LOCAL AFFAIRS.

FRIDAY MORNING.....MARCH 7.

Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad.—The receipts of this road for the month of February, published in yesterday's *Post*, shows, that, notwithstanding the numerous disadvantages the unprecedented weather of the past winter has thrown in the way of its profitable working, the business considerably exceeded that of the same month last year. This increase is a flattering augury of what may be expected during the summer season. The spring business is just commencing, and already the depot in Allegheny is crowded with piles of freight awaiting shipment westward. Under a wise, economical policy, this road may yet become one of the most profitable in the country.

The road is now newly stocked; the equipments being sufficient for the transportation of a larrger business than has, as yet, been offered. The equipments, as we learn from the report of the Chief Engineer, Mr. S. W. Roberts, consist of 49 locomotives, 35 first and 7 second class passenger cars; 11 baggage cars, 365 horse cars, for freight and live stock, and 103 platform cars; besides which, there are 160 four wheeled gravel cars, some of which are used for carrying coal. A considerable portion of this equipment has been added since 1854, when it was found insufficient to accommodate the immense travel thrown upon the road, in consequence of the lowness of the Ohio river. That year the business was larger than it has been since or before, but not equal to what it will be when the different roads with which it is connected, are completed. The Fort Wayne and Chicago, the direct western extension, will add immensely to its business, as will also the Springfield, Mt. Vernon and Pittsburgh. Both these roads will undoubtedly be completed before a great while.

The completion of the bridge across the Allegheny, and the consequent direct connection with the Pennsylvania railroad in this city, are also matters which concern the prosperity of the company, and we are glad to hear that it is more than probable the bridge will be finished during the coming year. The eastern abutment, and piers Nos. 1 and 2, are up to the coping, and piers Nos. 3, 4 and 5 will require only a month's work to put them in the same condition. Pier No. 6, and the western abutment are not yet begun, but the materials for them are provided. The bridge, which will be built for a double track, is to have seven spans, corresponding with the spans of the aqueduct; six of the spans will be each 155 feet in the clear, and the eastern span will be 166 feet. The masonry is now in such a forward state as to permit the raising of the superstructure to be begun at any time on the eastern end. Proposals have been received from a number of builders for this portion of the work, and the allotment will probably be shortly made. It is estimated that the bridge will cost $150,000, which sum has been subscribed and paid by the Pennsylvania Railroad for the completion of the work. The amount of the estimates for work done and materials furnished up to the present time is $74,306.

Theatre.—Benefit of Mr. Neafie.—A splendid bill is announced to-night for the Benefit of Mr. Neafie. The favorite piece of the Corsican Brothers, which has not been performed here for a long while, will be presented, together with the excellent play of Don Cæsar de Bazan. Mr. Neafie's representation of the last mentioned character cannot be excelled; he has made it, the part, peculiarly his own, and his personation is recognized everywhere as inimitable. If the first piece be will appear as Fabien and Louis. The bill and the occasion demand a full house, and doubtless the Theatre will be crowded.

The next Lecture before the Young Men's Library Association will be delivered on Tuesday evening, by George Sumner, Esq., of Boston. Subject—Old Europe and Young America.

Extensive Furniture Sale.—At 10 o'clock this morning, will be commenced the sale of the entire Furniture, &c., of the National Hotel, Water Street, near Smithfield Street. M. Davis Auctioneer.

District Court.—Hon. M. Hampton on the Bench Thursday, March 6, 1856.

Samuel Morrison, *et al.* vs. Thomas B. and George W. Smith. No. 887, November Term, 1854. Shaler, Stanton and Pollock for plaintiffs: G. P. Hamilton for defendants. Action of ejectment for 100 acres of land in Peebles township. On trial.

In the case of Shoenberger vs. Duncan, the jury retired about noon, but up to the adjournment of Court had agreed on no verdict.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 19, 1856.

Messrs. Hostetter & Smith, No. 267 Penn street, Pittsburgh.

We anticipate that HOSTETTER'S BITTERS will soon become as popular in California as they have in the older States of the Union. Every party that have tried them wants more, and dealers who have bought them from us have not failed to renew their orders. As the demand is daily increasing, we desire that you should ship us, via New York, 50 doz. per month until further notice. We have orders on file from Honolulu, Sandwich Islands.

Very truly, yours, PARK & WHITE.
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MARCH MADNESS.—This new invention is highly appreciated, and some sales of rights have been made on good terms. Every one that sees the machine pronounces it one of the most ingenious inventions of the age, and one sure to make the fortunes of those who engage in the business. The trade is a very large one, and has heretofore furnished profitable employment to many firms in this country. With this new machine its profits can be doubled or trebled, and the amount of capital required to do a large business is very small. There are fortunes in it, and the people are evidently finding it out.

A company is forming, to be called the Allegheny County Match Company, to start the business at once in this city. Call at Eaton's, No. 80 Fourth street, and look at one of the neatest inventions of the age.

AUCTION SALES.

PRIVATE LIBRARY OF CHOICE LITERATURE.—On SATURDAY evening, March 8th, commencing at 7 o'clock, will be sold at the Commercial Sales Rooms, corner of Wood and Fifth streets, by catalogue, a very choice collection of favorite authors in English literature and standard works, from the private library of a gentleman removing. Many of the volumes are of quite recent issue, comprising some of the most attractive books of the day, and all in good condition. Among them will be found all the volumes of Longfellow and Tennyson, Charles Lamb's Works, Life and Correspondence of Lord Jeffrey, Memoir of Sidney Smith, Wordsworth's Poems complete, 7 vols., Reid's Poems, Works of Leigh Hunt, Keats, Coleridge, Washington Irving, Lord Byron, 8 vols.; Shakspeare, 8 vols.; the Waverley Novels, full sets; Blackwood's, Illustrated London News, 8 vols.; London Punch, 2 vols.; Brande's Encyclopedia of Science, Literature and Art; Latin and English Lexicons; Greek and English Lexicons; Hebrew and English Lexicons; Webster's Dictionary; The London Crystal Palace, illustrated, 8 vols.; National Gallery of Engravings, 2 volumes; Perry's Religious, now edition; Burton's Anatomy of Melancholy; Kirby's Wonderful Museum, 6 vols.; Memoirs of Life and Writings of Dr. Chalmers, 4 vols.; Grace Greenwood's Haps and Mishaps in Europe; Writings of Sam Slick, London edition; Statesman's Manual, 4 vols.; Lossing's National History of the United States, 2 vols.; Kaleidoscope, and other French authors; Hazlitt's Napoleon, 4 volumes, &c. Also, a number of elegant Water Color PRINTS, Choice Lithographs and Artist Studies of the old masters, which were selected in London and Paris.

Catalogues will be ready and Books arranged for examination on Thursday morning.

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FOR RENT—The commodious Three Story Brick Dwelling House, No. 89 Penn street, with extensive back buildings, bake-house, wash house, bath room, &c., finished in modern style, with gas, hot and cold water, and other conveniences—to which is attached a large yard, with grapery, ornamental trees, &c. All in fine order.

Enquire of P. M. DAVIS,
Corner of Wood and Fifth streets.
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NATIONAL HOTEL FURNITURE, &c., AT AUCTION.—On FRIDAY morning, March 7th, at 11 o'clock, at the National Hotel, Water street, near Smithfield street, will be continued the sale of the entire stock of Furniture, fixtures, &c., of that extensive establishment, comprising, in part—

60 high and low post cherry and walnut Bedsteads, Feather Beds, Bedding, Husk Mattresses, Dressing and plain Bureaus, Work Stands, Wash Stands, Chamber-ware; cane seat, fancy and common Chairs; Rockers, Settees; hair seat Sofa and Rocker; parlor, chamber and stair Carpets; hall and stair Oil Cloths; hearth Rugs; Russia Fenders and Fire; Venetian Blinds; Window Curtains, Looking Glasses, &c.

Also, large Extension Tables; China, Glass and Queensware; Spoons and Plated Ware; Cloaking Dishes; Knives and Forks; Table Cloths; Cooking Stoves, kitchen utensils, bar fixtures, &c., &c.

Also, one Bay Mare and Baggage Wagon.

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A CARD.—A very desirable collection of finely illustrated works, standard and late publications, embracing the choicest English and American authors in elegant literature, (being the library of a gentleman removing), will be sold, on SATURDAY EVENING, March 8th, at Davis Commercial Sales Rooms, corner of Wood and Fifth streets. Catalogues for distribution and Books for examination, on Thursday morning.

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PEREMPTORY SALE, by order of Orphans' Court, of superior MERCHANT AND GRIST MILL, BALDWIN FARM AND IMPROVEMENTS.—On THURSDAY afternoon, March 20th, at 2 o'clock, on the premises, will be sold, by order of Mrs. Mary B. Davis, Administratrix of the late James H. Davis, deceased, that valuable piece of LAND, situate on Chartiers Creek, four miles from Pittsburgh, on the Steubenville Turnpike Road, in Robinson and Chartiers townships, containing four acres and seventy perches, on which is erected a first-class Flouring Mill, in good order, capable of turning out 180 barrels of flour per day, with a Store House, Dwelling House, Cooper Shop, Stable, &c. The mill contains four pair burrs, three sets bolting cloths, three screens, two grist machines, corn crusher and other improvements. The water power is among the best in the country, to which is added steam power when required.

Also, that valuable Farm adjoining the above, at present occupied by Mrs. Davis, containing upwards of 68½ acres choice Land, with Mansion House, Barn, Stable, and other buildings. Fruit Trees, Shrubbery, &c., in a high state of cultivation, which may be divided into several handsome country seats, being among the most desirable situations in the vicinity of this city, and in a neighborhood highly improved.

Title indisputable. Terms: One-third cash; residue in one and two years, with interest payable semi-annually.

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RYE FLOUR—40 bbls choice Rye Flour just received on consignment and for sale by
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THIRTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

WASHINGTON CITY, March 6.—*Senate.*—Mr. Brown introduced a bill for the construction of a Railroad and telegraph line from some point on the Mississippi river, south of latitude 37, to the Pacific Ocean, at San Francisco. The bill grants about forty millions of acres of land, for which the company are to pay 50 cents per acre before obtaining a title, and also requires them to deposit half a million of dollars as security that they will faithfully carry out the work according to the provisions of the bill, and for the completion of 100 miles within 18 months; the government to pay $600 per mile for carrying the mail until the road is finished, and for ten years thereafter, and such reasonable sum as the Secretary of War may determine for carrying troops, munitions of war, etc. The road is to be forfeited if not built within ten years, and all the land paid for to revert in that event to the United States. The bill grants the right of way 400 yards wide, but gives no exclusive privileges, allowing any company to construct the roads when and where they please, and obtain such favors from the government as they can. It was referred to a Committee on Pacific Railroad.

Mr. Weller said the Committee would endeavor to report next week.

The Senate then resumed the consideration of the Fortification Bills.

The Senate passed the usual Fortification Bill. That providing new works was postponed.

The Senate considered Mr. Sumner's resolution directing the Committee on Foreign Relations to consider the expediency of some act of legislature having the concurrence of both Houses in effectually to abrogate the treaty with Denmark, repudiating the payment of Sound dues.

Mr. Sumner argued that notice was given by the President, by direction of the Senate, in executive session, of the termination of the treaty, which is defective, inasmuch as treaties are part of the supreme law of the land, and can only be abrogated by the action of both Houses, and approved by the President.

Messrs. Seward, Fessenden, Collamer, Crittenden and Stewart sustained Mr. Sumner's views, and Messrs. Mason, Toucey and Cass opposed them.

The resolution was passed, and the Senate adjourned until Monday.

House.—The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Court of Claims, enclosing bills making appropriations for the payment of certain private claims, together with the evidence and the judgment of the Court. This is the first case of the kind originating under the act creating that tribunal.

Some debate arose regarding the proper disposition of these bills, as is precedent was now to be established. One side contended that they should be sent to the Committee on Claims for examination, while the other argued that the action of the Court superseded such necessity.

The subject was finally informally.

The House then took up and passed the military and invalid pension bills.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the resolution empowering the Committee on Elections to send for persons and papers on the Kansas contested election.

Mr. Boyce thought the irrelevant matter for the report of the majority might not have been intended to influence the public mind on the agitating question, but the Committee had given undue confidence to rumors. Mr. Boyce did not believe that taking testimony in Kansas by Commissioners, would be attended by such ungrammatical consequences as the Committee apprehended; should the power asked be granted, we should have brought hither a swarm of witnesses. The testimony should be taken among those territories, taking cognizance to the fact that we have something else to do than running here on a crusade of evidence. He contended that the Legislature of Kansas which passed the statute under which Whitfield was elected was legal, because the office of delegate was created by the Kansas Nebraska act, and whoever claimed it, should show that he was elected under the former law, which was not the case with Reeder, who was a traitor if he gave more than 2,905 legitimate votes, and Whitfield would be believing there entitled to seats. It was better far to have retreated to the forest, or to Fort Leaven worth, than to falsify his position.

Mr. Bingham said the committee, in asking for power to send for persons and papers, desired only to elicit the truth, which can wrong no man. This was demanded by the interest of nations and the sacredness of law, which had been violated. It was proclaimed in the report that this power was not within the discretion of the House. The only question is whether such a case can be made out as would authorize such an investigation. If, as is apparent by on the face of the record, Whitfield is a usurper and Reeder the legal claimant, then a case of fraud is made out, and can only be abrogated by the action of both Houses, and approved by the President.

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