

NEWS SUMMARY.

City Affairs. The following were elected officers of the Spring Garden Institute at the annual meeting last evening—President, John M. Ogden; Vice-President, William B. Thomas; Treasurer, John J. Lytle; and Secretary, M. Baldwin. A board of twenty-four managers was also elected, after which the meeting adjourned.

Domestic Affairs. Yesterday was the anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birthday.

A dead-lock exists in the New York Legislature as well as in that of Pennsylvania.

Some of the whale ships on the Pacific coast have recently had difficulties with mutinous crews.

The funeral services of Commodore Chamney took place yesterday at St. Mark's Church, New York city.

The testimony in the Crittenden-Fair trial, at San Francisco, closed yesterday, and the argument commences immediately.

There is very little prospect of Congress adjourning next week, owing to the amount of business remaining unfinished.

The Ku-klux bill was debated far beyond midnight, last night, in the United States Senate, and a vote will be taken on it to-day.

President Grant is making arrangements to start on his Pacific trip in about ten days. He proposes being absent a month or so.

The Government, as yet, has received no official news of the alleged outrages, by Mexicans, upon United States troops on the Texas border.

The Sheriff of Rensselaer county, N. Y., yesterday levied on \$90,000 worth of locomotives belonging to the New York Central Railroad Company.

The House of Representatives yesterday repealed the law requiring Congress to organize on the 4th of March, transferring the time to December, by a vote of 99 to 38.

On Wednesday night Edward Marston and wife, while preparing to get aboard a train at Hyde Park, Ill., were run over and instantly killed by a passing train on an adjoining track.

The situation of our State Legislature is still perplexing, neither the Republicans nor Democrats being willing to relax the deadlock to pass any important private bills, and the Senate will not consent to any final adjournment until a new appointment is agreed upon.

Foreign Affairs. Paris is calm, but the exodus of the inhabitants continues.

The Orleans Railway has been cut by the Versailles troops.

Marseilles is now quiet and the police force is being reorganized.

All the roads leading to Paris are occupied by the Versailles troops.

The British Consul at Paris has warned all Englishmen to leave the city.

The amount of credit that is to be asked of the German Parliament is 120,000,000 thalers.

The members of the Commune are personally on the field of action to direct the movements of their troops.

There is opposition to bringing on a decisive action until 50,000 additional men have reinforced the Versailles army.

General Dombrowski telegraphs to the Commune Committee that his forces have occupied three-fourths of the town of Neully.

A portion of the Versailles army, engaged in the attack upon the outlying forts to the south of Paris, has suffered greatly in both killed and wounded.

A Hamburg despatch says that France has undertaken to restore to their owners all the German ships taken by the French cruisers, and not condemned as prizes of war.

Delegates from the party of conciliation have returned to Paris, and the conditions of peace proposed to them by Thiers were that Paris should first lay down her arms, and then municipal franchises will be granted to the city.

CITY COUNCILS.

Their Proceedings Yesterday. Select Branch met as usual at half-past 3, President Cattell in the chair.

A communication from Commodore Fraley, concerning improvements at League Island, was referred to the Committee on Surveys.

Several communications from his Honor the Mayor caused considerable discussion. That concerning the placing of telegraph poles in front of houses was referred to the Committee on Law; the others to the Committee on Surveys.

The ordinance creating a loan of \$500,000 for paving Broad street was considered and further action postponed two weeks.

The Mayor's veto relative to the widening of Baltimore avenue was not sustained.

Common Branch—President Huhn in the chair. A message concerning the laying of tracks on Broad street was received from the Mayor. In connection with this matter, Mr. Calloun offered a resolution directing the City Solicitor to take legal steps against the Thirteenth and Fifteenth Streets Passenger Railway Company to prevent them from continuing the work of constructing a railway on Broad street. The resolution passed.

A message was also received from the Mayor relative to the building of telegraph wires in the city. Referred.

Chief Commissioner Dickinson, of the Highway Department, notified the Chamber that the lowest bid for the drainage of the meadow lands was \$37,199, an excess of \$17,109 over the appropriation made. The subject was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A resolution was offered by Mr. S. A. Miller, and passed, directing the Chief Commissioner of Highways to notify all contractors whose limitation of time has not expired, to forthwith repair, in a proper manner, all streets paved by such contractor or contractors, as now require repairing.

A resolution requesting the Legislature not to pass "the act to regulate the crossing of certain railroads at grade" was presented by General Wagner and passed.

The Mayor's veto relative to sidewalks on Baltimore avenue was taken up and considered. The bill passed over the Mayor's objection.

The Mayor's veto message against releasing the securities of Street Contractors Crawford, McGlue and others was also taken up, but not sustained.

The ordinance appropriating \$45,000 to erect new market houses on Girard and Moyamensing avenues was taken up from last Thursday, the question being on Mr. Dingee's motion to strike out Girard avenue from Eighth to Tenth street. This was not agreed to.

Mr. Bardsley inserted an amendment pro-

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

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No. 3 and 4. All that lot of ground, situate on the west side of Federal street, containing together in front on Broad street 50 feet, and extending in depth 175 feet to Federal street.

No. 5. All that lot of ground, situate on the east side of Federal street, 202 feet 6 inches south of Federal street; containing in front on Federal street 17 feet, and extending in depth 175 feet to Federal street.

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PROPOSALS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS AND BRIDGE BUILDERS. DEPARTMENT OF SURVEYS. SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the Department of Surveys until 5 o'clock P. M. of April 15, 1871, for the CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE over the river Schuylkill on the site of the Suspension Bridge at Fairmount, and its approaches to extend from Twenty-fifth and Spring Garden streets, in the Fifth ward, to Thirty-second and Broad streets, in the Twenty-fourth ward, a length of about 2700 feet.

Proposals will be received for the bridge superstructure over the river, including all materials, workmanship, and erecting ready for use. It will be 340 feet span, of wrought iron, and also two trusses for Thirtieth street, 50 feet span, of wrought iron. Detailed plans of these bridges, conforming to specifications, to accompany proposals.

Proposals for all the iron work on approaches will be accepted separate and complete for use, as per plans and specifications.

And separate proposals for the graduation and masonry, to include curbing and paving, as per specifications and plans.

Each bid must be made upon blanks prepared, otherwise they will not be accepted, and every bidder must submit the name of two persons of undoubted responsibility, who will be bound with them as security for the faithful completion of contract.

Payments will be made monthly in bonds of the City of Philadelphia, or in cash, at the discretion of the Mayor.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certificate from the Law Department that a proper bond for the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars, has been given, in accordance with the ordinance approved May 25, 1860.

The contractor or contractors, in making their proposals, shall be held to the understanding that if their proposal shall be accepted every dispute or difference which may arise incident thereto shall be decided by the Chief Engineer and Surveyor, from whose decision there shall be no appeal.

All bidders are invited to be present at the opening of proposals offered on said day, at 3 o'clock P. M. Plans may be examined at the Department of Surveys, where specifications and blank proposals may be obtained on, and after the 10th inst.

W. M. CRAIGHILL, Major of Engineers U. S. A.

UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE, THIRD STORY, UNION BANK BUILDING, FAYETTE ST., NEAR CHARLES, BALTIMORE, MD., MARCH 20, 1871.

PROPOSALS are invited for dredging a channel in Queenstown Creek, Maryland, from Chester River to Queenstown, by the following description:—The channel to be dredged is 1000 feet long, and 10 feet deep at mean low water. The locality is sheltered. The material is easily removed. The channel is not to exceed one hundred feet in width or eight feet in depth at mean low water. The locality is sheltered.

Forms of proposal and any desired information to be had on application at this office. The right to reject any bid is reserved.

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QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, UNITED STATES ARMY. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 5, 1871.

SEALED PROPOSALS in triplicate will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on Monday, May 8, 1871, for the delivery of fifteen (15) cords of merchantable hard wood, at each of the following named places:—Annapolis, Md.; Culpeper, Va.; City Point, Va.; Danville, Va.; Fredericksburg, Va.; Fort Harrison, Va.; Gordonsville, Va.; Gold Harbor, Va.; the last three near Richmond, Va.; Fort Polk, near Petersburg, Va.; Richmond, Va.; Staunton, Va.; Seven Pines, Va.; Winchester, Va.; Hampton, Va.; Yorktown, Va.; New Market, Va.; and New Market, N. C.; and Wilmington, N. C.

The wood to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as the Superintendent at each of the Commissaries may require to be delivered.

Forms for proposals furnished upon application to this office. HENRY C. HODGES, Major and Quartermaster U. S. A.

U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, THIRD STORY, UNION BANK BUILDING, FAYETTE ST., NEAR CHARLES, BALTIMORE, MD., MARCH 20, 1871.

PROPOSALS are invited for excavating a channel in the James river, at the foot of the near Richmond, Va.

The material to be removed is rock in beds and boulders. The channel is not to exceed 100 feet in width or 12 feet in depth at mean low water. The locality is sheltered.

Forms of proposal and any desired information to be had on application at this office reserved. The right to reject any bid is reserved.

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AMUSEMENTS.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MUSIC. THIS EVENING. HASSLER BROTHERS' VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL GRAND CONCERT. (For the Military Band Equipment Fund.) FRIDAY EVENING, April 14.

Messrs. Hassler will be assisted by the young and highly-gifted Prima Donna, MISS PAULINE NININGER, her first appearance in Philadelphia since her successful tour of Public Opera in the New York Academy of Music. Also, by the distinguished, well-known Solo Violinist, and OTHER SOLOISTS.

WITH THE ENTIRE ORCHESTRA AND GRAND MILITARY BAND. Admission, 1st, Reserved Seats, 50c, extra; Family Circle, 50c, Amphitheatre, 25c. Can be obtained at North & Co.'s Music Store, No. 102 Chestnut street, and at Box Office, Academy of Music.

DAVENPORT'S CHESTNUT STREET THEATRE. Admission, 1st, 75, 50, and 25 cents. Commence at 8 o'clock.

FRIDAY, April 14, BENEFIT OF PETER Morris Barret's Comedy of the "P. E. ABEL." SEBASTIAN PAULY, and Haines Bailey's Comedietta of "THE MAID OF MUNSTER." MR. AND MRS. E. L. DAVENPORT AND STAR COMPANY. IN BOTH PRICES.

WALNUT STREET THEATRE. EVERY EVENING AT 8 AND SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT 2. THE THREE HUNCHBACKS. THE YOUNG PEACOCK, and beautiful MRS. M. J. ANTLI, whose high reputation as a Danesque stands upon record in every city in Europe and America.

THE ORIGINAL SKATERS FROM NIMES GARDEN. CHANGE OF TRICKS EVERY NIGHT.

MRS. JOHN DREW'S ARCH STREET THEATRE. Benefit to a School. BENEFIT OF MISS LIZZY PRICE. TO-NIGHT, FRIDAY, April 14, 8 o'clock. EAST LYNN. Lady Isabel, Miss LIZZY PRICE. (Madame Vest.)

ASSSEMBLY BUILDING. UNEXPECTED SUCCESS! GRAND COMBINATION ENTERTAINMENT! IRISH AND SCOTCH COMEDY, MELODY, WIT AND HUMOR. IRELAND IN SHADE AND SUNSHINE, an entirely new series of Magnificent Paintings, illustrating the history of the EMERALD ISLE, with appropriate vocal and instrumental Music by the

IRISH MINSTRELS AND COMEDIANS. EVERY EVENING AT 8. Matinee on WEDNESDAY, April 19, at 4 1/2 o'clock. Admission, 25 cents. Single admission, 10 cents.

MUSICAL FUND. H. A. L. MRS. S. W. GALTON-KELLEHER. GRAND EASTERN CONCERT. TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT! (Her first appearance in twelve months.) Mme. Josephine Schimpf, Miss Simpson, of New York; Mr. W. G. Giehrst, Mr. Alfred Kelleher, by permission of Mrs. John Drew; and Mr. Frank Glover, Solo Pianist; Assistant Conductor, Mr. W. G. Dietrich. Tickets, \$1.00. Doors open at 7 1/2. Commence at 8. Tickets for the whole, Goulet's, and Boner's Music Stores, Chestnut street. 4 1/2.

A GRAND BAZAAR IN AID OF THE SICK POOR OF ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL IS NOW OPEN, and will continue for two weeks at CONCERT HALL, CHESTNUT street, above Twelfth. Tickets, 25 cents. Single admission, 10 cents.

AMERICAN MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE. Northwest corner of NINTH and ARCH Streets. Open daily from 9 A. M. till 10 P. M. THE WONDERFUL ALBINO