PITTSBURGH GAZETTE: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1869.

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For the Pittsburgh Gazette. THE OLD LOG HOUSE.

There's an old log house on my father's farm. All silent, and lonely, and still. Not a tournd of mirth is ever heard, now, In the old log house on the hill.

But fondly I think of the brgcne days, When, with brothers and sliters dear. Not a hampler home in the contry 'round, Could be found, either far or near. But my father builded another house, And my brothers are gone afar; And the old log house is descried, now, And defactd, with many a sear.

The rabbit and squirrel play hide-and-seek With the mice, o'er the oaken floor; But they quickly brat a hasty retreat, When the owl flies in at the floor.

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5 he "twittering swallow" now builds its nest Oa the rafters, golog to decay: And the robin and sparrow have made their home On the logs, for many a day.

The little room where my brothers and I • ft listen'd to the widh-poor will, J. open, now, to the birds and the bats; And they come there without fear of fill. But Poor, will is miss'd from his nightly seat, On the apple tree near the door:

On the apple tree near the door; Por there's no one there to answer him back. As we've done a thousand times o'er.

The primroses bloom uncared for now; And the "blue-cy'd violets" blow; And the outinge rose, that my sisters lov'd, Climbs in at the casement row. As if it would ask, "Where are they all gone, That used once to caress, and to love Us poor little flowers neglected now, In the rank weeds that o'er ms rove?"

But the friendly vine, on the old black logs, Still clings there loving and true. As if it would hide the marks of decny, From the passing travelers view.

Oh! my heart still clings to that dear old home; And the times of my childhood there i And I'd rather live o'er those blessed days, Than to dwell in a palace fair. ARMSTRONG CO. PA., May, 1867.

EPHEMERIS.

-Cleveland has 12 churches per mile. -Titusville has the velocipede mania badly. --India is expecting its eight-yearly famine this year.

-On Monday next General Kilpatrick will lecture in Erie. -Paul Du Chaillu is lecturing in the City of Brotherly Love.

-John C. Breckenridge says he is going to practice law in Lexington, Ky. -Out in Cheyenne they say they are were at home. So the gentlemen hegoing down East when they take a trip to

Omaha. -Gladstone thinks he is going to reduce English public expenditures \$15,-

000,000. -Shakespeare's Twelfth Night is being played in Philadelphia at Arch Street

Theatre. -"Mack" says that Andrew Johnson a long flight of stone stairs, and into two is certain to be elected Governor of Ten- large parlors, where Mrs. Campbell, the nessee next year. wile of the American Consul, received -Nearly five thousand tons of ice will woman, large and tall, with a brilliant be cut this year from the Cocheco river in New Hampshire. -One hundred million dollars worth saw her two beautiful daughters, young of boots and shoes were manufactured in ladies grown. Mr. Campbell is quite Massachusetts last year. -Bayard Taylor is translating Faust, nd is so nearly through his work that his family. Mrs. Composition work a deep flounce of white Brussels lace, a betha of the same and is so nearly through his work that it will be published in the autumn.

around her shoulders, a white lace shawl, -Reuter, the celebrated telegraph king and ornaments of frosted silver in-her of Europe, is a Jew, and has a family of heard on her beautiful neck. After a half hour of chat in the parlor

sure in all that he said, he received pri-vately, after the dinner, the heartfelt THANKSGIVING DAY IN GERMANY. thanks of the Southerners for his delica-[It is a little late to talk about last cy and generosity. To the toast "The Navy," Commodore Worden replied. Navy," Commodore Worden replied. He had promised to give an account of Thanksgiving Day, but we have discovered so charming a letter describing that that strange contest of iron clad monsters, day in Dresden, and how Americans the Merrimac and the Monitor, but all there spent it, that we cannot refrain through the first part of the dinner from publishing it. Other matters in the letter will be appreciated by those who speak; he did not know how, etc., but the President was inexorable. But some have spent some time in a foreign town. Our correspondent, whose letter we glean one said, I would know what to say fast from, is a lady, and one whose social po-enough if I had fought the Merrimac. "Bless you," said the Commodore, I would sition is shown by the place given her at rather fight two Merrimacs than make this the Thanksgiving dinner table. GAspeech; but he arose, flushed and nervous

with written speech in hand and made DRESDEN, Friday, Dec, 4th, 1868. several attempts to read it, but he hesita-It seems really more difficult to ted and stammered, and finally laying the write now that I am settled down than manuscript on the table, he said, "Indeed while how that I am source though that when traveling about. Then, every-evening after a day's journey we wrote the day's adventures; now I am actually ladies and gentlemen, you must believe me when I say I cannot speak I would like to gratuy you, if it would gratify you driven by my many regular employments. We have a German lesson every day, and to hear of the encounter of the Monitor and Merrimac, but I really cannot," and it takes nearly three full hours to prepare and recite it. We make it a point to be with many hearty and simple thanks for the cheers and applause with which he at least two hours out doors during every had been received, he sat down day; and I rush from one thing to anothcourse he received cheer after cheer, and er as breathlessly as a hard worked school finally his health was drunk standing with three tremendous cheers to finish off with. girl. This morning and I intendtended to spend in this inexhaustible, I was greatly disappointed not to hear his story, but I could not, but respect his modesty. lovely picture gallery, but we opened our eyes to a world drowned in rain. It

pours down our windows, the streets are After this there were several toasts and speeches. "King John, of Saxony," to one sea of mud, and we are having a quiet which Mr. Thode (unfortunately to Engmorning in our rooms. It is the only day in the week excepting Sunday on which lish ears, pronounced Toady,) the banker we have no German lesson. We enjoy our lessons greatly. Our teacher, Mr. Reinhart, is the most patient man and pains taking teacher. He plunges at once of all Americans in Dresden, replied in an elegant English speech. (Shall I ever speak German as he speaks English?) "The American women, famous through all Europe for their beauty." "Eng-land:" replied to by a capital speech by the English Clergyman, Mr. Smart, Chaplain of the English and American in the most alarming sentences and makes us translate and reply in German; but I feel pretty confident of learning a good deal in five months. Our four lessons have already enabled us to communicate chapel, and many volunteer toasts, songs with our chambermail to a far greater extent than you would believe. I told her I had lost my black bracelets, asked and cheers. We sat down at the table at six o'clock and rose at half past ten, the young men and maidens remaining if she had seen them; and then told her/I for a dance in the dining room after the had found them, all in German, yesterday tables were cleared away, while we old to my no small pride. But I began this letter intending to tell you of our Thanksfolks came home, though not before I had been introduced to Com. Worden giving dinner, away off here in a foreign land. We Americans in Dresden felt and had some talk with him in the parlor. He is a good looking man, tall and slight, with a full, long, light beard, agood nose and light blue eyes. The ball of one eye and one side of his cheek and nose ourselves bound by the proclamations of our several Governors as much as if we stirred themselves to get up a public din-ner, as a private, family celebration was are quite black with powder. He was peeping out of a little sight hole in the quite impossible, and would be doleful in turret of the monitor, directing her movethe extreme in a foreign fand. Tickets ments, when a bomb struck her and burst were issued at three thalers apiece, that is directly in front of his eye, throwing the \$2,10 in gold. When the night camepowder thickly into the eye and flesh sur-rounding it. The eye was useless for dressed in our very best-the gentlemen in dress coats, the ladies in the prettiest some time, but he has partially recovered silks and jewels they possessed -- we drove to the "Hotel de Saxe," were ushered up the use of it, and he will carry that honorable stain to his grave. I enjoyed secing him greatly. So ended our Thanksgiving dinner,

very unlike home, and above all as there were no religious services any where.

The Keokuk Canal.

been married twenty-five years till they The great canal now building, with the aid of the Government, around the rapids of the Mississippi river at Keokuk, is now famous for the three -beautiful women in in a fair way of completion. The following detail of the work. from the Chicago Republican, will be found interesting: "The rapids known as the lower rapids lead from Keokuk twelve miles north to Montrose. The canal around the lower ONS and TREAT part of the rapids is to be seven and a AND MELODEO: half miles long. Beginning at the Pilot

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-The admirers of Abraham Lincoln large room; all around the walls were living in Frankfort, O. M., have pre- great flowering plants, forming a thick sented an elegant service of plate to his widow.

-Americans in Honolulu are going to celebrate the election of General Grant by behind the hedge, was stationed a splendid a torchlight procession on the first of a torchlight procession on the first of February.

sends about eighty thousand volumes of the President, - Major General Parsons, of his English publications to this country every year.

Miss Susan Galton has taken the Chestnut street Theatre, in Philadelphia, third running down in the middle of the and will there produce Offenbach's operas in English.

-Card photographs of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln are in great demand in Germany. One firm at Frankfort, O. M., has sold seventy-five thousand of them. -Charlotte Cushman is to play a short

engagement at a New York theatre. To see her in one of her inimitable roles would be worth a trip to New York. -The Grand Vizier of the Sultan of Turkey is said to be a man of little ability but most majestic appearance. Although a Moslem he has but one wife. -John Brougham sold the seats for the of honor at General Parson's left fessed to having cut his wife to pieces, which he scattered about, more than seventeen years ago. He loved her so that he took this way of disseminating her

he took this way of disseminating her virtues. -There is to be a fair and festival

given by the Union Sunday School of Wilkensburg, and a velocipede has been ball of ices and creams shaped like lemons, pupil who sells the greatest number of tickets. -Talk no more about the luxurious

death of Clarence drowning in his - Malmsey since a mere, vulgar workman at the London docks recently sucked brandy from a cask through a ripe until he died.

Eldridge made the first speech in answer to the toast: "Our native land in our af-- A correspondent of the Philadelphia Press thinks the recent great fire in that city, which destroyed the magnificent Burd block, was the work of an incendiary, who set fire to the buildings by means of a torpedo.

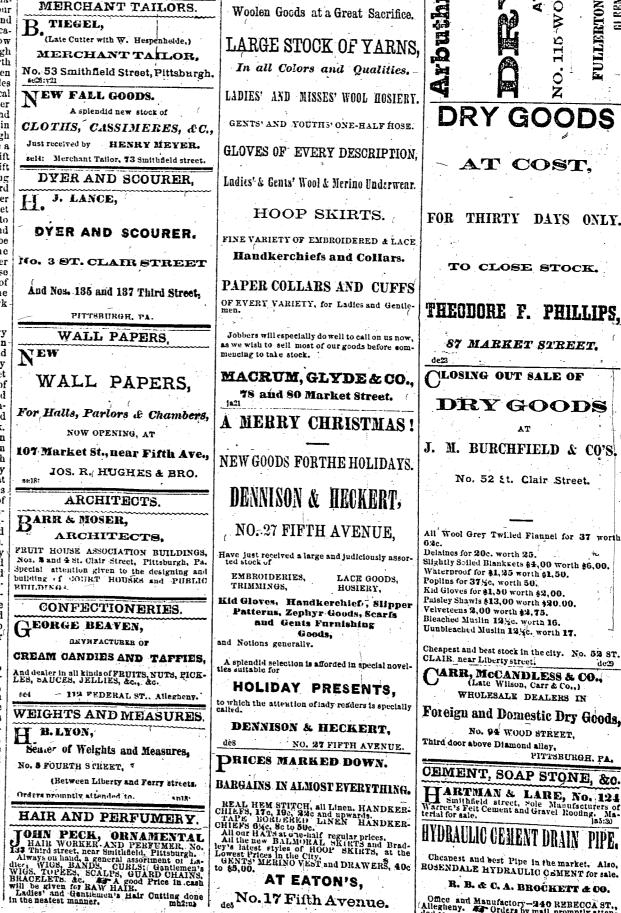
-A widower aged ninety-two was married the other day in Bristol, R. I., to a widow aged thirty-four. This arrangement makes the dashing groom father, step-father, grandfather or stepgrandfather to 350 persons,

-The Pope has highly complimented Mlle. Marie de Gentelles for writing a book censuring the luxiry of women and the extravagance of their dress. His Holiness says women who spend much thought upon dress have none left for religion and family duties.

hedge, with red, white, and pink Japon-icas in bloom mingled with them, that being as near as they could come to the National colors in flowers. At one end, courses. Over their heads were many -Tauchnitz, the Leipzig publisher, small American flags grouped together, and at the opposte end, over the head of St. Louis,—were two large flags, beauti-fully draped in the midst of a perfect bower of flowers and shrubs. The tables were arranged like a horse shoe with a room. They were profusely decorated with flowers and glass, fruits in high dishes and large tancy cakes with "Epluribus unum" in pink candy on them. The dinner is never placed on the table here but handed around already cut up by the waiters. The gentlemen made a desperate effort to have the turkeys placed on the table whole American fashion, but the cook and waiters were so nonplussed by the suggestion that they gave it up. It is utterly impossible to get these Germans to entertain a new idea. is estimated at \$2,590,000. If you persist they pay you off by making up the most ridiculous mess. General Parsons took out Mrs. Campbell and placed her on his right hand. Mr. El-dridge took me and I had the next place opening night of his new theatre at auc-tion, and the premiums, amounting to \$2,000, he gave to the Dramatic Fund. —An Englishman has recently concount of my native liveliness and blue silk dress. The other side of Mrs. Camp-bell sat Commodore Worden of the Mon-

officers' accommodation being on deck. She has seven circular trunks secured on an iron platform, and braced from the sides-these are all connected with about ten courses, queer as could be, came in a flaming plum pudding, and then ices, and the speeches. The ices were the queerest things. There was a central pyramid of red and blue, studded with silver stars, and all around the base of it, ball of ices and creams channel like lemons. one another in such a manner that they purchased which will be given to that oranges, peaches, strawberries, apples, around, above and below, at all times. way, so that they can be examined &c. The central pyramid quivered and | She has a powerful steam pump, by within it. It was handed to me first and that in six hours her cargo can be pumped anxious to see what it was and wonder- out. At the place where she will dising if it would flare out if I gave it a charge in Boston; there is a tank to rechance, I seized the spoon and attempted to break in. The waiter exclaimed O, madam ! nein ! nein ! die kleine ballen ! in the ends to stow any outward cargo "(the small balls)" so I discovered that was for show and the balls for food. Dr. | name is "Novelty."

A LINE of steamships to Australia fections first, last, always, God bless our native land." Between each speech and vocated by the San Francisco journals, toast the band played our national airs, and and statistics on the subject have been the whole assembled people sang them. putlished. It is asserted that the value "The Star Spangled Banner," "Ameri- of the trade between the United States "The Star Spangled Banner," "Ameri-ca" and "Auld Lang Syne," were printed and laid by each plate. The next tralia combined, for the last fifteen years, toast was "The President of the United amounts to about \$38,000,000. States-the nation representative. Then Sandwich Islands commerce employed the "Array of the United States." Replied 1090 vessels, representing 373,135 tons; Sandwich Islands commerce employed to by General Parsons, who was General Grant's Quarter Master General. He spoke in the most manly and open manner of the glorious record of our own creasing. In the article, of sugar alone army, and praised with great and noble an increase is noted of from 550,000 generosity the bravery, spirit and endu- pounds in 1856, to 20,000,000 pounds in rance of the Confederate army, prohesy-1868. Steam communication between ing a glorious future to a country one and | San Francisco and Australia, it is stated, united, combining all that was brave and | will enable passengers from the Atlantic noole in both armices. There were many Southerners present, and while many loyal hearts were full of pride and plea-



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