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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Presentment of the Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury, which has been in session for three weeks, having finished the business brought before them, rose yesterday, after making the following presentment to the Court:

To the Honorable the Judges of the Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Allegheny county, of December Session, 1859.

The Grand Jury of Allegheny county for said session would respectfully make the following presentment:

During a session of three weeks, rendered somewhat tedious by the difficulty of obtaining witnesses, we have had under consideration two hundred and forty-five bills of indictment, of which number one hundred and ninety-five were returned as true bills, and fifty were ignored.

A large proportion of the bills presented for our consideration were of a trivial character, many of which, in fact, should never have been brought before a jury of inquest, but from the nature of the testimony necessarily produced before us, we were compelled to find true bills, or reject the testimony altogether.

A large number of bills were ignored because of the failure of prosecuting witnesses to appear and testify before the Grand Jury.

We do not know what action might be necessary to compel the attendance of prosecutors whose names appear on the informations in many cases, yet some such action is necessary. If possible, we would compel prosecutors to appear and give evidence before the Grand Jury—if for no other reason than to rid the county of an immense amount of costs, now necessarily imposed upon it by reason of the non-attendance of prosecutors. In this relation, however, we wish to say that every effort has been made by the prosecuting attorney and his energetic and gentlemanly assistant.

We visited the County Jail, now under the supervision of Jailor Small, who appears to be active and energetic in the performance of his duty, attending closely to the wants of the prisoners, and keeping the jail as clean, and in as good order as the nature of the case will admit of, reflecting great credit on the Sheriff and Jailor.

We also visited the Western Penitentiary, now under the control of Capt. John Birmingham, and find its condition to be alike creditable to the management and to the State to which it belongs, everything appearing in first rate order.

We also visited the House of Refuge, and we would earnestly desire not only to call the attention of this Honorable Court, but the public generally, to this institution. It is one of the first and greatest benevolent institutions of the age. Hundreds of children here find a home and education that fits them for good members of society, who, if it were not for such an institution, would become a disgrace to themselves, and a terror and bane to the community. The habits of order and industry inculcated, and the religious and moral training received by the inmates cannot fail to be beneficial to the recipients. A visit to the institution is one of the most touching in the life of any individual.

Many persons, however, have formed unfavorable impressions of the importance and usefulness of this institution, on account of the conduct of the late Superintendent. This, however, should have no weight on the public mind. The institution should not be held responsible in any sense whatever, for the misconduct of its late head. We would, however, respectfully suggest to the managers and officers of said institution, that, from the appearance of many of the larger inmates, we are of the opinion that, if strict inquiry were instituted in regard to their age, they would be found to be above the period at which admission to that institution is by law allowed. In this behalf, therefore, we would respectfully suggest to the officers and managers that, should the size and appearance of any candidate for admission admit of scruple in regard to his or her age, they would refuse to admit him or her until satisfactory and sufficient evidence of the age of such person so applying be established beyond doubt.

In view of the late controversy between the Grand Jury and the County Commissioners, we would earnestly recommend that no future contract be entered into by the Commissioners of this county until the same has been duly advertised in at least one daily paper issued in said county, awarding the contract to the *lowest and best bidder*.

This method of awarding contracts will, in the future, we think, obviate all difficulties which have heretofore been urged against the county officers.

All of which is respectfully submitted to your Honorable Court by

ROBERT ARMSTRONG, Foreman.

GEO. H. ANDERSON, Secretary,
William Best, Josiah Guy, Jr.
Charles Barnes, Isaac Huff,
John Kain, Thomas Gibson,
A. A. Moore, James Glenn,
James P. Whitaker, Henry T. Conrad,
George Groer, Oliver T. Burns,
David Frew, Samuel Coyle.
Robert M'Corkle,

Organization of the New Allegheny Councils—Re-Inauguration of Mayor Morrison.

At ten o'clock on Friday morning, the newly elected members of the Select and Common Councils of Allegheny city, with those holding over, met in joint session in the Town Hall of that city. The returns of the municipal election of Tuesday were opened, after a temporary organization, with Mr. John Wright in the Chair, and Mr. James Lockhart, Secretary. After the approval of the returns, Mayor Morrison was brought in by a committee, and the oath of office was administered to him by Alderman Miller. On being sworn in the gentleman made a brief speech, promising to fulfil the duties devolving upon him to the best of his ability. Both Councils retired to their respective chambers.

The Select branch organized, after the swearing in of new members, by the re-election of Mr. James Marshall as President, who thanked the Council for the honor again conferred upon him, evidencing a gratifying satisfaction in the manner in which he had fulfilled the duties of his post last year. Mr. Jas. McFerron was re-elected Clerk, and Mr. Hussolbaugh, Messenger, both by acclamation. The rules of the last Council were adopted for the government of this, and Council adjourned to meet on next Tuesday evening, for the election of city officers.

The Common branch, after the members elect had taken the oath of office, organized by the election of Joseph Kirkpatrick, as President, Wm. McGuinness, as Clerk, and Mr. Hussolbaugh as Messenger, by acclamation. The rules of last year were then adopted, and the Council, like the Select, adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening next.

COMMITMENTS AT THE JAIL.—John McAdams and James S. Bradbrook, two boys from the House of Refuge, aged about fifteen, were yesterday committed for arson, on process of Court, in having attempted to fire that building, on Monday.

John Fitch was committed on process of Court, for costs, and also Andrew Tiernay, for selling liquor without a license.

Alderman Cummins committed Charles Bird for fornication and bastardy, on oath of Mary Smith.

Alderman Rogers lodged, yesterday, a commitment for surety of the peace, on oath of Nancy Sims, against Michael Delaney, in default of $200 bail. Delaney having been committed on Thursday night for disorderly conduct.

TWO CARS of the train going West on the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne and Chicago Railroad, were thrown off the track, near Mansfield; on Thursday night, causing a slight detention, but no injury to passengers.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL is advertised by the Sheriff for sale, under a mechanics' lein, held by Mr. Patterson, the builder.

Young Men's Mercantile Library—Interesting Correspondence.

The following correspondence, between a committee of the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association and Hon. David Ritchie, elected to the Presidency of that Society, will be read with interest:

MERCANTILE LIBRARY ROOMS,
January 12, 1860.

HON. DAVID RITCHEY—Dear Sir: The undersigned were appointed at the Annual Meeting of the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association and Mechanics' Institute, to inform you of your election to the office of President of the Association.

The unanimity of the choice indicates the satisfaction with which the members will learn of your acceptance of the office, which we hope to have the pleasure to communicate to them. Very respectfully, &c.,

FELIX R. BRUNOT,
G. L. B. FETTERMAN, } Committee.
ALEX. GORDON,

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 18, 1860.

GENTLEMEN—I received, yesterday afternoon, your letter of 12th inst., informing me in very kind terms that I was elected President of the Young Men's Mercantile Library and Mechanics' Institute, at the late Annual Meeting of that Association.

I accept the office, and return my sincere thanks to the members of the Society for the honor they have conferred upon me. In doing so, however, it is proper to state that, except at the request of Mr. Brunot himself, I could not have permitted the use of my name as a candidate for an office the duties of which he has discharged so well and so entirely to the satisfaction of all concerned.

I have no desire to write a long and weari some essay on the subject; nevertheless, it appears to me a proper opportunity to ask attention to a very few remarks upon some of the uses of associations such as the Young Men's Mercantile Library and Mechanics' Institute.

The constitution of the Institute declares its object to be "the promotion of Education on all subjects of useful knowledge." Specimens of manufactures, of minerals, models of inventions, and lectures, are of course among the means to be used by the Institute; but still it seeks to accomplish its object, mainly, by means of a permanent Library and by a reading room for the best newspapers and magazines published periodically.

A mere glance at the subject will show how dependent human civilization has been upon the arts of writing and printing, and how little could be accomplished without their aid. They serve principally for two purposes, each one of which is of essential importance.

The first purpose is that of a medium of communication of affections, thoughts and statistical facts from one man to another.

The second purpose is that of preservation of the thoughts thus communicated. In this way the affections, the thoughts, the deeds and the knowledge of the present generation are preserved and transmitted to those who will live in the future. Without such means of communication, we should be ignorant of the past, and unable to transmit any knowledge of ourselves to those who shall live upon the earth after we have passed away.

Oral traditions are faint, uncertain and evanescent; but writing and printing give fixed form and permanence. Whatever has once assumed this form is as a fountain whose waters may flow on forever. It may be transferred from paper to paper, from parchment to parchment, from language to language, from the words of an earlier to those of a later generation, and yet remain forever the same.

Writing and printing have been among the chief instrumentalities used by the Divine Providence in the government of the world; and the written Word, the Sacred Scriptures, are given to man as a medium of communication between the heavens and the earth. In like manner, though different as finite from infinite, as imperfect from perfect, men use writing and printing as mediums of communication with one another. Like all other gifts to man, they may be rightly used or they may be abused. They may be made subservient to true cultivation and the promotion of happiness, or they may be perverted so as to produce the deepest degradation and misery. When rightly used, they transfer from place to place and from age to age the teachings of the good and wise; they open up perennial fountains of everything lovely and beautiful in our natures. The philosophy, the eloquence, the poetry, the history, the useful arts of previous generations are thus made ours. We contribute what we can and hand over the increasing store to our successors. It is in recognition of these truths that our Society has been formed, in order that so far as may be in our unity, however small its value may be, to the advancement of a sounding human cultivation.

A populous and thriving community like ours, where the arts of industry are practiced, where the inventive faculties, as applied to the production of machinery for the daily use of life, are in a high state of activity, ought to be able to furnish many things of its own, worthy of preservation by an association such as ours; and further than that, we ought to exhibit a just and generous desire to do our part in the great work by which distant nations, remote generations, and, in short, the whole race of man, are formed into one and made to promote each other's happiness.

It is true, our library is yet small, and candor obliges us to confess that in this respect we are far behind many of our sister cities, but we may do better in future, and without being actuated by motives of vanity, or of boastful ostentation, we may exhibit, practically, our wish to form an institute that will promote the purposes alluded to, be worthy of our rich and enterprising population, and the means of gratification to strangers who may be led by business or curiosity to Pittsburgh.

Very respectfully, yours,
DAVID RITCHIE.

To Messrs. Felix R. Brunot, G. L. B. Fetterman, Alexander Gordon, Committee.

ALLEGHENY CITY FINANCES.—The report of the City Treasurer of Allegheny, made to the Councils of that city at their last meeting, on Thursday evening, shows a healthy condition of the public funds. The amount paid in during the year from all sources was $122,128 34, which includes a balance in the Treasury at the beginning of the year of $2,152 62. The expenditures during the same time amounted to $114,125 33, leaving a balance now in the hands of the Treasurer of $7,998 01. The interest falling due in July next is $13,000, which, it is thought, can be promptly met. The floating debt is small, only $12,000, and a great portion of it will be liquidated during the present year.

The amount expended for grading and paving fourteen streets, sidewalks and alleys, in all a fraction of over two miles, was $20,864 88, of which $1,114 46 was assessed on the city, and the balance on the property. About half this amount has been collected and paid over to the contractors. There is yet due the city, on old paving accounts, $39,419 06, a large portion of which is on the Schenley estate. Since the new paving law went into force, about twenty and a half miles of streets, sidewalks and alleys have been paved, at a cost of $278,575 13.

The expense of the fire department for the year, was $2,662 96, including $29 05 for repairing hose in 1858. The items are as follows: Services of firemen, $1,041 50; new hose, $1,215 33; repairs to engine houses, $264 06; repairing hose, $117 07; coal, $25 00. Warrants have been issued for these amounts.

The revenue from the markets was $4,167.71, $113.75 more than in 1858. From the weigh scales the revenue was $1,202.00, viz: Diamond scales, $601.40; Second Ward scales, $600.00. The market houses will need repair during the present year, if they are not replaced by a new building.

Our sister city is, as will be seen from the above, in a prosperous condition, and we trust that her finances may ever show as favorable an exhibit.

HELD TO ANSWER.—Alderman Rogers yesterday held Henry Beurmann to bail, charged on oath of Christian Sharp, with assault and battery with intent to kill, in attacking him, in company with others, on Pennsylvania avenue, Monday night, and beating him badly.

IGNORED.—The Grand Jury yesterday ignored a bill against Anne Owens, for assault and battery, and she was accordingly discharged, having been committed to jail on Wednesday, by Alderman Lewis.

[For the Pittsburgh Post.]

Organization of a Democratic Club in Allegheny City.

TO JAMES P. BARR, Esq.:—In pursuance of a previous call, a large number of the Democracy met, on the evening of the 12th of January, A. D. 1860, at the hotel of Peter M'Ginnis, on Fedbral street, Allegheny City, for the purpose of organizing a Democratic club for the campaign of the fall of 1860. The meeting was organized by calling William H. M'Gee to the Chair, and appointing George A. Kurts, Vice President, and J. Whitesell, Secretary. A resolution, offered by Mr. Thomas Farley, that the Democracy of each township and borough be requested to co-operate with the organization of Allegheny City, was adopted. On motion of R. H. Kerr, Esq., it was

Resolved, That we the Democracy assembled, have undiminished confidence in the able administration of President Buchanan, as we recognize in him the able defender of the Union and Constitution, which entitles him to be a disciple of the lamented Jackson. And we now say to our friends of the South, that there is no Democrat in the North that ever favored a dissolution of this glorious Union.

On motion of G. T. N. Smith, Esq., it was

Resolved, That the Democrats now assembled will use their influence with the Democrats of this city and county to advance the sentiments and spirit of the above resolution.

After enthusiastic remarks and addresses by R. H. Kerr, Thomas Farley, T. W. Smith and others, the resolutions were passed unanimously. After which T. Farley, Esq., offered the following:

Resolved, That this meeting do now adjourn until the candidates for Governor, President and Vice President be nominated, and that we then assemble at the published call of the Chairman of this meeting, for permanent organization, and then all the districts adjoining be requested to participate in the proceedings.

Passed unanimously. On motion,

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the *Post*.

The Democracy of Allegheny are wide awake to the interests of the Union and Constitution.

Adjourned.

WM H. M'GEE, *President*.
GEO. A. KURTS, *Vice President*.
J. WHITESELL, *Secretary*.

MONONGAHELA NAVIGATION COMPANY.—The stockholders of this Company met on Thursday, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. K. Moorhead; Treasurer, W. B. Copeland; Secretary, Wm. Bakewell; Managers, Thomas Bakewell, George Darsie, George W. Cass, S. Jones, John Graham, John Harper, Adam Jacobs, John L. Dawson, Joshua Hanna, Neville B. Craig.

The annual report of the Inspector contains some interesting statistics, for which we have space, but the following recapitulation of the amount of coal shipped and tolls received during the last fifteen years will show the extent of the business:

	No. Bushels.	Am't of Tolls.
1845	$ 4,000,189	$ 5,283 79
1846	7,778,811	10,721 28
1847	9,645,132	13,241 94
1848	9,819,561	12,438 43
1849	9,708,507	13,588 39
1850	12,397,962	17,023 57
1851	12,629,228	17,560 24
1852	14,430,941	20,034 18
1853	15,716,357	21,201 80
1854	17,331,946	25,079 57
1855	22,224,009	31,020 65
1856	8,584,095	10,466 42
1857	28,073,596	37,111 41
1858	26,606,969	34,552 49
1859	28,286,571	39,035 65

In 1866 the river was closed by ice for more than three months, and for eight months there was not water enough to pass boats.

The receipts and expenses for the year were as follows, leaving a large balance in the hands of the treasurer:

RECEIPTS.

Total tolls for 1859		$33,843 41
EXPENSES.		
Repairs account	$11,549 27	
Expenses	11,973 80	
Dividend July last	21,351 00	
Taxes	1,950 00	
		$46,815 07
To which should be added—		
Bills payable	10,000 00	
Coupons	10,425 00	

Leaving an available balance of $6,543 54.

A proposition is on foot to extend the slack water to Morgantown, Va., and an application for the power to do so is now before the Virginia Legislature. If the act passes the work will be immediately performed.

LECTURE.—Rt. Rev. Bishop Timon, of Buffalo, will lecture at St. Paul's Cathedral, on Sunday evening, for the benefit of the Magdalen Asylum of Buffalo. His subject will be "The different Theories Regarding the Condition of Departed Spirits." Tickets may be procured at Quigley's book store, at the office of the Cathedral, and at the door. The *Catholic* says: "The respect universally entertained for the Rt. Rev. Prelate, and the very meritorious nature of the charity itself, will, we hope, secure a large audience. The unfortunates to whom it is intended to give a home, are outcasts, neglected and despised by the world, to whose seduction, their fall is mainly to be attributed. Many of them desire to give up their abandoned life, and return to the path of duty, but have no place wherein to take refuge. To meet this want Magdalen Asylums must be erected; and we have no doubt that the Catholics of Pittsburgh will show on Sunday evening how fully they appreciate the zealous intentions of the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Buffalo."

ALLEGHENY CITY POOR FARM.—From the annual report of the Directors of the Allegheny Poor Farm, we gather the following items: The number of paupers in the house January 1st, 1859, was one hundred; admitted since, one hundred and eight; births, three—total, two hundred and eleven. Discharged, ninety-nine; deaths, fifteen—total, one hundred and fourteen. In the house December 31st 1859, ninety-seven. Insane paupers, fifteen; males four, females, eleven. Cost of each pauper per year, $69 20. The stock and produce of the farm is estimated at $2,386 50; debts receivable, $410 61. The expenses of the year 1859 amount to $7,601 56; expenses, $7,401 67. Expended for out door relief, $680 71; salaries, $1,290; labor, $983 56; flour and groceries, $1975 42; meat and coal, $1,003 96. There has been an increase in receipts and a decrease in expenditures, resulting in a saving of $2,000, notwithstanding the bad crops.

SPECIFIC REMEDY FOR CONSUMPTION.—*Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda—Dr. Churchill's New Treatment.*—The success of Dr. Churchill's new treatment has no parallel in the annals of medicine. The Hypophosphites act promptly, energetically and certainly in all stages of pulmonary phthisis. They have a two-fold specific action—increasing the nerve force and generating abundant healthy blood. They act with the same promptness and certainty in all cases of nervous and general debility, dyspepsia, neuralgia, paralysis, asthma, bronchitis, scrofula, rickets, female weaknesses, and spermatorrhea, because these morbid conditions of the system are the results of deficient vitality, dependent on an "undue waste of the oxydizable phosphorus normally existing in the economy."

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DANGEROUS ALTERED NOTE.—An altered note, purporting to be on the Somerville Bank, New Jersey, but altered from the Bank of Greensborough, Georgia, is now in circulation in our city. It is admirably executed, and it would be well to refuse all notes answering the following description: Female on each end with figure 10 above; female on right, right arm resting on a shield, left holding pole with liberty cap on top; female on left, looking intently at some agricultural implements.

THE FRANKLIN BANQUET AND BALL.—We have been favored, by the Committee of the Typographical Union having in charge the arrangements for the banquet and ball, at Lafayette Hall, on Tuesday evening next, in commemoration of the birth day of Benjamin Franklin, the promoter of printing in our country, with an invitation and ticket to the same. We have every reason to believe that the celebration will exceed anything ever attempted by the types of our city. The committee have made every arrangement which can contribute to the enjoyment of all who intend to participate, and they deserve great credit for the perfection of the details. This, however, is characteristic of the craft, for their discipline teaches them that "anything that is worth doing is worth doing well," and they always act upon this maxim. Many tickets have already been sold and a large attendance is expected. The invitations, tickets and bills of fare are fine specimens of typography, executed in the highest style of the art. They were printed by Messrs. Barr & Myers, and are really elegant. We advise all who wish to spend an evening pleasantly to go to the ball and banquet.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER.—Before Judges McClure, Mellon, Adams and Parke.

FRIDAY, January 13, 1860.

John Dethorn, John Strahl, and Baptiste Raimer, on trial Thursday for burglary in entering the cellar of John Trantman, in Birmingham, and carrying off a lot of butter, were found guilty and remanded to prison for sentence. The effort to prove an alibiin Dethorn failed, and he was sent to prison, having been at large on bail. The counsel for defense made a strong effort for their client, and the case, which was commenced on Thursday morning, did not go to the jury until three o'clock Friday afternoon.

COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS.—Before Judges McClure, Mellon, Parke and Adams.

FRIDAY, January 13, 1860.

A jury sat to-day for the purpose of inquiring into the sanity of Mary Miller, a German woman of about forty-five, residing in the Third ward, Allegheny. The jury found that she was insane and unable to take care of herself, and the Court made an order consigning her to the Western Pennsylvania hospital.

Commonwealth vs George Kiskaddan, constable of Shaler township, charged with abducting three witnesses, Wilson Barnhart, John Mellor and Mat. Gilbraith, summoned in the case of John Thalhammer, of Stewartown, tried on Thursday of last week and convicted of selling liquor to minors. The offence was clearly proven as to Reichert, but less positively as to the others. The defense called witnesses who swore they would not believe Reichert on oath. Commonwealth offered rebutting testimony. The jury retired at a late hour, but had returned no verdict at adjournment.

FELL FROM A SCAFFOLD.—A German named George Deibl, in the employ of Christian Michaels, fresco painter, on Hand street, fell from a scaffold on which he was at work in the Liberty street Methodist Church, on Friday afternoon about half past one, to the floor, a distance of twenty feet. His fall was occasioned by the breaking of a board on which he standing. He was picked up insensible, and a scalp wound, about five inches in length, was found on his head, and his right arm crushed by the fall, but no bones were broken. About three o'clock he was conveyed to the residence of his family, on Strawberry alley, above Smithfield street, were Dr. A. H. Gross was called in. He expressed his opinion that Diehl's injuries would not result seriously.

ART UNION—A number of pictures in the Art Gallery were put up last week at lottery, two hundred chances, at $2, each, which were drawn on for Thursday evening, the following numbers drawing prizes: 68; Jos. Dickson: 98; Jas. Stagel; 33; Wm. Lavely; 120; J. H. Chalfant; 148; Art Association; 155; David Chambers; 161; Joseph Fleming; 192; Art Association.

AFFILIATION.—Alderman Lewis yesterday held to bail, in the sum of $500, James Hastings, of Washington county, on oath of Ann Jane Hanna, who charges the defendant as the father of a child born to her on the 10th inst., where, upon she made information for seduction and bastardy.

Alderman Wilson committed to jail John B. Hoffman, of the Fifth ward, on a similar charge, preferred by Elizabeth Leister.

GEORGE H. STUART, Esq., President of the Young Men's Christian Association of Philadelphia, has written to the lecture committee of the Pittsburgh association, anticouncing his intention of being present at their anniversary on Monday, 23d inst.

DISCHARGED.—The traverse jury which has been in attendance for the first three weeks of the December term of the Criminal Court, was discharged on Friday afternoon, with the thanks of the Judges. A new jury will be called on Monday.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—A man named Geo. Housley, of Shippen township, M'Kean co., was killed the other day by the accidental discharge of a rifle—the ball lodging in the skull just above the temple, and producing instant death.

W. C. GODFREY, whose arrest on a charge of horse-stealing we noticed yesterday, was committed by the Mayor for further hearing on Monday, 23d inst.

JOSEPH FRENCH has been re-appointed engineer at the Water Works, and Levi B. Ann engineer at the Basin, by the Water Committee of Councils.

THE Allegheny Second Ward School will be opened, in some of its departments, on Monday.

WE call attention to the card of J. Charles Dickens, Esq., Attorney at Law, who has recently opened an office at No. 91 Grant street.

GRADUATED AT DUFF'S COLLEGE, PITTSBURGH.—J. H. Donaldson, Jefferson county, O.; R. B. Robinson, Ashland county, O.; J. S. Foster, Steubenville, O.; R. A. Killey, Belmont county, O.; A. S. Jackson, Beaver county, Pa.; J. M. Barrett, Richmond, O.; J. M. Anderson, Wilkinsburg, Pa. The recent unusually large graduating classes of this national establishment, is gratifying evidence of its now career of prosperity.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—This Institution, the want of which has been so long felt by our citizens is now open, under the superintendence of Messrs Jackman & Johnson, in the Lafayette Building. Entrance 65 Wood street. It is designed for the perpetual exhibition of the products of Mechanics, Manufacturers, Inventors, and Artisans; and as a place of resort for those seeking information relative to those branches of industry, either by examination of samples or scientific publications. Those having articles to bring before the public will find it greatly to their advantage to leave samples.

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&c., &c., &c., &c.

HARRISBURG, January 13.—HOUSE—The Speaker laid before the House, report the of Commissioners Sinking Fund and passed a resolution to elect State Sreasurer next Monday, and resolution to adjourn over to Monday was negatived.

An act relating to actions of ejectment was considered postponed for present.

The Standing Committees reported a number of bills, among which is an act empowering the citizens of Delaware county to elect two county officerf instead of one.

An act incorporating the Bellefonte Fire Insurance Company, Centre county.

An act to incorporate Williamsport Fire Insurance Company.

An act incorporating the Delaware County Association, for insuring against horse stealing.

An act allowing Vice Presidents of Insurance Companies to receive salaries.

An act to incorporate Honesdale Gas Company.

Bills in place—Mr. Strong, an act to incorporate Shickshenney and Hanover Railroad Company.

An act to incorporate the Broad Street Passenger Railroad Company.

An act supplementary to incorporate the Schuykill Railroad Company.

Mr. Moore, an act to incorporate the Delaware and Schuylkill Passenger Railway Company.

Mr. Stanton; Daniel Negley.

The resolution to take two thousand copies of the catalogues of the State Library from the State Printer led to a long discussion, and was finally postponed indefinitely.

The joint resolution from the Senate, relative to the organization of Congress, was presented and taken up by a vote of yeas, sixty-five; nays, thirty-one. The rules were suspended and the resolution read twice, and on the question shall they pass a third reading, the hour of adjournment was extended, Mr. Hill, of Montgomery, speaking against the resolution.

SENATE PETITIONS.

A large number for the increase of the appropriation to the school for idiotic and feeble minded children, at Media.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

An Act relative to Special Courts; also, supplement limiting their action; reported in the affirmative.

Mr. Penny read a bill supplementary to the Allegheny and Manchester Railroad.

Mr. Turney read a bill to incorporate a new North Western Railroad Company.

A large number of other bills were read

A resolution to open the session with prayer was agreed upon.

STATE TREASURER'S NOMINATIONS.

Henry D. Moore, Eli Slifer, Charles Kessler, A. J. Jones, J. M. Kreiter, Henry Steckley, Joseph Lanbach, G. A. Smith, William Patterson, John Rower, G. Harper, R. P. King, H. S. Magraw.

Andjourned till Monday.

HARRISBURG, PENN'A., January 12th.—A Republican caucus to nominate a State Treasurer met at three o'clock. A motion was made by Moore's friends to adjourn till eight o'clock this evening, which was discussed and lost by 54 to 32, whereupon Slifer was unanimously nominated by the withdrawal of Moore, who had authorized speaker Lawrence to do so.

On the motion to adjourn, the caucus, which was considered a test between Moore abd Slifer, the yeas and nays were called. The vote stood:

YEAS—Benson, Connell, Barker, Sheaffer, Smith, Austin, Barnsby, Butler, Collins, Davis, Ellmaker, Goehring, Green, Gunnison, Hoffins, Kenneagy, Moore, O'Neill, Pancoast, Preston, Ridgway, Rouse, Seltzer, Shepperd, Strong, Sultzback, Teller, Turner, Walker, Wildy, Williams, Lawrence, (Speaker.)

NAYS—Baldwin, Finney, Gregg, Hall, Imbrie, Irish, Ketchum, Landon, Penney, Baird, McClure, Meredith, Ackur Francis, (Speaker.) Palmer, Rutherford, Thompson, Durborough, Yardley, Barlow, Bissell, Boyer, Brewster, Bryson, Binley, Cassell, Craig, Eckman, Espey, Frazier, Gordon, Graham, of Washington, Graham, of Butler, Hays, Lawrence, of Washington, Kenney, Kisler, McGonegal, McCurdy, Mann, Pierce, Pennell, Pinkerton, Pressley, Proudfoot, Sheaffer, Smead, Taylor, Thompson, Varnum,, Wagonseller Williston, Wilson.

NEW YORK, January 13.—Advices from Havana state that much enthusiasm was manifested throughout the Island on the subject of the war between the mother country and Morocco. The young men were forming themselves into military companies, and applying to the Captain General for permission to be received into the regular army and forwarded to the scene of conflict.

The Captain General had published a war proclamation, calling upon the Habanese to express their patriotism in a substantial manner by subscriptions in aid of the war.

A ship will leave here on Monday, with relief for the Jews in Morocco. She will be commanded by Capt. Moses, of Charleston.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 12.—Advices from Mexico, say that although the Juarez government had directed Pesquira to revoke the order for the expulsion of Capt. Stone's party; it was expected that Pesquira would refuse. He is raising troops for some mysterious object. A combined French and Spanish fleet was expected at Vera Cruz to enforce the pecuniary demands of Spain upon Mexico. This information is derived from the French and English legation in Mexico. The Liberals have obtained several victories over the Church party in Tehuantepec. The Liberals have also retaken Zacatecas. Alvarez is acting against Cobas.

PHILADELPHIA, January 13.—The members of the Philadelphia Corn Exchange this morning contributed five hundred dollars for the relief of the Lawrence sufferers.

The remains of Dr. Ryder, the Roman Catholic Divine, were laid out in state this afternoon, at St. Joseph's Church, and the burial service will take place at St. John's Church, in Thirteenth street, to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock. The body will be interred in a vault in the grounds attached to the church. The Right Rev. Dr. Wood, Bishop of Philadelphia, will officiate for the occasion.

WASHINGTON, January 13.—A joint Committee of the Virginia Legislature has been appointed to receive Mr. Memminger, the Commissioner from South Carolina, who was expected to arrive at Richmond last evening.

WASHINGTON, January 13.—Senate not in session, having adjourned till Monday.

HOUSE.—Mr. Smith, of Va., said there were two propositions in the resolution of Mr. Clark. First, that the doctrines of the Helper book are insurrectionary and hostile to the peace of the country. Was this not true to the letter? He asked the question. The next was that no member of the House who endorsed or recommended the doctrines and sentiments therein affirmed, was fit to be Speaker of this House. Was this not also true to the letter? He wanted an answer.

Mr. Bingham, of Ohio, wished only to say to the gentleman, the House and the country, that the gentleman from Virginia denounces that book, without limitation, as an incendiary production. He denounces the last will and testament of Washington, which is contained in that book. The resolution denounces the unanimous declarations of the Convention of Virginia of 1784, instructing the Congress at Philadelphia in that year. The resolution denounces all the truthful words of the distinguished Virginian, McDonnell, namely: You yoke your slave to labor as an ox, you may compel him to live to work, and work to live, and yet the idea that he was created free will abide with him, because he has the right to the hope of immortality. The resolution denounces the living sentiment of Jefferson, copied from his notes on Virginia, namely: "I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, and has no attribute to take sides against slaves for their rights and liberty." The gentleman from Virginia should also remember that the denunciation in the resolution is a denunciation of the words of the Continental Congress when about entering upon the seven years war, wherein it was said in the articles of association by the members thereof, that they held every man or community of men as enemies of American liberty, who were not opposed to the traffic in slaves.

The resolution also denounces that part of the Declaration of Independence, which "holds these truths to be self-evident, that all men were created equal, and endowed with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, &c.," and that when any form of government becomes destructive of any of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it. The word abolish is embodied in this memorable declaration for which your father (to Mr. Smith) and my father fought through to the storm and darkness of the seven years war.

Mr. Smith replied that he trusted the House understood that the member from Ohio endorsed the Helper book.

Mr. Bingham—I ask the gentleman whether he repudiates these sentiments.

Mr. Smith—That is not the question.

Mr. Bingham—It is not, eh!

Mr. Smith—I wish the House and country to understand that the member from Ohio endorses the Helper book. For this he deserves the detestation and scorn of every man who forms a part of every man who forms a part of the American Union. [Applause.] The gentleman refers to the sentiments of distinguished revolutionary men, many of them I do endorse while others are false in philosophy and false in fact. But when I make a bargain I stand by it. The gentleman, however, makes a bargain; then spurns it. If Jefferson entertained certain notions of slavery what had that to do with the Federal Constitution? Did not the Convention which framed the Constitution adjust that question? Is not this the fact?

Mr. Bingham—It did no such thing. They expunged the word slavery from the document.

Mr. Smith responded, pointing to the various clauses in the Constitution to show the slavery compromises therein: Why does not the member from Ohio respond?

Mr. Bingham—I want the gentleman to know I am not his slave.

Mr. Smith—No; if you were, you would do better than you do now. You would get what you need. (Laughter.)

ST. LOUIS, January 12.—A bill abolishing slavery was passed by the Nebraska Territorial Legislature, on the third inst. It was expected that Gov. Black would veto it. A bill providing for a Constitutional Convention passed the House on the same day.

SAVANNAH, January 12.—The Brunswick *Herald* office was destroyed by fire on Saturday. The loss is from six to seven thousand dollars.

Miscellaneous.

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