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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 9, 1864.

The Allegheny Murder.

Our sister city was the scene of a most atrocious murder on Monday evening by which a young man named Howard Hamilton lost his life. It seems from the evidence of witnesses to the facts, that four young men, residents of this city, named James Sims, Benjamin Trimble, jr., John A. Carville and James A. Gillespie, visited Allegheny on Monday and became intoxicated, so much so that they made unwanted attacks upon all who passed them. During the evening several persons were more or less injured by them, among whom was a Mr. Day, an elderly man, who was felled to the ground by a blow from one of the young rowdies.

Young Hamilton, who was a clerk in the trimming store of Macrum & Glyde, of this city, had just left his mother's residence after partaking of his supper, and was on his way to Pittsburgh. In passing the crowd, without uttering a single syllable, or molesting them in any way, he was stabbed between the second and third ribs, by James Sims, from the effects of which he died in about twenty minutes. Sims was arrested, as were the others whose names are given above, and lodged in the Allegheny watch-house to await the result of the Coroner's investigation. The deceased was a quiet, inoffensive youth about eighteen years of age, who resided with his widowed mother on Church Avenue, near Federal street. The alleged murderer, Sims, is the son of the worthy Clerk of the Markets, David Sims, and resided with his parents on Wylie street.

Coroner McClung summoned a jury on Monday night, and after examining a number of witnesses, adjourned until yesterday at ten o'clock, when the investigation was resumed. A number of witnesses were examined, whose testimony corroborated that taken on Monday night, and pointed directly to Sims as the party who struck the fatal blow. At the conclusion of the testimony the room was cleared, and the jury, after a few moments deliberation, brought in a verdict that the deceased came to his death from a wound inflicted on him by Sims. The accused, as soon as the verdict was rendered, was committed to jail, his trial for murder at the next term of the Criminal Court. Carville and Trimble were both held to answer a charge of riot, and, though clear of the more serious crime, they are likely to suffer severely for their conduct.

Thus ends for the present the proceedings in one of the most unprovoked and cold blooded murders ever perpetrated in this vicinity. And like most other homicides perpetrated in our land, it can be traced directly to the immoderate indulgence in ardent spirits. When will men learn not to put an enemy in their mouths, which, in the present adulterated state of alcoholic drinks, is sure to steal away their brains, and make demons of them.

Fresh Fish Market.—The Baltimore *Sun* of the 7th inst says: Our fish markets now begin to present more plentiful supplies, that at Centre market on Saturday, March 5th, being quite abundant. But prices are very high. No shad have yet appeared. Ordinarily, at this season, there was heretofore a good supply of shad from the North Carolina fisheries, but for "war" reasons that source has been cut off, and we will have to wait for them until they pay a visit to our own waters, which will, not be very long. The New York *Herald* of Monday states that the first shad of the season was caught in the North River, on Saturday afternoon. Yet strange as it may seem, the people of Pittsburgh have been luxuriating on fresh shad for the past week, furnished by Col. Reed, agent of Mr. Maltby, in this city.

The Third Ward Moving.—The citizens of the Third Ward have at last waked up, and have gone to work in earnest to raise the funds to clear the ward from the draft. At a meeting held in the ward on Monday evening block committees were appointed, and the most sanguine expectations are entertained of being able to raise the requisite amount of funds in a few days. Meetings will be held every evening this week at the school house to hear the reports of committees, and transact any other business which may come up.

Passed Through.—Gen. Grant passed through this city *en route* for Washington, on Monday night. He was met at the depot by a number of his admirers, who called lustily for a speech, but with his characteristic modesty he declined acceding to the request. In private conversation with Mayor Lowrey, he said that on his return from Washington, whither he had been summoned on business, he should be happy to spend a few hours in our city, and take as many of his friends by the hand as he could.

Rat Pits.—The local of the *Chronicle* visited Johnny Mackey's rat pit on Monday evening. Although he acknowledges the sport to have been exhilerating, and everything conducted in the best order, yet he thinks rat killing is not much calculated to improve the morals of the community. Rat killing, dog fighting and cock fighting are all of apiece, and should not be tolerated in respectable communities, a fact to which we direct the Mayor's attention.

St. Patrick's Day.—The eloquent Rev. Dr. O'Connor (late Bishop of Pittsburg) will deliver a Lecture on the "Destiny of the Irish Race," at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, on Thursday evening, March 17th, the proceeds to be applied to a most worthy object, viz: the enlargement of the House of the Good Shephard, a Catholic Institution for the reformation of erring females.

Oil Dealer in Trouble.—A well known oil merchant of this city was before the Mayor yesterday charged with permitting oil barrels to remain upon the sidewalk, on the corner of Penn and Hand streets, contrary to the city ordinance, for which he was found $3 and costs.

Destructive Fire.—A destructive fire occurred in Monongahela City on Monday afternoon by which a large amount of property was destroyed. Culbertson's paper mill and dwelling were consumed, together with some four or five other dwellings. We did not learn how the fire originated.

Oil Receipts.—The receipts of Oil per Allegheny river for the past twenty-four hours were 2,572 barrels, brought down by the "Cottage," "Ida Rose," "Echo" and "Advance."

Sure Thing.—Tom Thumb and suite will surely be here on Saturday next.

Habeas Corpus Case.

Judge Sterrett was engaged on Monday in hearing testimony in the matter of a writ of *habeas corpus* issued at the instance of Mrs. D. M. Dake, commanding Mrs. Holmes and Dr. Cuthbert to produce the body of her husband, Dr. Dake, whom she alleges they have improperly restrained of his liberty. Doctor Dake, our readers need hardly be informed, is a well known physician of this city, and at one time enjoyed a large and lucrative practice here. Latterly he has become very dissipated, though occasionally followed his profession as before, but his patients were few and far between, and of the extensive practice which he formerly enjoyed, but very little remained. From causes which it is not necessary here to explain, the Doctor has lived very little with his family during the last few years, and latterly, it is alleged, he almost ceased communications with them altogether, taking up his abode with a certain Mrs. Holmes, residing at Oakland, a short distance from the city. From continual drinking and other causes it is now claimed that he is insane, and further, that he is improperly restrained of his liberty by Mrs. H., in whose house he lies. Dr. Cuthbert occupies the same office with Dr. Dake, and being a party to the removal of the Doctor to Mrs. Holmes' and his retention there, he is included in the writ.

Quite a number of witnesses were examined, from whose testimony it would seem that the taking of the doctor into Mrs. Holmes' house was one of pure charity; that no restraint had been placed upon his personal freedom, and that he was at liberty to depart at any time his condition would permit; for it was alleged that at the present time he could not be removed without endangering his life. After some consultation between the parties, it was decided to send a respectable and responsible physician to examine the doctor, and Doctor Simpson was suggested as satisfactory to both parties, but whether he has consented to serve or not we are not advised. The Court adjourned the case until Thursday next, and in the meantime proper testimony will be procured. The doctor still remains at the house of Mrs. Holmes.

Interesting State of Affairs.

A correspondent in yesterday's *Chronicle* makes a very serious charge against Mr. Robert Ashworth, member of the Select Council from Allegheny City, whom he charges with being instrumental in passing a resolution appropriating $5,000 for the benefit of soldiers' families in the month of December last, not a dollar of which has yet been distributed. The writer further charges that it never was the intention of Mr. Ashworth that the money should be distributed, and that he only wished to have the resolution passed "as a compliment to the mover, whose term of service was about to expire, in order that the record might stand to be read even over the big waters, that so much love and sympathy for the American soldier should be so felt and expressed as would be indicated by the higher mentioned resolution." The writer thus concludes his communication, to which we presume Mr. Ashworth will at once reply:

The families of some five hundred of our American soldiers ask now to be informed how the Councils of Allegheny city ventured to thus sport with their claims and just deserts, or why did you hoppel to appropriate the money and afterwards allow it to cease to be a party to its distribution, and then allow the whole winter to pass without the money being distributed to those for whom it was intended, and who, in this time of high prices, so greatly need its benefits. We will await your answer before we further endanger on the subject, in the hope that you will be able to clear your skirts of the charges herein referred to.

Meeting of the Coal Exchange

The members of the Coal Exchange met yesterday, at ten o'clock—not at two as we were informed. The business transacted, as we were informed by one of the members, was not of a nature that the association would wish to make public. The Secretary, still, however make a report of such matters as he may deem proper for publication. We incidentally understood that the new coal digging machine was exhibited before the meeting, but no report was made as to its practicability for mining purposes. We understand that the gentleman, like most inventors, has not the means at his command to build a machine of the required power to successfully loosen the "black diamonds" so firmly embedded in our hills and that he is more in need of "greenbacks" than opinions of committees, being perfectly sanguine of the complete success of his invention; we trust some of our liberal moneyd men will take the matter in hand. Should it succeed, there is "money in it" and a great public benfit would follow its introduction into our coal mines. Go and examine it thoroughly, as it might be a safe and profitable investment.

Funeral of Young Hamilton.

The remains of Howard Hamilton, the young men who was so brutally murdered on Monday evening in Allegheny were taken this morning to New Castle, Pa. for interment beside his father, who sleeps in that village. In conversation yesterday with one of his late employers, Mr. Macrum, he spoke in the highest terms of Mr. Howard, whom he regarded as an intelligent, trustworthy, peaceable young man, whose death he sincerely laments. He was the only son and sole support and solace of his widowed mother, who, by an unprovoked blow from the assassin's knife, is now indeed alone in the world. May He who has promised to be a Father to the widow, take her under His protecting care, and so temper this heavy blow that she, too, may not go down to an untimely grave. There is much complaint that the police did not sooner arrest or disperse the drunken rowdies, but all due allowance must be made for the excited state of the popular mind in view of such a cold-blooded, cowardly murder. For the present, therefore, we forbear comment upon the conduct of the police.

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Theatre.—Mr. Neafie appears this evening as "Macbeth," with Mrs. Kate Raynor as "Lady Macbeth." Mr. J. W. Childs, the best drilled man in the world, also appears. With such attractions "Old Drury" will be crowded.

Yankee Hill had another crowded house last evening. Those gifted adepts to the singing, dancing, &c., of the troupe can't help but draw crowded houses.

Personal.—We had the pleasure yesterday of meeting Capt. Joseph Gilleland, of the "Roundhead" Regiment. The Captain was formerly a typo in this city, went to the wars nearly three years agoes as "high private," and by his bravery and good conduct has won and worthily wears a Captain's bars. His company which belongs to New Castle has been recruited up to the war standard, and will depart for the seat of war in a few days.

McClellan's Report.—*The authorized edition*, and also the cheap edition for sale at Frank Case's New Depot *Chronicle* building.

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AT A MEETING OF THE CITIZENS of the Second ward, Allegheny, held in the School House, March 7th, it was unanimously

Resolved, That Commodore Wm. T. Kountz be appointed a member of the Bounty Fund Commissioners, also, a member of the Special and Block Committees. And is was further

Resolved, That the citizens and Block Committees will meet at the School House every evening, until further notice, and the Block Committees are especially requested to finish the canvass of their blocks forthwith, and report every evening the amount of subscriptions and money collected at the meeting.

All enrolled men are especially requested to attend, as they will hear something to their advantage. mh8-3t

TELEGRAPHIC.

FIRST EDITION.

Interesting from Knoxville.

Colonel Dahlgren Reported Killed.

Earthquake in California.

General Grant in Baltimore.

&c., &c., &c.

KNOXVILLE, March 6.—The county elections yesterday passed off quietly. The whole number of votes cast in Knoxville was 261, against an average vote in peace times of 700. Making allowance for absentees in the army and elsewhere; the vote is full, and larger than was anticipated. In the country districts it was even fuller. One hundred votes were polled in a neighboring district in Sevier county, against a usual vote of 170. The returns of Knox county will not be all in till to-morrow. No report at all as yet from the adjacent counties. The vote would have been much larger, but many undoubtedly loyal men objected to the oath required by Governor Johnson as a condition, and did not vote.

There is nothing new in army affairs to report, except the capture, at Chilhawell, of sixty rebels by the Fourth Indiana cavalry. A brigade of rebel cavalry dashed into our lines to-day at Mossy Creek, but were handsomely repulsed. We took a few prisoners.

BALTIMORE, March 8.—Our Fortress Monroe correspondent says that the army gunboat Brewster arrived last night from a cruise after the steam tug Titian, captured by the rebels at Cherrystone. She reports chasing the Titian into the Piankitank river. She reported to the guardship, and was allowed to pass, but is now hemmed in by our navy gunboats, and will probably be recaptured. The letter says nothing further about Col Dahlgren.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The *Herald's* army dispatch says that the Richmond *Sentinel*, of the 5th, states that Col. Dahlgren was killed in an encounter with the 9th Virginia, in King and Queen county, and 70 or 80 of his men captured. The *Tribune's* dispatch on the contrary says, that he was arrested at Williamsburg on Monday morning with his command.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—At a quarter to nine o'clock this morning the severest earthquake ever experienced in California was felt here. The Rev. Thomas Starr King will be buried under his own pulpit on Sunday next. The Rev. Mr. Ketteridge will preach the funeral sermon.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Justice Grier having recovered from his recent indisposition and resumed his seat on the bench, the argument in the quicksilver mining case was resumed this morning.

BALTIMORE, March 8.—Lieut. Gen. Grant and his son arrived here at 11.35 this morning, and are now at Barnum's Hotel. He will proceed to Washington this afternoon at 3.20.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The steamship Glasgow has arrived from Liverpool. Her advices have been anticipated.

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&c., &c., &c.

Special to The Post.

HARRISBURG, Tuesday, March 8.

The House passed finally a supplement act incorporating the Western Insurance and Transportation Company; a supplement to the Home and Foreign Bible Society; Western Pennsylvania supplement act incorporating the Cooper Fire Arms Manufacturing Company; supplement act incorporating the Monongahela Water Company; an act incorporating the Mercer and Butler Railroad Company; an act repealing a portion of the act relating to grading and paving the Borough of Manchester; an act to authorize the Borough of Manchester to borrow money.

There was no quorum in the Senate to-day.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—*House*—Mr. Kasson presented the resolution of the Iowa Legislature, in favor of soldiers who have been discharged in consequence of wounds or disabilities, being employed in situations which they are competent to fill, under the Federal Government, and heartily endorsing the policy of paying soldiers and sailors of African descent the same amount as is given to white soldiers for similar service. The resolutions was referred to the Military Committee.

The House went into a Committee of the Whole on the Senate amendments to the deficiency bill, and agreed to the amendment discussed yesterday for medicines and medical attendance for negro refugees, commonly called contrabands, ($50,000,) and rejected the pending amendment thereto restricting the expenditure to those who are or shall be actually in the service.

The House resumed the consideration of the Gold bill.

Mr. Boutwell's bill was amended so as to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to anticipate the payment of the public debt from time to time, either with or without rebate of interest, as he may deem expedient.

The gold bill as above explained was passed 90 to 34.

Mr. Schenck reported from the Military Committee a bill to drop unemployed Major and Brigadier Generals. Mr. Schenck advocated and Mr. Cox opposed the present consideration of the bill.

Mr. Cox remarked that there was something of a personal and partizan character in this bill. He hoped his colleague was so gallant as not to strike at a brother officer. The House should have an opportunity of seeing whether there was any back bone to strike at any general officer unemployed. Mr. Schenck desired his colleague to deal in plain language not in insinuations. There was nothing concealed in this bill and he could not lie under suspicion when he knew nothing wrong was intended, and would not reply to any such information.

Mr. Cox said you need not reply to any insinuation until one is made. I don't know whether the bill strikes at Fremont or McClellan or any other officer.

Mr. Schenck replied neither nor both. Mr. Cox said he wanted to see who was to be hurt by the bill. Was there to be any saving to the Government or are others to be appointed to fill the places of those who are struck down? He did not deal in insinuations. He knew McClellan did not ask favors of the gentleman on the other side of the House. McClellan had lost in the public service every dollar he had earned as a civilian. It might be the purpose to strike at his pay.

The bill was made the order for Tuesday next. Adjourned.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The *Republican* of this evening has the following: In our first edition yesterday we doubted the statement that Col. Dahlgren had reached our lines in safety. We did so because we knew at the time the Richmond *Sentinel*, of Saturday morning last, a copy of which was received at Gen. Meade's camp on Sunday evening, announced that Col. Dahlgren was killed in a skirmish at King and Queen Court House, on the Mattapony River, on Friday last. The fact was telegraphed to the President late on Sunday night. Eight or nine hours after Gen. Butler's dispatch of Sunday was received, announcing the safety of Col. Dahlgren, which was communicated by the President to the Colonel's father, Admiral Dahlgren. The news of the death of the Colonel was not made known to his father until this morning, because there was a lingering hope that there might be some mistake about the report in the *Sentinel*. Consequently we suppressed the publication of the fact yesterday.

In the meantime Gen. Butler was requested by the President to make such investigation relative to sundry reports that Dahlgren was safe as would positively settle the question one way or another. Gen. Kilpatrick was also telegraphed to fix a time when Col. Dahlgren was last heard from. Late last night Gen. Butler telegraphed that he had received information confirming the announcement in the *Sentinel* that Dahlgren was killed at King and Queen court house, and Gen. Kilpatrick telegraphed that the last positive information he had received of him was that he was seen on Thursday. The skirmish took place on the day after in which the Col. was killed. The President being fully satisfied that there was no longer any good reason to doubt the report of young Dahlgren's death, deemed it his duty this morning to communicate the fact to Admiral Dahlgren which he did. The latter has left for Fortress Monroe to take such other steps in the matter as may be deemed proper under the circumstances.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Lieut. Gen. Grant, accompanied by his son and Gen. Rawling and Col. Comstock of staff, arrived here this evening. While quietly taking his dinner at his hotel, a gentleman rose and announced to the 400 to 500 guests who were at the table that they had among them the hero of Vicksburg, whereupon the diners rose to their feet and enthusiastically welcomed the hero with shouts and waving of handkerchiefs.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The President has signed the whitsky bill. It is therefore a law.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The gold bill has been passed by the House.

BALTIMORE, March 8.—The *American* of this afternoon has the following: We learn that there has been for the past two days considerable excitement in Frederick and Washington counties growing out of the rebel movements on the Virginia side of the Potomac, which are supposed to indicate a cavalry raid through the upper counties of Maryland. The farmers are said to be sending their cattle to places of safety and a general removal of valuables has taken place. We doubt, however, whether it is more than a mere rumor such as are constantly afloat along the border.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The statement that Gen. Sickles preferred charges against Gen. Meade to the Committee on the Conduct of the War, is erroneous. It appears that the Committee while examining into matters connected with the battle of Gettysburg, were necessarily compelled to notice the reflections of Generals Halleck and Meade on the conduct of Gen. Sickles, and accordingly he and Generels Pleasanton, Birney, Doubleday and Howe were summoned to testify. This of course rendered it necessary to examine Gen. Meade, who subsequently appeared before the Committee.

BALTIMORE, March 8.—Considerable excitement occurred in the western limits of the city last night, occasioned by a fight between portions of the Connecticut and 1st Maryland cavalry in which both pistols and rifles were freely used, and several of the Connecticut cavalry were badly wounded. The fight commenced about midnight. At one time regular volleys were fired, and the hooting and yelling of the contestants kept the residents of the vicinity in constant alarm.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The price of gold advanced to $1,64¼ on the report of the defeat of the Stibbens gold bill. Supervisor Booth, of Brooklyn, just returned from Washington, has officially informed the Board of Supervisors, that a call for 200,000 more men will soon be made and that the draft would be enforced. He was so informed by Secretary Stanton who advised him to keep on recruiting as all the overplus would be credited to the country in the forthcoming draft.

CAIRO, March 8.—Passengers by the steamer Luminary from Vicksburg to the 3d, say that Sherman and his army are there. The steamer Fanny from Memphis on the 7th brought 240 bales of cotton. The election there passed off quietly resulting in the choice of a majority of conservative candidates.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The *Commercial Advertiser* says advices received in this city from Bombay to the 29th of January, state it is feared that two or three American ships, the Southern Rights and Naples, have fallen victims to the pirate Alabama.

COMMERCIAL & FINANCIAL.

PITTSBURGH PRODUCE MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE DAILY POST,
WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1864.

BUSINESS—Was not active yesterday by any means—buyers seemed shy, whilst holders take matters easy. They say their time will soon come round. Among the sales we note the following:

HAY—Sales 3 loads at the scales at $35@35 ₱ ton. Baled was unchanged.

WHISKY—The market remains in a very unsettled state. A few small sales were reported at 90@95c.

DRIED FRUIT—Peaches 16@16¾c; Apples 9 @9½ ₱ lb.

FLOUR—Extra, $6,40@6,50; Extra Family at $7@7,25; do Extra Family at $7,40@7,50.

2,50 ₱ bush.

BUTTER—Sales 5 bbls fresh, roll at 32@33c.

GRAIN—Wheat—Red at $1,30; White at $1,40 @1,42. Oats—Sales 1,000 bush at 79@80c; 200 do from store at 83c. Corn—Sales 650 bush at $1,15 @1,16. Rye—Spring $1,22; Fall $1,25 ₱ bush. SEEDS—Clover at $6@6,25; Timothy at $3,00@3,25; Flax at $2,70@2,75.

SALT—Sale 100 bbls at $2,35@2,40 ₱ bbl.

GROCERIES—The market was very firm among the sales were the following: Sugars—sales of Cuba at 14¼@14¾c; Orleans at 15@15½; "B" coffee at 17¾c. Molasses—sales of 60 bbl. O. at 70c; 80 do at 80@82c. Coffee—sales 40 sacks Rio at 37@37½c. Rice—sales at 9¾c.

BACON—Among the sales we note sales of Shoulders, 12c. Plain Hams—Sales at 13¼@13½c. S. C. Hams—Sales at 14½@16c.

PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE DAILY POST,
WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1864.

BUSINESS—Yesterday exhibited an improvement. There was a better demand and the sales were larger.

REFINED—So far as we could ascertain prices were about the same as the previous day. We quote:

BONDED—At 39@40c, some dealers asking 40 cents.

FREE—At 49@50, some dealers holding out for 51c. We note a sale of 300 bbls bonded at 40c, a favorite brand; 100 bbls do at 40c; 60 do at 40c. Free Oil—sales 200 bbls at 50c.

CRUDE—The receipts were large. Buyers were holding off to see what might turn up. Sales 500 bbls, packages returned, at 20c; 100 do at 20c.

BENZOLE—Dull, with more sellers than buyers. Sales 55 bbls deodorized on wharf at 16c.

TAR—In moderate demand. Sales 75 bbls at $4,00 ₱ bbl.

Oil Receipts per Allegheny River.

R. Ashworth	bbls.
J. R. M'Cune	860
J. Wilkins	200
Hill & Thum	590
Dalzell & Son	10
Leidy & Co	159
Pennock, Ball & Co	68
Duncan, Dunlap & Co	414
Gallagher & Denver	100
Brewer, Burke & Co	182
James Lindsay	121
James Benny	150
L. Thum	200
H. M'Kelvey	25
	440

Cincinnati Tobacco Market.

The sales of Leaf Tobacco at Bodman's Warehouse, were 14 hhds, viz: 4 hhds Kentucky Lugs at $5,50@5,75; 3 hhds Ohio: 1 at $5; 1 at $7 1 at $7,75; 3 hhds old Kentucky Leaf at $22,50; 1 hhd new Virginia Lugs at $6; 3 hhds old Missouri Lugs at $13,50, and 45 boxes, as follows: 40 cases old Ohio Seed-leaf Wrappers and Fillers, ranging from $7,50 to $24,25; 5 boxes new Ohio at $5,75 to $7,50. Receipts light.

Cincinnati Whisky Market.

Whisky operators construed the news as to the acting of Congress in regard to taxation favorably for their interests, and became decidedly buoyant in their feelings. The market was made at 86c, but there were but few sales beyond those which had been contracted previously, and some were made privately, we learn, at 90c, than 90c.

Boston Stock Market.

BOSTON, March 7.—At Boston stocks were steady. Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore closed at 72; Rockland 175; Isle Royale 29; Franklin 50¼; Central 60¾; Powahic 85½; Minnesota 85; Quincy 89; Vermont and Massachusetts 39¾; Mesnard 13¾, and Water Power 47¼.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 7.—In gold the fluctuations to-day have been as follows:

9½, 9⅝, 10, 10⅛, 11, 10⅛, 12, 10⅛, 11, 10⅛, 10⅜, 10⅛, 10⅜, 10⅛, 10⅜