LOCAL AFFAIRS.

MONDAY MORNING.....APRIL 28.

Board of Trade.

Below will be found an address to the citizens of Pittsburgh, which we commend to the attention of our readers:—

To the Merchants, Manufacturers, Mechanics and Citizens of Pittsburgh:

The Directors of the "Board of Trade and Merchants' Exchange," in pursuance of their duty, and with a deep and abiding sense of the importance to the City of Pittsburgh of sustaining this institution in the manner and objects for which it has so far been conducted, take this method of appealing to your liberality and public spirit.

It is needless to say that they cannot be actuated by any selfish motives or interests. Their office as Directors is no sinecure, but often attended with a sacrifice of time from their ordinary business, attended with an anxious concern as to its support from their fellow citizens and its successful continuance.

Every profession, manufacturer, merchant and citizen, must, on reflection, perceive the importance to a city as large as ours, (as well as to each individual,) of a common centre or nucleus, wherein statistical facts and intelligence are gained, recorded and transmitted; wherein the varied phases of public improvement, legislative acts, commercial regulations, and the "one hundred and one" suggestions of a public character that are constantly springing up at home and abroad, are discussed, analyzed and shaped for the examination of, approval or rejection by the people.

As a "Board of Trade," they are, and necessarily must be, conversant with all the customary rules and regulations that govern the several cities with whom we have intercourse, and the interchanges of opinions and views which are oftentimes of greater importance than of commodities. Seldom a week, or even a day passes without there silent and unobtrusive effects being felt and enjoyed, without the remotest idea of their emanation. It cannot be too highly appreciated in a community like ours, where private individual interest and a close observance of private interests preclude the attention they deserve, or a mental inactivity which would otherwise place the burthen upon others.

As an "Exchange," it can be understood only by a neglect of its advantages. A customary attendance at a certain hour would save much time and many steps and individual acquaintances formed which would prove of great acquisition to parties. No business man should withhold his mite in sustaining the institution on account of his own lethargy and non attendance. With these general remarks, the Board of Directors submit the following statement. To carry out the object and design of the "Board of Trade and Merchants' Exchange," as now organized, incurs an expenditure of at least $3,000 per year. If one link in the chain of current expenses be broken, the present system of collecting all the statistics and information, and keeping the books necessary to fully illustrate the business of Pittsburgh, must be abandoned, and the institution sink back into comparative insignificance, depending, as heretofore, on the public spirit and energy of two or three individuals for the preservation of its charter and valuable documents.

The price of membership, $20 per year, has deterred many worthy citizens, professional men and merchants from becoming members, while *none* have did subscribe enough to adequate their actual expenses, on the ground that the expenses are too heavy.

To meet the current expenses, with a continuance of the present system, the Directors propose to reduce the the subscription fee to $10 per year, so that as one hundred and fifty members are said to be in the City there being at present about that number who will pay on the first year. Thus, if each member will procure one subscriber the number and amount is complete.

It is confidently believed that in a city like Pittsburgh—with its 100,000 inhabitants—we count all who are immediately interested, a sufficient number of such at $10 per year will be found to sustain the institution and its usefulness unimpaired.

The Board of Directors have, therefore, resolved to appoint committees to wait upon all whose interest is to become members, and this appeal it is hoped will find its way to their hearts and purses, and the required amount be furnished without doubt or moderate degree of public spirit among business men will remove all fears of the institution becoming impaired.

By order of the Board,

L. WILMARTH, Pres't.

Corrigan's Death Warrant Read. The warrant for Hugh Corrigan's execution was read to the unfortunate man in the jailor's private room, on Saturday afternoon last, in presence of Jailor Phillips, Sheriff Patterson, the Sheriff of Westmoreland, and two or three other gentlemen from the same county. Corrigan did not express himself in any manner during the reading of the dreadful instrument that condemned him to a felon's grave, but maintained the stoical indifference which has been characteristic of him since his conviction. When Mr. Phillips entered his cell and remarked, "Hugh, I have bad news for you, the death warrant has arrived," Corrigan merrily replied, "well, I have been expecting that for some time." Shortly afterward Corrigan came to Mr. Phillips, weeping, and requested that he admit no person to see him during the remainder of the day. The time appointed for his execution is Friday, the 29th day of July. The place assigned, the yard of the Westmoreland county jail.

Fire in the Second Ward. The alarm of fire at noon on Saturday was caused by the burning of the roofs of three houses, in Nicholson's Row, on Second street, Eighth Ward. It appears that the chimney of one of the houses caught fire about two o'clock on Saturday morning, and, despite all efforts to extinguish it until the flames were communicated to the rafters, when the general alarm was given. The timely arrival of the firemen prevented the flames from spreading, and the only damage done was the burning of the roofs of the three buildings. A sick woman who occupied the third story of house No. 1 became near being suffocated in her bed, but was fortunately rescued by the firemen, and placed in safety at a neighboring dwelling. The buildings are very old, and are the property of Mr. John Nicholson, who has an insurance upon them to a limited amount.

Decision.—The case of John McIntyre vs. Kennedy, Childs & Co., action to recover $67, was decided on Saturday by Judge M'Clure. The facts of the case are briefly these: Messrs. Kennedy, Childs & Co., gave to John McIntyre a check for $67.06, on Hoon & Sargent, bankers, in part payment of a debt. McIntyre gave the check to John Dean in payment of a debt, and the latter deposited it in the Farmer's Deposit Bank. When the Bank proceeded to Hoon & Sargent's office to have the check cashed, it was found that house had closed. The check was then returned by the bank to Dean, and by him to McIntyre, who brought this suit against Kennedy, Childs & Co., to recover the value of the check. Judge M'Clure, after a careful review of the case, ordered judgment to be entered for the defendants and against plaintiff.

Argument on the Appointment of Viewers.—The argument on the motion to appoint viewers to assess the damages on the property occupied by the outer depot and machine shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad was submitted on Saturday to Judge M'Clure and Associates. Messrs. W. A. Stokes and John H. Hampton appeared for the railroad company, and Messrs. Shaler & Co., and Williams & Sproul for James O'Hara and W. M. Darlington and wife. Their Honors reserved the decision.

Che'ap Dry Goods.—The attention of the ladies is directed to the large and valuable stock of dry goods just opened at A. M'Tighe's, corner of Grant and Fifth streets, embracing Dress Silks, Mantillas, Stella Shawls, French Lawns, Linens of every description, De Laines, Berages, Robes, Challis, Collars and Sleeves, Domestic Goods, men's and boys' wear, French Chintzes, Parasols, Gloves, &c. Also a large lot of Carpets, all of which will be sold at prices that cannot fail to give satisfaction.

A young lady in the neighborhood of Brownsville, who was under the treatment of the celebrated Dr. C. M. Pitch when upon a visit to this city about a year ago, is at present in the city in excellent health, which she attributes to the skilful treatment of the Doctor. She feels impelled by gratitude to speak of the efficacy of Dr. Pitch's treatment, and disposed to lend her influence to induce those afflicted with pulmonary complaints to visit the Doctor before leaving the city.

Pittsburgher sent to Jail in Cincinnati. We mentioned the other day that one Israel J. Barry, for merly a telegraphic operator in this city, had been arrested in Cincinnati. The papers state that the offence was the examining the contents of other persons's pockets, and that for one offence he was sentenced to 40 days imprisonment. On the other, sentence was deferred until his time for the first should expire.

In Town.—Mr. W. S. Campbell, of the St. Lawrence Hotel, Philadelphia, is in the city, stopping at the St. Charles. He is, we are glad to note, doing a prosperous business in Philadelphia, and in the enjoyment of perfect health.

Rule Discharged. The rule to issue attachments for the arrest of the President and Directors of the Chartiers Valley Railroad, for refusing to comply with an order of Court, was dismissed on Saturday morning by order of Judge M'Clure.

The City Councils hold their regular monthly meeting to-night.

Applications for Divorce.—Matrimony appears to be getting unpopular with the approach of warm weather. Two such were presented in the Court of Common Pleas on Friday. Peter Low from Margaret Low; and Sarah Johnston, by her father and next best friend, Alex. Marshall, requested that the bond matrimonial be broken between her and John Johnston. Subpoenas issued in both cases.

As several new buildings are in process of erection and others being repaired on Fifth street, between Wood and Smithfield streets, we would kindly hint to the contractors the urgent necessity of keeping the pavements clear for pedestrians who daily crowd this avenue.

The Annual Militia Parades.—By a notice from Inspector John H. McIlhenny, in another column, it will be seen our citizen soldiery are requested to devote one day to their country. Soldiers, your country calls! Obey.

☞ When the Slightest Derangement is indicated by costiveness, or any other sign, it admonishes us that superadditive aid is wanting, which should at once be met out of hand, and the most easy and natural method to do this is to take DR. J. HOSTETER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS. They operate equally on all the diseased parts of the system, cleanse the diseased liver of that excess of bile which is constantly discharging into the stomach, regulate it to its natural state, operate on the blood, and remove all impurities and effectually cleanse the stomach and bowels, and restore to them a healthy and vigorous action. In this way they strike at the root of the disease, open the pores, externally and internally, prompting the insensible perspiration, and obviating all disease arising from a disordered state of the liver or stomach, and for sale by

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For sale, wholesale, by CROSWELL M. & CLARK, Third street between Wood and Market, and H. H. KEYSER, 110 Wood street; and by druggists generally.

☞ NOTICE.—The Carpenters employed in the Erection of the PITTSBURGH AND VICTORIA HOUSE, City of Pittsburgh, will meet at 7½ P. M. THIS DAY, May 1st, 1856, to the proprietors organizing and Company.

By order. THOMAS A. COFFEY,
apl28-2t-eod Acting Secretary.

☞ $3.00 Hats—Spring Style.—We have a finer style of silk Hat that we sell all for three dollars, that cannot be excelled in the city. Call and examine at the Anti-Monopoly

MORGAN & Co., 161 Wood street.

AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE.—H. C. FOSTER, Sole Lessee and Manager. Wm. H. BIRD, Stage Manager. Chas. Foster, Treasurer. J. V. Emmett, Acting Manager. Prompter. J. W. Wallack, Jr. Musical Director. Prof. Rocco. Scenic Artist. Mr. Grimaldi. Costumier. Mrs. Foster.

Prices and Perquisite Tickets.—Dress Circle, 50 cts. Private Boxes, $5 and $3. Parquette and Parquette Circle, 50 cts. Private Boxes, $5 and $3. Family Circle, 25 cts. Gallery, 12½ cts. Doors open at 7½ o'clock. Curtain rises at 8 o'clock.

Last night of MR. JAMES BRAMPTON.

MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 28, 1856,

The Merchant of Venice—Shylock, Mr. James Brampton. Bassanio, Mr. Charles Foster. Gratiano, Mr. Wallack. Lorenzo, Mr. Bird. Duke of Venice, Mr. Wallack. Portia, Mrs. A. W. Wallack. Nerissa, Mrs. Wallack.

To conclude with the

Bachelor's Bedroom—Mr. Gallop, Mr. Wallack. Mrs. Gallop, Mrs. Wallack.

JOHN W. MORTIMER, BILL POSTER AND DISTRIBUTOR, respectfully solicits the patronage of the public, and intends to give satisfaction to all who may favor him with their patronage. Orders left at the Post Office, or addressed to him through the Post Office, will receive prompt attention.

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