THE OXFORD FIRE.

Narrow Escape of the Town from Destruction.

Oxford narrowly escaped a general conflagration from the burning of the Menough hotel stables on Saturday night. The wind blew in the direction of the Presbyterian church, and it was feared for some time that it would be burned, as a tenant house belonging to the bank standing near it had taken fire. The fire department was promptly on hand and worked assiduously and effectually under the direction of their chief engineer, George E, James, who displayed great coolness and skill in the management of affairs.

Streams were thrown upon the burning stable and upon the tenant house, which was saved, but in a charred condition. Had this building burned it would have been extremely difficult to have saved the church. The wind then veered to the opposite direction and set fire to to the stable of Joseph A. Andrews, which, together with Menough's, was entirely destroyed, with their contents, except the live-stock, which was rescued. The wind again changed, and threatened the destruction of the bank, Menough's hotel and store, as well as the public hall and a row of stores adjoining the hotel. At this juncture Chief Eengineer James ordered the hook and ladder company to tear down and carry away the shedding running from the stable to Menough's store and the removal of a lot of coal oil and molasses stored in the shed. He then had blankets placed on the rear of the threatened buildings and had them thoroughly saturated with water. This precaution evidently saved them all from sharing a similar fate with the stables. The citizens of the town were out, lending a helping hand in the removal of goods, etc. In the stable of Mr. Andrews he had three bags of corn-cobs and three bags of furs. He made strenuous efforts to save the latter, and thought he had done so, but after the fire he found he had taken out the corn-cobs and the furs had fallen a prey to the fire fiend. The new steam fire engine manufactured by the Silsby company, New York, was brought into requisition for the first time and worked admirably. The fire department had but about 250 feet of hose which were in a suitable condition to use.

The loss to Menough in hay, straw, grain and building was about $2,000, upon which he had an insurance of $700. The loss to Mr. Andrews was much less, and the insurance on his property $300.

HORRORS!

The Water Supply of the Berks County Prison.

There is an old fight in Reading between the county commissioners and the city water board over an old unpaid bill for water used by the prison authorities. So the city will not give the prison use of the city water, resulting in a state of affairs which is thus reported to the court by a committee appointed to examine into it: "One hundred prisoners were confined there. And, while the reservoirs that supply the city of Reading with water are just outside the prison walls, the prison is supplied with poisonous and nauseating water, drained from abandoned mine holes, that is wholly unfit for human beings to drink. The former prison physician called the attention of Dr. Diller Luther, secretary of the board of public charities, who joins in this petition as to the unwholesome character of the water the prisoners were compelled to use, and stated that it was breeding disease among the inmates of the institution. There is universal complaint among the prisoners, who are either compelled to drink this nauseating water or do without any at all. Even the warden, who agreed to pay the water commissioners for his own supply, was not permitted to use the city water. Your petitioners therefore deem it an imperative duty on the part of the court, in the interests of common humanity, to instruct the county commissioners to obtain a supply of pure and wholesome water, either by agreement with the said water commissioners or to appropriate it without such agreement."

ASSAULT AND BATTERY.

Attempt to Rob a Countryman.

This afternoon about 3 o'clock a young countryman named Keneagy fell in with two men named Martin and McCaskey, the latter an ostler employed by Bitzer, near the Pennsylvania railroad depot. Keneagy "treated" Martin, who then demanded more money from him. This was refused, when Martin and McCaskey assaulted Keneagy, attempted to rob him, it is said, and then ran off. Keneagy who lives in the eastern part of the county has a black eye. The police are after his assailants.

Crushed to Death.

Mr. Lewis Cooper, aged 53, the sexton of the Slateville church, in Peachbottom township, York county, repaired to Mr. C. Neeper's woods, for the purpose of cutting wood. Not returning at night no uneasiness was felt by the family, as he had spoken of visiting the shoemaker's in the evening. Being still absent in the morn-morning, search was instituted, and he was found lying under a fallen tree which he had felled. Life was entirely extinct. It is thought that when the tree was about to fall Mr. Cooper attempted to escape, but was caught before getting beyond range.

The Firemen's Convention.

The delegates elected by the several fire companies of this city, to attend the convention of firemen to be held in Reading, had an informal meeting at the Empire hook and ladder hall last evening and resolved to start for Reading on Thursday afternoon. They also resolved that on all matters that may affect the interests of the volunteer fire department they would vote as a unit, the better to make their influence felt in the convention.

Sales of Tobacco.

Aaron Bachman, of Farmersville sold his crop of tobacco to C. Herr at 23, 6, 3. I. Shaeffer, hotel keeper at Monterey, sold 2,800 stalks raised from "Shaeffer seed" and yielding 1,200 pounds, to Altshue at 30 cents around. Henry Gamber of East Hempfield sold two acres to Altshue at 25, 8, 4. Allen J. Hart of Colmansville, sold his crop to J. D. Sensenig at 18, 3.

Disabled.

Peter Cline was down at the creek looking at some of the younger bloods on skates. They got him to try it. He did. His left hand was so hurt by the fall that Dr. Muhlenberg had to give it attention, and "Dad" can only play pool with the butt of his cue.

Amusements.

Keene as Richard III.—The present amusement season in this city thus far has been completely devoid of tragedy, and play goers here will be pleased to learn that this lacking is to be supplied in the appearance at Fulton opera house next Monday evening, 20th inst., of the eminent actor, Mr. Thomas W. Keene, who will present his great impersonation of *Richard III.* in Shakspeare's thrilling historical tragedy of that name. Mr. Keene's growth in popular favor has been as pronounced as it has been rapid In Chicago this fall the three stars, Barrett, McCullough and Keene, occupied the stages of three leading theatres at the same time, and the newspapers there gave them equal rank as artists of the first power. In St. Louis Mr. Keene repeated his success, and the *Republican* of that city, reviewing the performance, dwells with especial emphasis upon his conception and execution of the character which were the clear, broad artistic expositions of the *Richard* of Shakspeare. Mr. Keene played to crowded houses during his Western tour, and his journey eastward is marked by the encomiums of the press in every city where he has tarried. His support is said to be excellent and includes Miss Henrietta Vaders, the gifted tragic actress.

Female weakness, caused by deranged kidneys, permanently and positively cured by the use of Prof. Guilmette's French Kidney Pad. All druggists sell it.

Dorcas Acknowledgments.

The Ladies' Union Dorcas society gratefully acknowledge the following donations: The Thanksgiving collection from the First German Reformed church $9.50, the Presbyterian church $10.26, cash $1, Mrs. Kline $1, N. Ellmaker, esq., $10, Mrs. Kertoot $1, Mr. Weber $1, Capt. James Wiley $10, Miss Annie Lewis $5, George M. Steinman $5, Mrs. Steinman $1, Mis. J. C. Myer $1, Mrs. Gara $1, Mrs. Mary Bell $1 Mrs. E. H. Brown $1, Mrs. S. Rengier $1.

Mr. Killheffer's Party.

On Friday evening of this week a dancing party will be given at Schiller hall, North Queeen street, for the benefit of Prof. Jacob Killheffer, the well known cornet player. Taylor's excellent orchestra will be present and a good time is insured

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The proprietors of that immensely popular remedy, Kidney-Wort in recognition of the claims of the public which has so liberally patronized them, have prepared a liquid preparation of that remedy for the special accommodation of those who from any reason dislike to prepare it for themselves. It is very concentrated and, as the dose is small, it is more easily taken by many. It has the same effectual action in all diseases of the kidneys, liver or bowels.—*Home and Farm.* d13-1wd&w

Tons of Grapes and Their Use.

It is astonishing to see the large quantity of grapes of the finest quality, and large clusters that are each year mashed up for wine, at the vineyards of A. Speer, Passaic, N. J. Mr. Speer buys large quantities of grapes, and also raises the Oporto grape, from which he makes his celebrated wine, without the admixture of alcohol or spirits. This wine is found by careful analysis to be the best wine in market for invalids and debilitated persons. It is called Speer's Port Grape Wine, and is sold by druggists. It is extensively used by churches for the communion table. Excellent for fatigued females. This wine is recommended by Drs. Alfe and Davis, and for sale by H. E. Slaymaker d1 2wd&w

Miserableness.

The most wonderful and marvelous success, in cases where persons are sick or pining away from a condition of miserableness, that no one knows what ails them (profitable patients for doctors), is obtained by the use of Hop Bitters. They begin to cure from the first dose and keep it up until perfect health and strength is restored. Whoever is afflicted in this way need not suffer, when they can get Hop Bitters. See "Truths" and "Proverbs" in another column. d1 2wd&w

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"*Brown's Bronchial Troches*" are used with advantage to alleviate Coughs, Sore Throat, Hoarseness and Bronchial Affections. For thirty years these Troches have been in use, with annually increasing favor. They are not new and untried, but, having been tested by wise and constant use for nearly an entire generation, they have attained well-merited rank among the few staple remedies of the age.

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"*Brown's Bronchial Troches*" act directly on the organs of the voice. They have an extraordinary effect in all disorders of the Throat and Larynx, restoring a healthy tone when relaxed, either from cold or over-exertion of the voice, and produce a clear and distinct enunciation. *Speakers and Singers* find the Troches useful.

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DEATHS.

BECK.—In this city, on Dec. 13, 1880, Mrs. Mary J. Beck, daughter of John Gemperling, in the 39th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her parents, No. 201 East King street, on Thursday afternoon at 2½ o'clock. Interment at Lancaster cemetery. 2t*

HENDRY.—In Philadelphia, on the 9th inst., Mary A. Hendry, wife of E. C. Hendry, daughter of Conrad and Elizabeth Shertz and formerly of Lancaster City, in the 62d year of her age. 1td*

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Appearance of the Popular Tragedian
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Gloster (afterwards Richard III), T. W. KEENE.
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Sleeve Buttons at one dollar	Cream spoons at one dollar.
Sets of Studs at one dollar.	Childrens' Rings at one dollar.
Tooth Picks at one dollar.	Gentlemen's Scarf Pins, at one dollar.
Pencils at one dollar.	And a great variety of other articles.

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Watches at five dollars.	Gentlemens' Watch Chains at five dollars.
Diamond Rings at five dollars.	Fancy Articles in Gorham Plate at five dollars.
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Ladies' Watch Chains at five dollars.	

Articles between One and Five Dollars:

Castors,	Fruit, Dinner and Tea Knives,
Toilet Bottles,	Nut Picks,
Syrup Pitchers,	Shaving Cups,
Spoon Holders,	Berry and Fruit Spoons,
American Clocks,	Childrens' and Misses' Necklaces.
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Spoons and Forks,	Napkin Rings,
Cake Baskets,	&c., &c., &c.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TAKE NOTICE THAT ALL THE OUTstanding and unpaid city tax for the year 1880, now in the hands of the collectors of the several wards, must be paid on or before WEDNESDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF DECEMBER, A. D., 1880, as immediately after that date the same will be placed in the hands of the city solicitor for collection. dec4-13d

City of Williamsport, Pa.,
DEFAULTED BONDS AND COUPONS
Wanted by
RANDAL H, FOOTE,
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dec14-6td 70 Broadway, New York City.

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ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 15, SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 18, and WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 22, will be sold at Burkholder's store, corner of Chestnut and Plum streets (No. 509), DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, GLASS AND QUEENSWARE and a variety of CHINA, WOOD and TIN TOYS. Come and secure bargains. Sale to commence at 7 o'clock.
H. K. BURKHOLDER, Agent.
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Good Patterns, that will be closed out at the low price of fifty cents. These are a decided bargain, as some have been reduced from one dollar to fifty cents. prices.
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Opening almost daily New Designs of
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Our stock is Large and Attractive, of the Newest Fashions.
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Fulton Opera House, Lancaster.
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WANTED A GIRL TO DO GENERAL housework. Good wages paid to a competent person. Inquire at
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LOTS FOR SALE.
Now is the chance to buy lots whilst they are cheap; a good time for industrious men to put their surplus earnings into something likely to advance in value. The undersigned will sell from one to fifty lots at a low price on long time. Lots are situated in northeast ward. For terms apply to
d11-3td A. W. RUSSEL.

PUBLIC SALE.—WILL BE OFFERED AT public sale, all that lot of ground fronting 14 feet on the southwest side of Middle street, and extending in depth 118 feet 6 inches, on which is erected two two-story Brick Dwelling Houses, with back buildings and other improvements. The said property will be sold as a whole, or either house and lot as now divided and occupied, will be sold separately. If one separately the right to a common use of the hydrant, passage alley and water way as now used will be reserved.
Sale to be held at the Leopard Hotel, on East King street, on MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1880, at 7:30 p. m., when conditions will be made known by JOHN BLACK.
H. SHUBERT, Auct. d11-18d

PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY. On WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1880, the undersigned will sell at public sale on the premises, No. 225 East Orange street, at the residence of the late Jacob Stauffer, the following personal property:
Household and kitchen furniture, consisting of beds and bedding, carpets, tables, chairs, stoves, kitchen utensils, etc., etc. Telescope, microscope, camera lucida, electrical machine, amateur self-inking press, with a fine assortment of type, dental and engraving tools, a handsome medicine case, maps, books, paintings, wheelbarrow, flutes, clarinets, wood cuts, shelving, drawers, etc.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock a. m., when terms will be made known by
F. H. STAUFFER,
D. McN. STAUFFER,
Administrators.
S. HESS & SON, Aucts. d13-2t

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFERS AT PRIVATE sale that two-story BRICK DWELLING HOUSE with two-story Brick Back Building, situate at No. 42 South Lime street. The house fronts 19 feet, and lot extends in depth 123 feet to Zion Lutheran church. The house has been recently papered throughout; there are seven large rooms with gas in every room in the house, and water in the kitchen. In the lot are choice varieties of fruit trees and a fine grape vine. On the south side of the house is an alleyway for the exclusive use of this property. Possession given April 1, 1881. If not sold at private sale the above property will be offered at public sale, at the Leopard hotel, on Saturday evening, December 18, 1880, at 7 o'clock. PHILIP DOERSOM.
dec1-16td

LEGAL NOTICES.

ESTATE OF JACOB BAIR, DECEASED, late of Lancaster city, Pa. Letters testamentary on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make immediate settlement and those having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, to make known the same to her without delay.
CAROLINE A. BAIR, Executrix,
dec6-6tdoaw Lancaster, Pa.

ESTATE OF R. W. SHENK, LATE OF Lancaster city, deceased. Letters testamentary on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate settlement, and those having claims or demands against the same, will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned.
MARY S. B. SHENK, Executrix.
W. LEAMAN, Att'y. d13-3tdoaw

ESTATE OF HENRY DRACHBAR, LATE of the city of Lancaster, deceased. Letters of administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned, residing in the city of Lancaster.
PHILIP B. DRACHBAR,
HENRY DRACHBAR, JR.,
ALBERT DRACHBAR,
JNO. M. AMWEG, Att'y. Administrators.
n23-6tdoaw

ESTATE OF HENRY GUNDAKER, LATE of Lancaster city, deceased. Letters of administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same, will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned, residing in Lancaster city.
SARAH E. GUNDAKER,
DR. GEO. R. WELCHANS,
WM. R. WILSON, Administrators.
A. C. REINOEHL, Attorneys. nov15-6tdoaw

ESTATE OF HON. THADDEUS STEVENS, late of Lancaster city, deceased. The undersigned Auditors, appointed to distribute the balance remaining in the hands of Edward McPherson, A. E. Roberts and the late O. J. Dickey, executors of last will of said testator, to and among those legally entitled to the same, will sit for that purpose on TUESDAY, the 21st day of DECEMBER, 1880, at 2 o'clock p. m., in the Library Room of the Court House, in the city of Lancaster, where all persons interested in said distribution may attend.
WILLIAM LEAMAN,
J. HAY BROWN,
SIMON P. EBY,
n23-4tdoaw Auditors.

THIRD EDITION.

TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 14, 1880.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—For the Middle Atlantic states, falling followed by stationary or rising barometer, higher temperature, winds mostly south to west and partly cloudy weather, followed by increasing cloudiness and rain.

CONGRESS.

Proceedings in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—In the Senate Mr. Edmunds introduced a bill to revive the court of commissioners of Alabama claims.

A resolution was agreed to instructing the committee on postoffices and roads to inquire whether or not existing telegraph lines largely interfere with the business of the postoffice, and whether or not the telegraphic service should not be placed exclusively in hands of the general government.

Mr. Saulsbury announced that he would on Thursday ask the Senate to take up the resolution declaring Kellogg not entitled to his seat in the Senate.

After some discussion, during which a sentiment antagonistic to any adjournment during the holidays was developed, the subject was dropped.

Upon the expiration of the morning hour the Senate resumed consideration of the bill for the relief of Fitz John Porter.

The amendment offered by Mr. Dawes was agreed to, authorizing the president to appoint Porter to the army with the rank of colonel within eighteen months from date. The bill was then reported to the Senate, and after a set speech by Mr Burnside against the bill, the amendments made in committee of the whole were agreed to and the bill was read a third time and passed by a strict party vote, except that Mr. Davis (Ill.) voted in the negative, with the Republicans.

In the House.

The House passed the resolution calling on the postmaster general for information as to the detention of certain mail bags said to contain unfrankable matter and for information as to the abuse or loan of frank by members of Congress.

A bill for the incorporation of the Maritime canal company of Nicaragua was introduced and referred. It names as incorporators U. S. Grant, E. D. Morgan and others.

Mr. Bicknell (Ind.) then called up the electoral count resolution and demanded the previous question. The Republicans refused to vote, so the House was left apparently without a quorum. After the roll call Mr. Bicknell said he would not press the measure now, but would call it up in January as soon as he could find 147 members on his side of the House.

A motion by Mr. Wood to go into committee on the funding bill was voted on by yeas and nays and carried. The announcement of the vote, however, was delayed until after the election of a postmaster, which is now in progress.

The speaker then announced that the motion had been carried and at 2:25 the House went into committee on the funding bill.

VIOLENCE IN IRELAND.

General Prevalence of Terrorism Reported

LONDON, Dec. 14.—At Waterford assizes the jury panel has been called three times unsuccessfully under penalties of from 10 to 50 pounds and still not a sufficient number have responded for a jury to be struck. In the Boyd murder case the solicitor general has asked for postponement on a plea that the district is terrorized.

At Irishtown near Clare Marus, last night, a body of men attempted to forcibly enter a farm from which a tenant had been evicted. They attacked the constabulary who immediately fired upon them wounding four. Two men were arrested.

The Gentlemen of the Jury.

DUBLIN, Dec. 14.—Of the panel of the forty-eight from which a jury is to be selected for the trial of the traversers, thirty-nine are tradesmen, two agents, four gentlemen, one secretary of a railway company, one hotel-keeper and one a lieutenant colonel.

ANOTHER EXPLOSION.

The Mine Pit at Stellarton Again the Scene.

HALIFAX, Dec. 14.—Another explosion occurred at the cage pit, Stellarton, about 8 o'clock this morning, and was followed in a few moments by another blast. A strong force of men are on hand to explore the mine at the earliest possile moment.

At 9 o'clock the third explosion occurred. It is not believed, however, that any lives are lost.

GERMAN POLITICS.

Victory of Progressists and Democrats.

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The Progressists and Democrats obtained a tremendous victory in the late election. At Altenberg Herr Kalmpffer has been elected member of the Reichstag by a majority of 3,500, in a district which never before returned a Progressist. This is partly owing to the new corn laws.

Youthful Criminals.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Isaac Catheart, sixteen years old, and Albert Meyer were arraigned at the Tombs to-day for breach of trust, Catheart having decamped with $2,800 belonging to Vandyck & Williams. His employers' case was not pressed, and both lads were diseharged.

Fire in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—By a fire this morning in the telegraph cable manufactory of Manly & Sons, 44th and Chestnut streets, damage was done to the extent of $20,000.

Sentenced to be Hanged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Edward Reinhardt, convicted of murdering his wife at Silver Lake, Staten Island, and whose case has been before the court of appeals, was brought up this morning and re-sentenced to be hanged January 14.

Lehigh Valley Dividend.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—At a meeting of directors of the Lehigh Valley railroad this afternoon, a quarterly dividend of one per cent. was declared payable in January.

Of No Consequence.

MADRID, Dec. 14.—Very little importance is attached in official circles to the negro conspiracy in Cuba.

The Albanian League.

VIENNA, Dec. 14.—The Albanian league has now entirely disappeared.

MARKETS.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Flour—State $3 40@4 00; extra do $4 60@4 75; choice, do $4 80@5 10; fancy do $5 15@6 50; round hoop Ohio $4 80@5 50 choice do at $5 55@6 85; superfine western $3 40@4 00; common to good extra do $4 00@5 00; choice do $5 10@6 75; choice white wheat do $5 10@6 00; Southern dull and heavy; common to fair extra $5 00@5 50; good to choice do $5 55@6 75.

Wheat—market very heavy and prices 2@3c lower; No. 2 Red, spot, $1 20; do Jan, $1 20⅜@1 21⅜; do Feb., $1 23¼@1 24¼.

Corn without important change and moderately active; Mixed western spot, 57@58½c; do future, 58½@59¼c.

Oats a shade easier; No. 2 Feb., 47@47½c; State 44@46c; Western 42½@48c.

Philadelphia Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Flour sluggish, but unchanged; superfine at $3 00@3 75; extra at $3 75@4 50; Ohio and Indiana family $5 50@6 25; Penn'a family $5 12@5 50; St. Louis family $6 00@6 50; Minnesota family $5 25@6 00; do straight $6 00@6 50; Winter patent $6 50@7 25; Spring do $7 00@8 25.

Rye flour dull at $5 25.

Wheat dull and lower; No. 2 Western Red $1 19; Penn'a. Red $1 17@1 18¼; Amber $1 17@1 18½.

Corn dull but easier; steamer, 53@54c; yellow, old, 55½@56½c; mixed, old, 55½@56½c.

Oats quiet but unchanged; No. 1 White 47½@48c; No. 2 do 46@46½c; No. 3 do 45c; No. 2 Mixed 44@44½c.

Rye dull; Western 95c; Penn'a 95c.

Provisions dull; dressed hogs, 5½@6c; mess pork old, $12 50; new, $13 25; beef hams at $18 00@18 50; Indian mess beef $17 50; Bacon—smoked shoulders 5¾c; salt do 5¼c; smoked hams 9½@10¼c; pickled hams 7¾@8¼c.

Lard quiet; city kettle at 9¼c; loose butchers' 8½c; prime steam $8 87½@.

Butter—market quieter but less active; Creamery extra 35@36c; do good to choice 30@34c; B. C. and N. Y. extra 29@30c; Western reserve extra 24@25c; do good to choice 18@24c; Rolls scarce and wanted; Penn'a Extra 23@24c; Western Reserve extra 23@25.

Eggs scarce and firm for fresh receipts; Pa. 32@33c; Western 31@32c.

Cheese sluggish and weak; New York full cream at 13@13½c; Western full cream 12½@12¾c; do fair to good at 11@12c; do half skim-10@10½c.

Petroleum firm; refined at 9¼c.

Whisky scarce at $1 16.

Seeds—Good to prime clover dull 7@7½; Flaxseed wholly nominal at $1 30.

Stock Market.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Stocks steady.

December 14	A. M. 10:20	A. M. 11:25	P. M. 1:00	P. M. 2:05	P. M. 3: 0
Money	....	....	6	....	....
Erie R. R.	46½	46⅞	46⅝	46½	...
Michigan S. & L. S.	124⅝	124⅞	124⅝	125	....
Michigan Cent. R. R.	117½	117½	117⅞	117½	....
Chicago & N. W.	122⅞	122⅞	122¾	122¾	....
Chicago, M & St. P.	110⅝	110⅝	110⅛	110⅛	....
Han. & St. J. Com.	44	43⅞	44¼	44½	....
" " P'fd.	95¼	95¼	95¼	95¼	....
Toledo & Wabash	43¼	43¼	43⅞	43	....
Ohio & Mississippi	35¼	37	36	36⅛	....
St. Louis, I. M. & S. R.	50	50⅛	49⅞	49⅞	....
Ontario and Western	31⅞	31⅞	31½	31½	....
C. C. & I. C. R. R.	....	....	49¼	49⅞	....
New Jersey Central	79¼	79⅛	79¼	79¼	....
Del. & Hudson Canal	89	89⅛	89⅛	89⅛	....
Del., Lack. & Western	101	101⅛	101⅛	101⅛	....
Western Union Tel.	82⅞	82⅞	82¾	82⅞	....
Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	50⅛	50⅛	50⅛	50⅛	....
American U. Tel. Co.	73	73¼	74	73½	....
Union Pacific	107⅞	107⅞	107⅞	108⅛	....
Kansas & Texas	43½	43⅛	43¼	43¼	....
New York Central	....	....	114⅞	....	....
Adams Express	....	....	117	....	....
Illinois Central	....	....	117⅞	....	....
Cleveland & Pitts	....	....	121	....	....
Chicago & Rock I.	....	....	125	....	....
Pittsburgh & Ft. W.	....	....	125½	....	....
PHILADELPHIA. Stocks dull.					
Pennsylvania R. R.	61⅝	62	61⅞	62	61⅞
Phil'a. & Reading	25⅝	25¼	25¼	25¼	25⅛
Lehigh Valley	57⅛	57	57⅛	56	56⅛
Lehigh Navigation	36½	36¼	36⅛	36⅛	36⅛
Northern Pacific Com	....	32⅛	32⅛	32	32⅛
" P'fd	....	63	62½	62¾	62⅝
Pitts., Titusv'e & F.	17¼	17¼	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛
Northern Central	45½	45¼	45¼	45¼	45
Phil'a & Erie R. R.	....	20¼	....	20	20
Northern Penn'a	....	55⅞	....	56	....
Un. R. R's of N. J.	....	181¼	....	181	181
Hestonville Pass.	....	....	....	....	....
Central Trans. Co.	....	....	....	....	....

Cattle Market.

MONDAY, Dec. 13.—The receipts of beeves at the West Philadelphia yard for past week were 2,800 head; North Philadelphia yard, 650 head. Total, 3,450 head. Previous week 3,335 head.

Beef cattle.—The market during the past week was active, and prices were higher as the grades of cattle were of a better quality.

Dressed beeves were fairly active and prices were firmer. We note sales as follows; Thos. Bradley, 180 head at 5@7½c; James Clavin, 56 head, 6½@7¾c; C. S. Dengler, 59 head, 6½@8c; J. C. Wells, 34 head, 6¾@7½c; A. A. Boswell, 91 head, 6¼@7½c; W. H. Brown, 135 head, 6¼@7½c; J. H. Meins & Bro., 221 head, 4½@8c.

Bulls and cows were in better demand and prices were higher.

Calves were active and prices were firm.

Fresh cows.—The market was destitute of animals.

Exports per British Crown, 975 quarters.

We quote Extra at 6@6½c; good, 5¾@6¼c; medium 4½@5¾c; common, 3@4½c; dressed beeves, 5@8c; bulls and cows, 1½@3½c; calves 6@7c; fresh cows, $20@45.

Sheep and lambs.—The receipts were: West Philadelphia yards 3,000 head; Hestonville, 3,000; North Philadelphia, 1,000; Total for the week, 7,000; previous week, 8,200.

The market during the past week was sluggish on account of the heavy supply of cheap poultry, although prices in sympathy with the western market advanced; a choice lot sold at 6¼c per pound.

We quote Extra at 5½@5¾c; best, 5¼@5½c; good, 4¾@5c; medium, 4½@4¾c; fair, 4¼@4½c; common, 4@4¼c; culls, 3½@3¾c.; Lambs, 4½@6½c.

Samuel Stewart sold 512 head of dressed sheep at 6@7½c.

Hogs—The receipts were: West Philadelphia yards, 6,700 head; other yards, 1,000 head. Total for the week 7,500 head. Previous week 8,500 head.

The market was moderately active and prices advanced 25c per hundred on all grades in sympathy with the Western markets.

We quote extra at 7@7½c; good, at 6¾@6¾c; medium 6½@6¾c; common 6¼@6½c.

SALES AT THE WEST PHILADELPHIA YARD.

Head.
180 Roger Maynes, Western, gross, 4¾@5½c.
39 Owen Smith, Penn'a, account of John McArdle, gross, 5½@6c.
190 E. S. & B. F. McFillen, Western, gross, 5@6c.
135 A. & J. Christy, Western, gross, 4¾@5¼c.
82 Ulman & Lehman Bros., Ohio, account of Lehman Bros., 5@5½c; 36 Ohio account of Levi Sensenig, 5@6c; 20 York county,