Pittsburgh Gazette.

TUESDAY MORNING, NOV. 25.

CITY AFFAIRS.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

New Advertising Rates.

The following rates of Advertising have been agreed upon by the Publishers of the Pittsburgh Daily Press, to take effect on and after the 10th day of November, 1862, on all new contracts:

FOR STANDING MATTER.

PER SINGLE SQUARE, EVERY DAY.

One insertion	$ 50	Two months	$9 00
Two insertions	1 00	Three months	11 00
Three insertions	1 25	Four months	13 00
One week	2 00	Five months	15 00
Two weeks	3 50	Six months	16 00
Three weeks	5 00	Nine months	20 00
One month	6 00	One year	25 00

FOR CHANGEABLE MATTER.

Which allows the privilege of a weekly change of matter, to be inserted among new advertisements.

PER SINGLE SQUARE, EVERY DAY.

Six months	$15 00
Twelve months	20 00
Administrators' notices	2 25
Marriage Notices	75
Death notices, each insertion	50

All advertisements ordered in for one month, or less time, to be cash at the time of ordering.

CHARLES McKNIGHT, Eve. Chronicle.
FOSTER & FLEESON, Pitts. Dispatch.
JAS. P. BARR, Pittsburgh Post.
S. RIDDLE & CO., Pittsburgh Gazette.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS for the *Gazette*, by G. E. Shaw, Optician, No. 55 Fifth street—corrected daily:

	IN SUN.	IN SHADE.
9 o'clock, A. M.		38
12 " M.		58
6 " P. M.		42
Barometer	29 6-10	

The Obey Homicide.

At two o'clock Monday afternoon, the trial of Henry Hoerr, David H. Balty and Edward Kiercharts, for the murder of John A. Obey, was resumed. The following jurors were empanneled:

John Owens, J. T. Kincaid, Wm. Thompson, Joshua M'Coy, William McRoberts, George Balph, John Fleiner, Lewis Fistbach, Francis Wilson, Adam Bender, Sr., Wm. Tomer and Geo. Hatfield.

Mr. Howard opened the case for the prosecution, and in his opening he contended that the offence for which the prisoners were indicted, was either murder in the first, or murder in the second degree. He held the law to be—that where one of a number of persons makes an assault, and uses a deadly weapon with intent to kill, with the knowledge of the others, and death ensues from the assault, those aiding and abetting would be guilty of murder in the first degree. If they did not see the weapon, and were not aware of the intention of the principal assailant, and only intended to assist in violence towards the party assaulted, then the offense would be reduced to murder in the second degree. This could not be, in any event, a case of manslaughter.

The examination of witnesses was then commenced. Coroner McClung testified to the facts attending the inquest, while Dr. Kearns described the location and character of the wounds, as testified to on the trial of Keenan. Mr. Obey, brother of the deceased, was examined as to the clothing which the deceased wore on the day of the murder, and which were offered in evidence. The witness also identified the scabbard of a knife which had been found, on the day after the occurrence, in the car in which his brother had been injured.

Mrs. Letitia Kelly, one of the principal witnesses against Keenan, identified the three men on trial. They were all in the car with Keenan. One of them, (Hoerr,) after the disturbance commenced, and after Mr. Obey had requested them to be silent, left his seat to talk to Keenan, and said "keep on Irish," or "go ahead, Irish," (meaning for Keenan to go ahead.) This witness left the car after the fight commenced, and just before the knife was drawn. She testified very positively that *all* the party rushed at Mr. Obey, and *all of* them commenced to strike and beat him. Just as she left the car she saw one of them kick at Obey.

John Richenbaugh, residing on St. Clair street, testified that he saw the three defendants, (identifying them severally,) on the 5th of July, before they got into the car. He saw them with Winchey, Nessenthaler, Miller, Keenan and Lersch, at the Broadway saloon, Fifth street; from there they went to Xavier Curl's, thence to a tavern on Market street, where witness and Kierhart left them and went to the passenger car station, on Penn street, and got into the car. Shortly after, the car having started, the remainder of the party came, stopped the car, and got in. [Witness then detailed what occurred, substantially the same as the witnesses on the trial of Keenan.] When Obey seized hold of Keenan, the whole party rushed towards him. Hoerr, Kiercharts and Balty had held of the conductor (Obey), and witness saw two others in the crowd whom he recognized. Witners rushed forward to part them, but hearing some one call out that a knife was being used, he went to the front platform and stood by the driver. He next saw Obey standing up in the rear end of the car, and heard him say, pointing to Keenan, "for God's sake take that man away, he's stabbed me." Next saw Winchey outside the car. He said, "the conductor is killed," and ran; Lersch ran after him, but said nothing; Hoerr and Balty also run; they ran about a square and turned to the left. Next saw Hoerr and Balty, on the same evening, in Lawrenceville, between Nasser's and the Omnibus stables. Hoerr showed the witness *blood on his hands, wristbands of his shirt, and on his vest and said he gave the d——d Irish son of a b——*, (meaning Obey,) *a—t.*" Kiercharts rode out on the car, on which the stabbing took place, to Lawrenceville, with witness. Some weeks after witness saw him at his (witness') house; he begged him to run away, as the party "were of his witness" (meaning the testimony of the witness.)

The hour of adjournment arrived. The Court, on the strength of the testimony of the last witness, ordered Hoerr, who had been previously under ball, into custody. Kiercharts is under ball. Balty is in prison.

Firemen's Association.

An adjourned meeting of the Firemen's Association was held last evening—Mr. J. Tibby in the Chair.

Mr. Hare, in the absence of the Chairman of the Committee on Conference and Inspection, reported that the Committee was not ready to report.

Mr. T. M. Little presented the credentials Mr. J. M. Collingwood, of the Good Intent, which were duly received, and Mr. C. was admitted to a seat in the Association.

Mr. Irvin offered a resolution requesting the Secretaries of the different Fire Companies to furnish a list of those who have served or are now serving their country, that their names may be enrolled by the Association.

Mr. T. M. Little moved that the names be properly written, framed, and hung upon the walls of the Association. Adopted.

Mr. Irvin offered the following:

Resolved, That this Association is fully satisfied that six Steamers are sufficient for the ample protection of the city.

Mr. Mackey moved to lay it upon the table, which motion prevailed.

Mr. Mackey submitted the following:

Resolved, That we deem the proposed action of Councils, to change the present location of Steamers, inexpedient. Adopted.

Mr. Mackey, in presenting the resolution, stated that he was opposed to the interference of Councils in the location of engines, and was also opposed to limiting the number.

Mr. Tibby also desired that Councils would keep their hands off, and let the fire companies work out their own salvation.

Mr. Cupples moved that the Secretary inform Councils of the action of the Association. Adopted.

On motion, adjourned.

Convention of Publishers.

The publishers of the Western Newspaper Press meet in Convention, at Indianapolis, to-day, to consult in reference to the increased cost of publishing, in consequence of the advance in the price of labor and material. It is understood that a proposition will be considered relative to the establishment of a Newspaper Agency under the control of the Western Newspaper Press.

ELEGANT FURS AT AUCTION.—This (Tuesday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock, at McClelland's Auction House, 55 Fifth street, will be sold a large quantity of Ladies' Furs, comprising Capes, Victorines, Muffs, Cuffs, &c. Goods on exhibition on the morning of sale.

Meeting of Councils.

City Councils held a regular monthly meeting last evening.

In *Select*, present Messrs. Allen, Berger, Morrow, M'Millan, M'Carthy, Phillips, Quinn, Reed, Rees, Thompson, Ward, Wills, and M'Auley, President.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Reed, of the Second Ward, presented a petition from Charles Hoffman, 76 Fifth street, asking for an abatement of business tax. Referred to Finance Committee, with power to act.

The City Controller, Mr. M'Cargo, submitted a report, enclosing bill of J. R. Newman and S. Allinder, for making duplicates, $50; also, bill of Messrs. Ralston, Tindle and Wilson, for services as Viewers, $45. Report accepted, and resolutions adopted authorizing warrants to be drawn for the amounts stated.

The Street Committee made a report recommending the adoption of an accompanying ordinance granting certain privileges to the Pittsburgh and Steubenville Railroad Company. Read and accepted.

Mr. McMillian offered the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Gas Lighting be authorized to have a gas lamp erected on the corner of Bluff and Miltenberger street, in the Eighth Ward. Read and referred to the Committee on Gas Lighting.

Mr. McMillian offered the following:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner of the Second District be instructed to expend $100, in addition to the sum subscribed by the citizens of the Sixth and Seventh Wards, to assist in the improvement of Cliff street, as the city is largely interested—said street terminating at the city property (the upper water basin) and the same to be charged to Appropriation for Streets.

The resolution was read and referred to the Street Committee, with power to act.

Mr. Quinn, from the Special Committee to examine into the condition of the Pennsylvania Avenue extension fund, made a report, setting forth that there was still due the city the sum of $1,069, with interest.

The report was accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Solicitor be instructed to collect the amounts due the city, and pay the same into the City Treasury, to be applied to the use of said extension.

The resolution was discussed at considerable length.

Mr. Ward moved to strike out all after the word "Treasury."

The yeas and nays were called upon the motion to amend, and the vote stood—yeas, 7; nays, 6. The motion, as amended, was then adopted.

The President then took up the ordinance recommended by the Street Committee, "granting certain privileges to the Pittsburgh and Steubenville Railroad Company."

After the ordinance was read once, Mr. Morrow moved that it shall not go to a third reading until it shall be published once in the papers authorized to do the city printing, at the expense of the railroad company.

The yeas and nays were called upon Mr. Morrow's motion, and resulted—yeas, 8; nays, 5.

The ordinance was then read a second time, and several verbal amendments were made.

The Common Council had adjourned before this action was reached, and consequently did not concur, but the ordinance will be published in full in our columns to-morrow.

Mr. Thompson presented an ordinance providing for an increase of the salary of the day and night police, but a motion had previously been made to adjourn, and several members had retired, leaving Council without a quorum. We may state that the ordinance contemplates an increase of twenty-five cents per day, for all members of the day police (except the Chief) and for all the night police, over the present rates. We understand that Mr. Thompson will follow this ordinance up with a memorial to the Legislature, asking that the system of allowing fees to officers be abolished entirely, confining them exclusively to the regular salary paid by the city. The matter will come up again on Saturday evening next, at an adjourned meeting.

In *Common Council*, present, all the members except Messrs. Armstrong, Holmes, Kelly, Snively and Zeihoffer.

Prayer by Mr. McGowan. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. McGowan presented a petition for the removal of a fire plug from the front of premises of McIntosh and Herchill, on Pike street. Referred to Water Committee with power to act.

Mr. McClelland, a petition for two gas lamps on Smallman street. Referred to Committee on Gas Lighting.

Mr. Irvin, a communication from Gamble, Slacker & Co., in reference to their contract for coal to be delivered to Water Works. Read and referred to Water Committee.

Mr. Smith presented the following:

Resolved, That a committee of nine, one from each ward of the city, four from the Select and five from the Common Council, be appointed to apportion the city, according to an act of Assembly passed March 13th, 1847, entitled "a supplement to an act to incorporate the city of Pittsburgh." Read three times and passed, and Messrs. Smith, of the 8th, Hayden, of the 3d, Long, of the 4th, Rowbottom, of the 5th, and Coffin, of the 1st Ward, appointed on the part of Common Council.

S. C. concur and appoint Messrs. Phillips, of the 2d, Thompson, of the 5th, McCarthy, of the 7th, and Wills, of the 9th Ward, on said Committee.

The Chair offered the following:

Resolved, That the Contractor be, and he is hereby authorized to certify a warrant in favor of J. B. Hartley for $6 69 cents for ice, the same to be charged to contingent fund. Read three times and passed.

Mr. O'Neill presented the following:

Resolved, That the Controller be, and he is hereby authorised to certify a warrant in favor of Messrs. Robinson and Sutherland for fifty dollars, in full of their claim against the city for making out notices under the grading and paving law—the same to be charged to the contingent fund.

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

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Carroll, Coffin, Fryer, A. Hays, Killen, Kirsch, McVay, Roberts and Rowbottom.

Nays—Messrs. Barckley, Colville, Diamond, Hayden, R. Hays, Irvin, Kearns, Long, McCleland, McGowan, McGregor, O'Neill, Rebman, Smith, and McCandless, President.

A motion to suspend the rules was made, and lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Barckley, Colville, Diamond, Hayden, R. Hays, Irvin, Kearns, Long, McClelland, McGowan, O'Neill, Rebman, Smith Pres't McCandless—15.

Nays—Messrs. Carroll, Coffin, Fryer, A. Hays, Killen, Kirsch, McGregor, McVay, Roberts and Rowbottom—10.

GOT OFF.—The Stanton Cavalry, under command of Col. Schoonmaker, got off last evening about half past seven o'clock. Several officers were left behind to pick up and forward the stragglers. It is said that the several companies were from twenty to forty men short, and it will be the business of the detailed officers to gather these together and forward them as soon as possible.

BOOKS AT AUCTION.—A new lot open this day, by McClelland, 55 Fifth street. Auction to-night at 7 o'clock.

SPECIAL LOCAL NOTICES.

GROVER AND BAKER'S SEWING MACHINES, for family and manufacturing purposes, are the best in use.
A. F. CHATONY, General Agent,
No. 18, Fifth street.

FOR FALL AND WINTER WEAR.—The winter is upon us, and we must provide ourselves with the material to keep us comfortable. A good and well-made overcoat is the very article, and we don't know of any place where our readers can get one that will look as well, and at the same time withstand the most severe weather, as at W. H. McGee & Co.'s, corner of Federal street and Diamond Square, Alleghany. Their stock of overcoatings, business and dress clothing, pantaloons of all descriptions, are well assorted, and of the latest style. The gentlemen's furnishing goods department is all that a purchaser would wish. Call on McGee & Co. if you desire a nice suit.

SAMUEL GRAHAM, merchant tailor, would most respectfully inform his friends and the public generally that he has returned from the East with his new stock of fall and winter goods. His stock consists of the latest styles of cloths, cassimeres and vestings, selected from the latest importations. Gentlemen desiring a neat fitting garment, and at prices lower than at any other tailoring establishment in the city, would do well to give him an early call. Samuel Graham, merchant tailor, No. 54 Market street, one door from Third.

THE greatest bargains ever offered in this city in the way of fine Gold and Silver Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silver Ware and Fancy Goods, are now to be had at the Jewelry Store of J. M. Roberts, No. 16 Fifth street, as in consequence of the present depression in trade he is closing out his entire stock at cost, and many articles at much less than cost. Also, pays particular attention to the repairing of fine Watches, Clocks and Jewelry, in which he employs none but the best workmen. Charges moderate.

GIFT BOOK STORE.—Just received, a large supply of Historical, Poetical and Miscellaneous Works, Family, Pocket and Few Bibles, Prayer Books, together with the greatest assortment of splendid Photograph Albums ever offered for sale in this city, at greatly reduced prices, and a valuable gift, worth from fifty cents to one hundred dollars, given with each, at No. 116, Wood street.

TO ARMS! TO ARMS!—The citizen soldier will find a more deadly foe in the brackish, muddy water and damp night air than any other most determined enemy. Holloway's pills so purify the blood and strengthen the stomach and bowels that the soldier can endure these hardships and still be strong and healthy. Only 25 cents per box. 230

OMNIBUS CALLS will be taken at the Omnibus office, No. 405 Liberty street, day or night. All orders left at the above place will be promptly attended to. All calls must be paid in advance. 6m

NOTICE to the property owners of this city is hereby given, that any repairs needed about their houses will be done promptly, if they leave their order at Cuthbert's Carpenter and Joining Shop, on Virginia alley, just above Smithfield street.

GREAT SALE OF FURS AT AUCTION.—Mr. McClelland will sell at the Auction House, 55 Fifth street, a large and elegant stock of Ladies' Furs, this afternoon. The ladies should not fail to be on hand.

DENTISTRY.—Dr. C. Sill, No. 246, Penn st., attends to all branches of the Dental profession.

DR. C. T. SIETTEIS, German Teacher and Translator. Address Post Office box 48.

WANTS.

WANTED—A young man capable of taking charge of a country residence, between horses and cattle. To such person a prime situation can be had. References required. Enquire at 114 Second street, near Wood. no25

WANTED—A boy from 16 to 18 years old, to take care of and drive a horse. Apply at no22:3 THIS OFFICE.

WANTED—A Partner, who has one or two thousand dollars to invest in a business which pays a profit of over five thousand per annum. Address Box 1050. no20

OIL-STILL WANTED.—Wanted, an OIL-STILL, new or second hand, in good order, of the capacity of 20 to 30 barrels. Address "BOX 130, Oil City, Pa.," stating price, capacity, &c. no22:1w

$4,000 TO $6,000.—Wanted to borrow sum, secured on improved real estate near the city line, of more than three times that value. Interest will be promptly paid, at agreed; principal when due, with no trouble to the lender. Advertiser would like to have a proposition stating rate of interest, through Post Office Box 130, which shall have prompt attention. This might be a good investment for a Guardian, Executor of an estate, or trust funds of any description. no3

WAYNE IRON AND STEEL WORKS, warehouse and works, corner of Wayne street and Duquesne Way.—We are now largely manufacturing Bar, Rod and Hoop Iron, and are prepared to promptly fill orders for all sizes extra fine Iron or good peddled

BROWN & CO.
no21tf Successors to Bailey, Brown & Co.

PENSIONS, BOUNTIES, BACK PAY WAR CLAIMS AND CLAIMS FOR INDEMNITY.—STEWART, STEVENS, CLARK & CO., Solicitors of all kinds of MILITARY CLAIMS, 460 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C., have established an Agency in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Apply to our Associates,
ROBERT ARTHURS.....JOHN W. BIDDLE.

Attorneys,
No. 185 FOURTH STREET, PITTSBURGH.

The entire fee charged will be TEN DOLLARS FOR OFFICERS, and FIVE DOLLARS FOR PRIVATES, for each Pension or Bounty and Back Pay obtained, and ten per cent. on amount of Claims for Military supplies, or Claims for Indemnity. No charge made unless the application is successful. oct-3mwf

ROBT S. DAVIS, BOOKSELLER, No. 93 Wood street, has just returned from the Eastern cities, where he has largely replenished his stock of BOOKS—Theological, Classical, Scientific and Miscellaneous—and laid in a fine assortment of Stationery of all kinds. He invites particular attention to his stock of School Books, and to the fresh supply of Photographic Albums and Card portraits, which he has received. no6

WHOLESALE PAPER WARE HOUSE.
LETTER PAPERS,
CAP PAPERS,
NOTE PAPERS,
BILL PAPERS,
WRAPPING PAPERS,
MANILLA PAPERS.

A large and well assorted stock of the best brands will be sold at low prices for Cash. Retailers will find it to their advantage to give us a call.
WM. G. JOHNSTON & CO.,
my24:3tawod Paper Dealers, 57 Wood street.

STEAM JOB PRINTING HOUSE.—Cards, Circulars, Price Lists, Bill Heads, Posters, Bills Lading, Labels for Manufacturers, Druggists, and every kind of ornamental and plain Printing, executed neatly, with dispatch, by
WM. G. JOHNSTON & CO.,
my24:3tawod Steam Job Printers, 57 Wood st.

PHOTOGRAPHIC CARDS, a superior article, for the use of Photographers. For sale by WM. G. JOHNSTON & CO.,
my24:3tawod Stationers, 57 Wood st.

PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS—A choice stock and large variety at low prices. For sale by WM. G. JOHNSTON & CO.,
my24:3tawod Stationers, 57 Woodstreet.

SWEET POTATOES.—100 bbls prime Jersey Sweet Potatoes received by railroad and for sale by the barrel or at retail by
JOHN A. RENSHAW,
n24 corner Liberty and Hand streets.

SPICED MINCED MEAT, for Thanksgiving Day, just received. A fresh supply put up in glass jars; also for sale by the pound, in any quantity, at the Family Grocery Store of
JNO. A. RENSHAW,
no24 corner Liberty and Hand streets.

SALT! SALT!!—
500 sacks fine Liverpool Salt, *in full sacks*;
4000 lbs fresh new Codfish;
To arrive and for sale at low prices by
H. RIDDLE, 183 Liberty street.

INDIA RUBBER HAVELOCKS—An other supply just received at 56 and 58 St. Clair street.
J. & H. PHILLIPS.

STRAW-CUTTERS—18 in store and will be sold cheap, to pay storage.
ISAIAH DICKEY & CO.
oc20

GAME.—10 saddles Venison;
12 Wild Turkeys;
For sale by FRANK VAN GORDER,
oc6 112 Second street.

APPLES—100 bbls. choice Russetts, just received and for sale by
J. C. McVAY, No 10 Smithfield st.
no13

CAMP AND BOWIE KNIVES for sale by BOWN & TETLEY, 136 Wood st.

CARBON OIL—200 barrels No. 1 for sale by HENRY H. COLLINS.

SOAPSTONE FACING, for foundries, for sale by HENRY H. COLLINS.

THE LATEST NEWS
BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM WASHINGTON.

OUR SPECIAL DISPATCHES.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24, 1862.

APPOINTMENT OF PENSION SURGEONS.

Up to this date Commissioner Barrett, of the Pension Bureau, has made one hundred and fifty-four appointments of pension surgeons throughout the country. It is understood that about one thousand in all will be appointed, so that some five-sixths of the officers under the new pension law yet remain to be filled. About forty-five in all will be appointed in Ohio. These appointments are not general, as some have supposed, but each surgeon has his own district in which to operate.

RECEIPTS FOR REVENUE STAMPS.

The receipts for revenue stamps at the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the week ending Nov. 21st amounted to more than $2,300,000. The collector of the San Francisco district reports as his total receipts for the month of October nearly $90,000, of which over $3,500 accrued to him as commission.

DECISION UNDER THE TAX LAW.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that in all cases where the wrong license has been taken out under erroneous impressions or instructions, the persons taking out such license must make a sworn statement of the facts, attested by the Assessor, and forward the same directly to the Commissioner's office. If the petition be granted, the Collector will be instructed to refund the amount for said license.

The Commissioner has also decided that a person, whose business it is simply to collect money due for the rent of real estate, does not thereby become a Commercial Broker within the meaning of the excise law. A simple bill collector is evidently not embraced in the word purchase, rent, or sell, but it is for the assessor to determine, in each case, whether a person who thus collects for others is not also engaged in the other occupation.

APPOINTMENTS.

The Commissioner of Pensions has appointed the following Examining Surgeons for Indiana: Drs. Josiah S. Hendrick, Madison; E. S. Gale, Veroy; Wm. T. S. Arnett, Versailles; James F. Dodd, Bloomington; Wm. A. Pugh, Rushville; Thomas T. Butter, Noblesville; M. M. Latta, Goshen; John A. Moody, Greensburg; John W. Croops, Rockport.

FROM PHILADELPHIA.

[Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 24, 1862.

One of the *Inquirer's* special correspondents, at Falmouth, telegraphs that the bombardment of Fredericksburg had not commenced up to yesterday, (Sunday) noon, the hour the dispatch was sent.

The pier at Aquia Creek is completed, and another day will be required to land cars.

STILL LATER.—A flag of truce was sent by the rebels from Fredericksburg, yesterday afternoon, but its purport was not learned.

A gentleman who left Falmouth, yesterday, says that eleven additional hours had been given the authorities to surrender the town. It is stated that the population of the city was greatly excited. Women and children were running about the streets in great confusion.

[This dispatch proves that the vague but exciting rumors we have had this morning, that Burnside had been flanked and repulsed, are utterly unfounded. From what we know of the positions of our own and the enemy's forces, we believed that these rumors could not be true; but it is more satisfactory to have positive assurance that they are groundless.—EDS. GAZETTE.]

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The President of the United States has issued the following order:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, Nov. 13, 1862.

It is ordered by the President of the United States that the Attorney General be discharged with the superintendence and direction of the proceeding to be had under the act of Congress of the 17th of July, 1862, entitled an act to suppress rebellion, insurrection, punish treason, and confiscate the property of rebels, and for other purposes, in so far as may concern the seizure, prosecution and condemnation of the estate property and effects of rebels and traitors, as mentioned and provided for in the fifth, sixth and seventh sections of said act of Congress; and the Attorney General is authorized and requested to give to the Attorneys and Marshals of the United States such instructions and directions as he may find needful and consistent touching all such seizures, prosecution and condemnation, and moreover to authorize all such Attorneys and Marshals, whenever there may be reasonable grounds to fear any forcible resistance to the act, in the discharge of their respective duties in this behalf, to call upon any military force in command of the forces of the United States to give them such aid, protection and support as may be necessary to enable them safely and efficiently to discharge their respective duties; and all such commanding officers are required promptly to obey such call, and to render the necessary service as far as may be in their power, consistently with their other duties.
By the President.
EDWARD BATES, Attorney General.
ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

In accordance with this order, the Attorney General will shortly issue specific instructions to the United States attornies and marshals for carrying into effect the provisions of the act to which reference is made.

Stafford's projectile, which accomplished such wonderful results in a test at West Point recently, had, to-day, a trial at the Washington Navy Yard, with a rifled 150-pounder. The Dahlgren gun has surpassed all former efforts, and demonstrated the fact that ironclads are as vulnerable to it as wooden walls to ordinary shot.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that a person whose business is simply to collect money due for rent does not thereby become a commercial broker within the meaning of the excise law.

Gen. McClellan's Letter.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—In the course of Gen. McClellan's letter declining the hospitalities of the metropolis, he says: I feel most deeply this action of the municipality, which I regard as one of the highest honors which can be paid a citizen of our country. At this particular moment it is peculiarly gratifying to me to be thus assured of the good feelings and regard of the authorities of our greatest city. I trust that they reflect the sentiments of their constituents. At any other time I would gratefully accept the proffered honor, but I do not feel that it would be right for me to do so while so many of my former comrades are enduring the privations of war and perhaps sacrificing their lives for our country.

From the Army of the Potomac.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, Falmouth, Va., Sunday evening, Nov. 23.—The day passed off quietly, without anything worthy of note transpiring. The church bells in Fredericksburg were ringing to-day announcing the hour of divine worship, although most of the inhabitants had fled the doomed city. It is certain that if the passage of the river by the Federal troops should be resisted by the rebels their chime have been heard for the last time. A great many uncivilized soldiers were seen walking through the city to-day, probably attending church. During last night the enemy's works were somewhat extended, but no additional guns are visible.

New York Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—The bank statement for the week ending on Saturday, shows a decrease in loans of $187,386; a decrease in specie of $1,836,530; ditto in circulation $36,945; deposits $619,178.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

Arrival of the Steamer Arabia.

CAPE RACE, Nov. 24.—The steamer Arabia passed here at six o'clock this morning, with Liverpool dates to the 14th inst.

The steamer Bavaria arrived out on the 14th inst.

Liverpool, Nov. 14.—The Cotton sales for the week have been 15,000 bales, including 2,500 bales to speculators and 2,000 to exporters. The market closed dull, and East India has declined ½d. The sales to-day were 2,000 bales, closing dull and unchanged. The authorized quotations are as follows: New Orleans fair, 27½d.; middlings, 23d.; Mobiles 25½d. for fair and 22d. for middlings; Uplands fair 25½d. and middlings 22d. The stock in port is 286,000 bales, of which 22,000 are American. The Manchester markets are some firmer, but the tendency is downward.

Breadstuffs are quiet and steady. Messrs. Wakefield, Nash & Co. report Flour with a downward tendency, and it is quoted at 73@78s. Wheat easier; red Western 9s.@7s. 9d. red Southern, 9s. 9d.@10s.; white Western, 10s. 6d.@14s. 3d.; white Southern, 11s. 3d. Corn has an upward tendency; 29s. 6d.@29s. 9d.; white 31s.@32s. 6d.

The market in provisions is dull. Messrs. Bigland & Co. report beef heavy; bacon declining; lard dull at 38s.@40s.; tallow declined 6d.; ashes quiet at 32s. 6d.@33s.; rosin quiet and steady; spirits turpentine inactive; sugar dull; rice firmer; linseed has an upward tendency.

Liverpool, Nov. 15.—Sales 1,000 bales of cotton to-day, the market closing dull and unchanged; breadstuffs quiet and steady; provisions dull.

London, Nov. 15.—Consols, 94⅝@94¾ for Money; American Stocks: Illinois Central, 42½@47 discount; Erie Railroad, 42½@43.

The English government has dissented from the French proposal for mediation.

The London *Gazette* publishes Earl Russel's official reply, dated Nov. 13th. It recapitulates the circular of Doyne de Huy's proposition of mediation. It recognizes the humane views and benevolent intentions of the Emperor, but observes that the concurrence of Russia would be expressly desirable; but up to the present time the Russian government had not agreed to actively co-operate, although it may support the endeavors of England and France.

The question for consideration was, whether the end proposed was attainable at the present time. Earl Russell then commenting on the decision of Her Majesty's government, as follows: After weighing all the information received from the American government, he is led to conclude that there is no ground at the present moment to hope that the Federal Government would accept the proposal suggested, and a reproval from Washington at the present time would prevent any speedy renewal of the offer. Therefore, he thinks it better to watch carefully the progress of the opinion in America, and if it should appear, as there is reason to hope, it may be found to have undergone or may undergo any change, this government may then avail itself of such change to offer friendly counsel, with a greater prospect than now exists of its being accepted by the contending parties. Her Majesty's government will communicate to the French government any intelligence they may receive from Washington or Richmond, bearing on this important subject.

The *Times* editorially observes of Earl Russell's dispatch, that his arguments have been anticipated by the public, and this is the best proof of their soundness.

LATER.—*Liverpool, Nov.* 15.—The steamer Australian arrived at Queenstown this afternoon.

Earl Russell's dispatch produced no effect commercially.

The Australasian's news of the American election was received after business hours.

The Paris *Moniteur* says the answers of England and Russia are an adjournment of the American question of mediation. The *Moniteur* adds: If our information is correct, the hesitation of England and Russia nearly reaches its limit.

The recent elections test the progress of the peace opinion, which appears to command a majority of the next Congress.

Calcutta, Oct. 20.—Peace declined; the exports to date are 52,000,000 pounds.

Nothing definite has been ascertained respecting the late conspiracy.

Shanghai, Oct. 7.—Tea is firm. Silk firm and active; stock on hand 12,000 bales.

Shanghai is quiet.

An engagement had taken place near Ningpoo, between the rebels and the Americans. General Ward's contingent, in which Ward was killed. The rebels had arrived in great force, determined to retake Ningpoo.

JAPAN.—A dreadful political murder had been committed in Japan. A lady and three gentlemen were attacked on the high road, Charles Lennox and Mr. Richardson, of Shanghai, were murdered and the rest escaped. The vengeance of the foreign powers was avoided by the British Consul, who, those interference in the affair caused considerable indignation.

Southern News.

FORTRESS MONROE, Nov. 23.—The flag of truce steamboat, New York, arrived this afternoon from City Point, bringing 420 exchanged Union prisoners, in charge of Capt. Mulford, of the 3d New York.

The Richmond *Examiner*, of Nov. 22d, says that a message, sent into the Georgia Legislature by Gov. Brown in reference to the Yankee raid on St. Marys, produced another commotion about conscription, State defense, &c. The Senate passed a bill to call out the militia.

The tobacco destroyed at Fredericksburg was worth from $85,000 to $100,000. The tobacco was seized because it was believed it had been brought to Fredericksburg for the purpose of bartering it off to Northern men in the event of the town being captured again by the Union army.

The recent incursion of the Yankees into the interior of North Carolina, makes it appear that but little has been done to defend North Carolina are moving with their negroes to a safer locality.

It is improper for us to state what measures are now being taken to obstruct the Neuse, Tar and Roanoke rivers, but we may state that the whole summer has been permitted to pass away without an effort to obstruct the rivers. The most fertile districts of the South are passing from us one by one, and the government will have reason to regret the blind and negligent policy of surrendering those rivers.

At a late hour last night a dispatch was received here, stating that General Patrick, of the Union Army, came over to Gen. Lee's Headquarters, near Fredericksburg, with a flag of truce, and informed General Lee that, unless he surrendered or evacuated the town by nine o'clock this morning, it would be shelled and burnt. General Lee refused to treat with General Patrick, and ordered all the women, children and non-combatants out of town. It is understood that the city is to be held by our forces. While no just cause can be given for shelling the town, yet the impression is strongly entertained that the enemy will do so in hopes that the place will be evacuated, and thus the Rappahannock may be crossed by them.

The Potomac river is covered with vessels, and it is not improbable that Gen. Burnside is at this time embarking his army at points along the Potomac, Acquia creek and Potomac creek, for the real point of attack on Richmond. The main column for this attack will, it is supposed, move via Suffolk, and the lesser columns from other points.

The negro market has shown considerable activity the present week. A mother and seven children were sold for $5,100.

Mobile, Nov. 20.—The army has been on the *qui vive* for a week past, anticipating an attack from the enemy. From their movements it is difficult to decide whether they meditate an attack on Pemberton's army or not. It is certain that they have advanced their forces from Jackson, Bolivar and a portion of Corinth to Lagrange and Grand Junction. At the latter place Gen. Grant has established his headquarters.

Our army occupy a position of great natural strength, are well fortified, and manifest much impatience to advance upon the invading force.

It is not thought probable that the enemy will hazard an engagement.

The Savannah papers of the 20th say that two abolition gunboats and one mortar boat attacked Fort McAllister at Genisse Point, on the Ogeoche river. After a fierce engagement the enemy retired.

Nassau dates to the 19th have been received in Charleston. They bring accounts of the steamer Keisie being run into and sunk fifty miles from the coast. She was one of the Clyde—the other having not been heard from, and is supposed to be lost.

From Harrisburg.

HARRISBURG, Nov. 24.—Surgeon General King having received information which led him to believe that false and fraudulent papers of exemption were being issued by Assistant Surgeon Thomas C. Pollock, reported the matter to Adjutant General Thomas, now in this city, who ordered his immediate arrest. It appears that Dr. Pollock was regularly authorized to examine and reject drafted men previous to the 6th inst., when Surgeon Ferrer, who, notwithstanding, has ever since been engaged in the issue of these fraudulent certificates of rejection from his room at Herr's Hotel. The names of most of the men thus discharged are known, and it is hoped that on finding themselves not exempt, and probably swindled, they will divulge the names of all concerned in this game of plunder.

Gov. Curtin left for Bellefonte, his home, at noon to-day.

From Nashville.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 24.—Advices from Nashville state that a rebel brigade is at Shelbyville, under Gen. Johnson.

The Union men are making armed resistance to conscription in several portions of Middle Tennessee.

Ten thousand rebels are at Tullahoma.

It is rumored that the rebels are bringing siege guns to Murfreesboro. The rebel force between Chattanooga and Murfreesboro is said to be sixty thousand.

The rebels are removing their negroes and property south.

Four Union men were murdered in Wilson county by guerrillas.

From California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 23.—Arrived: steamer Sierra Nevada, from the northern coast, bringing 330 passengers, and $200,000 treasure from British Columbia, and $166,000 from Oregon.

Sailed: ship Regulator, for Boston, carrying 8,000 hides, 17,000 bales wool, 6,500 sacks copper ore. Ship Cutwater, for Liverpool, with 25,000 sacks wheat.

Markets by Telegraph.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 24—Evening.—Flour is in good demand, and superfine up to $5,20@5,25; the higher grades are unchanged. Wheat unchanged; red $1,03@1,05 and white $1,10@1,12. Corn declined two cents for new and old. Oats dull at 47@50c for new and old. Rye 64@65c. Barley in fair demand for prime 94@96c and firm. Hogs opened with an active demand, and 6,000 sold at $4,25@4,50, and for a lot of 300 expected to come in 8,000 head. There is a good demand for green Hams at 5½@6c cut. All other articles dull and not much doing. Groceries firm. Gold, 123; Demand Notes and Silver, 122@123. Exchange dull at par.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24—Evening.—Stocks irregular and Gold 30¾. Cotton dull at 66c. Flour heavy and 10@15c lower; Ohio $5,80@6,85; Southern $6,20@8,50. Wheat firm; sales 85,000 bushels at $1,51@1,62. Corn firm; heavy; Mixe $1,11½@1,13; Prime $1,20. Lard heavy at 9@9¾c. Whisky firm at 37@37½c. Sugar account, at 49½c. Freight dull.

RIVER INTELLIGENCE.

The river fell about twelve inches during the twenty-four hours ending last evening, at which time there was seven feet full by the marks. The weather yesterday was clear and pleasant, though it will hardly continue so long, as this is the wrong season of the year for fair weather.

The levee presented a very lively appearance yesterday, being crowded with freight from the bridge down to the foot of Market street. There was a decided improvement in shipments, and the receipts were unusually large. The bulk of the freight being shipped is Pittsburgh manufactures, comprising iron, glassware, etc., etc., together with considerable quantities of Refined Oil. The fact that the river is falling, with a prospect of being obstructed with ice before long, had a tendency to hurry up shippers, who, ot