

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

THE P. W. & B. R. R.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders—Changes in the Board of Directors—Report on the Operations of the Road During the Past Year.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore Railroad Company was held at Wilmington, on Monday afternoon, the 11th inst., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.

The directors elected for the ensuing year are: S. M. Patton, of Pennsylvania; William Sellers and Samuel Welch, of Philadelphia; Jesse Lane, Joseph Brightridge, and Samuel Harlan, of Wilmington; Thomas Kelso, Knott Pratt, Thomas Donaldson, Thomas Whitely, and S. M. Shoemaker, of Baltimore; Jacob T. Tomp, of Port Deposit; and N. Thayer and Edward Austin, of Boston.

The retiring members of the board are Frederick A. Curtis, of Newark, Del.; J. L. Cohen, Jr., and Columbus O. Condit, of Baltimore. The names added are those of Thomas Whitely and S. M. Shoemaker, of Baltimore, and Edward Austin, of Boston.

At the meeting of the new board Isaac Hinckley was elected President; Enoch Pratt, Vice-President, and A. Horner, Secretary and Treasurer.

The annual report of the Board of Directors, showing the operations of the road for the year ending October 31, 1869, was read at the meeting of the stockholders.

The Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore Railroad Company has been successful in its operations during the past year, and the stockholders are well satisfied with the results.

The gross receipts of the road for the year ending October 31, 1869, were \$2,500,000, and the net earnings were \$1,000,000.

The passenger receipts were over 10 per cent. larger than those of the previous year, and the freight receipts were over 15 per cent. larger.

The gross earnings from all sources were over 7 per cent. greater than in 1868, and the net earnings were over 10 per cent. larger.

The increase in the operating expenses is wholly due to repairs, and but for this would have been a decrease of 10 per cent.

An unusual number of steel rails and new cross-ties laid during the year availed the repair account. In relation to steel rails, the report says:

"The additional quantity of iron rails used in the year 1869, as compared with the year 1868, is 1,000,000 feet, and the cost of these rails is \$1,000,000.

The business of the Delaware Railroad afforded a profit of nearly \$500,000. The prospects of the business are bright, and the company is well prepared to meet the demands of the future.

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RECTOR OF BANK DIRECTORS.—This morning a number of banking institutions held their annual elections for directors to serve during the ensuing year with the following results:

City National Bank.—Directors: D. B. Cummings, Charles Ruggles, William Gilchrist, William Struthers, Washington Butcher, Thomas R. Watson, Caldwell, Jr., William Hay, Edward W. Handy, George W. Wood, Thomas Stock, Williams Stock, Houston, and John H. Caterwood.

City National Bank.—Directors: Wm. P. Hughes, John K. Keeler, John P. Taylor, Thomas P. Taylor, D. Walton, A. Boyd Cummings, Charles E. Lee, Coffin Coaklet, Frederick Whitlock, J. F. Wetherill, C. G. Gordon, William J. Horstman, and L. V. Williamson.

National Bank of the Northern Liberties.—Directors: Joseph Moore, Joseph B. Myers, Charles J. Smith, Edwin B. Rogers, John W. Wood, Wm. W. Miller, James N. Stone, Michael Baker, Israel Peterson, William Overington, Alexander M. Fox, Jacob Hiegar, and Charles Young.

Manufacturers National Bank.—Directors: John Jordan, Jr., John Gilbert, Henry Geiger, W. D. Friedman, M. McHenry, John G. Taylor, John G. Reppner, William A. Rollin, and John W. Coffey.

Partners and Mechanics National Bank.—Directors: Edwin M. Lewis, John Ashhurst, Anthony J. Antelo, Benjamin A. Farhaman, Joseph Smith, C. Dale, Joshua B. Lippincott, J. Edward Farnum, George W. Farr, Jr., William H. Woodward, Charles R. Gordon, Henry P. Sloan, and Thomas McKean.

Mechanics National Bank.—Directors: Joseph G. Smith, Benjamin J. Taylor, John W. Wood, E. H. Stuart, Gustavus English, Reussner Maxwell, and Francis B. Beever.

City National Bank.—Directors: James L. Claghorn, Joseph James, Daniel Haddock, Jr., Leon Berg, Samuel Huston, Charles B. Williams, Samuel J. Taylor, G. G. Galt, George W. Wood, George Fales, Thomas H. Powers, Archibald Campbell, and John Sellers, Jr.

Union National Bank.—This institution held an election yesterday, and the following named gentlemen were chosen directors: David Faust, William H. Sowers, C. G. Reynolds, L. Binnewasser, Robert Work, Augustus H. Wilcox, George W. Babson, John Pearce, and C. F. Stidger.

SALE AT THE OFFICE OF THE PHILADELPHIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—This morning the Sheriff and his minions assembled within the sacred precincts of the Philadelphia Fire Insurance Company's office, together with a crowd of disappointed stockholders and interested persons.

Previous to the sale one of the disappointed ones stepped up to the auctioneer and stated his intention of entering a protest against the proceedings as inaugurated. Complainant stated that he was a stockholder in the company, and that he had paid for shares in the company. The auctioneer intimated that if such was the case, it was rather bad for the complainant, as he had no right to object to the sale.

Complainant stated that in his opinion the thing was either legitimate or else it was a confounded fraud. This decision was acquiesced in by all parties.

Among the articles sold were desks, tables, stools, easy chairs, long property of favored directors; a pair of blank policies, never more to be used for their legitimate purpose; blank or applications, powers of attorney, instructions to agents, business cards, boxes, the seal of the company, and the very curtain which hid the place occupied by the president himself from the vulgar gaze.

The business cards, which were scattered around in the greatest profusion, and the public indignantly that this old and favorite company is now prepared to make insurances against loss by fire on reasonable terms. Doubtless the terms are too reasonable, on account of the old and favorite company.

A line in large type also announces that this company have no unexpired claims. How figures and letters will be sometimes!

COLONEL.—At No. 1233 Pearl street reside two families, the Selbys and the Jacobs. They are five others, named Turner and Jacobs. They are all Americans of African descent. With the Selbys and Jacobs, whose Christian name is John, is on terms of intimacy. Yesterday after the husband had gone to their work, Mrs. Selby and Mrs. Wilson left their houses in charge of a lad, and went in search of liquor, and returned with a trunk containing \$15 in cash, the property of Mr. Selby, and a gold watch and chain, a pair of silver coins, and some other articles of value. The property of Mr. Wilson. During their absence, Jacobs called, and being informed that the families were absent, he entered their houses, and searched for the trunk, which he found in the room. He opened it, and found the trunk mentioned had been forced open and despoiled of its contents. Suspicion pointing to Jacobs, he arrested him, and will have a hearing to-day before Alderman Kerr.

AN OLD INCENDIARY.—In February, 1866, a slaughter-house and stable, located at Sixteenth and Race streets, was destroyed by fire, and with it 18 persons, and a horse. The fire was caused by the carelessness of a boy, named Alfred Beck, who was setting fire to the place upon one Alfred Beck, who was tried, convicted, and sentenced to the State Prison for life. Beck was released a few weeks since, and immediately returned to his old haunts, and set fire to the place upon one Alfred Beck, who was tried, convicted, and sentenced to the State Prison for life. Beck was released a few weeks since, and immediately returned to his old haunts, and set fire to the place upon one Alfred Beck, who was tried, convicted, and sentenced to the State Prison for life.

BAR ROOM TROUBLE.—James Gallager and Charles Williams were brought before Alderman Delaney by Charles Gallager, an angry man, for making an aggravated assault. Charles Gallager keeps a hotel at Seventh and Lombard streets, where two of his friends were for the purpose of making a party. Williams and Gallager held the door fast while Williams proceeded to administer the punishment with a pitcher from the kitchen, first taking the precaution to empty the keg and water upon the floor. The landlord, however, proved equal to the emergency. He turned upon Williams and returned the blows, and the waters which Williams and James Gallager were held in \$500 each to answer.

ALL ABOUT AN OVERCOAT.—On Monday last an overcoat, valued at \$50, was stolen from the residence of Henry Scholtes, 8 E. corner of Twenty-fourth and Brown streets, and on Tuesday morning a number of papers, which had been taken with it, were returned by two little girls. This proceeding was the result of a search made by Officer McShane, who, on inquiry, found that the girls were daughters of one John Valentine, an employe in a mill on the E. W. corner of Third and Arch streets, who was shot on Monday night. A warrant was issued, and Valentine's house, in Taylor street above Hart, searched, where the coat was found in a closet. The accused had a hearing before Alderman Kerr this afternoon.

WHISKY AND WATER.—An unknown individual, whilst laboring under an extra load of whisky, last night attempted to walk into Delaware at South street wharf. Officer White, of the Delaware Harbor force, noticing his condition, locked him up for the night.

Another chap, a resident of Camden, who had been indulging rather freely in benzene, arriving at Market street wharf after the last night boat had left, conceived the idea of walking across the Delaware wharf. Officer White, of the Delaware Harbor force, noticing his condition, locked him up for the night.

AN ELECTOR FOR OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRISAL.—An election for officers of the House of Reprisal is to be held this afternoon.

The Ludlow school house should be rented to some ice company.

The Washington Literary Society is thirty-three years old.

The Governor of Finland favors free Cuba.

What are our prospects for the coming year?

Manayunk is now called Mt. Town.

Slag-bank is rustling.

What is the weather?

PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA.—We publish below a short tabular statement of the value of the property of the city property, public and otherwise. It embraces the whole of such property as far as returned by the assessors.

Table with 2 columns: Property of the U. S. Government, City property, Public property, Schools, Hospitals, Asylums, Colleges, Libraries, Fire Companies, Cemeteries, Railroads, Churches, Total.

THEFT OF A SHAWL.—John Connor entered the residence of an old woman at Seventh and Shippen streets last night, and stole therefrom a shawl. He was captured whilst about disposing of it to a pawnbroker, and being taken before Alderman Bonall was committed to prison.

THE SIXTEENTH WARD CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.—The contest in the Sixteenth ward, which was referred to the contested election case of the Sixteenth ward, assembled to-day at 5 o'clock P. M. in Common Council Chamber, George W. Hall in the chair.

The contestant, William H. Rogers, was assisted by John Cochran, Esq., an counsel. The respondent, James Logan, conducted the case in his own behalf. Recorder James J. Price acted as referee.

James Logan acknowledged the receipt of the order requiring the tally list of the Sixteenth ward, and the box containing the tally list of the Sixteenth ward, and the box containing the tally list of the Sixteenth ward, and the box containing the tally list of the Sixteenth ward.

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THIRD EDITION

WASHINGTON

Probable Abolition of the Franking Privilege—General Butler Thinks He has been Slighted.

HARRISBURG

Irwin Elected State Treasurer Over Mackey by a Vote of 70 to 61.

FROM WASHINGTON

The Franking Privilege.—The House Post Office Committee discussed the subject of abolishing the franking privilege for two hours this morning.

The general sentiment of the committee was in favor of dispensing with franking entirely, and opposed to substituting the giving of stamps to Congress in place of allowing them to frank.

It is probable that the bill offered by Senator Stewart abolishing the franking privilege, and devoting the money which it costs to maintain that luxury to building telegraph lines, will be adopted.

General Banks.—Fernando Wood presented a joint resolution of the New York Legislature, withdrawing the assent of that State to the fifteenth amendment, in the House to-day, and Eldridge (Democrat), of Wisconsin, said he wanted to have it read for the benefit of radicals.

Garfield replied that the action of New York made no difference to the Republican party, which could get along without her.

General Banks made his appearance on the floor to-day during the session.

The Freedmen's Bureau.—Mr. Garfield, of Ohio, has prepared a bill to abolish what remains of the Freedmen's Bureau. He thinks the time has now come when it can be wholly done away.

Butler and Blingham.—A letter has been received here from General Butler indicating his displeasure at the action of the Reconstruction Committee, in trying to dispose of the Virginia question in his absence.

Butler is chairman of the Reconstruction Committee, and he intended to take charge of the admission of Virginia himself. It is stated that he will take Blingham to task as soon as he returns, for offering his resolution last Monday.

The Covode-Foster Election Case.—The Committee on Elections propose to take up to-morrow in the House the contested election case of Covode against Foster, and after that the case of Van Wyck against Greene.

The other cases will follow as soon as they can be prepared.

The Telegraph Strike.—On inquiry at the Western Union Telegraph office this morning, it was ascertained that all business was closed up last night south of Washington before the closing hour, and the company to-day prepared to receive business for all points excepting Goldsboro, Raleigh, Newburn, North Carolina, and several smaller offices, which it is expected will be opened to-day. The force at Washington is only four men short of the regular force, and the business is progressing regularly.

CONGRESS.—FORTY-FIRST TERM—SECOND SESSION. House.—Mr. Wood (N. Y.) presented the joint resolutions of the New York Legislature, withdrawing the assent heretofore given to the ratification of the fifteenth amendment to the Constitution. Referred.

Mr. Woodward (Pa.) made a personal explanation on the subject of a colloquy which took place before the House on the 11th inst., in relation to the ratification of the fifteenth amendment by the State of Pennsylvania. Referred.

Mr. Wilson (Minn.) introduced a bill granting lands to the State of Minnesota for a railroad to the Winnipeg, and also a bill to amend the act establishing a department of education, and to provide for the relief of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands. Referred.

Mr. Pomeroy introduced a bill repealing so much of the act of August, 1868, as declares the Des Moines river a public highway. Passed.

Mr. Ferris, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported a bill to amend the act granting lands to the people of the Territory of Colorado, and also a bill to amend the act granting lands to the people of the Territory of Colorado, and also a bill to amend the act granting lands to the people of the Territory of Colorado.

Mr. Conger offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Commerce to inquire into the necessity of a suitable addition to the Custom House in Cleveland, Ohio, for the United States Courts and other purposes. Referred.

Mr. Kerr introduced a bill to repeal the act of June 17, 1869, denning additional cases of challenge, and also a bill to amend the act granting lands to the people of the Territory of Colorado, and also a bill to amend the act granting lands to the people of the Territory of Colorado.

The House then proceeded to the regular business of the day, and the bill for the transfer of the Navy Yard to League Island.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE

HARRISBURG, Jan. 12.—Mr. White offered a preamble setting forth that the Senate had refused to accept of the bill for the relief of the people of the Territory of Colorado, and a resolution that, therefore, the contestant, Hiram Findlay, be sworn into office, without interfering with the right of Mr. Scull to a seat in the body, and a resolution that, therefore, the contestant, Hiram Findlay, be sworn into office, without interfering with the right of Mr. Scull to a seat in the body.

Mr. Findlay was accordingly sworn.

The following bills were introduced and referred: Mr. Henshaw, as follows:—Any baggage master or express agent, stage driver, or other person, whose office is to handle baggage of passengers, who shall willfully injure the same, shall be punished by a fine of \$50.

Mr. Findlay, declaring that Stuart Cameron is entitled to praise for his course in Congress in regard to Cuba, and urging Congress to grant belligerent rights to the people of that island, who are battling for their independence.

By Mr. Connel, a supplement to the City Park bill.

The following Senate bills were considered:—Increasing the Governor's salary to \$7000, to take effect next term. Passed.

Incorporating the Arvidale Relief Association, incorporating the present trustees. Passed.

The Senate and House met in joint convention on the 11th inst., to elect a Speaker. The first ballot resulted as follows:—Mackey, 67; Irwin, 11; Daniel Barr, 5; Bishop Simpson, 1; Amos L. Henderson, 1; L. D. Shoemaker, 1. There was no election, and the second ballot was ordered. Those who voted for Mackey were all Republicans, and those who voted for Irwin were all Democrats.

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Irwin Elected on the Third Ballot.—The third ballot resulted in the election of Irwin, the vote standing for Irwin, 70 for Mackey, 61.

The Southern Cotton Market.—SAVANNAH, Jan. 11.—Cotton quiet; middling, 44 1/2; sales, 300 bales; receipts, 1800 bales; exports, 1650 bales.

FOURTH EDITION

GENERAL NEWS

The Paris Assassination—Brave Fury of Rochefort—New Developments in the League Island Business—A Strong Opposition to the Transfer—California and Cuban News.

FROM EUROPE

Rochefort and Napoleon.—By the Associated Press. PARIS, Jan. 12.—The *Marseillaise* newspaper was printed in mourning yesterday, and contained the following leading article printed in large type:—

"Murder Committed by the Prince Pierre Napoleon Bonaparte upon the Citizen Victor Noir—Attempt to Murder made by the Prince Pierre Napoleon Bonaparte upon the Citizen Urbie de Foveille.

"I have had the weakness to believe that a Bonaparte could be other than an assassin.

"I have dared to imagine that a fair duel was possible in that family, where murder and way-laying are traditional and habitual. Our collaborator, Pascal Grousset, has shared my error, and to-day we mourn our dear friend, Victor Noir, assassinated by the ruffian Pierre Napoleon Bonaparte.

For eighteen years past France has been in the blood-stained hands of these cut-throats, who, not content with shooting Republicans in the streets, allure them into baited traps for the purpose of slaughtering them at home.

"People of France! have you not had decidedly enough of this?"—Henri Rochefort.

The *Marseillaise* was very violent again to-day, and the entire issue was therefore seized by the authorities.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—James Frazier, who formerly was sent to America as commissioner to examine the common school system of the United States, has been appointed Bishop of Manchester.

Bright's speech, delivered at Birmingham yesterday, is greatly eulogized by the morning papers, and there is but little adverse criticism.

This Afternoon's Quotations.—By the Anglo-American. PARIS, Jan. 12.—The Bourse opened quiet and unchanged. Consols for money 92 1/2, and for account 92 1/2. American securities quiet and steady: 5-20s of 1862, 97; 1865, old, 96 1/2; 1868, 95; 1870, 94; 1871, 93; 1872, 92; 1873, 91; 1874, 90; 1875, 89; 1876, 88; 1877, 87; 1878, 86; 1879, 85; 1880, 84; 1881, 83;