Pittsburgh Gazette.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

TUESDAY MORNING, MARCH 26, 1861.

CITY AFFAIRS.

Memorials for Contributions for the Gazette, by Mr. E. Shaw, Opposite 84 Fifth St., corner of Smithfield.

9 o'clock, a.m.	40
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Rev. Mr. Faris, of Paris, officiated Sunday morning in the Second Presbyterian church, and in the evening in the First church. He gave a cheering account of the progress of Protestantism in France under great difficulties, and the counteracting influences both of Romanism and Infidelity. The circulation of the Bible is going on rapidly. He mentioned in this connection the interesting fact, that in the schools in the army, in which soldiers unable to read are taught, the gospel of John, point out passages in the first reading book, and that thousands of these soldiers, before they are through, have it committed to memory.

Mr. F. says the vast majority of the adult male population of France have no fixed religious belief. Having repudiated the teachings of the priests, they are thrown back upon a kind of nightly infidelity, being ignorant of any other form of religious belief. He plead strongly and eloquently for aid to the Protestant societies engaged in the circulation of the Scriptures and of evangelical publications.

The contest between Napoleon and the bishops of France will lead to a wide-spread discussion of the rebellious claims of the Papacy generally, with an open and free Bible, and the Church of Rome, upon the faith and confidence of the French people.

Preaching on Terrace.

A Wildfire will use blind bait next, straight in Dry Hollow, above Franklin, on the river. Oil was struck some time since, but a pump was put into it for the first time on Friday evening, and on Saturday morning about twenty barrels of oil were pumped in six hours with a horse power as twelve forces. The machinery gives way, and the well stops that time. Mr. Jno. The fortunate company, Messrs. Ayres, McCleary, Fidelin and others, will have an engine on the ground in a few days. From present indications this is one of the richest veins yet struck.

Jones & Buckland struck a rich vein of oil in their well on French Creek on Thursday last, at a depth of 74 feet.

John Gilmore, on the Ralston farm, two miles up French Creek, struck a good vein of oil on Saturday evening last, at a depth of 250 feet.

Reynolds, Powell & Chalmers commenced pumping their well on the David Smith farm, opposite the mouth of East Sandy, last Thursday. It proved to be a good well, and is pumping 5 barrels per day, by competent judges not the slightest doubt.

Smith, Trefler & Co. struck their sixth vein of oil a few days since, on the S. S. Plummer farm, three miles of Bell's Mills above Franklin, at a depth of 210 feet. They are preparing to pump and are supposed to have a good well. Seven or eight wells are in different progress of sinking on the farm, some of them having favorable indications of oil.

Cheating the Sidewalks.

The proclamation of Mayor Wilson, relative to the cleaning of sidewalks, is very opportune, and we hope that on and after the 1st of April we shall encounter no muddy place in our pavements. The ordinance requires that the individual occupying a dwelling, store, shop, or factory, fronting on a paved sidewalk, shall cause, some to other plies, cleanse the pavement in front of his premises, and within that the gutter, at least every Tuesday and Friday morning, before nine o'clock. This regulation is one of the most important in the city, and should be strictly enforced. If in some obscure street such and there is no reason why it should not be, some of the cleaner about muddy streets, this year, we have Pittsburgh spoil again. We certainly hope that the Mayor will not be required to use the machinery of the law to secure its enforcement, but let there be a cheerful and unanimous compliance with the ordinance, because we are in the habit of "doing things" in a way in the city, and we go in for an institution of the county, in every shape.

Our Book Table.

The Eclectic Magazine for April, has been sent us by Messrs. Ross & Tousey, and the usual elevation we have been able to give it includes so that the Editor has his eye on the best things in the sense of Age-class periodicals in Europe, over which he ranges selectively for the benefit of eclectic readers. Two beautiful engravings adorn the book this number: a portrait of Don Pedro II, Emperor of Brazil, and a portrait William Russell taking leave of his family.

Messrs. Sayer & Mintz have sent us the Commercial Law Journal, No. 1, Vol. V., in which we find the usual amount of illustrations and miscellaneous matter. The number closes with an interesting paper on the Slave Code—particularly its manuscript illustrated with many views taken from Charleston's great piano-forte manufactory in Boston, Mass.

Messrs. Hunt & Moore have received the Fourth number of Sartain's "Biographical Library," Gen. Anthony Wayne, ("Mad Anthony,") The Hero of Two Wars. By G. L. Victor.

Whispering at Places of Amusement.

The practice of whispering and tittering at places of amusement is very annoying to well bred people; and, besides being a breach of courtesy, tends to disturb the enjoyment of the performers and those who pay for their place. There are many, of both sexes, claiming to be exceptionable in their manners, who are at fault in this respect, and to all such we commend the following hint:

"The individual who is so devoid of good breeding as to audibly whisper during the performance of a piece or play, may be allowed, in the same category with idiots and lunatics, to sit in a chair or object his entire upon a parlor carpet. The owner of places of amusement should be instructed to remedy the evil by repeal similar to those in force in Europe, permitting a placard bearing the inscription on the ceiling, "Silence, ye voices in any loud."

Police Intelligence.

Before Mayor Wilson.

Monday, March 25.—Before Judges McClure, Mellon and Taylor.

The March term of the Criminal Court commenced to-day. The names of the jurors were called and the Grand Jury was empanelled, with Jacob Glover as foreman. After hearing the customary charge from the Court, the Grand Jury retired to their room and entered upon their duties.

After disposing of the business in the Register's Court, Judge McClure discharged the jury until prior to Tuesday morning, at which time some cases will be ready for trial.

Oil Operations on the Monongahela.

We learn from Captain Jeffery, of the Parkersville packet "Emma Graham," that the oil fever along the Monongahela is increasing. Several strikes have been made during the past week at Duck and Wolfe creeks at depths, in some instances, of less than thirty feet. Great difficulty is experienced in procuring pumps, some of the parties being compelled to suspend operations after striking oil on this account. Some of the companies are said to be running short of funds, and will be obliged to cease their work or sell out to others who are able to carry it on. At Wolfe Creek the excitement is rapidly increasing, and all the land in that vicinity is being taken up.

SUNDAY RAILWAY TRAVEL.—It is said that the Manchester Passenger Railway Company intend soon to commence running their cars on Sunday. Numerous citizens object, and an information will be made against them as soon as the cars commence running on the Sabbath. Mayor Drum will enforce the law, the company will take an appeal, and the case (with the U. S. Mail feature) will then come up. We hope the Court will decide against the Sunday travel, from the fact that many highly influential citizens intend to oppose strenuously the resumption of Sunday travel on that railway, believing it to be altogether unnecessary, and well as unlawful.

ARREST OF ROWDIES.—On Sunday afternoon Mayor Wilson's police arrested four young men on Wylie street, who had been acting in the most outrageous manner—insulting all who passed by. They also fell upon a lad named Paul Sailer, and beat him very severely. The names of the rowdies are Jacob Sutter, Michael McTigue, Patrick O'Connor and Thomas Cummings. Sutter and McTigue were fined fifteen dollars each, and in default of payment were committed to jail for fifteen days. O'Connor was fined twelve dollars, and having no money was sent up twelve days. The miscreants paid a fine of two dollars and costs, and was discharged.

DEATH FROM INTEMPERANCE.—Sidney Duffy, wife of Patrick Duffy, residing near the corner of Webster and Crawford streets, in the Sixth Ward, died from the effects of drunkenness, on Saturday evening. Her husband had procured a gallon of whisky and in company with three or four friends had proceeded for a regular carouse. At two o'clock Mrs. Duffy was so drunk that she had to be lifted from the floor to the bed; and at six o'clock she was found dead when some members of the family went to wake her for supper. She was forty years of age, and the mother of five children.

OIL EXCITEMENT IN WESTERN NEW YORK.—A great excitement has recently sprung up among land owners and others in the counties of Western New York—especially in Erie, Chautauqua, and Niagara—on account of the discovery of deposits of oil in some localities, like those in Pennsylvania and Ohio, and the indications that these underground storehouses deposits extend all through that region of country. Extensive preparations are making to bore for oil and secure it if found, and the price of land is going up.

Mr. Eaton.—In your paper of Tuesday evening last, you mention the arrest of James Nichols, for beating and abusing his wife, etc. You give his location on the corner of Fifth Common and Ohio streets. His home and live on the corner, but of the immediate neighborhood. As my place of business is on the corner designated, some persons may entertain a wrong impression in regard to the matter, to my injury. Please mention this, and oblige, Your Friends.

DISPERSED.—On Saturday evening, during the rain fall, the third (Mr. Bell & Co.'s) horse ... Wayne take morning horses. Morning for one ... a pretty wife, just before going out ... Mr. M'Geck, in Diamond ... Mayor, Fifth ... on Penn

The Sunday Publication of Allegheny City Ordinance of Mayor Wilson.

Our readers are generally aware that the question as to the validity of the ordinances of the city of Allegheny, the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and the constitutionality of the Acts of Assembly authorizing the same, were carried to the Supreme Court of the United States, at Washington, on a certificate of division in opinion between Judges Grier and McCandless, of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania, in the case of Henry Aney, vs. The Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of Allegheny.

The case was decided in January last, and the opinion of Justice Wayne is published in full in the *Legal Journal*, just issued. The syllabus will be interesting to the general reader, as well as to the members of the bar, and we present it below:

1. A law of Pennsylvania declaring that "the city corporation of Pittsburgh and Allegheny are authorized to subscribe to the Ohio & Pa. Railroad Company, each, not exceeding $300,000," &c. And to vote at elections in the same manner as individual stockholders," and, also, that "the certificates of loan hereinafter issued, or which shall hereafter be issued by them, in payment for any subscription to the Ohio & Pennsylvania Railroad Company, are exempted from taxation," &c., justified the issue of the bonds by the city of Allegheny for $300,000 by her councils, with coupons attached, for her first subscription, and said bonds and coupons are valid.

2. A law of Pennsylvania declaring that the city of Allegheny is authorized to increase its subscriptions to the Ohio & Pennsylvania Railroad Co. to an amount not exceeding the first subscription, upon the same terms, and provided to and subscription, *provided*, no bonds for the payment of stock subscribed as aforesaid be issued less than $100," &c., justified the councils of Allegheny in issuing bonds, with coupons, for her second subscription in said sum of $300,000; and the said bonds and coupons are valid.

3. The law of Pennsylvania of 5th May, 1859, declaring that "it shall not be lawful for the Councils of Allegheny, directly or indirectly, to issue bonds, certificates of loan or indebtedness, or by any contract, or other means or device to increase the indebtedness of said city in a sum which, added to the existing debt, shall together exceed $600,000, exclusive of the subscription of $300,000 to the Ohio & Pa. R. R." was not intended to apply as a prohibition to the *Legislature*, in the exercise of its power to authorize the city to incur a debt beyond $600,000, but only to the Councils, as mere agents, general power to incur debts to the sum of $600,000.

4. The 8th section of the charter of Allegheny City, declaring that "no money of them (the town ordinances, Act of 18th March, 1845) shall not be published in one public newspaper, &c., within thirty days after their passage, &c., and recorded in the office of Recorder of Deeds, &c., within thirty days, &c., P. S. P. shall be null and void," does not apply to the "ordinance authorizing the subscription and issue of bonds under the law above mentioned, and the ordinance was not null and void for want of such recording.

In regard to the *constitutionality* of the acts authorizing the subscriptions, Justice Wayne says:

"We have not, in our treatment of the certified division of opinion, discussed that position of the learned counsel who urged it for the defendant, that the acts of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, authorizing the issue of the certificates of loan, were unconstitutional. Agreeing with him in the main, as to the definitions upon which the corporation of Allegheny should be taxed, and the objects for which it ought to be approved, we cannot, with the respect we have for the judiciary of his State, discuss the imputed unconstitutionality of the acts upon which the subscriptions were made to the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad Company; it having been repeatedly decided by the judges of the courts of Pennsylvania, including its Supreme Court, that acts for the same purpose as those are, which we have been considering, were constitutional. We shall order it to be certified, that the issue of bonds with coupons, in the case stated, are not null and void, but that it was done under the authority of constitutional acts of the State of Pennsylvania, in the case stated; and we hereby, that they are not null and void for any irregularity connected with that issue by the city of Allegheny."

The funded indebtedness of Allegheny city, amounting to $400,000, has thus been decided, by the highest tribunal in the country, to be valid and constitutional.

Joseph Knox, Esq., for Henry Aney, plaintiff in error. Hon. A. W. Loomis and S. Schoyer, Jr., Esq., for defendants in error.

BANK STATEMENT.

For the week preceding March 25th, 1861:

ASSETS:

BANKS.	Loans.	Specie.	Treasury Notes and Notes of other Banks	Due by Banks.
5 Pittsburgh	1,943,675	499,145	42,315	90,765
Exchange	1,492,198	225,972	261,274	196,922
M. & M. "	915,449	242,574	15,640	157,398
Citizens' "	745,472	231,567	18,220	41,870
Mechanics' "	661,412	104,891	94,655	60,881
Iron City "	631,797	169,810	19,451	12,834
Allegheny "	744,474	163,259	37,985	41,472
	7,161,224	1,663,340	613,180	596,161
Last week	6,966,490	1,654,416	581,298	594,188
Increase	195,544	12,924	32,382	1,973
Decrease				

LIABILITIES:

BANKS.	Circular's	Deposits.	Due to Banks.
Pittsburgh	190,546	666,791	30,476
Exchange	916,219	230,425	67,489
M. & M. "	145,140	196,493	28,339
Citizens' "	375,645	118,625	13,293
Mechanics' "	258,610	83,654	21,957
Iron City	244,625	271,565	7,968
Allegheny	271,715	144,447	12,023
	2,210,211	1,652,948	183,967
Last week	2,093,191	1,703,449	224,589
Increase	25,520		
Decrease		41,491	50,622

NEW YORK BANK STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, March 25.—The Bank statement for the past week shows a decrease of Loans of $1,819,475; increase in Specie, $326,168; increase in Circulation, $47,536; increase in Deposits, $1,410,444.

District Court.

Monday, March 25.—Before Judge Williams.

James Rees vs. Benjamin Cowein and J. B. Warden & Son, garnishees of Scaife, Atkinson & Oakley. The jury find for the plaintiff against Warden & Son, $333,17, and that the other defendants, Cowein had nothing in his hands belonging to plaintiff at the date of issuing and service of the attachment.

Pittsburgh & Steubenville Railroad Company vs. Perry Mason; action to recover for six shares of stock subscribed. Verdict for plaintiff for $332,50.

C. B. and C. Hays vs. James Kennedy and others, late owners of the steamboat Nathaniel Holmes; action for debt. Verdict for plaintiff for $453,15, subject to the opinion of the Court on a question reserved.

The following cases are within reach to-day:

33. Jones & Davis vs. Robert Hagan and others.
35. Hill & Co. vs. J. N. Jones.
36. D. Devlin and others vs. Wm. Noble.
37. W. McKinney vs. W. Booth and P. McGraw.
40. T. Bingham vs. Jos. Weaver.
430. Richard Denkes vs. Reed Bros. & Co.
243. Elizabeth Ardersou vs. Birmingham Borough.
46. J. M. Stratton vs. City of Allegheny.

CONCERT.—We would remind our citizens of the concert to be given by the pupils of the Ninth Ward Public School, this (Tuesday) evening in the Methodist Church, near the school house. The concert is under the direction of Mr. Edwin Sherratt, the accomplished Music teacher in several of our public schools. The proceeds of the concert will be devoted to the school. We hope the audience will be large, and we have no doubt that all who go will come away gratified.

MOVING TIME.—As moving time is near at hand, we respectfully call on our subscribers who may change their places of residence as far as to change their post office, to give us notice thereof so that we can send their papers to their nearest post office. Those who receive our papers from the carriers should also give notice of contemplated changes, either by seeing the carriers in person, or leaving their address at the counting room.

THE BEAVER CANAL has been in boating order during the past week, and business has opened quite briskly. Freight boats are passing in quick succession, and the New Brighton and New Castle packets are crowded every trip. In consequence of the oil developments, the increase of travel will be considerable, and the packet owners will be greatly benefited.

A PLEASANT LADY.—An election was held in St. Clairsville, Ohio, a few days ago, in compliance with what has been announced to be the wish of Mr. Lincoln to determine who should receive the appointment of Postmaster. There were three candidates, two very respectable and popular gentlemen, and a lady named Mrs. Ramsey. The latter was elected by about twenty-five majority.

POSTOFFICE APPOINTMENTS.—John E. Shaffer has been appointed Postmaster at Elizabeth, Pa., vice E. A. Davis, resigned. Mr. A. Moore has been appointed Postmaster at Monongahela City, vice W. I. Markell, removed.

THE WHEAT CROP.—The Detroit *Advertiser* says: "Our advices from all parts of the State are to the effect that the wheat crop is entirely uninjured by the frost, and that everywhere farmers are imagine of another abundant harvest."

ANOTHER STRIKE AT SMITH'S FERRY.—It is said that on Saturday morning at 8 o'clock, Messrs Patton, Paulen and Swan, of Allegheny, struck a fine vein of oil, at a depth of forty-two feet, in their third well.

OIL LEASE.—John L. Lewis, Esq., of this city, has leased the farm of Jacob Reprogle, Robert Williams, and David S. Allen, lying in Cherrhill township, Indiana county, for the purpose of boring for oil.

BURNED TO DEATH.—On Friday evening, the 15th inst., a little daughter of Mr. Samuel Rutter, in Shenango township, Lawrence county, aged about 10 years, was so severely burned that she died from the effects.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—On Friday last, John Barral, engineer on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, was killed between Wheeling and Moundsville, by falling from the engine while oiling the cylinders.

SCHOOL VACATION IN ALLEGHENY.—The Public Schools of Allegheny City will close on Friday, the 29th instant, and will open on the second Monday in April, being the 8th day of the month.

THE MARINE HOSPITAL.—It is reported that Mr. E. Scott, of Moorehead, will be the successful applicant for control of the Marine Hospital. There's many a slip, however, to follow.

Meeting of City Councils.

A regular monthly meeting of Councils was held last evening. Present in Select Council, members present: Messrs. Allen, Barbin, Berger, Brown, Duncan, Kincaid, Lution, Morrow, McCargo, McCarthy, Phillips, Quinn, Ross, Thompson, Ward, McAfee, President Scull; Messrs. Brandt, and Dickson.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Mr. Quinn presented a petition to relieve Thos. Dugan, of the Third ward, from business tax. Referred to Finance Committee, with power to act.

Mr. Morrow, a petition for water pipes on Fobes street, between Van Braam and Marion, etc. Referred to the Water Committee—the work to be done provided the cost does not exceed $160.

Mr. McCargo presented a communication from Matthew Tilby, President of the Independence Fire Company, setting forth that the Firemen's Association, at a late meeting, had unanimously recommended that the Independence hand engine should be replaced by a Waterman; that upon consulting the citizens of the ward, it is found that they cannot raise sufficient funds to secure a steam engine, and they respectfully ask the aid of Councils to enable them to keep pace with the improvements and protection of the ward. Read and referred to the Committee on Engines and Hose.

Mr. Thompson presented a petition from Messrs. Woodside & Parry, of refiners, of the Fifth ward, asking Councils to exempt them from the operations of the ordinance prohibiting the refining of coal and carbon oil in the city limits. The petition was signed by numerous citizens, setting forth that the works are isolated, very safe, and will be will further protected if desired.

Mr. Ross moved to lay the petition on the table, which was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Barbin, Berger, Ross—3.

NAYS—Messrs. Brown, Allen, Duncan, Kincaid, Lution, Morrow, McCargo, McCarthy, Phillips, Quinn, Thompson, Ward, McAfee, Pres't—12.

The petition was then referred to the Water Committee, with instructions to include the references of Messrs. Kerr and Bell; of the same kind, and report at the next meeting, if not inconsistent.

Mr. Ward, of the Street Committee, submitted petitions for the paving of the following streets: Washington, from Webster to Liberty; Penwood, between Clark and Decatur, and Clark, between Logan and Chatham. Referred to Street Committee.

Mr. McCarthy, from the Committee on Wooden Buildings, reported resolutions that the Committee had taken no action in reference to the removal of buildings on Pennsylvania avenue.

The President read a report of the Committee on Fire Engine and Hose, relative to the appropriation of hose to the Fairmount Fire Company. The report was adverse to the appropriation, the company being already sufficiently supplied. Report accepted.

The Committee on Appeals from City Assessments reported in reference to the petition of Geo. Ogden, Secretary of the American Oil Company, of Armstrong county, asking exemption from business tax. The Committee reported adversely to the prayer of the petitioner, and the report was accepted.

Mr. McAnley, (Mr. Berger in the Chair,) stated that he had falsely informed of a bill having been hurried through the House of Representative, chartering another Railway Company, and giving them the privilege of several of our most prominent streets, without having consulted Councils or the citizens. He therefore asked for the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That it is understood that an act has passed the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, chartering a company and authorizing the same to construct a railway from the Monongahela bridge along Water street to Liberty, through the Fifth and Ninth Wards of this City, with the privilege of carrying on said railway both freight and passengers; and

Whereas, Our city is already sufficiently supplied with passenger railways, and is now in the hands of Councils Water and Liberty streets, above all others, should be kept clear of them; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the city of Pittsburgh, that our Senators, the Hons. J. P. Penney and E. H. Irish, be and they are hereby most earnestly requested to protest against the charter above referred to, and to use every honorable means to prevent its passage through the Senate.

Resolved, That the President of Councils be requested to forward to Messrs. Penney and Irish a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions, and request them to have the same read in the Senate.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted.

Mr. Kincaid submitted a number of petitions for water extensions, with the estimated cost and revenue of the same. Referred to the Water Committee.

In *Common Council*, Present, all the members except Messrs. Anderson, Barclay, Killen, McGowan, Patrie, Ross, Wills and Pres't McCandless.

The President being absent, Mr. McCune was called to the Chair.

Prayer by Mr. McVay.

Minutes of the two preceding meetings read and approved.

Mr. Chambers presented a communication from the Controller, with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Controller be hereby directed to certify a warrant on appropriation No. 19, for $560, in favor of Daniel Armstrong, Professor of Allegheny county, for costs on sundry suits instituted for the grading and paving assessments. Also, that he certify for a warrant on appropriation No. 13, for $116,75, in favor of Isaac Morley, for services rendered the city. Read three times and passed.

S. C. non-concur, and amend by striking out all from the word "Resolved" to the word "also," and as amended read three times and passed—and the part stricken out referred to the Finance Committee, in conjunction with the City Solicitor, with instructions to examine the account and report to Councils: C. C. recede and concur.

A petition from R. R. Pieten, for reduction of Business Tax, was referred to Finance Committee, with power to act. Petition of like import from Spencer & Garrard. Same reference.

Mr. Kearns presented the report of the Auditing Committee—which was read and accepted, and the publication of the same authorized with the city accounts.

From the Controller, the annual statement of all the real and personal property of the city, and the funded and other debts thereof, made up to February 1st, 1861. Read and ordered to be printed in the papers authorized to do the city printing. In S. C., motion to print non-concurred in.

Mr. Wilson, from the Ordinance Committee, submitted an ordinance for the construction of a public sewer from the mouth of Market street, in Liberty, along Market street to the south side of the Diamond. Read three times and passed.

In S. C., non-concurred in, and amended so as to require the Recording Regulator to give public notice in the papers authorized to do the city printing.

Mr. Irwin submitted the following:

Resolved, That Councils return their thanks on behalf of the citizens to Aaron Floyd, Esq., for his untiring energy in behalf of the interests of the city in the late suit of Mann & Barton. Read three times and passed.

Resolved, That the Street Committee be requested to give notice to property holders having frontages over their vaults, to have the same immediately removed, and if said notice is not complied with, that the Commissioner take measures to have the same removed at the expense of the owners. Read three times and passed.

Mr. Rowbottom submitted the following:

Resolved, That the Street Committee be instructed to withhold the letting of the grading and paving of Crawford street, until the next regular meeting of Councils, to give the property holders on said street an opportunity to present the proper protest against grading and paving said street. Read three times and passed.

Mr. Kearns offered an ordinance reducing Dray and Cart Licenses, which was laid on the table by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Cooney, Chandlesh, Chambers-Dale, Fryer, Irvin, King, Kirsch, Miller, McCune, McVay, J. Scott, and Wilson—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Gildea, Hayden, Hill, Kearns, Little, Hays, Rowbottom, and W. Scott—8.

In all action not otherwise stated, there was a unanimous concurrence, and both branches adjourned.

ANNUAL MEETING.—We are informed by two Stockholders that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Pittsburgh, Ft. W. & C. R. will be held at the Board of Trade Rooms on Wednesday, 27th inst., at 9 o'clock a. m. We give this announcement gratuitously, at the request of those gentlemen—the company having for some reason neglected to send us their advertisement as heretofore.

THEATRE.—Miss Susan Denin commenced an engagement at the Theatre last evening, appearing as "Joseph" in the spectacular drama of "Joseph and his Brethren," which is very interesting from beginning to end. The piece is gotten up in good style, and reflects much credit upon Manager Hendecon. "Joseph" is up again for to-night, together with an amusing afterpiece.

RECOVERED.—Mrs. James Trimble, who lost her watch in Allegheny, on Friday last, and supposed it had been stolen, was agreeably surprised lately by having it returned to her. It was found on the pavement a short distance from the railroad depot by a young man named B. A. Fassnich, who on ascertaining the owner, promptly returned it.

LLOYD'S MINSTRELS.—This excellent troupe performed at Concert Hall last evening to a fine audience, and were loudly applauded throughout. They give two more exhibitions previous to their departure for the east, and will appear this evening in an entire change of programme.

FIRE.—Yesterday afternoon an old frame building in the Allegheny Diamond, was discovered to be on fire, but fortunately it was detected before it had made much progress. It was arrested with but little difficulty. The damage done was trifling.

THE STEWARDS in the Quarter Sessions have all been re-appointed for the present term, excepting August Aumon, lately appointed Interpreter, whose place is supplied by officer Robert Hague.

MR. ROTHERFORD will deliver a free lecture at Lafayette Hall, on Tuesday evening.

OIL AND COAL LAND FOR SALE.—A rare chance is offered for a good operation to-day, March 26, in Oil and Coal Land, by the sale of the Weaver Farm, at Freeport, Pa. It contains 90 acres of fine farming land, treats 181 perches on the Allegheny river, line on both sides of the canal; has two quarries opened of excellent building stone; very extensive coal veins (mine open) and has an old salt well that was abandoned long since on account of the oil therein. It must be sold for distribution among heirs. Sale at 10 a. m., on the premises, by Sheriff Sloan, by order of Court. Persons can take the cars for the sale by the A. V. R. R., at 7 a. m., and return at 7 p. m.

THE LATEST NEWS.

RECEIVED AT THE DAILY GAZETTE OFFICE.

From Washington.

[Special Dispatch from our Regular Editional Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, March 25th, 1861.

All the appointments for the New Territories were completed in the Cabinet on Saturday, and go to the Senate to-day.

Carter is appointed, Governor of Colorado. Jayne, of Dakota, and Giddings, of Nebraska. Governor for New Mexico has not been determined upon as yet.

Holloway will be confirmed as Commissioner of Patents, to-day.

The Republicans have abandoned the attempt to elect a Sergeant-at-arms in the Senate till the Extra session.

Attorney General Bates has given an opinion concerning the power of the President to collect revenue on board ship; but the act of Congress is generally considered insufficient, without further legislation, and the President is inclined to call an extra session of Congress before the meeting of the regular session.

No preparatory order, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding, has been issued for the evacuation of Fort Sumpter. The President has spoken again to Charleston the significant hint, that unless provisions are not allowed, which they are not, and peaceably, until it is convinced, it is, however, expected shortly.

The Senate will adjourn on Wednesday, after which the President will leisurely fill the remaining vacancies in foreign missions.

The American claims against Chili have been referred to the arbitration of Belgium.

Interesting from Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The number of office seekers in Washington seems to be increasing. The departments continue to be thronged with them, much to the inconvenience of public business.

The removals will be numerous in the civil branches of the Government, and will take place as soon as they can be prepared for official action. This assurance is especially given to the importuning applicants. The applicants by hundreds have been from four to five hundred daily.

Wm. Jayne, of Illinois, has been nominated for Governor of Dakota.

Detective Rose, of the city police, has been retained by orders of the Adjutant General, counterfeit notes on twenty-seven banks, amounting to $300,000, and also plates and gear for their manufacture.

The large packages contain the following: $10,000 counterfeits on the bank of Rutland, Middlebury, $10,000 assigned counterfeits on the State Bank of Ohio, $30,000 bogus notes on the Columbia Bank of Washington, $24,000 counterfeits on the Bank of Commerce, Mechanics' Bank of Virginia, $40,000 of seven denominations, all counterfeits, of the Camden Bank, New Jersey, and four plates on the Atlantic Bank. There was also one of the examination of ten cents, one dollar and two dollar and a half gold plates.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—A special dispatch to the *N. Y. Herald* says: There has been some change in the programme about Fort Sumter since Col. Lamon left. I am informed, however, that the evacuation is to be continued, that is, that Col. Lamon is authorized to assume the responsibility in that event, and that he is assured there is not a sufficient supply to sustain the garrison for a short time, he is to deliver the President's message to Major Anderson. I have no official authority for this declaration, but circumstantial evidence leads to such a conclusion.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Reuben F. Isaacwood, of New York, has been appointed superintendent of the Navy, vice Mr. Archbold, resigned.

Henry B. Wooldridge, of Vermont, has been appointed Paymaster of the Navy.

The Cabinet is in session to-day on appointments to fill vacancies, which it is necessary the Senate should act on previous to its adjournment, which will take place probably on Wednesday.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The Charleston Courier of Friday says, that Surgeon Fry of the U. S. Navy, has arrived with orders from Washington to visit and report in relation to the condition of Fort Sumter. It was published to visit Major Anderson on condition of being accompanied by Civil Commissioner. The *Courier* also reports the arrival of Mr. Holmes, formerly a member of Congress from South Carolina. He says that before he left Washington, Mr. Seward desired him to say that he was for a peaceable settlement, and would do everything in his power for an amicable arrangement of affairs.

Mr. Holmes also reports that Gen. Scott gave similar assurances, and that the President favors the policy, and that a majority of the Cabinet desire a withdrawal of the troops from Fort Pickens as well as Fort Sumter.

AUGUSTA, March 25.—The special committee of the Extra Conference of the M. E. Church to whom was referred the question of the growth and destination in Kansas, made a report which was unanimously adopted. They say: We have been asked to inform you of the action of the Conference on the question of a service option from slavery in settling all parts of the State, and declare—

Firstly—That in October last there were not provisions enough in the Territory to feed the people from starvation.

Secondly—Notwithstanding all the aid that has been afforded to the needy of our population, have not yet enough for their immediate support, and bread with a little meat, a part of the time.

Thirdly—From all accounts we have had no doubt that the various statements of facts in regard to our condition, made by Messrs. Pomeroy, Mahaffy and Hyatt, have been prompted by the purest motives and are substantially correct, and that we tender them our special thanks.

Fourthly—We have reason to believe that all country statements emanating from the press or other sources have been in ignorance of the facts, or through some interested motives.

Fifthly—That in our judgment the donations of our friends in the East have, in most instances, reached their destined objects.

Sixthly—We desire in the formal manner, to express our heartfelt thanks to all our friends for their kindness to our people, and we should literally have saved the lives of thousands and prevented untold amount of suffering.

Seventhly—It is now several months till harvest, and we have but little in store, and we very earnestly urge all to stay their hands till we can be able to realize something from our own resources.

Signed by Messrs. Brooks, Moore, Tracy, Hunt, Stukenbis and Paulson, Committee.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 24.—The New Mexican Mail, with dates to the 11th inst., arrived to-day, being only thirteen days out.

Captain Holloway, Lieutenant Bolton, and Lieutenant Kelly, of the United States Army, came through as passengers. Lieutenant Kelly has resigned his commission, and is en route for Louisiana to join the Southern Confederacy.

Capt. Holloway reports an abundance of grass for the journey in New Mexico, with the exception of flour, which is very scarce.

There is great scarcity of provisions among the people of New Mexico and some suffering is anticipated.

Col. Loring, who takes command of the department of New Mexico, was met at Fort Wise, and was getting along well.

The news of the failure of the mail last Tuesday was confirmed, the coach being robbed near Fort Fe on the 6th inst. The probability is that hereafter this mail will run promptly, and make the run at times, as an abundance of stock, corn, &c., has been sent out on the road.

The Indians on the route are, to all appearance, friendly, but no confidence is placed in them. An attack from them at any time would not surprise any one.

The road is in the condition, and the great on the Arkansas river is very good. The report from the San Juan mines is by no means flattering. Other mines have been discovered, but none that will justify working.

NEW YORK, March 25.—The steamer Champion has arrived from Aspinwall, with the California mails of the 1st inst. Her coming was anticipated by the Fort Kearney pony, and her specie and passenger list already published.

The revolution has gained several successes in New Granada, including the capture of a government steamer off the Magdalena River.

The dates from Valparaiso are to the 16th of February, and Callao dates to the 30th. Nothing new is reported.

The Champion has $600,000 in specie. The principle consignees are as follows: Duncan, Sherman & Co., $96,000; Wells & Fargo, $1,000; Eugene Kelly, $60,000; American Exchange Bank, $74,000; A. Belmont, $30,000; Baltic & Mexico, $30,000; Metropolitan Bank, $20,000; Stevens & Brothers, $17,000; Coleman & Co., $26,000; Seligman & Co., $34,000.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 24.—The State Convention adjourned on Saturday night, after having adopted a State Constitution which is to be submitted or rejected by the people at an election to be held in July next.

Dispatches from Montgomery report nothing new there.

It is generally believed at Charleston that Major Anderson will evacuate Fort Sumter on Wednesday next.

The Confederate troops from different points at the South are concentrating at Pensacola.

CHARLESTON, March 25.—Col. Lamon, the U. S. Commissioner to Maj. Anderson, had an interview this morning with Gov. Pickens and Gen. Beauregard. He then left for Fort Sumter in company with Col. Dayton. The opinion is prevalent that Maj. Anderson will evacuate Fort Sumter on Wednesday. Of the truth of this, however, time only can determine.

BOSTON, March 25.—The steamship Canada, from Liverpool via Halifax, arrived here at 1 o'clock this morning. Her mails dispatched by the morning trains, and will be here in Pittsburgh to-night.

PORTLAND, March 25.—The steamship Bohemian, from Liverpool, arrived here at 11 o'clock night. Her advices have been anticipated.

BOSTON, Pa., March 24.—The Hon. G. W. Scranton, minister of Ecuador from the United States, died at his residence here to-day.

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WASHINGTON CITY, March 25.

SENATE.—On motion of Mr. Hale, of N. H., the resolution for the election of Sergeant-at-Arms and Doorkeeper was taken up. Laid over for the present.

On motion of Mr. Powell, of Ky., it was resolved that the President be requested, if not incompatible with the public interests, to communicate the dispatches from Major Anderson to the War Department, during the time that he has been in command of Fort Sumter.

Mr. Howe, of Wisconsin, opened his speech in opposition to Douglas' resolution, calling for information relative to Southern forts.

Mr. Dodgeville, said: He said that if the War Department had not power, the information which the resolution, he had offered calls for, no harm could result from an answer to that effect. If the information had been imparted to the Confederate States, and our enemies are in possession of it, there would be no harm in telling our friends have it. But he apprehended that the furnishing of this information would materially injure the public enlistment. The support of the Government depends on the Northern, and he understood that the vote had been given by the Northern Democrats.

Mr. Hale said that the question is not whether Fort Pickens was to be held mainly as a source for irritation—as a there fostering in the Eagle, and provoking disunion. If it was not national but local in its character, it ought to be surrendered to those who hold the border. It might not be in accordance with the Federal Government to have a fortress as the basis of an opposition against the rebellious States. Recruiting to fill out Regular Regiments was to be with reference to war. He believed, however, the policy of the administration to be peace. The Secretary of the Interior had informed him that what the Constitution and the laws do not permit?

Mr. Howe interrupting, said the Senator, instead of admonishing the representatives of the people to practice economy, seems to be calling the remarks of the Government to abandon any measures to outlay money.

Mr. Dodgeville replied that during the last session, when the Republicans were resisted through a by a majority of the public revenue, he endeavored to prevent that would not listen to the measures, and he apprehended there would be an earth bottom to do what was then recklessly and unwisely done.

Mr. Bloomfield replied in reply to Mr. Dodgeville, that it was the party for public expenditures.

The Senate subsequently adjourned.

New York, March 25.—This U. S. steamship Sumter, arrived at Valencia on Thursday 7th.

A daring attempt to rob the New York Exchange Bank was discovered this morning. The burglars had made an excavation leading to the bank in the shape of cutting Joh. Daylight succeeded there before they had gained access, and they obtained only a thousand dollars, which was in a drawer on the safe. The daring fellows succeeded in carrying their booty, although it was that this