CITY INTELLIGENCE.

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CITY COUNCILS.—The regular meetings of City Councils were held yesterday afternoon—the regular day. The proceedings are interesting rather in result than in detail, the appropriation bills being the subject mainly before the respective houses.

The lobby attendance was large, the nipping frost rendering the galleries a very desirable place for people having nothing to do.

Select Branch.—President Spering filled the chair.

A batch of petitions were presented, including one for water in Hay street, Twenty-second ward.

Mr. King offered a resolution instructing the Clerk of Select Councils to print five hundred copies of the report of the Gas Trust investigation for the use of the Chamber.

The resolution passed, with an amendment to refer the matter to a special committee of five, to revise and correct it.

The annual report of the Girard Estate Committee was presented. An accompanying ordinance appropriating $97,400 for the expenses of the next year was adopted.

Mr. Smith moved for a return to this Chamber of the bill passed by them at a recent meeting, taxing fire insurance companies upon their business receipts. Mr. Smith stated that, unless it confines its operations to insurances within the city of Philadelphia, he should vote against the bill.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wagner offered an ordinance requiring passenger railway companies using bridges belonging to the city to keep the flooring and roadway in good repair.

A bill was called up which increases to $50 per annum the tax upon each passenger car, payable to the city.

Mr. Kamerly opposed the tax as unjust and exorbitant. The sum of $30 per car, which is now paid, is ample. Some of the roads, he said, do not now nor ever have paid a dollar of dividend to their stockholders. Lay these additional burdens upon them, and presently we shall be driving the passenger cars out of the streets.

The bill passed.

Mr. Wagner offered an ordinance requiring property owners in Fifteenth street, between Thompson street and Columbia avenue, to pay their proper proportion of the expense of their culvert. Adopted.

An ordinance from Common Council, authorizing the Mayor to renew the contract for cleaning the streets in the northern section of the city was taken up.

Mr. Barlow stated that the contractors for cleaning the streets had handsomely performed their duty, and that the Mayor was in favor of renewing the contract with Henry Bickley.

Mr. Van Cleve denied that Mr. Bickley had done his work well. The streets of the district are not clean.

Mr. Barlow said that the Mayor's authority for what he said was the reports of the police, made to him daily; and if ever any complaints were made the evils in question are removed immediately. Mr. Bickley is present in person every morning, bearing and taking notes whenever any complaint is made or when any service is required of him.

Dr. Kamerly said that the streets are as dirty as they can be, or as they ever were; the gutters were blocked up and many of the inlets are choked.

Mr. Hopkins moved to refer the bill to the committee, because it states what is not true. His own ward was in a very bad condition. Level the dirt in Poplar street, and it would be four inches deep from curb to curb. Complaints are not attended to as they should be, for at the mouths of courts the dirt can be taken up by cart loads. The speaker would not vote for a contract to anybody. The streets could not now be cleaned, and only the ashes can be taken up.

Mr. Barlow asked if ever the streets had been better cleaned? He didn't claim that all was done that might have been done, but thought that Mr. Bickley had done so much better than any one else that prudence would suggest a renewal of the present contract.

Mr. Bumm expressed great satisfaction with the work of Mr. Bickley. In his own ward he had never known the streets to be so clean, though they were left by Hill & Smith in a very bad condition. The streets of no large city can be kept immaculate until all the people are dead. As to the contract with Bickley, he is incomparably the best man we have ever had.

Mr. Freeman objected to giving the contract for five years. Two years is long enough. By the end of that time the cost of doing the work will be, very probably, much less than now.

Mr. Hodgdon showed that for $150,000 a year no man could afford to take this contract, except, like Mr. Bickley, he owned a hundred carts. The other contractors lost money because they had to hire their carts. It should be remembered that many new streets are being paved, and the area of Mr. Bickley's work is largely expanding. Mr. Hodgdon could see no reason why this contract should not be renewed.

The bill was ultimately referred to committee.

The bill to sell the interest of the city in Pine street wharf now came up.

Mr. Hodgdon opposed the sale of the wharf, on the ground that the value of it was greater to the city than to any one else.

The bill was referred, in order that a plan of the wharf may be presented to Councils for examination.

The sureties of Mr. Lynd as City Solicitor were then approved.

Also, the bill releasing the securities of George F. Gordon, late Street Inspector.

A resolution was offered by Colonel Page requiring the heads of departments to make reports on the first day of every month to Councils as to the amount of work and expenditure made by them for the period named. Referred.

A bill to pay $500 to R. A. West, phonographer, who reported Colonel Page's gas investigation, was introduced by Colonel Page. It passed.

The bill authorizing the paving of a part of Ninth street with the Nicolson pavement was concurred in.

Also the ordinance making the annual appropriation for lighting the city. The discussion of the appropriation then continued to the hour of adjournment.

Common Branch.—The Chamber was called to order at a quarter past three o'clock, President Stokley in the chair. The first business in order was the reading of a communication from the watchmen on the several bridges, asking for an increase of pay, which was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Several petitions were presented and referred to appropriate committees.

The bill making an appropriation to the Department of City Property was called up, and the amount increased $500, to be added to the item of $6000 for improvements to Fairmount Park, after which the bill passed.

The ordinances making appropriations to the Guardians of the Poor, Department of Cleansing the Streets of the City, Department of Police, Superintendents of City Railroads, and to Board of Revision of Taxes were passed without amendments.

The ordinance making an appropriation of $33,604 50 to the clerks of Councils was next called up.

Mr. Bardsley moved an amendment that not more than 500 journals of each Chamber for each half year shall be printed. Agreed to.

Mr. Willits moved to strike out $12,000 for printing journals and insert $10,000. Agreed to.

Mr. Fox moved to strike out $3230 for binding journals and insert $2500. Agreed to.

Mr. Martin moved an amendment that $100 be appropriated for the printing of a manual for the use of the members. Agreed to.

Another amendment, that the Clerks of Councils shall not make any contracts without the consent of the Committee on Supplies, was agreed to and the bill passed as amended.

Bills from Select Council were then considered, and the following concurred in:

Ordinance authorizing the City Controller to make certain transfers.

Ordinance to extend a contract with a contractor for iron.

Resolution to discharge a Joint Committee of Councils.

Resolution of request to the Mayor.

Resolution of request to the Legislature.

Ordinance to place a fire alarm box in the Reading Railroad depot.

An ordinance making an appropriation for supporting Girard College.

A supplementary ordinance to regulate city railways, which was amended by taxing the Market Street Railway Company $6,000, for the use of the Market Street Bridge.

The Chamber then considered and passed the ordinance making the annual appropriation to the Trustees of the City Ice Boat.

Mr. Harper offered a resolution of request to the Legislature that the five per cent. tax on delinquent tax-payers be repealed. Passed.

The Market bill and the ordinance making an appropriation to the City Controller were called up and passed.

The bill making an appropriation to the Law Department passed.

The Chamber then continued the discussion of the Appropriation bills up to the hour of adjournment.

THE BROAD STREET FIRE.—The grain and malt contained in warehouses Nos. 227 and 229 N. Broad street, which were destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning, continues to burn to such an extent that the services of a steamer have been required almost incessantly since; at times some of the woodwork catches from the burning grain, thus rendering it necessary to have the appliances at hand to extinguish the flames.

No tidings have as yet been obtained of James Ralston, the carpet manufacturer who occupied and slept in the second story of No. 227. Workmen were busily engaged in removing the rubbish from the rear part of the building yesterday, but owing to the heat from the burning grain, were unable to make much headway. There seems to be but little doubt but what Mr. Ralston perished in the flames, and that his remains will be found when the rubbish is cleared away.

LECTURE ON VENTILATION.—A lecture on ventilation was delivered last evening, before the Franklin Institute, by L. W. Leeds, Esq. There was a large attendance, and the lecture was listened to throughout with much interest by all present. In the course of his lecture, which was a highly interesting one, he made the following startling assertion:—

"A family living in the filthiest street in our city, if they were careful to have a constant current of air from the street (filthy as it might be) passing through their house, at all times, night and day, would be more healthy, other things being equal, than a family spending their winter in the finest air-tight house in the healthiest location in the city, and their summers in the country, especially if they were careful to exclude the night air from their bed rooms. There is, unfortunately, an unnecessary prejudice against what is termed 'night air,' which the speaker concluded meant fresh external air from the dark. The speaker is in the habit of leaving his windows open all night, or while he is asleep, and keeps them shut all day, or at least most of the time, when not occupied."

VOTE FOR THE EDITOR'S ARM-CHAIR.—The vote for the editor's arm-chair, at the Fair in the Alexander Presbyterian Church, corner of Nineteenth and Green streets, stood as follows last evening:—

Telegraph	44
Press	33
Age	30
Inquirer	6
Ledger	5
Bulletin	1
Star	2
Herald	4
North American	2
Total	127

CAMDEN AFFAIRS.

PRESENTATION OF A FLAG TO THE HON. JAMES M. SCOVEL.—Last evening Washington Hall, in South Camden, was filled with a large audience of our colored citizens, the occasion being the presentation of a beautiful American flag to the Hon. James M. Scovel, for the noble stand he has taken to secure the right of suffrage to all, without distinction of color.

Mr. Ware, of Philadelphia, was introduced, and spoke as follows:—

Ladies and Gentlemen—The very pleasant task of presenting to the Hon. James M. Scovel the flag of our glorious country—(applause)—has been assigned to me. Honorable as the task is, and pleasant as it would be under every circumstance; in view of the recipient and his honorable career, in view of the donation, which is the flag of our country; in view of the donors, who are the people with whom I am identified, the task, although pleasant, although honorable, is onerous. I cannot at this moment feel myself equal to the occasion, yet I am persuaded to notice at least some of the distinct characteristics which recommend the recipient to our favorable consideration. We have before us to-night a statesman, one who has been and is a radical. (Applause.) When I say a radical, I mean one in the intensest sense of that word. To be a political reformer in the State of New Jersey during the last five years was something more than to be a reformer in the State of Massachusetts, or of New Hampshire, or of Maine, or even in the State of Pennsylvania. It was to stand in the foreground without much behind you; to stand in the State given over to hardness of heart, that no longer ago than 1864 upheld and voted for General McClellan—who was in opposition to Abraham Lincoln—the only Northern State that did it, with the exception of Delaware. James M. Scovel looked like the midday sun sun upon the troubled ocean. Laughed at the billows and defied the storm. It is an easy matter to be a radical now in New Jersey, when see has turned Republican. It is a cheap business now, but it was worth something then. May not Mr. Scovel have had the same right to differ with other Republicans of the State of New Jersey as Senator Wilson had to differ with Senator Sumner in the first session of the Thirty-ninth Congress, or as Senator Sumner and Senator Wade do? Why may he not differ the same as these gentlemen on the subjects within the scope of the Republican party? He has dared to do so, and in doing so has shown manliness enough to stand in the face of public sentiment, because it was not republican at the time he struck at conservatism, and led the hosts of Republicans on until victory has perched upon their banners in this State. (Applause.)

Radicalism is not a fossil, it is a growth. Our forefathers in the days of 1775 moved to break their connection with Great Britain. They were radicals, they were reformers, and were determined not to pay the tax on tea. They threw it overboard. They were determined they would not submit to the stamp act. If Great Britain had granted what they desired, there would have been no revolution in 1776 to break asunder their ties with her. If their radicalism had been carried forward to the present day, the Constitutional amendments would have demanded universal suffrage all over the land. The first man that died in this country to establish a flag to float over and protect us was a man identified with my race—Crispus Attucks. There was a time when that flag was taken away from us; but that time has gone by. The colored soldiers of 1854 and 1865 took up that flag. They marched with it to Fort Wagner, and defended it then, and made it honorable, as well as their labors, all through the war. (Applause.)

They rescued the name of the people who had been branded as cowards, and made it more honorable than it had ever been before. The colored soldier had more to meet than the white soldier. The latter had not to be promised that he should be a citizen; he was already one. The colored man hadn't even that promise. There was a time in this country when we were hunted down from one end of it to the other, but we have bided our time. When our armies were victorious the colored man was not called on, but as soon as the defeat at Bull Run, Fredericksburg, and second Bull Run, etc., they were called on, and if it hadn't been for them, the country would never have triumphed over this Rebellion.

There was a man—a radical, who was full of the genuine radicalism—his name was John Brown, of Ossawattome. (Applause.) That man had a principle in his heart; and I trust and believe that that gentleman (Scovel) has a principle too. The former took a different method to carry it out, yet he carried it out to the extent of his power, but paid the forfeit on the gallows, in Virginia. The speaker continued his remarks at some length, and in conclusion, presented the flag, in the following appropriate language, to Mr. Scovel:—Sir, permit me on behalf of the Committee, to present you with this ensign of our national greatness, which we have no doubt you will defend with your life.

The flag is about 12 by 7 feet, and is made of the finest silk. A shield, artistically painted on the blue field, contains the following inscription:—"We repose our faith in God. To our country we are true, and make no distinctions between races." On the opposite side, "Presented to the Hon. James M. Scovel, the friend of humanity, by the African American citizens of Camden, New Jersey, December 20, 1866." Attached to the flag is a superior pole terminating in a spear, and dangling from the top are two beautiful tassels. It cost $100.

Mr. Scovel received it thankfully, and spoke in substance, as follows:—He had been pleased to hear the able address of the gentleman who had preceded him, and would be doing injustice to himself, as well as those present, who had assembled there in this inclement weather, if he did not thank them, from the bottom of his heart, for the very beautiful gift; and promised them that, God willing, he would never dishonor or disgrace it. (Applause.) He would never abandon the position he took in the Legislature in 1863 in favor of the equal rights of man—equal justice to every man in the land, and the sooner it was done the better it will be for all. This flag says there will be no more distinction of color in this country. He suggested to those present, to get up petitions and present them to the Legislature, requesting that the word "white" may be stricken out of the Constitution. They cannot resist your call.

He would be glad to do all he could with his pen and his purse to help forward their right to the ballot. A friend—a conservative—had told him if the negroes had an opportunity to cast a ballot, they would vote the Democratic ticket. He didn't believe it, but thought that the twenty-five thousand black men in the State of New Jersey would vote the Republican ticket. Speaking of Andrew Johnson, he said if he didn't execute the laws the people won'd execute him. In conclusion, he said he had learned they had formed Union Leagues. He entreated them to keep them up, and go forward in the good work of elevating themselves, and they could rest assured that there are men in Camden who would assist them, and before long we would have this Government fit to live in, and they would have every advantage guarded by the strong hand of power.

The Ladies' National Suffrage League then sang "Rally Round the Flag, Boys," which elicited the plaudits of the assembly.

Mr. Thacher, of Philadelphia, then addressed the audience substantially as follows:—He wished to furnish them with some of the foundation principles upon which the right of the black man to exercise the elective franchise rested. He would not discuss whether the elective franchise was a natural right, such as "Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," which the Declaration of Independence says, "are inalienable rights" of man.

The fundamental and vital principle of a republican form of government is, that the power rests with the people. He then proceeded to show that, according to the Constitution of New Jersey, every one who possessed £50 had the right to vote, from the year 1776 to 1844, when the Constitution of the State was altered. Mr Thacher continued at considerable length, making an able and logical exposition of the elective franchise, as relating to the colored race, and was interrupted frequently by applause.

The meeting adjourned with cheers for Mr. Ware, Mr. Scovel, and Mr. Thacher, and for the flag. We noticed around the audience a large number of returned soldiers, of whom there are about one hundred and fifty resident in Camden at the present time.

INFANTICIDE.—James Cramer and Squire Roslin, in crossing a field belonging to Mr. Hatch, opposite the Diamond Cottage, this morning, were attracted to a spot that had the appearance of being recently dug up. Supposing the money stolen from the latter to be buried there they immediately commenced digging; but instead of the money they exhumed a cigar box, and upon opening it, they discovered the dead body of an infant. Coroner Roberts was notified, and made an investigation, which resulted in merely coming to the conclusion that the body was deposited there by parties unknown.

ATTEMPTED ESCAPE FROM PRISON.—William Mattock, one of the prisoners confined in the County Prison, and who, in connection with several others attempted to escape on Saturday last, but were frustrated and had shackles put on their ankles, sprung the catch, and had it tied with a piece of thread. Officer Coutts in examining them, discovered it, and secured it in the proper manner.

LARCENY.—Isaac Brown (colored) was arrested by Officer Coutts for the larceny of a copper kettle, the property of John Stein. Another colored lad was in company with him at the time, but he escaped.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.—The house of Mr. Adams, near the floating chapel, on Broadway, was tried by burglars last evening; but a watch-dog being kept in the house, frightened them off.

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FRESH BEEF AND VEGETABLES.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING, December 18, 1866.

Sealed Proposals, endorsed "Proposals for Fresh Beef and Vegetables," will be received at the Bureau until 2 o'clock P. M., on the 3d day of January, 1867, for the supply of

100,000 POUNDS OF FRESH BEEF

and

100,000 POUNDS OF FRESH VEGETABLES,

at the Philadelphia Navy Yard and Station, as required.

The Beef and Vegetables must be of good quality, and the best the market affords, and each article must be offered for by the pound. The Beef to be in equal proportions fore and hind quarters.

Bonds, with approved security, will be required in one-half the estimated amount of the contract, and twenty per cent in addition will be withheld from the amount of each payment to be made, as collateral security for the due performance of the contract, which will, on no account, be paid until it is duly complied with.

Every offer made must be accompanied by a written guarantee, signed by one or more responsible persons, that the bidder or bidders will, if his or their bid be accepted, enter into an obligation within five days, with good and sufficient sureties, to furnish the articles proposed.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by such guarantee, and by satisfactory evidence that the bidder is a regular dealer in the articles proposed for, and has the license required by act of Congress.

The Department reserves the right to reject any proposal not considered advantageous to the Government.

It is to be understood that in case the stipulated quantity of either article shall be delivered, leaving a balance due on the other article, the contract may be considered as completed in full at the option of the Department. 12 19 21 26 28 4]

PROPOSALS FOR CAVALRY AND ARTILLERY HORSES.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, BALTIMORE, Md., December 15, 1866.

Sealed Proposals are invited and will be received at this office until FRIDAY, 12 o'clock M., December 28, 1866, for the delivery in the city of Baltimore of One Hundred and Twenty-six (126) Cavalry Horses, and Twelve (12) Artillery Horses.

The Horses will be subjected to careful inspection before being accepted. The Cavalry Horses must be sound in all respects, well broken, in full flesh and good condition, from fifteen to sixteen hands high, from five to nine years old, well adapted in every way for cavalry purposes.

The Artillery Horses must be of dark colors, sound in all respects, strong, quick, and active, well broken, and square trotters in harness, in good flesh and condition, from six to ten years old, and not less than fifteen and a half hands high, each horse to weigh not less than ten hundred and fifty (1050) pounds.

The ability of the bidder to fulfil his agreement must be guaranteed by two responsible persons, which guarantee must accompany the proposal.

The Horses must be delivered within forty (40) days from date of acceptance of any proposal.

The Government reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Payment to be made on completion of contract.

Bids will be endorsed "Proposals for Cavalry and Artillery Horses," and addressed to the undersigned, Baltimore, Md.

By order of the Quartermaster General.

A. S. KIMBALL, Captain and A. Q. M., U. S. A., Depot Quartermaster.

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GOVERNMENT SALES.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT VESSELS AND QUARTERMASTER'S PROPERTY.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, BALTIMORE, Maryland, December 10, 1866.

Will be sold at public auction, at the port of Baltimore (Fardy's Wharf, south side of Basin), on THURSDAY, 20th inst., at 12 o'clock M.,

The splendid side-wheel steamer

"CITY OF ALBANY,"

rebuilt in 1864, of —— tons; length, 209 feet; breadth of beam, 35 feet; depth of hold, 10 feet; cylinder, 40 inches, and 12 feet stroke.

Also, the steam tug

"ISLANDER,"

of —— tons; length, 58 feet; breadth of beam, 14 feet; depth of hold, 7 feet; and 17-inch cylinder.

Both vessels of light draught, hulls sound and strong, and engines and boilers in good condition.

A small quantity of Quartermaster's property, consisting of 11 anchors and 22 095 pounds of chain cable, will be disposed of at the same time and place to the highest bidder.

Terms—Cash, in Government funds, on the day of sale.

Inquiries respecting the same may be addressed to the undersigned, or to the auctioneers, Messrs ADREON, THOMAS & CO., No. 18 S. CHARLES Street.

By order of the Quartermaster-General.

A. S. KIMBALL, Captain and A. Q. M., U. S. A., Depot Quartermaster.

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SALE OF QUARTERMASTER'S STORES.

CLOTHING DEPOT, SCHUYLKILL ARSENAL, PHILADELPHIA, December 18, 1866.

Will be sold at public auction, on account of the United States, at the Schuylkill Arsenal, Gray's Ferry Road, Philadelphia, on SATURDAY, December 22, 1866, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following named articles of Quartermaster's Stores, viz:—

Tent Cuttings
Leather Scraps.
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Old Rope.
Old Baling.
Old Paper.
Leather Knapsack Linings.
Old Packing Boxes, etc.

The property must be removed within five (5) days from day of sale.

Terms—Cash in Government funds.

By order of

Brevet Brig.-Gen. GEO. H. CROSMAN, Assistant Quartermaster-General, U. S. Army.

HENRY W. JANES, Captain and A. Q. M., Brevet Major, U. S. A. Executive and Inspecting Officer.

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OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE, No 29 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, December 19, 1866.

Will be sold at public auction, at the depot of Army Clothing and Equipage, corner of LAIGHT and WASHINGTON streets, New York city, on THURSDAY, the 3d of January, 1867, commencing at 11 o'clock, A. M.,

30,000 TO 40,000 ARMY BLANKETS, NEW.

Samples of the above may be seen at the Depot, and further information obtained at this office.

Terms—Cash, in Government funds; ten per cent. down, and the balance before the goods are taken from the Depot, which must be within three days of sale, under forfeiture of purchase and ten per cent.

Brevet Brigadier-General D. H. VINTON, Asst. Quartermaster General, U. S. A.

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