HOME NEWS.

THE CITY.

City mortality last week, 402.

The police made 1,282 arrests last week.

Mr. S. P. Avery's Art Gallery is to be opened every Monday evening.

James T. Brady, esq., has consented to lecture in Boston for the benefit of Henry Giles, the author.

The capital invested in 26 lager breweries in the Sixteenth Collection District in this city exceeds $2,000,000.

The windows of the newspaper and book-stores are teeming with valentines. One firm has this year published 452 varieties.

Señor de Yturbide of Mexico is at the New-York Hotel, and the Hon. Oakes Ames of Massachusetts at the Fifth-Avenue Hotel.

The Messrs. Leland have forbidden the sale of papers containing lewd illustrations at the news stands in the Metropolitan Hotel.

An intoxicated man named James McDonald was ejected from a Third-ave. car on Saturday, and immediately ran over by a cart, and had his leg broken.

Michael Driscoll was severely injured, yesterday, by the falling of an awning at the corner of Avenue B and Eleventh-st. He was taken home to No. 242 Sixth-st.

A leading dry goods establishment in this city has reduced its prices on certain fine qualities of goods from 12 to 15 per cent, applying especially to silks.

The new regulations for the government of business at the revenue headquarters are expected to be promulgated to-day by Deputy-Commissioner Harland.

A good sized delegation of the New-York Skating Club visited Poughkeepsie on Saturday, at the invitation of the proprietor of the Skating Pond in that place.

A Long Island paper says that 10c. extra is now charged passengers who do not purchase their tickets before entering the cars of the Long Island Railroad.

The Rev. T. L. Cuyler, D. D., delivered the first of a series of Sermons to Young Men, at the Madison-ave. Baptist Church, corner of Thirty-first-st., last evening.

Marshal Tappan of the Mayor's office reports that during last week he granted 97 licenses, and received therefor, including fines collected and permits issued, $1,653 50.

Gen. James L. Kiernan, United States Consul to China, is to lecture this evening, in the large chapel of the University, Washington-square, on "Our Commercial Relations with China."

Prof. Chas. Whitney gives his impersonations of Webster, Randolph, and Red Jacket, recitations from the poets, and specimens of Hoosier eloquence, this evening, at Dodworth Hall.

A New-York correspondent says that a new express company, with a capital of $7,000,000, has been organized in New-York to do business with San Francisco, Yokohama, and Hong Kong.

Grafulla's Seventh Regiment Band gave their third promenade concert on Saturday evening. The selection of music was very fine. These concerts are a perfect success, and draw very fashionable audiences.

It is understood that the journeymen bakers of the city will in March make a formal demand for a decrease in their hours of labor. The profits of the recent ball of the Bakers' Association amounted to $300.

Coroner Schirmer was yesterday notified to hold an inquest at the Lunatic Asylum on Blackwell's Island, over the body of Teresa Revoredo, who committed suicide by hanging herself in her apartment at that place.

The "Legislative Annunciator," a machine which takes the yeas and nays of a vote, and prints 50 copies in ten seconds, will be exhibited by the inventor this afternoon at 3 o'clock at No. 208 Broadway, Room No. 15.

The roof of a two-story brick building in the rear of No. 138 East Eighteenth-st., yesterday fell in from the weight of snow upon it, burying a number of horses owned by various persons. The animals were got out in safety.

An apparatus for extinguishing fires, by means of the application of carbonic acid generated in the machine, was tried before the Metropolitan Fire Commission on Saturday. The experiments were not wholly satisfactory.

Three European steamships sailed from this port on Saturday, carrying 132 cabin and 158 steerage passengers and full cargoes. The Ville de Paris carried 70 first-class passengers; the City of London, 35, and the Columbia, 29.

The Cold Spring Recorder says that the charter of the Hudson River Railroad requires them to land all passengers at the foot of Maiden-lane in Albany, and at Chambers-st. in New-York, for fare not exceeding 2c. per mile.

The Belgian Government has awarded to the New-York and Antwerp Mail Steamship Company the contract for weekly transportation of the mails of Belgium and other European States between Antwerp and the United States.

Dominick Lenihan, living at No. 44 Elm-st., while standing under an awning in front of No. 45 Elm-st., was severely injured by the fall of the structure, owing to the mass of snow accumulated upon it. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

A shooting match with dueling pistols, $200 a side, on Saturday, between James A. McPherson of Brooklyn and Joseph Underhill of New-York, both marksmen, was won by Underhill, the score being 20 to 19, in two rounds of 10 shots each.

On Saturday night John Rohn, aged 18 years, living at No. 3 Avenue D, attempted to get upon the front platform of car No. 16 of the Crosstown line at the corner of Avenue C and Second-st., but fell, and one of the wheels passed over his ankle, crushing it.

The funeral of the late A. M. Cozzens took place yesterday from St. Bartholomew's Church, in Lafayette-place. The burial service of the Episcopal Church was read by the Rev. Dr. Cook. The remains were interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

A call has been issued by prominent Baptist ministers to their brethren in New-York and vicinity to meet in Calvary Church, Twenty-third-st., this morning at 10 o'clock, to unite in prayer "for a general outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the churches."

Two men belonging to Bridgeport, Conn., attempted on Saturday to sell a diamond cluster ring worth $350 at Tiffany's. The police were informed, and it was found that the ring had been stolen from a Miss Howe of Bridgeport, and the men were arrested.

The inter-State cockfighting tournament between New-York and New-Jersey, begun on Friday evening, terminated at a late hour Saturday morning in the triumph of New-Jersey. Nine battles were fought, New-Jersey winning six of them and the "main."

An inquest was on Saturday held by Coroner Schirmer at Bellevue Hospital over the body of John Geschevind, a native of Wurtemburg, aged 55 years, who was fatally injured on Thursday by the falling of a derrick at Stewart's new building, Fourth-ave. and Ninth-st.

The German Branch of the New-York Young Men's Christian Association have received 865, 105 pounds of beef, and half a barrel each of beans and potatoes, in support of their free eating-room at No. 69 Ludlow-st. Five hundred and fifty persons were fed there daily last week.

The annual report of the City Superintendent of Schools, Mr. S. S. Randall, exhibits a gratifying condition of the educational affairs of the city. It appears that the whole number of pupils who have attended school for longer or shorter periods during the past year is 226,187.

Commissioner Acton on Saturday received from State Senator Wm. M. Tweed a certified copy of the first modification of the Excise law, that requiring the granting of all applications prior to May 1 for licenses for three months, on the receipt of a proportionate amount of the license fee.

At the meeting of the Moral Reform Society for the suppression of prostitution held on Saturday, a report was made by the Executive Committee, announcing the leasing of a building in Yorkville for a temporary asylum for unfortunate women. The society has funds sufficient to place the enterprise on an enduring basis.

A number of Democrats met at the Metropolitan Rooms on Saturday evening, to organize an Andrew Johnson Presidential Campaign Club. James A. Anderson presided, and Walter Boyne was Secretary. William Elder, James McGovern, Joseph Watson, Walter Boyne, and Roger P. Angus were named a committee to perfect the organization.

Chamberlain Sweeney has paid into the City Treasury the sum of $8,022, to the credit of the account of profits realized by the City Chamberlain and County Treasurer on moneys of the city and county in his hands, over and above the salaries and expenses of the office, making, with the previous payments, the total sum of $54,769 standing to that credit.

At the horse sale on Saturday at Mr. J. J. Henry's, Broadway and Thirty-ninth-st., the fast mare, Tib Hunman, brought $260; an iron-gray mare, five years old, sired by Hambletonian, time 2:30, $600; a span of carriage dapple grays, $750. At Weeks & Keeler's sale, No. 100 Liberty-st., the gray horse Cricket, a spirited trotter, time 2:36, sold for $255, and a bay Hambletonian for $155.

A concert given on Friday evening by the pupils of Grammar School No. 54 in aid of the Nineteenth Ward Citizens' Poor Relief Committee realized $800. Quite 2,000 people were present, and hundreds were turned away. The Hon. John Morrissey has contributed $250 to the funds of the above-named committee, and another concert is to be given for its benefit by Grammar School No. 4.

A meeting of merchants was held on Saturday, at No. 280 Broadway, to take steps for petitioning the Legislature to modify the Pilot Laws, and to memorialize Congress in regard to the obstructions of Hell Gate. John Gordon, esq., presided, and Geo. D. Jaques acted as secretary. Messrs. Robert McIntire, Joseph Rogers, and James Granger were appointed a committee to prepare memorials.

The sixteenth annual report of the Orphans' Home and Asylum of the Protestant Episcopal Church shows the expenditure to have been $18,088 32; the receipts, $19,649 46. Thirty-four children have been admitted, 10 placed out, and 24 returned to their friends, making the present number of inmates 158. The managers and their volunteer assistants have made 808 garments for the little beneficiaries, 30 quilts, and 10 comfortables.

There was an admirable exhibition of negro-phobia in Broadway on Saturday last. An officer of the Haytien vessel, which is being repaired at our Brooklyn navy-yard, had the temerity to hold up his head in the main thoroughfare of our liberty-loving city, whereupon certain Copperhead zealots hooded the presumptuous stranger in a side street. It is supposed that their ire was excited by the naval uniform of the Haytien officer, which resembles that of our country.

The signal system has been restored on the Hudson River Railroad. On 144 miles of track there are just 147 flagmen and signalmen, whose sole duty it is to "see that there are no obstructions of any kind to render travel dangerous," and to display signals of safety or danger to every passing train. These are exclusive of flagmen, switchmen, and all others employed at the 40 odd stations, who also provide for the security of passengers and property. After the passage of each train by day and night, men walk every rod of the track, inspecting every rail, chair and tie, and, inform the signal men if there be any necessity for stopping the next train.

The most attractive ball announced for the present week is that of the Teutonia Mannerchor, given by the Teutonia Society, which is one of the most prominent musical organizations of this city. Extensive arrangements have been made which will insure the success of their grand masquerade, which is to come off at the Academy of Music on Thursday. There are to be several new features introduced, in which a perfect feast of wit and humor is promised. The annual ball of the Stuyvesant Club is to take place this evening, at Irving Hall. Their balls are always attended by the elite and fashion of the metropolis. A very enjoyable entertainment may be expected.

The annual commencement of the Eclectic Medical College was held on Saturday evening in the Cooper Institute. Reports were read by Prof. Paul W. Allen, M. D., and H. L. Stuart. Diplomas were conferred upon Dr. Alexander Wilder, upon D. P. Bogart, James M. Comins, James Day, James E. Danielson, L. B. Firth, Elias Harvey, George Lamb, O. H. Simons, Cyrus R. Teed, Henry C. Cooper, H. L. Norton, A. T. Nivison. Addresses were delivered by the Hon. Horace Greeley, Prof. Robert S. Newton, M. D., and others. The valedictory was delivered by O. H. Simons, M. D., and the charge to the graduates by Prof. Wm. W. Hadley, M. D. Horace Greeley will also address the meeting.

The funeral of the late Anson Herrick took place yesterday, from his late residence in Lexington-ave. There were a number of prominent politicians, also a great many of his personal and professional friends, who followed his remains to Greenwood, where they were interred. The pall-bearers were ex-Alderman Nathan C. Ely, Nelson J. Waterbury, Oliver Charlick, Senator Tweed, Controller Connolly, and John Y. Savage. Mayor Hoffman and the heads of the various departments of the City government were present. The members of the John D. Willard Lodge of F. & A. M., of which deceased was a member, attended in a body, dressed in full regalia. The Tammany Society, of which deceased was also a member, attended the funeral.

A meeting was held last night in Dr. Crosby's Church, corner of Fourth-ave. and Twenty-second-st., under the auspices of the American and Foreign Christian Union, with Mr. Wm. A. Booth in the chair. Addresses were delivered by Mr. Booth, the Rev. Drs. Hall, Crosby, Hitchcock, Scudder, and Mr. H. J. Acker, District Secretary, all of whom urged upon their hearers the importance of aiding the society in its work of furnishing a pure gospel to the 300,000,000 embraced in the Roman and Greek Churches. The receipts of the Society during the last year were only $110,000, and the directors announce that at least $200,000 will be required this year to carry on the work. The Society has expended during the year just closed, for Italy and Hungary, $20,000; Greece, $5,000; France and Spain, $20,000; Mexico and South America, $22,000.

BROOKLYN.—Nicholas Queecooks was arrested on Saturday and committed for an attempt to break open the office of District-Attorney Morris.

Mary Connolly was sent to Flatbush for 60 days for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Another kerosene oil explosion on Saturday, by which Mary Hefferman, residing in Fourth-ave., near Twenty-second-st., was severely injured.

The widening of Fourth-st., E. D., is a mooted question among property holders. A meeting will be held to-night at Washington Hall to consider the project.

Justice Voorhies on Saturday committed Wm. Abernethy to the House of Refuge for threatening to shoot his mother. The young wretch is only 15 years old.

The Christian Aid Society is doing a great deal of good among the destitute poor. During the month of January more than 500 persons were relieved by the Society.

Fire Engine Company No. 9 attended the funeral, yesterday, of Mr. George Snediker, a fireman, who was killed while running to a fire in Park-ave., on Friday night.

Dr. Shepard held a post-mortem examination on the body of John Conlin, an old man, who died in Prospect-st., on Saturday, from injuries received a month ago, from an unknown assailant in Classon-ave.

William Allen, aged 12 years, was run over on Saturday by a cart loaded with brick, at the corner of Portland and Lafayette-aves., and was serious injured. His parents reside at No. 253 Adelphi-st., to which place he was taken.

Yesterday morning, between 3 and 4 o'clock, the residence of Frederick Devoe, No. 252 Hudson-ave., was feloniously entered by forcing open a rear window, and robbed of an overcoat and $30 in bills, with which the thief escaped.

William Wilson, aged 29, was arrested on Saturday evening on the charge of disorderly conduct by parading himself through the streets in the dress of a female. He was locked up in the Forty-second Precinct Station-House for the night.

George Snediker, a member of Engine Company No. 9, was killed on Friday night, on Clinton-ave., while on his way to a fire. He was at the tongue of the machine, and, in running it down grade, he lost control of it, and was crushed between the machine and a tree.

Notwithstanding the disagreeable state of the weather, a numerous audience was in attendance at the Park Theater last evening, on which occasion addresses upon the subject of temperance were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Willet of the Inebriates' Home, and Messrs. Osmun and Payson.

Dennis McFeeley was arraigned before Justice Buckley, on Saturday, on the charge of lounging about the doors of the Court of Sessions—a very common practice by a number of persons who seem to have nothing else to do. He was fined $10, and, in default of payment, sent to jail for ten days.

On Saturday afternoon last Daniel Graham, P. B. Squires, and Michael McGonigal, carpenters, were precipitated from the scaffolding of a new building on which they were at work in Ninth-st., near Fifth-ave., and all were more or less injured—the first-named seriously. His family reside in Tenth-st., near Third-ave.

Thomas Murray and Dennis Clare were on Saturday held to await the action of the Grand Jury, for committing an assault upon Mrs. Ann Horan, at her residence in Hicks-st. The prisoner broke into the house on the 20th of October, ostensibly for the purpose of looking for an illicit still, and on being resisted by Mrs. Horan, Murray struck her with a pistol.

Representatives of the different Irish Societies of Brooklyn assembled at their rooms, corner of Concord and Fulton-sts., yesterday afternoon, when Committees were appointed to select routes of procession and nominate a Marshal for the St. Patrick's Day celebration. The committee was directed to report next Sunday, to which time the meeting adjourned.

The Commissioners of Estimate for the extension of the Court-House grounds at their late session heard evidence relative to the valuation of the lands proposed to be taken. Parties interested in the property, say that the Jarvis estate was worth $20,000 a lot 25 by 100; Fiske's ground and buildings were valued at $64,000; the Devaucene estate was rated as worth $10,000 a lot, and the Schenck estate would bring, under the hammer, it was said, $125,000.

Two young men, named William L. Judson, aged 17, and Cornelius Barnett, aged 20, employed as clerks in the Brooklyn Post-Office, were arrested on Saturday upon the complaint of the Postmaster, Gen. Roberts, who charges them with purloining letters and abstracting money therefrom. The accused acknowledged their guilt. They were locked up in the Forty-first Police Precinct Station-House, and will be taken before the United States Commissioner to-day for examination.

Mr. Beecher yesterday took his text from the 27th verse of the 16th chapter of John, and spoke of love as long suffering and patient. God makes the rain to fall on the just and unjust. We are sons of God, and, to be like him, we must follow his example. Charity and love go hand in hand. Benevolence is not confined to one sect or class. Love is overflowing and abounding. If one has perfect love, he can do no harm. Many think that they should treat a horse or an ox well, because they are useful, but a true Christian would not wantonly destroy or torment animals.

The Court-Martial in session at the Navy-Yard is composed as follows: S. H. (Rear-Admiral) Stringham, Rear-Admiral James L. Lander, Commodore T. A. Dorn, Commodore E. R. Thompson, Capt. John L. Worden, Commodore Levi M. Powell, Doctors Palmer, Peck, and Mayo. The Masholu, second-class screw, 1,500 tuns burden, is undergoing repairs. Rear-Admiral Chas. H. Bell, Commandant, is to be relieved on the 1st of May by Rear-Admiral Sylvanus W. Golden. Admiral G. has just returned home from the command of the South Atlantic Squadron. Other officers are soon to be relieved. Admiral Bell has served three years in the yard, and is relieved only in accordance with usage. The damage done to the Vermont by the Minnesota proved not as serious as at first reported, and has been repaired. The steamship Guard, Acting-Volunteer Lieutenant-Commander Gorringe, commander, will sail about the 1st of March for Europe, with stores for Admiral Farragut's squadron. The Newburn is still at the yard awaiting orders. The Swatara has been placed out of commission. The Navy Department has named a vessel, building at the Boston Navy-Yard, Alaska. The steamships Eutaw and Massasoit have been disposed of at private sale.

FLUSHING.—The Spring-lane distillery is under seizure for the fifth time.

LONG BRANCH.—During the coming Spring a theater is to be built here, to be ready for the amusement of the frequenters of this popular sea-side resort.

MINEOLA.—The Democratic Central Committee of Queens County will meet on Friday evening at John A. Searing's.

COLLEGE POINT.—Henry Hennemeyer is missing since Friday last, on which day he started for Flushing with $5,000.

NORTH CASTLE.—Abraham Sherman, under indictment for arson, has been liberated on bail. Two years ago, Sherman forfeited his bonds.

STATEN ISLAND.—A rumor prevails that Capt. De Peyster, instead of being drowned, sailed for Europe at the time he so suddenly disappeared from the Sailor's Snug Harbor....Want of funds compelled the discharge of the New-Brighton village police.....Prof. Naphegi is to lecture in a few days before the Edgewater Literary Union. The Drainage Association considers the new drainage act at Stapleton, on Wednesday, at 4 p. m. ....Mortality is progressing, and now Port Richmond, New-Brighton and Edgewater have each a temperance society.....The General Sessions, County Court, will sit at Richmond on the 18th inst....Saturday, a son of Mr. Hanuss of South Shore fell from a sleigh, and was run over and severely injured by a wagon. The Kill von Kull was frozen over Saturday, and pedestrians crossed from Tottenville to Perth Amboy.

THE SOUND.—Most of the Sound harbors, except New-Haven, Bridgeport, and New-London, are frozen or blocked up with ice.

RONDOUT.—Nine years ago a canal boatman murdered his wife and threw the body into the canal near Rondout. A man was arrested in Wayne County, Penn., a short time since, being identified as the murderer by two of the murdered woman's children and by their aunt. The prisoner claims to have been in the Regular Army at the time of the murder.

BREWSTERS.—The railroad which the Tilly-foster Iron Mine Company is constructing to connect their property with the Harlem Railroad, will be finished by the 1st of May. The road is two miles long and is to cost $150,000. The Tillyfoster and Brewsters mines are in full operation, and give employment to 500 men.

WHITE PLAINS.—The Board of Supervisors has cut off the supply of gas in the Register's, Sheriff's, County Treasurer's and County Clerk's offices in the Court-House, a species of economy causing great dissatisfaction among the heads of departments....Mayor Cowan was so seriously injured by a fall upon the ice that a fatal result is feared....Elisha Horton, aged 80, fell from a moving train on Saturday, and received severe wounds upon the head.

KINGSTON.—On Friday evening a meeting was held here to consider the proposed extension of the Wallkill Valley Railroad from its present northern terminus to Kingston. The report of a survey made by Mr. Houston, the engineer employed some months since for that purpose, from Rosendale to Kingston, was presented, and the meeting was addressed by the Hon. Nathan Randall of New-York, the Hon. J. Hardenbergh of Kingston, and others.

DENNING, N. Y.—A ferocious wild cat, which had found its way into a barn, was killed by Nathan D. Spencer. The implement of death was a pitchfork. The brute measured 3 feet 2 inches from the tip of the nose to the end of the tail.

GOSHEN, N. Y.—A large size wild cat is reported on Ivy Mountain....The following named gentlemen have been elected officers of the Orange County Agricultural Society for the ensuing year: Ellis A. Post, Vice-President; George W. Millspaugh, Secretary; J. W. Corwin, Treasurer; Alden Goldsmith, Nathaniel Van Sickle, Wm. H. Ward, Virgil Thompson, Alfred B. Post, Charles B. Seeley, Directors.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.—The route of the Midland Railroad has not yet been decided on. There has been several routes surveyed. The shortest is by the way of Otisville and Munson's Gap, in New-Jersey, which is said to be six miles shorter than the Middletown course, and ten miles less than the Port Jervis route. The rich grazing districts of Minnisink, Greenville, and Wawayanda are penetrated by the Otisville route.

WAPPINGER FALLS, N. Y.—The farmers in the neighborhood of this place have taken considerable interest in the rebuilding of Elias Brown's comb factory, which was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. About fifty of them assisted in the teaming of lumber to hasten the erection of the factory, which it is expected will be in operation inside of a month.

ROCKLAND LAKE.—The expense attendant on gathering the ice crop—about 80,000 tuns—of Rockland Lake, will amount this year to nearly $10,000.

SAUGERTIES.—The artesian well at Saugerties has reached a depth of over 1,000 feet. The entire distance bored has been through solid rock. Several small veins of water have been struck at different times, but none sufficiently large to flow over about 24 gallons a minute—the quantity desired being from 75 to 100 gallons.

JERSEY CITY.—The New-Jersey Railroad Company has expelled pedlers from their cars....A youth, who claimed to belong on a Buffalo canal-boat, was arrested on Friday evening while attempting to pass counterfeit 50 cent currency in stores on Montgomery-st. He was committed for trial, giving his name as Albert Chase.

HOBOKEN.—The temperance society connected with St. Mary's (R. C.) Church held a stirring public meeting, in Odd Fellows Hall, Saturday evening.... At the Liquor Dealers' Association ball, Thursday night, Mayor Bohnstedt was presented with a gold-headed cane and a costly book-case.

At 9 p. m. on Saturday, Archibald Wright, colored, fell on the sidewalk at Bloomfield and Seventh-sts., and was injured so seriously that he died Sunday evening.

BERGEN.—A meeting of citizens was held on Friday evening at Library Hall, to take measures for the relief of the families of the victims of the recent nitro-glycerine explosion. Mayor Cornelison presided. It was decided to engage either Col. Shoefner or Prof. Doremus to deliver a lecture on nitro-glycerine. A considerable amount was subscribed by those present at the meeting.

PATERSON.—The Dale Manufacturing Company, which was seized for alleged fraudulent returns of its silk manufactures, has been exonerated by Commissioner Rollins from all charges of practice or intention of fraud... The Passaic Falls are now entirely encased in ice, and their roar is no longer heard in Paterson.....A mother and her new-born babe recently died of exposure and want of attendance during confinement on Garret Mountain.

NEWARK.—Wm. Brown, who was charged with implication in garoting a grocer named Johnson, a few months ago, was acquitted in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

OXFORD, N. J.—A son of Mr. Peter Tice of Oxford, Warren County, has disappeared, and the neighbors suspect, from the habits and passionate temper of the father, that he has whipped him to death, or otherwise foully dealt with him. No proof, however, could be brought forward at a judicial investigation to be held. The father offers a reward of $15 for the boy.

FLEMINGTON, N. J.—Two notorious burglars, Chas. Collins, alias Fox, and Samuel Peacock, who robbed a house in Lambertsville two months ago, escaped from the Hunterdon County jail on Friday morning.

ELWOOD, N. J.—The Atlantic Cranberry Company held their annual election on Tuesday. The company is in a highly prosperous condition.

MANALAPAN, N. J.—Mr. Wm. Rogers was recently fatally injured by a limb of a falling tree.

CHATHAM, N. J.—A horse attached to a sleigh ran away on Thursday night, and leaped down an embankment 30 feet high, into the Passaic River. Strange to say, the horse, when found, was not injured, but very much chilled, and in a little time was restored.

TRENTON, N. J.—A local paper chronicles an attempt by a Democratic member of the Legislature from Sussex to commit suicide by blowing out the gas-light in his room, instead of turning it off, when he went to bed.... At the annual meeting of the Directors of the Freehold and Jamesburg Railroad, held on Wednesday, a semi-annual dividend of three per cent was declared. Francis A. Holmes was elected President *pro tem.*, and I. S. Buckalew, Superintendent.

BRIDGEPORT.—A new machine for cutting files, perfected and patented by Messrs. G. P. Card and C. A. Studley, will cut of six-inch files ten in an hour, or 100 per day, will make from 28 to 2,000 cuts in a minute, and produce a file so fine and regularly cut that it requires a strong magnifying glass to perceive the teeth.

STAMFORD, CONN.—R. W. Emerson is to lecture in Stamford to-morrow evening....A prominent gentleman of Stamford, who married a young milliner there about a year ago, has had a wife and two children appear suddenly to him from Australia. It is said she will be appeased for $30,000.

[Announcements.]

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THE NEW COMPARTMENT CAR.

On Saturday, a number of gentlemen proceeded as far as New-Haven on one of the new compartment cars, recently placed upon the line between this city and Boston. The new car is an improvement upon the English pattern; is 42 feet long, and divided into six compartments, each separate and capable of seating seven persons comfortably. The entrance is by a door in the side of the car, opening into each distinct compartment. The upholstering is complete and everything seems to have been provided that could contribute to the comfort of passengers. Looking-glasses almost cover the sides of the neat rooms, and a water-closet and dressing apartment are attached to each. The seats are so constructed that little tables may be erected, enabling the occupants to engage at any social game fancy may suggest. Ventilation has been properly attended to, while at the same time a consideration in the construction was to exclude smoke and dust, continual elements of annoyance to passengers. Baker's patent stove, an improved heating apparatus for railways is attached to the car, and secured to the floor and roof so securely that it would be almost impossible to displace it. The stoves are so arranged that in case of a smash-up the cars cannot take fire. These cars will be a great accession to the road, and must obtain for it an increased patronage. When the train reached New-Haven the party alighted and went to the New-Haven House, where a grand banquet was prepared for them, at which the Hon. William D. Bishop, ex-Commissioner of Patents and President of the road, presided. The Superintendent of the road, Mr. Hoyt, was complimented with a sentiment, and in response he said that not the life of a passenger had been lost since he had taken charge of the road thirteen years ago. Remarks were made by members of the excursion party laudatory of the new cars, and, after an interchange of pleasant thoughts, the officers of the railroad company and their guests returned to the depot, and were brought to this city in an old-fashioned car, heated by Baker's apparatus. Steam pipes, filled with heated salt-water, run under each seat, securing an even temperature to every part of the car, and precluding the possibility of cold feet.

THE VAN BRUNT-CLAUSEN CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

The Committee of the Legislature on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred the petition of Mr. Henry Clausen, jr., who is a contestant for the seat of Mr. George B. Van Brunt, member of Assembly from the XXth District of this city, met on Saturday at Brevoort Hall, for the purpose of investigating the claims put forth in the petition. Mr. F. H. Woods of Albany, Mr. John Madden of Queens County, Mr. E. L. Pitts of Orleans County, Mr. J. A. Sumner of Albany, and Mr. James Loughran of Green County, constitute the Committee. Mr. Clausen claims that there was a fraud committed by the canvassers in making their returns. In the VIIth District, Mr. Clausen charges that the ballots cast for him were accredited to his opponent, he being given the vote cast for Mr. Van Brunt. The return, as recorded by the canvassers, was Van Brunt, 254; Clausen, 47. Over 50 witnesses were examined, most of whom were Germans, who testified that they voted on the day of election for Mr. Clausen, and that they carefully examined their ballots before they were deposited in the boxes. They were positive that the ballots could not have been changed while in their possession. The witnesses were all cross-examined by Mr. Lawson, counsel for Mr. Van Brunt, the present incumbent, from which it appeared that they were naturalized citizens who had lived in the city from 10 to 15 years. Toward the close of the session Mr. Lawson objected to the further examination of any witnesses, on the ground that the contestant had failed to furnish a list of the names of the persons he wished to present for examination. The examination was continued, and the objection noted. The Committee adjourned until Monday, 1 o'clock, at which time the examination of witnesses will be resumed.

THE DRAMA.

FRENCH THEATER.

There was a fine attendance at this theater on Saturday evening, notwithstanding the severe cold. The entertainment consisted of two minor comedies—"Une Loge d'Opéra," in one act, by Jules Lecompte, and "Les Amours de Cléopatre," in three acts, by Marc Michel and De Latour. Both pieces have been before presented to New-York audiences, the latter several times this season. Both were admirably played on Saturday evening, with that spontaneous and natural vivacity in which the French light comedians generally excel all others. "Une Loge d'Opéra" has little plot or substance; its merit consists in the elegance of its dialogue, which is sparkling and polished throughout. *Henri d'Orsay*, the blind man restored to sight, who, being still supposed to be sightless, is allowed to behold sanctities he had no right to see, was the part assigned to M. La Roche, whose direct earnestness and finish of style made it as life-like and effective as reality. *Anatole Ducicier*, the exquisite, was superbly done by M. Caron, and the wealthy and buxom widow, *Madame de Liria*, was played by Mme. Larmet, a most meritorious actress, with that ripe experience and rich mellowness which often render these bereaved dames so dangerous to sensitive bachelors. The comic triumphs of *Cléopatre*, by Mlle. Reillez, tollowed, and proved, if possible, more brilliant and complete than ever. Mme. Larmet will take a benefit at this theater next Tuesday evening. Performances will also be given on Thursday and Saturday.

DRAMATIC NOTES.

The Pilgrim is to remain but two weeks longer at Bunyan Hall.

A Shakespearian entertainment will be given to-night and to-morrow night at Dodworth's Hall, by an elocutionist named Whitney.

"Red-Riding Hood; or, The Wolf at the Door," a new drama by Mr. F. S. Maeder, will be acted for the first time, this afternoon, at Barnum's Museum.

The "White Fawn," at Niblo's, and Lotta, in "Little Nell and the Marchioness," at the Broadway, run on as usual. The present is Lotta's third week at the Broadway, and the last but one of her present engagement.

Mr. Charles Eytinge, whose recent distinguished success at Steinway Hall, is still fresh in public recollection, will give another entertainment there on Saturday evening, the 22d inst., the anniversary of Washington's Birthday.

Mr. James E. Murdoch will read to-night at Steinway Hall. The programme is made up of selections from Shakespeare, Dickens, Tennyson, and other authors. The fame of the reader, both as artist and patriot, will undoubtedly call together a large audience.

Pfau, the great Russian athlete will reappear at the Circus this evening. His Trapeze exploit is literally wonderful and thrilling, and we doubt not he will attract a crowded house. Miss Lucille Watson will ride, as usual, and other attractive performers will contribute to the variety and interest of the performance.

"Pauline" will be revived at Wallack's Theater to-morrow-night. When it was done here before, five years ago, Mrs. Hoey personated the heroine. "Ours" will be acted to-night. Miss Mary Gannon has not yet reappeared. We deeply regret to state that she remains very ill. Mrs. Jennings plays *Mary Netley* in "Ours," in her stead.

"East Lynne" is announced at Banvard's Opera House, and "The Hidden Hand"—acted at the Winter Garden several years ago as "The Gray Lady of Penarvon"—is in preparation. Miss E. V. Proudfoot is to take a benefit at this theater on Wednesday—both afternoon and evening—appearing in "Romeo and Juliet," "Medea," and "London Assurance."

"Fanchon" will be withdrawn at the Olympic after two additional performances. "Little Barefoot" is to be revived on Wednesday. Miss Mitchell's engagement will last three weeks longer, the present being its second week. The Saturday Matinee was largely attended. Col. Fitzgerald's play, "Light at Last," is not to be produced at this theater, as was erroneously reported. Pantomime—with Mr. Fox—will succeed Miss Mitchell.

The "Streets of New-York" will be revived at the New-York Theater this evening. Mr. J. K. Mortimor will enact *Badger*, in which part he made a hit at the Olympic several seasons ago. Mr. Parsloe will appear as *Bob*, the bootblack; Mr. G. H. Clarke will play *Paul*, and Miss Irene Worrell will play *Lucy Fairweather*. The piece is well known to be unqualified trash, but it is also known to have its audience, and it is, evidently, to be revived under favorable circumstances.

Mr. Vandenhoff gave a Reading at Trenor's Lyric Hall (on Sixth-ave., near Forty-second-st.) on Friday evening last. The night was intensely cold, but clear, bright, and beautiful. An audience of about 300 persons assembled. Mrs. Vandenhoff first read Dickens's sketch of "Old Cheeseman" in a quiet, simple way, and afterward read a series of lyrical and descriptive poems. Her most effective efforts were Dr. Holland's "Cradle Song," Longfellow's "Bridge," and Lowell's "Zekiel's Courtship." The latter, in particular, evinced a merry temperament and quick sympathy with the indicrous in character and circumstance. While there is nothing very remarkable in Mrs. Vandenhoff's method as an elocutionist, she reads gracefully, and inspires interest no less by her personal charms than her intellectual accomplishments.

FIRES.

Mr. George Marshall's house, in Jamaica, was burned on Friday night. Loss, $25,000.

Messrs. E. W. Turner & Co.'s produce store, in Milwaukee, was destroyed on Friday night. Loss, $7,000.

An explosion occurred at about 6 o'clock last evening, in Messrs. Cullen, McEvy & King's Washington Kerosene Oil Works, in Greenpoint, and Peter McEvy, brother of one of the proprietors, was severely burned. Damage, about $300.

Mr. W. B. Flynn's carpenter shop, Bushwick-st., Jersey City, was burned out, at about 4 o'clock yesterday morning, by an incendiary. Loss, $1,000; insured. Ten chests of tools, belonging to the workmen, valued at $1,000 and insured, were destroyed.

Mr. John Morton's carpenter's shop and Capt. Nickerson's stable, in St. Felix-st., Brooklyn, were destroyed at about 3 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Bernard McCann's horse perished. Mr. S. B. Phelps's frame house, adjoining, was slightly damaged. Total loss, $1,200. No insurance.

Mr. Dennis Moore's two-story frame building in North Ninth-st., Williamsburgh, was destroyed at about 5 o'clock yesterday morning, and Bryant Clark, to whose inebriation the fire is charged, was severely burned. He was rescued by Policeman Phalen. Mr. Arthur McCanna's tenement also took fire, and was damaged slightly.

Mr. Hamilton Brown's clothing store, on the second floor of No. 314 Grand-st., and the adjoining two-story frame buildings, belonging to the Cadwallader estate, and occupied by Messrs. Edgar Laing, Rothschild & Klingenstein, and C. Hertz, were burned on Saturday night. Loss, $9,000; full insurance in the Pacific, Relief, Globe, New-Amsterdam, Firemen's Fund, St. Nicholas, Citizens', and other offices.

Mr. B. Warshauer's cord and tassel manufactory, on the fourth and fifth floors of No. 206 Eighth-ave., sustained $3,000 damage on Saturday night. The Democratic and Republican Headquarters and Edward F. Denike & Co.'s billiard-saloon, on the floors below, were damaged by water. Estimated loss, $1,000. The building, which is owned by Mr. Stephen Wray, may be repaired for $5,000. Insured by the Commercial Company.

The Poughkeepsie Almshouse was destroyed on Friday afternoon. This building stood on the road to Bull's Head, in the suburbs. The alarm was given in the crazy department. The people soon gathered in vast and excited multitudes. Rumors were afloat that the roof had fallen in, killing many of the inmates. Another report was that a number of firemen had been murdered by the lunatics who had broken loose. These rumors proved false, however, as no lives were lost. Difficulty was experienced in taking the insane patients from their cells. The building was insured for $1,500, and the entire property for $8,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The Excelsior Factory in Skowhegan, Me., was destroyed on Friday night. The losses are as follows: Alma Abbott, planing mills, $3,000; L. Mills, slate-grinding mills, $3,000; L. C. Houghton & Co., millwrights, $1,500; J. F. Turner, bedstead manufacturer, $1,000; C. F. Douglas, architect and builder, $700; Brown & Barker, carving-knife manufacturers, $400; the building, owned by Mr. Willis, $5,000. None of the property mentioned was insured. The fire communicated to a mach