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THE CAPITAL.

Advices from Cuba—San Domingo Annexation Project—Revenue Appointments—Treasury Decision—Government Printing Office, &c., &c.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, May 10, 1869.

REVENUE APPOINTMENTS.

Thomas J. Kinney has been appointed Assessor of Internal Revenue, Ninth Illinois District, vice Babcock, who declined. John A. Taggart, of Galena, is appointed Assessor of Utah, vice Corry, declined. No further appointments of Supervisors will be made until the return of Commissioner Delano.

ADVICES FROM CUBA.

The Government to-day received advices direct from the insurrectionary portion of Cuba, giving information as to movements in that quarter. Parties here in the interest of Cubans, state there are now in the Cuban army 25,000 men, 2,500 of whom are Americans, and that about 3,000 of the latter nationality have recently been added to the number. It is said by representatives of the revolutionary army of Cuba in Washington, that success would be placed beyond a doubt if the United States would recognize the belligerent rights of those who are striving to effect the independence of Cuba, and in that case the men and money already promised would be furnished in abundance.

ST. DOMINGO ANNEXATION.

Mr. Fabiers, the confidential agent of the San Domingo Government, recently had an interview with Secretary Fish on the subject of annexation, which will receive official consideration at an early day. The parties interested in the annexation movement furnish an extract of a letter from Prof. Gabb, who says he has prospected two hundred square miles of gold bearing territory, surpassing in richness any known portion of California or Australia.

REVENUE RECEIPTS.

The receipts from Internal Revenue sources for the present month have been comparatively heavy, averaging about half a million per day. Receipts from Customs also continue heavy, and the indication of a large revenue from that branch of the service for the present month are good. The coin balance in the Treasury is now quite $87,000,000, which is increased twenty millions by coin certificates.

THE TURF.

Patchen, of Baltimore, won the five hundred dollar purse to-day on the National course, mile heats, best three in five. Mountain Maid, of Philadelphia, won the first heat; time, 2:28. Star of the West, of Chicago, won the second heat, time, 2:27¼, and also third in 2:31¼. Patchen won the fourth, fifth and sixth heats; time, 2:34¼, 2:31, and 2:33. Warsaw was drawn after the first heat.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

A large number of employes of the Government Printing Office have been dismissed. Thirty-six were notified to-day that for reasons sufficient to the Congressional Printer their services were no longer required. A colored compositor, the first ever employed in the Government printing office, was assigned to a case to-day.

TREASURY DECISION.

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided that the tariff, as well as commercial usage, recognized a distinction between wrought iron tubs and wrought iron flues, and the former are liable to a duty of 3½ cents per pound and the latter of 2½ cents per pound under the existing laws.

COLORED DELEGATIONS.

Two or three delegations from Alexandria have called to see the President within the past few days, having in view the disposition of Federal offices in that city. There is an anxiety among the colored citizens there to have persons of their own color.

INDIAN AGENTS.

The War Department order, assigning army officers to duty as Indian agents, was not promulgated to-day as had been expected, some changes in the personnel having been determined on.

THE NAVY YARD.

All the master workmen at the Washington Navy Yard are to be removed, and candidates for succession to their places have been before the examining Committee.

INDIAN BUREAU.

Very little excepting mere routine business has been transacted at the Indian Bureau for the past ten days, owing to the absence of Commissioner Parker.

NEW YORK NAVAL POST.

A short time ago Admiral Farragut was tendered the post at New York, but having declined it, Rear Admiral Stringham was to-day appointed to the position.

CHIEF CLERK APPOINTED.

Secretary Cox has appointed George T. Metcalf, of Ohio, Chief Clerk of the Interior Department.

SUPERVISORS.

On the return of Commissioner Delano several additional Supervisors of Internal Revenue will be appointed.

CONSUL APPOINTED.

The President to-day appointed James H. Whalen, Consul at Port Mahon.

Curious Divorce Case.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, May 10.—A curious case was before the Supreme Court, full term, to-day. Mrs. Kinnear asked for a divorce from her husband on the ground that a divorce obtained in Illinois from her former husband, Mr. Pomeroy, was obtained by collusion and while both were residents of Massachusetts, and therefore invalid, and she therefore was the legal wife of Pomeroy. The Court held the divorce valid, both parties having submitted to the judgment of the Illinois tribunal.

—The residence of Rev. Henry Rowenthal, Rabbi of the Jewish church at Quincy, Illinois, was totally destroyed by fire Sunday night. The Synagogue adjoining was also badly damaged. Loss $5,000 or $6,000.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

Efforts to Bribe Cuban Patriots—Searching of American Vessels in the Gulf—Expeditions from New York—Mysterious Departure of Another Vessel.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, May 10.—A Washington dispatch states that the Captain General of Cuba has renewed his attempts to bribe leading patriots into leaving the island. General Cespedas has been offered a free pass for his family and two hundred thousand dollars if he would abandon Cuba. General Felix Figureola, one of those who were with the original force last October, and who has since proved himself a very useful soldier, was offered three thousand dollars. These propositions were made through citizens empowered by the Captain General, and were spurned at once. It is declared that some who sought to accept the proffered amnesty issued about six weeks since, were recently murdered by an outpost of volunteers. Several citizens suspected of patriot sympathies have been taken from the Santiago De Cuba jail, at night, and murdered by order of Dulce's Chief of Staff.

The Secretary of the Navy has called the attention of Admiral Hoff, commanding the North American Atlantic squadron now in Cuban waters, to the fact that armed Spanish vessels are in the habit of searching American merchantmen, not only in Spanish waters, but in neutral waters of the Gulf of Mexico. The Department directs that the Admiral keep a vigilant watch hereafter and prevent any such infraction of international law, and advise him that his duties are to protect, not only American citizens, but American commerce as well. He is also ordered to prevent American war vessels from searching merchant vessels, it being their duty to protect American trade and not molest it.

Another Washington dispatch says: A new movement is on foot here, which, if successful, will materially strengthen the Cuban cause. Prominent Americans are endeavoring to induce the President to take some step, or make a declaration, showing his approval of annexing the island of St. Domingo to the United States, and that he is in sympathy with any movement which has this object in view. This would be merely an open declaration on the part of the President of what he does not hesitate to admit in private conversation, and making, to a certain extent, an official announcement of these views. When this is done, it is claimed by those who are urging this course that President Baez, of the St. Domingo republic, will at once recognize the belligerency of the Cubans and extend such aid as will insure their success in obtaining independence. As the Island of St. Domingo is but a few hours sail from Eastern Cuba, where the insurrection is strongest, it would give the insurgents a strong foothold from which to ship munitions of war, and commit depredations upon Spanish commerce with small vessels, while they could run out and in the harbors at pleasure. This plan, it seems, was proposed several years ago, but kept secret from fear that it would be frustrated. Whether it is successful or not, persons well informed as to the Cuban insurrection assert with great confidence that St. Domingo will soon recognize Cuban belligerency.

A Washington correspondent says orders were telegraphed to Federal officials at New Orleans to look sharp after certain Cuban expeditions said to be fitting out there.

Report says that on Saturday forenoon a vessel, laden with war material for the Cuban insurgents, sailed from one of the piers in East river, where she had been lying some weeks unnoticed. It is also said a large number of recruits embarked on a tug at Jersey City and were transferred at Sandy Hook to the war vessel. The authorities and Cubans are both very reticent on the subject. Recruiting is stopped at the princial Cuban head-quarters, though it is understood there are still enlisted at the branch offices. The expedition alluded to above is said to be composed of emigrants who enlisted at Castle Garden. District Attorney Pierrepont has received two letters from the State Department directing energetic measures to enforce the neutrality laws and punish violation thereof, and particularly calling his attention to the case of the Quaker City.

HAVANA, May 10.—Capt. Gen. Dulce, with the volunteers who accompanied him, has returned from his visit to Mantanzas.

Fighting is reported going on near Nuevitas. No particulars at hand. The U. S. sloop-of-war Saratoga arrived to-day.

The Havana press praise the American authorities for their prompt action in detaining the steamer Quaker City. No important news has been received to day from the interior. Details of the fighting around Nuevitas are still wanting. Sugar steady.

ST. LOUIS.

Seizure of Contraband Coffee and Sugar—Arrest for Embezzlement—Sinking of a Towboat.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

ST. LOUIS, May 10.—More seizures of contraband coffee and sugar were made by the United States revenue officers this morning. It is said that about fifty-five hundred sacks of coffee, five hundred bags of pepper and several hundred boxes of sugar have been sent here from New Orleans, on none of which has the duty been paid.

Leopold Hollerman, a clerk of Murdock & Dickson, was arrested to-day, charged with embezzling between two and three thousand dollars from that firm.

About one o'clock last night the old towboat Grey Eagle sprung a leak and capsized near Stag Island in the Mississippi river, about seventy-five miles above here, and Patrick Hall, the pilot, and Henry Clerges and James Sams, raftsmen, are supposed to have been drowned. The boat was going up the river with a party of raftsmen and hands on board, all of whom and the crew lost everything they had.

ST. LOUIS, May 8. The report that the project of bridging the Mississippi directly opposite this city, had been abandoned, and that a bridge would be built just above the city is authoritively denied. It is further stated, by authority, that no such proposition has ever been entertained or contemplated, but on the contrary, the work on the bridge now in process of construction, at the foot of Washington avenue, will be pushed forward with increased vigor, and it is expected that all the piers and abutments will be finished within a year, and the structure will be erected as soon thereafter as possible.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK A. M.

ACROSS THE CONTINENT.

Triumph of American Enterprise.

COMPLETION OF THE PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The Last Spike In the Last Rail Driven Home.

BENTON'S PROPHECY FULFILLED.

"This is the Way to India."

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EVENT.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

PROMONTORY SUMMIT, Utah, May 10.—The last rail is laid. The last spike driven. The Pacific Railroad is completed. Point of junction one thousand and eighty-six miles west of the Missouri river and six hundred and ninety miles east of Sacramento.

[Signed.]

LELAND STANFORD, C. P. R. R.
T. C. DURANT,
SIDNEY DILLON, } U. P. R. R.
JOHN DAFF,

REJOICING AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, May 10.—News was received this afternoon of the completion of the Pacific Railroad. One hundred guns were fired in City Hall Park, and Mayor Hall forwarded a congratulatory message to Mayor Sanford.

A commemorative celebration had previously been held in Trinity Church, at which a telegram, forwarded by the Chamber of Commerce to a similar body of San Francisco, was read, and an address delivered by Rev. Dr. Vinton. After prayer and the reading of a portion of the Episcopal service, the organ pealed and chimes were rung as the large congregation left the Church.

The flags on City Hall and many public and private buildings were displayed all day in honor of the great event. Dispatches from Washington, Philadelphia and many other places report much enthusiasm over the news. The bell of Independence Hall at Philadelphia was especially brought into use to commemorate the completion of the Continental Railway, and the scene there generally was more enthusiastic than any since Lee's surrender.

AT CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, May 10.—The celebration of the great Inter-Oceanic Railway connection to-day was the most successful affair of the kind that ever took place in Chicago, and probably in the West. It was entirely impromptu, and therefore almost every man, woman and child in the city did their part towards making it a success. The procession was unique in appearance and immense in length, the lowest estimate putting it down at seven miles. Every merchant, every trader, every drayman, every milkman, every express company, had his or their business wagon in the line, and generally filled with boxes, supposed to contain goods, directed to merchants in every city or town between here and China. Brigham Young seemed to be far the largest consignee, as about every one of the three or four thousand business wagons had one or more packages marked to his address. Almost every wagon bore some pleasant motto or device.

Just before the procession moved every tug in the river or lake front, over one hundred in number, opened their whistles and set up a scream which seemed to awake echoes from the other side of Lake Michigan. Shortly after this the Court House sounded its tintinnabulations, announcing that the last spike in the last rail was being driven home, and then the procesion moved and continued to move until six o'clock, when it dispersed.

During the moving of the procession Vice President Colfax received the following dispatch:

Promontory Summit, Utah, May 10.—Hon. Schuyler Colfax, V. P.—The rails were connected to-day. The prophecy of Benton to-day is a fact. "This is the way to India."

[Signed,]

G. M. DODGE,
JOHN DAFF,
SIDNEY DILLON,
T. C. DURAND.

This evening Vice President Colfax, Lieut. Governor Bross, and others, addressed a large audience at Library Hall, in which they spoke eloquently of the great era which this day marks in the history of our country.

During the evening there was also a general indulgence in fireworks, bonfires, illuminations, &c.

AT ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, May 10.—The bells in this city were struck at six minutes to two o'clock this afternoon, the response to the blows of the hammer which drove the last spike in the Union Pacific Railroad. Quite a crowd assembled at the telegraph office and much interest was manifested on the occasion. Everybody is rejoiced at the completion of the grandest enterprise ever accomplished by mortal hands.

Protestant Episcopal Mission Board.

By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEWARK, N. J., May 10.—The Protestant Episcopal Board of Missions opened their spring meeting in Trinity Church this morning. Rev. Dr. Haight, of New York, presided in the absence of the Bishop. The attendance was very small. The agency system was discussed by Rev. Dr. Rudder, of Philadelphia, and others. In the evening, in Grace Church, Dr. Twing stated the progress of domestic missions, and urged an increased force, and Dr. Rudder spoke on the necessity of co-operation of Churchmen for the success of the missions.

NEWS BY CABLE.

GREAT BRITAN.

Mass Meeting at Cork, Ireland, in Sympathy With Mayor O'Sullivan—Government Measures to Suppress Fenian Outrages—The Gibraltar Question in Spain—Emperor Napoleon at Chartres Horticultural Exhibition.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

LONDON, May 10.—A great mass meeting was held in Cork on Saturday evening, to express popular condemnation of the Government in the matter of Mayor O'Sullivan.

LONDON, May 10.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Fortescue, Chief Secretary for Ireland, in reply to an inquiry of Lord John Manners, said Her Majesty's Ministers were already considering the best means of increasing the powers of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland for the more effectual suppression of outrages in that country.

SPAIN.

MADRID, May 10.—In the Cortes on Saturday, Senor Orentz asked what action had been taken by the Government towards acquiring Gibraltar. De Lorenzara, Minister of State, replied that the Government fully recognized the importance of the Gibraltar question, but that before negotiation for its cession, the nation must be strongly constituted and financially reorganized.

FRANCE.

PARIS, May 10.—The Emperor visited the Horticultural Exhibition at Chartres yesterday. He was received by the Mayor who delivered an address. The Emperor made a short speech in reply. He recalled the visit he made to Chartres when he was President. He then referred to the coming election and invited all men of all parties to aid in the advancement of the cause of Liberal progress by choosing as their representatives men worthy of such a mission.

MARINE NEWS.

SOUTHAMPTON, May 10.—The steamer Weser, from New York, has arrived.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, May 10—*Evening.*—Consols for money 92⅛; for account 92⅝. Five-Twenties quiet and steady at 78⅝. Stocks steady. Erie 18¾. Illinois 90¼. Tallow 42s 9d. Sugar 39s. 3d. Linseed 60s.

ANTWERP, May 10.—Petroleum 51¾f.

HAVRE, May 8.—Cotton on spot 141¼f.

FRANKFORT, May 10.—Five-Twenties 85⅝.

LIVERPOOL, May 10.—Cotton dull at 11½@11⅝d. for middling uplands, 11¾@11⅞d. for Orleans; sales of 7,000 bales. California white wheat 9s. 4d.; red western 8s. 8d. Western Flour 21s. 6d. Corn—mixed 27s. Oats 3s. 4d. Barley 5s. Peas 33s. 6d. Pork 101s. Beef 90s. Lard 63s. 6d. Cheese 83s. Bacon 60s. Spirits Petroleum 9d; refined 1s. 8½d. Tallow 43s. 9d. Turpentine 28s. 6d.

PARIS, May 10.—Bourse strong; Rentes 71f. 84c.

FRANKFORT, May 10—*Evening.*—U. S. Bonds closed at 85⅝@86.

VIRGINIA.

Chief Justice Chase Reverses the Decision of Judge Underwood Declaring the Proceedings of State Courts Null and Void—Construction of the Fourteenth Amendment.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

RICHMOND, May 10.—Chief Justice Chase this morning delivered an opinion on an appeal from Judge Underwood's decision in the District Court, declaring null a sentence of Judge Sheffey of the State Court, on the ground of Sheffey's ineligibility under the Fourteenth Amendment. The case was that of Cæsar Griffin, a negro, who was sentenced to the penitentiary for shooting a man. The Chief Justice read the opinion of the Court, holding that a State government in Virginia had been recognized during the war by Congress, first at Wheeling and next at Alexandria. The action of the Government in dividing the State had been recognized by the Federal Government, and Senators and Representatives elected by that government had been allowed seats in Congress. It was under this government that Sheffey had been appointed, and he was, therefore, a legal Judge, as far as the State government was concerned. The question now came up whether, being ineligible, he was absolutely removed by the operation of the Fourteenth amendment. The United States District Judge had decided that he was, but in the examination of a question of this sort great attention is properly paid to the argument of inconvenience, and a construction which must necessarily occasion great public and private mischief must never be preferred to a construction which will occasion neither in so great a degree, unless the terms of the instrument absolutely require such preference. The opinion here shows the anarchy which would be produced in a State by declaring past legal proceedings void. It then considers the character and intent of the provisions of the third section of the Fourteenth amendment, which are declared to be punitive. It is clearly against the provisions of the Constitution, which deny to the legislative authority power to deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, or to pass *ex post facto* laws. And these, if there were no other grounds, are reasons for seeking another interpretation of the amendment than that asked by counsel. The Fourteenth amendment is not self enforcing, and needs further legislation of Congress to enforce it, and two months after the judgment now being raised was delivered, Congress passed a joint resolution providing for the removal of all ineligible officers, showing that persons then holding office were held to be *de facto* officers, and also providing the means for their removal by the military. The Court said the Supreme Court had unanimously concurred in the opinion that a prisoner sentenced by a Judge *de facto*, though not a Judge *de jure*, could not be reached by the *habeas corpus*.

The decision of the District Court was reversed and Ceasar Griffin was remanded to the State authorities.

In the U. S. Circuit Court this morning Jeter Phillips, to be hung next Friday, upon a writ of *habeas corpus* was remanded to the State authorities, on the ground that he was sentenced before the Fourteenth Amendment was promulgated.

NEW YORK CITY.

A Fatal Affray—Frauds on the Revenue—Free Trade League Meeting.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, May 10, 1869.

Last evening a man named George McNeery got into an altercation with a man named Peter Ellinger, in front of a boarding house, on Wallace street, and stabbed him in the abdomen and side, inflicting probably fatal injuries. Lewis Bush, a friend of Ellinger, interfered, when McNeery stabbed him also, cutting his heart in two and causing instant death. No provocation for the assault appears to have existed. Officers are in search of McNeery.

Judge Benedict to-day charged the Grand Jury in the United States Circuit Court in reference to revenue frauds in this city, more particularly drawback frauds, involving many Government officials in forged papers to amounts of $700,000. It was, said the Judge, the duty of the Grand Jury to indict all, poor or rich, guilty of frauds on the revenue.

The police to-day received by mail post marked Elmira, New York, $13,000 worth of shares of the Eureka Mining Company of Polk county, Tenn., which was stolen from the safe of Smallwood & Hitchcock, Beaver street, on the night of the 3d inst.

Wm. H. Nealson was to-day chosen President of the Stock Exchange, as consolidated by the admission of the Open Board.

The steamers Westphalia, from Hamburg via Havre 1st, and Queen, from Liverpool, arrived to-day.

A meeting of the American Free Trade League was held at Cooper Institute to-night, at which many of the prominent members were present. Howard Potter called the assemblage to order and David Dudley Field presided. Addresses were delivered by Wm. Cullen Bryant and Edward Atkinson and the following resolution adopted:

Resolved, That in the opening of the Great Pacific Railroad to-day, connecting New York and San Francisco, we recognize a pledge not only for one country, one constitution and one destiny, with a due regard to the revenue for the present sort of trade with all countries and all continents.

Coal Miners' Strike.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

MAUCH CHUNK, Pa., May 10.—A strike in the coal region commenced to-day, and work is entirely suspended in the Lehigh and Schuylkill regions. Nothing has been received from Wilkesbarre, but it is supposed the same state of affairs exists there.

—Omaha dispatches says that telegrams from Echo City report that the troubles with the laborers near Piedmont are amicably settled. The railroad and telegraph officials left Echo City Sunday afternoon for Promonotory Point, to attend the laying of the last rail. Although the Central Pacific officials deny that the Union Pacific could not reach the meeting place at Pomonotory Point before the 10th, they arranged to lay their own last rail on Saturday. They ascribe the failure of meeting the Union Pacific to obstinacy or bad management of the officers, while, in fact, they desired the exclusive management of their money.

—On the day of the adjournment of the last Congress a resolution was smuggled through to prevent the printing of the report and testimony taken in the Alaska investigation. This was done to shield a certain correspondent, who had figured quite prominently, as the testimony showed, to black-mail the Russian Minister, and Robert J. Walker, counsel for the Russian Government. From some cause the House resolution was not carried out, and the testimony was printed on Saturday last and sent to the House document room, to be distributed throughout the country. The testimony, as printed, has caused much talk.

—A duel was fought on Monday at New Orleans, between a Spaniard and Cuban, growing out of the cries of "death to Spaniards" in a recent procession of Cubans and their sympathizers. The Cuban was badly wounded, but the Spaniard is unhurt. A general challenge has been extended from the Spaniard to all who indulged in the cries during the procession. Another duel is reported already arranged.

Markets by Telegraph.

BUFFALO, May 10.—Receipts—830 bbls flour, 386,000 bush wheat, 493,000 bush corn, 85,000 bush oats. Shipments—227,000 bush wheat, 62,000 bush oats, 61,000 bush oats. Freights lower at 13¼c on wheat, 11½c on corn, and 7½c on oats to New York. Flour steady and dull; western bakers $6.78@7.00. Wheat in fair demand; sales this morning 20,000 bush No 2 Milwaukee at $1,25; also 7,500 bush Chicago at $1,25, also 7,500 bush No 2 at $1,24; sales this afternoon 30,000 bush do at $1,24, closing weak. Corn quiet and unsettled; sales 50,000 bush new at 63@66c; also 12,000 bush No. 1 certificate new at 67½@68c. Oats dull; sales 25,000 bush at 73@73½c; old held at 73c at the close. Rye nominal. Barley; small sales at $1,75 delivered. Seeds quiet at $4,12½ for timothy, and $9,25 for medium clover. Peas nominal at $1,20. Pork steady at $31. Lard steady at 19c. Highwines offered at 96c.

NEW ORLEANS, May 10.—Cotton—better qualities scarce and stiffer; low grades quiet; middlings 28½@28½c; sales 1,000 bales; receipts, 1,279 bales; exports, 475 bales. Flour dull; superfine $5,80; double extra $5,87@6; treble extra $6,25. Corn—white 65@70c. Bran $1,20. Hay—prime $28. Mess pork dull at $32,25. Bacon firm at 13½@14c. Lard—choice scarce at 18½@19c for tierce; 19½@20c for keg. Sugar—common 9¼@10c; for prime 12¼@13c. Molasses nominal; fermenting 35@50c. Whisky quiet; western rectified 87½@92½c. Coffee unchanged.

MEMPHIS, May 10.—Cotton dull; low middlings 26½c; receipts, 309 bales; exports, 1,401 bales. Flour irregular at $4,50@11,00. Corn at 75@80c. Oats at 75@80c. Hay $28,00@30,00. Pork $31,50 @32,50. Bacon quiet; shoulders, 13½@14c, sides 17½@18c. Bulk meats dull; shoulders, 12½@12¾c.

CHICAGO, May 10.—*Latest.*—Nothing of consequence was done in Grain after 'Change, and prices are unchanged, No. 2 spring Wheat closing at $1,10½@1,11 on spot. Other grains neglected. Provisions are inactive. In the evening there was nothing done and prices were nominal.

NASHVILLE, May 10.—Cotton dull; low middlings 25c; good ordinary 24c.

FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Regular Meeting—Election of Officers—Reports of the Treasurer and Chief Engineer.

A regular quarterly meeting of the Firemen's Association was held on Monday evening, May 10th, 1869, at 7½ o'clock, in the hall of the Association, City Building.

Present: Messrs, Wilson, Reed, Ward, Eagle; Watt, Wilson, Sims, Allegheny; McCarthy, Tatnell, Hamill, Duquesne; Johnson, Irwin, Cupples, Niagara; Neeper, Vigilant; Tibby, Paisley, Independence; Reynolds Hammer, Lawrence; Roberts and King, Rescue Hook and Ladder Company.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Mr. James Irwin, Treasurer, submitted his report which shows a balance in the Treasury of $199 61.

The report was received and filed.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER.

John H. Hare, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, presented his quarterly report, setting forth the number of fires for the quarter ending May 10th, 1869. In concluding, the Chief Engineer returns his thanks to the members of the different companies of the department for the prompt and efficient manner in which they had discharged their duties.

The report was received and ordered to be filed.

The bill of James McGaffin, janitor, for $6.50, was presented and ordered to be paid.

The bill of W. P. Neeper, Secretary of the Ass., for $20 for services, was presented and ordered to be paid.

Mr. Sims called on the Chief Engineer to state whether the companies had all conformed to the rules relative to the district system. Mr. Hare replied that the Duquesne was the only company that had violated the rules, and that under circumstances which relieved them from any censure.

The Convention then adjourned, and the members whose term of service had expired left the room.

NEW ORGANIZATION.

The Convention was then called to order and effected a temporary organization by calling W. C. McCarthy, Esq., to the Chair, and the election of Scott Ward as Secretary.

The credentials of new members were then read as follows: Fred. Ruch, Relief; John Johnson, Duquesne; Geo. R. Beecher, Rescue Hook and Ladder Company; Henry Smith, Lawrence Hose; A. J. Cupples, Niagara; S. T. Paisley, Independence; William J. Wilson, Alleghemy.

The credentials were accepted and the members elect took their seats.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On motion of Mr. Sims the Association proceeded to the election of permanent officers.

W. C. McCarthy, Esq., was nominated for President.

On motion the nominations closed.

Mr. McCarthy receiving all the votes cast, was declared unanimously elected.

Mr. Scott Ward was nominated for Secretary, but declined.

Mr. S. T. Paisley was then nominated, and on motion, the nominations closed.

Mr. Paisley having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected.

Mr. Joseph Irwin was nominated and unanimously elected Treasurer.

John H. Hare was nominated and unanimously elected Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

For First Assistant Engineer Mr. Jos. Cupples and John H. McElroy were placed in nomination. Mr. Cupples received eight votes and Mr. McElroy ten votes. McElroy was declared duly elected.

For Second Assistant Engineer Mr. Roberts and Mr. Tibby were placed in nomination. Mr. Roberts having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

On motion of Mr. Sims, each delegation was authorized to name a man to serve on the Committee of Conference and Inspection.

The motion prevailed, and the following persons appointed on the Committee: Messrs. Ward, Watt, Hamill, Ferguson, Irwin, Paisley, Reynolds and Beecher.

On motion James McGaffin was appointed Messenger.

"DECORATION DAY."

Mr. S. W. Reynolds, of the Lawrence Hose Company, presented the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, It is in contemplation by the citizens of Pittsburgh, on the 30th inst., to decorate the graves of deceased Union Soldiers, and, whereas the Firemen of Pittsburgh are largely represented in the list of the "Honored Dead," and the committee having the matter in charge having extended an invitation to us to participate in the ceremonies of the occasion, therefore

Resolved, That the various Companies represented in this Association be requested to take the necessary measures to participate in the memorial celebration, and that they send one or more delegates to represent them at a meeting to be held in the City Hall, on Friday afternoon, the 14th inst., at three o'clock P. M.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously.

Mr. Wilson stated that in consideration of the increased labor devolving on the Engineer and his assistants, he thought a Third Assistant Engineer necessary, and moved that the Association proceed to elect a Third Assistant Engineer.

Mr. Sims objected to the motion, and on a vote being taken, the motion was defeated.

Mr. Ruch moved the appointment of a committee to revise the constitution.

The motion prevailed, and the Chair appointed the following named persons: Messrs. Ruch, Wilson and Tibby.

On motion of Mr. Sims, the name of the Neptune Fire Company was stricken from the books of the Association.

On motion, adjourned.

Search Warrant Issued.

Joseph Rebstock made information, before Alderman Mullen, of Allegheny, yesterday, against Wm. Bihdenstein, for larceny. The defendant is charged with taking two saws, valued at six dollars, from the premises of the prosecutor, in December last. A similar information was made against the same defendant by H. H. Johnson, who charges him with appropriating a saw valued at nine dollars. The property was supposed to be about the premises of the defendant, and a search warrant was accordingly issued by the Alderman. The parties reside at Fleming Station, on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad.