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CHAS. H. BERRY, Hemp & Manilla Cordage, Twine, &c., 18 & 19 Water st.

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BRUES & SANDERS, Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, 114 Main street.

FISHER & SEAMON, Dry Goods and Notions, 116 Main street.

GEO. R. TAYLOR & CO., Fancy Staple Dry Goods, 108 Main street.

HENRY ROEMER, Dry Goods & Notions, 36 Main st. Centre Wheeling.

JOHN ROEMER & CO., Dry Goods Emporium, 31 & 33 Main st., Centre Wheeling.

J. S. RHODES, Foreign and Domestic Dry Goods, Peterson's Block Main street.

DRUGGISTS.

E. BOCKING, Druggist and Prescriptionist, No. 1 Odd Fellows' Hall.

SILVEY & LIST, Druggists and Prescriptionists, corner opposite the Post Office.

T. H. LOGAN & CO., Wholesale Druggists, 47 Main street.

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LIST, MORRISON & CO., Wholesale Grocers, Corner Main and Quincy street.

PAXTON & OGLEBAY, Wholesale Grocers, 54 Main street.

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HARPER & BRO., Wholesale Hats and Caps, Main street

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FRANKLIN INSURANCE COMPANY, N. C. Arthur, Secretary, 29 Monroe street.

NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, John Bishop, Secretary, 26 Monroe street.

AETNA FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE Company, S. P. Hildreth, Sec'y; H. G. Harding, Ass't Sec'y, 63 Main street.

FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE CO., J. C. Hervey, Secretary, Office next door to M. N. Bank.

CONTINENTAL INSURANCE CO., W. F. Peterson, Agent, Main street, next door to M. N. Bank.

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W. H. SHEIB, Pianos, Organs & Sheet Music, 139 Main street

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FREW, HAGANS & HALL, Steam Job Printers, 15 Quincy street.

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THOS. O'BRIEN, Real Estate Agent, Office, Custom House.

THOS. HORNBROOK, Dealer in Real Estate, 118½ Main street.

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GROVER & BAKER SEWING MAchine, Oxtoby & Duffield Agents, 103 Main street.

WHEELER & WILSON SEWING MAchine, Wm. Sumner & Co., 99 Main Street.

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J. A. LASH, Watches, Jewelry & Silver Ware. 182 Main street.

OXTOBY & DUFFIELD, Watches, Jewelry and Fancy Goods, 103 Main street.

SCOTT & HENNEGEN, Jewelry, Watches, &c., 104 Main street.

Professional.

Dr. Lighthill,

Of 296 Penn Street, Pittsburgh.

Will Return to the

McLURE HOUSE,

ON MONDAY NOON,

JANUARY 4TH,

Remaining until

SATURDAY NOON,

JANUARY 9,

WHERE HE CAN BE CONSULTED ON

DEAFNESS,

CATARRH,

Bronchitis, Offensive Breath, Discharges from the Ear, Affections of the Throat and Voice, and on all Diseases,

Defects and Deformities of

THE EYE,

Requiring Medical and Surgical Aid.

DR. LIGHTHILL has formed a Co-partnership with the celebrated and renowned

Dr. J. Anderson Reid,

Who for the last fifteen years devoted his attention to all diseases arising from impurity of the

BLOOD.

His specialty embraces the cure of all diseases of

THE SKIN,

SUCH AS

Impure Complexion, Pimples, Tan Spots, Freckles, Eruptions and Tumors, &c., &c.,

ALL DISEASES OF THE

LIVER, STOMACH, KIDNEYS,

THE

DYGESTIVE ORGANS

And all derangements of the

NERVOUS SYSTEM.

CONSULTATION FREE.

TAKE NOTICE.

Patients are hereby informed that after the first visit they can take the treatment home and use it until cured, without pain or interruption to their usual vocation.

Statement of Mr. H. D. McGeorge, Janitor of the House of Delegates.

WHEELING, Dec. 8th, 1868.

I have visited Dr. Lighthill at the McLure House and obtained his treatment for the cure of Deafness and noises in the ears, with which I have suffered for four years; and can say that I have been greatly benefitted by its use, although I have applied it but twice, and that the treatment is perfectly painless and calculated to produce permanent and beneficial results.

H. D. MCGEORGE, *Morgantown, W. Va.*

Well Attested Cure of Catarrh.

DR. A. P. LIGHTHILL—DEAR SIR:—Your treatment in the cure of my Catarrh has had the desired effect, and resulted in permanent good to me, although my case has frequently been pronounced incurable, and I had exhausted all other modes of treatment, without the least benefit. My case was so chronic and troublesome, that by giving a few of the symptoms the value of your treatment can be more readily estimated. For years I had been afflicted with a constant cold in the head, obstructing my breathing so as to necessitate me to keep my mouth open during sleep; latterly the discharges became solidified and impacted in my nose to such an extent that it required the greatest exertion to expel them. Sometimes these hardened lumps would get in my throat causing me to hawk and scrape even by the hour to relieve myself. My breath was offensive; my memory became impaired. Dizziness and light headiness made their appearance, and of late symptoms of paralysis stepped in, and when I placed myself under your care one side of my face was badly affected by this dread disease. My general health suffered alike, there was a constant tired, drowsy and debilitated feeling, with no energy to move or act; I felt averse to rising in the morning as I did on going to my bed, my appetite was capricious and my disposition morose. In that condition I placed myself under your care, and am happy to state that all those disagreeable and dangerous symptoms have entirely left me, and I once more enjoy the benefits of good health.

By giving this publicity you will benefit others similarly affected and oblige me.

Yours truly, JAMES SOMMERVILLE. *Brookville, Jefferson county.*

I have known Mr. James Sommerville, from Brookville, Jefferson county, for many years, and can testify to his statement as one of truth and veracity.

LEOPOLD HELLBRONER, *Wholesale Liquor Dealer on Hand Street.*

LETTER FROM

CAPT. SILAS F. MILLER,

Proprietor of the Burnett House Cincinnati.

BURNETT HOUSE, February 9th, 1867.

TO MY FRIENDS AND THE PUBLIC:

It affords me great satisfaction to be able to testify to the success of Dr. Lighthill in the treatment of deafness, and express my sense of obligation to him. My hearing has been impaired for a number of years, at times to such an extent as to embarrass me seriously. Dr. Lighthill, under whose care I placed myself, has removed the difficulty completely, and restored me to perfect hearing.

SILAS F. MILLER.

REMEMBER THE TIME.

DRS. LIGHTHILL & REID

WILL BE AT THE

McLURE HOUSE

FROM

MONDAY NOON, JANUARY 4,

UNTIL

SATURDAY NOON, JANUARY 9.

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The Intelligencer.

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

EXTRA SESSION.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23, 1868.

Senate met at 2 o'clock P. M.

Prayer by Rev. J. T. McClure

A message from the House of Delegates announced that the House had insisted on its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate and asked Committees of Conference on chapters 90, 103, 135, 142, 144, 145, and 149.

Mr. Hoke from the Judiciary reported back chapters 136—general provisions as to civil cases; 111—of the writ of *habeas corpus* 152,—general provisions concerning crimes and punishments, and 153,—for preventing the commission of crime, recommending their passage, and they were passed.

Mr. Dix from the committee on Education reported back chapter 105—sale of lands for the school fund, recommending its passage, and it was passed.

The Committees of Conference on chapters 103, 135, 144, 157, 149, 72, and, 90 made their reports, all of which were adopted except 149, which was tabled.

Mr. Farnsworth from the committee on Internal Improvements and Navigation reported back Senate bill in relation to the Wheeling Iron Works as inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

Mr. Young moved that the door keeper be allowed mileage, motion lost.

Mr. Foster offered Senate Joint Resolution No. 22 providing for the printing of a certain act.

The resolution was adopted,

A message from the House of Delegates by Mr. Ferguson (of Cabell) announced that that body had disagreed to the amendments of the Senate to chapters 29, 34, 43, 83, 106, 112, 127, and 130 and asked Committee of Conference on said chapters.

Conference committies were appointed by the Senate on said chapters,

Mr. Hoke from the Judiciary reported back the House Joint Resolution in relation to the fire arms in the hands of the sheriff of Marion county, with an amendment striking out that part providing for their return to the owners.

The resolution was so amended and adopted.

The House Bill providing for the collection of back taxes in certain cases was amended so as to make it applicable to Ronne county, and passed.

The Senate Bill authorizing Joseph H. Pendleton of Brooke county, to practice law without taking the test oath, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the House by Mr. Steere anounced that the House had passed Senate Joint Resolution No. 22 with an amendment providing for the printing of the act in relation to boards of Supervisors.

The Senate adopted the amendment.

Adjourned.

[We erred in yesterdays report, in saying that Mr. Zinn offered the amendment proposing to tax the railroad for township free school purposes—the amendment was offered by Mr. Carskadon. Mr. Zinn opposed it.—REP.]

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

Prayer by Rev. Eli Riddle, member of the House.

The Conference Committees appointed yesterday submitted their reports on the several chapters referred to them, and they were adopted, except in the case of chapter 103, upon which a new Committee of Conference was asked.

A Joint Resolution was received from the Senate directing the printing of 50 copies of the act allowing further time for appeals from the re-valuation of lands. The resolution was amended so as to increase the number to 150, and so as to require the Clerk to forward copies to the Boards of Supervisors; also, so as to require the same action in regard to the bill providing for the meeting of the Boards of Supervisors. Thus amended it was agreed to.

Mr. Ferguson, of Cabell, asked that the Committee of Revision be relieved from consideration of chapters 83, 106, 112, 127 and 130, returned from the Senate with amendments, and that they be referred to a Committee of Conference. Agreed to, and committee appointed on the part of the House as follows: Messrs. Ferguson of Cabell, Parker, and Allison.

Several chapters were returned from the Senate with amendments, and the amendments disagreed to and the chapters referred to the same Committee.

Mr. Barns asked and obtained leave to change his vote from affirmative to negative on chapter 96, "of money and interest." (This chapter, as passed, embraced a provision doing away with the penalties of the old usury laws.)

The chapter on free schools was passed; also the following bill: Senate bill to repeal the act of February 28, 1866, authorizing the Judge of the 9th circuit to fill official vacancies.

Senate bill No. 100, to incorporate the East Fairmont Gas Coal Company was taken up and read the first time by its title. Mr. Fleming, of Harrison, moved to suspend the rule to allow the bill to be read a second time. Agreed to. Whereupon Mr. Armstrong moved to lay the bill on the table till a legible copy could be obtained. Agreed to.

Mr. Dils asked leave to introduce a bill to authorize Wm. J. Sergeant to teach school without taking the test oath. Refused.

The House took a recess till four o'clock, and upon reassembling the Chairman of the committee submitted a conference report on chapters 75 and 142, which was adopted.

The Speaker appointed the new Conference Committee on chapter 103 as follows: Messrs. Stewart, Morgan and Boggess.

Auction Sales.

GREAT REDUCTION OF PRICES

OF

Boots & Shoes,

Hoisery & Notions,

Carpets & Oil Cloths,

Dry Goods,

Furniture, &c., &c.

It is worth going to see

HUBBARD & BROS'

TABLE OF LOW PRICES,

Made for the purpose of reducing Stock, and to close out consignments by the 1st of January.

HUBBARD & BROS., Auction Rooms 86 & 88 Market St.

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Broom Handles.

35000 ON HAND AND FOR SALE low by CHARLES H. BERRY, Nos. 18 & 19 Water st.

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N. O. SUGAR & MOLASSES.

300 BBLS. Extra and Family Flour. 40 Tierces prime Leaf Lard. 5 Hhds Bacon Shoulders. 4 do Sugar Cured Hams. Just received and for sale by PAXTON & OGLEBAY

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BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 23.

The *Times* says the letter of Mr. Spalding and the report of Secretary McCulloch invite the United States Supreme Court to decide against the validity of the legal tender act at its present session.

The *Tribune* says Gen. Sheridan will certainly be appointed to the command at New Orleans on the 5th of March next.

Samuel Bowles, of the Springfield *Republican*, was arrested last night at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and taken to the Ludlow Street Jail by the Sheriff, on a warrant issued at the instance of James Fisk, who charges him with libel. Bowles was bailed out.

John Martin, nine years old, accidentally fell under a horse car on Atlantic street, Brooklyn, last evening, and had his head completely crushed off by the wheels.

A Washington special says United States Treasurer Spinner is writing a letter to the State Treasurer of Massachusetts, in which he will review Senator Morton's scheme for redeeming greenbacks.

It is reported that the President will veto the Southern militia bill.

The commercial travelers held a meeting this afternoon, which was largely attended. Many cases of hardships arising under State and municipal license laws were rehearsed. Several of the speakers denounced these laws as odious and tyrannical. The general opinion favored making a test case and taking it to the United States Supreme Court for decision, but a committee was appointed to consult Attorney General Evarts on the subject.

At a meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners to-day it was decided to organize the department into nine brigades and confer the following rank upon the officers: Chief Engineer to be Colonel; Assistant Engineer, Lieut-Colonel; District Engineer, Major; and other officers relative to rank.

Madamoiselle Tostes has had a fall down a flight of stairs from her feet becoming entangled in her skirts, but escaped with her life, though she was severely bruised and quite lame.

The bonds of the two Guitermans, charged with extensive smuggling, have been forfeited by Commissioner Betts, they not having appeared before him to-day.

The Supreme Court to-day, in the case of the Minnesota Central Railroad Company *vs.* J. R. Morgan & Co., reversed the decision of the Lower Court, and ordered a new trial, the effect of which will be to give the railroad company a dividend declared by the Atlantic Mutual Insurance Company, in which a large quantity of railroad iron was insured in 1863, and which had been held by Morgan and Company who are agents of the Company, as their own steamer, Westphalia from Europe arrived to-day.

MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.

The official vote of Missouri is announced as follows: The average vote of the Republican electors is 84,116; the average of the Democratic electors is 59,685; Republican majority, 24,431. For Governor, McClurg (Rep.) has 19,227 majority. The remainder of the Republican State ticket has an average majority of 21,401. The Republican Supreme Judges have an average majority of 20,598; for Congress, in the First District, Wells (Democrat) has 281 majority; Second District, Finkelburg, (Republican) 3,226 majority; Third District, McCormick, (Democrat) 927 majority; Fourth District, S. H. Boyd, (Republican) 3,972 majority. In this district Col. Kelso, independent radical, holds 1,834 votes. Fifth District, Capt. Burdett, (Republican) 3,426 majority; for McClurg's unexpired term in this district, Colonel Stover, (Republican) received 3,628 majority. Sixth District, Vanhorn, (Republican) 867 majority; Seventh District, Col. Asher, (Republican) 7,243 majority; Eighth District, Col. Benjamin, (Republican) 1,611 majority; Ninth District, Col. Dyer, (Republican) 432 majority. The counties of Dunklin, Ripley, Shannon, Wayne and Oregon, in the Third District; Platte and Jackson in the Sixth; and Monroe in the Ninth, have not been counted, on account of the illegal registration or disregard of the law. The whole matter will be laid before the Legislature, and until that body acts upon the returns the Secretary of State will not issue certificates to anybody. The majority against the constitutional amendment is 19,817.

A Salt Lake dispatch says that the Idaho Legislature met at Boise city on the 9th. Governor Bullard's message recommends the revision of the mining laws, and asks the legislature to petition Congress for an additional appropriation to survey public lands, sales already being $30,000 in excess of cost of first survey. He complains of the mismanagement of postal affairs; many routes have been established through ignorance of the geography and position of the country being impracticable, others running double service at unnecessary expense. The northern portion of the territory, with many large settlements, is without mail communication. He hopes that Congress will remedy this. He reports that from 5,000 to 8,000 Indians remain in the territory who act friendly and should be settled upon reservations.

A Kansas city despatch says an army guide just in from the Plains reports that the Kansas volunteers joined Gen. Sheridan on the 19th inst., on his march to Fort Cobb. The General intended to eat his Christmas dinner in camp Supply, where Major Inman is ordered to with a large train of supplies. It is reported that the Indians have driven off all the stock belonging to Gen. Penrose's command. Many of his men were badly frozen.

The tobacco factory in Pike county, Illinois, was seized for violation of the revenue law a few days ago.

J. D. Champlin, President of the Mississippi Valley National Telegraph Company, whose head quarters are here, publishes a card this morning denying the correctness of the statement that the board of trade of St. Paul repudiates their subscription to that Company on the ground of misrepresentation. Mr. Champlin also states that his line is a permanent fixture and in successful operation.

CANADA.

TORONTO, Dec. 23.

At a public meeting held last night to hear the report of the committee to confer with the government on the question of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal, speeches were made by a number of citizens condemning the action of the Ontario government for refusing to receive petitions in favor of the project. Resolutions were passed that the determination of the government was opposed to the interests of the province.

MASSACHUSETTS.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.

The Jury in the United States District Court to-day, rendered a verdict for the Government against the distillery in South Boston, carried on by the Suffolk Lead Works of which Samuel M. Ward is the treasurer, forfeiting to the Government the entire property of the Works valued at about 150,000 dollars. The bond required by law not having been given to the collector.

PENNSYLVANIA.

PHILADELPHIA, December 23.

The trial of the Twitchell murder case was continued. All the evidence given tends to disprove the theory of the defence, which is understood to be based upon the assumption that the deceased was murdered by a robber, who entered the house to steal money.

EUROPE.

LONDON, December 23.

This morning's *Telegraph* prints a telegram from Berlin, announcing that Prussia had called a conference of the Great Powers to peaceably settle the questions between Greece and Italy.

Messrs. Hadfield and Basely, members of Parliament, have presented a memorial to Reverdy Johnson, requesting him to urge the United States to adopt a system of penny postage between the two countries. The memorial is signed by hundreds of members of Parliament.

The *Times* favors the memorial, and says if time had been afforded, doubtless all the members of Parliament would have signed it.

LONDON, December 23.

The report of the proposed conference on the Eastern question is fully confirmed.

The Vienna *Presse*, the government organ, says semi-officially that the plan originated with Russia, backed by Prussia, and that the scheme is favored by Austria and Italy. The effort to settle the question without bloodshed will undoubtedly be successful.

PARIS, December 23.

The *Moniteur* has late Paraguayan advices, which say the position of Lopez is critical, in consequence of his differences with the United States, and that he will probably seek a reconciliation with the American government.

The *Moniteur* also states that Paraguay continues to make energetic resistance to the movements of the allied army.

Senor Olosaga was to-day officially received by the Emperor as ambassador from Spain.

Carlist disturbances have occurred in Navarrez, and 14 persons have been arrested for participating in them.

The *Moniteur* of to-day, in a leading editorial, says the active movements of the Great Powers give hope that diplomacy by the exercise of moderation will allay the Eastern troubles.

The public newspapers say that Russia approves of the proposition of Prussia, to invite England, France and Austria, to a conference on the Turco-Greek difficulty.

ATHENS, December 23.

The Ministry are still engaged in the discussion of the measure for the defense of the country, but no formal steps have been taken in that direction.

The Government has asked of the Chambers a credit of one hundred millions of drachmas.

The ports of Paros and Patros are to be fortified.

BERLIN, December 23.

The Prince of Montenegro has gone to St. Petersburg.

The Provincial correspondent of the simi-official newspaper says the Great Powers have united in an effort to dissuade the Sublime Porte from expelling the Greeks from Turkey. The intended expulsion includes those in Servia and and Roumania.

MADRID, December 23.

The country is entirely tranquil.—The government proposes to make material changes in the Colonial Magistracy.

Speech of Schuyler Colfax at the New England Dinner.

NEW YORK, December 23.

In his speech at the New England dinner, last night, Mr. Colfax referred to the growth of the United States as a result of the grandeur of American citizenship. It is the shield of American citizenship which shall make us proud and potential, and lift up our country to a prouder position among the nations. It is that which is to teach those who are clothed with the solemn trust of representing this great realm of freemen who rule here, not by divine right, but by free institutions, that when they stand speaking for us at the bar of any civilized nation in the world, they shall not on the one hand disgrace us by boastful gasconade, or on the other, dishonor us by bowing the knee. Then when with that self-reliance, that calm and dignified American nationality, we command that respect to which our great resources and our unequalled trials which we have survived so gloriously and auspiciously entitle us, we need not go into the markets of the world to offer gold and silver to induce those islands of the seas and adjacent States and provinces to cast in their lot with us, to share in our future. I feel ashamed as an American, when I hear of proffers to buy soil and sovereignty, men, women and children, with gold and silver from our national treasury, to share with us in the magnificent future. As you would spurn a bribe that is bought with gold, as any fair woman would spurn a husband who had been lured to her side by her wealth instead of her heart, so we as Americans should elevate our nationality to win those who are near to us in territory and congeniality to cast their lot with us voluntarily and in a body. When they ask to share with us in our destinies and our magnificent future, we should then welcome them into our fold as American citizens.

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, December 23.

Secretary Seward left to-night for Auburn, accompanied by the British and French Ministers, who have accepted an invitation to be his guests during the holidays.

Chief Justice Chase and family left to-night for the residence of Senator Sprague in Rhode Island, where they will remain until Saturday.

Secretary McCulloch, this morning, received a dispatch from the Collector at Brownsville, Texas, dated yesterday, stating that two Inspectors of Customs had been murdered in that district by a gang of robbers, and another Inspector named Robert H. Ryan was badly wounded. The names of the killed are Geo. F. Hammond and Wm. H. Phelps.

KENTUCKY.

LOUISVILLE, December 23.

A terrific conflagration occurred at Crawfordsville, Montgomery county, Indiana, last night, resulting in the destruction of five stores, a marble shop, four saloons and four dwelling houses. Loss fully $25,000; partly insured.

A magnificent four story marble front building, in Evansville, occupied by Sontag & Co., hardware dealers, was burned on last Monday night, involving a loss of $100,000. The building was valued at $25,000 and insured for $13,000. The stock of Sontag & Co. was valued $65,000 to $75,000, on which there was $51,000 insurance in various local and Eastern companies.

GEORGIA.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 23.

There is further trouble on the Ogechee river. Two white men were shot last night by an armed body of negroes, who took possession of their crop, amounting to about $2,500, and carried it off. The planters declare they will be compelled to leave the country and come to the city, unless they are protected.

DELAWARE.

WILMINGTON, Dec. 23.

Abe Hicken, of Philadelphia, and Peter Maguire, of Fishkill, N. Y., two well known roughs, had a prize fight for $1,000 a side in the vicinity of Stamp's woods, on the line of the railroad near Perryville, this morning. After fighting five rounds Hicken broke Maguire's jaw, and gained the fight.

James Watson Webb.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.

James Watson Webb and Ex-Minister C. A. Washburne arrived to-day.

Mr. Bowles was released this morning, giving 5,000 dollars bail.

TENNESSEE.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 23.

An avalanche Little Rock special yesterday says, refugees from the counties afflicted with militia continue to flock to this city confirming the reports of outrages by the militia. The report that Gen. Grant had sent officers to investigate the outrages, received wide rejoicing. By the Governors proclamation this morning, the Little River Company, that portion of Lafayette east of Red river, was turned over to the civil authorities.

Discharged.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 23.

In the case of Brannon charged with the rape of Mary Ann Sheehan, who died after giving birth to a child, the Court refused to admit the dying declaration of the girl as evidence. A *nolle prosequi* was entered and Brannon was discharged.

From Buffalo.

BUFFALO, December 23.

The case of Kingston against the Enterprise Insurance Company of Cincinnati, and the Putnam of Cincinnati, to recover damages for the destruction of a glass factory, was decided by the Supreme Court this A. M., in favor of the Insurance Companies.

Died.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.

Rev. Dr. Duane, for a long time and up to a few months since Vice General of this Romam Catholic Diocese and one of the dismissed priests in the controversy with Bishop Dugan, died this morning in the forty fifth year of his age.

Fire.

TROY, December 23.

The Trinity Church (Episcopalian) at Lansingburg, was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss $10,000; insured $5,000.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL.

Wheeling Wholesale Market.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, December 23, 1868.

APPLES—Supply good; prices range from $2 50 to $3 per bbl.

BEANS—White soup $2 75, and in good demand.

BUTTER—Plenty at 30c for choice.

BEESWAX—In good demand at 35c.

COFFEE—Rio, fair to good, 22a26c; Hummel's essence, $2 95; Felix's extract $2 25.

CANDLES—City mould tallow, 16c; Star, 22a25c.

COTTON YARNS—Standard 42½c; Cotton Batting 25a45c; Candle Wick 45c.

CARBON OIL—29c, and no charge for barrel.

CHEESE—Sales of Western Reserve at 17c per pound; Factory at 19c.

EGGS—In good demand at 30c.

FLOUR—Market dull; superfine $5 00a6 00; red wheat family $8 00; fancy $10 00a10 50.

FEATHERS—In demand at 75c.

GRAIN—Prices for No. 1 red wheat $1 50a1 60; No. 1 white $1 80a1 90. Corn 65a75c, buying; 10a15c higher from store. Oats 60a65c. Rye $1 20a1 30. Barley $1 60a1 65.

HAY—Loose timothy, sells at $25,00 for good quality.

LARD—Leaf in tierces 18½c; kegs 19½c

OILS—Lard Oil at $1 60.

MOLASSES—Choice New Orleans at 90c; Porto Rico 85c; Baltimore Syrup 80a90c; New York do 65a70c.

PROVISIONS—Mess Pork at $28 50; shoulders 14½c; clear rib sides 17½c; sugar cured hams 18.

POTATOES—Sales at $1 20a1 50 per bushel.

RICE—Rangoon 10½c; Carolina 11c.

SUGAR—Porto Rico at 13a14½c; Cuba 12½c; refined crushed 17c: A coffee 16c; C do 15¾c; C extra do 15½c; C do 15c; C do yellow 14½c.

SODA—Bi-carbonate soda 8c; sal soda 6c; soda in papers 10c.

STARCH—Fox's 8c; Glen Cove 13½c; Maizena 13½c.

SALT—Dairy $3 75; Ohio River $2 65.

SOAP—Family 6½c; German 8½c; Eastern Family 10a13c.

SHOT AND LEAD—Bar lead 12½c; Shot $3 25 per bag.

TEA—Gunpowder Tea, $1 40a1 75. Young Hyson Tea, $1 40a1 60; Black Tea, 90ca$1 10.

TOBACCO—Navy tobacco, 70a72c; dark 10s and ½s, 70a72c; bright ¼s and 10s, 80c; fig lump $1 10; Garrett's snuff 78c; Garrett's snuff in boxes, $8 50.

Allegheny Cattle Market.

MONDAY, Dec. 21.

CATTLE—The supply on sale to-day, was by no means large, and as usual, there was a scarcity of good cattle, such as are bought by first class butchers. The whole number of sale reached about 250 head, the great proportion of which were of an inferior kind, and while prime fat heifers and steers sold readily at full prices, rough steers and oxen, and old cows and stags of which there was an abundant supply, ruled very dull, and we presume a considerable number of this kind would be left over unsold. It is but proper to remark, however, that even for good Cattle, the demand was not as brisk as usual today, which may be attributed to the fact that the markets are well supplied with poultry, which can be bought (dressed) for less than is charged for roast beef.

Prices ranged from 7 to 7½ for good to prime, and extra may be quoted at 8 to 8¼. Medium butchers stock, may be quoted at 5 to 6½, and stockers at 4 to 5½, according to quality and condition. Some of the drovers reported it as being the hardest Christmas market they had experienced for some years.

SHEEP—The supply of sheep was considerably larger than last week, reaching about 2,500 head, and with no eastern buyers and a very light demand from butchers, the market ruled exceedingly dull, and, compared with last week, prices were lower. Some of the dealers, encouraged by a better market last week, brought in a larger number, and the butchers having it all to themselves, there being no eastern buyers in attendance, sought to force a decline, and they were partially successful. On the other hand, some of the holders were pretty stiff, and asserted that if the butchers did not give a fair price they would drive over to the Central Yards and sell to eastern buyers. Prices ranged $1 25a2 50 to $3 per head.

HOGS—The Hog market was very stiff, and with considerable inquiry and a very light supply, prices, compared with last week, have advanced from a half to three-quarters of a cent per pound. We now quote in a retail way at 8½ to 10, as to quality and condition.

Baltimore Produce Market.

MONDAY, December 21, 1868.

COFFEE—Quiet but firm; sales of 620 bags in lots at 13a17¼ cts., gold.

FLOUR—Dull; sales of superfine at $6 50a7 25; Family $10 00a11 00.

GRAIN—Wheat—Market inactive; prime white $2 30; red $2 25; prime Pennsylvania at $2 00. Corn—Prices fell off several cets; white 50 cts.; strictly prime 91a93 cts.; yellow 94a95 cts.

PROVISIONS—Market inactive. Business confined to jobbing lots. Mess Pork—Held at $27 50. Bacon—Shoulders 13¾a14 cts; rib sides 16¾a17 cts.; clear rib 17¾c; sugar cured hams 18 cts. Nothing doing in bulk meats. Lard—17a17½c.

SUGAR—Nominal at 11¼a11½c; sales of 13 hhds Porto Rico at 12½c.

SYRUPS—Maryland Golden 75c; Baltimore do 72c per gallon.

SALT—Without change in prices. We quote Ground Alum at $2 10a2 20 per sack. Turks Island at 50a55c per bush.

SEEDS—Clover, prime Pennsylvania at $8 per bushel. Nothing doing in other kinds.

WHISKY—Quiet; prices steady at $1 04 a1 95.

Milwaukee.

DECEMBER 23.—FLOUR—Dull and prices unchanged.

WHEAT—Firm at 1 17¼ for No. 1 in store.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, December 23.

COTTON—A shade lower; 2,500 bales sold at 25c for middling uplands.

FLOUR—Closed dull and slightly in buyer's favor.

GRAIN.—Wheat—Nominally unchanged. The advance in freights has checked export demand, while the dullness in flour has driven millers out of the market. Rye—Very firm at $1 56@1 57 for western. Oats—Rather more steady at 74½@75c for western in store, and 77c afloat. Corn—Dull at 93@95c for new, and $1 08@1 11 for old mixed western.

PROVISIONS.—Pork—Nominally unchanged; mess held at $28 25 for February. Beef—Firm, with fair demand. Cut Meats—Quiet and without decided change. Bacon—Firm, with moderate request.

LARD—Steady at 17@17¼c for fair to prime steam.

EGGS—Steady at 38@40c.

DRY GOODS.

The market is devoid of animation, but is firm for all staple cotton goods, while woolens are generally dull, and fancy styles somewhat depressed. We quote Pequot A heavy brown sheetings 15½c; Appleton A 15¼c; Wachusett 15c; Indian Head 15½c; Stark A 15c; St. Lawrence A 14c, Massachusetts A 14; Mystic River 13c; Hartford 13½c; Live Oak 11½c; Sevitt River 11½c. Prints steady at 12½c for standard brands; 13c for Spragues, and 13½c for Cocheco and Merrimack D. Corset jeans firmer. Laconia risen to 15½c.

MONEY AND STOCKS.

MONEY—In stringent active demand, and general calling in of loans the pressure being equal to the worst time of last spring. The banks are unable to expand owing to the near approach of the quarterly statement, and business at legal rate or 7 per cent currency was quite small, 7 per cent gold or 9¼ per annum was generally the minimum rate, and as high as 8 per cent gold with ½ per cent per day commission, or 56 42-100 per annum was paid as was 7 per cent currency with a ½ per cent per day commission of 98¼ per cent per annum. After three o'clock loans were made at 7 per cent gold and 7 per cent currency with a commission of 1-32 to ⅛ per cent. Friday will be a holiday and there will probably be only a limited business on Saturday which will cause many borrowers to provide to-morrow for four days in one, and there is every prospect of another active day in the money market. The extreme stringency is the effect of a locking up of greenbacks, continued shipment of currency south and west, dry goods failures here, and the suspension of banking firms in Louisville and St. Louis. The leading speculative shares, New York Central, Pacific Mail and Rock Island were held in some large blocks previous to the Central dividend; rumor said Vanderbilt and family held 15,000,000 of Central; a prominent dry goods Prince 16,000 shares, and the Erie party thirty to forty thousand shares. The buoyant market enabled large holders to sell freely and the stock has passed into weaker hands and been more widely diffused; this increased the number of needy borrowers and affects the money market considerably. The January dividends and return of money from the west and south will tend to relieve the market early in the new year.

STERLING—Dull at 109½@109¾ for 60 days, and 110@110½ for short sight.

GOLD—Dull; opened at 135, and closed at 134¼@134⅛.

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—Lower but closed steady, coupons of '81, 114¼@114⅜, do '62, 110 @110½; do '64, 108½@108⅝; do '65, 107½@107⅝; do new, 109⅝@109⅞; do '67, 107½@110; do '68, 110@110⅛; 10-40s, 103½@103¾.

STOCKS—The market has yielded to the money pressure, and weak holders have been forced to sell. New York Central is quiet and moves more in sympathy with the remainder of the list; large amounts of it were offered to-day, and it fell to 148⅝, and though the stock subsequently rallied to 150¾ the closing rate was about the lowest of the day. Report says an injunction was served on the Treasurer Monday morning, restraining the issues of dividend certificates, but that he declines to regard it. The report is, however, considered doubtful. One per cent was paid to call Central at 150 in thirty days, and the same rate put the stock at 149 in the same time. General market is lower, but closes steady.

5:30 Prices: Pacific Mail, 118¼@119; Western Union Telegraph 33⅝@33¾; New York Central 148⅝@148¾; Erie, 38⅝@39; do. preferred, 60; Reading 97½@97¾; Terre Haute 35@39; Wabash, 57½@57¾; St. Paul, 66⅝@66¾; Fort Wayne, 110⅝@110¾; Ohio & Mississippi, 30@30¼; Michigan Central, 113 ex-div.; Michigan Southern, 86⅞@86¾; Illinois Central 141@141¼; Pittsburg, 85⅝@85¾; Toledo, 88¼@88½; Rock Island, 111¼@111½; Northwestern, 75@75¼; Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus & Indianapolis, 55; Chicago & Alton, 137; do. preferred, 119. A dividend of 5 per cent. in stock has been declared upon heading.

EXPRESS SHARES—Wells, Fargo & Co. 25@25¼; American 40@43; Adams 48@48¼; United States 45½@46; Merchants Union, 18@18¼.

Cincinnati.