FOR RENT.

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The two-story Brick House on Fifteenth street, No. 122, containing six rooms, besides kitchen, bath room and work kitchen, will be for rent from April 1st, 1877. Apply to

SAM'L B. BARNITZ, Trustee.
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FOR RENT—TWO DWELLINGS on 20th St., Nos. 21 and 23, opposite the Second Presbyterian Church. Seven rooms, hall and good cellar in each; fitted with gas and water. Possession given April 1st. Apply to

T. R. MOFFET, 2105 Market St.
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FOR RENT.

I offer for Rent the Dwelling House on Fifteenth street at present occupied by Robert B. McLain. There are six large rooms, two small rooms, good dry cellar, bath room, hot and cold water, gas, and good stable. Apply to

ROBERT LUKE.
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RESIDENCE FOR RENT—

On Seventeenth St., near Zane Street Church. Seven rooms; bath room, with hot and cold water. Apply to (ja4) GREER & LAING.

FOR RENT—

The Store Room No. 1321 Market street, now occupied by Mr. F. Falloure as a Restaurant. Possession April 1st.

Apply to
ja4 J. W. PAXTON.

FOR RENT—

The up-stair Dwelling apartments of the building No. 1065, west side of Main street, opposite Eleventh (formerly Union) street. Possession given immediately. Apply to

JAMES L. HAWLEY,
ja3 1220 Main Street.

FOR RENT—FROM FIRST DAY OF APRIL—

Fine Store Room and good Dwelling attached, opposite Second Ward Market, No. 1040; in the best business locality. Fine large Dwelling, No. 2346 Chapline street, possessing all modern improvements and conveniences. Three Dwellings, containing three rooms each, on Tairty-third St.

Inquire of E. LARKIN,
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FOR RENT—

Three new Dwelling Houses situated on the east side of Main street, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets. Said houses have all the modern improvements, contain six rooms each, have water and gas throughout.

For terms, &c., apply to

J. R. McCORTNEY, or
de30 G. H. CARNAHAN.

FOR RENT—

Business Rooms, Offices and Sleeping Rooms in the new People's Bank Building. Also a fine large Hall on third story of same, with anti and committee rooms adjoining. I will also rent the Banking House, No. 1229 Main street.

THOS. O'BRIEN,
de28 Agent

DWELLING HOUSE FOR RENT.

No. 31 South Front street, Island—pleasantly situated and desirable. Also, one Room in second story of No. 81 Twelfth street, suitable for an office or sleeping room. Possession given immediately.

Enquire of DR. E. A. HILDRETH,
de9 No. 1207 Chapline St.

FOR RENT—

The large three-story Warehouse No. 1503 Main street. Two fronts, Main and South streets. Possession April 1st.

Apply to
de2 A. ALLEN HOWELL.

FOR RENT—

One of those desirable small Store Rooms, with good Dwelling attached, on 11th St. (formerly Union street). Possession can be had January 1, 1877.

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FOR RENT—HOUSE—

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JOSEPH L. WILDE,
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FOR RENT—

Four two-story Frame Houses, entirely new, painted and painted throughout, containing five rooms and cellar each, on Delaware street, between Huron and Wabash. Also, one two-story Frame House, containing six rooms, on South Front St., Stonetown, Wheeling Island. Possession given immediately. Apply to J. T. STONE,
jy12 Corner 10th and Main Sts., Wheeling.

FOR SALE OR RENT—NO. 65 EIGHTEENTH Street, two story and a half Brick House, nine rooms, used as dwelling and grocery; gas and water in house. For sale on easy terms or rent. Also 3 Lots where the old Foundry on the Island stood.

Apply to A. M. ADAMS,
de19 1227 Market St.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—DESIRABLE RESIDENCE

I offer for sale the residence of the late C. W. B. Allison, situate No. 823 Market street. The house contains ten rooms and bath room; hot and cold water and gas.

MARY S. ALLISON,
ja3 Executrix.

DWELLING FOR SALE.

I offer for sale the two-story Brick Dwelling House, No. 1043 Chapline street. Contains ten rooms, hot and cold water; also gas throughout. Stabling for four horses attached. Will be sold low and on easy terms.

For particulars enquire of
de28 A. C. EGERTER.

FOR SALE—

Eighty choice Building Lots on Wheeling Island. Price from $400 to $600 each. Only one-sixth of the purchase money required in cash. The residue may be paid annually in FIVE equal installments with interest.

Apply to JOHN P. GILCHRIST
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On account of advanced age I am desirous of changing my residence, and therefore offer for sale my farm situated opposite the city of Wheeling, on the river bank, midway between Bridgeport and Martin's Ferry, and immediately adjoining the village of Ætnaville. The property consists of 60 acres of hill and table land and 15 of river bottom. In the hill there are two seams of coal, 5½ and 3½ feet thick, three deposits of limestone, an 8 foot vein of close texture sand or free stone, an 18 foot vein of marl, which altogether make a soil and an underlying bed of deposits of a rich and valuable character.

On the surface, the larger portion of which lies gently sloping to the east, and all under direct exposure to the sun, is a Vineyard of 36 acres, mostly Catawba grapes, all in fine bearing condition, about seven years old, which has proven itself able to pay a handsome per cent to the cultivator.

The property is being approached above and below by an advancing tide of persons seeking small homesteads, and is now really the only unoccupied territory between Bridgeport and Martin's Ferry. It is valuable as an investment for capital seeking a safe purchase, and valuable to those who want market gardening ground close to the city. It fronts beautifully upon the river and commands a view of the city, the Island and the whole scenery of the valley.

The terms of sale will be one-third cash, balance in two annual payments, 8 per cent interest on deferret payments. For further particulars inquire of RICHARD CRAWFORD

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Ladies' fine sewed Peb. Bals from ..... 1 25 up.
Ladies' fine sewed Oil Goat Bals from ..... 2 00 up.
Men's heavy Boots, hand made from ..... 3 00 up.
Men's heavy Boots from ..... 2 50 up.
Boys' heavy Boots from ..... 1 75 up.
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25 Pairs Grey Blankets left at $1 00 a pair.
20 Pairs White Blankets (the last lot) at $3 50 retailing everywhere at $6 00.
100 Pieces Bleached Muslin, all at wholesale prices.
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New Advertisements.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
American Watches-Oxtoby & Duffield.
Health Officer's Annual Report.
Jos. Spidel & Co.—Grocers.
J. M. Hawley—Contractor, &c.
For Rent—Brick House.
Higgins' Gallery—Photographs.
Rooms for Rent—Jas. M. Hawley.
Street Commissioner—E. M. Davis.
Tissue Manilla—Stanton & Davenport.

THERMOMETER RECORD.—The following shows the range of the thermometer, as observed at Schnepf's drug store, Opera House corner, yesterday:

A. M.	12 M.	3 P. M.	7 P. M.
2	15	17	15

SPLENDID weather yesterday.

THE Legislature will meet to-day.

FROZEN hydrants are very annoying.

WEST Alexander had thirty-eight deaths last year.

THE Island people are again crossing the river on the ice.

WINTER wheat is safely blanketed from the frost by snow.

NEXT summer chromos will be given with every five pounds of ice.

THE number of tumbles yesterday from slippery pavements was immense.

ONE marriage license was issued yesterday by the Clerk of the County Court.

THE Wiesel Musical Institute is rehearsing for a soiree, to be given some time next week.

THE average Fourth Ward youngster would rather paste you in the ear with a snow-ball than eat.

THE Municipal Court will meet this morning at 10 o'clock, pursuant to adjournment of Monday.

THE Board of Directors of the Franklin Insurance company have declared a dividend of four per cent.

LAST night about 11 o'clock two horses, pulling a sleigh, went down Market street at a very rapid speed, without a driver.

ENGINE 393, which blew out its cylinder head a few days ago on the Hempfield road, has been repaired and is running again.

THE Hempfield train due here at 7:30 yesterday morning did not arrive until 1:40 P. M., having been detained by the snow on the track.

ICY sidewalks are not a modern invention. It will be remembered that when Marmion was bidding his noble host adieu at the castle gate, he casually remarked, "Lord Douglass, thou hast slide!"

BLY.—The examination of David Bly, which was to have been continued before Justice Caldwell yesterday afternoon, was postponed until this morning at 10 o'clock, on account of the court room being occupied by the Circuit Court.

A DRIVERLESS horse, attached to a sleigh, went through Bridgeport yesterday evening like a comet with his tail behind. Not being a fine horse, when he came to the bridge he took to the right, and overtaking a wagon was captured.

THE COURTS.—CIRCUIT COURT—*Judge Melvin.*—The following business was transacted in this court yesterday:

In the case of the State vs. Wm. Forsyth, last indictment, the bail of the prisoner was fixed at $400. In the first indictment his bail was fixed at $200. The requisite bail was given with Mrs. Margaret Moore as security, and the prisoner discharged.

P. W. Bosley was appointed Administrator of the estate of John Roth, deceased; bond $2,000, with C. Hess as security.

Rev. Daniel B. Rogers, a minister of the Presbyterian Church, was authorized to celebrate the rites of marriage; bond $1,500, with A. R. Jacob as security.

Byers T. Yates was appointed Administrator of the estate of Andrew Yates, deceased, Annie Yates, the widow, relinquishing the right. Bond $10,000, with Edward Blaney as security. The following gentlemen were appointed appraisers of the estate: Edward Blaney, John Faris, Joseph Carson, David Slater, Wm. Moore.

The case of John Murray, charged with stealing a horse from Henry J. Dice, was put upon trial before the following jury: Samuel Whitesides, Wm. Hunter, Thomas Heaphey, Thomas Prince, John Herron, J. W. Dempsey, James St. Myers, F. C. Stephens, James Murray, Gustavus Bowers, J. P. Campbell, Frank Grubler. Messrs. Jordan and Cracraft represent the State, and Messrs. Good and Thompson the defense. The case had not been concluded at the hour of adjournment.

Adjourned until the usual hour to-day.

POLICE COURT—*Judge Cochran.*

The following cases were disposed of by His Honor yesterday morning, viz:

Patrick Hickey, for disorderly conduct, was committed to jail for thirty days.

Charles Offord, charged with carrying off a ham of meat belonging to Henry Robinson, was committed to jail for thirty days. Thirty days more were added to the sentence by Offord using profane language before the court.

DEATH OF MAJOR FRANZHEIM.—Major Geo. W. Franzheim died yesterday afternoon at 4½ o'clock, at his residence on Market street, between 11th and 12th streets, in the 53d year of his age. Major Franzheim came to this city about forty years ago, from Germany. The greater part of his life he was engaged in the liquor business, in which he amassed considerable wealth. He was an active and energetic business man, possessed of social qualities of head and heart which attracted to him many warm friends. Several times he filled positions of trust and honor with credit, having been a member of the City Council and a Centennial Commissioner, and at the time of his death was a member of the Board of Directors of the Hospital for the Insane, the Board of Regents of the Morgantown University, and the Board of Directors of the Bank of the Ohio Valley. He was very popular with the German people, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.—The annual week of prayer is now being observed in the churches of the city and throughout the civilized world. Here the meetings are unusually well attended, and much interest is manifested. On Monday evening Dr. Cunningham, of the First Presbyterian Church, gave an interesting and glowing description of the revival scenes which occurred in Scotland about two years ago, when he was a commissioner from America to the General Assembly of that country.

The subjects for prayer this evening are: "For our homes: that family relationships may be sanctified, and home duties more faithfully discharged; that all under affliction may be comforted; that believers may grow in grace, and those not yet saved become speedily 'added to the Church.'"

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.—The following transfers of real estate were admitted to record in the office of the Clerk of the County Court, yesterday:

Deed made Dec. 24, 1876, by Emma B. Carter and Lewis Baker and wife to Nancy Stanton, for lot No. 19 in square No. 10, fronting on Allison street, on the Peninsula; $400.

Deed made Dec. 23, 1876, by Emma B. Carter and Lewis Baker and wife to Mary S. Allison, executrix of C. W. B. Allison, deceased, for lot No 18 in square No. 10, fronting on Allison street, on the Peninsula; $405.

Deed made Dec. 27, 1876, by Emma B. Carter and Lewis Baker and wife to Geo. H. Parks, for a lot on the north side of what is known as the Peninsula Cemetery; $400.

THOSE STOLEN CHICKENS.—*Editor of Intelligencer*—I see by an article in this morning's paper that on last Saturday night the chickens stolen from the residence of a man named Smith on 18th street, were traced to a club room on 17th. I wish to state that the chickens were not traced to the club room, as stated in the article alluded to.

OFFICER JOHN F. BAIRD.

They were traced, however, to the vicinity of the club room, and by request of the man who had lost the chickens, Officer Baird searched the room, but found nothing suspicious about the premises.

BLACK DIAMOND BALL.—The "Black Diamond" negro minstrel troupe gave a ball in Holloway's block, Bridgeport, last night. The music was furnished by their own band. They rang up on their acts with careful precision, and all went merry as a marriage bell. We are informed this troupe intend launching their bark in the professional field, and from the executive talent displayed at their ball last night we predict success at the end.

CREATING A DISTURBANCE IN HIS FAMILY.—Mrs. August Miller, of Fulton, yesterday entered an information before Justice Tolivar, charging her husband with creating a disturbance in his family. A warrant was issued and placed in the hands of Constable Exley, who went to Fulton and arrested Miller, and brought him to this city and lodged him in jail. The case will be examined by the Justice this morning.

AS OUR reporter came along Water street last night, shivering with the chill night air, and drawing his overcoat tightly about him, he thought, "now is the time for colds and coughs," but if poor mortals only knew what a certain cure Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is, how few would long suffer, and then it only costs twenty-five cents.—*Sandusky (Ohio) Register.*

THE "falling" character of the weather this winter has been of an unequaled one within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. There have been severe snow storms in different sections of the country every winter, but probably never was a winter when during the first month more snow has been piled up in all sections.

A NEW skating rink has been prepared and will be opened to the public on the river opposite the landing this evening. It will be lighted by a circle of torches, and the Sumner Band will be present and entertain the skaters with some excellent music.

A GOOD deal is to be said in favor of the man who sits down in the slush with a new overcoat on and gets up under the restraining influences of the thought that his sponsors in baptism have not yet been released from their pledges.

A GRAND ball is to be given at Hodgen's Hall, Portland, Ohio, on Friday evening of this week. The committee on invitation are Wm. Smith, John Galispie, G. Tilton; floor managers, Wm. Moore, G. W. McCleary.

THE Democratic Senate Caucus met last night, at the Capitol building, but adjourned without transacting any business, until ten o'clock this morning.

CITY COUNCIL.—SECOND BRANCH.—The City Council met in regular session last night. A quorum was present in the Second Branch, President Logan in the chair.

STREETS AND ALLEYS.

This committee recommended the payment of bills aggregating $610 49 for work done on the streets and alleys during the month, and bills aggregating $331 52 for material, work, etc.; that the Superintendent of the Work House be directed to employ his force (when not otherwise or elsewhere required) in extending the cut at the head of 7th street; that the sum of $200 be paid to Hamilton & McGranahan in addition to what has already been paid them, for construction of 39th street sewer. The recommendations were adopted, with the exception of the last, which was rejected.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Fire Department Committee recommended the payment of the following bills:

Steamer United No. 1	$28 65
" Atlantic No. 2	56 10
" Vigilant No. 3	11 27
Hook and Ladder No. 1	50
Hose Company No. 1	20 98
Department	24 68
Total	$141 48

The report was filed, and bills ordered paid.

ACCOUNTS

Balance due Exchange Bank of Wheeling on the 1st day of January, 1877, $102,037 62; fines collected during the month, $84; lockup fees, $18 20; bills, $663 62. Report filed, and bills ordered paid.

HEALTH.

This committee recommended that Christian Kalbetzer be allowed the privilege of keeping a slaughter house in the Eighth Ward, as set forth in his petition, and that he be required to make proper drainage to the same. Adopted.

CITY PRISON.

The Superintendent of the City Prison reported for the month of December: The number of inmates averaged 44 each day; prisoners received during the month, 37; discharged, 31; escaped, 1; tramps received during the month, 41; discharged, 12; prisoners now confined, 25; tramps, 35; days of work made by prisoners, 518; do. tramps, 506. During the month something over 200 perches of stone were quarried and broken, of which about 100 perches are on hand. During the month the prisoners made 86 days at the Capitol, and 26 at the City Building. Current expenses of the month, including provisions, light, fuel, and cook's wages, $349 79, costing per head for each inmate 25½ cents per day. The Superintendent reported bills aggregating $383 83, which were ordered paid.

FIRE DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS.

The Board of Control of the Fire Department reported the following appointments of officers and extramen, which were confirmed.

Steamer United—Foreman, Wm. Manion; engineman, James Lynch; hostler, David A. Henry; fireman, James Carney; extramen, Patrick Gavin, Bensor Ellifritz, David Gervin and John Manion.

Steamer Atlantic—Foreman, Thos. L. Snider; engineman, Geo. Miller; hostler, John H. Moore; fireman, John Peters, extramen, John Clator, John S. Armstrong, John Moreland and Lee R. Hamm.

Hook and Ladder No. 1—Foreman, Charles F. Klevis; tillerman, John Schnell; extramen, Patrick Shaughnesey, Fred. Meier, Henry Frohme, John Finnegan.

Steamer Vigilant—Foreman, Wm. C. Hanes; engineman, Charles M. Oliver; hostler, James Ferrel; fireman, Charles H. Miller; extramen, F. B. Elbert, Chas. McKown, Charles Danner, and one to be selected.

Hose Company No. 1—Foreman, John Mooney; extramen, C. Knoke, Fred. Gruber, M. G. Graham, James McKenna.

Hose Company No. 2—Foreman, Henry C. Metze; extramen, Robert V. Arkle, Wm. Russell, Frank Woods and Daniel Smith.

Hose Company No. 3—Foreman, John B. Lukens; extramen, Wm. Richardson, jr., Thos. Moffitt, Quinten McClement and Charles Lukens.

The report of the City Clerk of receipts and expenditures for the year 1876 was read and ordered published in the three daily papers of the city and in the German paper. The report shows the receipts to have been $102,000, and the expenditures $159,000.

The report of the Committee on Wharves was received from the First Branch, and the action of that body was concurred in.

COMPLIMENTING THE OFFICERS.

The following resolutions were offered by Mr. Handlan, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Second Branch of Council recognize in Dr. T. H. Logan a President of uniform and courteous deportment, and a gentleman for whom we entertain the highest regard, and that we hereby thank him for the fair and impartial manner in which he has presided over the meetings of this Branch of Council during the period of his Presidency.

Resolved, That Francis A. Britt, Clerk of the Second Branch of Council, has proved himself an efficient and valuable officer, and always gentlemanly and also courteous in his deportment to members, and we hereby thank him for the able and efficient manner in which he has discharged the arduous duties of his office.

Dr. Logan made a brief speech in response, in which he referred in feeling terms to the associations formed during his term of service in Council.

There being no further business before the Second Branch, it adjourned.

FIRST BRANCH.

His Honor Mayor Sweeney presided. Messrs. Baird, Blair, Butterfield, Cowen, Carnahan, Dunning, Egerter and Schambra answered the call of the roll. Afterward Messrs. Brice, Hall and Stone appeared.

The minutes of the last three meetings were read, and being approved, were signed.

The Mayor remarked that, in accordance with the instruction of Council, he had consulted the Solicitor, who stated that the language of the resolution was clear, and that no interest could be charged on city taxes until after December 1st.

The Committee on wharves reported upon application of Nail City Boat Club for privelege of erecting a boat-house south of the mouth of Wheeling creek, in favor of granting the petition upon condition of said club paying an annual rent of $12. Considerable discussion ensued on the propriety of making the grant or even the right of the Council to make the grant. On the motion of Mr. Blair to refer to the City Solicitor for an opinion, the ayes and nays were called for and the motion was lost, and the recommendation of the Committee was concurred in.

There was received from the Committee on Streets and Alleys their report for the month of December, with recommendation that the bills therein enumerated be paid, and the action of the Second Branch in approving said report and recommendation was concurred in.

The report of the Committee on Fire Department for the month of December, received from the Second Branch, and the action of said Branch in approving the report and ordering the bills to be paid was concurred in.

The report of the Committee on Accounts for the month of December was read, and the action of the Second Branch in approving the report was concurred in.

The Chief of the Fire Department, submitted for approval of the Council, his appointments on the department force which was read and the action of the second Branch in approving the report was concurred in.

The report of the Supt. of city prison for the month of December was read and the recommendations of the committee approved by the Second Branch were concurred in.

The report of the Committee on Health for the month of December was read and its recommendations as approved by the Second Branch were concurred in.

The report of the Superintendent of Water Works for the month of December together with the recommendations of the committee were received from the Second Branch and its approval concurred in.

Petition of John Butterfield for reduction of water rent granted by the Second Branch was concurred in.

The Clerk of the city submitted his annual report which was read.

Mr. Baird called attention to the fact that the law requires a publication of the total indebtedness of the city, which elicited the information that there is not on the books of the city an account of the city's indebtedness.

After some discussion the action of the Second Branch was approved.

Adjourned.

PERSONAL MENTION.—I. T. Carpenter yesterday filled his bond as Constable of Washington district with the Clerk of the County Court.

Mr. David Lynn, formerly connected with the Island Foundry of this city, who for the past three or four years has been residing in Colorado, is in the city on a brief visit to his friends.

The Matt. Morgan company are quartered at the McLure and St. James.

F. M. Chalfant, Esq., of Weston, is at the St. James.

Marshal Swords was called to Wheeling to-day to attend the funeral of his neice.—*Steubenville Gazette.*

Miss Ella Bartholomew, a sparkling belle of Kirkwood, left last week for a brief visit to her friends in Morristown, Ohio. We wish Miss Ella a pleasant time.

Sheriff Finney and Deputy Sheriff Olmstead, were in Bridgeport yesterday summoning witnesses to appear before the Belmont county grand jury, which meets on the 17th inst. A large number of tickets of invitation were left with Officer James McConnaughy to serve.

The following members of the Legislature are at the Grant: John H. Riley, of Jackson county; M. S. Hall, of Harrisville; John P. Jones, of Portland; Wm. Elliott, of Reedsville; J. D. Rigg, of Morgantown; Robert Lowe, of Marion county; John J. Chippey, of Moorefield.

We have been requested to say that Mr. William Adams was nominated for the office of Wharfmaster, in the Democratic City Convention, without consultation, and that he is not and will not be a candidate for the office.

Registered at the Central: Samuel Fry, Grafton; J. Wise, Charleston; T. W. Wright, Clarksburg; Fred. Simon, New Martinsville; J. C. Parker, Mannington; Joseph Mead, Clarksburg; James Johnson, John A. Cole, Parkersburg.

At the Stamm: Noyes Rand, Wm. T. Burdett, Charleston; R. E. Horner, Parkersburg; E. L. Hoffman, Berkeley county; W. P. Cooper, Fairmont; James A. Haggerty, Mannington; C. M. Babb, Keyser; John B. Gray, J. T. McCluskey, Monongalia county; Capt. W. L. Bridges, Moundsville; C. Durstine, West Bethany.

Among the late arrivals at the St. James are Charles E. Wells, Glover's Gap; F. M. Chalfant, Weston; Geo. A. Creel, Moundsville; E. S. Bland, John Kuran, Weston; James A. Haggerty, Mannington; B. H. Lurty, Harrison county, Geo. W. Hays and wife, Gilmore county; Justis Eakin, New Martinsville; and the following members of Matt. Morgan's Novelty Troupe: T. De Witt, A. Stein, Mr. Crispeni, T. Johnson, O. Klared, T. Nestel, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Sesrics, Fielding sisters.

The following are the prominent arrivals at the McLure: W. T. Glessner, Baltimore; W. P. James, Washington, D. C.; W. M. Welsh, Keyser; J. L. Houff, Jefferson county; Wm. E. Arnold, James Watson, A. W. Woodford and wife, J. M. Bennett, Miss Gertrude Bennett, Weston; P. Hays, Gilmer county, Hon. C. J. Faulkner, Berkeley county; John J. Chiply, Hardy county; E. M. Turner, G. D. Camden, John C. Johnson, James Dunkin, Clarksburg; H. C. Henderson, Williamstown; W. H. Shirtz, V. C. Carlo, Wirt county; R. F. Dennis, O. C. Liggete, Lewisburg; O. J. Smith, Baltimore; J. A. Robinson, Mineral county; P. Pew, Parkersburg; W. H. Tarr and Family, Wellsburg; Henry W. Matthews, Lewisburg; Kyle Bright, Greenbrier county; W. Taylor, Baltimore; C. W. Newlon, Grafton; John H. Kunst, Pruntytown; R. L. Berkshire, Morgantown; C. F. Scott, Ritchie county; Andrew Edmundson, Weston; Lynn Rogers, Bethany; James H. Ferguson, Cabell county; and thirteen members of Matt Morgan's Novelty Troupe.

Capt. Ed. Davis, in our advertising columns this morning, announces himself as a candidate for Street Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican city convention.

J. A. Kibbe, who eloped with a young girl of Grafton recently, was left alone in Philadelphia. Missing the girl and having left his wife, he went to Fort Wayne, Ind., and is now clerking in a faro bank. His wife has gone to him at that place.

THE snows of many winters have been sifted through the cracks of an old building in Kirkwood, and the jimpson and fennel of many summers have bowed to it as they wafted their perfume on the air. The wanton winds have kissed its door hinges grown rusty through much lack of use; school children have learned to shun it and entertain each other with wierd stories of millionaire ghosts with "baskets of money," seen meandering from its portals. Some business men of Bridgeport have forgotten it, except when pondering over their profit and loss accounts (principally loss) until on yesterday when John Cochran cruelly dragged the carcass of the defunct "Basket Factory" into court to say guilty or not guilty to a charge of livery for horses and buggies furnished to its traveling agents before the silver cord was loosened and the golden bowl broken. The mourners assembled and poured into Judge Howell's ears their tale of woe. Judgment reserved for a few days.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS.—The following annual elections were held yesterday:

Commercial Bank—Board of Directors: T. H. List, J. L. Stifel, J. C. Thomas, C. H. Booth, W. T. Burt, R. J. Smyth, W. A. Wilson.

National Bank of West Virginia—Board of Directors: A. S. Todd, Arthur Little, Michael Reilly, James Maxwell, M. Pollock, R. W. Hazlett, Thomas Hughes, J. R. Hubbard, E. W. Oglebay.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peabody Insurance Co., held at their office yesterday, the following named gentlemen were elected to serve as directors for the ensuing year, viz: Major Alonzo Loring, A. M. Adams, James F. Barnes, S. P. Hildreth, Dr. W. J. Bates, Alexander Laughlin, C. A. Wingerter, John L. Rice and Robert S. Irwin. A proposition to wind up the business of the company was submitted to the stockholders, which was defeated by almost a unanimous vote.

BRIDGEPORT POLICE COURT.—A. Nicholls was arrested for stealing eight dollars from Joseph McConnaughy. He plead guilty, and "rendered unto Ceazar that which was Ceazar's," and Officer McConnaughy, who had seized him, swore him and let him go.

Stephen A. Hollands was arrested by Officer McConnaughy for borrowing a sledge hammer from Tommy Hill's shop, and had a hearing before Mayor McConnaughy, resulting in his being an audience to a lecture on maorality, paying the cost and promising to go and sin no more.

The case of George Geller vs. Henry Rheam, for stock trespassing on Geller's property, before Justice Howell, was compromised by Rheam paying $3 and costs.

THE trees on the Island presented a beautiful appearance yesterday morning in their dress of snow. The weight of the snow on the limbs had the effect of bending the branches until the trees looked like huge white umbrellas.

THE DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.—The Democratic members of the House of Delegates met in caucus last night at 8 o'clock in the hall of the House at the Capitol building, for the purpose of nominating officers for the House for the ensuing session.

Mr. Thomas J. Farnsworth, of Upshur county, called the caucus to order, and on motion of Mr. Cross, of Jefferson, Mr. E. W. Wilson, of Kanawha, was called to the chair.

Mr. Wilson on taking the chair thanked the caucus for the honor of his election, and announced the caucus to be ready for business.

On motion of Mr. Barr, of Ohio, Col. J. B. Peyton was elected Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Rowan, of Monroe, the rules of the last House of Delegates were adopted as the rules of the caucus as far as applicable.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

Nominations for the Speakership of the House then being in order, Mr. J. Pennnybacker, of Pendleton county, nominated Hon. Eustace Gibson, of Cabell county.

Mr. Farnsworth, of Upshur county placed in nomination the name of Hon, W. N. Chancellor, of Wood county.

A ballot being taken, Mr. Gibson received twenty-five votes, and Mr. Chancellor twenty. Mr. Gibson receiving a majority of the votes cast was declared the nominee for the Speakership of the House, and on motion of Mr. Chancellor the nomination was declared unanimous.

CLERK OF THE HOUSE.

The nomination for Clerk of the House being next in order, on motion, Col. J. B. Peyton was elected by acclamation.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

The names of Napoleon B. French, of ———; Robert Carr, of Charleston, and W. A. Strickler, of Wetzel county, were placed in nomination for Sergeant-at-Arms of the House. A ballot being taken French received 26 votes, Carr 7 votes, and Strickler 12 votes; total number of votes cast, 45; necessary to a choice, 23. Mr. French receiving more than the required number was declared elected, and on motion the election was declared unanimous.

DOOR-KEEPER.

The next business being the election of a Door-keeper, the following names were placed in nomination: O. D. Thompson, of Ohio county; Joseph Watson; Harry H. Gill, of Marshall; Wm. Patton, of Greenbrier; Campbell, of Gilmer; Jos. P. Morgan, of Marion, and Eaton, of Wood.

Mr. Campbell was elected on the third ballot.

The Chair announced the next business, the election of three pages. There was quite an animated discussion as to the mode of selecting the pages, Mr. Barr contending that under the Rules of the House the Speaker has power to make the appointments.

Mr. Beckley thought the pages should be elected by the Caucus.

Mr. Arnold, of Lewis county, then offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House, when elected, appoint the pages.

On motion of Mr. Simpson, the Caucus then adjourned.

FORBIDDEN FRUIT.—The play of "Forbidden Fruit" will be given by the Boucicault Comedy Company, at the Opera House, on Friday and Saturday evenings, under the management of H. J. Sargent, from Wallack's Theatre, New York. The following is a criticism of the play and the company, from the Philadelphia *Dispatch:*

The latest production of Mr. Dion Boucicault in the dramatic line, "Forbidden Fruit," was presented all last week at this theatre. This story is simple, natural and excessively funny. The situations are worked up in the most artistic manner and the text is bright and witty. Throughout it shows the handiwork of the skilled writer.

The climaxes are brought about in a lively and likely manner. Its moral moreover, is a good one although told, in a more than usually interesting style.

Every one of the cast seems especially suited for his part. The natural result, therefore, is an ensemble that give the peice as nearly perfect as possible.

It is rare indeed that the general tone of excellence in a company is so remarkable as is this. From the waiters up, all seem fitted for their tasks, and most creditably discharged their duties.

The various scenes were of striking beauty and fidelity. The station scene is as fine a realization as was ever placed upon the stage. That representing the supper rooms is also a fine piece of artistic work.

MATT MORGAN'S COMPANY.—The Matt Morgan Novelty Company gave an entertainment in the Opera House last night before a large audience, composed exclusively of males. The reputation of giving indecent performances had preceded the company, and many who attended last night did so with the expectation of witnessing something decidedly "loud." The entertainment was moral enough, however, with the exception of some naughty actions on the part of the actors in a little piece tacked to the end of the programme which was without a particle of merit of any kind. The tableaux were as follows: "The Rock of Ages," "Diana Surprised," "Cleopatra Before Cæsar," "The Shower of Gold," "The Slave Market," "The Judgment of Paris," "Temptation of St. Anthony," and "The Destruction of Pompeii," which were represented by females in tights. The remainder of the show was the usual melange of the ordinary variety show. Matt. Morgan, in his caricature act, gave excellent portraits of Sam. Tilden, ex-Democratic candidate for President, and our ancient friend State Senator "Davy" Goff, of Randolph county. A second performance will be given this evening.

LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM.—A young Sixth Ward German has recently had a little experience of female faithlessness which has proven to his satisfaction that woman is as fickle as a changeful dreem. He wooed a lass from the Fatherland, who smiled with favor on his suit, and finally consented to become his frau. On Friday last the couple started for West Alexander, intending there to be joined in the holy bonds of matrimony, but there's nothing so fantastic as a woman's mood, and before reaching their journey's end the girl changed her mind and returned home. The following day, however, she was prevailed upon to again give her consent, and the knot was tied at once. The honeymoon was brief but brilliant. On Monday the bride left her husband's bed and board, and has not been seen since, and the husband is well satisfied, saying that he didn't have a moment's peace all the time he lived with her. Frail