The Pittsburgh Gazette.

The First Napoleon's Company Manners.

People who take the J. S. C. Abbott view of the First Napoleon, may properly be asked to take a look at their hero when he was displaying his inbred gentlemanliness of character. It is curious, by the way, to note the very wide difference in this respect between the uncle and the nephew of his uncle—the latter not lacking a certain decided magnanimity and kindness, the possession of which lends some additional color to the scandal about the Dutch Admiral and the entire lack of Napoleonic blood in the present Emperor of the French. The story of the uncle, now for the first time published, relates to a dinner at Dresden, at the meeting of the sovereigns in 1812. The Emperor and Empress of Austria were present, and so, among others, were the King of Prussia, the King of Saxony, and the Crown Prince (the late king) of Prussia. As the story is told by Varnhagen in the tenth volume of his diary, which has just appeared at Leipzig, Napoleon, while at dinner, received some news which seemed to trouble him, whereupon, in entire disregard of the Empress of Austria, who was seated next to him, he leaned back in his seat and yawned without concealment; indeed, accompanied the yawn with a loud noise.

He then rose from the chair and began walking up and down the room in a hurried manner, the ladies and the sovereigns meantime awaiting his good pleasure. At last he stopped and called out in a violent tone, "Prince de Neufchatel!" (Berthier, his chief of staff and general factotum.) Berthier went to his master and received his orders. Next Napoleon called out in the same peremptory and insolent way, "Roi de Saxe!" The King duly obeyed, and a few minutes' conversation having been held with him, he also was summarily dismissed. After giving this proof that even his habit of conquering kings had not deprived him of an uneasy respect for kingship, though it had affected his manners unpleasantly, he walked over to the Crown Prince of Prussia and pinched his ear, remarking at the same time, "You resemble your mother a good deal." The Prince was silent. "Have you visited the fortress?" was Napoleon's next remark. "No," said the Crown Prince, shortly and disrespectfully, and, in his version of the story, that was the end of it—except that all his relatives were angry with him because he would not say "*Non, Sire,*" but only "*Non.*" According to Austrian accounts, however, Napoleon angrily closed the conversation by telling the Crown Prince, "*Vous etes une bete*"—a not unlikely conclusion, but perhaps one that would be more easily recollected by one's hereditary neighbors than by one's self.

Progress of the Suez Canal.

The latest authentic intelligence of the progress of the Suez Canal is satisfactory. There is very little doubt that it will be opened for navigation at the close of the present year.

It appears that the work is prosecuted with the greatest energy. Over twenty thousand men are employed. They are of all nationalities—Dalmatians, Greeks, Croats, Egyptians, negroes, with a sprinkling of the German, French and English elements. These men are organized in a manner that illustrates the administrative genius of the French people. They are all paid by the piece. They receive a certain price for every pail full of dirt they dig out, and have, besides, a direct pecuniary interest in the speedy completion of the work. There are, therefore, no idlers and no taskmasters, for all are willing workers.

The effectiveness of the large army of 20,000 men is immensely increased by the use of steam excavators, and dredges of the most novel and ingenious construction. Then there are hosts of asses, mules and camels; and the large floating population that feed, clothe, and lodge the toilers. All this has changed the face of the desert, which blooms like a garden wherever it is touched by the waters of the fresh water canal.

The Canal is about a hundred and twenty miles long, extending from Port Said, on the Mediterranean, to Suez, on the Red Sea. The steam dredges and excavators scoop out the sand and dirt like things of life. The excavated dirt, according to location of the work, is either floated away on lighters and emptied into the sea or one of the shallow lakes of the desert, or it is hoisted by elevators to form parapets of earth on the sides of the canal.

At first vessels of the larger class will be unable to pass each other. But it is intended to establish side basins or cut-offs, where the ships can turn in—the same as trains on a single line of railroad. The method of towing still remains undecided. It is in doubt whether to propel vessels through the Canal by means of steam tugs, by traction engines on the banks, or by an endless chain along the bottom of the Canal, to be worked by stationary engines at either end, or at intermediate points. The latter method seems to be the most desirable, though probably not the most feasible. The grand object is to diminish, as much as possible, the action of the water upon the sides of the Canal, and any plan that may be adopted will be in reference to this end. It is expected that the tariff of canal charges will be about five dollars, in gold, per ton. But this point has not yet been determined.

Pistols Used in the Burr-Hamilton Duel.

Yesterday we were permitted to handle the identical pistols used by Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton in the famous duel at Weehawken some decades of years ago. The pistols are now the property of Mr. Harry Armstrong, of the town of Newburgh. They have been for many years in the possession of Commodore Salter, U.S.N., of New York, recently deceased, and were turned over to Mr. Armstrong this week. They are of the old style of manufacture, flint locks, mahogany stock, the barrels carrying a half ounce ball. The barrels are of the "double and twist" make. They be a the mark of "J. Twiggs, London."

The pistols resemble each other exactly. The one which was used by Burr, and which sent the death-dealing bullet into the vitals of Hamilton, is distinguished from its mate by an X on the butt. These weapons, we are informed, have been used in some ten or a dozen other duels, besides the one which has made them historically famous. We are not informed how many lives have been sacrificed by the use of them. The last owner cleaned and fired them off once a month regularly. It is said that they never miss fire.—*Newburgh Journal,*

A CURIOUS incident (says an English paper) occurred the other day in the Upper House at Munich. The celebrated Catholic historian and high church dignitary, Dr. von Doellinger, having been made a senator by the King, was introduced into the Chamber and took the usual oaths, but on being required to produce some evidence of his baptism it appeared that he had no baptismal certificate. He knew when he was born, but when or where he was christened he was utterly unable to say. This caused no little amusement in the House, but as it was taken for granted that so eminent a member of the Catholic hierarchy must have been baptized, he was allowed to take his seat without further difficulty.

Washington Gossip.

It is now considered quite certain that gold contracts will be legalized by act of Congress before the final adjournment of the present session.

The committee of Congress on soldiers and sailors' bounties, furnishes the following statistics in reference to the additional bounty claims filed up to December 31st, 1868: Number paid, 399,027; rejected, 34,887; amount disbursed, $38,725,018. Of the claims from Pennsylvania; 32,555 were paid, 1,252 rejected, and $3,108,707 was the amount disbursed.

The decision of the Supreme Court restoring lawyer Bradley, who had been debarred by the Supreme Court of the district for insulting Judge Fisher on the bench and afterward challenging him, is creating a great deal of bitter comment among Republican lawyers, and they, with the Judges of the District Court, hold that the Supreme Court has no shadow of jurisdiction in the matter, and the probabilities are that no attention will be paid to the mandamus issued restoring Bradley, except to make known the opinion of the Court that it is not binding.

The House Committee on Territories are considering a proposition to reduce the number of our territories, and blot Utah out of existence, and the indications are that it will be favorably reported. They propose to divide Dakota between Nebraska and Minnesota, while Utah is to be divided between Colorado, Wyoming, Nevada and Idaho. The object of this scheme seems to be to solve the Mormon problem by indirection. This same question was discussed in the Committee of Elections last summer, on a contested seat case, but of course no action could be taken there.

The House bill repealing the Tenure-of-Office act was received, read twice, and referred to the Committee on Retrenchment, which is composed of Messrs. Edmunds, Williams, Patterson of New Hampshire, and Buckalew. The latter is the only Democrat on the Committee, and will, of course, go for the repeal. Mr. Williams is the author of the original bill, and has not yet indicated whether or not his views for its necessity have changed. It is not probable that the Committee will make any report on the subject until near the end of the session.

New York Items.

Matilda Herron, who has been lying at the point of death, is reported likely to recover.

Thurlow Weed has sold out his entire interest in the *Commercial*, it is stated, and arranged all his affairs, anticipating speedy death.

The *Evening Post* says of Butler's financial theory:

"If we are to have a law authorizing all debtors to cheat their creditors, let us make it simple. Butler's scheme is too complicated. It is as though a burglar should take the trouble to climb up on the roof of a house and crawl down the chimney when the door was open."

In the case of the American Lead Company before Judge Blatchford, in bankruptcy Wednesday, it was proved that it costs only one dollar and fifty cents per gross to manufacture the best lead pencils, which retail at ten cents each.

THE Hon. Edgar Cowan, who was once elected to the United States Senate as a Republican, and subsequently became demoralized or Johnsonized, which means about the same thing, is recommended in the Philadelphia *Age* as a suitable Democratic candidate for the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Bench.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed of record before H. Snively, Esq., Recorder, January 11, 1869:

Wm. M. Darlington to Andrew Shutz et al, November 7, 1868; three lots on O'Hara street, Third ward, Allegheny, Nos. 27, 29 and 31 each 19 by 90 feet.....$1,850
Thomas Maiter to Jacob Householder, January 11, 1869; lot on Juniata street, Sixth ward, Allegheny, 24 by 128 feet.....$900
John Brown to John C. Brown, Trustee, January 2, 1869; three tracts or lots of Lower St. Clair township.....$5,000
E. S. Murray to Susan Murray, December 30, 1868; three acres of ground in Hampton township.....$150
J. N. De barry to Robert Hall, December 6, 1868; lot No. 23 in Denny's plan, Rebecca street, First ward, Allegheny.....$750
Andrew Milliken et al. to Hugh McIlven, December 29, 1868; lot on Ohio avenue, Fifth ward, Allegheny, 48 by 158 feet.....$1,000
Harvey H. Boyd to C. M. Deitrick, October 22, 1868; lots Nos. 29, 30, 31 and 32 in Fox's plan, Chartiers township.....$1,000
B. F. Fox to H. H. Boyd, September 22, 1868; above described lots.....$1,000
W. J. Means to Cherubim Miller, December 22, 1868; lots Nos. 19 and 20 in Means' plans, Federal lane, Allegheny City, each 24 by 108 feet.....$310

MORTGAGES.

Same day five mortgages were filed.

John Woolslayer to Joseph Corts, Nov. 6, 1868; lot in Liberty township, Woolslayer's plan, 40 by 143 feet.....$658
Mathias Voegtly to Jacob Frank, Sept. 15, 1868; lot in Reserve township, 21 by 100 feet.....$500
Wm. Schumaker to John Herchenroethe, Dec. 22, 1868; three acres of land in Reserve township, with buildings.....$3,750
F. Ringley to Robert Wilson, Sept. 28, 1868; lot on Beaver street, Sewickley borough, 47 by 179 feet, with buildings.....$1,600
Thos. King to Mary Miller, Nov. 15, 1868; lot on Harmony street, East Birmingham, 20 by 72 feet.....$1,800
W. P. Price to Geo. C. Miller, July 15, 1868; lot on the corner of pasture lane and Carroll street, 20 by 100 feet, with buildings.....$1,950
David Dehaven to Joseph C. Ballif, June 27, 1867; lot on Boyle street, Third ward, Allegheny, 20 by 90 feet.....$500
Mathew Voegtly to Jacob Knobie, Oct. 30, 1868; lot in Reserve township, 44 by 140 feet.....$1,300
Samuel P. Smith to Wm. Moyle, July 1, 1868; lot corner of Bridge and Middle streets, Shaspburg, 40 by 88 feet.....$2,000

January 13, 1869.

George Goldbach to Chas. Claus, December 29, 1868; lots Nos. 13 and 14, in Mount Oliver plan, on Coal Hill, 62 by 120 feet.....$2,750
Frank Kohne to Christian Olenhauser, November 14, 1868; six acres of land in the Twenty-third ward, Pittsburgh.....$1,800
Geo. Goldbach to Mary F. Sauers, November 25, 1868; lots Nos. 5 and 6, Mt. Oliver, Lower St. Clair township, 60 by 120 feet.....$1,200
Lawrence Crusek to Joseph Hammeramith, August 3, 1868; lot on Juniata street, Sixth ward, Allegheny, 22 by 48 feet.....$600
Jacob Mutter to George Goldbach, November 14, 1868; lots 5 and 6, in plan of Mt. Oliver, Lower St. Clair township, 60 by 120 feet.....$1,000
Otis Speer to D. H. Speer, June 4, 1868; two tracts of land in Indiana township, containing 5 acres, 1 rood and 19 perches.....$700
E. F. Lightner to the Western Pennsylvania Railroad Company, January 6, 1869; lot on corner of Laacock and Hope streets, Fourth ward Allegheny, 123 by 192 feet.....$17,000
C. H. Love to Adaline Clark, November 1, 1868; lots Nos. 98, 99, 100, 112 and 113, Love's plan, South Fayette township.....$1,000
F. A. Rebbeck to Geo. S. Fulmer, January 4, 1869; lot No. 27, Reiber's plan, on Spring street, Nineteenth ward, 40 by 192 feet.....$4,000
Mary E. Lutz to Anna Amelia Kanetal, January 12, 1869; lot on Butler street, Fifteenth ward, Pittsburgh, 20 by 100 feet.....$1
M. M. Brecklaridge to A. P. Ormond, May 11, 1867; lots No 21 and 22 in plan of Tarentum, on Oberly street, 94 by 200 feet.....$110
Allen P. Ormond to George K. Ormond, December 9, 1868; the above described lots in Tarentum..$450
E. McKee to A. P. Ormond, April 4, 1867; lots Nos. 161 and 162, on Gains street, Tarentum, 66 by 218 feet.....$1,000
A. P. Ormond to George K. Ormond December 9, 1868; the last above described lots.....$4,500
Trustees of Prospect Cemetery to A. P. Ormond, Nov. 26, 1864; lot No. 50, section C, in said Cemetery.....$40
A. P. Ormond to George K. Ormond, December 9, 1868; the above described lot.....$50

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Same day 11 mortgages were filed.

January 15, 1869.

McDonough Fesree to James Fitzsimmons, January 16, 1869; lot in Shaler township, containing 5 acres.....$500
J. P. Trishler to John Bland, April 22, 1867, lots 114 and 115, Reineman's plan, on Fell street, Seventh ward, Allegheny.....$1,650
A. Reinem to John J. P. Feesenier, November 2, 1863; lot 115, above described.....$225
Same to same, November 18, 1863; lot 114, above described.....$300
James Thackery to Mary Littell, January 14, 1869; lots 62 and 67, inclusive, Donnelston's plan, Twentieth ward, 118 by 181 feet.....$1,750
Joseph Keliar to L. Benz, January 14, 1869; lo s 13 and 14, Ormsby's plan, Lower St. Clair township.....$800
Charles W. Robo, executor to C. B. Kenny, December 26, 1868; one half interest in a lot on St. Clair street, Fourth ward, Pittsburgh, 20 by 100 feet.....$7,500
J. Abner to John O'Neill, January 15, 1869; tract of land in Jefferson township, containing 90 acres and 30 perches.....$7,275
Samuel Hood to Samuel Cooper, September 23, 1861; lot on Carroll street, Second ward, Allegheny, 15 by 100 feet.....$1,500
J. and A. Patterson to Samuel Hood, March 21, 1854; the above described lot.....$1,200
H. C. Reineman to Ed. Hendu, July 27, 1867; lot in Oakland township, now Fourteenth ward, Pittsburgh, No. 6, Reineman's plan, on Shoot alley, 20 by 100 feet.....$150
Louis Meyers to Joseph Meyers, December 1, 1868; lot on Taylor avenue, 30 by 90 feet.....$4,000

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF Allegheny County, State of Pennsylvania. Partition in Equity. Jan. Term, 1869. No. 169.

Ann Holdship and Agnes Holdship verses Jane Campbell, Henry Campbell, Edward Campbell, Samuel Shields and Martha Shields his wife, James C. Pearson and Wm. Wilson and Emily Wilson his wife, heirs of Jane Campbell; dec'd; George Knox, Wm. B. Knox, E. C. Dewey and Sarah Dewey his wife, James Knox, Martha Knox, Mrs. Ann M. Davidson and Jane K. McAllister, heirs of Hugh Knox, deceased: James Knox, George Knox and Smith Knox, heirs of William Knox, dec'd; James Knox, Samuel B. Knox, George Knox, Ann Armstrong, John M. Kirk, James Kirk, William F. Kirk, John Marshall and Nancy his wife, Daniel Kieser and Sarah D. his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Burnett, Philip Delirich and Mary his wife, George F. Kirk, Aaron Brooks and Ann B. his wife, and William M. Doty and the issue of his wife Jane Doty, dec'd; Mary Lowell, George Crownover, John Dodge and Hannah his wife, James Crownover, Robert Crownover, Lucretia Peasely, Almira Shields and Almira his wife, Mary Mann, John K. Bennett, Josephine S. Bennett, Isaac J. Bennett, George M. Bennett, Isaac Jenkinson, Wm. D. Frazee and Rebecca his wife, Thomas Minshall, George K. Minshall, Robt. P. Minshall and Byram L. Minshall, heirs of Geo. Knox, dec'd. Heirs at law of Agnes Knox, dec'd, late of the city of Pittsburgh.

Bill filed by plaintiffs for the partition or sale of the real estate of Agnes Knox, dec'd, late of the city of Pittsburgh, Pa., who died in 1854. The real estate consists of two lots on Fifth street, (now Fifth avenue) in the city of Pittsburgh, one fronting on Fifth avenue about one hundred feet and on Market street about thirty feet, and the other fronting on Fifth avenue about twenty-two feet and running back along Market alley about thirty feet; on which are a recited one brick and three frame buildings. The heirs of William Knox, dec'd, who was a brother of Agnes Knox, and have the one-fifth interest in said property, are unknown. One of his sons, James, when last heard from, lived near Cincinnati, Ohio. The defendants above named are notified and required to cause an appearance to be entered for them in said Court, and to answer said bill, on or before the 4th Monday of January, 1869, when and where thereof the bill will be taken *pro confesso*, and a decree made against them in their absence.

By order of Court, this the 3d day of January, A. D. 1869.

{L.S.} JACOB H. WALTER, Prothonotary.

WHITE & SLAGLE, Attorneys for Plaintiff. ja6:c72

ORPHANS COURT SALE.—By Virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of Allegheny County will be exposed at PUBLIC SALE on the premises, in the city of Pittsburgh, on

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27th 1869,

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HOUSE AND LOT ON WYLIE STREET,

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ALSO, ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 1869.

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ALSO—A house and lot adjoininting the last described lot, said lot having a front on Robinson street of 21 feet 3 inches and extending back preserving the same width 110 feet to an alley; on which is erected a large three story brick dwelling house and a smaller one on rear of lot on Stoddart's alley.

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JAMES D. KELLY, Administrator.
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