

## The First Rail Laid.

A large crowd assembled on Walnut above Fourth street, yesterday afternoon, to witness the laying of the first rail on the first street railroad in Cincinnati. Mr. Alexander Easton, superintendent of construction for the Cincinnati Street Railroad Company, superintended operations. After considerable difficulty and some hard swearing, the crowd was induced to give elbow room, and our friend Caloric F. Hall, Esq., the progenitor of the *Peany Press*, seized the spike sledge, and, with a tremendous surge, brought it down on the rail, clearly missing the spike. He immortalized himself, however, by driving home the first spike in the first rail laid down on a Cincinnati street railway—on the eastern side of the track. The second rail on the west side of the track, was laid and conjointly spiked down by motive power brought into requisition from the *Press* and *Daily Commercial* offices—so that the distinguished privilege of standing god-fathers to the original street railroad in the Queen of the West, appropriately devolved upon the power which gave life and direction to the important enterprise. Mr. Easton subsequently proceeded to lay the track rapidly, the company's iron having arrived. Not many days hence the horse cars will be bowling through our streets.—*Cin. Com.*, Sept. 3.