

NEWS SUMMARY.

In pursuance of a call for a mass meeting to be held under the auspices of the Broad Street Improvement League, a number of citizens assembled at the Academy of Music last night for the purpose of favoring the proposed improvement of Broad street by the repaving of that street, so as to render it a thoroughfare that should be a "promenade for the citizen; a parade ground for our gallant military and self-sacrificing firemen, and a general gala resort for the million."

The meeting was not as large a one as we have seen in the past, but was, nevertheless, very enthusiastic, and from the frequent applause seemed to be thoroughly in favor of the change proposed.

Speeches were made and resolutions on the subject were adopted.

In response to a cordial invitation signed by a number of influential and public-spirited citizens, the commanding officer of the New York Seventh Regiment has sent the following acceptance:—

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH REGIMENT N. G., S. N. Y., NEW YORK, June 21, 1870.—Gentlemen:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt by this regiment of an invitation from citizens of Philadelphia to visit that city, and to inform you that its officers and members have with great unanimity authorized me to accept the same. The 14th day of July has been named as the date of the proposed visit. I beg leave also to state that this regiment appreciates the high compliment implied in this invitation from so many distinguished citizens and well-known representatives of the great commercial and financial interests of the city of Philadelphia, and that its officers and members are profoundly grateful for the honor thereby conferred. Pleasant recollections of the hospitality of the citizens of Philadelphia to this regiment as it passed through that city, when called into the service of the United States in 1861, 1862, and 1863, are sorely cherished by many of its present members, and all anticipate great pleasure from this the first official visit of the regiment to the City of Brotherly Love.

That it may prove mutually agreeable and satisfactory, and serve to strengthen the bonds of union and friendship between the young men of the two great cities of our country, is the earnest wish and hope of

EMMONS CLARK, Commanding 7th Regt. N. G., S. N. Y.

Notwithstanding the extreme heat yesterday afternoon, the firemen in Philadelphia turned out in great strength to receive and escort the Mechanic Fire Company, No. 6, and Hope Hook and Ladder Company, No. 3, of New Orleans. The visiting companies reached the depot in West Philadelphia from New York, shortly before 5 o'clock. P. M., and were received by the Committee on Reception, and marched to the house of the Columbia Engine Company, No. 16, Market street, above Thirty-fourth, where a collation was prepared, and ample preparations made for the visitors to refresh themselves before joining the parade.

The Philadelphia Tract and Missionary Society has distributed during June, through its six missions, and eight hundred visitors and superintendents in the First District, north of Market street, 92,950 English tracts, 6612 German tracts and 35 French tracts, making a total of 99,577. In the Second District, south of Market and east of Broad streets, it has distributed 24,200 English tracts, 1500 German tracts and a number of French tracts, making a total of 25,822. In the Third District, west of Broad street, 10,500 English and 475 German tracts have been distributed. In the Fourth District, west of the Schuylkill, 2850 English and 162 German tracts were distributed. The grand total of tracts distributed for the month is as follows:—English tracts, 70,500; German, 8711; French, 135, or 79,506 in all.

The Central Presbytery met yesterday and adjourned until October.

Domestic Affairs.—Gold closed yesterday at 111 1/2.

At Madison, Wis., yesterday, the thermometer registered 100 degrees.

Hon. D. W. Voorhees has been renominated for Congress from Indiana.

The rejection of the San Domingo treaty, it is said, does not dispose of the Samana Bay project.

A mass meeting of workmen was held in New York last evening to protest against the introduction of Chinese labor.

While the United States Circuit Court at Madison, Wis., was in session, yesterday a telegram was received from Washington announcing that the old District Court was no more. The Court was at a loss to understand the situation.

In the U. S. Senate yesterday, after the close of our report, the Tax-Tariff bill was taken up and the duty on steel railway bars was reduced to 1 cent per pound, and on railway bars made partly of steel to 1 cent.

Other amendments were adopted, an evening session being held.

In the House a bill was reported making Jersey City a port of entry. The Canal Ship Canal bill was also reported. The point being raised that it made an appropriation, it was ordered that it first be considered in Committee of the Whole. A conference report was agreed to on the bill defining the duties of pension agents. Mr. Butler, of Tenn., reported from the Election Committee in the case of Zeigler vs. Rice, of Kentucky, that Rice, the sitting member, is disqualified, causing a vacancy, and that Zeigler be allowed the expenses of his contest. The Funding bill was taken up. Pending its consideration the House adjourned.

Foreign Affairs.—Heavy cotton drafts have been discovered at Bombay.

Prevost-Paradol left Paris last evening, on his way to this country.

His IX is opposed to cutting short the discussion on the infallibility dogma.

There is strong opposition in London to the Anglo-French commercial treaty.

Naldanha invites Lisbon merchants to devise a method of restoring the prosperity of Portugal.

Cardinals Guillemin and Bonnehose are said to have become supporters of the infallibility dogma.

Inhabitant's abolition is regarded as making the candidature of the Prince of Asturias for the Spanish crown possible.

Henry Vizetelly, a wood engraver and an artist of some reputation, the projector of more than one London illustrated paper, was drowned at Margate yesterday.

The Paris correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette says that M. Emile de Girardin is disposing of the Liberte, and that M. Lesseps and the Duke d'Albuquerque are to be the purchasers, and that one of the conditions of the sale is that the present editor is to be a Senator.

The Paris-Tripoli published a short time ago an account of an accident which had occurred to some members of a choral society near Vevey, Switzerland, by which some twenty persons were said to have been drowned. That journal now states that it had been made the victim of a hoax, as no such event had happened.

CITY COUNCILS.

Both branches of the legislative department held their regular stated meeting yesterday.

Select Branch.—President Cattell in the chair. A communication was received from the Olympic Base Ball Club, asking for the release of the club members arrested.

Also, a communication from the stockholders of Philadelphia and the Railroad, relative to modification of the lease of the highway of that road to the Pennsylvania Railroad. Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Shoemaker presented a communication asking for the appointment of a conference committee in regard to the opening of Fifteenth street through a new cut in the street.

Mr. Jones submitted a resolution of request to the Mayor, to return the bill making appropriations for the Kosborough Water-works, that it may be amended.

The rules were then suspended, and Common Council bill considered, to pay interest on the funded debt of the city July 1, 1870. Concurred in.

Appropriating \$130,000, to pay the funded debt of the city maturing to-day. Concurred in.

A resolution requesting an investigation relative to the discrimination in freight by the Pennsylvania Railroad against Philadelphia and in favor of New York. Referred.

Permitting the National Telegraph Company to erect poles in certain streets. Postponed for one week.

To pay \$2600 for the opening of Cadwalader street from the City Hall to the City and County Building.

Changing the place of voting in the Sixth division of the Twenty-sixth ward. Concurred in.

To create a loan for further extension of Fairmount Park, appropriating \$2,000,000. Concurred in.

For the grading of Sycamore street. Concurred in.

To authorize the opening of Master street. Concurred in.

Providing for an assistant surveyor. Concurred in.

The bill appropriating \$147,000 for the extension of the water-works was received from the Mayor, and amended by adding "to be reimbursed out of a loan which shall be provided for."

An ordinance creating the Twelfth division of the Twenty-second ward was concurred in; one fixing the closing hours of the offices of city departments, from July 1 to September, was concurred in.

Mr. Smith, on leave, introduced an ordinance appropriating \$70,000 for extending the insane department to the City and County Building.

After some discussion it passed.

The consideration of bills from Common Council was then resumed.

An ordinance appropriating \$900,000 for a house of correction was concurred in; the bill relative to municipal contracts was concurred in.

The bill relative to the extension of the City and County Building was resumed.

Mr. W. F. Smith, from the Committee on Boiler Inspection, reported a resolution giving the chief inspector of steam boilers authority to issue inspection certificates of insurance similar to those by the Hartford Insurance Company. Passed.

The bills to authorize the purchase of school-houses, let in the twenty-fourth ward, were laid over for one week.

Mr. George A. Smith introduced a resolution permitting property owners to lay the blocks, below the City and County Building, at their own expense. Passed.

Mr. William F. Smith introduced a resolution allowing Messrs. May & Co. to lay the blocks, below the City and County Building, at their own expense. Passed.

Bills from Common Council were then considered.

One changing the place of voting in the Second division of the Twelfth ward. Creating five new election divisions in the Nineteenth ward; one changing the place of voting in the Twelfth ward to the Philadelphia Gas Company for seven years, at \$1900 per annum; concurred in.

Relative to the celebration of the Fourth of July; lost.

Mr. W. F. Smith, by permission, introduced a bill making an appropriation for alterations in the City and County Building.

A bill from Common Council for the extension of Lancaster avenue was concurred in.

Common Branch.—This branch met at the usual hour. President Louis Wagner in the chair.

A number of communications were received and approved.

Petitions for gas lamps, water pipe and opening of streets were presented and referred.

Mr. Martin presented a petition from the Citizens' Association, relative to the condition of the streets. Referred to Committee on Law.

Mr. Allison presented an ordinance making an appropriation of \$100,000 for the erection of a house of correction. Agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller presented a communication from Wm. B. Miller, of the Committee on Highways, presented a resolution for the grading of Boekins, Dauphin and other streets. Agreed to.

Also, one authorizing the opening of Lancaster avenue from Thirty-third street to Fifty-second street. Agreed to.

Also, one for the tramway of Briar place, in the Eighth ward. Agreed to.

Mr. H. Miller presented a communication from the Police, presented an ordinance granting John Stringer permission to erect a frame building on Stonehouse land, below Second street. Agreed to.

Also, an ordinance granting permission to Thos. P. Miller to erect a wooden awning at the southeast corner of Thirty-ninth and Walnut streets. Agreed to.

Also, an ordinance granting Messrs. Bang & Sons permission to erect a wooden building in the First ward. Postponed.

Mr. H. Miller, of the Committee on Trusts and Fire, presented an ordinance making the annual appropriation of \$45000 to pay for the original gold Washington medal, which was presented to Washington by Congress, on March 25, 1776. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Select Council bills were taken up as follows: One changing the place of voting in the Sixth division of the Twenty-sixth ward. Agreed to.

One relative to municipal contracts. Agreed to.

One repealing an ordinance to lay improved pavement on Calowhill street. Agreed to.

One authorizing the paving of a portion of Third street with wooden pavement. Agreed to.

One relative to the water and sewage works, saved, but the expenses exceeded the value of the property saved.

Ship Thos. at New York, from Liverpool, reported May 15 in a gale of wind shipped a heavy sea, carrying away hatch-cocks, ventilators, everything movable about decks, breaking in skylight and companion-way, filling cabin with water, and damaging a large quantity of stores; 234 carried away foretopgallant yard.

At New York, Lawrence, loading at New Orleans for Havre, and having over 2000 bales cotton and other cargo on board, took fire on Wednesday last and was pumped out. The vessel and cargo were fully insured. The passengers were saved.

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