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TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 29, 1861

CITY AFFAIRS.

Meteorological Observations for the *Gazette*, by G. E. Shaw, Optician, 89 Fifth St.—corrected daily:

	1859.	1858.
9 o'clock, A. M.	00	23
12 " M.	00	26
6 " P. M.		30
Barometer		29 5-10

Shooting Affray in Beaver Street Church—Bloody Shirt a Girl—Narrow Escape from Death.

On Sunday evening, shortly after nine o'clock, the congregation worshiping in the Beaver street Methodist Episcopal Church, Allegheny, was thrown into a state of intense excitement by the report of a pistol, which had been fired in the vestibule of the church, just after the sermon had been concluded. The circumstances of the affair, as detailed to us, are as follows:

A revival of religion has been in progress in Beaver street church, for some time past, and the attendance of all classes has been quite large. After the usual service had been concluded on Sunday evening, and just before the prayer meeting commenced, a portion of the congregation, as is customary, rose to go home. Among the number was a young man named Lawrence Dilworth, who had determined upon accompanying a young lady home, and when she rose to go out she was followed by Dilworth. When they reached the vestibule below, Dilworth found that the lady had accepted the company of another young man, Charles Kehew, who was about stepping into the street with her. This circumstance filled young Dilworth with rage and mortification, and, after some threatening language, he drew a pistol from his pocket and aimed it at the head of young Kehew. Just at this moment of time, Henry Palmer, butcher, seeing that a murder was about to be perpetrated, seized the arm of Dilworth and drew it hastily back. The shot was fired, but the ball, being diverted from the object for which it was intended, spent its force upon the wall between the vestibule and the lecture room, where it was subsequently found embedded in the plastering, against the brickwork.

The firing of the pistol created the greatest consternation among the members of the congregation, most of whom fled towards the door in the wildest excitement. The word was soon passed, however, that no body was hurt, and the people gradually became quiet. Information of the affair was conveyed to the office of Mayor Drum, but it so happened that this gentleman had stationed officers Long and Bowden at the church, and they were then standing on the pavement, keeping the way clear. They apprehended young Dilworth immediately, and conveyed him to the lock-up, after a very sharp struggle.

On Monday morning the accused was brought before Mayor Drum, upon a charge of assault and battery with intent to kill, when the following testimony was elicited:

Charles Kehew, sworn—Was at Bee ver street church on Sunday evening; was coming down stairs, and was going home with a lady; saw Lawrence Dilworth in the vestibule; the lady then made a remark that Lawrence could not go home with her; I made the same remark myself; he made some reply; I told him we could settle our difficulty any night when he was ready to meet me; he asked "what night?" I replied "any night?" told him he could take me no trouble with me there that night; just then one of the members of the church spoke to me, and said we should not have such talk as that there; Mr. Dilworth then stepped back, muttered something and put his hand in his pocket; he drew out a pistol and cocked it; it went off just after; as soon as I heard the click of the pistol, in cocking, a gentleman caught his arm, and wheeled him round just before he fired; several other persons stepped on and took hold of Dilworth, and I went away. The lady was on the opposite side of the church; when I saw her get up to go home, I started to go down to accompany her. I went up to the church with her. Dilworth was sitting in the lower part of the church, and I was on the gallery, so that Dilworth reached the young lady first. Never had any previous difficulty with him, except that he had "threatened to fix me" once, while intoxicated. The threats were made to a lady.

Henry Palmer, sworn—Was present when the shooting took place; was in the vestibule, keeping it clear; a great many persons came down; my orders were to let all out who had come down; saw the parties with the lady, and heard angry words between them; they talked of meeting again; I went up and said "this will not do;" one of them said, "I will meet you now," and pulled out a pistol. Just as he pointed the pistol, I caught his arm and whirled him round, the ball taking effect in the wall.

J. G. S. Golden, sworn—Noticed the three parties standing in the vestibule talking in an excited tone—the men offering to fight each other. Spoke especially to Lawrence; put my hand on Lawrence's breast and pushed him back; advised him to behave himself; the other came up close to him and said he would meet him again; Lawrence said he would meet him now; he drew a pistol out of his left pocket and the next thing I saw was the flash. A man had hold of Dilworth's arm when he fired, and officers soon after arrested him.

The testimony closed here, and Mayor Drum announced to the defendant that he would have to give bail in $500, to answer a charge of assault with intent to kill. To the young Dilworth replied, in a serious tone, "Well, I guess I'll have to jail it!" The latter remarked that he would allow him any reasonable time to find bail, and the necessary security was subsequently obtained. The father of the young man is a very respectable and worthy mechanic, residing in the vicinity of the church, and he pecuniarly feels deeply mortified at the trouble and disgrace which his son has brought upon the family. The defendant is not yet twenty-one years of age, and had formerly been engaged as a salesman in Brown, Marriaty & Co.'s dry good store, and also in J. M. Carr's, Federal street. Latterly, however, he had been doing nothing, and was not always choice in the selection of his company. The fact that he carried a loaded pistol with him to church, does not speak very well for his behavior, and he may "thank his stars" that he is not now awaiting his trial for murder.

It may be proper here to state that the prosecuting witness, Charles A. G. Kehew, declined to subscribe to the information, as setting forth that it was the intention of young Dilworth to "kill" him. He was willing, however, to depose that the defendant intended to "shoot" him on a distinction which, we opine, will make very little difference in the eyes of the law. Mayor Drum, determined that such an outrage should not go unpunished, very properly held Mr. Kehew under recognizance to appear and testify at Court; so that the question of "intent" will there be passed upon by a jury.

The weapon used was a common, single barreled pistol. It was recovered by officer Long, and the bullet was digged from the wall and handed to the Mayor. The accused does not pretend to deny the shooting, but alleges that the quarrel was provoked by Kehew challenging him to "fight it out" at another time.

The name of the young lady who has become associated with this unpleasant affair, is Miss Margaret Coaffer. She had gone to church in company with Mr. Kehew, and of course would feel obliged by all the rules of courtesy to decline the attentions of any other gentleman for that evening. The affair has created an immense deal of gossip among the church members and their friends; and it is to be hoped that the indecorous (not to say indecent) habit of loafing about the vestibule, and skirmishing for girls, which has been the custom of a number of young men who congregate at this church, will be effectually cured by this serious occurrence. If it should have this beneficial effect, the congregation will have no cause to regret it.

Court of Quarter Sessions

Before Judges McClure, Mellon, Adams and Parke.

Jan. 28.—William alias Saibs Arnold was indicted for having, some months since, committed a aggravated assault and battery upon Joseph D. Morse, (colored,) by discharging a pistol in his face. The prisecutor not appearing, a verdict of not guilty was not rendered. The defendant was held and remanded on a surety of the peace which has not been passed upon by the Grand Jury.

John Brown, a wild, crazy-looking man, with a heavy black beard, his clothes in tatters, was placed in the box, charged with having cut timber trees on the premises of James D. Robinson, near Manchester. He is between 25 and 30 years of age, and it appears that he was under the impression that he was proprietor of the property on which the trespass was committed. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty by reason of insanity, and he was ordered by the Court to be conveyed to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

In the case of Martin Appel, indicted for aggravated assault and battery, on oath of Jos. Richardson, the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty, the defendant to pay the costs.

Mathew Harbison was placed on trial the second time on an indictment for fraud, the jury having been discharged at the former trial, failing to agree. The charge is brought by Peter P. Demarest.

The New Township of Hampton.

Some time since, as our readers are aware, preliminary steps were taken for the formation of a new township out of parts of Pine, West Deer and McCandless—to be called Hampton, in honor of the President Judge of the District Court of Allegheny county. The Court of Quarter Sessions ordered an election to be held by the parties interested, and the result is that a majority of the voters have decided in favor of the measure—so that hereafter the new township of Hampton must be added to the election districts in the county, which swells the number to sixty four.

District Court.

MONDAY, Jan. 28.—Before Judge Hampton.

Josiah B. Peer and Joseph Read, partners as Peer & Read, vs. Lucia Wood. Action for damages sustained in consequence of the defendant selling to the plaintiff a raft of lumber which, it is alleged, turned out to be of a different quality and less in quantity than was at first represented. Jury out.

Judge Williams is not holding Court to-day.

Disorderly at Church.—A lad named Carlos, arrested by officer Long for disorderly behavior in front of Beaver street M. E. Church, on Sunday evening, was locked up over night, and in the morning was fined one dollar and costs by Mayor Drum. The Mayor of Allegheny is determined to suppress all rowdyism about the churches, and those who visit those places "for fun" had better keep a wary eye about them.

Burglary.—A few nights since the residence of Col. Wm. H. Whitney, Congress street, was entered and robbed of six or seven dollars in money, and a watch belonging to a son of Mr. Whitney.

Our Book Table.

Negroes and Negro "Slavery"; the First an Inferior Race; the Latter its Normal Condition. By J. H. Van Evrie, M. D. New York: Van Evrie, Horton & Co. Pittsburgh: Hunt & Miner. 1861.

It would serve no good purpose to enter into such an examination of this book as would suffice to expose Doctor Van Evrie's pretentious expositions of various sciences. For reasons best known to himself, possibly for very substantial ones too, he has thought fit to make another book on the slavery question. We do not offer a word of objection. Provided a man pays the printer, he may make as many books as he pleases; and it the business doesn't pay him, that's nobody's business so much as his own.

But though a man, who steps short of the flagrant indecency which would expose him to the police, may write, like Doctor Van Evrie, any amount of stupidity, folly, and falsehood, designed to mislead the ignorant, we think the Doctor must be of the genus Quack, and of some very inferior species therein, who could not choose his opportunity better for a book on the "blessings of slavery" than just now!

Still, we remember, there was "once upon a time" another doctor—and a great publicist, too—almost as great as Doctor Van Evrie—after he had written a huge volume, according to the fashion of those days, all to prove that the constitution was so well balanced, so well secured, so—&c., &c., that it must ever remain a monument to the wisdom, &c., &c., yet lived to be told, one fine morning, that the said excellent perpetual constitution had fallen to pieces at a single blow of the King's own hand—when the learned doctor waxed wrathy, and shouted indignantly: "Sir, the King may have overturned the constitution; but, sir, he has not refuted my book!" Perhaps, in like manner, no events could refute the Doctor's book.

Blackwood's Magazine for January, just laid on our table by Messrs. Hunt & Miner, contains—"The Political Year," "The Puritan's Prayer Book," "Undivulged Map," "English Embassies to China," "Honor; a True Tale," "What's a Grisle?" "Norman Sinclair—Part 12," "A Merry Christmas" and what may pass for a funeral sermon—"The Indian Civil Service, its Rise and Fall."

BANK STATEMENT.

For the week preceding January 28th, 1861:

ASSETS:

BANKS.	Loans	Specie.	Treasury Notes and other Bks	Due by Banks.
B'k Pittsb'gh	1,650,970	406,087	116,824	93,814
Exchange "	1,586,154	264,760	149,290	155,510
M. & M. "	915,932	209,312	37,312	65,583
Citizens' "	722,271	145,391	16,218	57,638
Mechanics' "	759,283	106,128	81,720	19,330
Iron City "	677,724	150,129	52,396	43,522
Allegheny "	810,978	144,086	29,745	22,240
	7,123,312	1,425,592	483,505	457,646
Last week	7,215,946	1,400,485	480,586	439,102
Increase		25,107	2,922	18,544
Decrease	92,634			

LIABILITIES:

BANKS	Circulat'n	Deposits	Due to Banks.
Pittsburgh	207,111	667,169	104,895
Exchange	804,990	239,067	45,629
M. & M.	335,215	260,794	21,102
Citizens'	353,333	83,910	20,569
Mechanics'	307,630	104,367	19,824
Iron City	266,265	239,137	6,810
Allegheny	409,760	102,543	23,463
	2,686,706	1,687,037	242,295
Last week	2,662,671	1,733,946	238,858
Increase	24,035		3,737
Decrease		46,909	

Female Bible Society.—The annual meeting of the Female Bible Society of Pittsburgh and vicinity was recently held in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Dr. Aiken, Corresponding Secretary of the Pennsylvania Bible Society, presiding. From the report we learn the society has been in existence for thirty-three years, quietly and unostentatiously doing effective work in this worthy cause. The work of exploration and supplying the destitute is performed by the ladies without incurring any outlay of the funds. The surplus is donated to the Pennsylvania Bible Society. During the past year $155,60 was collected and paid to the State society. After the reading of the reports, the election of officers took place: President, Mrs. B. B. Campbell; Secretary, Miss M'Cormick; Treasurer, Miss Trainor; and a full Board of Managers. The Board consists of thirty ladies, who are worthy of the utmost confidence in their labor of love.

An Unfeeling Son.—John Orr, a laborer residing in the Second ward, Allegheny, appeared before Mayor Drum yesterday and preferred a charge of disorderly conduct against his son, Jas. Orr, aged nineteen years. The father stated that the boy had undertaken to whip one of the neighbor's children, and when he (the father) interfered to prevent the child from abuse, the son seized a chair and attempted to strike him with it, after which he drew a knife and threatened to cut him The lad was arrested and fined

Assault with a Poker.—On Saturday Mayor Wilson had before him Mary White alias Myrs, and William Myrrs, charged with assault and battery on Alexander Hannah, who states that on the evening of the 19th inst. he was at a ball in the Fifth Ward, where he got into a difficulty, in which he received serious abuse, blows on the head and face, &c. He says he can prove that the woman struck him on the head with a poker. His injuries were of such a character that he was disqualified from work, but it is now probable that he will recover. The parties were held to bail for trial at the next term of Court.

Marshal's Sale of County Stock.—On Saturday, U. S. Marshal Campbell sold the following stocks, belonging to the county; 1,000 shares Chartiers' Valley, to Robert Hanna, at 16 cents per share; 400 shares Pittsburgh and Steubenville at 16 cents per share; Dr. N. Seely; 100 do. at 15 cents; and 100 shares Pittsburgh & Connellsville at 80 cents. The sale of the remaining stocks levied upon by the Marshal, consisting of 11,000 shares Pittsburgh and Steubenville stock, city, 9,500 do. county and 14,900 Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad, county, was postponed.

How Pittsburghers Become Florida Secessionists.—Mr. John Gormley, formerly a clerk in the Farmers' Deposit Bank, went to Pensacola, Florida, not long since, where he joined a volunteer company. Recently, his company was called out to assist in the seizure of the United States Forts at that point, to which he was obliged, how ever unwillingly, to assist. A brother of C. H. Paulson, also at Pensacola, is also among the secession forces.

Fire in Lawrenceville.—On Saturday evening, the oil refinery of Messrs. Matthews & Co., in Lawrenceville, caught fire and was destroyed. The building was frame, located on the river bank, and the machinery had just been made ready for commencing operations for the season. The loss will be about $3,000, on which there is no insurance. The fire was accidental, and is supposed to have caught from a defective pipe in the still.

Seward Literary Society.—At a late meeting of this Society, the following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing term:—President, W. L. Stender; Vice President, C. J. Lourimore; Recording Secretary, J. G. Gothart; Assistant Secretary, J. G. Scott; Corresponding Secretary, J. M. Hazlett; Treasurer, George W. Abbott; Librarian, J. S. Marshall; Critic, J. M. Abbott; Orderly Sergeant, J. M. Hazlett.

Threatening to Kill.—A young man named Christopher Miller was brought before Mayor Wilson yesterday, charged on oath of Emma Jane Barker with threatening to kill. The prosecutrix resides in a disreputable house on Diamond alley, and the difficulty occurred on Sunday evening. The accused was arrested at the "International Saloon," on Liberty street, and held for trial.

Oil Refinery.—We have seen a sample of carbon oil from the refinery of Messrs. Woodside & Ferry, (to whose card we would refer) which, for purity and strength, we think will compare favorably with any we have ever seen. These gentlemen have erected fire proof buildings, and the latest machinery, and are now doing a large business.

Editor Robbed.—Andrew Hopkins, editor of the Erie *Observer*, was robbed of his watch and a large sum of money on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad, while on his way to Wheeling on Thursday night. Mr. Hopkins was asleep at the time the robbery was committed and of course can furnish no clue to the perpetrators.

Arrested and Committed.—John Bird, who was arrested for disorderly conduct a few nights since and left his coat in pledge, but did not return, was arrested on Saturday night by the night watch, and on Sunday morning committed to jail by the Mayor for thirty days.

Prof. Davis' lectures this week should be attended. His illustrations are a wonderful piece of mechanism. Such an opportunity of acquiring solid knowledge should not be lost, as the talented lecturer will render the course both interesting and profitable.

Larceny of a Hog.—Henry Berry was before Ald. Cummins yesterday, charged with the stealing of a hog valued at $12, from the Stock Yard of, Perss. R. R., on oath of Thomas M. Carnegie. In default of bail, Berry was committed for trial.

Illegal Liquor Selling.—Hannah Call was committed by Alderman Rogers, yesterday, on two charges—one for selling liquor on Sunday and the other for selling liquor without license. The complaints were lodged by Helen M. Boyle.

For Kansas.—Senator E. H. Irish and Christian Snively, Esq., each contributed $5, to-day, to the Kansas fund—the same being handed over to Mayor Wilson.

New Paper.—It is announced that James Onslow, familiary known as "the Major," is about to start a new Democratic paper at Clarion, Pa.

Notary Public.—Dr. Samuel Smith, of this city, has been appointed Notary Public, by Gov. Curtin, in the room of J. P. Glass, resigned.

James Duffy, arrested upon a charge of picking pockets, is not in any way connected with the Duffy family, of Grant street.

Dentistry.—Dr. C. Bill, No. 246 Penn street, attends to all branches of the Dental profession.

Doctor C. Berle, Water Cure and Homœopathic Physician; also agent for Rainbow's celebrated Price for Ruptures. No. 130 Smithfield St.

All should not fail to read the advertisement of Prof. Wood, in to-day's paper.

City Councils.

The regular meeting of this body was held last evening.

Select Council.—Present all but Mr. M'Auley. In the absence of the President, Mr. Brown was called to the chair.

Mr. Quinn presented a petition from citizens of the 3d ward for water pipes on Clay alley, between Chatham and Washington streets; Referred to Water Committee.

Mr. Morrow, a communication from Keebler and White, asking a reduction of paving tax. Referred to Finance Committee, with instructions to reduce the assessment, provided the statements made were correct.

Mr. McCarthy, a petition from citizens of the 6th and 7th wards, for gas posts on Webster, Crawford, Mercer and Gum streets. Referred to Gas Committee

Mr. Morrow, a petition from citizens of Forbes street for Water pipe on said street. Referred to Water Committee

Petition from property holders on Bedford st., relative to tax for grading on said st.

In connection with the above, Mr. M'Carthy offered the following:

Resolved, That the petition in reference to the tax for grading on Bedford street, be referred to the Committee on Streets, with power to act, and that the City Solicitor be requested to stay proceedings for the present.

The resolution was amended by striking out "with power to act," and passed in that shape.

Petition from George Ogden, Secretary of American Oil Company, asking for relief from business tax, for which it is claimed said company is not liable.

Referred to the Committee on Appeals from City Assessments.

On motion, Mr. M'Cargo was unanimously chosen as Auditor on behalf of Select Council, to audit the City Accounts.

Mr. Borger offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Gas Company be requested to have the following gas posts erected:—one at southeast corner of Grant and High street; one at corner of Fayette and Garrison alley; one on Fayette, midway between Garrison alley and Wayne; one on Liberty, east of Harrison street; one corner of Webster and Gum; one corner Webster and Mercer; one corner of Webster and Crawford; one corner of Fulton and Ross; one on Second street, near Hay scales; one corner Van Braam and Bingham streets, and one midway between Marion and Van Braam.

The resolution was read three times and passed. A communication was received from George Fortune, Secretary of the Board of Guardians of the Poor, announcing that the term of office of Messrs. George Albree and J. K. Moorhead had expired, and that under act of Assembly, an election to fill the vacancies should be held on the first Tuesday of February.

On motion of Mr. Kincaid, it was agreed that when Council adjourn it adjourns to meet on Tuesday evening, the 5th prox., to elect Guardians.

Mr. McCarthy called up the ordinance changing the grade on Reed street, in the Sixth and Seventh Wards. After some discussion, the further consideration of the ordinance was postponed until the next regular meeting.

Mr. Bennett offered a resolution instructing the Finance Committee to report an ordinance providing for the inspection of Petroleum, Rock and Coal oil, crude and refined, and fixing fees for the same.

The resolution was read three times and passed. Not acted on in Common Council.

Mr. Berger offered a resolution authorizing the owners of frame houses on the extension of Pennsylvania avenue to remove their buildings to other parts of the lots. Referred to the Committee on Wooden Buildings.

Not acted on in Common Council.

Mr. Ward offered an Ordinance approving the survey and assessment for St Patrick's Alley sewer. Read twice and referred back to the viewers.

Also an Ordinance to fix the grade of Try street. Read twice and referred to Street Committee. Not acted on in C. C.

Mr. Quinn offered a resolution requesting the City Solicitor to pay into Court the money collected by him for the extension of Pennsylvania Avenue.

Read three times and passed. Not acted on in C. C.

In all which action not otherwise noted, the C. C. concurred.

Adjourned.

Common Council.—All the members present except Messrs Miller and Rees.

Prayer by Mr. M'Gowan.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Fryer, of the First Ward, was placed on the Committee on Allegheny Wharf, in place of Mr. Vary.

M. Chadwick—A petition against the erection of Oil Refineries in the city. Referred to Ordinance Committee. Not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Bill—A petition for Water Pipes on Second street, Third Ward. Referred to Water Committee. Not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Dain—Petition for Water Mains on Pine street. Referred to same Committee. Not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Barclay—A petition for Gas Lamps on Webster street. Referred to Committee on Gas Lights. Not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Maxwell—A petition for Water Pipes on Cliff street. Referred to Water Committee. Not acted on in S. C.

The same—A petition for Water Mains on De Villers street. Referred to same Committee. Not acted on in S. C.

John Scott—A petition for a reduction of license on one-horse vehicles, excepting carriages. Referred to Finance Committee.

Mr. Chadwick offered the following:

Whereas, It is a frequent occasion that ordinances and resolutions have been adopted by one branch of Councils and sent to the other branch for concurrence, and by reason of the want of timely acquainted with the objects and merits of them, either hastily concurred in or as hastily rejected. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That a committee of five, three from the Common and two from the Select Council, be appointed to report an ordinance for an additional standing committee, to be designated the advising committee. Said committee to be composed of one member from each of the standing committees respectively. The advising committee to hold stated and special committee meetings, before which any subject may be introduced, calculated to promote the interests of the city. Read three times and passed, and Messrs Chadwick, Chamberlain and Wilson appointed committee on part of C. C. Not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Chadwick also offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three—one from the Select and two from the Common Council—be appointed to ascertain the amount of money received by the Superintendent and Clerk of the Market respective for the years 1859 and 1860; also, the amounts paid out by them, if any—said committee to report to Councils at as early a day as practicable.

Read three times and passed; and Messrs. Chadwick and Dain appointed on part of Common Council. Not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Chadwick also offered the following:

Resolved, That the Superintendent and Clerk of the Market are hereby instructed to report to the Mayor the names of all persons using spring balances in the Market, as required by ordinance prohibiting the same.

Read three times and passed; not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Dain a petition from D. M. Charbart, for the privilege of using the scales at the Water Works for weighing coal.

Referred to Water Committee; not acted on in S. C.

A communication was received from the Controller, with the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Controller is hereby authorized to transfer $80.92 from appropriation No. 13 to appropriation No. 1, to pay interest on bonds paid off by order of Finance Committee.

Resolved, That the Controller is hereby authorized to certify warrants on the contingent fund for $9 05, in favor of Maffit & Old, and $2 in favor of J. Shallenberger.

The resolutions were read three times and passed, the S. C. concurring.

Mr. Petrie, of the Third ward, appeared and was sworn, and took his seat.

The President presented a communication from the Controller, with the estimated receipts and expenditures of the city for the ensuing year.

Read and ordered to be filed, S. C. concurring.

Mr. Wilson presented an ordinance regulating appropriations to Fire Companies.

Read three times and passed. Not acted on in S. C.

Mr. Chambers presented the report of the Finance Committee, with the Appropriation Ordinance for 1861. Report accepted.

The Ordinance being on second reading, and the first section being under consideration,

Mr. Kelly moved to take $4,000 from the contingent fund and add to appropriation No. 5. (night police). On the question.

Will the Council agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required and were as follows:

Yeas—Bailey, Barckley, Irvin, Kearns, Killen, King, Mays, Petrie, Rowbottom, J. Scott, Wilje. —11.

Nays—Anderson, Caskey, Chadwick, Chambers, Dain, Fryer, Gildea, Hayden, Hill, Kirsch, Little, McCune, McGowen, McVay, W. Scott, Wilson, Prest. McCandless—17.

This section and the remaining sections were agreed to, and the ordinance was read three times and passed.

In S. C. action concurred in.

Messrs. Wilson and Kearns were elected Auditors of the city account, for 1860, on the part of C. C.

The two Councils then met in joint convention, and balloted as follows, for three members of the Board of Health, viz:

H. C. Sawyer, 39; John McCargo, 39; W. H. Lutton, 21; D. Hutchison, 18; T. B. Bisly, 14.

So Messrs. Sawyer, McCargo and Lutton were declared to be elected.

The joint Convention then adjourned.

Mr. Wilson offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Solicitor be, and is hereby instructed to apply for an injunction to prevent the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago R. R. Company, the Cleveland and Pittsburgh R. R. Company, and the Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati R. R. Company, and Pittsburgh & Wheeling R. R. Company, from using or crossing the streets of the city of Pittsburgh.

Resolved, That the P., Ft. W. & C. R. R. Co. be permitted to enter into the contract provided by the ordinance, entitled an ordinance relative to the P., Ft. W. & C. R. R. Co., approved the 22d day of February, A. D., 1858. Referred to the City Solicitor. S. C. concur.

Adjourned.

R. WOODSIDE, ... P. FERRY

WOODSIDE & FERRY,

REFINERS AND DEALERS IN

CARBON OIL.

Office, 45 Ist street, between Canal and Water Works, jan28-1ym PITTSBURGH, PA.

WHITE-LIME.—500 bbls. Louisville, for sale by J. B. CAMPBELL & CO.

FEATHERS.—20 sacks in store for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO.

THE LATEST NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH.

RECEIVED AT THE DAILY GAZETTE OFFICE.

Important from Washington.

[Special Dispatch from our Evening Edition.]

WASHINGTON, January 28.

Capt. Ingraham, of the Navy, will not resign, as was reported, but will return to the Mediterranean. In this proceeding, he follows Col. Shubrick's example. This will cause a vast show of indignation in South Carolina.

Important political conferences were held last night, which disclose the fact that a majority of the Republicans in Congress, will not enter into any Compromise, as long as the South continues to assume an attitude of menace.

There is considerable influence here in favor of the extension of the Missouri line (not Crittenden's,) to California, or the admission of New Mexico; but the South will not accept either of these propositions.

If the seceding States would return to their allegiance, a settlement of the question could be effected without difficulty; but in their present attitude, nothing can be done.

Attorney General Stanton has given no opinion as yet, concerning the collection of customs at ports like Charlestos, but the Special Committee has prepared a law to meet all contingencies.

There is no intention to abolish the duties on sugar. Six million dollars of revenue are derived from this source; an amount much needed by the Government at this time.

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XXXVIth Congress—Second Session.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 28.

House.—Mr. Rice, of Mass., presented the petition 14,000 citizens of Boston, of various political opinions, asking for a peaceful adjustment of the national difficulties. The Committee to whom it was entrusted ask that it be presented to the House, and read which was accordingly done The petition was received in an attentive manner. Its reading was halted with applause both on the floor and in the galleries. The Boston Committee then presented seats in the gallery during these proceedings. The petition was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

John Cochrane, of N. Y., introduced Mr. Bigler's proposition providing for taking the sense of the people of the several States on certain amendments to the constitution. He said that he would be willing to send to any committee that might be suggested, provided that he could be assured that it would not be strangled. Referred to the special committee of five on the President's special message.

Mr. Campbell, of Pa., presented the resolutions of the legislature of Penn. expressing ardent attachment to the Constitution and the Union, and repugnance to secession; and pledging the support of that State in such manner and extent as may be required for maintenance of the laws, etc.

Mr. Campbell said the resolutions express the sentiments of the people of Pennsylvania. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Florence, of Pa., introduced a joint resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution. He wanted to pass it to-day, as there was a necessity for doing something immediately for conciliation and peace.

Mr. Bingham, of Ohio, and others, objected.

Mr. Florence remarked that he desired peace, and thus presented the olive branch.

The proposition was referred to the Select Committee of five.

Mr. Curtis, of Iowa obtained the floor, but yielded to Mr. Grow, of Pennsylvania, to move that the special order be temporarily postponed in order to take up the Senate amendment to the admission of the Kansas bill.

The rules were suspended; yeas, 119; nays, 42, so the bill has passed both Houses, and only requires the signature of the President to become a law.

Mr. English, of Indiana, said, in voting, that as the late election shows that there is the requisite population in Kansas to entitle her to admission under the Kansas conference bill, he could see no reason why she should not be admitted as a State, and therefore, he voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Howard, of Michigan, offered a resolution that the Select Committee of five, to whom was referred the President's Message on the 7th inst.; shall inquire and report whether any acts of the Executive, or of the Heads of Departments, have been in violation of the Constitution, and if so, what; and report from time to time as the importance of the business in their hands may require.

On motion of Mr. Stanton, under a suspension of the rules, yeas 116, nays 41, took up the bill for the more efficient organization of the militia of the District of Columbia, by providing for the administration to the officers through the usual military roads.

The bill was then passed; yeas 119; nays 42. Adjourned.

Senate.—Several communications were received from the departments.

Mr. Seward, of New York, presented a petition from the citizens of New York, remonstrating against any legislation giving any protection to slavery in the territories. Also, a petition from seven hundred citizens of New York, praying for some adjustment of the present difficulties.

Mr. Douglas, of Ill., introduced a bill amending the act of 1793, and the Act of 1850, in relation to the rendition of fugitive slaves. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Gwin, of Cal., presented the memorial of Dr. Kane, Secretary of the Pacific Railroad Convention, held in California, in 1853 and 1859, and transmitting the proceedings of the Convention, and their petition asking for the passage of the Pacific Railroad bill.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, presented the petition of Mr. Davenport and others, of Newburyport, in favor of the speedy passage of the Crittenden resolutions. Mr. Wilson said these men prayed for the adoption of the amendments to the Constitution as proposed by the Senator from Kentucky, to which the recognition of slavery and its protection south of the 36° 30'—not only in existing territory, but in territory yet to be acquired, purchased or stolen; the denial of any power in Congress to abolish slavery in the District of Columbia while it existed; Virginia, or to prohibit the transportation of slaves from one State to another, or to the Territories recognizing slavery; further, they prayed for the payment of the owner the full value of a fugitive slave, when the U. S. Marshal was prevented by the citizens of the African race the right of arrest, which they have possessed in Mass., since the Constitution was passed by the Revolutionary fathers, in 1788; and the acquirement of territory in Africa or South America to send, at the expense of the federal treasury, such free negroes as the State may wish to have removed from their limits, for the adoption of these honorable and humane provisions in the constitution beyond the power of the people ever to change.

For the adoption of these honorable and humane provisions in the Constitution, beyond the power of the people ever to change, the people of the free States would receive immediate relief. On motion of making the fee of the commissioner no greater for demanding a man to slavery than for discharging him as free. Surely the prayer of these men of Massachusetts, for such objects, ought to be heeded by the Senate of the United States.

The petition was laid on the table.

Mr. Bigler, of Pa., presented a petition in favor of the passage of the Crittenden resolutions.

Mr. Hale, of N. H., offered a resolution of inquiry; if the Secretary of the Senate had executed the order in favor of the widow of the late Hon. Louis Linn, formerly U. S. Secretary from Missouri, and if not, what is the reason.

Mr. Crittenden, of Ky., presented a large number of petitions from citizens of Michigan and other States, asking for the passage of his resolutions. Also, the resolutions passed by the Railroad Presidents and officers at the meeting lately held in this city.

Mr. Hale objected to the reception, as they were not addressed to the Senate.

Mr. Iverson, of Ga., here offered a communication containing the ordinance of the secession of Georgia, which was read He also tendered his withdrawal from the Union.

After the reading, he said that Georgia had resumed her independence, and movements were in progress among the seceding States for the formation of a Provisional Government, with power to admit new States, make treaties and levy war. There were no important points for the consideration of the Federal Government, either to make war or peace. If war is made, Georgia would serve the form of the government and not pay a dollar towards the public debt. (Laughter.) And whatever shape the government attempts coercion, she would fight. The South would never submit to subjection until every white man was exterminated. He said that Cotton was King, and that if the government blockaded their ports, we would see if other nations have nothing to do in the matter. If there are no acts of war against the South, we might consider a reconstruction possible; but he was opposed to any such thing. He acknowledged the many courtesies received, and bade the Senators farewell.

Mr. Bigler presented the resolutions of the legislature of Pennsylvania, which were read.

The President's message was then read.

Mr. Mason moved that the message be printed. He said that three resolutions were passed by the State of Virginia and transmitted directly to the President, to inform him that Virginia had understaken the office of mediator between the States. The next object of the resolutions was to induce the President to refrain from any act likely to provoke a collision. All will acknowledge that if a collision once occurs it will be beyond the power of any mortal arm to remedy the evil that will follow. It was a great effort Virginia was making to save the country. Virginia had also called a convention to meet on the 13th of February, but the great object of the mission now was to prevent any further complication that will be beyond a remedy. He trusted that the noble effort of Virginia would be successful, at least for the time being. It it shall result that the questions are of such a character as to admit of no solution, still the peace of the continent should be preserved, and if the present Union is beyond all hope, we might still see if some means cannot be devised by a reconstruction or otherwise. Such was the appeal of the great State of Virginia. If there be any Senator who indulges in the belief that an attempt to enforce a seceding State will not lead to war, never was a man more deluded. He had said so before, and he repeated it now. Now I have the evidence from the nation which had separated. He also said that although the States found it necessary to take possession of the forts and guns, they had done so simply as a measure of precaution. Should the States be restored to the Union, or if peace follow, they will account for every dollar of the public property.

The motion to print it was adopted and Mr. Clingman, of N. C., moved to print an extra number.

Mr. Hemphill, of Texas, proceeded to speak at length. He commenced by reference to the struggles of the colonies for independence, and claimed that the States were sovereign and independent before the Constitution was framed, and contended that the delegation of certain powers to the Federal Government did not impair the sovereignty of a State. The State of Texas exercised all the powers of sovereignty before she came into the Union. He argued that the sovereignty remains in the people of the States, not in the people of the United States. Therefore, the people could at any time make a new government or revoke all former grants of power to any confederation. Each State can separate from the others at will, with or without cause. The right of secession is a right of the National law—and must be among the rights reserved by a State.

The subject was postponed until Wednesday.

Several petitions were then presented and the Senate adjourned.

Pennsylvania Legislature.

Harrisburg, Jan. 28.

Senate.—Mr. Smith read in place a bill authorizing suits against cities and counties in which Fugitive Slaves may be rescued through mobs and violence, the counties and cities to recover the penalties inflicted on themselves from the individuals aiding the rescue. The individuals so aiding are also punished with a fine of $5000 and solitary imprisonment for three years, or either penalty may be inflicted.

Mr. Smith also introduced a resolution authorising the Governor to appoint five commissioners to meet the Virginia and Maryland commissioners at Washington on the 4th of February. It will be called up to-morrow.

House.—Mr. Randall, of Philadelphia, offered a resolution appointing seven commissioners for the same purpose. It was discussed and made the special order for to-morrow. It will probably pass.

The repeal of the last half portion of the 95th section of the Penal Code will probably pass.

The Select Committee of the Senate agreed to-night to report Mr. Smith's bill relative to compensation for fugitive slaves to-morrow morning.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE ETNA

New York, Jan. 28.—The steamship Etna has arrived with Liverpool papers of the 16th, and dates of the 17th by telegraph to Queenstown. She brings $150,000 in specie.

England.—In the Court of Queen's Bench Edwin James applied for a suit of habeas corpus, a fugitive slave imprisoned at Toronto, Canada. The motion was founded in the affidavit of the Secretary of the British and Foreign Anti-Slavery Society. The Court, after a consultation, granted the writ. Chief Justice Cockburn admitted that in doing so it might not be regarded as not proper, but the Court of Queen's Bench had jurisdiction, Anderson being regarded as a British subject.

It is stated that several rifled cannon have been shipped at Liverpool for Charleston.

The weather has again been quite sever