CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Daily Prayer Meeting—From 12 M. to 1:30 o'clock at the Methodist Church, Fifth street, next door to GAZETTE office.

Taken to Jail.—Mayor Drum yesterday committed to jail Patrick M'Closkey, the silverware thief.

Acting Disorderly.—Mayor Drum yesterday fined Zavier Wacker five dollars for acting disorderly in the Third Ward on Sunday afternoon.

Drained.—The pond on Eagle street in the old Eighth ward has been drained, and the place presents a more healthy appearance than formerly.

Will Arrive.—The Detroit Base Ball Club will arrive in the city to-night. They come to play a return match with the Allegheny Club on Thursday afternoon.

Discharged.—Fred. Andregg, charged on oath of Dennis Cahill before Alderman Thomas with keeping a gambling house, was discharged after a hearing yesterday.

County Executive Committee.—A regular meeting of the Republican County Executive Committee will be held at the "Republican Headquarters," City Hall, this afternoon at three o'clock.

Improvement.—The windows in the comb of the roof of the Keystone Skating Rink are being altered so as to work on pivots, which will be a material addition to the ventilating facilities of the place.

Coup de Soleil.—About six o'clock last evening a driver of a lumber wagon died suddenly at his boarding house, No. 79 Spring alley. It is supposed his disease was sunstroke. An inquest will be held this morning.

A Delinquent Husband.—Mary Sweeny, residing at No. 9 McGeary Row, Carson street, alleges that her husband, George Sweeny, struck her in the face with his fist and otherwise abused her. Alderman Taylor issued a warrant for his arrest.

Foot Amputated.—The man Slatterly, who had his foot crushed on Monday evening while attempting to jump on a train of cars at the Federal street crossing, had it amputated yesterday morning. Drs. Thorn and Rankin performed the operation.

The Fire Alarm Telegaaph.—The boxes of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, intended for the Lawrenceville district, have all been located and the wires attached, and it is the intention to have the circuit completed and a connection made with the Central office to-day.

Threatened Him.—John Stewart alleges that James Carr came into his house in White Oak alley, Third ward, Allegheny, and shook his fist under his nose and threatened to whip him. A warrant was issued by Alderman Ballie for the arrest of James.

Runaway.—A horse attached to an empty coal wagon ran away yesterday morning on Anderson street, Allegheny. In endeavoring to turn off from Anderson to Lacock street, the wagon collided with a tree box and the runaway was stopped. The wagon was slightly damaged.

Surety of the Peace.—James Andrews made information yesterday against Robt. Pollock for surety of the peace. Andrews, who resides in Allegheny, alleges that Pollock pointed a gun at one of his children and threatened to shoot her. A warrant was issued by Alderman McMasters.

Boy Drowned.—About six o'clock last evening a little boy about ten years of age, son of Philip Kalhof, who resides on Pennsylvania avenue, near Magee street, was drowned in the Monongahela river at Lock No. 1 while bathing. The body had not been recovered at a late hour last evening.

Held for Court.—Reddy McCafferty and George Hall, the parties arrested for breaking into Rev. Steiple's house, in Allegheny, the circumstances of which we published yesterday, had a hearing before Mayor Drum last evening, and were each held for their appearance at court in the sum of $1,000.

Alleged Assault on a Woman.—Mary F. Neely appeared before Alderman Bailie yesterday and made information against John McCune for surety of the peace. She alleges that McCune assaulted her while passing along Morgan street, Allegheny, and used vulgar and insulting language toward her. A warrant was issued.

Tore His Coat.—According to a statement of John McVay, he has been the victim of rough usage at the hands of Michael Mason. He alleges that Michael attacked, and after striking him several blows, ended by tearing the coat from his body. A warrant was issued for the arrest of Michael by Alderman McMasters.

The Second ward, Allegheny, Grant and Colfax Club met last night, at the School House to hear the report of the Committee appointed at last meeting to district the ward for canvassing. There was no other business transacted. The Club will hereafter hold regular meetings every Tuesday evening during the campaign.

Beat and Abused Him.—William Jackson alleges that while passing the cook works at Dam No. 1, he was attacked and beaten by Michael Woods in a most shameful manner. He made information before Alderman Thomas charging Woods with assault and battery. The accused was arrested, and after a hearing was held for Court.

Collided.—Yesterday morning about ten o'clock a sand wagon being hauled along Pennsylvania avenue near Pride street collided with a milk cart, upsetting the cart and slightly injuring the horse. The milkman was thrown into the street but sustained no injury, and after righting things up, he proceeded on his way as if nothing had happened.

Wants His Umbrella.—James Carnahan wants his umbrella from William McAnine, who, he alleges, carried the article away some time since, and now refuses to return it. It was valued at $4,50, and as he feels that it is too good an article to lose he made information, yesterday, against McAnine for larceny as bailee. A warrant was issued by Alderman McMasters.

Died of His Injuries.—William Lake, who was injured on the Connellsville Railroad, Saturday night, and had his arm amputated Saturday morning, died of his injuries yesterday morning, at four o'clock, at Passavant Hospital. Coroner Clawson was notified and summoned a jury, and after hearing the evidence of Dr. Sutton adjourned to meet at five o'clock this evening.

Maintaining a Nuisance.—Margaret Watkinson made information before the Mayor yesterday, charging John Crowe with maintaining a nuisance. The prosecutrix alleges that the accused has on his premises in the Eighth ward a pig pen, which is offensive to herself and neighbors and a nuisance to the entire community. The accused was arrested and held for a hearing.

Slight Fire.—Between one and two o'clock yesterday morning an alarm of fire was communicated to the Central office from Box 52, corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and Pride street, which was caused by a slight fire in Sawyer's soap factory, on Pennsylvania avenue. The fire department were promptly on the ground and the flames were extinguished before any serious damage was done.

Selling Liquor Without License.—Patrick Murphy made information before the Mayor yesterday against Mary Conners charging her with selling liquor without license. The accused resides near Eversen & Preston's mills in the old Eighth ward, and the prosecutor alleges that defendant sold liquor on several occasions, and that she has not obtained a license. She was arrested and held for a hearing.

The Editorial Excursion Party from New York and New England, will arrive at the Union Depot this morning on their way to the present terminus of the Union Pacific Railroad. The party will be joined by representatives of the GAZETTE, *Post* and *Chronicle*. The affair is under the management of Peasles & Co., the well known New York advertising agents, and a rare good time is anticipated by the excursionists.

Base Ball.—The Cleveland Base Ball Club, which is composed of the most worthy young men of the Forest City, will play a friendly game with the Allegheny Club at Union Park, to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock. The Cleveland "nine" are determined to retrieve their lost honors, having been recently defeated by the Alleghenians, and a close and animated game may be anticipated by all who attend.

Narrow Escape from Drowning.—On Monday afternoon, a little boy aged ten years, named Itel, whose parents reside in the Fifth ward, Allegheny, narrowly escaped from being drowned in the Ohio river, at the foot of Fulton street. He had gone down to the river to bathe, and getting beyond his depth was just sinking when he was observed by Mr. Gordon Jackson, who plunged into the water and after considerable difficulty succeeded in rescuing him.

Assault and Battery.—Patrick Conney made information before the Mayor, yesterday, charging Alice Lyons with assault and battery. He alleges that the accused pushed his wife against a wash tub, seriously injuring her. It appears that Mrs. Conney was washing in an alley through which the accused wished to pass, and that, without giving the woman time to make room for her to pass, she pushed her against the tub in a violent manner. The accused was arrested and held for a hearing.

A Knock Down.—If the statement of Moses Trimble can be relied upon, Samuel Cooley belongs to that class of persons who believe that a "nigger" has no rights which a white man is bound to respect. Moses alleges that he was standing quietly and peaceably on the sidewalk in front of Campbell's tavern, third ward, Allegheny, when Cooley came up and in a very cool manner knocked him down without any cause or provocation. Alderman Bailie issued a warrant for the arrest of the fierce Samuel.

Trouble Among Market Women.—Margaretta Leemetz and Mary Jones, occupying adjoining stands in the market house, got into a little difficulty yesterday which resulted in Margaretta making information against Mary, before Alderman Taylor, for surety of the peace. At the Alderman's office the ladies engaged in a very animated dialogue in German, the official in the meantime being in blissful ignorance of the purpose of the discussion. The case was finally settled by each party paying half the costs.

Interference with an Officer.—Mayor Drum yesterday morning fined J. Voltz, Anton Hanna and Fred. Colp fifteen dollars each for disorderly conduct and interference with an officer. It seems that Colp and Hanna visited Voltz's saloon, in the Third ward, Allegheny, and became very disorderly, when they were arrested. Voltz interfered in the arrest, and endeavored to rescue the parties, when he was arrested himself and all three taken to the lock-up. They were released upon the payment of the fine.

Inhuman Parents.—Mary Hago, a lady residing on Penn street opposite the Central Skating Park, came to the mayor's office yesterday and made information charging Patrick and Mary Dolan with assault and battery. She alleges that the accused have a daughter who is about fifteen years of age, and that they beat and abused her in a most inhuman manner. She says that the girl was beaten with a club until her arms and shoulders were covered with bruises and that both her eyes were blackened, from the effects of a blow from her father's fist. It is alleged that such conduct is an every day occurrance. The accused were arrested and held to bail for a hearing.

Nuisances

Should be abated, and those persons residing on Webster and Water streets, and Stockton avenue, Allegheny, are almost driven from their homes by the outrageous and abominable stench which comes from great piles of all sorts of vile rubbish on the Common, between Seminary Hill and Webster street, which somebody has set fire to, and which thus make an unbearable nuisance. If these piles are being burned to get rid of them, it does not excuse the odor, and the city should see immediately that the smouldering, sickly fires are quenched and the remnants carted away.

The Allegheny Zouaves.

At a meeting of the members of the "Allegheny Light Guards," held at Wilkins Hall last evening the old company was disbanded and a new one organized called the "Allegheny Zouaves."

The meeting was organized by electing Wm. Harvey, Chairman and H. H. Walker, Secretary.

About forty names were enrolled and M. Batchelor was elected Captain *pro. tem.*

A meeting will be held Tuesday night next, for the purpose of completing the organization, at which time all the young men in the city desiring to connect themselves with the organization are requested to be present.

A New Way to Collect a Bill.

William D. Morgan made information against Mrs. Stams before Alderman Taylor for larceny by bailee. It seems that Morgan boards with Mrs. Stams, and on Monday he gave her a fifty dollar bill to pay for his board. This being more than the amount due, the lady sent it to a grocery store near by to get it changed. It is alleged that Mrs. S. had an unsettled account at the store, and the proprietor, ascertaining that the bill had come from her, kept it in payment of the same. Morgan, holding the lady accountable for the money, made the information as stated. The defendant was arrested, and will have a hearing to-day.

Second Ward Public Schools—Election of Teachers for the Ensuing Year.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Second Ward Public Schools, Mr. James M. Pryor, a gentleman of fine scholastic attainments and liberal experience as an educator, was elected to succeed Mr. McCrum as principal, resigned. The following able corps of lady teachers were reëlected for the ensuing year:

Male Grammar Department—Miss Bella McCleane.

Female Grammar Department—Miss Mary Jane Thompson.

Male Intermediate Department—Miss Jennie B. Wilkeson.

Female Intermediate Department—Miss Anna Curry.

Senior Male Primary Department—Miss Lucy M. McNeill.

Junior Male Primary Department—Miss Hattie M. Lewis.

Senior Female Primary Department—Miss Geniave M. Allen.

Junior Female Primary Department—Miss Anna B. Marshall.

CITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Regular Meeting—Primary Elections to be Held on Saturday, August 15th—The Crawford County System Adopted.

A regular meeting of the Union Republican City Executive Committee was held at the "Republican Headquarters," City Hall, yesterday, at half-past two o'clock, for the purpose of fixing the time for holding the Republican Primary Meetings and for the transaction of such other business as might be brought before the Committee.

The meeting was called to order by Joseph A. Butler, Chairman, Gen. A. L. Pearson acting Secretary.

The Chairman stated the object of the meeting and requested the Committee to suggest a time for holding the primary meetings and City Convention.

Maj. A. M. Brown moved that the primary meetings for the election of delegates be held Saturday, August 15th, and the Convention on the following Tuesday.

Mr. Robert Elliott moved, as an amendment, that the people vote direct for the candidates instead of electing delegates.

Considerable discussion ensued relative to the best mode of making nominations, after which Maj. A. M. Brown moved, as a substitute for his former motion, and the amendment of Mr. Elliott, that the primary elections be held on the 15th of August, leaving the manner of making nominations to be settled at a future meeting. The motion was not seconded.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Elliott to amend, which was adopted by a unanimous vote.

The motion of Maj. A. M. Brown was then adopted as amended.

Major A. M. Brown moved that the time for holding the elections be between the hours of three and seven o'clock on the day specified. Adopted.

Mr. J. G. McConnell moved that the Republican members of the several election boards be requested to attend and assist in conducting the Republican primary elections in their respective wards. Adopted.

Mr. W. B. Cook moved that in all districts where there was a stated place of holding elections, the primary elections be held at such places of holding elections, and that in districts where there are no fixed places of holding elections the members of the City Committee representing such districts be requested to fix a place and report the same to the chairman of the Committee. The motion was adopted.

On motion of Major A. M. Brown, the place of holding the primary election in the Eighth ward was changed from Lofink's, the present place of holding elections, to the house of Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Thompson moved that all persons appointed to conduct the primary elections be required to take an oath to conduct the same fair and honorably, and to receive none but Republican votes, before entering upon their duties at said elections. The motion was adopted without a dissenting voice.

Mr. Irwin moved that members of the Committee from wards wherein there were vacancies be allowed to select men to fill such vacancies, the same to be subject to the control of the City Convention. The motion was adopted.

Gen. A. L. Pearson, Secretary, submitted the following:

Resolved, That the Republican primary election for the Fifth ward (old Third) be held at the Court House. Adopted.

The following named persons were suggested for membership:

Mr. Irwin, of the Ninth ward suggested the name of James McCandless from said ward.

Mr. A. Macklin moved that John Hague be elected a member of the committee in the Eleventh ward *vice* David Crawford deceased.

Gen. Pearson suggested the name of S. W. Reynolds from the Seventeenth ward, *vice* James W. Wilson, removed.

Joseph A. Butler proposed the name of William Shore *vice* James McElheny, removed from the Eighth ward.

On motion the above named gentlemen were elected members of the committee.

On motion of Gen. Pearson, the committee on Printing were requested to procure the necessary blanks for notifying members of the time of holding meetings.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

Central Board of Education.

The Central Board of Education met Tuesday afternoon, July 14.

Present—Messrs. Aiken, Anderson, Covert, Craig, Getty, Harrison, Laufman, Mays, Noobs, Sergeant, Taylor, Wilson and President Brush.

The minutes of the two preceding meetings were read and approved.

The monthly reports of the Principal of the High School and Secretary were read and ordered to be received and filed.

Mr. Craig from the Committee to whom was referred the claims of Samuel Chadwick and B. W. Morgan to represent the district of Collins, reported.

That your Committee, after a careful examination of the papers committed to them and hearing statements from the parties interested, are of the opinion that Samuel Chadwick was duly elected by the proper and legal School Board of Collins district to represent that district in your Board *vice* J. W. Little, resigned, and we recommend that he be admitted.

Your Committee were led to the above conclusion from the following accepted facts:

First, That the election of School Directors on the second Tuesday of December last was not in conformity with the school law, nor with the consolidation act. It was an election in obedience to the consolidation act, and only such offices were to be filled as were named in that act. School Directors are not named. Our State Superintendant, Mr. Wickersham, has given two decisions, plainly agreeing with the above, but his letter to John McMasters, Secretary of one of the Boards of Collins district, is indecisive.

Second, That the number of votes cast for School Directors in Collins, at that election, show that but few of the voters participated in the election of Directors.

Third, That the Board claiming to be elected at least in part at that election, did not organize in accordance with the law.

Respectfully submitted,
T. J. CRAIG,
J. J. COVERT,
JOHN WILSON.

On motion of Mr. Laufman, the report of the Committee was adopted.

Mr. Covert, from the Committee on High School, reported in favor of the institution of normal and commercial departments of the High School at its opening in next September.

On motion of Mr. Craig, it was

Resolved, That the recommendation of the Committee on High School, that a normal and commercial department be added to the High School, be adopted, and that this Board instruct that Committee to prepare details for the introduction of these departments and the necessary qualifications of students to be admitted to these branches, and report the same to the Board at the next meeting.

Resolved, That the City Superintendent, Mr. Luckey, be *ex officio* a member of the High School Committee.

On motion of Mr. Getty, A. P. Thompson was elected collector.

On motion of Mr. Laufman, the Committee to whom was referred the question of the proper time for the organization of new Boards in such districts as were divided by Councils, were continued.

On motion of Mr. Laufman Samuel Crawford was elected collector of Collins.

On motion of Mr. Covert J. E. McClure was elected collector of Lawrenceville.

Mr. Craig, from the Committee on Teachers and Salaries, reported the following schedule of salaries:

Principal High School	$1,900
Professor of Mathematics	1,650
Do. do. Belles Lettres	1,650
Female assistant	800

Male Principals of District Schools, having not more than one Assistant, to receive $1,000.

Principal with more then one and not exceeding five Assistants, to receive $1,250.

Principals with more than five Assistants, $1,500.

Female Teachers, in Grammar Department, $575.

Female Teachers, in Intermediate Department, $500.

Female Teachers, in Primary Department, $425.

The several Districts to be allotted Teachers as follows:

	Principals.		Gram.	Int.	Prim.
First ward	1	first grade	2	3	5
Second ward	1	"	2	2	4
Third and Tenth wds	1	"	3	4	9
Fourth ward	1	"	2	2	3
Fifth ward	1	"	4	4	8
Sixth ward	1	"	4	4	11
Seventh ward	1	"	1	2	6
Eighth ward	1	"	4	5	9
Ninth ward	1	"	3	4	7
Lawrenceville Dist.	1	"	2	4	7
Oakland	1	"	2	2	3
Pitt	1	"	2	2	3
Collins	2	third grade	1	0	1
Collins, Independent	2	"	0	0	2
Peebles	3	"	0	0	1
Liberty	3	"	0	0	1
Colored School	1	second grade	0	1	1

The Committee also recommend the employment of three teachers of music, one Principal and two Assistants, the salaries of Principal $1,000, Assistants 800 each.

On motion of Mr. Laufman, Collins Independent District was exempted from the rule, and allowed four teachers at $600 each per annum.

On motion of Mr. Mays, amended to increase the Seventh ward one grammar, one intermediate and one primary teacher.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, so much of the report as relates to salaries was laid over until next meeting.

On motion of Mr. Harrison, candidates holding the following card numbers were declared entitled to admission to the High School: 11, 15, 30, 54, 57, 99, 115, 128, 131, 139, 152, 158, 159, 161.

The City Superintendent reported a "Pro-posed Grade for the Pittsburgh Schools," which was adopted.

On motion adjourned.

A Jealous Husband.

Nelson H. Williams, a colored man and minister of the gospel, made information before the Mayor yesterday against Moses Parker, also colored, in which he states that Moses threatened to take his life, and he desires that Moses shall be confined in a secure place or give bonds to keep the peace toward all good citizens and particularly toward him, the aforesaid minister. A warrant was issued and Moses was arrested by an officer and conveyed to the lock up, where he endeavored, and partially succeeded in creating a little excitement. He had been in the lock up but a few minutes, when he pretended to be very sick, and to all appearances was suffering the most excrutinting pain. An officer asked Moses the cause of his pain and was informed by him that he had taken five grains of arsenic. A doctor was called in, but failed to discover any symptoms in the case indicating that he had taken poison of any kind except "benzine," which it was quite evident he had been taking in large quantities and oft repeated doses. When asked why he had taken the "deadly potion," he replied that it was on account of the infidelity of his wife; that she was too intimate with the preacher. Finding that the "poison" would not effect his release, he endeavored to make the officer believe him insane, but it was of no avail. He had a hearing last evening, and in default of bail for his appearance at Court was committed to jail.

Aquatic—Walter Brown Challenges Henry Coulter to Row a Five Mile Race.

There has been but little interest taken in this community in aquatic matters since the late fiasco on the Schuylkill between Jimmy Hamill and Henry Coulter—a race which ended in anything but a satisfactory manner to those interested in the test of strength, skill and endurance between the two Pittsburgh rivals. It is known that Hamill has withdrawn from the water and will never row again for money. By some provision in the aquatic code Henry Coulter claims the championship of American waters. That he will have some difficulty in retaining the questionable honor is evidenced by the following challenge put forward through *Wilkes Spirit* by Walter Brown:

NEW YORK, July 8.

Editor Spirit—Weeks since I issued a challenge to pull the winner of the championship race, which resulted in another bogus victory to Hamill, by the breaking of Coulter's oar. I now call attention to that challenge, and as Hamill has retired from aquatic contests, I hereby challenge Henry Coulter to row me a five mile race for a thousand dollars a side and the championship of America. Waters and other details to be agreed upon at a future time. Waiting an early and affirmatory answer, I remain, very truly, WALTER BROWN.

A Female Pickpocket.

Yesterday morning Mrs. Hainds, residing in the Fifth ward, Allegheny, while in the market house put her hand in her pocket to get out her portmonnie, but found it had been stolen. She immediately made known her loss to the Mayor's police, and shortly afterward officer Bowden arrested a young girl named Lizzie Wolff, on suspicion of being the thief. At the Mayor's office she was searched and twenty-three dollars in money found on her person. Mrs. Hainds says her pocket book contained about eleven dollars, but she failed to identify any part of the money as being hers.

A country woman came to the office a short time after the arrest, and stated that sixteen dollars had been stolen from her, but she also was unable to identify any of the funds. A hearing was had in the case yesterday afternoon, at which the girl told several falsehoods in regard to where she got the money, but at last being detected in her prevarications she confessed to having stolen Mr. Haind's pocket book, but stoutly denies having taken anything from any other person. The money was refunded to the proper owner, and as she refused to prosecute the girl was allowed to depart. She resides in the Third ward, Allegheny, and it is said this is not the first time she has been arrested on a similar charge.

Singer's New Noiseless Family Sewing Machine Without a Rival.—Do not purchase any Sewing Machine without first seeing Singer's new Machine. No matter how urgently and persistently you may be solicited to purchase by traveling agents of other machines. Do not fail to call on Straw & Morton, corner St. Clair and Penn streets, and witness for yourself the perfect work, beauty, speed and convenience of this machine. Prices and terms to suit all.

Go to Holtzheimer's restaurant, the Continental, for your dinner, all you who live out of the city. William can serve the best, as well as the cheapest in price, in the city. Continental, near Postoffice.

The Patent Beer and Ale Pumps furnished by T. T. Ewens, No. 165 Wood street, are universally commended, having many advantages over all others in the market.

The Warm Weather induces everybody to partake of meals at the well known Continental Saloon and Dining Rooms, Fifth street, next door to the Postoffice.

Reader, try a Saturday's meal at the well known and deservedly popular dining rooms of William Holtzheimer, Fifth street, next door to the Postoffice.

Continental Dining Saloon is the place to go if you want a good dinner or supper. For 50 cents you can get a meal that will cost you 75 cents at any other restaurant.

The Oil Trade.

EDITORS GAZETTE:—The almost superhuman efforts lately put forth by the Bulls of the oil market, have at last expended their force, and the results, if not fully up to their expectations, are at least of sufficient interest to the trade that a review of them may not be uninteresting.

Beginning with the month of March when oil was 23 to 24 cents for refined in Philadelphia, and crude was worth 7½ to 8c per gallon, and ending with the 10th day of July when the same oils were worth respectively 35 cents and 15 cents, an advance of 11 cents per gallon or $4,40 per barrel on refined and $2,80 on crude, a period of four months, involving an amount of labor and anxiety almost unparalleled, we will find a complete solution for the present condition of the market with oil dull at 32½ cents for refined and 12½ cents for crude, a decline of *one dollar* per barrel on each in *three days* and no buyers at the decline.

1st. What was the real cause of this great advance?

It was the dull season when no one wanted oil in great quantities to burn

It was for the great part in hot weather, when it was difficult, dangerous and necessarily involved great leakage to carry large quantities of oil.

The shipping demand does not begin until August.

Then, why was this advance? The only proper solution lies in the fact that desperate and reckless dealers and speculators, having been caught with large stocks on hand in the face of the approaching dull season, by a bold and determined effort have succeeded in forcing the prices up—up, until their own rashness has defeated their own ends—by starting up more derricks, leading to the discovery of more wells and more oil than has ever before been produced at one period, or deemed possible by the wildest dreamer. A few facts will prove this to be no fancy picture:

On the first of January last the entire stock then above ground in this country was one million barrels. There has been an average daily production since of nine thousand barrels—making one million, six hundred and twenty thousand barrels. Total, 2,620,000 barrels of crude; making 1,834,000 barrels of refined. This production has filled all demand, both real and speculative, leaving us a stock of one million barrels of crude oil on hands.

For the next six months we expect to continue our present production of 12,000 barrels per day—probably increase that, but to reckon it at that figure gives us a total yield for the next six months of 2,160,000 bbls of crude, equal to 1,512,000 barrels of refined. This gives us a total yield for 1868 of 3,760,000 barrels, which added to our stock on hand January 1st, 1868, and throw the whole into refined, makes the supply for 1868, 3,332,000 barrels. Now for a few figures on the estimate for the consumption of 1868. Last year there was consumed throughout the world, in round figures, say 2,000,000 barrels.

In regard to the probable increase in this year's wants ever last, the item of naptha must be noticed. Previous to this year this product was used only to a very limited extent as an article for illumination, but owing to the improvements in the lamps for its use, it is fast growing in favor, and now is being shipped and used very extensively as a light. This fact will tend to reduce the ratio of increase in the demand for refined oil in Europe as well as in this country.

Another very important item must not be overlooked, which is: that last year's shipment must not be taken as a proof of the amount needed for consumption, for of the quantity exported a large portion remained on hand on the 1st of January, 1868; a much larger stock than there was on hand at the corresponding period the year before, and reckoned at half a million of barrels.

Now, then, this year's shipments, up to this time, exceed last year's shipments up to the same time 325,000 barrels; or a total export up to this time of over *one million* barrels, already gone, whilst the total shipment for the whole of last year was one and a half millions, and of this quantity one-half million being on hand at the end of the year, makes our shipments for these first six months of 1868 *equal* to the entire consumption in *Europe*, etc., for the entire year 1867.

What is to be done with the twelve thousand barrels per day now being produced with a good prospect of even that amount being increased—with our stocks nowfully *one million barrels?*

It is argued by some that the natural increase in consumption will use up this large excess in production; but I have shown 1st, that *Naptha* entering into competition as a light, will have its effect to retard the growth in the consumption of oil, proper; and, 2d, that we have already shipped so far this year enough oil to supply every lamp that burned last year.

So we have then as a supply for the balance of this year as follows:

	Barrels.
Total product for next six months	1,512,000
" stock on hand put into refined	700,000
Total	2,212,000
Against this we have the ordinary increase of consumption in Europe this year over last, say 10 per cent. on 1,000,000 bbl	200,000
Next six months consumption in the United States, say (large estimate)	500,000
Total	700,000
Estimated surplus on January 1st, 1869	1,512,000

Barrels of refined oil. Now we can understand the cause of the present break down in prices; and well informed dealers, those best informed and unbiased in their judgments, look for crude oil to be dull in this market before sixty days at 7½ to 8 cents per gallon, and refined in Philadelphia at 25 cents or less. This must be the necessary consequence from such *tremendous inflation in prices*, when the facts bearing on the trade shall have become apparent to the *army* of speculators, who have recently been induced to buy oil, by the representations of the *Bulls*, the latter to a large extent being the unknown sellers of the oil. Having run the prices up to fabulous figures, they have sought and found innocent parties to buy them out, and now when they have *unloaded*, lo! the *vast airy castle*, built by them for their *victims*, bursts and vanishes forever from sight.

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Pittsburgh, July 13, 1868.

Parties desiring pure teas and genuine coffees which are warranted to be free from all adulterations, will do well to make their purchases at the Diamond Front Grocery of McBride & George, No. 164 Federal street, Allegheny. This firm have been very particular to keep nothing but the very choicest and purest family groceries, and no where else in either city can a better selection be obtained at as reasonable prices.

New Importations.—At W. W. Moorhead's popular and fashionable retail trimming house, No. 81 Market street, all the latest novelties and fresh importations of lace goods, embroideries and general trimmings, hosiery and notions have been received and are offered at very reasonable prices.

The first class trade is largely monopolized by Mr. P. H. McGuire, No. 105 Fifth street, whose ice cream saloon is one of the coolest and most inviting in the city. Meals are served at all hours at the most reasonable prices.

Ladies will find an excellent and varied assortment of fine stationery for epistolary correspondence at the popular literary, news and book depot of Col. J. P. Egan, Sixth street, near Smithfield.

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DIED:

MCCARTHY.—On Tuesday morning, July 14th, at 7 o'clock, Mrs. MABLE MCCARTHY, wife of John C. McCarthy, Esq., in the 18th year of her age.

The funeral will take place from her late residence, No. 40 Wylie street, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock P. M. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

OLIVER.—On Tuesday morning, the 14th inst., at his residence in Mifflin township, ROBERT OLIVER, in the 33d year of his age.

The funeral will take place THIS MORNING, at 10½ o'clock, and proceed to McKeesport and Versailles Cemetery, by the 11 A. M. McKeesport Accommodation train. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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