NEWS SUMMARY.

City Affairs.

—Yesterday morning the exercises of the Sixteenth Annual Commencement of the Institute for Colored Youth took place at the Institute Building, Shippen street, above Ninth. The morning session was confined to the examination of classes in the High School and its preparatory departments, and included examinations in Geometry (*Legendre*), Algebra (*Quadratics*), English Grammar (*with Analysis*), Arithmetic, Greek, History Lesson, Mental Arithmetic, Latin (*Virgilii Æneis*), Arithmetic, Algebra, Latin (*Ciceronis Orationes.*) At the afternoon session examinations in the following branches took place:—Trigonometry (*Plane and Spherical*), Algebra, Greek, Arithmetic, Latin, (*Horatii Odæ*), reading Lesson, Latin (*Cæsaris Bellum Gallicum*), English Grammar, Greek. Then followed the presentation of prizes. The oratorical exercises will take place this evening at Concert Hall.

—An adjourned meeting of those favorable to the establishment of a line of omnibuses on Broad street was held last evening in the hall, No. 909 North Broad street, J. C. Moore in the chair; J. W. Havens, Secretary. A committee of five, appointed at a meeting having the same object in view, held last Monday evening at No. 1911 Passyunk road, to confer with those of North Broad street, were present, and after the question had been fully discussed it was determined to create a fund of $500 for the purpose of procuring a charter. Three hundred dollars were subscribed when the meeting adjourned. A meeting of the subscribers will be held on Tuesday evening next, at the same place, to perfect a permanent organization.

—Margaret Hennessey, aged forty-five years, and residing at No. 1303 Adrian street, was badly scalded on Monday, by the overturning of a vessel of boiling water. She was taken to the St. Mary's Hospital. Joseph Krentner, residing on Montgomery avenue, near Germantown road, was admitted into the same institution with his right arm crushed by a car passing over it on the Fifth and Sixth Streets Railroad. The arm was amputated after his removal to the Hospital.

—Among the victims of the late terrible disaster on the Ohio river were Mr. George W. Fahnestock and daughter, of this city. The bodies were recovered and brought to the residence of Mrs. Fahnestock, No. 1804 Arch street. Yesterday the funeral took place.

—The teachers of the schools and managers of the Bedford Street Mission will give a dinner on Christmas day to the scholars of their day and Sabbath schools, at the Mission House, No. 619 Bedford street.

Domestic Affairs.

—Gold closed yesterday at 135¾.

—General Sully thinks the Indian war cannot be ended this winter.

—During November 6000 acres of public lands were disposed of in Alabama.

—The Town Hall and market house of Raleigh, N. C., were burned last night.

—Admiral Farragut declined a public dinner from prominent New Yorkers.

—Dr. J. J. Toweat, a prominent physician of Petersburg, Va., died yesterday.

—Five men were drowned in the Delaware and Raritan Canal, near Trenton, N. J., yesterday.

—The appointment of Collector Smythe as Minister to Russia will be rejected by the Senate.

—Legislation in Congress until after the holiday recess will be practically suspended to-morrow afternoon.

—Charles A. Dana and Moses H. Grinnell are the most prominent candidates for the Collectorship of New York under President Grant.

—The Reconstruction Committee yesterday examined the Republican Committee from Mississippi with reference to election frauds in that State.

—The Fenians of New York are preparing a reception for G. F. Train. It is thought that George Francis may be prevailed upon to make a speech on the occasion.

Foreign Affairs.

HAVANA, Dec. 15.—The Government is actively engaged in searching for political offenders, and many arrests have been made in this city and in the interior. Some of the parties arrested are well known in the community. Count Valmaseda came to Havana on Sunday last from Nuevitas, to confer with the Captain-General, and returned to Nuevitas yesterday with reinforcements. Additional troops will be forwarded to him. The steamer Espanola has arrived with the reinforcements from Spain. Two steam transports with 2080 troops are expected to-morrow. A battalion of volunteers raised the siege of the hospital at Holguin, and the insurrectionists withdrew from the town.

It is expected that Count Valmaseda will march immediately from Nuevitas, and make an attack upon Bayamo, the stronghold of the revolutionists. Various and conflicting rumors are in circulation in regard to the late military operations in the interior. Cubans here say the Government troops have suffered a defeat, but their assertions are not confirmed by reports from the seat of war.

The correspondent of the New York *Times* at Bayamo reports that the character of the war is changing. The Spanish troops are disgusted with the lenient and generous policy of the Government in pardoning the rebels, and refuse to give or receive quarter.

The revolutionists are confidently expecting disturbances in Spain which will prevent the sending of reinforcements to Cuba. At the same time the planters are more anxious to secure their sugar crops than to fight, and are generally sympathizers with the revolution.

Parties in Havana who advocate the revolution claim that the insurgents are receiving supplies of arms and even reinforcements of men from the United States. It is believed here that an expedition in aid of the insurrection is organizing in Nassau, but the Government has taken steps to prevent it from reaching Cuba.

The reported death of Figuerdo is untrue.

The *Diario* reports that since the defeat of the rebels at Miron that parish has been perfectly tranquil. It states that among the rebel officers killed in that battle were two persons represented to have been colonels in the Mexican army.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The members of the House of Commons attended at the bar of the House of Lords to-day, when a brief speech from the Queen was read by royal commission, as follows:—

"Since the time when her Majesty deemed it right to call you together for the consideration of many grave and important matters, several vacancies have occurred in the House of Commons, owing to the acceptance of office from the Crown by members of that house. It is therefore her Majesty's pleasure that opportunity be given to issue writs for supplying the vacancies so occasioned, and that after a suitable recess you may proceed to the consideration of such matters as will then be laid before you."

At the conclusion of the reading the Commons withdrew to their chamber, and the House of Lords then adjourned to meet on February 11.

The House of Commons also adjourned to meet on December 29.

Writs have been issued to fill the vacant seats in the House.

John Bright has issued an address to his constituents in Birmingham, preliminary to his reelection. He says:—

"I have accepted office in Mr. Gladstone's administration, and must obtain your sanction. I trust the confidence you have so long placed in me will not be withdrawn."

William E. Baxter has been appointed Secretary to the Admiralty.

The new Ministry has decided to recall the Earl of Mayo from India, and retain Sir John Lawrence as Viceroy for one year, at the expiration of which the Marquis of Salisbury will be appointed to that post.

Memorials to the Queen asking for the release of the Fenians imprisoned, were circulated and extensively signed at all the Catholic churches on Sunday last.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The telegraphic correspondent of the Daily *News* of this morning says the peaceful termination of the insurrection at Cadiz is entirely attributable to the good offices of R. F. Farrel, the American Consul at that city.

MADRID, Dec. 15.—Political affairs are still in an unsettled condition both here and throughout the country. There is great distress amongst the poor of Madrid, and trade of every kind is almost at a stand-still. Many people are leaving the city, fearing new troubles. The Government has commenced prosecutions against several journals of this city for publishing articles approving of the Cadiz insurrection. Gen Dulce has gone to Cadiz, and will embark from that port to-morrow for Havana, to assume the duties of Captain-General of Cuba, vice Lersundi, removed.

The *Correspondencia* of to-day denies that there is any truth in the story of a projected *coup d'etat* in favor of the Duke of Montpensier at Cadiz. The Duke, on reaching Cordova, found that the movement at Cadiz was in the interest of the Democrats, and that it had been suppressed by the Government, and he therefore voluntarily returned to Lisbon.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

—The Siamese twins have sailed for Europe.

—The King of Siam leaves two thousand widows.

—New York punches billiards at sixteen hundred saloons.

—Portland, Me., claims to have created Planchette.

—Springfield, Ohio, is to have a public hall with 1400 seats.

—The annual season of thin ice and drowning has arrived.

—Two thousand workmen are tearing down churches in Madrid.

—The bride's dress, at a recent Paris wedding, cost $12,000.

—Czar Alexander is building ten theatres for the workingmen.

—Charles O'Conor had his pocket picked on a steamboat last week.

—Senator Morgan thinks $25,000 a year enough for a President.

—Only a question of time—When does the train leave?—*Lowell Courier.*

—The executors of the late Marquis of Hastings won't pay his betting debts.

—It costs $125,000 to fit up the Ariadne for the Prince of Wales' pleasure trip.

—The Pacific radicals don't think John Chinaman is a man and a brother.

—Some wicked persons have introduced counterfeit currency in Salt Lake City.

—An old gentleman of Norway, Me., went skating on his 85th birthday last week.

—The Viceroy of Egypt has written for "Grand Duchess" Schneider, at any cost.

—Happy fathers in Idaho publish in the papers the weight of each new "responsibility."

—The alligators of Bayou Sara, in Louisiana, have developed an appetite for small children.

—Ben Wade can hardly be called a man of letters, but he is looking up for the Post Office Department.

—An Ohio paper taunts its rival that it "can't steal worth a continental;" that it "takes the worst things going, and always gets caught at it."

—A young woman in Geneva is under arrest for poisoning nine persons whom she had attended as nurse in illness.

MARINE TELEGRAPH.

For additional Marine News see First Page.

ALMANAC FOR PHILADELPHIA—THIS DAY.

SUN RISES	7 18	MOON SETS	7 16
SUN SETS	4 32	HIGH WATER	3 45

PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE.

SAMUEL E. STOKES, GEO. N. TATHAM, ANDREW WHEELER, } MONTHLY COMMITTEE.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS.

FOR AMERICA.

Pennsylvania	Liverpool	New York	Nov. 25
Bellona	London	New York	Nov. 28
Tarifa	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 1
Manhattan	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 1
Palmyra	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 1
The Queen	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 2
Nestorian	Liverpool	Portland	Dec. 3
Cimbria	Southampton	New York	Dec. 4
Europa	Brest	New York	Dec. 5
City of Cork	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 5
Java	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 5

FOR EUROPE.

Cuba	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 16
Nebraska	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 16
Rhein	New York	Bremen	Dec. 17
City of Paris	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 19
C. of London	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 26
C. of Cork	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 29
C. of Baltimore	New York	Liverpool	Jan. 2

COASTWISE, DOMESTIC, ETC.

Rising Star	New York	Aspinwall	Dec. 16
Eagle	New York	Havana	Dec. 17
Tonawanda	Philada	Savannah	Dec. 19
Pioneer	Philada	Wilmington	Dec. 19
Granada	New York	Vera Cruz, &c	Dec. 19
Mississippi	New York	Rio Janeiro	Dec. 23
Juniata	Philada	New Orleans	Dec. 25
Stars and Stripes	Philada	Havana	Jan. 6

Mails are forwarded by every steamer in the regular lines. The steamers for or from Liverpool call at Queenstown, except the Canadian line, which call at Londonderry. The steamers for or from the Continent call at Southampton.

CLEARED YESTERDAY.

Schr G. M. Wentworth, Robbins, Demara, E. A. Sonder & Co.
Schr Jonathan May, Neal, Sagua, S. & W. Welsh.
Str H. L. Gaw, Iler, Baltimore, A. Groves, Jr.
Str J. S. Shriver, Dennis, Baltimore, A. Groves, Jr.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Schr Western Star, Crowell, 5 days from Boston, with mdse. to Crowell & Collins.
Schr John Whitby, Henderson, 2 days from Port Penn, Del., with grain to Christian & Co.

MEMORANDA.

Steamship Roman, Baker, for Philadelphia, cleared at Boston 14th inst.
Steamship Brunette, Howe, for Philadelphia, cleared at New York yesterday.
Barque Lorena, Richborn, sailed from Cardenas 7th inst., for a port north of Hatteras.
Barque Boston, Lucommone, hence, at Lisbon 23d ultimo.
Barque Aurora, Utley, hence, at Antwerp 24 inst.
Brig Returan, Pinkham, hence, at Gibraltar 24th ult., and cleared same day for Leghorn.
Brig Wild Gazelle, Lewis, hence, at Genoa 27th ult.
Brig Bason, Lecomare, hence, at Lisbon 22d ult.
Brigs George E. Prescott, Sears, hence for Portland; Rollerson, Corson, hence for Boston; and Addie Hale, Haley, from Portland for Philadelphia, at Holmes' Hole A. M. 14th inst.
Schr Thomas Holcomb, Godfrey, hence, at Matanzas 8th inst.
Schr John Shay, Shay, hence, at Boston 14th inst.
Schr Benj. Reed, Reed, hence, at Portland 13th inst.
Schr John Miner, Walker, hence for New Haven, at New York 14th inst.
Schr Jonas Smith, Nichols, from Boston for Philadelphia, at New York 14th inst.
Schrs Almira Wooley, King; C. E. Paige, Doughty; and M. Reinhart, Hand, for Philadelphia, sailed from Salem 12th inst.
Schr Sarah Cullen, Castner, hence, at Boston 12th instant.
Schr Tantamount, Montgomery, for Philadelphia, cleared at Calais 6th inst.
Schrs Mary H. Wescott, Derbie, hence for Hingham; Enterprise, Sparks, do. for St. John's, N. F.; Annie May, May, do. for Boston; David S. Siner, do. for do.; Margt. McFadden, do. for Portsmouth; Osprey, from do. for Boston; J. C. Thompson, Vansant, from Boston for Philadelphia; and Ann Dole, hence for Boston, at Holmes' Hole A. M. 14th inst.
Schr James S. Watson, Houck, hence, at Newport 14th inst.
Schr Sarah E. Jones, Stanley, hence for New Bedford, passed by Brenton's Reef A. M. 12th inst.
Schrs George Eales, Bickerson; Ella Matthews, McElwee; J. W. Everman, Outen; W. W. Marcy, Champion; and L. A. Rose, Rose, hence, at Providence 14th inst.
Schrs Jane Patterson, Corson; D. Talbot, Blakeley; and Sophia Wilson, Brower, hence for Boston; Wm. Penn, Davis, do. for Salem; and Sidney Price, Townsend, from Salem for Philadelphia, at Holmes' Hole 13th inst. Sailed, all before reported, except brig Monticello, and schrs Lucy Holmes, Lucy R. Cogswell Starlight, Sarah Bernice, and the Eastern Belle, waiting results.
Schrs R. C. Scribner, Burgess; Lotlie, Taylor; J. H. Moore, Nickerson; Ossuna, Haskell; Lucy A. Orcutt, Gilkey; Sea Breeze, Coombs; and S. B. Franklin, Mull, hence, at Boston 13th inst.
Schrs Wm. Walton, Reeves, and S. L. Adams, Robbins, for Philadelphia, cleared at Boston 12th inst.
Schrs J. R. Marshall, Hall; Mary G. Farr, Somers; James Pender, Hudson; and Western Star, Crowell, all from Boston for Philadelphia, at New York 14th instant.
Schrs Polly Price, Yates; S. A. Boice, Walters; and I. S. Reed, Williams, from Providence; J. T. Weaver, Weaver and M. & E. Henderson Price, from Salem, all for Philadelphia, at New York 14th inst.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is hereby given that a Green Buoy, marked with the word "Wreck," has been laid 15 fathoms N. NE. of a vessel (name unknown) sunk off Great Ormes Head, St. George's Channel.

The buoy lies in 9 fathoms at low water spring tides, with the following compass bearings, viz.:—

Great Ormes Head Lighthouse, E.SE. ¼ E., distant 1 1-4 10ths mile.
Puffin Island Telegraph, W. ¼ S., distant 4 7-10ths miles.

The mast of the wreck is visible at half tide.

By order, ROBIN ALLEN, Secretary.
Trinity House, London, Dec. 1, 1868.

CITY ITEMS.

TABLE TALK WITH A VICTIM OF INDIGESTION.—Reader, we will suppose you are a martyr to dyspepsia. If you are *not* so much the better for you. If you *are*, perhaps you may profit by this paragraph. You have just finished your dinner, we will say, and feel as if you had swallowed *lead* instead of wholesome food. You have a sensation of tightness round the upper part of the diaphragm, as if some snake of the constrictor tribe held you in its embrace and had *knotted its coils over the pit of your stomach*. You feel supremely miserable; and such is the penalty which your complaint exacts after *every meal*. What do you desire? Ease, of course. An exemption from the incubus that robs you of all enjoyment during the day, and disturbs your rest at night. Take, then this piece of information: *You suffer needlessly*. HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS will as certainly cure all your agonizing symptoms as the day on which you read this article will be succeeded by another. Perhaps you are incredulous; but if you have read the testimony of the eminent citizens, in every walk of life, who have tested the preparation, and submitted the results of their experience to the public through the press, you ought at least to have sufficient faith to make a trial of it in your own case. It is a pure vegetable tonic and alterative, *the only medicine in the world entirely adapted to your complaint*. If you are in the habit of taking any alcoholic excitant as a palliative, abandon it, and try this WHOLESOME MEDICAEDT STIMULANT. If it does you no good, *say so*: but you will not do that, for it has never yet failed, in a single instance, to cure dyspepsia, biliousness, and their various concomitants.

A HACKING COUGH is one of the most distressing as well as dangerous forms of cough one can be afflicted with. Its continuous action fatigues and irritates the lungs, and thus engenders consumption. Upham's Fresh Meat Cure will cure the cough, soothe the irritated bronchia, and give tone and vigor to the lungs and whole system.

A single bottle will convince any one of its parity. Sold one dollar per bottle.

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ROUGH, WINTRY, CHANGEABLE WEATHER produces Catarrhs, Coughs, Disorders of the Lungs, etc., which JAYNE'S EXPECTORANT as promptly cures, if faithfully administered. Sold everywhere.

JEWELRY.—Mr. William W. Cassidy, No. 12 South Second street, has the largest and most attractive assortment of fine jewelry and silverware in the city. Purchasers can rely upon obtaining a real, pure article furnished at a price which cannot be equalled. He also has a large stock of American Western watches in all varieties and at all prices. A visit to his store is sure to result in pleasure and profit.

COAL, COAL, COAL for the million. Now is the time to lay in your winter's store of fuel. Old King Frost is drawing pictures on the windows, and the melting snow is wetting your feet. Build bright fires and bid the cold defiance. But to build the fires you must have good coal—and where should you purchase it if not at the celebrated Alter's, No. 957 North Ninth street (office Sixth and Spring Garden streets). He has it in abundance, too—notwithstanding the recent strike in the coal regions—and is ready to furnish customers with all sizes and kinds, at the very lowest prices.

SALE OF BOOTS AND SHOES.—We would call the early attention of the trade to the large and attractive sale of boots and shoes, to be sold by catalogue for cash, to-morrow (Thursday) morning, December 17, commencing at 10 o'clock, by C. D. McClees & Co., auctioneers, No. 506 Market street.

TRENWITH'S NEWS DEPOT, lately opened on Chesnut st., west of Sixth, No. 614, is a model establishment of its kind in every respect. Neatly fitted up, airy, light, and convenient, goods conspicuously displayed, everything in perfect order, it is really a pleasure to stop in his place. We have just received from him "Harper's Weekly" and "Monthly," the "Atlantic Monthly," "Comic Monthly," etc.

MARRIED.

GRAY—SMITH.—On the 15th instant, by the Rev. C. B. Van Duer, Mr. N. E. GRAY to Mrs. LIBBIE SMITH, late of Accomac county, Va.

O'BRIEN—DOLAN.—On the 15th instant, JERRY O'BRIEN to ELIZABETH DOLAN, both of this city.

DIED.

CALLANAN.—On the 15th instant, CAROLINE, wife of George D. Callanan, and daughter of the late George Wilson, in the 61st year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her husband, No. 1320 Elsworth street, on Friday afternoon, the 18th instant, at 2 o'clock. Interment at Ronaldson's Cemetery.

GRAVENSTINE.—On the morning of the 16th instant, ELIZA TROUT, wife of George T. Gravenstine, aged 22 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her father-in-law, Mr. John Gravenstine, No. 1200 Wallace street, on Friday afternoon, the 18th instant, at 2 o'clock. To proceed to Mount Vernon Cemetery.

MALLERY.—On the 14th instant, JOSEPHINE R., widow of Charles B. Mallery, Esq., and daughter of the late John Purdon, Esq.

Funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, George A. Wright, No. 4106 Walnut street, on Thursday morning, the 17th instant, at 11 o'clock. Services at St. Mary's Church, Locust street, West Philadelphia.

MCCONNELL.—Suddenly, on the 13th instant, MARY ANN, relict of the late Robert McConnell, aged 16 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her son in-law, George W. Hinkle, No. 1631 Alder street, on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

PANCOAST.—On the 11th instant, JOHN R. PANCOAST, son of Tacy R. and the late Eliakim Pancoast, in the 36th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, from the residence of his mother, No. 670 N. Tenth street, on Sixth-day morning, the 18th instant, at 10 o'clock.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

COLD WEATHER DOES NOT CHAP or roughen the skin after using WRIGHT'S ALCONA EDGLYCERIN TABLET OR SOLIDIFIED GLYCERIN. Its daily use makes the skin delicately soft and beautiful. It is delightfully fragrant, transparent, and incomparable as a Toilet Soap. For sale by all Druggists. R. & G. A. WRIGHT, 2 4 No. 624 CHESNUT Street.

THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIBLE SCHOOL of the Fifth Baptist Church, corner of Eighteenth and Spring Garden streets, Rev. Warren Randolph, Pastor, will be held in the ACADEMY OF MUSIC, on Thursday evening next, December 17th. Interesting exercises by the school, and an address by REV. H. M. GALLAHER, The Eloquent Orator, of Brooklyn. Tickets for sale at the Sewing Machine mart of O. F. Davis, No. 810 CHESNUT Street, and at the door of the Academy in the evening. 12 15 2t

JOHN B. GOUGH Will deliver his popular Lecture, CURIOSITY, AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC, MONDAY EVENING, December 21. This Lecture has been delivered but once in Philadelphia. During the past season it has been entirely revised, and is now his popular lecture. The sale of Tickets will begin on Thursday Morning, at 8½ o'clock, at J. E. Gould's, No. 923 CHESNUT Street. Admission to all parts of the house, 50 cents. Reserved seats in Parquet, Parquet Circle, and Balcony, 25 cents extra on first day of sale. After Thursday, no extra charge for reserved seats. 12 15 3t

PETROLEUM V. NASBY WILL DELIVER HIS CELEBRATED LECTURE, "CUSSED BE CANAAN," REVISED AND REWRITTEN, AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC, WEDNESDAY, December 23, 1868, IN AID OF THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND, POST No. 2, G. A. R. Tickets for sale at the Academy and at TRUMPLER'S. 12 15 16 19 21 22 23

CHRISTMAS DINNER TO THE POOR.—The Teachers of the Schools and Managers of the BEDFORD STREET MISSION will give a Dinner on CHRISTMAS DAY to the Scholars of their Day and Sabbath Schools, at the MISSION HOUSE, No. 619 BEDFORD Street. Dinner on the table at 12 o'clock. The friends of the Mission, and all who feel an interest in the poor of that degraded section of our city, are cordially invited to be present. Singing by the Scholars in the Chapel previous to the Dinner. Contributions of money, poultry, provisions coal, and clothing thankfully received by the undersigned Managers of the Mission, for distribution among the sick and suffering:—
EDMUND S. YARD, No. 209 Spruce street.
JACOB H. BURDSALL, No. 1121 Chesnut.
WILLIAM A. SMETHURST, No. 7 Bank.
JAMES L. BISPHAM, No. 710 S. Second.
E. A. JOHNS, 12 F. cor. Fourth and Arch.
GEORGE MILLIKEN, No. 828 Arch.
REV. J. D. LONG, No. 619 Bedford. 12 16 3t

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHWARK SOUP SOCIETY, held at the Soup House, SUTHERLAND Street, below Queen, on December 3, 1868, the following-named gentlemen were elected officers for the following year.
Any contributions or donations will be thankfully received by them, at the addresses given, or at the Soup House, on Saturday evening of each week.
PHILIP POWELL, President, No. 1219 S. Fourth street, and No. 218 S. Front st.
HENRY W. SPEAR, No. 37 Almond street, } Vice-Presidents.
F. A. BLACK, No. 307 Lombard street, }
ALEXANDER GREAVES, Treasurer, No. 816 S. Fourth st., and No. 205 N. Fifth st.
CHARLES S. CLOSE, No. 333 Reed street, }
JOHN V. B. HICKS, No. 713 S. Second street, } Secretaries. 12 16 2t

LADIES' FAIR.—A Fair for the sale of Useful and Fancy Articles will open THIS EVENING, IN THE LECTURE-ROOM OF THE BETHESDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Corner of FRANKFORD Road and VIENNA Street. Continuing two weeks. An opportunity will be afforded to select Gifts for suitable Holiday Presents. Come and bring your friends with you. Season tickets, 25 cents. Daily admission, 10 cents. The Cars of the Second and Third Streets and the Union Passenger Railway Companies run in close proximity to the Church. [12 12 6t*

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1, 1868. NOTICE.—The Semi-annual Interest on the five and six per cent. loans of the City of Philadelphia due January 1, 1869, will be paid on and after that date. Loans maturing January, 1869, will be paid on presentation, interest ceasing from date of maturity. The ordinance of Councils approved May 9, 1868, directing that "all certificates of city loans shall be registered previous to the payment of the interest," will be strictly adhered to at the payment of the interest due January, 1869, to both resident and non-resident loan-holders. JOSEPH N. PEIRSOL, City Treasurer. 12 3 27

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD. OFFICE OF GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, No. 1332 MARKET STREET. PHILADELPHIA, December 15, 1868. NOTICE.—The rates for transportation of Gas and other Bituminous Coal to be carried over the Pennsylvania Railroad, Western Pennsylvania Railroad, and Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, to take effect JANUARY 1, 1869, can be obtained upon application at this Office. S. B. KINGSTON, General Freight Agent. 12 15 15t Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

FARMERS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK. PHILADELPHIA, December 11, 1868. The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of January next, between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M. W. RUSHTON, JR., Cashier. 12 11 27t

GIRARD NATIONAL BANK. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8, 1868. The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders for the election of Directors and for other purposes will be held at the Banking House on WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of JANUARY, 1869, at 12 o'clock M. The election will take place between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. W. L. SCHAFFER, Cashier. 12 8 wst J13

OIL CREEK AND ALLEGHENY RIVER RAILWAY COMPANY. CORRY, Pa., December 9, 1868. DIVIDEND No. 3.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT., free of tax, payable January 2, 1869, at the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, No. 26 EXCHANGE Place, New York. Transfer Books closed December 23; reopen January 4. 12 12 mwst* T. A. PHILLIPS, Treasurer.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12, 1868. NOTICE.—Holders of City Warrants numbering from 4001 to 5000 will be paid on presentation, interest ceasing from this date. JOSEPH N. PEIRSOL, 12 11 6t City Treasurer.

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