

Financial and Commercial.

Table with columns for various financial instruments, including Wilmington, Del., Dec. 20, 1877, and various stock and bond prices.

FIRST EDITION.

A TROUBLESOME CUSTOMER.

HE ASSAULTS A MAN THREE TIMES, FIGHTS A CONSTABLE—GETS INTO A SQUIRE'S OFFICE AND FINALLY ESCAPES.

Yesterday afternoon, at the Cool Spring Reservoir, a young man named Henry Trefler, one of Messrs. Collins and Kennedy's clerks, was approached by Robert Taylor, the baker, who abused him soundly and ended by striking him a blow in the mouth which knocked out a tooth.

SIRAY WAIFS.

City Council this evening. Christmas is only four days off.

OVER 101 YEARS OLD.

There was an ancient visitor at Roach's ship yard yesterday. He was born and bred in Philadelphia.

AMUSEMENTS.

At the Grand Opera House, on Saturday night, the well-known drama, "The Two Orphans," will be presented by Miss Kate Claxton and her full company.

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The Delaware State Fire And Marine Insurance Company.

Which was removed from Delaware City to No. 416 1/2 Market Street, Wilmington, a few months ago, will shortly remove to a new office on Market street, opposite the City Hall, and adjoining the Delaware House.

GENERAL NEWS.

Gardner Mercer, banker, of Genesee, N. Y., has failed.

The saw mill of W. A. Simpson, Lockhaven, Pa., was burned Tuesday morning, Loss \$15,000.

L. B. McFadden & Co., large operators in coal mines at Henry, Ill., have failed, with \$370,000 liabilities.

Thos. Rooney's house, at West Point N. Y., was burned Tuesday, and his two children, who were locked in and left alone, perished.

The Massachusetts Supreme Court decides that the Boston city council has no authority to make the East Boston ferries free of tolls.

Judge Thomas Shackelford, formerly chief justice of the Supreme Court of Mississippi, died Wednesday in New Orleans.

Gen. E. B. Grubb, of New Jersey, defeated H. S. Jaffray, of New York, in a pigeon shooting match for a \$250 silver cup at Philadelphia, yesterday.

O. F. Bullard, State Representative from Delaware county, Pa., was arrested yesterday at Media and held in \$3,000 bail for embezzling the funds of the Media Building Association.

Catherine Kyne, her four children, and a girl relative aged 12, were overcome by coal gas at the dwelling of Mrs. Kyne in Boston, Tuesday night, and all died except her, and but slight hopes are entertained for her recovery.

The Cosmopolitan Savings and Exchange Bank at San Francisco announces its suspension. It was a matter of concern. About \$50,000 are due depositors. The directors claim they will ultimately pay dollar for dollar.

One hundred men of the Prince of Wales Regiment, Montreal, went to the scene of the canal strikers' riot at Cote St. Paul yesterday, to preserve order. There were large gangs of men about, but nothing important occurred.

At Rockport, Ill., about two o'clock Tuesday morning, two men named V. Harris, a prominent merchant, to open his store and sell them a coat for a man who they said had just died. When he opened his safe to get change for a \$20 bill they knocked him down and robbed the safe of \$7,000.

SUICIDE.—Reuben Matlack was discovered hanging by his neck, dead, in the barn of Erach. Otley in Williams town on last Friday. It is supposed he committed the deed several days previous, as the place where he was found was not visited very frequently. Deputy Corner W. W. Davis held an inquest and a verdict of suicide by hanging was rendered. He was of unaccounted age and had once been an inmate of the Alms House. His age was about 42 years and he was married.

Series of Sermons.—Elder George R. Kramer will preach on Thursday evening, in Household of Faith church, a series of sermons on the "Seven Churches of Asia." Subject for this (Thursday) evening—at 7.30 o'clock—"The Church at Ephesus." Come—all are welcome.

FINISHED.—The U. S. Commissioner finished taking evidence yesterday afternoon in the case of Sarah Bailey vs. William Wilds. The defendants will submit their testimony in a few days, after which the case will be argued before the U. S. District Court.

AMUSEMENTS.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22ND.

First and only appearance in this city of

Miss Kate Claxton

Supported by

Mr. C. A. Stevenson,

And her New York Company presenting

"Twas the week before Christmas"

1200 Sets Ladies' Collars & Cuffs in Fancy Boxes.

"Twas the week before Christmas"

Immense Stock Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods.

"Twas the week before Christmas"

An Elegant Assortment Perfume, Soaps, Hair Brushes and Combs.

"Twas the week before Christmas"

Handkerchiefs in Fancy Boxes:

"Twas the week before Christmas"

300 doz. Ladies' & Gent's Silk Handkerchiefs.

"Twas the week before Christmas"

Our Attractive Hosiery Stock at Merry Prices.

"Twas the week before Christmas"

Our Corset Stock Replete with Novelties.

"Twas the week before Christmas"

And Our Superb Stock of Cloaks at

Reduced Prices.

"Twas the week before Christmas"

And our entire Stock at

306 MARKET ST. 306

Is marked at Prices which are drawing

Crowded Houses,

—THE—

"Week before Christmas"

And we wish you a

"MERRY CHRISTMAS."

Russell & Northrop.

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SECOND EDITION.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

THE MEXICAN QUESTION IN THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES—IMPORTANT WITNESSES SUMMONED—CAUSES ASSIGNED FOR THE REVIVAL OF THE INCOME TAX.

THE TEXAS BORDER TROUBLES—MINISTER FOSTER TO BE SUMMONED TO TESTIFY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10, 1877. The subcommittee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, which is carrying on the investigation of the Texan border troubles to-day determined to summon Minister Foster from Mexico and Consul Agent Schuchardt from Piedras Negras to testify before them.

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Piedras Negras is a town on the Rio Grande, opposite Eagle Pass. It is not known whether the Secretary of State will think it possible to allow Mr. Foster to leave his post in the city of Mexico at this time.

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THIRD EDITION.

FUNERAL OF EDWARD HYATT.

The funeral of Edward Hyatt, took place yesterday afternoon, from the residence of his brother-in-law, Morrison D. White, No. 602 West Ninth street.

The services at the house were largely attended, and were conducted by Rev. I. N. Haldeeman, of the Delaware Avenue Baptist Church, and by F. B. Dival of the First Presbyterian Church, both of whom spoke in feeling terms of the deceased, and of his moral heroism during the closing months of his life in pursuing a persistent temperance course and resisting the manifold habits of intemperance incurred by a long term of years in the bondage of rum.

The body was neatly laid out in a walnut coffin, and two beautiful floral crosses and a wreath of autumn leaves attested the sympathy and regard of loving friends.

The funeral cortege was composed of a large number of people, including over two hundred members of the Moral Suasion Reform Association, of which organization the deceased was an honored member. Six of the members acted as pall bearers.

At the grave appropriate addresses were made by Rev. Mr. Haldeeman and George M. Dutcher, both of whom alluded to the brave temperance struggles of Mr. Hyatt's life, and to his Christian death.

Rev. Mr. DuVal closed the services with the benediction.

A LETTER FROM THE LATE EX-PRESIDENT BUCHANAN—His Desire for Pardon.—The following letter from the late ex-President Buchanan, written after the close of the war and about two years before his death, was addressed to the Hon. Daniel Sturgeon, a former United States Senator from Pennsylvania, and at one time a colleague of Mr. Buchanan in the Senate. It is valuable as showing the writer's sensitiveness under the adverse criticism that had been passed upon his administration in connection with the breaking out of the late war:

"Wheatland, near Lancaster, 23d April, 1866.—My Dear Sir: Your favor of the 20th has afforded me heartfelt pleasure. It is indeed the kind language since we were first acquaintances. I have always inquired for your health whenever the opportunity offered, and was always happy to learn what your letter confirmed, that you enjoy a vigorous, and healthy, and green old age, and that you have united yourself with the church. May you live many years in this happy condition. I am seventy-five years of age this day, and thank God enjoy as good health as I can reasonably expect for my period of life. An American friend, residing in France, who is curious on such matters, writes that I am the only surviving member of the House of Representatives as it was on the first Monday of December, 1821, when I first entered Congress; and although I have not exclaimed for myself, he is doubtless correct. Truly we both live in the midst of posterity."

"I entirely agree with you as to the great importance of the approaching gubernatorial election, and am gratified to learn that you intend to exert your influence in the contest. It affords me satisfaction to know that you are pleased with my book. I never doubted that the people would at last do me justice, and although I may not live to see it, I shall die in this hope. This has rendered me comparatively tranquil and content in retirement and all the abuse of which I have been the object.

"I concur with you in the hope that, though we may never meet again on this side of the grave, we may meet again in that blessed region where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.

"With my warmest wishes for your welfare, I remain, sincerely your friend, "JAMES BUCHANAN."

JEFFERSON DAVIS and other pro-slavery leaders are used to say that with the abolition of slavery the negro would disappear. A society of colored men has been formed in Washington to devise measures to arrest the alarming mortality among the blacks, so that the prophecy would seem to be true. N. Y. Herald.

The ministerial assignment of Burlington is going to discuss the question: Whether there is anything in the acts and character of St. Paul, to justify the belief that if he had ever managed a church fair he would have charged 60 cents for a quart of hot water and a dove oyster?

Babies are too highly prized to permit them to suffer with colic, flatulence, etc., when Dr. Bull's baby syrup will at once relieve them. Price 25 cts.

Boys' Tool Chests, FINE TABLE & Pocket Knives, NUT PICKS.

Razors, Scissors, &c., —AT—

DUNCAN BROS., No. 214 MARKET STREET. oct27-daw

FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GROCERIES go to Thomas M. Weil, No. 1239 Market street. Prices to suit the times. 3 lbs raisins for 25 cts, 3 lbs raisins for 25 cts, new seedless cherries 30 cts per lb, new Damson plums 20 cts per lb, dried apples 7 cts per lb, seedless raisins 12 cts per lb, new peaches 12 cts per lb, peeled peaches 10 cts per lb, New York pippins 10 cts a can, butternut squash 25 cts per can, extra syrup 50 cts per gallon, 5 lbs of starch for 25 cts, 25 pounds excellent flour for \$1.12, fresh mixtures for 25 cts per lb, smoked haddock 12 cts per lb, haddock 10 cts per lb, flour at 80, 75, 80, 85 75 a barrel, fresh jelly 2 lbs for 35 cts, quince jelly 2 lbs for 35 cts, THOMAS M. WEIL, No. 1239 Market St.