The Pittsburgh Gazette.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Route For Sale.

A good paying route on the GAZETTE. Reason for selling, owner leaving the city. Apply to-day at GAZETTE Counting Room.

Sleighing parties all the rage.

Heavy floating ice in the Allegheny.

Allegheny Councils to-morrow night.

Essay Contest at Female College Friday night.

Pedestrianating, on the icy sidewalks, very precarious.

The Criminal Court room lobby is the rendezvous for idlers.

The Fifth and Sixth wards, Allegheny, are models of quietness and order.

Dr. A. G. McCandless, of the Eleventh ward, is again lying dangerously ill.

The old clock on the Baptist Church, Allegheny, is again in running order.

Allegheny is threatened with another chronic attack on the sewerage question.

The Birmingham town clock is Janusfaced. As a time keeper it's not a success.

Mr. John Cowley has been elected Second Lieutenant, Company A., Duquesne Grays.

Catherine McGreath has been appointed postmistress at Meloy, Washington county.

We warn all interested parties that winter will "linger in the lap of spring." It always does.

The new house for the Good Will Fire Company, Allegheny, will be ready for occupancy next month.

The Fire Alarm Telegraph Line, Allegheny, is to be extended to the new city limit in the Seventh ward.

The *Atlantic Monthly* for March, a very valuable number, is for sale at W. A. Gildenfenny's, 45 Fifth avenue.

Thomas Crawford was committed to the workhouse for thirty days yesterday by Mayor Callow for drunkenness.

The juveniles are rejoicing in their opportunity for coasting. Some of the streets have been monopolized by them.

Rev. W. Falconer, of Sharon, Pa., has received an unanimous call from the Presbyterian congregation at Sharpsburgh.

Justice Heisel yesterday committed Nancy J. Viands, on oath of Marla Swit zer, of Birmingham, charging her with larceny.

Another Attempt will be made to get the extension of Federal street, Allegheny, as proposed last year, put through.

The Huntingdon tragedy will be wound up to day by the hanging of the convicted felons, Bohmer and Van Bordenburg.

We have received the first annual report of our efficient City Superintendent, Prof. George J. Luckey, to which we shall refer again.

The nomination of Mr. John M. Sullivan, as collector of Internal Revenue for the 23d Pa. District, was confirmed by the Senate yesterday.

At a meeting of the Water Committee held last Friday evening, Mr. Thomas Harris was elected Engineer of the Water Works for the ensuing year.

Among the iron works running full force are those of Messrs. Lewis, Ballou, Dalzell & Co., at Sharpsburg, and Messrs. Graff, Bennett & Co., at Girty's Run.

There is some talk of building a new edifice for the Fourth Presbyterian Church, several squares further east, than its present location, on Penn street.

The Washington School on Penn street is rapidly increasing in efficiency, and the members in attendance. It now holds a front rank among the schools of the city.

Martin Hogan, in default of $600 bail, was yesterday sent to jail, on oath of Daniel McCoy, made before Alderman Morrow, charging him with assault and battery.

The Young Men's Christian Association will occupy the rooms now occupied by the Mercantile Library, corner of Penn and Sixth (St. Clair) streets, after the first of April.

Several of the local boards of the Pittsburgh schools recently adopted resolutions instructing their teachers to devote a portion of each day's session to drawing and light gymnastics.

The First Presbyterian Church (Rev. S. F. Scoval's) is to have a new organ, built by Hook, of Boston. It is almost finished, and will be put in place some time in April or the first of May.

The Citizens and People's Passenger Railway Companies (one and the same) desire to introduce steam power upon their roads, provided the people along the line will consent thereto. Will they?

Hugh Danver, a youth about seventeen years of age, had an eye kicked out by a mule in Millvale Borough, on Saturday last. He was working about the animal at the time. His injuries will not prove fatal.

The Obstruction of Second street, at the intersection of Try, by Pan Handle Railroad cars, is getting to be a serious annoyance, although we doubt not the company endeavor to mitigate it as much as possible.

Two Valuable Horses were stolen from the stables of Thomas Bakewell, Esq., at Bellevue, on Monday night—strawberry roans, a match team, with white hind feet. Fifty dollars is offered for their recovery.

The light gymnastic exercise of the pupils in the Fourth ward, Pittsburgh, Public Schools is pronounced by competent critics to be the most perfect drill ever seen in Pittsburgh since the advent of the famous Chicago Zouaves.

Yesterday, T. C. Allen was before Alderman Bowden, of the Second ward, Allegheny, charged with desertion on oath of his wife. At the hearing, however, the lady relented, a compromise was effected and the charge withdrawn.

Wm. Snyder, of Allegheny, on yesterday morning met John Miller, between whom some difficulty had been growing, and handled John rather roughly, beating him on the face and other parts of the body, and lastly knocking him down. William was held under bail for his appearance at Court.

Rev. Dr. A. F. Happer and wife, and Miss Shaw, of this city, arrived in Canton, China, a few days ago. Dr. Happer, it will be remembered, was married in this city during the session of the American Board of Foreign Missions a few months ago. He has devoted his life to the missionary work.

A suit was brought before Alderman O'Donnell, by David L. Evans, against Lewis Smith, in which defendant was charged with having purchased store goods to the amount of $15 50, and was about taking his final departure. But at the instance of some friends the bill was paid and the suit withdrawn.

That Dog which bit the little son of Michael Begler, about one week ago, owned by George Curry, and concerning which information was made but withdrawn, when the owner promised "he'd make good sausage, and would forthwith put andfgood is that 'dorg's days,'" was yesterday brought forward again in the shape of an information made before Alderman O'Donnell, charging the defendant with not having brought into execution the destruction of the animal, and moreover, said Curry now refuses to kill the dog. The case was held for Court.

Elsewhere will be found a communication signed "suburb," advocating the use of steam "dummies" instead of horses or mules to draw street passenger cars. We understand that these dummies have been so improved as to render them *dummies* in fact—noiseless and free from smoke or escape steam. We have long hoped that some ingenious mechanic would devise a steam machine to take the place of animated power for our street cars, one in which the smoke would be consumed, and whose steam escapement would be within itself. We believe this desideratum has at length been attained and we are glad that it is proposed to test the machine in the suburban districts of the city. This is an experiment which we think the people should encourage.

THE BIRMINGHAM HOMICIDE.

A Hearing—The Prisoners Taken Out Under an Order of the Court—A New Information—The Testimony.

The excitement consequent upon the murder of Jacob Ambas, at Bedford Hall, Birmingham, on the morning of the 2d inst., has not yet subsided on the South Side, and the investigation by the Coroner and the hearings of the parties charged with the murder, of which there have been several, have had a tendency to increase the interest manifested in the matter. A final hearing was had in the case of Reese, Welsh and Long, before Justice Heisel, yesterday. On application of Mr. Moore, counsel for the prosecution, the accused were taken out of jail to the hearing in charge of two of the Court officers, by order of the Court. Assistant District Attorney Flack and W. D. Moore appeared for the prosecution and John C. McCarthy for the defendants.

Before proceeding with the examination of witnesses Mr. Moore drew up a new information, which was sworn to by Mrs. Ambas, the wife of the murdered man charging John Reese, Patrick Welsh and A. Long with the murder of Jacob Ambas

THE TESTIMONY.

The following testimony was then taken:

J. C. Roths, sworn—Am acquainted with Mr. Reese; don't know the other defendants; have seen them before; think I saw Reese, Welsh and Long at Bedford Hall on the night of March 1st, or on the morning of March 2d; first seen them inside of the house down stairs; did not see where the men came from; saw them during the night, but cannot say where I first saw them; think it was in the Hall; there were six or eight men with Reese; don't know who any of them were; can't say whether any of these defendants were there; know one of the defendants sitting behind Reese; he is not here; don't know his name; I know where he boarded, but don't know where he worked; I can't describe him. At the bar Reese said he wanted to treat a friend; Brucker refused to open the bar; Reese asked me to get a bucket and go up stairs and get some beer; I got the beer, and Reese and his companions drank it; went up stairs and danced a set or two, when I saw Reese up there; Reese and the other defendants were all in the dance room; did not hear them say a word.

On cross examination witness said it was dark down stairs when Reese and his companion were there, and he could not tell who the other men were; it was nearly one o'clock when witness first saw Reese and his companions in the dance room; witness went home before the fighting began; saw Long and Welsh in the hall room before he left; had never seen them before.

Jacob Datz, sworn—Brucker and I keep Bedford Hall; saw these three defendants there; saw them first in the dance room; Reese and Welsh and another man came in first, and Long came in afterwards; there were seven or eight men with Reese; they came in without paying.

Cross examined—In the ball-room Reese and Welsh were together, and Long was standing near them; saw Welsh and Long drinking at the bar; there were seven men in the party. I was down stairs during the fight; was gone about ten minutes; when I came back it was all over, and Fritz was being carried out.

Miss Caroline Brucker, sworn—Live at Bedford Hall; saw Reese and Welsh there. The first disturbance took place at the opposite end of the hall from the bar. Saw a crowd gather and quarrel; did not know who they were. Saw Welsh stab Fritz; they were standing sideways; Welsh had his arm around the neck of Fritz and was stabbing him. Ambas came to me and said he was stabbed. As soon as Welsh stabbed Fritz he turned and walked out. Saw only the blade of the knife. Did not see Ambas until he came to me and said he was stabbed.

A cross examination witness said she did not see Reese or Long doing anything during the fight. Did not see Fritz strike Welsh. Did not swear before Justice Salisbury that Fritz struck Welsh. Did not see Reese strike any man. Right after Welsh dropped his knife Ambas came to me and said he was cut. Did not see Welsh near Ambas that night. Ambas walked up stairs after he was cut.

Wm. Muschelheimer, sworn—Witness saw Reese, Long, Welsh and others at the ball; was dancing; was at the door when the party came in; Long was the first of the party to dance; witness stopped him because he had not paid; five minutes afterward Reese had a badge on; he said a man had given him; did not see any other members of the party dancing. When the music stopped, witness watched the party; they were talking together; all at once they separated and some of them threw off their coats and came at witness; two men came right at witness, and a third went to Ambas; witness saw Fritz and Welsh together; Ambas was not in the hall when Fritz and Welsh were fighting; took a chair and knocked Welsh down; after this Fritz fell backward; saw Ambas, after the fight, lying on a bench in the kitchen; saw a wound in his back.

Dr. Kerr was called and testified as to the nature of the wounds. His testimony here was the same as that given before the Coroner's jury.

Mr Muschelheimer, recalled—Saw Ambas the morning after the ball, between eight and ten o'clock; he died the next day near dinner time.

Christian Hoan, sworn—Saw Ambas on the night of the ball; saw him when the fighting commenced; did not know any of those who were fighting with him; saw Ambas after it was all over. Saw Ambas afterwards, at his house, and conversed with him; asked him if he knew who cut him; he said that he did not know who cut him, and asked witness if he did not see the whole crowd who jumped on him, he said if he would see the men he could identify him.

Wm. Muschelheimer, recalled—On the morning after the affray I saw Ambas, and asked him, "Jake, who stabbed you?" He answered that he did not think the little man cut him; he said he believed Reese stabbed him, because he (Reese) had a grudge against him.

On cross-examination witness said Ambas must have been out first, as he was down stairs while Fritz was still fighting. Witness did not see anybody fighting with Ambas except Long, that he knew; there were others, but witness did not know them; saw Pat Welsh fighting with Fritz.

Wm. Gedekoh, sworn—Was at the ball; remained till daylight; saw all these defendants there; they were looking at the dance; did not see the fight begin; was in another room; heard the noise, and went back to the ball room; saw Welsh and Fritz fighting; there was a crowd around them, and Ambas was in this crowd also fighting; saw Ambas striking Long; did not see him fighting with any other person; the crowd were all fighting, and could not tell who all were engaged. After the fight was over Reese remained; he asked me if he did not have anything to do with the fight.

John Bradwick, sworn—Was at the ball and remained all night, saw Reese and Long there; down stairs Reese asked me if I would let him go up stairs to get some beer; I went up with him, and the doorkeeper asked me if I would be responsible for Reese, and would get him out without raising a fight; the party who were with Reese went through the dining room, and into the ball room. After the fight commenced I saw Long and Ambas clinched; Long was striking him about the breast; he was striking underhanded.

On cross examination witness stated he did not see Reese in the fight. Witness said, also, that Long did not have a knife in his hand when he was striking Ambas.

James Brown, sworn—This witness was at the ball, and saw a small man fighting with Ambas. The small man had a knife in his hand. Cannot tell if the small man is present to-day. Would not recognize him if I would see him.

Fred. Hennemunk, sworn—Was at the ball. Remained till it was over. Can not say if any of the prisoners were there. Saw the men after they were out, but did not see them in the fight.

Mr. Moore, at this point, announced that the case for the Commonwealth was closed.

TESTIMONY FOR THE DEFENCE.

Albert Stroub, sworn—Was at the ball; saw Mr. Reese before the fight, near a window, with a basket in his hand; after the fight I saw Mr. Reese standing in the same position as before. [The testimony of this witness is the same as that given before the Coroner's jury, and is published elsewhere.]

Peter Young, sworn—Was at the ball; saw Ambas there; saw Albert Long there; the man who fought with Ambas was not Albert Long; Mr. Long stood by my side all the time during the fight; saw Ambas strike Long; as soon as he was struck Long ran out of the room.

Henry Demel sworn—Was at the ball; went there in company with Mr. Long and two others; when we went in there was no doorkeeper at the door. The fight was commenced by a little fellow and Fritz; Long did not take any part in the fight; some one struck him; could not say if it was Ambas or Muschelheimer that struck Long; he did not strike back; don't know who the little man was who got into the fight with Fritz.

Timothy Maguire testified that he was at the ball, and saw the fight; Mr. Reese was not in the fight; if he had been engaged in the fight I would have seen him. Did not see Mr. Long in the fight. Saw Mr. Welsh there; after the fight began I saw Welsh fighting with Fritz.

This closed the testimony for the defense. Mr. McCarthy claimed that there was not sufficient evidence to hold any of the prisoners to answer the charge of murder. It had not been shown that any of the defendants had fought with the deceased. On the contrary, it had been proven that not one of them was engaged in a difficulty with Ambas. After reviewing the evidence, counsel asked that the prisoners be discharged.

Mr. Moore followed on the part of the Commonwealth. He said that while he admitted that the evidence for the defence was calculated to rise a doubt as to whether Long was engaged in the fight, yet there was sufficient testimony on the part of the Commonwealth to justify the magistrate in committing Long to answer the charge of murder. As to Reese, he was one of the parties who had entered the hall against the protestations of the managers, and in this view he should be held. The testimony as to Welsh using a knife was positive, and this was sufficient to warrant the magistrate in holding him also.

Justice Heisel announced that he would re-commit the prisoners, Welsh, Long and Reese, to answer the charge of murder, and they were accordingly conducted back to jail.

Coroner's Inquest—The Testimony.

The Coroner's jury, empannelled in the Birmingham homicide case, met at Eichley's Hall yesterday (Tuesday) at two o'clock P. M., pursuant to adjournment, for the purpose of hearing additional

TESTIMONY.

The following additional testimony was elicited:

W. Muschelheimer, recalled—Spoke to Ambas after he was cut. Was up at his house. Asked him who stabbed him. He said "William, I do not believe that little fellow stabbed me; I believe Reese stabbed me; I think Reese stabbed me because he had an old grudge against me." Ambas did not mention the name of Long. I thought he meant Long when he said "that little fellow."

Timothy Maguire, sworn—Was at the house when the fight occurred; saw the fight from the commencement to the end of it; I came here as a witness for Mr. Reese; I did not see him in the fight at all; if he had been in the fight I think I would have seen him; there was a man in the working party called, I think, "Pete;" he was going to treat the party, and in looking around for his friends, he saw Fritz lying on a settee; he walked over and pulled him off; then the fighting commenced; I did not see the cutting; I do not know who did the cutting; when Fritz was pulled off the settee the rolling mill party laughed; then there were several words said, and the crowd were all for the factory building, was brought into requisition. The stone, weighing about 8,500 pounds, was raised clear of the car and was given a swing around towards its destination when suddenly the derrick gave way and came down with a tremendous crash. In its descent it struck a pole of the Fire Alarm Telegraph and razed it to the ground, breaking one of the wires. The stone fell at the side of the track and was broken into half a dozen pieces, involving a loss to the owners of about $60. Fortunately the men all escaped.

The curious feature of the affair, however, was the damage to the telegraph line. The broken wire hung down and swung to and fro. Every time it touched the other wire an alarm was sounded. These alarms coming to the engine houses in a confused manner from apparently every box in the city, caused great bewilderment to the department. The engines were out and scattered in every direction; some replying to the signal from a box in Manchester, and others proceeding to the Seventh ward. After great annoyance, some profanity and a complete stirring out of the men, the cause of the trouble was ascertained and remedied. A new pole will be put in place to-day. Superintendent McCandless repaired the line, however, sufficiently to make it answer until that can be done. People who observed the unusual demonstrations of the department, were considerably disturbed, expecting a great conflagration, but the excitement soon calmed down.

Official Meetings.

Special Meeting of City Council will be held Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock.

City Property Committee will meet today at two o'clock, at Controller's office.

Committee on Woods' Buildings, Thursday at one o'clock, P. M., at Common Council Rooms.

Committee on Claim and Accounts will meet Thursday afternoon at one o'clock, in Council Chamber.

Suburban Residence for Sale at Sewickley.—The attention of parties wishing to live in the country, and do business in the city, is called to the advertisement in to-day's paper, on the fourth page, under the above head. This residence and grounds is all that a person could desire. The house is a brick, with all modern improvements, finished up in style, and built to have all the comforts of a home. The property is fully described in the advertisement. Any person wishing a residence of this kind should examine this property at once. Such bargains like this are very seldom offered.

EDUCATIONAL.

Meeting of the Central Board—City Superintendent's Report—Proposed Change in the Law Relative to "Unexpended Balances"—Reports of Committees—The Purchase of Books, &c.

A regular meeting of the Central Board of Education was held in the rooms of the Board, Lloyd & Black's building, Fourth avenue, at two o'clock yesterday.

Members Present—Messrs. Aiken, Anderson, Craig, Cuddy, Fleming, Getty, Hamilton, Harrison, Hartman, Humbert, Mayo, Mitchell, Nobbs, Shaw, Taylor, President Wilson and John A. Serjeant, Secretary.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Mr. George J. Luckey, City Superintendent, made the following report for the month of February:

GENTLEMEN: I beg leave to make the following report of the enrollment and attendance at the Public Schools for the month of February, 1870:

ENROLLMENT.

Males	4,200
Females	4,056
Total	8,256

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.

Males	3,576
Females	3,360
Total	6,936

This is a large decrease on the enrollment and average attendance for January, owing to the prevalence of contagious diseases throughout the city. There were one hundred and sixty-seven corporal punishments and eight suspensions reported for the month, being a decrease of over nineteen per cent. on the number reported for January.

The report was received and filed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Mr. John A. Sergeant reported that warrants to the amount of $14,657,35 had been drawn during the month.

The report was received and ordered to be filed.

Mr. Anderson, from the Finance Committee, reported that the Committee had met and organized, and in considering the wants of the Board, had prepared a supplement to the act recently passed relative to the schools as follows:

An act supplementary to an act entitled "an act consolidating the wards of the city of Pittsburgh for educational purposes," approved the 12th day of February, A. D. 1869.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Central Board of Education of the city of Pittsburgh are hereby empowered, and it shall be the duty of said Board within three months from the passage of this act, and annually thereafter, to elect a regular exchange broker or banker of said city as treasurer of said Board, and with said treasurer deposit all public funds under their control and to receive from said treasurer such rate of interest upon all current balances as shall be agreed upon by said Board, and said treasurer; and said Board shall require of said treasurer security by bond, to be duly approved of by said Board, in any sum not less than fifty thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the duties of said treasurer; and that said treasurer shall pay all drafts, warrants or checks properly drawn on demand, when there is sufficient money in said treasury, and pay over when required by said Board all moneys in the treasury together with the accrued interest thereon carried to the credit of said fund.

SEC. 2. That so much of section 10 of the act to which this is a supplement as allows the treasurer to retain for his services a sum not exceeding one per cent. on the money received and paid over, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Mr. Anderson said the law as amended by Mr. Howard allowed a per centage to the treasurer, and the Committee proposed to reduce it, that the treasurer's salary should be cut off.

The report was received.

Mr. Craig moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislation.

Mr. Harrison called for a second reading of the bill.

Mr. Hartman amended the motion by moving to instruct the Committee to have the bill presented to the Legislature and adopted.

Mr. Harrison thought the bill was incomplete. He thought the bill should provide that the Board should advertise for proposals and give the money to the highest and best bidder.

Mr. Nobbs thought it should also provide that the treasurer should make monthly reports.

Mr. Anderson thought there was no necessity for a committee in the provision spoken of by Mr. Nobbs and Mr. Harrison.

Mr. Craig opposed the proposition of Mr. Harrison for the reason that there was at the end of every year a deficiency, and if this provision was inserted in the bill, the Board would be compelled to go upon the market and borrow money.

Mr. Hartman moved to amend by inserting a clause in the bill requiring the Secretary to advertise at least ten days for proposals for the deposit of the funds, and that they be awarded to the highest and best bidder.

Mr. Hartman thought there was nothing to be lost by advertising, and if there was anything to be gained by it, the Board, who were the servants of the people, should have the benefit of it. He therefore favored the amendment.

Mr. Harrison called for the yeas and nays, when the amendment was lost by yeas 12 and nays 4 yeas.

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Mr. Aiken reported that the Committee on Text Books had met and organized.

Mr. Shaw reported that the Committee on High Schools had met and organized by electing Mr. Leufman chairman. Two of the committee had visited the High School and found everything in order, so far as the school was concerned, but they had not been able to find playing in the proper manner. The success of this engagement, he had been playing to crowded houses nightly, and will doubtless continue to do so until his brief stay in this city terminates. The very person who has seen the exhibition is delighted with it, and every one who has not seen it half believes there is some profanity in it, and is anxious to do so. Change of programme every night.

Pittsburgh Ahead.

Pittsburgh manufacturers are again successful, and Pittsburgh enterprise has received another evidence of appreciation. Yesterday telegrams were received here that contracts were awarded to Mr. William Smith, proprietor of the National Foundry and Pipe Works, located in the 12th ward, for supplying cast iron pipes, to the following corporations.

City of Jackson, Michigan, eleven (11) miles for Water Works.

City of Norwalk, Ohio, ten (10) miles for Water Works.

Cincinnati Gas Light Company, ten (10) miles for Gas Works.

The last named city has a very large Pipe Works, which renders the success of Mr. Smith the more meritorious and noticable. Altogether the success of this home establishment cannot but be gratifying alike to its proprietor and all our citizens who take a pride in our manufactures.

East Birmingham Councils.

A regular meeting of the Council of East Birmingham was held yesterday, Tuesday evening, March 8, 1870.

Members Present—Messrs. Beck, Larkins, Jones, Miller and Hableman.

In the absence of the Burgess, Mr. Hableman was called to the chair.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

A number of bills were read and ordered to be paid.

Mr. Beckert presented a petition from the property owners on Fox alley for the paving of the same. Referred to the Street Committee, with instructions to report an ordinance.

A warrant was ordered to be drawn in favor of Hastings & O'Neil for $5,000.

On motion, adjourned.

Birmingham Council.

A special meeting of the Birmingham Council was held yesterday, Tuesday evening, March 8th, 1870, for the purpose of examining the accounts of the borough officers.

Present—Messrs. Atterbury, Ward, Keelan, Vogeley, Doyle, Oliver, McIlvain, Burgess Salisbury in the chair.

Mr. Atterbury, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that the Committee had examined the accounts of the Treasurer and other borough officers so far as the same had been completed.

On motion Council adjourned, to meet on Tuesday evening, March 15th, 1870.

Officer Shaffer, of Alderman Bolster's police, Allegheny, is an animated life preserver. Many an individual now luxuriating in the enjoyment of existence has at some critical period in his history been snatched from danger by the heroic officer. Yesterday he added another to the list of his brave actions in this line. John Wainwright, a deaf old peddler, was crossing Ohio street near East, when a two horse wagon was driven rapidly along. The peddler was in the road but the driver didn't see him. Officer Shaffer did, however, and that was enough. In an instant he seized the old gentleman and in the twinking of an eye rescued him from the jaws of death. The wheels of the vehicle grazed the feet of the almost a victim, but he escaped, whole in body, though considerable excited in spirit.

"Daniel O'Connell."

Wendell Phillips will deliver the next lecture of the course on Thursday evening, at Lafayette Hall, under the auspices of the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association, having for his subject the name of the above illustrious personage. Mr. Phillips being one of the greatest orators of the day, and having for his topic a character suggestive of many fine ideas, will without a doubt draw one of the largest houses of the lecture season. Our people should remember, whatever feelings they may entertain in regard to Daniel O'Connell's career, it should not influence them to miss hearing the power and impressiveness of this great orator. No reserved seats. Tickets 50 cents.

Give Us Steam on Passenger Railways.

A morning cotemporary prefers steam to horse power on our Railways. I would not suggest that it be introduced at present into the old city, but on Railways laid in all rural wards steam would be preferable in every respect.

First, it would combine both speed and comfort and do away forever with that annoying jerk that deposits people in each others laps before the person getting in can be seated.

Steam would move the car gradually, as the motive power, and car proper would be combined, and not separate parts. Secondly, it would be cleaner, and serve to keep the suburban avenues in better condition than the steady wear and dirt of car teams.

Since people might object, on the groundless theory that steam would make more noise and confusion than horses, any person who has ridden in a street dummy can explode that theory by experience, as they are almost noiseless. By all means let us have Dummies, and thus save time, which is money. SUBURB.

Keystone Rink.

The ice never was in a better condition since the erection of the rink for skating than at the present time, as those who participated in that delightful enjoyment last evening are willing to testify. The commodious rink, affording our ladies and gentlemen who patronize the rink have, by dint of much pleading, induced that efficient manager, Mr. Brown, to hold another fancy dress carnival and masquerade on Thursday evening, which promises to be a very brilliant affair, and those who may want to spend an evening in real pleasure, exercise and enjoyment can not find a place in which to give a wider vent to their desires. Don't fail to be on hand.

Rare and Valuable Books at Half Price.

Among which are Burritt's Astronomy with a large Atlas, Mitchell's Atlas of the World, Home's Introduction, 2 vols., Burkitt on the New Testament, Wesley's Sermons, 2 vols., Collateral Bible, 3 vols., Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, Craig's History of Pittsburgh, Latin, Greek, Hebrew, French, Italian, German and miscellaneous works. To the every department of Literature, Science and Art. Stationery of all kinds. For sale by Col. John D. Kurtz, corner of 4th Sixth avenue, below Smithfield street.

All Accounts must be Settled.

All persons indebted to J. W. Barker & Co., 59 Market street, on book account or in any other way, are respectfully requested to settle their accounts on or before the expiration of the day of March instant, as the business of the firm will be wound up finally on that day. All accounts remaining unpaid after that date will be put in the hands of an attorney for collection.

Goods will be sold until that date at Administrators' Sale at great reduction in prices, as everything must be sold.

MESSRS. EDITORS GAZETTE: I see by to-day's *Gazette* that Do Bacon has intimated his purpose of meeting me in a public discussion of the question at issue between us. This frank manly course in favor of full and free discussion, is not only in good keeping with the spirit of the age, and the interests of our institutions, but indicative of a becoming confidence and sincerity in the cause he advocates. I heartily endorse the questions as proposed by him and have arranged to commence the discussion on Monday evening, March 14th, at 7 o'clock.

J. WENDILL.

March 8, 1870.

No. 45 Ninth Street.—Many of our readers are cognizant of the fact that Mr. John Megraw, tobacconist, at No. 45 Ninth (late Hand) street, has on hand a very choice lot of tobacco and cigars, but there are perhaps others who do not know the fact, and it is for the purpose of furnishing them information which is of such importance that we refer to the matter. We say valuable, and mean it, for whatever is of interest to the smoker is of importance of view, valuable, and how many are interested in the matter of tobacco and cigars. Mr. Megraw's stock includes all the best brands of tobaccos and the finest brands of cigars imported and of home manufacture. His prices are reasonable and he is an honorable and high minded business man, always gentlemanly, courteous and accommodating to his customers.

Mr. Wm. Holtzheimer, the gentlemanly and energetic proprietor of the Continental, Fifth avenue, below the Post-office, continues to put upon the stage of life the times in the management of his establishment, and hence the success which has attended him. Aside from keeping the restaurant in a creditable order and providing a sufficient number of polite waiters to attend to the wants of the hungry, he has especial partiality for to have the tables well supplied with all that is healthful and palatable. Drop in at any hour of the day or night and you will be furnished of the best quality, and immediately. No time is time wasted, and the merchants can have the advantage of making his most-time suit his business. For all who live out of the city and take dinner in town, the Continental is just the place.

We have received from John W. Pitcock a copy of the "Guide to Williams & Packard's system of Penmanship," published by Stata, Woodman & Co., Boston. It is filled to the excellent style, on good paper, and contains a complete course of instruction in the art of penmanship, commencing with the position of the hand and closing with fine pen drawing. The "Guide" is intended for teachers and adepts, and cannot fail to be appreciated.

The weather has been very variable during the past week, and we have been favored with the extremes of heat and cold, sunshine, snow and rain, to an uncomfortable degree. In striking contrast with this state of affairs is the uniformity which regulates the quality, price and general excellence of the goods manufactured at Leibler's mammoth trunk emporium, the headquarters of which are at 104 Wood street. If you need anything in his line call on Leibler, and get your money's worth.

A lot of new and fancy patterns of Queensware have just been added to the stock at the Keystone Pottery Warehouse, No. 363 Liberty street. Messrs. Kier & Co. are continually improving their ware, and always keep on the look-out for new designs. They have now one of the finest assortments of Queensware and Bristolware ever seen in the city. Purchasers should call at 363 Liberty street.

At Moorhead's, No. 81 Market street, the ladies will find a great variety of lace articles, collars, handkerchiefs, ruffs, kid gloves, sashes, cloaks, loops and ornaments, jet and plated jewelry and an innumerable quantity of fancy articles. Moorhead is also quite ready for the new Roman paper collar, supposed to be the best fitting in the market. Call at 81 Market street to invest your money.

Good, healthy, palatable table boarding at four dollars per week at Burns' popular restaurant, corner Smithfield street and Sixth avenue. The tables are always abundantly supplied with the very choicest delicacies of the market. The culinary arrangements of this establishment are perfect. A call at the restaurant will convince the most incredulous.

Youngson's sumptuous confectionery and dining rooms are open daily for the reception of ladies and gentlemen, who desire meals at any hour. Nothing but the best articles are kept on hand and the edibles supplied at the establishment are of the most appetising character. Suppers are provided for private parties at short notice and on the most reasonable terms.

Quite astonishing is the amount of business the old Oregon Brewery is doing in these days. The cream ale which Messrs. Pier, Dannals & Co. manufacture has more than doubled its business of former times.

—Interesting astronomical observations have been in progress at Washington University at St. Louis for some time past, with a view to determine the precise geological position of St. Louis and the several stations occupied by parties observing the southern limit of totality of the eclipse last August, near Alton, Ill. From these data, it is designed to determine the latitude of the moon. The observations for latitude have been concluded by Mr. Titman, of the United States Coast Survey, and longitude observations have been placed in the charge of William Rowback, Civil Engineer of St. Louis, and are progressing.

STATE ITEMS.

THE Horticultural Society of Chester county recently declared a dividend of $200 per share.

THE Lehigh county Agricultural Society is making systematic efforts to prevent the destruction of insectiverous birds, and to introduce new varieties.

CHESTER COUNTY has a noble dog, of the Newfoundland species. Through the sagacity of the animal an unfortunate infanticide recently escaped perishing on the highway on an inclement night.

A WILD BEAST, of brown color, three feet four inches high, and its track resembling somewhat the impression of a human hand, is creating a sensation in the vicinity of Newlin, Chester county.

AN ore mine has been discovered on the farm of H. S. Miller, in York county. The vein is four feet thick and is underlaid by a bed of rotten stone, such as is used as a substitute for emory in polishing.

Compositor Wanted.

A first-rate, reliable and rapid newspaper compositor may obtain a situation on a morning paper, by addressing "A," GAZETTE office.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

The Ladies' Sorosis Club, of New York, recently chanced their discussions from woman's suffrage to Hair preparations and Pimple Banishers. They declare that where nature had not endowed them with beauty, it was their right—yes, their duty—to seek it where they could. So say all voted that Magnolia Balm overcame sallowness, Rough Skin, and Hitgmarks, and gave to the complexion a most *distingue* (doubtful spelling, no doubt) appearance (dangerous to men, no doubt); and that Lyon's Kathairon made the hair grow thick, soft and awful pretty, and moreover prevented it from turning gray. If the proprietors of these articles did not send the sisters an invoice they are not smart.

DIED:

HASLETT—On March 7th, 1870, JNO. HASLETT, of the firm of Kahnestock, Haslett & Schwartz, in the 51st year of his age.

The funeral will have his late residence, No. 146 River avenue, Allegheny, on THURSDAY, March 10th, 1870, at 2 o'clock P. M. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

ADAMS—On Monday morning, March 7, FRANCIS D. ADAMS, aged 24 years.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, No. 134 Carson street, South Pittsburgh, on WEDNESDAY MORNING at 9 o'clock. Services at St. Paul's Cathedral, at 10 o'clock. Interment at Mt. Pleasant. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

KEAN—On Tuesday morning, March 8, 1870, at 4 o'clock, JAMES N. KEAN, in the 26th year of his age.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, No. 22 Colwell street, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, March 10th, at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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Mobile Register, New Orleans, Memphis and Cincinnati papers please copy.

UNDERTAKERS.

CHARLES & PEEBLES, UNDERTAKERS AND EMBALMERS, 64 Fifth alley, corner of SANDUSKY STREET AND GRUBER ALLEY, Allegheny. Residence on the PREMISES. ROOMS are constantly supplied with real and imitation Rosewood, Mahogany and Walnut Coffins, at prices varying from $4 to $100. Burial Robes, Gloves, Trimmings and Caskets furnished gratis; also, all kinds of Mourning Goods furnished. Office open at all hours, day and night.

JOSEPH MEYER & SON, UNDERTAKERS, No. 424 PENN STREET.

Carriages for Funerals Furnished.

COFFINS and all Funeral Furnishment at reduced rates. sup

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE. SUBURBAN RESIDENCE At Sewickley.

Having determined upon removing to my farm in the West Works, near Pittsburgh, I offer for sale the property where I now reside, adjoining the borough of Sewickley, consisting of lately giving the name "Tangleton," situated on the Ohio river, the hills and the valley, render this spot unsurpassed for picturesque beauty.

The dwelling house is a first class brick, and besides side and rear porches, with gas, water, etc., contains 14 rooms and wash-room and cellar house in basement, with numerous large closets for Chinas, stores and clothing. There is a large cistern, with force pump and electric bell, with water from the roof, and pump in the house, also water in bath room, kitchen and washhouse, waste water is discharged through large sewer distance from the house, there is an ice house and commodious cooling room, a good barn, carriage shed and chicken yard. The place is bounded on all sides by highways, and access is easy from railroad or city.

Sewickley is 14 miles from the city, on the Pittsburgh Railroad, and is a most desirable residence for a suburban residence. The numerous Accommodation trains leave nothing to be desired in the way of communication, and the railroad begins the rive, at the foot of the lawn, affords a ride delightfully refreshing. The society of the Valley is most desirable, for, besides the worthy farmers and artisans, here are found the country seats of many city merchants, professional men, bankers, and other business men and retired merchants. Good schools abound, there are no churches of various denominations, having the usual adjuncts.

For price and terms call at my Drug Store, No. 195 Liberty street, Pittsburgh, or at the place before April 1st, this property will be to let.

WILLIAM MACKEOWN.

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PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE In the City of Allegheny.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of of Allegheny County, the undersigned, as Trustee, under the will of Jacob Ambas, deceased, will offer at public sale, on the premises, on THURSDAY, the 17 h day of March next, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following real estate belonging to the estate of said decedent, situate on Stockton avenue and Webster street, fronting 54 feet on Stockton avenue and preserving the same width along Webster street northwardly 240 feet to Water street, on which is erected a two story Brick Dwelling containing 14 rooms with gas and water. This property is so located that it can be sub-divided into lots fronting on the Park, which for beauty and convenience cannot be surpassed.

TERMS OF SALE—One-third of the purchase money cash on confirmation of the sale, the balance in two equal annual payments, secured by bond and mortgage of the purchaser.

For further information enquire of

THOS. B. UPDIKE, At the Man