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MIDNIGHT.

NEW YORK.

The Case of Pratt, The Texas Rioter—Conflict Between the Federal and State Courts—Fire on Broadway—Collision at Fulton Ferry—The Express Robbery—Vincent Collyer, Indian Commissioner.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, August 12,—The case of Jno. Pratt, the Texan rioter, was set for examination before Commissioner Osborne to-day, but Marshal Barlow declined to produce the prisoner at present, as he had been served with an order from Judge McCunn, of the Superior Court, of New York, to release him, and as he had not force enough at his command to hold him as against the directions of the State Court. At the motion of the Assistant District Attorney the case was postponed till next Monday. Meanwhile Judge McCunn had prepared warrants for the arrest of Marshal Barlow and Major Taylor, commander of Fort Schuyler, where Pratt is confined on an affidavit by one Noble that he believed the Marshal was about to take Pratt out of the State. Before they were served, however, a compromise was effected, the Assistant District Attorney agreeing that Pratt should be produced in the Superior Court at 2:30 to-morrow afternoon. It is understood Commissioner Osborn took no part in this stipulation, as he holds the prisoner is still under his jurisdiction and the State Court cannot interfere. Report says the commander of Fort Schuyler has been instructed by the Secretary of War to hold the prisoner.

A fire occurred this afternoon at 38 Broadway, occupied by Van Beal & Fiske, wholesale liquor dealers, and several other firms. Van Beal & Fiske lose $15,000; fully insured. Dorr & Gillespie, Merrick, Peck & Co., and Geo. T. Moore & Co., merchants, lose in the aggregate $8,000. The building was owned by Edward Mathews and damaged $3,000.

A collision occurred this afternoon at Fulton Ferry slip, the ferry boat Columbia running into the Union, crushing her upper works, but fortunately killing no one.

The Chinese visitors to-day visited various places of interest, including Central Park.

It is said to be impossible to tell yet the amount the robbers got from the express on the New York Central Railroad. It is known, however, that $20,000 in gold was taken. There is no clue to the robbers. Two arrests have been made at Schenectady, but the parties readily proved an *alibi*.

Vincent Collyer has received a commission from the Secretary of the Interior, and leaves to-day to visit the Indians of Alaska.

It is stated 95 cents on the dollar has been refused for the protest indebtedness of Rhodacanachi & Franghaide, who recently failed. It is believed they will pay in full with interest.

The following dispatch has been received from St. Johns, New Foundland, by Messrs. Knerbardt & Co., agents of the Hamburg American Packet Company: "Divers are at work on the wreck of the steamship Germania in Trepassey Bay. Some specie and nine bags of mail have been recovered and brought here."

The steamship Cambria from Glasgow has arrived here.

POLITICAL.

A Story Denied—Excitement in Tennessee Subsided.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NASHVILLE, August 12.—There is no truth or foundation for the story, telegraphed specially from this place, that Mr. Boselle, one of the editors of the late Stokes organ, had received a letter warning him to leave. The truth is the editors of the organ won the respect of this entire community by their conduct as journalists and citizens.

The excitement of the late political canvass has completely subsided. Tennessee is as quiet to-day as at any time in her history and her people in the best of humor. They have gone to work full of hope for the future, with no idea of circumscribing the rights of any man of any race or color.

Declines the Speakership.

MEMPHIS, Aug. 12.—Hon. Emerson Etheridge, in a letter to the *Avalanche*, positively declines to allow his name to go before the State Senate as a candidate for the Speakership of that body.

The Campaign in Ohio Opened.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 12.—The Republicans opened the campaign in southern Ohio, at Wilmington, Clinton county, to-day. Senator Morton, of Indiana, and Gov. Hayes spoke. Ten thousand people, at a moderate estimate, were present.

Hon. Geo. H. Pendleton has not entirely recovered from his accident, being thrown from a buggy, laming him, three months ago. He can walk but a short distance, but goes about in a buggy. The Democrats have a meeting on Saturday night to ratify his nomination.

Mississippi Officials Removed.

JACKSON, August 12.—Judge Jefferds, of the Supreme Court, A. Warner, Secretary of State, Judge Speed, of the Criminal Court of Warner county, with large numbers of minor officers, were to-day removed by Gen. Ames. The persons above named are prominent in the Conservative movement in this State.

ST. LOUIS.

National Capital Convention—Change of Time—Steamer Sunk.

ST. LOUIS, August 12.—The Committee appointed the other night to arrange the preliminaries for holding a National Capital Convention in this city, met to-day and changed the time from October 6th to October 20th. A Committee on Transportion was also appointed, embracing prominent gentlemen connected with all the railroads and steamboat lines centering here, who will endeavor to procure free passage for delegates and half fare for visitors to the Convention.

The steamer Cora, a Missouri river packet, sunk about six o'clock to-night at Bellfontaine Bend. No particulars, but no lives lost.

CUBAN REVOLUTION.

Active Preparations—Points on the Coast Held by Cubans—Anxiety for Belligerent Rights—Inspiriting Success of Gen. Jordan's Forces.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, August 12.—Cuban advices to the 2d instant state that active preparations have been commenced by Generals Jordan and Quesada. Several points on the coast are now in possession of the Cubans, with power to hold them against any land force that can be brought against them, from which points they have communication with their friends in the United States. The Cuban leaders state that were their rights as belligerents recognized by the United States, such would be its effect in Cuba that in less than thirty days they would have entire possession of the Island outside of Havana, and that entire possession would only be a question of a few months time. Cubans throughout the Island are in sympathy with Cespedes' Government, and the disaffection of the Spanish troops would leave the Spanish Government without an army to oppose the Cuban armies. It is reported that there is a serious difficulty in the volunteer organization and numbers in the interior are joining the revolutionists with arms and munitions of war.

A force of four hundred men were sent out from St. Jago de Cuba, commanded by Col. Puello. This force was captured by Gen. Jordan's troops. A force sent out by Gen. Valmazeda to reinforce them were in turn attacked and defeated with a loss of half their number.

It is reported that the Spaniards have been driven out of Cinco Villas district with severe loss in killed, wounded and desertions. The Cubans are successful in every engagement and are now in possession of the entire territory, the wealthiest and most productive on the Island. This increases their strength and affords facilities for active operations, giving them full supplies for their army. The Spanish troops are represented to be in such a demoralized condition as to be almost beyond the control of their officers, who are fearful to trust them in an engagement. Everywhere in General Jordan's Department he has so far accomplished his purposes. His troops are inspirited by their successes, and he has no doubt of ultimate triumph.

A cargo of slaves landed in Cinco Villas District were all captured and at once liberated by their captors. Their condition is represented as wretched in the extreme.

Gen. Quesada's forces are closing on their opponents, who have no troops outside of Nuevitas, except those in Puerto Principe.

THE TURF.

Races at Buffalo Driving Park—The Horse Show at Williamsport.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

BUFFALO, August 12.—Fully thirty thousand people were in attendance to-day at the Buffalo Driving Park to witness the trots. The race for horses that have never beaten 2:23, which was unfinished yesterday, was resumed to-day, with eight horses entered, and was won by J. Demass ch. m. Idol. Time 2:28¼, 2:32 2:37, 2:27½, 2:24½, 2:26¾, 2:28¾.

The trot for the one thousand dollar purse was won by Goldsmith Maid in three straight heats. She made the closest and best time ever made in three successive heats. Goldsmith Maid, American Girl and George Palmer started and kept nearly even to the quarter pole on the home stretch. They all lapped to within fifty feet of the stand, when the Maid shot ahead and won. The Maid broke at starting in the last heat and lost the pole, keeping outside the entire round. The following is the summary:

Goldsmith Maid,	1	1	1
American Girl	3	2	2
Geo. Palmer	2	3	3

Time, 2:19¾, 2:19½, 2:19¾.

Lucy was entered but drawn. The fastest time ever before made in three heats was by Lady Thorn in 7:02.

Two heats were trotted in the race for horses that never beat 2:50, and were won by Henry in 2:32¾ and 2:29¾. The race will be concluded to-morrow.

Two heats also trotted for $5,000 and the race left open until to-morrow. One heat was taken by Voorhes in 2:33¾, and the other by Lamplighter in 2:22.

Thomas Best, the trainer of Henry, to-day sold that horse to Mr. Roden for $14,000, sale subject to the approval of D. H. Bull, owner. The rumor of the sale of Goldsmith Maid for $30,000 to Senator Sprague is untrue. Her owner says that no such money will buy her. The rumored sale of Idol to three New York gentlemen is also unfounded.

The manager of the National Horse Fair at Williamsport has postponed the exhibition from September next to the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th of October, 1869. All the leading horses will be in attendance at Williamsport. Premiums of $25,000 are offered.

THE RAILROAD WAR.

Gov. Hoffman's Superintendent Takes Charge of the Susquehanna & Albany Road.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., August 12.—General McQuade, Governor Hoffman's Superintendent of the Albany & Susquehanna Railroad, arrived this afternoon and took possession of the road. On his way from Harpersville to the tunnel, seven miles, General McQuade found it necessary to ride in a carriage, the rails having been taken up or the position altered during the controversy. The military have been withdrawn and are now here. The war is quiet, but it is impossible to open the road for travel under two or three days.

ALBANY, August 12.—Gen. McQuade, who is Acting Superintendent of the Susquehanna Railroad by appointment of Gov. Hoffman, went over the road to-day and telegraphs that he found several trestle bridges badly damaged and much other damage done to the road. It will, he says, probably take till to-morrow night to repair the road and bridges, but trains will be running regularly on Saturday morning.

Gov. Hoffman to-day issued an executive order appointing Robert L. Banks, of his staff, executive and financial agent of the road, and continuing Gen. McQuade as Superintendent.

Surrogate Lawton is still taking testimoney in the disputed Receivership.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

NEWS BY CABLE.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, August 12.—The *Times* to-day has an editorial on the relations between Great Britain and the United States, suggested by the Queen's closing speech. The writer says: "The Queen's opening and closing speeches are apparently inconsistent, but the explanation is found in the fact that the international relations depend on the reciprocity of the feelings of the people and not on the negotiations of their Ministers. Messrs. Johnson, Stanley and Seward have been succeeded by others, but the sureties of peace and friendship abide on a stronger basis than diplomacy can furnish."

DUBLIN, August 12.—At the meeting of the Committee of the Irish Church Conference letters were received from the Archbishops of Armagh and Dublin announcing that the Bishops who were present at the late assembly consider it inexpedient to re-assemble the Conference, as that course is distasteful to a large body of churchmen. The Committee expressed their regret at this determination. The Committee cordially concurred in the resolve passed by the prelates at their late Conference, declaring the desirability of convening a General Synod representing the clergy and laity, and hoped it would soon be held.

LONDON, August 12.—Parliament will re-assemble on the 25th of October.

LONDON, Aug. 12—via French Cable.—The Board of Directors of the French Cable Company have passed a resolution expressing regret for the death of Mr. Cornelius Grinnel at Ryde.

The Committee of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club unanimously voted that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. Bennett, expressing sorrow at the untimely end of Mr. Grinnel and requesting Mr. Bennett to carry the letter to the relatives of the deceased.

CALCUTTA, Aug. 10—via French Cable.—It is reported that Sheer Ali Ameer, of Cabool, had been shot at and wounded. No particulars have been received.

LONDON, August 12.—The *News*, in a leader on the prorogation of Parliament, says: "When we have had a few more sessions like the last, with a series of such failures in legislation, and with a continuance of such waste of the time and energy of the working half, the legislative reform of the House of Lords will become the pressing question of the time. The question must come; it may be delayed by concession or hastened to a decision by continued obstruction, but until a reform is accomplished elective and hereditary Peers will meet in suspicion and not often part in harmony."

LONDON, August 12.—Advices from Odessa report that the quantity of wheat to be harvested is large, but a decided opinion as to its quality cannot be given until the result of recent rains is known.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Aug. 11.—The provisions stipulated by martial law, passed April 17th, 1821, which require the assemblage of a Council of War to try insurgents, are not being now observed in Spain. The troops shoot all individuals suspected of Carlistism without any kind of trial. Nine persons have been summarily shot in the vicinity of Barcelona, which has created a very bad impression among the people.

It is reported that Gen. Prim intends offering the crown of Spain to King Louis, of Portugal, in which case Spain and Portugal would be governed in a similar manner as Austria and Hungary, and the King would divide his residence between the two capitals.

A Carlist chief, Cobecilla Estarus, has crossed the French frontier and passed into Catalonia, where he has joined a band 400 strong.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—The *Times* publishes a letter from Madrid whereof the following is an extract: Spain cannot be in a worse state. A change must come, unless the rulers are prepared for revolution. The Treasury is empty; it is impossible to collect taxes, and there is popular discontent everywhere. Prim and his colleagues have no easy times ahead.

SOUTH AMERICA.

LONDON, August 12, *via* French Cable.—Advices have been received from Rio Janeiro to July 10th. Minister McMahon had arrived at Rosarifa. He left the headquarters of President Lopez on the 24th of June, and was accompanied to the Brazilian lines by a son of Lopez and escort. Mr. Wortington, late American Minister at Buenos Ayres, had taken leave of President Sarmiento, and Mr. Kirk, new Minister, had presented his credentials.

The rebellion in Uraguay has ended. Gen. Carabollas and other leaders of the insurrection had been captured and were awaiting trial.

FRANCE.

PARIS, August 12, *via* French Cable.—The Emperor is slightly indisposed to-day, but will depart for the Camp of Chalons, remaining till Saturday.

Marshal Neil is pronounced hopeless.

PARIS, August 12, *via* French Cable.—M. Devienne will probably be made Reporter of the Senate Commission on *Senatus Consultum*.

EGYPT.

ALEXANDRIA, August 12.—The Viceroy has received a letter from the Sultan. It is reported that its contents are not of so serious a character as was anticipated, and Ismail Pasha will have no difficulty in making a satisfactory reply.

PORTUGAL.

LISBON, August 12.—The Duke de Loule has been charged with the formation of a new Cabinet.

MARINE NEWS.

MOVILLE, August 12.—The steamship Columbia, from New York, arrived here to-day.

—The Society of California Pioneers, at San Francisco, have purchased a cane for $1,000, for presentation to Mr. Seward on his return from Alaska. The head of the stick is composed of forty-one triangular pieces of gold bearing quartz from the leading mines of California, set in gold.

CINCINNATI.

Convention of Templars—Resolutions of the Chamber of Commerce.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

CINCINNATI, August 12.—Yesterday and to-day the National Templars of Honor and Temperance have been in session. The representatives are exclusively members of the Supreme Council. This is the twenty-third meeting since the organization, and the fourth held in this city.

A meeting was held to-day at the Chamber of Commerce. Among others passed were the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the mercantile interests of Cincinnati demand at the hands of the merchants and manufacturers a forward step in the great improvement of the West and South, and while the anticipated Southern Railroad will add much to our prosperity and commercial advancement, yet the opening of Pacific Railroad to San Francisco has given to our merchants and manufacturers a new field of enterprise in which our western and north western merchants and manufacturers are already reaping a partial harvest; and we of Cincinnati should send mercantile representatives to the Pacific coast that we may show to the representatives of the golden State, and through them to the great East, China, Japan, &c., that the merchants and manufacturers of Cincinnati can use more of their gold dust, their silks, their teas and all their products that can be exchanged.

Resolved, That Wednesday, September first, be the day appointed to leave Cincinnati.

Another resolution was that the route should be via St. Louis.

Weather cloudy; themometer was 85 at noon, 86 in the evening; barometer 11ing.

THE CAPITAL.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, August 12, 1869.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

The official statement shows the imports for the year ending June 30th, gold value, $437,036,541; increase from previous year, $65,000,000. Exports, mixed value, chiefly currency, $413,869,182; decrease, $40,000,000. Re-exports, gold values, $25,130,167; increase, $2,500,000.

CUSTOMS.

The customs receipts for the week ending August 7th were $3,590,345.

REDEMPTION OF CURRENCY.

Treasurer Spinner announces he will redeem ten and fifty dollar notes of the convertible issue and also mutilated bills in amounts of five hundred dollars or upwards in multiples thereof and forwarded by Adams Express.

RESIGNED.

G. Gordon Adams, United States District Attorney of Mississippi, has tendered his resignation.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—The Chinese commercial agents have arrived at New York.

—Twenty Cuban prisoners have escaped from Fernando Po.

—Jeff Davis and Charles Mackay are in Glasgow, Scotland.

—Fires continue to rage in the woods of Washington Territory.

—The first bale of new crop cotton has been received at Macon, Georgia.

—The people of Montana territory have decided to remove the Capital to Helena.

—John Ruskin, the art critic, has been elected to the Slade Art Professorship of Oxford University.

—Gen. Carr, who recently so signally defeated the Indians, is on a visit to his friends in Chicago.

—President Grant arrived at the residence of Secretary Fish, in New York, Thursday morning.

—The loss by the destruction of Crystal Lake Ice Company's six ice houses and contents, near Chicago, aggregates about $18,000.

—A. Christy, an old and wealthy citizen of St. Louis, and one of the principal owners of Wiggins Ferry Company, died yesterday.

—A montreal paper professes to have positive information that preparations are quietly progressing for a Fenian raid on the 15th proximo.

—The Supreme Court have refused to grant a writ of error in the case of Thos. Mulhall, sentenced to be hung at Cleveland, O., on the 26th.

—The coinage of the branch mint in San Francisco for July was one million and forty thousand dollars, since January 1st six millions.

—The first bale cotton of new Alabama crop, received at Montgomery yesterday, was classed strictly middling and sold at fifty eight cents.

—A southern base ball club of New Orleans arrived at Memphis, yesterday, on a championship coming tour north. They play the Bluff City Club to-day.

—Judge Nelson, at New York, on Wednesday, declined an application for an injunction to restrain John McDonough from playing "After Dark."

—The New York *Herald* says the new commander of our fleet in the Cuban waters is an earnest sympathizer with the revolutionary movement.

—The anniversary celebration of the Old Folks at Home, at Memphis, yesterday, surpassed all preceding ones. It was organized by pioneers, but participated in by all ages.

—The depots at New York are all cumbered with immense quantities of western bound freight, and the officers are besieged by shippers anxious to get their goods off before prices rise.

—The cotton worm has appeared on many plantations on the Big Black river, Mississippi. Their appearance this year is five days earlier than last, while the crop is at least two weeks later.

—A child four years old was found clinging to a raft and in an insensible condition in the Delaware river, yesterday A. M. The little one had wandered from home and was restored to its parents.

—The U. S. steamer Tallapoosa, from Washington, having on board General Sherman, Secretary Robeson and Vice Admiral Porter, arrived at Fortress Monroe yesterday, and passed up for Norfolk.

—The stockholders of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad held their annual meeting at Nashville yesterday. The present Directors were re-elected. No changes will be made in the officers of the railroad.

—The heavy work of improving the Falls of St. Anthony is progressing. The river has been turned from its natural bed and the Falls laid bare. The gap swarms with workmen.

—Hon. B. L. Ridley, of Rutherford, died suddenly Wednesday morning at his residence in Murfreesboro, Tenn., of apoplexy. He was a party to the Sherbrook-Ridley suffrage case, now pending in the United States Supreme Court.

—Mike McCoole, the noted pugilist, was attacked while unarmed, at Buffalo, Wednesday night, by Edward Burns, a Chicago rough, and badly cut and beaten with brass knuckles. There was some excitement among the "sports" in consequence.

—A dispatch received at Gen. Sheridan's headquarters, Chicago, from Col. Nelson, at Camp Supply, dated July 31st, says eighteen hundred Cheyenne Indians came to that place on the 27th and are drawing rations. This includes, it is believed, all the Cheyennes south of the Arkansas.

—Cornelius Grinnell lost his life by falling from a window at his hotel on the Isle of Wight, England. A Coroner's jury found the death to have been "accidental." James Gorden Bennett, Jr., and others who were with him at the time of the accident, testified he was perfectly sober.

—Governor Palmer, of Illinois, says a special from Springfield, made a speech on Tuesday, at the Republican Convention, which was States Rights in politics. He avoided the suffrage question and XVth Amendment, for the reason that he opposes the surrender of the State control of suffrage to the Federal authority.

—Judge Barnard, at New York, yesterday, vacated all the orders of Judge Peckham in the case of the Susquehanna and Albany Railroad, also issued non-bailable attachments against Robert H. Pruyn, Joseph H. Ramsey and John H. Van Valkenburg, and an order requiring them to show cause why they should not be punished for contempt.

—The counting of the vote in Virginia on the Constitution and State officers having been finished, a special states General Canby has signified his intention of promulgating the result of the election thus far in a few days. Fully a week must elapse before the vote on members of Congress and members of the Legislature is counted, and it will be two weeks before the result of the latter is announced.

—The remainder of the Northern Pacific Railroad exploring party have returned to Minneapolis, making the round trip in ten days from the Missouri river, the quickest time on record. They had a little brush with Indians at Buffalo Lake, fifty miles from Fort Totten, and one of the escort was slightly wounded in the leg. The route, as explored, is reported feasible beyond any expectation, far more than on the line of the two other Pacific roads. The country far west is reported as suffering from drought.

—The National Executive Committee of the Union League of America met at Philadelphia yesterday. Gov. Geary welcomed the Committee to the Commonwealth. The executive report of the state of the Union League throughout the Union was read by the Secretary. Measures were adopted to aid the pending elections in Mississippi, Texas and Pennsylvania. An address to the League throughout the United States on the subject of adhering to the objects of the organization and sustaining the administration, and resolutions warmly endorsing the removal of Conservatives in Mississippi and other States were adopted. Appropriations for elections about to take place and other important election matters were attended to. The charter of the State Council in Mississippi was revoked, and M. A. Mygate appointed special commissioner to re-organize the order there. Council adjourned without day.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Little Boy Killed.

We mentioned yesterday that a little boy had been killed the evening previous on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad, near the Superior blast furnace. Yesterday morning Alderman Irvin, of Allegheny, acting for the Coroner, held an inquest on the remains at the residence of his parents, at Woods Run. It appears that the little fellow, named Thomas Vaughen, had been sent out by his mother with a can of milk which he had to leave to customers in the neighborhood, and nothing more was heard of him until his mangled body was brought home. The body was found lying across the track, by an employe of the Superior works, who supposed it at first to be that of a drunken man, but closer inspection revealed the mistake. The wheels passed across the upper part of the breast, near the neck, and severed, besides breaking the arms, and otherwise horribly mutilating it. The deceased was about thirteen years of age. The accident occurred in McClure township, just outside the city limits, at a point where a township road crosses the railroad track. No person was a witness, but it is supposed to have been done by a shifting freight train which passed along a short time before the body was discovered. The jury returned a verdict that the deceased "Thomas Vaughen came to his death in McClure township on the 11th day of August, 1869, by being accidentally run over by a train on the Cleveland & Pittsburgh Railroad. And the jury recommend in order to guard against similar occurrences at the same place, that a watchman be placed there by the railroad company."

Brakeman Killed.

Yesterday morning, about four o'clock, John Rogers, a resident of Allegheny and brakeman on the Allegheny Valley Railroad, was killed. He was coming toward the city on a train, which jumped the track a mile this side of Allegheny Junction, twenty-eight miles from Pittsburgh. Several of the cars were thrown down a steep embankment, and Rogers falling underneath one of them was crushed to death. The deceased had been injured on the road about three weeks before, and had only recovered sufficient to start on the trip which ended his life.

The accident was caused by a misplaced switch. The damage to the train was trifling.

PETROLEUM.

The Production and Development in the Pennsylvania Oil Regions During the Month of July.

The Titusville *Herald* of yesterday contains the monthly report of petroleum affairs for July, from which we make the following extracts:

The production during the month under review, as shown by the difference between the stocks held in the region on July 1st and August 1st and the shipments meantime, was 11,697 barrels of forty-three gallons, or an increase over the product during June, as shown by a revised report for that month, of about 400 barrels.

There was a considerable increase on Cherrytree and Upper Cherry runs, along the Allegheny river, and on the flats in the vicinity of Oil City. There was also something of an increase in the vicinity of Oil City. There was also something of an increase in the vicinity of Bean farm, on the Smith farm and the Curtin tract, Lower Cherry run, and on West Hickory creek.

The following table shows the production during July, the average per day, the production previously reported in 1869, and the average per day since January 1st; the product from January 1st to August 1st last year, and the average per day for the same time:

	BBLS.
Total shipment of crude for July of bbls. of 43 gals. each	353,231
Add to reduce to bbls. of 43 gals. each	16,486
Total shipment of bbls. of 43 gals. each	369,717
Stock on hand July 1st	314 245
Stock on hand August 1st	307 135
Deduct decrease on August 1st	7,110
Total production during July	362 607
Average per day for 31 days	11,696
Production from January 1st to July 1st	1 893,381
Total production since January 1st	2,255,988
Average per day for 213 days	10,641
Total production same time last year	2,021,209
Average per day same time last year, 213 days	9,489
Average per day during June last year	10 696

With the exception of a falling off in the product of the farms in the Bull Run district, there appears to have been no decrease of consequence. In the Pleasantville district there was a slight decrease. The product as obtained from the difference between stocks at the beginning and close, and the shipments during the month averaged about 1,200 barrels daily.

Under continued large shipments, the stock of oil in the region underwent a further decrease during July, and on August 1st the total was 370,136 barrels of forty-three gallons. During the second two weeks of the month the shipment was light, and the stock accumulated rapidly, but during the last week the shipments by all routes were greatly enlarged.

In the stock on August 1st there were included the amounts in iron tankage and at the wells, and those on the hands of refiners, dealers and pipe companies in wooden storage tanks. These last amounts aggregated 12,450 barrels, and were located as follows: At Titusville 2,600 barrels, at Miller 1,500, at Pithole 1,000, at Tidioute 1,000; at Petroleum Centre 2,450, on Cherry Tree Run 2,000, and on the Rynd Farm 1,500.

Three hundred and ten wells were going down on the first of August.

The shipments of Grude equivalent during July reached a little over 353,000 barrels, of forty-five gallons each, or a daily average of 11,4000 barrels.

The number of wells in process of drilling increased slightly during July, and on August first the total number 310, an increase of five. Besides the above there were about sixty losses on which operations had been commenced with a view to sink wells.

The scarcity of territory in the vicinity of producing wells is now the leading feature connected with the development. At Parker's Landing on the Allegheny river, on Upper Cherry run, on two of the farms on Lower Cherry run and on West Hickory creek, a few leases in good localities are now being offered, but the number is not equal to the demand.

There were very few fluctuations of importance in prices on the Creek during July, and for the greater part of the time the market was quiet but firm. At the beginning of the month quotations were given at $5 35@5 45 at Miller and Titusville, and at $5 65 on the Lower Creek. There were variations of ten to twenty cents from these figures, but at the close the prices of the early part of the month were paid.

Aquatic.

Coulter has signified his intention to accept Hamill's last challenge, and a meeting of their friends to arrange the preliminaries will be held on Saturday evening next at the Labelle Saloon.

Mr. Samuel Shoss proposes to stake from $500 to $1,000, against an equal sum, that Hamill cannot pull *five* miles—two and a half miles to stake boat, turn it and return to starting point—in thirty-eight minutes. If this proposition is accepted, he asks to have the course measured by competent engineers, and gives Hamill the choice of the course, whether it be the upper or lower Monongahela, or the Allegheny, matters not to him.

Thirty-eight minutes is rather rapid time to bet on, and we presume the challenge will hardly receive any attention.

A Smash Up.

A buggy belonging to Mr. Dickey, of Brookville, Jefferson county, was completely demolished yesterday by a locomotive on the Fort Wayne Railroad. The buggy, with a horse attached to it, and occupied by Mr. D., was standing on Penn street, near the railroad crossing, about two o'clock yesterday, waiting for an approaching train to pass, when the horse took fright and, turning suddenly, ran in between the track and the wall on the east side of the street, just in time for the engine to catch the buggy, which was crushed into a thousand pieces. Mr. D. escaped without injury by jumping out. The horse was but slightly injured.

Family Quarrel.

Yesterday, a Justice of the Peace appeared before Mayor Bush and made information against his son for felonious assault and battery. The twain had a row in relation to some ill treatment of the mother of the family by the father, when the young man, it is stated, drew a revolver and threatened to "finish off" his natural paternal parent. On this charge he was arrested and required to give bail for court. Immediately, in turn, he made information for assault and battery against his father, who also gave bail for trial.