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THE WEEKLY GAZETTE, issued on Wednesdays and Saturdays, is the best and cheapest family newspaper in Pennsylvania.

We print on the inside pages of this morning's GAZETTE: Second page—Poetry and Condensed News. Third page—New York Financial Affairs, Markets by Telegraph, Imports, River News, &c.

Gold closed yesterday in New York at 138 1/2.

IMPEACHMENT.

The trial was resumed yesterday, and after the examination of two witnesses for the prosecution, the case for the defense was opened by Judge CURTIS, in an argument of several hours' duration.

A SHOCKING DISASTER is reported to have marked the opening of navigation on the lakes. The steamer Sea Bird was burned on Lake Michigan, early yesterday morning.

THE LATE Maryland Legislature in revising the school law of the State, abolished the provision by which the fourth of July was made a holiday in the schools.

RECENT experience in the financial world has convinced the public of the existence of a serious error in the National Banking system. It is agreed on all sides that the provision requiring all the banks to make up their quarterly statements on a day fixed by law and known in advance, must invariably result, as it did a few days since, in a very considerable temporary derangement of the money market.

A NEW YORK JOURNAL having stated that Gen. GRANT was in favor of the impeachment and removal of the President, the statement has been taken by the Democratic press as an authorized and official exposition of his opinions, and he accordingly denounced unparaphrasingly, by those consistent friends of free speech, for what they represent to be an attempt to overawe the Senate by military power.

THE GREAT FIRE of 1845 affords to the older citizens of Pittsburgh the most prominent chronological topic of discussion in the history of this city.

these points are regularly discussed, and mingled with the narration of interesting incidents of personal experience, quite as often as the anniversary of the great event, upon this 10th day of April, comes around.

RECONSTRUCTION NOT A FAILURE.

Arkansas has adopted her Constitution, and her new Legislature, now in session at Little Rock, will send to Washington, before the end of the next week, that instrument for the approval of Congress.

The South Carolina election commences to-morrow, continuing until the 16th. The Constitution to be submitted resembles that just adopted in Arkansas, in its just, liberal and well guarded provisions for securing all private rights, for the promotion of education and intelligence, and for the encouragement and protection of a spirit of loyal obedience to the Federal supremacy.

A PLEA FOR THE FASHIONABLE.

A strong tendency exists among many people to decry and depreciate fashionable people. Even Mr. GOUGH, in his lecture on "Curiosity," descends to this. Descends, because it shows either gross ignorance or a mean, pitiful spirit of envy or narrow-mindedness, quite beneath the level of most of that great orator's views.

The Louisiana election takes place April 17th and 18th. A few of the members of the recent Convention have pronounced against the Constitution, and the Conservatives therefore are encouraged to hope, from the aid of those dissentients, for success in their active opposition to it.

Georgia votes on the 20th, the election continuing to the 24th. Col. BULLOCK, heading the Republican ticket for Governor, and North Carolina votes from the 21st to the 23d, with Governor HOLDEN at the head of the Republican nominations.

We see no reason to doubt that, by the 15th of May, we shall see all the machinery of the new civil organizations in the States of Louisiana and South Carolina completed, and waiting only the approving sanction of Congress to set them in motion.

When at Augusta it is a step for you to leave the State, and in leaving it is impossible to restrain a sigh over a great commonwealth now given over to a fragmentary and misrepresentative Congress.

AN IMPARTIAL VIEW OF IMPEACHMENT.

We annex from the Washington correspondence of the New York Times, a very clear, distinct and impartial statement of the position of the case as it stands at the close of the Managers' testimony.

The situation is embarrassing to politicians and a painful one for patriots in any section of the Union. But, however much it may divide and distract public sentiment in the North, the Southern States themselves experience all its evils with a bitterness manifold greater.

stancy of the Southern people will yield to the logic of events, and they will return to their obligations and privileges under the Federal laws, convinced by their interests and in spite of their still lingering and hesitating pride.

On the order of the President, did attempt to take possession of the War Office, was only prevented from using force in so doing by the intervention of Mr. Stanton, legal proceedings; that he did attempt to exercise the functions of the office, in giving orders and signing himself Secretary of War.

THE KU-KLUX-KLAN.

A letter from Augusta, Georgia, to the New York World, a Democratic journal, gives the annexed sketch of this secret organization.

"And now, to leave a pleasant story, let me say a word of the Ku-Klux Klan. Every body, by this time, must have heard of the Klan—the Ku-Klux Klan—'K. K. K. B. B. B.'—and wondered what it was, and about its late origin in the South, having its birth-place in Middle Tennessee, and now spreading like wild-fire all through this country."

How Connecticut was Carried. The Hartford Courant of April 4th, two days before the election in Connecticut, indicates the tactics of the Democrats by which the State was carried for the Democratic Government.

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