ITEMS.

NAPOLEON III. will be sixty years old in March.

E. F. KEACH, an actor, died in Boston, on Monday.

It is estimatee that there are now full 100,000 colored soldiers in the U. S. service.

Rev. JOHN MILLER is lecturing at Petersburg, Va., on "Political Melancholy."

V. F. DANNEY, an old and respected citizen has been appointed chief of the New Orleans police.

The total expenditures of Great Britain during the Crimean war amounted to $262,032,210.

The Rev. W. McFADDEN, of the "Church of God," died in Harrisburg, last Saturday.

There are about one hundred and six divisions of the Sons of Temperance in Maine.

The Sultan of Turkey is only thirty-four years of age, and his hair is grey. But then he has so many wives, poor man!

"WILD PIGEON," who was celebrated in New-Haven, Conn., a few years ago, as a fast runner, enlisted in the army last week. He will be "some" on a retreat.

The board of councilmen, of New York, we see it stated, have voted $25,000 to defray the many expenses of giving a public reception to returning volunteers.

Eight tons of greenbacks were carried over the New Jersey Railroad to Washington one day last week. The money is said to be the collections of different internal revenue officers.

On motion of Mr. STEVENS, on Tuesday, the army appropriation bill was referred to the Committee of the Whole, and made the the special order for Monday next. It appropriates $409,129,446.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has ruled that nails known to and ordered by the trade as "finishing nails" should be taxed at the rate of three per cent. ad valorem.

From the West, there is a statement, based on the authority of "Seminole Indians," that MAGRUDER is concentrating his army on the border of Louisiana, in anticipation of an attack from General BANKS.

The horse-shoers of Philadelphia are about advancing the price of shoeing twenty-five cents per set. The charges hereafter will be $2 for a full set of shoes. Iron is now selling at $175 per ton, which is more than double the rate ruling before the war.

One banker in Chicago, says the *Journal*, informs us that he has, within one week, had orders from various parts of the west to pay over to the collector of internal revenue about $250,000, for tax on whisky alone. This gives a slight idea of the extent of the whisky interest in the northwest.

Advices received from Memphis state that the Sixteenth Army corps is preparing for a movement to attack the rebels in Mississippi, and secure the large stores of corn and forage on the railway to Mobile. Some twelve thousand cavalry are concentrated at Corinth to participate in this movement.

The foreign-born voters of Rhode Island are organizing themselves as an independent body party, free from association with any existing political body, for the purpose of securing to adopted citizens within the State the privilege of voting.

A petition largely signed by producers, manufacturers and dealers in petroleum in Philadelphia, has been prepared and sent to Congress, praying for the imposition of a duty of five cents per gallon on crude petroleum, to be collected at the wells or places of production, with a drawback of five cents per gallon on refined oil, when exported to foreign countries. During the past month 78,735 gallons of petroleum were exported from Philadelphia principally to France.

In the House, on Tuesday, on motion of Mr. CLARKE, of New York, the committee of Ways and Means were instructed to inquire into the expediency, in order to secure the prompt payment of the interest on the national debt in coin, of so increasing duties on imports of articles of luxury as to raise an income from it of $120,000,000 per annum; of so increasing the internal revenue tax as to raise $220,000,000 per annum; of limiting bank circulation, State and National, to $300,000,000; and of authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue bonds to the amount of $200,000,000 to redeem legal tender notes.

The abandonment of the siege of Charleston is at last officially announced. For some months past, it has been obvious that the city could not be taken from the front, and at last it is admitted, that Gen. GILLMORE is coming home, while his troops have been sent on other expeditions. The importance of this result in a scientific view, will partially counterbalance the disappointment which will be felt at the failure of the national forces. It seems to demonstrate once more, that forts are more than a match for ships, and that earthworks are practicably invulnerable against any bombardment. All that could be done, has been done, and General GILLMORE's deserts are none the less, because he could not accomplish impossibilities.

The army appropriation bill, as reported in the House from Ways and Means, amounts in the aggregate to $529,000,000, which sum is a few millions short of the estimates of Secretary STANTON, which were made in November last. It follows that no appropriations are made in the above bill for the 200,000 additional volunteers called out by the late proclamation of the President. In the bill, bounties, for regulars are provided for ($5,000,000) but it recites nothing as to bounties to volunteers. On the 8th of January, Senator WILSON stated there were from six hundred and fifty to seven hundred thousand men in the service. The 200,000 additional will more than make good for discharges of persons who will not re-enlist, and therefore the round sum of the army will be in the neighborhood of three-fourths of a million of men—a much larger force than NAPOLEON had under arms when he invaded Russia with all his power and allies.

The Daily Post.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 6, 1864.

Incendiaries About.—At an early hour yesterday morning an alarm of fire was given, caused by the burning of the "Point Planing Mill," owned by Bunton, Miller & Co., and situated on the corner of Penn and Duquesne streets in the First Ward. The fire broke out in the first story, and owing to the combustible nature of the material with which the establishment was filled, the flames spread with unexampled rapidity. Our firemen were promptly on the ground, but their efforts to save the building were unavailing, and in less than an hour from the time the first alarm was given but little beyond the bare walls remained. The establishment was one of the most extensive and valuable of the character in the city, and its destruction, especially at a time like the present, when all our mills are worked to their utmost capacity, and are still unable to supply the orders pouring in upon them, must be a source of heavy loss to its proprietors. The firm are insured for $6,000, but this will fall far short of covering their loss. The fire broke out in the rear of the building, and from all the circumstances connected with it, but one conclusion can be arrived at, namely, that it was the work of an incendiary. It is to be hoped that the matter will be fully investigated, and the guilty wretch or wretches who set it on fire be caught and punished.

Equinia, or Glanders.—At a late meeting of the Philadelphia Society for Promoting Agriculture, Dr. McClure made a statement relative to the prevalence in Pennsylvania of equinia, or glanders. He said this disease was liable to attack persons as well as horses, and, as it is of a fatal character, there is no chance for the recovery of anybody attacked. The virus is wafted upon the air, and if once absorbed in the system, will prove fatal. In an experiance of sixty years he had not met with a cure. He had seen the disease in horses which were well cared for and had never mingled with other horses. The disease must, therefore, have generated from contagion or otherwise. The speaker related a case of a man who put his hand into the mouth of a horse, and one of his fingers being lacerated, the virus entered the system, and the man died. Another case was mentioned of a Russian lady who, in stepping from the door of the opera house in Berlin, noticed that her horse's head was near her own. The breath from the horse moistened her cheek, and she was soon after attacked with this fatal disease, and in spite of the most eminent medical attendance, breathed her last. Dr. McClure quoted from the works of well known medical gentlemen who have referred to the subject, and said that in a recent conversation with Prof. Gross, of the Jefferson Medical College, the latter corroborated what had been said by other authors.

Legislative Matters.—The speaker of the House on Wednesday presented the annual report of the Auditor General on Pennsylvania railroads, with a summary embracing the following facts

Persons killed during year 1863	203
Injured do do	214
Receipts of bonds do do	$46,523,571 45
Expenses do do	29,072,804 56

PASSENGER RAILWAYS

Persons killed during year 1863	10
Injured do do	27
Receipts of bonds do do	$1,813,218 20
Expenses do do	1,297,044 62

In the Senate, Mr. Graham moved to proceed to the consideration of an act incorporating the Masonic Hall association of East Liberty. Lost—yeas 12, nays 12.

"Soldier Robbed."—Almost every paper we open contains the ominous words, "soldier robbed," and almost invariably the robbery is committed by some *nymph au pave*, whilst the rotary of Mars is under the influence of liquor. When will soldiers learn a little common sense? If they cannot control their appetite for strong drink, let them set down and make a mathematical calculation as to the amount that it will require to keep up a "bender" for, say twenty-four hours, place the amount in their wallets, and put the rest away for safe keeping. Try this plan, and you will find that your "green backs" will go much farther, and if you are robbed, the pickpocket will get little for his pains.

Oyster Trade.—The breaking of the ice in the Chesapeake Bay has let in a large supply of fine oysters, which are now selling in the Baltimore market at greatly reduced prices. It is also stated that the large amount of ice that has been gathered and stored will very much improve the export oyster trade during the present year, since it will not require the oystermen to depedd on the East for the immense amount of ice required in the transportation of oysters to the interior and foreign markets. We hope this will have the effect of lesoning the price of oysters in this market, and also of giving us a finer quality.

Theatre.—The last night of Mrs. Waller's engagement for this Season and an immense programme announced for the occasion, viz: the Tragedy of Bertram with Mrs. Waller as Imogene. The Ghost Drama of Wake not the Dead in which she plays the heroine and the Comic pantomime of Monsr. Duchalaineau. The Cincinnati *Dispatch* speaking of Mrs. Waller's Ghost, says: "The illusio nis the best that has been produced in this city, standing out, bold, clear and brilliant, producing the most faithful facsimile of the original."

Soldier Drowned.—Joseph C. Cochran, of Co. I, 139th P. V., was drowned in the Potomac, six miles below Cumberland, on the 2d inst. The body was recovered and a relative has gone to take charge of it and bring it to this city for interment. Deceased was a son of Mr. Jas. Cochran, the well known iron railing manufacturer of this city, and was for many years connected with the *Daily Union* and other papers. He was an energetic, intelligent young man, and his loss will be deeply regretted by a wide circle of acquaintances.

A Steam Mill.—The Williamsport (Pa.) *Chronicle*, published in the year 1811, says: "A steam mill has been erected at Marietta and lately put in opperation—the workmanship is generally allowed to be far superior to the one at Pittsburgh." The *Chronicle* then urges upon those who have the means to build a carding machine, cotton manufactory or some similar establishment in Williamsport, so as to "cope with the spirit of improvement which pervades our neighbors.

Returned.—James McDonald, the lad who escaped from the House of Refuge, December 3d, 1862, was arrested on the 3d inst., and yesterday returned to the Refuge, by officer Lowe, and was recognized by the officer of the institution. He will, we understand, be confined in close confiement for one week, when his case will come before the Board, and as it is his desire to enlist as a "drummer boy," it is thought he will be allowed to depart in peace.

Thanks.—The Young Men's Terpsichorian Society desire us to return their thanks to those who assisted them in their late endeavor to aid the Subsistence Committee, through the medium of a grand concert and ball. The society complains that the "cold shoulder" was turned upon them by those from whom they had a right to expect better things. But of this they are not complaining, and although by some their motives were impugned, and by others obstacles thrown in their way, still they were enabled to pay their expenses and hand over a small sum to the Subsistence Committee, which they hope may experience as much gratification in receiving as giving.

Fourth Ward, Allegheny.—In accordance with the notice of the Commissioners and Controller, Allegheny, the citizens of the Fourth Ward will assemble at the engine house, corner of Lecock and Anderson street, on Monday, Feb. 8th, between the hours of 4 and 5 o'clock P. M., to elect three delegates to represent that tax district in convention, to be held at the Court House. Gen. Thomas M. Howe, F. R. Brunot and Benj. Sutton, esq., are named as proper persons to be voted for. We presume that all the wards, boroughs and townships in the county will be represented in the convention which is to assemble on Tuesday next.

Pianos.—If any of our readers want to furnish their parlors with that instrument which every parlor has to have now-a-days, we mean a Piano, we recommend them to call on Mr. Mellor, 81 Wood street, and examine his splendid assortment—every taste can be suited both in tone and finish; powerful toned instruments and sweet toned ones, finely carved ones and neat plain ones. Besides these, he has a lot of second-hand pianos, offered at very low prices, which will do very well for learners. His warerooms are worth a visit any day.

Graduated.—At Duff's Mercantile College, Pittsburgh, Richard Hooker, Holliday's Cove, West Va., J. Milton Miller, M'Keesport, Pa., J. C. Penney, M'Keesport, Pa., Wm. W. Cunningham, Smith's Ferry, Pa., all passed the usual rigid examination of this institution honorably, and, who will, no doubt, hereafter distinguish themselves by their superior attainments in business. Each graduate was awarded the beautiful diploma of the college, and was each presented by the college with an appropriate memorial of their industry and exemplary deportment during their attendance at college.

Steamers Burned.—A despatch received yesterday informs us that the steamers Robt Lee and D. G. Taylor were burned at Louisville yesterday morning. The Robt. Lee was a tow boat valued at about $10,000, on which there was no insurance. Capt. Rhodes and Geo. A. Jones, engineer, jumped overboard and are supposed to be lost. The D. G. Taylor was valued at $42,000. She was owned in St. Louis, and was insured for $6,000. A negro boy on the Taylor is also missing. Both boats are a total loss.

New Counterfeit Just Out.—Feld and Lare of the *National Bank Note Reporter*, caution the public against receiving a new imitated five dollar note on the Bank of Fort Edward, New York, which was circulated in this city on Thursday night. Vignette, two females seated, money chest, eagle on shield—5 on round die on left—portrait of Franklin, 5 on round die above on right end. State die, FIVE above and below on left end. Engraving very coarse and easily detected from the genuine note.

Plain Talk.—Jas. P. Tanner publishes a letter in yesterday's *Chronicle*, dated Boston, Jan. 29, in relation to the St. Peter's Church controversy, in which he adds a postscript in these words: I am charged with unfriendliness to the rector before his loyalty was doubted. This is a mistake: as I have been fully satisfied in my own mind, even since the outbreak of the rebellion, that the sympathies of the rector of St. Peter's were with the South, nor have I stood alone in this opinion.

Grand Ball of the Fennian Brotherhood at Lafayette Hall, on Monday evening, February 8th, 1864. Tickets, admitting a lady and gentleman, one dollar. Tickets can be obtained of the following members: D. S. Murphy, opposite Postoffice; P. Graham, Monongahela borough; Garrett Creedon, Brownstown, and Thos. Barrett, Lawrenceville. Young's Brass Band will be in attendance.

Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad.—Following is a statement of the estimated earnings of this road for the month of January last

Freight	$75,000
Passengers	67,914
Miscellaneous	6,500
	$139,414
January, 1863	123,808
Increase	$15,606

The Roundheads.—Colonel Lazear's regiment, known as the "Roundheads" are now on their way here, and will reach the city to-day. If they get here in time the Colonel will have a parade. On Sunday morning they will attend divine service in a body at one of our churches, and on Monday, at half past three, they will leave for their homes.

Island Sunk.—Extract from a letter written by Z. Cramer to a gentleman in Pittsburgh dated Natches, December 31st, 1811: "The steam boat arrived yesterday, 30th inst. All well, but much alarmed at the effects of the earthquake felt some days ago, by which an island was sunk below Little Prairie, on the Mississippi river."

A Pleasant Re-Union.—The supper given by the city officers elect of Allegheny to the members of Councils, on Thursday evening, at the confectionery of Mr. John K. Brown, was a very pleasant re-union. Several happy speeches were made, which served to aid the digestion of the meats and delicacies so bountifully prepared.

Appropriation.—The Allegheny Councils at their late meeting adopted an ordinance making appropriations for the year 1864. The sum appropriated is $124,650,00. A city tax of ten mills on the dollar, a poor tax of two and a half mills, and a business tax of half a mill, is levied.

Missing.—Geo. P. Bradshaw, a resident of Elizabeth township, left his home on December 14th, for the purpose of making a coal boat trip, since which time nothing has been heard from him. His family are in great distress over his protracted absence.

Re-organization.—It is proposed to re-organize the 123d regiment, Col. Clark's old regiment. Thiis might have been done some time ago. but we opine the men are too much scattered, and too many of them now in the army in other organizations.

Chemical Lectures.—As will be seen by our columns, Prof. Richards will deliver, at Concert Hall, during the coming week, a course of six lectures on the Wonders of Chemistry of the air. The price for the entire course is but one dollar, and we would especially advise the mechanics of our city to avail themselves of seeing the "wonder of the air we breath" and hear the explanations of the Professor. His experiments include the Diving Bell; the sucker and the House Fly; the Drummond Light; the Aurora Borealis; boiling water without heat and freezing it in the process. These will surely interest any one.

Pleasant Affair.—The newly appointed day police gave a supper to Mayor Lowry and his clerk, Mr. Snowden, at the Broadway saloon, las tevening. Everything passed of pleasantly, and the donors and recipiants of the entertainment, among who were a number of invited guests, enjoyed themselves to their heart's content. Mine hosts of the "Broadway" know how to "do up things brown," and on this occasion set out a feast that would have satisfied the veriest epicure in the land.

Accident.—On the way to the fire at the Point yesterday morning Mr A. O. McGrew, assistant local on the *Gazette* was accidently ran over by one of the steamers, and had his ankle broken. He was conveyed to his residence, where he is doing well. "Mac" has one sympathiser in his misfortune.

The Whisky Tax.—The Senate fearful perhaps of a "whisky insurrection" now refused to concur in the House bill taxing whisky on hand twenty cents per gallon. So the matter goes back to the House, and in the meantime speculators in the "ardent" has the peer.

Shooting Match.—James Leaf, of Fallston, Beaver county, has thalenged Charles Patterson to shoot from the trap, ten birds, 21 yards rise an 80 yards boundary, for the possession of the silver cup now in the possession of the latter, the match to come off to-day.

Want an Increase.—The commissioners and Assessors of Allegheny county are desirous of an increase of salary, and to that end Mr. Graham has introduced a bill in the Senate. The bill will not be considered until after the organization of the Senate.

The Superioress of the House of Industry acknowledges the receipt, through Mr. W. H. McGee, of $64 50, being his own, and the donations of a few other kind friends, whose names were presented at the same time, and will be cherished in grateful remembrance.

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Jenny Lind,	Verbena,
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XXXVIIIth CONGRESS.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTH.

WASHINGTON CITY NEWS ITEMS.

Late from Fortress Monroe.

&c., &c., &c.

WASHINGTON, Feb 5.—*House.*—A motion to adjourn till Monday was negatived. The House then proceeded to vote on Mr. Holman's, of Indiana, motion to table the resolution amendatory to the confiscation act. Mr. Holman's motion was disagreed to by a vote of 72 against 80. Mr. Ashley, of Ohio, moved that two speeches be allowed on each side and that the question on the resolution shall be taken after the passage of the enrollment act. The opposite side agreed to this, but Mr. Stephens, of Pa., objected, saying that the majority should vote

Several motions were made and voted upon, by yeas and nays, to occupy the time till an accommodation was arrived at concerning the action on the joint resolution, namely: that Mr. Blair, of Mosouri, Mr. Smith, of Kentucky, and Mr. Pryor should speake when the vote would be taken.

Mr. Blair opposed the pending resolution saying, that it made an issue between the President and those who, as a party, supported him.

Mr. Smith, of Kentucky, favored the confiscation of all rebel property, and said we scould whip down this hellish rebellion.

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT, February 5.—A fire broke out in Colt's pistol factory at a quarter past eight this morning. The fire is terrible and rages furiously, and the chance of extinguishing it is small. The loss will be immense. Further particulars soon.

[SECOND DISPATCH]

HARTFORD, CONN., February 5.—The original building of Colt's pistol factory was destroyed by fire this morning, with all the machinery and other property. The building was five hundred feet long and sixty feet, wide, with a wing one hundred by sixty feet, and an office building three stories high.

The new building in which Minie Rifles are made is saved. Seventeen hundred workmen are employed in the works, about nine hundred of whom will be thrown out of employment. The loss will reach at least $500,000; indeed, the machinery alone was valued at that sum. There is an insurance of $150,000; in New York and New England offices.

Latest.—9:30 A. M.—HYRTFORD, February 5—The oldest and largest puilding facing the Connecticut river is a mass of ruins. There appears to be but one wall on the north side standing. The fire has been arrested on the Connecticut building and hopes are entertained that the new building will be saved. The office, a large building sebarate from the others, is now in flames. The name of the company is Colt's Patent Fire-arms Manufacturing Company. Several lives have been lost by the falling of the office. Names not yet known. The loss, it is said, will exceed one million of dollars. The fire is still raging, with indications that the new factory will also be destroyed.

10:20 A. M.—several lives have been lost by the falling in of the roof of one of the buildings. The names of the killed are not yet ascertained. The loss will exceed 1,000,000.

HALIFAX, Feb. 5.—The steamer Arabia Capt. Hackly, from Liverpool with dates to the 23d ult., and via Queenstown to the 24th has arrived. Before opening the reins of the Mexican Government, Maximillian will await the return of the Mexican deputation who offered him the crown on the 3d of October, with the vote of the Mexican notables and the adhesion of certain cities specified by the Archduke, who demanded that a vote of the notables should be ratified by the vote of the Mexican councils. The mission of the French expedition will be accomplished by the middle of January and the deputation is expected to be in France the 1st fortnight in February, and will proceed to Miramon to announce to the Archduke his election. The Archduke will not accept, but will immediately assume the sceptre and visit Paris in the quality of the Emperor of Mexico.

THE LATEST.—There is no change in the Danish question. The Keil telegram of 23d, says: In consequence of the thaw the Danish outposts are ordered to return on the arrival of the Prussian troops. It is expected that the Danes will defend Dauveverk to the last extremity. The Prussian Chamber has adopted a resolution opposing the policy of Prussia in separating herself from the other German States and threatening every resistance thereto.

LOUISVILLE, February 5.—At about two o'clock this morning the steamer J. G. Taylor took fire in the oil room, and was destroyed. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. The boat was owned in St. Louis, and valued at $32,000. Insured for $16,000. The flames communicated to the tow-boat R. E. Lee, consuming her. She was valued at $20,000. No insurance. The Taylor had seven hundred tons of Commissary stores aboard for Nashville. Forty thousand dollars loss to the Government. Capt. Rhodes and engineer Jones, of Pittsburgh, and an unknown man, jumped overboard, and were probably drowned. A negro belonging on the Taylor is missing. Both boats are a total loss.

FORTRESS MONROE, Feb. 5.—A messenger has just arrived with despatches to Major Gen. Butler from Newberne, N. C., dated February 2d, 5:15 p. m. The post at Newport is attacked and the rebels have the Railroad between Newport and Moorhead city. The post at Evans Hill's is surrounded. Col Jordan still holds Moorhead city, but may be forced to retire to Fort Macon. As long as we keep the river we are well enough off. The rebels captured the gunboat underwriter by surprise and destroyed her.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The *Star* publishes the following: *Fortress Monroe, February 5.*—Hon. E. M. Stanton, Secretary of War: A despatch received from Newbern, dated February 3d, says: The enemy has retired on Kingston. Newbern is relieved. (Signed,)
BENJ. F. BUTLER,
Maj. Gen. Commanding.

WASHINGTON, February 5.—The rumors recently put forth, of real or apprehended difficulties between the United States and France, are without any foundation.

The Senate is not in session to-day, having adjourned over till Monday.

NEW YORK, February 5,—The steamer Whirlwind, from Boston for Fortress Monroe, with troops, had to put into this port with her machinery deranged.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The disagreement between the House and the Senate upon the tax on whisky will be made the subject of a Committee of Conference.

The nomination of Horatio Ballard as U. S. Consul to Havana was to-day hung up by the Senate Committee on Commerce. It appears that charges have been preferred against him.

A number of prominent Republican Senators and members of Congress are openly declaring themselves in favor of the one term principle, in reference to the Presidency, and many belonging to either of the Republican factions, freely expressed preference for Gen. Grant over the rival candidates for the Republican nomination. The only candidates for the Presidential nomination of the war democracy now talked of are Generals Grant and McClellan.

The Richmond *Sentinel* says: The 12th Miss. entered Corinth this morning and captured large quantities of arms, etc. The Yankees left as they entered.

The same paper of the 30th, says: The bombardment of Sumter ceased at dark last night. One hundred and fifty shells were thrown, of which one hundred and twedty-nine struck. If was renewed this morning with 80, 100 and 200 pounder Parrott and a ten-inch Columbiad. The flag staff was shot down yesterday, but was soon replaced by the garrison under a rapid and desperate fire. The men repeatedly waved their flag in the face of the enemy and waved their hats in triumph after hoisting the flag.

A gentleman connected with the Navy Department stated to-day, that a government contractor has been tried recently at the instance of Secretary Welles and sentenced to a year's imprisonment and a fine of $5,000. It is said that this gentleman is engaged in a business of considerable importance which requires his personal attention daily and that the execution of the verdict will destroy his means of living as well as chafacter.

The legislature of Virginia at Alexandria has indefinately postponed the election of U. S. Senator in place of Boorden, deceased.

The Richmond *Sentinel* of Monday says Commissioner Ould has lately visited City Point, but found no one there authorized to make any arrangement with him as to prisoners.

WHEELING, Febuary 5.—Governor Boreman read the following from General Kelley this morning: "I have just received a dispatch from Colonel Mulligan. After six hours fighting, he has driven Earley from Moorefield, and his cavalry was pursuing, and was sharply engaged with Rosser on the South Fork at the date of dispatch."

NEW YORK, February 5—The *Herald's* Washington special dispatch says that Gen. Thomas is to be the commander of the Army of the Potomac, and Gen. Hooker the commander of the Army of the Cumberland.

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PITTSBURGH PRODUCE MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE DAILY POST,
SATURDAY, Feb. 6, 1864.

BUSINESS continues to improve. The weather was pleasant—the rain that set in last evening did not continue very long. Our rivers remain in fine navigale order, and freights were moderately plenty. The steamer Miami left for Cincinnati with a fair trip. The steamers Arizonia, Jennie Hubbs and Reserve will load with railroad iron for Nashville. The Julia will be at the landing this morning, and will leave for Zanesville this afternoon. The steamer Camelia will leave for St. Louis this afternoon. Business on the wharf was active. The steamers on the Allegheny wharf are doing a flourishing business.

The sales will be found below:

HAY—Receipts light, amounting only to 5 loads, mostly inferior which were sold at $23 ⅌ ton; 2 loads good at $25.

CHEESE—Supply moderate. Sales 60 bxs W. R. at 14½c; 25 do Goshen at 15@15½c.

WHISKEY—Market excited. Sales of 25 bbls at 88@90c.

FLOUR—Demand small; the stock on hand is not large. Sales of 125 bbls extra from store at $6,50; 150 do extra family at $7,40@7,50; 100 do at 7,25@7,50.

BUTTER—Sales 10 bbls fresh roll at 25@30.

BACON—Firm and in good demand. Sales of 12,000 lbs shoulders at 9¾c—some dealers ask 10; 5,500 do sides at 11¼@11½c; 6,000 do Sides at 12¼@12c; 7,000 do S. C. Hams at 14½c.

MESS PORK—Sales of 40 bbls at $22,50.

GRAIN—Dull, buyers waiting for lower figures; the receipt by the river are on the increase. Sales 900 bush rye at the depot at $1,33@1,35; 1,000 do oats at 79c, from first hands.

PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE DAILY POST,
SATURDAY, Feb. 6, 1864.

Business in the oil way was entirely neglected, neither party manifesting any desire to operate. Buyers were offering lower figures than holders were willing to accept, hence we have no sales to report. The receipts of Crude are steadily increasing, the river being in excellent order to Oil City. We continue to quote bonded at 37@39c; free at the usual advance of 10c ⅌ gall. Most of our refiner ies are not running hence the demand is not as large as formerly for Crude. We think a few days will open up the market.

New York Dry Goods Market.

Trade has been less active since our last, but prices are very firm, with an upward tendency. A few New Orleans, Western and South-western buyers have appeared in the market. A good demand, however, is in prospect, and before these remarks appear in print it is likely that the market will have resumed full activity. The print market attracted the Western buyers in town, who bought considerably of the newer and more desirable styles. Prices of the best are very firm. Bleached sheetings and shirtings are very firm. Brown heavy shirtings have advanced. Prices are upward in tendency. Brown drills have also advanced. Stripes and ticks are very buoyant. Denims have also improved in price. The demand for delaines is on the increase, and all varieties sell quick on arrival. Fancy cassimeres of desirable styles are very active, and sell readily on arrival—or even on exhibition of pattern. Doeskins are dull. Satinetts more steady at firm prices, with a good supply. Broadcloths are in good demand. Spring styles of woolen shawls are active, with a short supply.—*Independent.*

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