUISVILLE, April 8.—Judge Bland Ballard, of the United States District Court of Kentucky, has deposed A. H. Hubbard, Commissioner at Lexington, for usurping authority not delegated to him.

The jury brought in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter in the case of Robert Smith, charged with the murder of Fred. Sandeau, at the United States Hotel, in Louisville. Smith was sentenced to ten years in the Penitentiary.

California Aid For the South.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.—The collection for relief for the destitute people in the Southern States exceeds $42,000. Some of the principal streets have not been canvassed. All the houses of amusement volunteered benefits to aid the cause. We have not heard from the interior of the State.

The United States steamer Pensacola, from Callao, arrived last night.

A Fenian Prisoner Released.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

TORONTO, April 5.—One of the Fenian convicts, named Conness, has been released from the Penitentiary. Conness is a Canadian, and it is said his release was owing to a petition gotten up in the neighborhood where he resided.

Three Men Sentenced to be Hung.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

CINCINNATI, April 8.—Three men, Case, Avegus and Gaetz, the murderers of Mr. Hughes, have been sentenced to be hung at Cincinnati on the 29th inst.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

WASHINGTON.

IMPORTANT LAND CASE.

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Allotment of Supreme Court Judges

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, April 8, 1867.

IMPORTANT LAND CASE.

The Supreme Court of the United States had before it to-day the case of Josefa De Haro et al, appellants, vs. the United States, appellee. The case is an appeal from the United States District Court of California, which rejected the claim. The title of the land in question, in or near San Francisco, involves from three to fifteen millions of dollars. The United States maintain the claimants have no title in the chart, and finally, that their claims are entirely destitute of equity and should be rejected.

THE RUSSIAN TREATY.

The Committee on Foreign Affairs reported favorably on the Russian Treaty to-day.

GEORGIA TO ASK FOR AN INJUNCTION.

Leave will be asked, on the next motion day in the Supreme Court of the United States, to file the petition of the State of Georgia, asking that the President of the United States and Military Commander of [illegible] be enjoined and restrained from executing the acts for the better government of the rebel States, the object being, as in the Mississippi case, to test the constitutionality of the law. Messrs. O'Connor, of New York, and Jeremiah S. Black are engaged and will be associated with the other counsel for petitioners.

THE RUSSIAN TREATY—ITS RATIFICATION RECOMMENDED.

The Committee on Foreign Relations reported back to the Senate, this afternoon, the Russian American treaty, recommending its ratification. It is understood that Mr. Sumner made a speech in its favor, when the subject was passed over until to-[illegible] when the Senate will meet at eleven [illegible] and ample opportunity for discussion, so that a vote may be reached [illegible]. Some say there is a prospect that the treaty will be ratified by a [illegible] vote. Prompt action is induced [illegible] according to [illegible] action.

ALLOTMENT OF JUDGES.

The following allotment of Judges was announced in the Supreme Court to-day: First Circuit, comprising Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, Justice Clifford; Second Circuit, comprising New York, Vermont and Connecticut, Justice Nelson; [illegible] New Jersey and Pennsylvania, [illegible] and Delaware, Justice Grier; Fourth Circuit, comprising Maryland, West Virginia, [illegible], Chief Justice Chase; [illegible] Georgia, Florida, [illegible], Louisiana and Texas, [illegible] Wayne; Sixth Circuit, comprising [illegible] and Tennessee, [illegible]; Seventh Circuit, comprising Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin, Justice Davis; Eighth Circuit, comprising Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Arkansas, Justice Miller; [illegible] circuit, comprising California, Oregon and Nevada, Justice [illegible].

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

The Senate to-day confirmed the following nominations:

United States Marshal—Geo. L. Andrews, [illegible]. Registers of Land Office—L. G. Wi[illegible], Traverse City, Mich.; Orville B. B. Ban[illegible], Montana Territory; S. M. Black, [illegible], Oregon. Receiver of Public Money—[illegible], Traverse City, [illegible]; Elizabeth C. Welles, [illegible]; W. M. Green, Dayton; Claudius [illegible], Ann Arbor, Mich.; D. F. Webster, [illegible], Mich.; Terence Moore, Marysville; Mary [illegible]; Wm. H. Benson, Quincy, Ill. United States Consuls—Wm. M. Mayo, at [illegible], Italy. Receiver of Public Moneys—[illegible], at Colorado city, at Denver City. United States Attorney—Samuel [illegible], Kansas.

NOMINATIONS REJECTED.

The Senate rejected the following nominations:

Receiver of Public Money—Andrew Allen, [illegible]. Secretary of Colorado Territory—R. H. Steele, Ohio. United States Attorney—W. I. Chadwick, Montana. W. L. Ames, Idaho. Postmaster—Walter A. Hastings, Waukegan, Illinois; O. H. Crandall, Woodstock, Illinois; Silas Wheadon, Havana, Illinois; Clarke C. Bullington, Jerseyville, Illinois; E. M. Burnett, Litchfield, Illinois; Jerome B. Milton, Carrollton, Illinois. Agent for Pawnee Indians in Nebraska—John Bower, of Pennsylvania. Collector of Internal Revenue—Richard Applegate, Sixth District, Kentucky. Assessors of Internal Revenue—S. M. Stockslacker, Second District of Indiana; Chas. H. Miller, Fourth District of Wisconsin.

DISPOSAL OF PUBLIC LANDS.

The Commissioner General of the Land Office has received returns, showing the aggregate disposal of 19,329 acres of Public Lands during March, at the following offices: Nebraska City, 6,587 acres; Taylor's Falls, Minnesota, 3,347 acres. The greater portion of the land is taken under the Homestead Law for actual settlement.

THADDEUS STEVENS RECOVERING.

Hon. Thaddeus Stevens' condition has much improved since yesterday, and he is not now wholly confined to his bed, but sat up a considerable part of to-day.

THE SECOND MILITARY DISTRICT.

In Consultation with Gen. Sickles—The Conference Harmonious—North Carolina to Reorganize at Once.

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 8.—The Governor of North Carolina and Gov. Orr have been in consultation with Gen. Sickles here for a few days past, concerning the nature of the general orders to be issued for the government of the Second Military District. Their conference has been harmonious, and Governor Worth, on his return to Raleigh, will urge his State to reorganize promptly under the provisions of the Sherman act. Renewed efforts are in progress to stimulate emigration, and Governor Orr has appointed an agent to proceed to Europe and represent the advantages of South Carolina. A circular has been addressed to the planters of the State, urging them to co-operate in the movement.

FROM GEORGIA.

Negro Militia Disbanded—Freedmen's Mass Meeting Called—Official Vacancies.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

AUGUSTA, GA., April 8.—General Sweeny has disbanded the negro militia companies in this city.

A mass meeting of Freedmen is called for Wednesday. Some prominent citizens of the State have been invited to address the meeting.

General Sweeny has issued an order that all vacancies occurring in office before the Convention is held, can only be filled by persons who never took the oath to support the Constitution of the United States.

Furniture Establishment Burned.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

BOWMANSVILLE, Canada, April 8.—The factory of the Bowmanville Furniture Manufacturing Company, with its contents, was burned on Saturday. Loss very heavy. One hundred and thirty persons are thrown out of employment.

LATEST CONDENSED NEWS.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

The petition filed in the Supreme Court on Friday last, praying for an injunction against the enforcement of the reconstruction acts, is to be followed by one from Georgia, and probably others from all of the Southern States, praying for the same action.

The Collector of Internal Revenue of the First District of Arkansas, Edwin B. McGuire, has been detected in efforts to secrete the Government funds and deposit them to his own personal account in various banks of various cities. Over two hundred thousand dollars, which was found deposited in banks in New Orleans, Memphis, etc., has been recovered. McGuire cleared out from his District and endeavored to draw the funds, but the Treasury agents were ahead of him with dispatches and he was arrested in Texas a few days ago.

A vote upon the Russo-American Treaty is expected to be taken to-day, and it is believed it will be ratified.

There are sixteen candidates for Commissioner of Agriculture, including Mr. Newton, who seeks to be retained in the office.

Senator Sumner will sail by the first steamer for Europe.

Senator Saulsbury's friends prevailed upon Mr. Sumner not to press the resolution for his expulsion, promising that he shall not return to the Senate and that he will resign.

The bill to increase the rate of fare on the New York Central Railway has been vetoed by Governor Fenton.

Monzane, the burglar killed by an officer in Williamsburg, N. Y., a short time since, is said to have poisoned his wife and family.

President Johnson intends visiting New York, after the adjournment of the Senate.

Frank Queen, of the New York *Clipper*, has been prosecuted for libel, for stating that G. L. Fox had deserted his wife and taken up with the lovely Miss Fanny Herron.

Real estate is on the decline in Philadelphia, after having been pushed up for sale in view of the expected financial crash in the fall. Rents for small houses have been reduced somewhat.

Charles Johnson was arrested in Philadelphia and put under ten thousand dollars bail, on Monday, charged with having sold fifteen thousand dollars worth of worthless oil stock, representing it as good.

J. E. Davis, proprietor of the American House, at Fort Lake, Wisconsin, committed suicide on Sunday by taking morphine.

The gold deposits at the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, for the month of March, were $[illegible] in gold and $[illegible] in silver, total deposits $[illegible]. The coinage of gold was 15,242 pieces, value, $[illegible]; silver, 37,505 pieces, value, $[illegible]; copper, 4,101,750 pieces, value, $[illegible]. Total pieces, 4,154,573, total value, $[illegible].

The regulations of Chief Justice Chase for appointing registers of bankruptcy are very explicit, and he intends to make the appointments upon legal merit and not upon political recommendations. Applicants are required to have certificates from the United States District Judges showing the length of their practice, their standing at bar, &c.

The frigates of the Spanish South Pacific fleet, Admiral Nunez commanding, recently arrived at Santiago de Cuba, and it is supposed Admiral Nunez is *en route* for Washington to represent Spain in the Peace Congress proposed by Secretary Seward.

The railroads in Virginia need reconstructing more than any thing else.

A negro has been nominated for Mayor of Lynchburgh, Virginia.

Mutual confidence is all that is wanting to restore the State of Georgia. The negroes are said to be doing better than heretofore and relapsing into the old system of working, says the New York *Herald's* correspondence.

Two thousand miners are on a strike in New Jersey, and all the coal mines in Morris county have suspended work.

The ice in the St. Lawrence river remains firm.

The trial at Montreal, Canada, of Lieut. Col. Brown, who was pursued through Europe, and finally arrested, on a charge of embezzling government funds, resulted, yesterday, in a verdict of not guilty.

FROM THE WEST.

Intelligence Concerning the Indians—Confederation Against the Whites—War of Extermination—Death in Battle Rather than by Starvation—Remarkable Meteor.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—The *Democrat's* St. Joseph special says: The Montana *Post* of the 14th gives the following information in regard to the Indians: Eighteen hundred lodges of Sioux, numbering three warriors to a lodge, under chiefs Red Cloud, Iron Plate and White Young Bull, are encamped on the Big Horn river, about thirty-five miles from Fort Smith. The Crows, Bloods, Piegans, Grosventres and Sioux have made peace among themselves and joined in a league against the whites.

About eight hundred lodges are yet north of the Missouri River, but will cross over and camp near Muscle Shell River as soon as the spring opens, and after concentrating their forces the confederation will wage a war of extermination against the whites. They say the whites have occupied their only hunting ground; that death is inevitable and they prefer it in battle rather than by starvation.

The Commandant at St. Smith don't expect to be able to hold his position, and it is thought if reinforcements don't arrive soon, the command will come to Clarke's Fort, on the Yellow Stone.

The Helena *Herald* notices the fall of a remarkably large meteor in that vicinity, which lighted up the town equal to a thousand gas burners.

New York Dry Goods Market.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, April 7.—The Cotton Goods market opened fairly active, but subsequently the demand fell off, and the prices of Brown Sheetings were slightly lower, notwithstanding the advance in gold to 13[illegible]. In prices we have only to notice the following change: Lawrence C, 4-4 standard sheeting 14½c lower and selling at 20, Augusta 4-4 do, 19; Dwight Cabat A, do, 19; Dwight W, 17; Lyman C, 20½, and do. C 48", and Belleville dark prints 12½ for seconds in other styles. No particular change to be observed. Heavy Sheetings very scarce and buoyant, at 21 for Atlantic A and H Pacific, Extra Indian Head and Amoskeag A, and 20 for Stark A. The operatives and many of the mills eastward have been on the strike for over one week, and the production is running down.

Town of De Soto Suddenly Inundated—Negroes Drowned.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—Advices from below say the town of De Soto, opposite Vicksburg, was suddenly inundated a few days since, and from eighty to one hundred negroes were drowned. The people of Vicksburg used strenuous efforts to rescue the poor creatures, but could only reach such as had secured temporary places of safety. The town was exclusively occupied by negroes.

Hartford, Conn.—Municipal Election.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

HARTFORD, April 8.—The Democrats carried the municipal election by 650 majority to-day—a gain of 150 since last Monday. They elect 4 of 6 Aldermen and 8 of 21 Councilmen.

Hat Manufactory Destroyed.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

BOSTON, April 8.—The large hat manufactory of the Messrs. Desmond, in Lawrence, was destroyed by fire last night. The loss is estimated at $40,000, insured.

A Loan and What Came of It.

Patrick McCormack was before Alderman Hays, yesterday, charged with the larceny of a wheelbarrow, the property of L. C. Chanfray. The accused was engaged by the latter gentleman to remove some dirt from a rear yard, and having no barrow he was loaned one by Mr. Chanfray, for the occasion. After finishing the job and receiving the remuneration agreed upon, he went off to find work elsewhere, taking the barrow with him. He returned the property, paid the costs and was allowed to go at liberty, the owner of the vehicle refusing to prosecute.

Last Evening some sneak thief entered the room of H. Gardner, at his boarding house, No. 109, Second street, and stole a full suit of clothes. A chap who has been boarding at the house and who disappeared after the discovery of the robbery, is suspicioned with committing the theft, and we trust the police may succeed in capturing him.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

FOURTH PAGE.—*The fullest and most reliable Money, Oil and Produce Market Reports given by any paper in the city, will be found on our Fourth Page.*

To Subscribers.

Subscribers changing their places of residence will please leave their new address at our counting room, so that our carriers may be enabled to deliver the GAZETTE without intermission. Our terms for the year will remain as usual—fifteen cents per week delivered by carrier.

Ristori.

The event of the season has transpired. All anxious has been on the very tiptoe of anxious expectancy to behold Ristori, and not only her, but the resplendant costumes of their fashionable friends. They have been appeased. The Opera House was made glad last night by her presence, and the regalia of hundreds of our *bon tons*, whose outfits made terrible vacancies in the exchequers of indulgent papas, to say nothing of the magnificent *personnelles* of our young men of fashion. A close observer could have noticed something unusual in the stir and bustle in our streets during the entire day. Diamond Alley, that contracted haven of millinery and unique ideas, was in one tumult. Bonnets of the latest style were in fearful demand, while old frames were being trimmed anew, some with a coiffure of bouillon, another with a spray of French flowers, while still another was composed of a few fig leaves stuck together, after the manner of our primitive parents, with a few thorns that were dignified by the title of dart. Opera cloaks were cleaned, and where time had left an indelible stain new ones were substituted. Smythe on a salary of six hundred a year, purchased immaculate kids, and engaged a carriage at half a month's income. Poor Smythe, it will be six months ere his purse will permit of another visit to the theatre. But what of that. Did he not see Ristori. Had he not the pleasure of ogling the fascinating Miss P. through his borrowed lorgnette. Was he not for three long hours surrounded by rustling silks crisp, laces, paste jewels and rounded bust—that owed their grace to the mantua maker's art. Would not that requite him sufficiently for time and expenditure. He must be a very unreasonable elf else. But a truce to this idle gossip, and to the more serious business of speaking of the actress and the play. The historic play "[illegible]" with Ristori in the title role is not a spectacle to be witnessed every day, and those who attended the Opera House last night could not fail to have been impressed with what they saw, as never before on these boards has such [illegible] acting been done. [illegible]

This was the real character of the queen, and this Ristori held up to her auditors [illegible]

Signor Glech, who sustained the character of the favorite, was particularly good in the scene, sharing for a moment the applause with Ristori. [illegible]

To-night she appears in the great character of "Marie Stuart," and on the succeeding evening as Lady Macbeth, in Shakespeare's tragedy of "Macbeth."

Seats for the last night can be procured at once, by applying at the box office.

New Store, New Firm, New Goods.

Elsewhere in to-day's paper appears the card of a new firm—Messrs. Gourley & Logan, who have opened a first class retail hat and cap establishment, at No. 5, St. Clair street. The members comprising the new firm, H. J. Gourley and J. M. Logan, are both well and favorably known to the community, and we hope they will meet with the success they merit. A large stock of men and boys hats and caps, purchased from the most careful and experienced importing houses of the East, has just been received, and will be found to embrace all the latest and most fashionable styles. It is generally conceded that without a tasty and becoming covering for the head, man is never dressed and cannot appear to advantage, and any of our readers who disregard this fact, while such rare chances for selection are offered at Gourley & Logan's new store, should be publicly read out of fashionable society. We bespeak for the new store a large patronage as the stock will ever be kept up to the standard of the times, while the prices will be as reasonable as those prevailing at cotemporary establishments. The firm has our heartiest wishes for success, and we commend its members to our readers as fair dealing, honorable and enterprising business gentlemen. Give them a call for any article in the hat, cap or straw goods line.

Ungallant.

Anthony Blacksharp was before Alderman Mullin, yesterday, charged, on oath of Philip Meyerbeer, with assault and battery. The defendant alleges that Blacksharp attacked Mrs. Meyerbeer on the public street, knocking her down and abusing her in an outrageous manner. The lady is said to have called for help, and begged her assailant to desist, but all her petitions were unheeded until the arrival of a neighbor, who relieved her by knocking Blacksharp down. The latter, on being taken before a magistrate, stated in defence that the woman had called him some very harsh names, applying epithets that had a tendency to cast a blemish on his parentage. This, no matter how aggravating to a sensitive man, such as Anthony evidently is, was not considered sufficient to warrant the desperate attack on the female, and the defendant was required to furnish bail in the sum of five hundred dollars to answer at Court.

Popular Scientific Lectures.

The Young Men's Christian Association has already made itself in our midst a power of good. It is, in all respects, a benevolent institution. Though still in its infancy it has already opened free reading rooms, and has secured a few popular lecturers for this spring, proposing to have a regular course next fall and winter. The object of lectures is popular entertainment and instruction. This will be free to all members of the Association. The first two will be delivered on Thursday and Friday evenings, at Masonic Hall, by Prof. Brewer, of Yale College, one of the leading scientific men in the country. His lectures will be illustrated. Admission, to those not members of the Association, fifty cents. The Young Men's Christian Association has incurred a great expense in furnishing these lecturers and we hope our citizens will attend them for their own benefit and to help lighten the expenses of the Association.

Runaway.—A pair of spirited horses belonging to William Mackey, and attached to a light buck wagon, took fright yesterday afternoon and dashed down St. Clair street at a terrible rate of speed. A lad on the street caught the reins and heroically held on to the frightened horses until he was thrown under the wagon. The wheels passed over him, but he escaped without a bruise of any consequence. The horses finally brought up below Penn street after colliding with an express wagon, thus disengaging themselves from the vehicle, the shafts of which were broken into flinders. The owner of the spirited horses should feel very happy that no more serious consequences attended the result of his carelessness in leaving his team unhitched.

The Iron City Monthly will be ready this week. Price sixty cents per copy. Look for it.

Base Ball.

Although the spring has somewhat advanced there has been no general movement among the votaries of our National game—Base Ball—as yet. The Atlantic Club, of Brooklyn, acknowledged on all sides to be the most perfect association of the kind in the country, are about purchasing new grounds, which are calculated to surpass, when all the arrangements are complete, any class grounds in the world. The Athletics of Philadelphia, have not done anything yet, and from present appearances the old enthusiasm of this organization has been dangerously marred by the defeats it sustained last year at the hands of the Atlantic. It has, however, the material to win a brilliant record, as it embraces in its ranks some of the finest athletes in the United States, and this assurance may spur them to renewed exertions. In this vicinity, lovers of the bat and ball are very numerous, and we have quite a number of base ball clubs more or less proficient in the healthful exercise. Among them the Enterprise Club, of Allegheny, stand prominent, having won every contest they ever engaged in with a local organization hereabouts. Determined on maintaining their prestige, they have entered the field in advance of their cotemporaries, having within the last few days erected their colors on the West Common, Allegheny, and yesterday were engaged in a test game among themselves. The day was bland and beautiful, the sunlight shining warmly on the young grass that in its emerald freshness looked like a huge table where lovers of pastoral scenes might play *rouge et noir* at will. The ruddy glow in the face of each player showed that the blood was coursing free through every vein, bringing more benefit to the participant than a whole cabinet of allopathic drugs or homœopathic doses. The Enterprise boys intend making an extensive Western tour early in May, when they will play match games with several of the Vesperian clubs.

The Lincoln club, although not so active as their neighbors, are not totally inert, as they purpose entering the field at an early day to make a vigorous campaign for the palm of superiority. They will meet on Saturday next to elect officers for the ensuing year.

Now that the ball is fairly opened, let it be kept moving.

Auscultation and Dr. Keyser's Lung Sound.

When LAENNEC, who was the first to introduce to the medical profession auscultation as a means of determining the exact state of the lungs by listening to the respiration, he met with but little favor. The novelty of his invention excited not a little attention, and it being so different from that mode of examination which had existed since the commencement of the Christian era, up to his time, it was denounced as a novelty, and unworthy the dignity of the profession. It is needless, however, to observe that at the present day, Laennec's mode of examining the lungs is, in some form or other, resorted to by nearly all medical men who make any pretensions toward the cure of lung disease in any of its manifold varieties. It is not meet then that the human mind should exert itself in its devotion to that science whose function it is to ameliorate the condition of the human race, especially with regard to a disease which annually sweeps its untold millions to untimely graves? Our answer is a plain one. It is. And he, whoever he may be, who adds a tittle to the accumulated knowledge, is entitled to the meed of praise from which none but a bigot, who desires to stand still, will demur. We desire to invite attention more especially to a new instrument, called "LUNG SOUND," partly the invention of Dr. Keyser, of this city, which, he claims, acts to the ear, as the microscope does to the eye, and renders the normal and abnormal sounds in breathing, as plain to the ear as though the walls of the chest were made of glass instead of opake flesh and bone.

An Ornament.

The intersection of Fifth and Smithfield streets has of late been the scene of a large gathering and much hilarity—men of brawny-limb congregate there for the purpose of testing their strength, while individuals divest themselves of their superfluous wealth endeavoring to elevate a tin vessel. Business is evidently on the increase, for the number of instruments have recently augmented from one to four, and the novelty once unattractive now incites the curiosity of every passer by. The legitimate owner of the enterprise is a queer little fellow, the very counterpart of Daniel Quilp, Esq., who sits from morn until the shades of night have long fallen, gazing intently on the interrogatives of his customers, meditating on the extent of their muscular powers. A case of Mrs. Jarley's wax figures and the musical strains of a new hand organ would enhance the collection considerably.

Police Dismissed.

Thomas Smith, George Cochran and Edward Owens, members of the Mayor's police, got drunk on Saturday night, March 30th, and on the following Sunday morning about two o'clock forced an entrance into the house of Mrs. Crissila Moore, on Washington street, and deported themselves in an outrageous manner. Mrs. Moore called the watchman doing duty on that beat, whereupon the drunken policemen vanished. They were subsequently arrested and fully identified as the party who had perpetrated the outrage. Last night they had a hearing before Mayor McCarthy, who sentenced each of them to pay a fine of $20 and then dismissed them from the service of the city. They only received that which their deserts merited, and we trust it will prove an example to all who indulge their appetites to the same extent, when on duty as guardians of the peace of our city.

Patent Window Sash.

We yesterday had the pleasure of closely examining a model of what we conceive to be a great invention, and one which will be generally introduced by house-builders. It was the patent window sash now on exhibition by Mr. Jos. Washington, at room six, second floor of No. 67 Fourth street. The sash, by the simplest of means, is removed from the window, so that the vexatious trouble of getting at the glass now experienced by house-keepers in cleaning, is entirely obviated. It is so simply constructed, and has so many advantages over all other sashes now in common use, that we do not wonder at its very general adoption. Mr. Washington is selling patent rights and territory for the sash, and carpenters, sash-makers, and house-builders should at once call and look into its merits.

The Sculling Match.

Walter Brown, an aspirant for the aquatic championship of America, and now matched with James Hamill for a contest on the 21st day of May, is in full training for the eventful struggle at his home, in Portland. Mr. Brown is expected to arrive in this city about the latter part of this month, and during his stay he and his partisans will be the guests of the McKee Barge Club, whose boat house, at present, is situated above Dam No. 1, but will be more conveniently located after his arrival.

Malicious Mischief.

John C. Thomas appeared before Alderman Lynch yesterday, and instituted legal proceedings against Amanda McMurtrie for malicious mischief. The prosecutor alleged that Amanda wantonly and maliciously destroyed a pair of pants belonging to the former. The lady, on being arrested, stated that Thomas had boarded with her for a considerable time and left without settling his bill. The prosecutor failing to show malice, Amanda was discharged and Thomas mulct in the cost.

The Citizens of Western Pennsylvania are requested to meet in Convention in the First United Presbyterian Church, Seventh street, Pittsburgh, on Tuesday, April 9th, at 7½ P. M., to take measures to secure in the Constitution of the United States a recognition of Almighty God, of the Lord Jesus Christ as the Ruler among the nations, and the revealed will of God as of supreme authority in civil affairs. Associations auxiliary to the National Association for this purpose, and all Christian Congregations, are requested to send representatives, and all friendly to the cause are invited to attend. See the call published in our advertising columns.

The Map which we present our readers to-day bears the imprint of Singerly & Cleis, the well-known lithographic job printers, 71 Third street. This firm prepares maps, plates, and all descriptions of such work in the best style of art, at the shortest notice and the most reasonable rates. Bill heads, cards, wedding circulars, trade circulars and letters, and everything in the lithographic line is executed in the most artistic manner. We cheerfully commend the firm to the patronage of the community.

Anniversary Meeting.—The Twenty-seventh Anniversary Meeting of the Allegheny Bible Society will be held this evening at half past seven o'clock, in the Sandusky street Baptist Church. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. John B. Clark, D. D., and Rev. S. F. Scovil. This announcement should be sufficient to attract a large audience, as the speakers are immensely popular in the walks of oratory.

Caught in the Act.—A lad named Robert S. McAdams, was arrested at the Allegheny wharf, yesterday, in the act stealing a piece of a rope from a flat boat lying near the Hand street bridge. He was taken to the Mayor's office in Allegheny, where he had a partial hearing, and was admitted to bail for a further hearing on Wednesday.

Attentive.—The audience in the Criminal Court yesterday were unusually attentive while Marshall Swartzwelder, Esq., was addressing the jury for the prosecution in the case of the Commonwealth vs. John Lutz, indictment barratry.

Under False Pretense.—Mary Roheler was before Alderman H. J. Thomas, of the Eighth ward, yesterday, on a charge of obtaining goods from Albert Wessing under false representations. She was held for a further hearing to-day.

A high wind prevailed throughout the city yesterday, which played fantastic tricks with the ladies' habiliments, especially their embroidered skirts, which fluttered in the breeze like silken banners over a castle wall.

Silver Ware, genuine solid metal or plated, cheaper at Reineman, Meyran & Seidle's popular jewelry store, No. 29 Fifth street, than in the Eastern market.

Engagement Rings of solid gold in all styles, together with a complete new stock of fashionable jewelry, at Reineman, Meyran & Seidle's, 29 Fifth street.

The Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company offer to let their sand stone quarries below Freeport. See advertisement.

A decline in real estate has taken place in Philadelphia. It is only a question of time for a similar fall in Pittsburgh.

Fine Jewelry can be obtained at very reasonable prices, at Reineman, Meyran & Seidle's, 29 Fifth street.

Fully five hundred persons surrounded the entrance to the Opera House, to see the fashions, last night.

Jurors Fined.—Nine Common Pleas jurors were fined yesterday by Judge Mellon for non-attendance.

The McKee Barge Club, of Birmingham, were recently the recipients of a handsome set of colors.

Barefooted boys made their appearance on the streets yesterday. A sign of approaching summer.

The Iron City Monthly will be ready this week. Price sixty cents per copy. Look for it.

Idle Dogs are they who lounge in the Court room when they have no business to be there.

The Ristori occasion to-night will be much more brilliant than that of last evening.

Nickel pennies of 1858 are in demand among numismatologists.

Highway Robbers are operating at Zanesville.

Henry Vincent is again to lecture in Pittsburgh.

Thieves and gamblers infest Zanesville.

Gettysburg is full of mad dogs.

Anna Dickinson is in Cleveland.

Alf. Burnett is at Harrisburg.

Ristori's baggage is immense.

Court Reports on Fourth Page.

DIED:

HEAD.—At Latrobe, Westmoreland county, Penn'a., on Saturday, the 6th inst., KATE M., daughter of James Fenlon and wife of Joseph A. Head, aged 20 years, 1 month and 21 days.

The funeral will take place at half-past ten o'clock A. M., on TUESDAY, the 9th inst., from the residence of her father in Latrobe.

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SIDNEY MARLOWE, Esq.:
DEAR SIR:—We, the undersigned, desirous of witnessing you in the character of *Hamlet*, before your purposed departure from our city, do hereby respectfully request you to notify us at your earliest opportunity the time and place of your appearance. New Opera House preferred.
Very respectfully, yours,
J. McD. Crossan, Thomas M. Marshall,
Wm. Phillips, Harry Sotro,
M. W. Beltzhoover, J. B. Sweitzer,
Thomas Steel, Addison Garrard,
George Wilson, Samuel B. Clancy,
Henry A. Weaver, James S. Negley,
Ferdinand E. Volz, James Lowry, Jr.,
W. Milnor Roberts, C. Hanson Love,
M. K. Moorhead, Henry Kleber,
R. W. Mackey, And many others.
PITTSBURGH, April 8, 1867.
GENTLEMEN:—Your kind note requesting me to appear in Shakespeare's Hamlet before my departure from Pittsburgh, is at hand.
In reply, I will designate FRIDAY EVENING, the 12th inst., for my appearance at the NEW OPERA HOUSE.
With my profound acknowledgment of the high privileges you have awarded me,
I am, gentlemen, very respectfully, yours,
SIDNEY MARLOWE.
To John McD. Crossan, Wm. Phillips, M. W. Beltzhoover, Thomas Steel, Henry A. Weaver, J. B. Sweitzer, and others.

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