LOCAL AFFAIRS.

THURSDAY MORNING.....MAY 15.

Fine Remittitur.—Judge Williams yesterday remitted the fine of $20 each on Leonard Bayer, Jr., P. M. Davis, Henry Woods and John H. Page, four of the nine non-attending jurors who were ordered to be mulcted in that sum on Tuesday.

Peter Grandy vs. Abram Greenwood. This case, tried on Tuesday, was brought to a close yesterday by the jury finding a verdict of $185.85 for the plaintiff, subject to the decision of the Court on the question reversed.

B. F. Collins vs. R. H. Patterson. This was an action to recover damages for injuries, which the plaintiff alleges were inflicted on him by the defendant under the following circumstances: Collins engaged two horses at the stable of Mr. Patterson; but when they were brought out he did not seem to like their appearance, and refusing to take them, followed Patterson and demanded that his money should be returned to him. Mr. P. refused the demand, alleging that he had kept the horses for him expressly, and would therefore lose their earnings for the day were he to return the money. Some words ensued, during which Patterson took Collins by the shoulder and proceeded to push him out of the stable. He persisted in staying inside until he got his money; and Patterson hitting him with his hand on the side of the head, the ground for the present action was laid. The jury returned a verdict of $ 1 4 cents.

Burke vs. James Blakely; verdict for plaintiff $1,063.92.

Wm. Schmer's administrator vs. Jacob Smith, administrator. Plaintiffs take a non-suit.

J. F. Richart, surviving partner of Wm. Lehmer & Co., vs. Same. Plaintiff takes a non-suit.

Samuel Ward vs. Alfred B. Carling, Wm. Eichbaum and Joseph Coltart. This is an action for breach of covenant, for wages and expenses incurred in running the Oakland line of Omnibusses, of which the defendants were owners. On trial.

Meeting of Lawyers.—A number of lawyers belonging to the American and Republican parties met yesterday forenoon in the Court House to discuss the propriety of holding a Union Convention on the 4th of June next, to nominate a county ticket. T. J. Bigham, Esq. presided. Considerable diversity of opinion existed on the subject, some urging its necessity, while others opposed it with the utmost vehemence. The Republicans appeared to look upon the movement as a "dodge" of the Americans to wheedle them into the support of a county ticket which must inevitably be composed of individuals who have seen "Sam." T. J. Howard, candidate for Congress, Edwin Stowe (law partner of a candidate for District Attorney, and Jasper E. Brady (not a candidate for any office,) were the principal advocates for early nominations. E. D. Gazzam, C. B. M. Smith, and W. J. F. White agreed to put off the County Convention until the Wednesday following the 3d Saturday of August. The legal gentlemen then retired to their respective offices and to the District Court, then in session.

Important to Persons travelling Do-nan-way, or Ver-sa-illes.—We learn that the Penna. Central and the Ohio and Penna. Railroads intend carrying persons wishing to attend the National Democratic Convention at Cincinnati for one half the usual fare charged. This is a commendable move on the part of these companies, but one by which they will lose nothing, as it will induce numbers to be present on that interesting occasion, who otherwise would not be present. It is estimated that from thirty to fifty thousand strangers will visit the Queen City on the 2d of June. From this State alone a delegation of from three to four thousand will be present to urge the claims of "Old Buck."

Change of Time on the Penna. Railroad.—By reference to the advertisement it will be seen that the Lightning Train, which was withdrawn some time in February, has again been put on. It leaves Pittsburgh for Philadelphia at 2.30 P. M. The Night Express Train, which formerly departed at 9 10 P. M., will hereafter depart at precisely 10 o'clock, P. M. The trains on the O. & P. Railroad, and all other connecting roads have been so arranged as to tally with this new arrangement.

Pocket-Picks in Lepids.—On Monday afternoon three of the light fingered gentry who have been operating so extensively of late, were ferreted out by the police, and after an examination were committed to jail to take their trial. The last person whose pocket had been robbed by these experts, was the Hon. Jere Clemens, late U. S. Senator from Alabama. He made an information, and the cuives were arrested while smoking and drinking ale at their room at the Perry Hotel. They are all Englishmen, and gave the names of J. W. Brown, J. Wilson, and Charles Graham.

Thieves Captured.—Two men, named Eli Shaver and Joseph Margarey, were arrested Tuesday evening, by officer Ray and Hamilton, on the Monongahela levee, on a charge of robbing the wooden factory of John Cassels, in Connellsville, Westmoreland county. The robbery was committed on the night of the 9th inst., and these gentlemen were caught while wheeling a number of pieces of cassett toward one of the steamers on the levee.

Rise in Dam No. 2. About 1 o'clock yesterday morning, upwards of 100 feet of Dam No. 2, on the Monongahela Slack water, was swept away from the western side. It is expected that a crib will be thrown across the breach in a few days, and that navigation will not be materially interrupted. The giving way of the Dam caused a swell of nearly a foot in the Monongahela at this point.

Livery Stable in Kittanning. Those visiting Kittanning who wish to take a ride or drive around either for pleasure or curiosity, will find excellent horse and buggies at Mr. Portsmouth's Livery Stable. His location is corner of Market and Water streets, Kittanning. See his card in another column.

We call the attention of those desirous of escaping the city, and of gardeners generally, to a farm for rent, advertised in this paper, containing twenty four acres, just below the city, opposite Manchester. Inquire of the Messrs. Sawyer, No. 17 Wood street.

The Legislative Investigators continue their sessions at the Court House, and are making progress in hearing the evidence on behalf of applicants. We published yesterday a list of the cases coming up to-day.

A valuable coal farm in Baltimore township, six miles from the city, is to be sold by order of the Orphans' Court, this morning, at 10 o'clock, by P. M. Davis, auctioneer, at the Court House.

Some excellent articles of furniture, and a fine Piano, are to be sold this afternoon at Davis' Sale-Rooms, corner Wood and Fifth streets, commencing at 2 o'clock.

Valuable Bank Stocks, and Monongahela Navigation Company Scrip, will be sold this evening, at the Merchants' Exchange, Fourth street, by P. M. Davis, auctioneer.

Mlle. Parodi's Concert will not come off until Monday evening next, she and her troupe having been unavoidably detained.

George W. Jamison, the celebrated tragedian, is in town, and stopping at the St. Clair Hotel.

☞ **When the Slightest Derangement** is indicated by costiveness, or any other sign, it admonishes us that superfluities are gathering which should at once be rid of, and the most easy and natural method to do this is to take Dr. J. HOSTETTER'S CEL. BRATED 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, restore 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 the way they strike at the root of the disease, open the pores, externally and internally, prompting the insensible perspiration, and obviating all diseases arising from a disordered state of the liver or stomach, and for sale by HOSTETTER & SMITH.

Sole manufacturer and proprietors, No. 267 Penn street, and by druggists and hotels generally throughout the United States and Canada.

☞ **Clark's Stomach Bitters** are acknowledged by all who have tried them to be the best family medicine of the age, for the cure of Dyspepsia, Costiveness, and a disordered state of the Liver and Stomach. They have no rival. The proprietors do not pretend to cajole people from using other preparations that are palmed upon the public under the name of Stomach Bitters, for they have found that only one trial was needed to render such caution unnecessary.

For sale, wholesale, by COLLUM & CLARK, Third street, between Wood and Market; GEO. H. KEYSER, 140 Wood street; and by druggists generally.

☞ NOTICE.—The Stockholders of the Little Saw Mill Run Railroad Company are hereby notified that there will be a MEETING of the Stockholders of said Company on the TWENTIETH MAY NEXT, at 1 o'clock, P. M., at the Office of the Company at the River, to adopt or reject the Supplement to the Charter passed by the Legislature, and for other purposes.

JACOB HENRICI, Pres't.

TOBACCO.—75 half boxes favorite brands for sale by [my5] JOHN MOORHEAD.

THE LATEST NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

THIRTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—*House.*—Mr. Bennett, of New York, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported a bill granting a million acres of land to Florida to aid in the construction of three Railroads, embracing five hundred miles, and moved the previous question.

Mr. Jones, of Tennessee, said the House had come to a pretty pass, when bills of this character, involving large appropriations, cannot be inquired into unless by the grace and special favor of the Committee which report them.

Mr. Bennett thought he was doing the House a favor by proposing to get rid of these bills as soon as he could. It was well known that if they were to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, they could not be acted on this session. In reply to an enquiry, Mr. Bennett said the Committee on Public Lands intend reporting similar bills for Railroads in Michigan, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Wisconsin, requiring six million acres.

An unsuccessful motion was made to lay the bill on the table.

The bill was passed by 4 against 57.

The House considered the bill defining the duties of Commissioners of Election in Washington, pending which the House adjourned.

Senate.—Mr. Clayton said he had seen in the daily newspapers an extract, purporting to be from a letter of the British Minister at Washington, dated March 31st, 1856, in which Mr. Crampton says: "It will be within your Lordship's recollection, that Mr. Clayton was informed by Sir Henry Bulwer, before the treaty of 1850 was signed, that Ruatan was *de jure* and *de facto* a British possession, and Mr. Clayton has on various occasions since, in conversation with me, stated that he considered Ruatan as much a British possession as Jamaica or any other British West India Island." Mr. Clayton branded this statement as utterly untrue in every part. The British Minister must have laboured under as strange a hallucination as ever entered the brain of any man, to make such a declaration. Nothing like it had ever escaped him in conversation with Mr. C., or anybody else. Fortunately for him the fact did not rest merely upon the statement of Mr. C., and himself; he had a living witness. First he called attention to a letter written by Mr. C., and read in the Senate on the 12th of January, 1854, in the course of one of Mr. Clayton's speeches, in which he attempted to prove that Ruatan was not a dependency of Balize, and was not exempted from the provisions of the treaty of 1850. He then had Mr. Crampton's testimony on the subject, and read it to the Senate, and will now read it again to contradict Mr. Crampton's statement, which was made known to him this morning for the first time, and of which he had not the most remote conception. In this letter Mr. Crampton said the dependencies of British Honduras are, in my opinion, distinctly enumerated in the treaty of 1786. He had made this statement deliberately, and the irresistible conclusion was that Ruatan was not included in those dependencies. Mr. Clayton said that when he was detained at his lodgings, by sickness, in February or March last, he was called upon by Mr. Crampton, and while they were engaged in conversation on this subject, Mr. Crampton came in to see Mr. Clayton to dine with him. Mr. Clayton was sick to accept the invitation, but he took occasion to ask Mr. Crampton if he knew anything of the letter, in which he was so decidedly, positively, and strongly exempted from the operation of the treaty, and Mr. Crampton, in the most unequivocal terms, acknowledged that there was no truth in the report that Mr. Clayton had ever made any such statement to him.

Mr. Crittenden corroborated Mr. Clayton's statement. He could not pretend to detail the conversation at which he was accidentally present, according to his recollection the substance of it was directly contrary to the statement in the newspaper, and sustained the account Mr. Clayton had given.

Mr. Clayton said he had made a speech after speaking in the Senate, endeavoring to show the perverse of what he was represented as admitting. He was willing to put the most charitable construction upon it, but it was an utter mistake.

Mr. Case thought it very certain that Mr. Crampton, unless in some fit of insanity, could never have written the letter attributed to him.

Mr. Pratt inquired what evidence there was that the letter was authentic. He thought that there must be some mistake.

Mr. Clayton had no knowledge as to its authenticity. When his attention was called to it this morning, he was much astonished, and his first impulse was to deprive the statement of any weight he thought it was false. If Mr. Crampton never made such a statement, he was not injured by these remarks, but if he had made it, it was for Mr. Crampton to vindicate it. He had appeared in the public prints, and publicly denied or disavowed Mr. Clayton was bound to suppose that it was a genuine document. He should however, be happy to be assured of the contrary.

Mr. Fish in response to a question of Mr. Clayton said, that while he thought there was some mistake in the copy of the letter, in the course of two days' interview with Mr. Crampton, the latter stated distinctly that Mr. Clayton always denied that Ruatan was a British possession.

Mr. Case said that Great Britain being repeatedly driven from one point of defence had invariably taken refuge at another, as recent events showed.

The Senate after debate refused to reconsider the vote by which on Friday was passed the Nicaragua Land Bill.

The Senate then adjourned.

Massachusetts Republicans. Fillmore and Donelson.

BOSTON, May 14.—Anti Fillmore partisans in the delegates to the American Convention were in session yesterday till midnight. Sixty delegates were present. Wilder Johnston presiding. A resolution was passed, repudiating in behalf of the American party in Massachusetts, the nominations of Fillmore and Donelson, as inconsistent with the Springfield platform, and the principles to which the American party stand pledged. Delegates were appointed to the National Convention at New York to meet on the 12th of June, and a State Central Committee was chosen.

Mr. Buchanan at Washington

WASHINGTON, May 14. Mr Buchanan arrived last evening, accompanied by a committee of the Baltimore Council. A large number of persons at the railroad platform received and walked with him to the National Hotel, where he was greeted with cheers. No formal speeche. He will remain two days.

The impression is that the new Nicaragua Minister will be officially received by the President when he shall present his credentials, a doubtful point until then.

Buchanan Serenaded His Views on the Slavery Question.

WASHINGTON, May 14 Mr. Buchanan was serenaded last night, and in answer to a call, made a brief speech to an immense crowd. He returned thanks for the cordial reception in the capital of Washington. He regarded the present agitation of slavery question as a finality, and repeated the opinions expressed in his Ballimore speech. He concluded with saying that your's was the only whom considerable estimation was manifested.

The Eudora Imogene Mystery.

NEW YORK, May 14. The body found at Hunters Islands on Sunday has been identified as that of Capt. Palmer, of the schooner Eudora Imogene. The jury yesterday rendered a verdict that he came to his death by violence, and that the mate, cook, George Wilson committed the murder.

Great Fire in Brooklyn.

NEW YORK, May 14. A block of six new stone dwelling houses on Oxford street, Brooklyn, was destroyed by fire early this morning. They were owned by Mr. Bridges, and were unoccupied. The loss amounts to some $10,000.

The Persia Sailed

NEW YORK, May 14. The steamship Persia sailed at noon to day for Liverpool. She takes out 120 passengers, among whom is Hon. John P. Kennedy of Baltimore, and nearly a million and a half of specie.

Nicaragua Minister Received.

WASHINGTON, May 14. Padre Virgil presented his credentials to day as Minister from Nicaragua, and was immediately received.

From Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, May 14. The river is unchanged weather damp and cloudy.

☞ MLLE TERESA PARODI'S GRAND CONCERT. The sale of Tickets to Mlle Teresa Parodi's Grand Concert to be given on Saturday, the 24th, will commence on THURSDAY morning, the 15th, at 10 o'clock, at the Music store of H. KLEBER & BRO., FIFTH street. my14

☞ NOTICE.—The ALLEGHENY GAS COMPANY have declared a Semi Annual Dividend of Four per Cent. on the Capital Stock, payable on and after the 15th inst.

Allegheny, May 7, 1856.—[my12:3d] A. H. DAVIS, Tres'r.

MECHANICS' BANK, PITTSBURGH. May 6, 1856.

☞ THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF THE MECHANICS' BANK have this day declared a dividend of FOUR PER CENT. on the Capital Stock, out of the profits of the Bank, payable to the Stockholders, or their legal representatives, on or after the 16th inst.

GEORGE D. MORROW, Cashier.

OFFICE PITTSBURGH & STEUBENVILLE R. R. CO.,

Pittsburgh, May 9th, 1856.

☞ A SPECIAL MEETING of the Stockholders of the Pittsburgh and Steubenville Railroad Company will be held on TUESDAY, 20th May, 1856, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Office of the Company, 144 Fourth street.

my10 SIDNEY F. VON BONNHORST, Sec'y.

A PARTNER WANTED.—The undersigned wishes to sell the one-half of an extensive COAL WORKS, all in the best of order, and in full operation, with entries and rooms sufficient to employ sixty miners. He will sell the whole, if desirable.

apr26:3m* A. J. BAKER, Webster P. O., Pa.

PARISIAN TOOTH PASTE.—This is a new and excellent tooth paste, prepared under the supervision of Dr. J. F. Mulliken, Surgeon Dentist, and is recommended to the public as being superior to any tooth paste or powder now in use, for cleansing and beautifying the teeth, removing tartar, strengthening the gums, perfuming the breath, &c.

Prepared and sold only by JOS. FLEMING, corner Diamond and Market st

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JACOBS' AMALGAM PENS.—These Pens will be found as durable as gold or more made from the, and will not catch, or stick in the paper; neither will they corrode or injure the color of the ink, as steel pens invariably do. Price, $2.00 per gross. For sale by

W. S. HAYES, Stationer, Market street, corner of Second.

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HOPS.—4 bales just rec'd and for sale by MCANDLESS, MEANS & CO. my14

TO INVALIDS.

EXTENSION OF STAY.

FINDING it impossible, from the accumulating demands upon his attention, to leave Pittsburgh at early date, he had designed

DR. CALVIN M. FITCH,

Will extend his appointment in this city till the 1st, and if compatible with other arrangements, until the 12th of June, when he may be consulted daily (Sabbath excepted), at his Rooms at the

ST. CLAIR HOTEL,

(Corner of Penn and St. Clair streets, entrance on Penn st.) From the hours of TEN TO FOUR, for PULMONARY

CONSUMPTION, ASTHMA AND CHRONIC BRONCHITIS.

In the treatment of which the unparalleled success of his APPROPRIATE Constitutional and Mechanical Remedies and Medicinal Inhalations has given him a degree of success which can never attend a partial (imperfect treatment of these obstinate and dangerous diseases; and from ample experience, DR. FITCH feels himself fully justified in asserting that when disease is so far advanced that the above means fail, no other course can afford relief.

DR. FITCH may also be consulted for CATARRH, either in the head or throat, with the most local application, by means of throat and nasal syringes, together with the observance of necessary general measures, enables him to relieve in a few days time of a year's standing. He may be consulted for Dyspepsia, and Chronic Inflammations of the Stomach and Bowels, and for Female Diseases, which the employment of appropriate mechanical appliances, enables him to treat with almost uniform success.

DR. FITCH will be assisted by his associate, DR. J. W. SYKES, who will be with him after the 16th of May, and with whose assistance he hopes to attend to patients from a distance, with less delay than has heretofore been unavoidable. Should DR. FITCH be under the necessity of leaving on the 1st of June, instead of remaining till the 12th, the appointment will be established by DR. SYKES, who will remain until Saturday evening, July 12th.

To accommodate the increasing and extensive Western practice, DR. C. M. FITCH will open in June next, a portion of his time at BUFFALO, New York, where he will be after leaving Pittsburgh, and his letters addressed to that place will be attended to.

DR. CALVIN M. FITCH understand he has no long, tedious, and tiresome course of treatment with DR. S. FITCH, and would caution against the publication of which he has been guilty, in publishing his name in the Cincinnati Enquirer, and other papers, when DR. S. FITCH was unfortunately persuaded to remove during the absence of DR. FITCH's absence.

Letters should be addressed to DR. FITCH, as above, as early as possible. [mr14:3m

AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE. J. C. FOSTER, sole Lessee and Manager. Wm. H. Rice Stage Manager. Opposite Mansion House. Treasurer, J. A. Hurley. Stage Director, Rowson. Engagement of the very large, popular and favorite Comedian, Mr. Sam Sidney Smith. Second Performance of the Celebrated Comedy of Rural Life, called Rip Van Winkle. Rip Van Winkle, Mr. Sam Sidney Smith. To conclude with Forty Winkes—Mr. Jno. E. Owens. Doors to open at 7 o'clock. Curtain to rise at half past 7. Private Boxes, sixty dollars. Dress Circle and Parquette, one dollar. Family Circle, 50 cents. Tickets to be secured at the Theatre. Certificates, during week, 12½ cents extra. ☞ Mr. JNO. E. OWENS will appear THURSDAY EVENING, May 15th, 1856.

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CONCERT.—The public are respectfully informed that GRAND CONCERT will be given at CITY HALL, on THURSDAY EVENING, May 15, when the following celebrated artists will participate: Mlle. Teresa Parodi, the celebrated Prima Donna, Signor Bettini, the celebrated Tenor, Signor Rocco, the celebrated Basso, Signor Bochsa, the celebrated Harpist, Signor Rocco, the celebrated Flautist