power to open the assessments. * * * But they desire, Nevertheless, to recommend that a rigid investigation may be made through a Committee to be appointed by the Common Council, of the many flagrant abuses which are charged upon persons acting under the authority of the Common Council, in relation to the assessments complained of as contained in the memorials of the parties complaining, to the end that proper action may be had thereon by the Common Council.

FIRE.—Yesterday morning a fire broke out in the Japanned Muslin Factory of Andrew Athe, in Sussex-av., Newark, which consumed it, together with a quantity of stock. Loss $3,000; insurance $300 on the building.

CANAL OPENING.—The work of enlargement on the Delaware and Raritan Canal, has progressed so that water will be admitted on the 31st instant. On the 4th of April the Canal will be opened for navigation for vessels drawing five feet nine inches of water. By the 15th of April the water will be increased to the depth of seven feet.

FARMING AND GARDENING.—The pleasant weather of the few days past has considerably stimulated agricultural operations. The farmers are engaged in the usual preparatory operations of seed time; and gardeners are using all haste in advancing the growth of their produce for the market.

ARRESTED.—John Smith, one of the Germans charged with killing Francis Marcer in a drunken row in New-Brunswick on the 22d ult., was arrested on Friday night last in the mountains near Plainfield. The other alleged participator in the crime has fled from the country.

FIRE.—A fire occurred near Camden on Monday, which destroyed two barns, in which were 7 cows, 2 mules, 2 horses, 30 tuns of hay, 300 bushels of potatoes and a large quantity of grain.

BISHOP DOANE.—The Bishop has abandoned his purpose of going abroad, as advised, for the benefit of his health; it having improved and the pressure of his duties rendering his departure at this time inexpedient.

☞ Rev. Mr. Taylor lectured before the Library Association last evening; subject: "The Newspaper Literature of the day."

Mr. Fowler delivered the second of a course of lectures in Franklin Hall.

☞ The order of United Americans celebrated the anniversary of Morgan Chapter, in Hoboken, last night. American Chapter, Jersey City, was represented.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.—A young man named Joshua Preston was killed by the machinery of the rolling-mill at Trenton on Monday.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

CIRCUIT COURT—Before Judge MITCHELL.

Edward White agt. Hudson River Ins. Co.

On a Policy of Insurance of Saw Mill and Machinery at Brooklyn, already noticed. Verdict for plaintiff, $2,584, being amount with interest.

Joshua Tomlinson agt. William Mulley and James Byrne.

On a note for $96 50. Mr Mulley contests payment on the ground that he gave the note in blank to Mr. Byrne to be delivered to Daniel H. Harn, liquor dealer, the latter to fill it up in his own name, as payee, instead of which Byrne filled it up in his own name, indorsed and passed it for a trifling amount. Plaintiff, on the other hand, contends to be a bona fide owner, $5 beside a watch and chain, and extinguishing an old debt, having been given for it. Verdict for plaintiff, to value of cash, watch and chain, being $40, balance of the note to be paid by the maker, to Harn.

Franklin S. Kinney agt. Geo. Bell, John McConnell and John Doe.

Mr. K. bought of the Dykeman estate, in 1847, a lot on the Bloomingdale Road, now 959 Broadway. On it was a small shanty, or building, such as are usually put up by what are termed squatters, in the upper part of the city. Of this building Mr. K. obtained by some means possession, and let it out. It had been put up, it appears, in 1845 by defendant Bell who claims to have obtained a lease for six years, of the lot, from that time, from Mr. McKay, but no title of latter was shown, and the lease was not recorded, although the law requires all leases over three years to be recorded. In July, 1851, (after the 6th year's lease would have expired,) the house as it would seem, being then unoccupied, Mr. Bell, with the other defendants tore down a part of the building, and were about to remove the whole of it, when parties on behalf of plaintiff interposed.

The present action is to recover damages, amount laid at $500, for trespass in so injuring the building, &c.

In defense it is alleged that Mr. Bell considered, having put up the building, that it belonged to him, and that he had a right to remove it at any time. In reply it was said that where a building merely sits upon the ground without foundation, or being attached to the freehold, the party owning may remove it previous to his lease being up, but cannot do so afterward, and that this building, being situated on posts driven into the ground, did not come within the rule; and also that he had never had a valid lease, &c. Verdict for plaintiff, $75.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT—Before Judge BETTS.

INDICTMENT.

The Grand Jury returned three bills yesterday, one of them against Charles H. Brown for alleged larceny at sea, as to wearing apparel, on board ship Winfield Scott. The names of the other parties—they not having been yet arrested—were not made public.

SUPERIOR COURT—Before Judge BOSWORTH.

Wm. Beard, Woodruff & Leonard, and others, agt. George Griswold & Co.

To recover damages for alleged invalid sale at San Francisco of ship Virginian, but denied, already referred to. The complaint was dismissed.

Before Judge EMMET.

Benjamin Tallman agt. Cornelius Vanderbilt.

By a passenger from San Francisco across the isthmus of Nicaragua to recover damages for alleged misrepresentation of agent at San Francisco, but denied. This case, already referred to, was given to the Jury. Verdict for plaintiff, $50, which carries costs.

MARINE COURT.

There were 30 cases on the calendar of this Court yesterday, in a great part of which nothing can be done, because the Board of Supervisors have not appointed a Clerk of the Court to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Dayton for the remainder of his term, which would expire on the 5th of May next. The inconvenience to suitors occasioned by the interruption of the business of the Court is very great, and in some cases a positive loss occurs, inasmuch as process can be signed only by the Clerk, and no executions can be issued until a Clerk is appointed. As far as the Court has power to proceed with the business, Judge Lynch, who presided, appeared to do everything possible to alleviate the trouble.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS, March 24—Before Judge BEBEE and Ald. TIEMANN and CORNELL.

Jeremiah Kelly, the young man who was arrested a few weeks since for causing the death of John McCabe, by striking him a heavy blow on the head, thereby producing a fracture of the skull, was placed on trial to answer a charge of manslaughter in the second degree. The same witnesses were examined that testified before the Coroner at the time the inquest was held, and the same facts were elicited. The Jury, under the charge of the Court, rendered a verdict of guilty of manslaughter in the fourth degree, and recommended the prisoner to the mercy of the Court. He was fined $50, which amount his Counsel, Jonas B. Phillips, became personally responsible for, and Kelly was discharged.

The Petit Jury were then discharged for the term, and the Court took a recess until Saturday.

U. S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

FALSE COIN.

Deputy Marshal Rakiedewitz arrested a young woman residing in Mulberry-st., charged with passing upon Margaret Rice, Leonard-st., a counterfeit gold dollar piece, knowing the same to be counterfeit. The Commissioner not considering the proof sufficient as to latter, the complaint was dismissed.

COURT CALENDAR—THIS DAY.

CIRCUIT COURT—*Saturday.*—Nos. 1,191, 1,445, 377, 21, 288, 396, 398 to 403, 405, 407, 408.

SUPERIOR COURT.—Adjourned for the term.

MARRIED.

BRIGGS—EVANSON.—In Prairie du Chien, Wis., March 5, Hon. Andrew Briggs of Bad Ax Co., to Mrs. Mary Ann Evanson, of Milville, Grant Co.

BASSETT—WILSON.—At Atlanta, Ga., March 18, Mr. Ludlum S. Bassett to Miss Helen M. Wilson, both of St. Louis, Missouri.

BULLIONS.—STEVENS.—At Albany, N. Y., John C. Bullions, of Honolulu, Oahu, Sandwich Islands, to Anna Mary, daughter of Samuel Stevens, Esq., of Albany.

CLYMER—DRINKHOUSE.—At Bethlehem, Pa., March 10, Isaac Clymer, of Philipsburg, N. J., to Mrs. Susan Drinkhouse, daughter of Barnet Walter.

COADE—BURNS.—At Bytown, C. W., March 14, Thomas Coade, of DeCalbe, N. Y., to Miss Elizabeth Burns, of Elizabethtown, Leeds Co., C. W.

DAVIS—WATKINS.—In Newark, Mr. William H. Davis, printer, of Newark, Ohio, to Miss Susan Watkins, of McConnelsville, Ohio.

EVANS—WASHINGTON.—At Waynesboro', March 16, N. C., Dr. S. R. Evans, of Wilmington, to Miss Laura L., daughter of Richard Washington, Esq., of Waynesboro'.

GANO—WELCH.—At Lexington, Ky., March 15, Dr. R. M. Gano, of Bourbon, to Miss Martha J. Welch, of Garrard Co., Ky.

GREEN—KINSEY.—At Easton, Pa., March 10, Mr. William Green, of New York, to Miss Mary C., daughter of Samuel Kinsey.

GEORGE—PAULLEY.—In Ridgway, Pa., March 17, Mr. Joseph George, of Spring Creek, to Miss Hannah Paulley.

GARNETT—CHAMPE.—At Alexandria, Va., March 17, by Rev. C. B. Dana, Louis A. Garnett, of San Francisco, Cal., to Maria Champe, daughter of Muscoe Garnett, Esq., of Essex Co., Va.

HARPER—HARPER.—At Brooklyn, March 24, by Rev. H. J. Fox, Miss H. Amelia, second daughter of J. Wesley Harper, Esq., of Brooklyn, L. I., to Mr. John W. Harper, of New York.

McCLOUD—COVINGTON.—At Vicksburg, Miss., March 8, Rev. C. S. McCloud to Anna E. Covington.

SMITH—HARRIS.—March 23, by Rev. Lewis Platt, Francis F. Smith, Esq., of Syracuse, to Miss Mary E. Harris, of Brooklyn.

TAYLOR—BRUNDAGE.—On Wednesday evening, March 23, at the R. D. Church, Lafayette place, by Rev. Dr. T. E. Vermilye, Theodore B. Taylor to Kate, daughter of James H. Brundage, Esq., all of this city.

WELLINGTON—BLANCHARD.—In Medford, Mass., March 20, Mr. Isaac R. Wellington, of the firm of Wellington & Abbott, New-York City, to Miss Eunice Frances, eldest daughter of Col. Samuel Blanchard.

WILKINS—FLEMMINGS.—At Philadelphia, Pa., March 13, Mr. William Wilkins, of Utica, N. Y., to Miss Anna Flemings, of Philadelphia.

DIED.

BACON.—At Watertown, N. Y., March 20, Moses Bacon, aged 76.

COMBER.—At Montreal, C. E., March 18, Mr. James Comber, a native of the County Mayo, Ireland, aged 85 years.

CLAY.—At South Bend, Arkansas, March 10, Col. Joseph W. Clay, a wealthy planter, aged 62.

CARLIN.—In Cranesville, Erie Co., Pa., March 19, Hugh Carlin, in the 92d year of his age, a native of Ireland. He emigrated to this country about 60 years ago, and was one of the first settlers in Cussewago Township. He resided in said Township over 50 years.

GREGORY.—At Cincinnati, Ohio, March 17, at the residence of his daughter, Presley Gregory, in the 90th year of his age. He served in the Revolutionary war under George Washington.

HOPKINS.—In Hopkinton, N. Y., March 12, Hon. Isaac R. Hopkins, in the 66th year of his age. The deceased emigrated from Vergennes, Vt., with the family of his father, Hon. Roswell Hopkins, about 50 years ago. Has resided in Hopkins from that time to the time of his death.

HALSEY.—In Washingtonville, Sussex Co., N. J., March 10, Benjamin Halsey, Esq., a patriot of the Revolution, aged 89 years, a native of Morris Co., born in April, 1764.

HEWITT.—On Thursday, March 24, Col. James L. Hewitt, aged 48 years and 6 months.

His relatives and the friends of the family are requested to attend his funeral, from St. Thomas's Church, corner of Broadway and Houston-st., to-morrow, Saturday, at 1½ o'clock P. M. His remains will be taken to Greenwood Cemetery for interment.

KILPATRICK.—At Philadelphia, March 17, Mr. Andrew Kilpatrick, in the 64th year of his age.

KNOWLES.—March 23, William Knowles, of Halifax, N. S., in the 47th year of his age.

The friends and relatives of the family are requested to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 80 Horatio-st., without further notice, on Friday, 25th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M.

☞ Halifax papers please copy.

MASSEE.—At Watertown, N. Y., March 20, Hart Massey, one of the early settlers of Jefferson Co., aged 76.

PAUL.—At Northampton, Mass., March 17, Mrs. Anna Paul, widow of the late Rev. Nathaniel Paul, of Albany, aged 62.

PENTON.—At Chicago, Illinois, March 18, Mrs. Isabella Penton, aged 63 years, mother of Thomas B. Penton, of Chicago.

PIERCE.—In Canton, Mass., March 12, Baxter Pierce, colored, exact age not known, said to be 100. He was formerly a slave in Worcester Co., and had been a pauper many years.

THRASHER.—In Trenton, N. J., March 6, Rev. Thomas Thrasher, aged 82 years, a successful preacher of the Methodist denomination for the best forty years.

TEALE.—At Brooklyn, March 23, Thomas P. Teale, in the 38th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, at his late residence, No. 273 Bridge-st., Brooklyn, on the 25th instant, at 3 o'clock, without further notice.

TAPPAN.—In Brooklyn, March 24, Susanna, wife of Lewis Tappan.

SINCLAIR.—At the residence of Mr. Charles Sinclair, near Arcadia, Madison Co., Mo., Feb. 15, Mr. Robert Sinclair, aged 102 years. The deceased took an active part in our Revolutionary struggles, and rendered himself very useful as a spy on the frontier settlements of Virginia and North Carolina. He had many narrow escapes from the Indians, and was several times their pioneer. He was an expert hunter and an excellent woodsman, spending much of his life in the frontier settlements. He was kind and hospitable, and much beloved by those who knew him. He retained his strength of body and mind until within a few months of his demise. Thus another of our venerable Revolutionary sires has fallen.

SINCLAIR.—At Kingston, C. W., March 21, Capt. James Sinclair, aged 72 years.

WOOD.—At Richmond, Va., March 19, Charles Wood, aged 53 years, a native of New Hampshire and formerly of Baltimore, but for the last 15 years a resident of Richmond.

WIZER.—At Marietta, Ohio, recently, Mr. John Wizer, one of the early settlers of Ohio, at the residence of his son-in-law, Stephen Davis, at the advanced age of 84 years. Mr Wizer started from New England with the first company of emigrants to the North Western Territory, but when the company arrived at Wheeling, says The Marietta Intelligencer, he was left there in charge of the cattle, and did not arrive here until some time after the "landing," on the 7th of April, 1788. He has resided here ever since the summer of '88, and we suppose was the last survivor of the pioneer company.

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COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange....MARCH 24.

$2,000 U. S. 6s, '86	107		100 Cum. Coal Co		s3 51½
20,000 do. '62	s3.114½		250 do		52
8,000 do. '67	s3.119¾		300 do		s3 52
3,000 Erie 1st Mtge. Bonds	116½		50 do		twk 52
2,000 Erie Income Bonds	98		50 do		b60 52½
8,000 do	s3 97¾		50 do		b30 52½
1,000 Erie Convt. '62	s3 96½		50 do		b30 52½
2,000 Hudson 2d Mtge. Bds.	90		50 do		s60 51¾
158 Bank Commerce	106½		100 do		s10 51¾
36 Amer. Exchange Bank	130		50 do		s30 51¾
20 Corn Exchange Bank	98		50 do		s3 52
5 Continental Bank	98¼		200 do		b30 52½
15 do	98		100 Parker Coal Co		s3 29
150 Morris Canal	b10 21		100 New Creek Coal Co.		s60 2¾
100 do	s3 p & c 20½		100 do		s60 2½
200 do	b30 21¼		100 Stonington Railroad		s3 56½
100 do	p & c. 20¾		50 do		b30 57
150 do	p & c 20¾		200 Brunswick City Land Co		15
50 Canton Co	b60 59		200 Erie Railroad		s3 85
400 do	29¾		150 do		85
200 New Jersey Zinc	b3 12		200 do		b3 85
500 do	12		100 do		b10 85
1,000 Montgomery Zinc	s30 2¼		250 do		s3 84¾
100 do	s3 2¼		50 do		s30 84¾
100 Portsmouth D. Dock	5¾		200 do		s3 84¾
200 Penn. Coal Co	b3 110		100 do		b30 86
40 do	s110		500 Harlem Railroad		63¾
50 Florence and Keyport	s3 13½		110 Albany & Schenectady		116
475 do	s3 13¼		10 New Jersey Railroad		134
160 do	b60 13¼		100 Nor. & Wor. R. R.		b15 51¾
500 do	13¾		100 do		s3 51
100 do	b60 14¾		150 do		s30 51¾
5 do	15		250 do		b3 51¾
100 Nicaragua Trans. Co	s3 31¾		200 do		b3 51¾
700 do	s3 31½		100 Reading RR		b60 88¾
100 do	b3 32		400 do		b60 88¾
500 do	b10 32		250 do		87¾
20 do	32½		100 do		b25 88
50 do	b10 32¾		1,100 Hudson River RR		b3 62
50 do	b30 32¾		100 do		s60 61¾
250 do	b30 33		20 N. York & N. Hav. RR.		b10 19½
100 do	s36 31¾		110 Mich. Cen. RR		105
350 do	32		50 do		106¼
200 do	b30 32¾		40 Mich. So. RR		120
50 Phenix Mining Co	s3 20		5 Panama RR		121
250 do	s6 20		40 Stat. Is. RR		b10. 116½
300 do	b60 21½		30 Little Miami RR		117

SECOND BOARD.

$1,000 Erie Income Bds	97¾		150 New Jersey Zinc		s30 12½
20 Chatham Bank	101		160 do		b30 12½
100 Morris Canal	p & c 21¼		50 do		12¼
50 do	p & c 21¼		500 do		b60 13
100 do	s3 21¼		900 Montgomery Zinc		2¼
100 Edgeworth Land Co	5¾		100 Hudson River RR		62¼
100 do	b60 5¾		150 do		b15 53
100 do	5¾		19 Mich. S. RR		120
1300 Nica Transit Co	b30 33		100 Erie RR		s30 86
100 do	32¾		50 do		85¾
125 do	32¼		50 do		85¾
250 do	b30 33½		500 do		s3 85¾
50 do	b10 32¾		100 do		twk 85¾
50 Cumb'd Coal Co	b30 2¾		50 do		85¾
50 do	b10 62¼		100 Stonington RR		56¼
100 do	s30 62		100 Harlem RR		64
120 Parker Coal Co	b10 29½		200 do		b10 64¾
180 do	29½		200 do		b3 64¾
50 Phenix Mining Co	21		100 Nor. & Wor. RR		b60 53½
900 Florence & Keyport	14		100 do		b3 51½
50 do	13¾		20 N. Y. & N. Hav. RR		19¼
100 Panama RR	123		300 Reading RR		b60 90
12 do	122½				

PHILADELPHIA SALES OF STOCKS—*Thursday*, March 24—*First Board*—20 Penn. RR., 50¼; 150 Morris Canal, 20¾; 400 do., 20¾; 450 do., 20½; 350 Sch. Nav. Preferred, 31¾; 125 Reading RR., 4½; $12,000 Read. RR. 6s, '70, 91¾; $100 Penn. 6s, 97; $5,000 do. 6s, '93; 200 Chester Mining Co. 6¾; 100 Gerard Bk. 14¼; 20 Sch. Nav., 22¾; 850 Long Island RR., 18½; $1,200 Camden and Amboy RR. 6s, '87, 98¾; $2,000 Reading RR. Mort. 6s, '44 96; $233 Rich. Dis. 6s, '54, 92¾; $2,500 County 5s, '60, 94.

Second Board—50 Beaver Meadow R. R., 35; 400 Morris Canal, 20¾; 43,000 Read R. R. 6s, '70, 91¾; 172 U. S. Bank, 3¾; $20,000 U. S. 6s, '67, 119¾; 7 Philadelphia Bank, 142¾; 500 Chester Mining Co. 4¾; 500 Long Island R. R., 18¾; 6100 Camden and Amboy R. R. 6s, '64, 98; 1 100 do, '63, 99; 8 do. Stock, 149¾; $6,000 Penn. 5s, 96¾; 1 Philadelphia and Trenton R. R., 144.

THURSDAY, March 24—P. M.

There was a fair amount of activity at the Stock Board to-day, and a continuance of the buoyancy of the last day or two. There was more ease in carrying fancies and this has measurably revived the disposition to operate for a rise. There is also some buying in of shorts, which has a tendency to stiffen the rates. Nicaragua was one of the most active stocks, and the sales reached nearly 5,500 shares, including 2,000 shares at the Second Board. The closing quotation was 32¾, an advance of 1¼ ₱ cent. Erie was also active and buoyant, 2,500 shares selling, closing at 85¾, an improvement of 1¼ ₱ cent. Harlem, Norwich, Stonington, &c., were also in demand and sold at advanced rates. Hudson River was more active than for some time past, and was firm. Reading sold at 90 on long buyer's option. The Coal Stocks are taking a firmer position. Cumberland was active, and went to 52¼@52¾, an advance of 2 ₱ cent. Phoenix was 21; Parker 29½; New-Creek 2¾, &c. Land Companies are firm, but not active. The premium Stocks are held more firmly, with a better inquiry; Panama is, however, an exception, and sold down to 121, closing at 122½; New-Jersey sold at 134; New-Haven improved to 109¾; Albany and Schenectady 116; Michigan Central 106¼; Michigan Southern 120; Sixth-avenue 116¼; Little Miami 117, &c. The line of Railroads between Albany and Buffalo are all held higher, in consequence of the passage of the Consolidation bill. Bank Stocks are dull. For Government and State Stocks and Railroad Bonds the business is moderate, without important change. At the Second Board the market was rather active, and quotations were well sustained.

In Exchange there is very little doing, and the market is dull at 8@9 ₱ cent for Sterling 5.22½@5.16¼. The supply is abundant.

In Freights there is a moderate business doing, and rates are dull. To Liverpool 2,000 or 3,000 bbls. Flour 2/9, 10,000 bush. Grain 7¼d., 500 bales Cotton ¼d., Dead-weight 25/@27/6, 1,000 bbls. Resin 2/7½. To London, 1,000 bbls. Flour 3/, Beef 5/6@6/. To Havre, Cotton ⅛c; Bone ⅛c. There is fair business doing for California at 50@90c. About 2,500 tuns Coal were engaged to Acupulco at $17, and Panama $16.

The receipts at the Subtreasury are $144,080. Payments, $25,353. Balance, $7,104,279.

The amelioration in the Money market continues to be felt, and there was no serious difficulty in negotiating call loans at 7 ₱ cent. Paper goes at 8@12 ₱ cent., according to quality.

We understand that Mr. Wm. J. McAlpin, State Engineer, has accepted the post of Chief Engineer of the Erie Railroad, and also that of Assistant President, to take effect in April. The Company have been fortunate in securing the services of a man of such high reputation and great ability.

The Indiana Central Railroad will be completed and in operation in all the month of May next. The completion of this Road has been delayed, owing to the non-arrival of a portion of the rails purchased in Wales. The necessary locomotives, cars, &c, for the first year's operations have been purchased and are ready to be delivered for use. A contract has been made on the part of the Indiana Central, with the Dayton and State Line Road, by which the former is to operate the latter, which contract will be advantageous to both lines. The distance from Indianapolis to Dayton will be about 115 miles. This road traverses perhaps the richest and best cultivated portions of Ohio and Indiana. The Hamilton and Eaton Railroad is now completed, giving a direct communication to Cincinnati by rails from the terminating point of the Indiana Central. The Indiana Central purchased the rails necessary to complete at an aggregate cost of about $185,000 less than the present prices.

The Steubenville and Indiana Railroad Company are pushing forward the grading and bridging of the line with great rapidity. They will commence laying rails at Steubenville early in the spring, having now on the ground near 4,000 tuns rails. It is expected that the entire line to Newark will be completed by the 1st December next. Up to this time near $1,000,000 has been expended on the line. The whole amount of rails, heavy T pattern, necessary to complete, has been purchased and now in the couse of delivery. These rails were purchased at rates not less than $300,000 in the aggregate below present prices. This road is much wanted, traversing a rich and old settled part of Ohio, altogether without facilities of transportation to a market. The extension of this road from Steubenville to Pittsburgh is nearly completed.

The little Miami Railroad Company's receipts for the week ending 13th March, 1853, were.....$9,809 15
Week ending 13th March, 1852.....6,925 61
Increase nearly 42 ₱ cent, or.....$2,874 54

There will be a large sale of Stocks, by S. Draper, at the Merchants' Exchange to-morrow, at half past twelve o'clock. Among the Stocks to be offered are shares of the Empire City, East River, Shoe and Leather, Citizens, Knickerbocker, and Farmers' and Citizens' of Williamsburgh Banks, and of the Commercial, Lorillard, Hanover, Howard Life, Continental, and Nassau of Brooklyn, Insurance Companies.

The Director of the Mint has made public the annexed information:

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
PHILADELPHIA, March 23, 1853.

GENTLEMEN: In reply to your letter of yesterday, I have to state (in the Director's absence,) that under the new silver coinage law, the Mint is not permitted to receive silver on deposit by individuals for recoinage, but must purchase the silver and recoin it for the United States, to be sold for gold to applicants.

In the absence of definite instructions from Washington, (new daily expected,) I am unable to say when we shall commence purchasing silver, and at what price. This information will probably be made public within a few days.

Very respectfully, your ob't serv't,
(Signed) ROBERT PATTERSON, for the Director.

A considerable amount of gold from the Mint has and will be added to the Bank vaults this week. The Banks will probably be two millions stronger than they were last week.

The Chicago Daily Tribune learns that the Illinois Central Railroad Company have contracted for the freighting of 47,000 tuns of railway iron from New-York to that city during the ensuing summer. The amount of railroad iron to be brought to that city during this year will amount to about 72,000 tuns.

The contract for building the Mississippi and Milwaukee Railroad, from Milton to Madison, has been let to Chamberlain & Co., of Cleveland.

To avoid detention to the holders of Coupons of the Reading Railroad Company, due on the 1st prox., they are requested to leave them at the office before the 31st inst., when receipts will be given, and checks will be ready for delivery on the 1st April next, in exchange for said receipts.

The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company has made a semi-annual dividend of 2 ₱ cent., payable on the 1st of April.

The Boston Post gives the following statement, exhibiting the receipts, expenses, (exclusive of interest,) and net income of the railways of Massachusetts, from 1847 to 1852:

Year.	Cost.	Total Receipts.	Expenses.	Net Inc'm.	Net Inc. per cent. on cost.
1847	$32,796,963	$4,964,582	$2,372,453	$2,592,079	$7 94
1848	41,382,652	5,465,845	2,741,604	2,696,411	6 51
1849	45,185,769	5,741,909	2,890,818	2,850,981	6 32
1850	50,959,452	6,419,583	3,112,735	3,306,758	6 49
1851	52,585,888	6,723,427	3,399,274	3,323,244	6 32
1852	58,476,013	6,885,517	3,673,419	3,212,107	6 05

The Board of Public Works of Ohio have arranged the table of tolls upon the Ohio Canals for 1853. The rates ₱ 1,000 lbs. on Flour, Wheat, Pork, Salt and Whisky are, for each mile four mills, and not to exceed for any distance 60 cents. This is 11 cents and 76-1,000 ₱ bbl. on Flour. Last year, Flour, Wheat, Pork and Whisky paid six mills ₱ mile, or 89 cents through toll, at the commencement of the season, but the rates were afterward reduced to the present ones. Beef pays 6 mills, or 80 cents ₱ 1,000 lbs.; Gypsum, 5 mills or 50 cents; Hydraulic Lime, 6 mills or 60 cents; Common Lime, 2 mills or 15 cents; Fish, 6 mills or 60 cents; Nails and Glass, 6 mills or 80 cents. In other respects the table of rates shows little variation from that of last year.

The Banks of Ohio have made up their returns to the Auditor of State to the first Monday in February. There are now four classes of Banks in the State, viz. five of the old chartered Banks with a capital of $1,297,526; forty Branches of the State Bank, with an aggregate capital of $4,146,675; eleven Independent Banks, capital $734,180; and thirteen Free Banks, organized under the Free Bank Law of 1851, with a capital of $575,970. The following is an abstract of the items in the aggregate.

NOTES AND BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Old Banks	$3,766,759 82
State Banks	10,026,979 08
Independent Banks	2,269,699 57
Free Banks	1,250,547 73
Total	$17,313,986 21
Specie on hand	2,556,931 07
Bank Notes and due from Banks, &c	2,707,066 42
Eastern Deposits	3,327,079 27
Cash Items	95 908 80
Bonds deposited	2,804,092 53
Real Estate, &c	372,376 95
Other Resources	823,493 35
Total Resources	$30,090,934 60
Capital Stock	6,774,351 00
Circulating Notes	10,904,207 50
Safety Fund Stock	1,026,184 83
Due to Banks	2,085,090 25
Due Depositors	7,431,342 47
Surplus Fund, &c	638,001 92
Bills Payable	175,687 28
Discount, &c	316,841 42
Unpaid Dividends	7,326 10
Other Liabilities	131,931 83
Total	$30,090,934 60

Markets—CAREFULLY REPORTED FOR THE TRIBUNE.

THURSDAY, March 24.

ASHES—A fair demand for both kinds. Pearls are rather better. Sales at $5 56½@$5 62½. Pots are firm. Sales of old bills at $4 75, and new bills at $4 81½@$4 87½.

COTTON—The market is steady. 1,600 bales have been sold.

FLOUR AND MEAL—There is little change to note in the value of Western and State Flour; the demand is not so active for the home trade, but is good for the East and fair for export. There is less pressing on the market, and at the close more steadiness. Canadian is dull and nominal at $4 62½@$4 75. The sales of Western Canal are 9,400 bbls at $4 37½@$4 50 for common to good State; $4 50@$4 81½ for mixed to fancy Michigan and Indiana, and common to good Ohio. Southern Flour is unchanged and in fair demand for shipping and the local trade, especially the low grades. Sales of 2,200 bbls. at $4 81½@$5 for mixed to good straight brands; Alexandria, Baltimore, Petersburg City and Georgetown at the latter price. The better grades are inactive and nominal. Rye Flour is plenty and is quiet. Sales of 100 bbls. fine at $4. Corn Meal is heavy at $3 for Pennsylvania, and $3 12 for Jersey.

GRAIN—Our Wheat market is still unsettled. The demand is moderate for export and for milling. We hear of a sale of 8,000 bush. White Ohio on private terms. Rye is freely offered. Sales of 4,500 bush. at 88c., for part to arrive soon and 90@92c. on the spot. Barley is heavy and plenty. Sales of 5,000 bush. good Western Mixed. Oats are in fair demand at 46@48c for Western and State, and 44@46c. for Jersey. Corn is rather firmer, the home demand is better, and there is less pressing on the market. The shipping demand is animated. Sales of 35,000 bush. at 58@58½c. for unsound New-Orleans, 59@60c. for Southern Mixed, 60½@62½c. for Southern White, 64½c. for Jersey Yellow, and 64@65c. for Southern Yellow.

WHISKY—The market is firm with a fair demand. Sales of 447 bbls. at 21¾ for Jersey, and 22½ for Prison. Drudge is quiet. Sales of 50 hhds. at 21@21½.

PROVISIONS—There is rather more steadiness in our Pork market, but the demand is moderate. Sales of 170 bbls. at $15 25@$15 37½ for Western Mess, and $13 87½@$14 for Prime. Beef is very firm and the demand is good. Sales of 400 bbls. or 500 bbls. at $6 75 for Prime and $9@$10 75 for Country Mess, and $13 for repacked Chicago. Beef Hams are dull and heavy. Sales of 76 bbls. extra Western at $15. Cut Meats are heavy and dull. Sales of 110 bbls. and tcs. plain Hams at 9½@9¾c., and Shoulders at 6½c. Lard is in good supply and heavy. Sales of 700 bbls. and tcs. at 9@9½c. and 400 kegs prime at 10½c. Butter and Cheese are firm and in good demand.

WOOL is quiet. The tightness of the money market evidently affects the market, as manufacturers cannot get their bills discounted at moderate rates. Domestic Wool is held firmly without sales of any note. In foreign 100 bales washed Buenos Ayres sold at 17c., and 70 bales unwashed Mestizo sold at 16@19c., and washed at 25@27c. Pulled Wool is dull but firm, with little here.

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS—*Thursday*, March 24—The private advices by the Atlantic, which came to hand yesterday afternoon, do not materially differ from our telegraphic accounts, and have had little or no effect upon the market for either BREADSTUFFS or COTTON. There is a moderate export demand for FLOUR for shipment, but buyers and sellers are somewhat apart in their views. Sales 800 bbls. at $4 75@$4 81½ ₱ bbl. for good brands of Pennsylvania and Western, and $5 25@$5 87½ for extra. There is a good demand for the supply of the retailers and bakers, at former rates, viz: $4 87@$5 for common and good brands, and $5 38½@$5 62½ for extra, and $6 for fancy brands. RYE FLOUR is dull at $3 87½, and CORN MEAL at $2 87½ ₱ bbl.; 1,000 bbls. Brandywine sold at $3.

There is very little WHEAT offering. White sold at $1 15 ₱ bush. RYE is wanted at 81@82 cents, with sales of 1,500 bushels. CORN is in fair request, and 4,000 bushels Yellow sold mostly at 50 cents, afloat. OATS are in good demand, and 2,600 bushels Pennsylvania sold at 44 cents ₱ bushel. In GROCERIES and PROVISIONS there is rather more activity, but prices have undergone no material change. CLOVERSEED is in demand at 8⅞ ₱ 64 lb., which is a further advance; but there is little or none coming in. WHISKY is in steady demand at 23 cents in bbls. and 22 cents in hhds.

Markets....*Reported by Telegraph.*

CHARLESTON, March 23.—The sales of COTTON to-day have been 2,000 bales, at a range of 8@11c., with a firm market tending upward. Fair is quoted at 10½@11c.

CHARLESTON, March 21.—COTTON—Sales to-day foot up 1,200 bales, at prices ranging from 9½@11c. Fair 10½c. The market has an advancing tendency. The business of the past 3 days amounts to 5,500 bales.

Ocean Steamers.

LIST OF STEAMERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH.

Florida	From N York...March 26...For Savannah.
James Adger	From N York...March 26...For Charleston.
Hermann	From N York...March 26...For Bremen, &c.
Glasgow	From N York...March 26...For Glasgow.
City of Glasgow	From Philad...March 26...For Liverpool.
Cherokee	From N York...March 28...For Havana, &c.
Crescent City	From N York...March 28...For Aspinwall.
Southerner	From N. York...March 30...For Charleston.
Canada	From Boston...March 30...For Liverpool.
City of Norfolk	From N York...March —...For Australia.
Albatross	From N York...March 31...For San Francisco

Passengers Arrived.

In brig Pedrata, from Nassau, N. P.—W. J. P. Isaacs, Miss Charlotte McHenry, Capt. Jacob Britt, Capt. Benj. Edgcomb, Peter Petersen.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.....THIS DAY.

Sun—Rises.....5 54 | Sets.....6 18 | Moon—Rises.....6 37a

HIGH WATER.....THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook.... 7 33m | Gov. Island.. 8 23m | Hell Gate.... 10 03m

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Cleared.

Ships—American Eagle, Moore, London, John Griswold; John Merrick, Stevens, New-Orleans, H. Tupper; Kossuth, Bell, Liverpool, W. & J. T. Tapscott.

Barks—Lindon, Clarke, Mobile, Sturges, Clearman & Co.; Mary Varney, Cruise, Gonee, M. W. Livingston, William, Fullerton, Matanzas, J. W. Elwell & Co.; Camilla, Busch, St. Pierre and Maracaibo, Russell & Norton; Orline St. John, Rodbird, Matanzas,