MUSIC.

THE NEW OPERA SEASON.

The reopening of the Academy of Music last night gave the numerous friends and admirers of Mr. Max Maretzek a good opportunity to show their confidence in his ability to supply the public with a respectable musical entertainment, and we are happy to say that they made the most of it. The opera was the well-worn *Fra Diavolo*, over which there is no longer the possibility of exciting a sensation; but the house was well filled—or rather crowded—with a very fashionable and gorgeous audience, even the stockholders' boxes were tenanted, and the praise was liberal and hearty applause. Mr. Maretzek, on taking his place at the conductor's desk, was welcomed with repeated salvos, and was obliged to rise two or three times in acknowledgment before the introduction could begin. The cast, if not a brilliant, was a good one. Mrs. States, the *Leonora* of the evening, made a decided impression at Pike's Opera House last Winter by her strong, mellow, and ringing voice, which is unquestionably one of the best that have been heard in New-York for many years, and last night she fully justified the praise which she then received. She is not a real artist, but in certain kinds of music, especially that of Verdi, her vigorous musical elocution produces a very acceptable effect. In the tower scene she made a decided hit. Madame Cellini, who appeared in the character of *Azucena*, is a singer of the same class—having a rich and powerful voice, somewhat lacking flexibility, and a sturdy declamatory style which suits the part of the Gypsy very well. Brignoli was the *Manrico*. He is too well known in this favorite role for us to waste words in criticism of his performance; we need only say that he equaled his former successes, and was cordially received, his *Ah! che la morte*, in particular, rousing a well deserved enthusiasm. Orlandini's *De Luna* we have often commended heretofore for its artistic refinement and the good taste which is apparent in nearly everything he does. His *Il balen* was encored as usual. Upon the whole, we may pronounce the opening an auspicious one. Whatever fears may have been entertained as to the completeness of Mr. Maretzek's appointments may be dismissed as unfounded. Everything was done decently and in order. The chorus numbered thirty-three singers—which is quite enough for ordinary occasions—and was in very good order, and the orchestra was unexceptionable.

To-night the German half of the troupe appear in Beethoven's masterpiece, "Fidelio," and Gen. Grant will be present. To-morrow LaGrange is to sing in "*Robert le Diable*."

THE DRAMA.

AFTER DARK AT NIBLO'S.

On all the available fences and dead walls of the city there appeared last week an extraordinary picture. It represented, in the distance, a large white moon, shining through some dirty slate-colored clouds, over a collection of misshapen church spires; and, in the foreground, an ugly squint-eyed woman, very thick at the waist, projecting herself, with much devotional composure of aspect, toward a sheet of blue and white water, inclosed by numerous pieces of timber. The legend around this work of art, "After Dark; or, London by Night," connected the picture with Mr. Boucicault's new play, and made it, so to speak, a word of promise, portending ample displays of metropolitan misery and female suicide. Distributed far and wide, by the industrious and energetic bill-poster, to whose manly efforts the modern drama is largely indebted, this grim emblem so moved the mighty heart of the people that a great multitude came last night to Niblo's Garden to see Mr. Boucicault's new play, and to have its soul harrowed, its young blood frozen, and its susceptible back refreshed by cold chills, in conformity with the promise of the auspicious play-bill. Expectation, thus artfully excited, was as artfully fulfilled. "After Dark" introduced its auditors into the society of thieves, bushrangers, convicts, and scoundrels generally, together with representatives of the working-classes of London and the English aristocracy. Also, it familiarized the spectator's mind with such impressive objects as a railway station, the arches under a bridge over the Thames, a music hall, and the dark tunnel of an underground railway. Still further, on the Squeers principle of education—which, as the reader may remember, was to make the pupil spell "winder," and then go and wash it—it fixed these objects in the memory by associating them with some incidents exceedingly practical to the perception of the observer. From the Bridge, for example, a lady sprang overboard (it was a pretty, interesting, and talented lady, Miss Louisa Moore, who has never before acted in New-York, but who is sure to become a favorite,) and was rescued from the perils of the deep. In the music hall, a soldier—guardian angel in trousers, of the aristocratic cab-man who figured as hero of the drama—was drugged into an insensible condition, robbed, and thrust into a cellar. In the underground railway tunnel this same drugged soldier was put upon the car track, and left to be run over and killed, as certainly he would have been, had not "Old Tom," an individual with a name that is strongly suggestive of London gin, burst through a neighboring wall, and dragged him off just in the nick of time; when a big train of cars, engine and all, went thundering by, in a high state of energetic velocity. This recondite object was immediately recognized by the intelligent audience, and was greeted with vociferous applause. Indeed, as we have intimated, all the "real tubs" were borne in upon the popular understanding by association with emphatic incidents. The result was, of course, gratifying in the extreme. Perhaps it would not be too much to say that, in every direction, knotted and combined locks were seen to part, and hairs, particular and otherwise, to stand on end. Thus Mr. Boucicault, and Messrs. Jarrett and Palmer, and all concerned in the matter, have their reward. "After Dark" can be played with profit for a long time. Those among its spectators, last night, who seriously inquired what all this frantic stage-carpentry and scene-painting was about, must have been a little dismayed on meeting so many old theatrical acquaintances, long since quietly inurned. There was the lost heir to fine estates driving a cab, and waiting to be found. There was the young lady whom he must marry if he would come by his own. There was the bill that he forged in his time of distress. There were the scoundrels who knew of his crime, and purposed to make the knowledge lucrative, whenever he should become rich. "They came," as Mr. Longfellow observes, "the shapes of joy and woe, the fairy ghosts of long ago." Only—they were not very fairy. Ponderous, rather, it seemed to us. But, lightly or heavy, there they were: and they proved that Mr. Boucicault has a good memory. Let us also add that they were so grouped and managed as to show that his hand has not lost its cunning, in the matter of construction. As to spirit, his "After Dark" is the quintescence of the commonplace and the vulgarly romantic. Except in one scene, it does not rise above the level of those story papers, in which all the men wear cloaks and rapiers and have their hair curled, and all the women wear silk and diamonds, and expose fat bosoms, and recline in lovely languor upon satin sofas. But, as to construction, it is uncommonly neat and compact. The exceptional scene to which we have alluded is one which shows the hero's wife, who has been saved from suicide, arrayed in the clothes of the lady whom he is to wed, and receiving from his lips the assurance that his heart is with the wife whom he supposes to be dead. There is a touch of nature here, as well as a touch of dramatic art, which shows Mr. Boucicault's talent, at its flood-tide. Exception should also be made in favor of the scene in which Old Tom recognizes his daughter. The style of the piece, throughout, so far as language is concerned, is clear and sharp. The experienced dramatist of course makes his people talk in character. This is a literary virtue; but it is not of much account where all is literary vice. In "After Dark" we have old materials skillfully worked over, and fashioned into an effective theatrical form; but the result is a drama of a kind that has greatly injured the stage, by wresting it from its true purpose—the illustration of human nature in the course of its development under the pressure of natural circumstances and moral discipline—and making it tributary to the mere photography of the gutters, and the scenic illumination of the police reports. Everything needful has been done at Niblo's Garden to give the piece a good setting. The scenic pictures were strong, and had all the appearance of faithful copies of the original localities. The railway effect was not so telling as it might be, owing to a hitch in the machinery. But that defect was merely accidental. The acting was quite adequate to the demands of the play. Miss Louisa Moore, Mr. Bangs, and Mr. Marlowe won the honors of the performance. But to this portion of the representation we shall advert at more leisure.

DRAMATIC NOTES.

"Under the Gaslight" may be seen at the New-York Theater during the next two or three weeks. The Worrell Sisters are to reappear, early in December.

The Countess Von Baerndorf, who made her first appearance here on the 6th inst., at the Stadt Theater, is still playing there, and has been warmly welcomed by the German theater-going population.

It should be remembered that matinees are given at the Olympic Theater on Wednesdays as well as Saturdays. Let the young folks have the benefit of these day representations of the pantomime. The introduction to this piece, by the way, ought to be cut off. It is intolerably weak, bald, and pointless.

A Humorous Reading and a Concert are to be given on Wednesday evening, at Apollo Concert Hall, corner of Broadway and Twenty-eighth-st., in which Mrs. Wilkins, who used to play at Wallack's and at the Winter Garden, Prof. Kortheuer, Signorina Feninger, and Mr. Carl Feninger will participate.

"After Dark" goes on at the Bowery. The injunction laid upon it by Judge Barnard has been removed—it being clear that State Courts have no jurisdiction in cases between citizens of different States. The plaintiff, in this case, Mr. Palmer, was a citizen of New York, while the defendant, Mr. McDonough, was a citizen of Pennsylvania.

The European Circus is to stay with us another week, under canvas, on Thirty-fourth-st, near Broadway. It has prospered from the start. Its various attractions are offered every afternoon and every evening. Several new performers appeared last night. Among them was Mr. Charles Parker, an American clown of provincial celebrity. Robinson, the champion rider, takes part in each performance given at this circus.

Signor Blitz will commence a series of his interesting and truly remarkable performances, in magic and ventriloquism, at the Brooklyn Athenæum, on Thursday evening next. The residents of Brooklyn would do well to improve the opportunity of seeing the old magician, who is expert, with the experience of fifty years, in this peculiar pursuit. We are speaking of the original Signor Blitz, and therefore no word of description or indorsement is necessary in support of his claims upon public attention.

Mrs. Lander plays *Marie Antoinette* to-night at the Broadway Theater, but on Wednesday and Thursday she will appear as *Mary Stuart*. On Friday night she takes a benefit, and on Saturday, at a matinee, she makes her last appearance. "The Hidden Hand," played on Saturday evening last, is to be repeated on Saturday evening next. It cannot be needful for us to tell any intelligent student of the acted drama that Mrs. Lander's *Marie Antoinette* is a personation worthy of the artist, and equally worthy of thoughtful admiration.

THE ALLEGED OPERATORS IN NATURALIZATION PAPERS.

In the United States Circuit Court, yesterday, before Judges Nelson and Blatchford, the matter of the Rosenberg and other naturalization fraud cases came up, pursuant to adjournment.

District-Attorney Courtney said he had just returned from Washington; did not know what action the defense intended to pursue; and he had had no time to properly examine the matter. He, therefore, would like a postponement to give the Government time to prepare.

Mr. Stoughton believed all the questions necessary to be passed upon could be raised on a motion to quash.

Judge Nelson said general questions, going to the root of the matter, could be raised on a motion to quash; minor questions, if necessary, could go to the Judge who should try the matter, if any trial was had.

The District-Attorney said he would be ready at the expiration of a week.

Mr. Stoughton would like to have the matter set for Tuesday.

The District-Attorney preferred not go on until Mr. James T. Brady was through with the Cole case, as he, (Mr. Brady,) had thoroughly examined the matter now under consideration.

Judge Nelson thought no definite time should be fixed until the Court knew, to a certainty, when Mr. Brady would return.

It was finally arranged that the matter should go over until to-day to have a day fixed; but, if nothing further, to the contrary, was done in the mean time, it should be understood the matter would be gone on with on Tuesday, the 24th inst.

THE HACKENSACK BRIDGE HOMICIDE.

The trial of James Reilly, for the murder of his wife Rosanna, by throwing her, as alleged, from the bridge over the Hackensack River, New-Jersey, in August last, was continued in the Hudson County Court yesterday, before Justices Bedle, Bohnstedt and Quaife, and resulted in a verdict of "not guilty."

THE NATIONAL CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

A large number of ministers and members of evangelical churches in various parts of the United States, in order to more fully develop Christian zeal, and render efficient the gifts and energies of the Church of Christ, have invited their brethren in the faith, both lay and clerical, to meet in convention, in the Reformed Protestant Church, on the corner of Fifth-ave. and Twenty-ninth-st., in this city, to-day, at 10 a.m. In the call for the convention, the clergymen say: "The increasing influence of material interests in our land, so rapidly growing in population, wealth, and commercial activity; the ignorance of the multitudes and their indifference to the claims of the Gospel; the extensive introduction of irreligious and anti-religious styles of thought and life from abroad; the organized forms of attack upon the authority of God's word; the fascinations of a shrewd system of superstition, allied to open worldliness, and the inroads of an infidel philosophy, reared upon the foundation of universal skepticism, alike demand peculiar vigilance on the part of the disciples of the Son of God, lest the high vantage ground God has so graciously given His people in this country be stolen from them. Extraordinary efforts must be put forth to meet the crisis, and to fight the spiritual battle to which Providence summons us. Cooperation among evangelical churches, and the hearty union of all sincere Christians in sympathy, conference, prayer, and activity, are imperatively required by the times. All differences should be sunk in the harmony of one faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, our atoning Savior; and His pure Gospel must be proclaimed by the united voice of His redeemed people. All avenues for the propagation of His truth must be sought and diligently used, and every Christian heart be awakened to its responsibility; in other words, it is the Church's work in its broadest meaning that must be done; that by the Church (true to her Head) the manifold wisdom of God may be made known to the principalities and powers who, beyond the sphere of sense, are interested either in her glory or her shame."

The topics announced for discussion are as follows: 1. How can the Christian activities of the entire membership of any particular Church be best organized and developed? The Rev. Joseph T. Duryea, D.D., Brooklyn. 2. Why do so many Churches fail to reach the poor? The Rev. Cyrus D. Foss, New-York City. 3. The right relation between the Churches and Voluntary Christian Associations. The Rev. Walter Clarke, D.D., Buffalo. 4. How to make the week-day meetings of the Churches effective for spiritual purposes. The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, Brooklyn. 5. Woman's Work in the Church. The Rev. George Washburn, Constantinople. 6. How can the influence of Christian homes be increased? 7. By what means can the homes of the poor be improved? Z. R. Brockway, esq., Detroit. 8. Who should engage in lay preaching, and how? The Rev. Howard Crosby, D.D., New-York City. 9. How and by whom can open air services be held most profitably? 10. The organization and work of City Missions. The Rev. George J. Mingins, New-York City. 11. How can the people in rural districts be reached by Gospel influences? The Rev. Chester Holcombe, Atlanta, Ga. 12. What is the work of Young Men's Christian Associations? Cephas Brainerd, esq., New-York City. 13. How can a better observance of the Sabbath be secured? The Rev. Phillip Schaff, D.D., New-York City. 14. How can the personal and social study of God's Word be made more general? The Rev. John Hall, D. D., New-York City. 15. The best method of conducting Sabbath Schools. Ralph Wells, esq., New-York City. 16. How is an unconverted person to be approached? Henry F. Durant, esq., Boston. 17. By what means can we reach those who do not come to our Churches? D. L. Moody, esq., Chicago. 18. The possibility of evangelizing the whole world within the present century. The Rev. N. G. Clark, D. D., Secretary A. B. C. F.M. Boston. The discussion on each topic will be opened by the gentleman whose name is affixed.

FIRES IN BROOKLYN.

Yesterday, shortly before 12 o'clock, a fire broke out in a row of two-story frame buildings on the northerly side of Fulton-ave., between St. Felix-st. and Portland-ave., Brooklyn, resulting in considerable damage, mostly by water. The parties injured are as follows: No. 253, occupied by T. McCarty as a crockery ware store; No. 253½, occupied by J. McGlynn as a jewelry store; No. 255, occupied by Mrs. Francis as a hat store; No. 255½, occupied by Mr. E. Eeer & Co. as a fancy goods store; No. 257, occupied by Mr. James Damon as a confectionery store; No. 257½, occupied by John Bene, as a ladies' hair dressing establishment; No. 259, occupied by Mrs. Ferguson as a fancy goods store, and No. 259, occupied by Albert Stevenson as a fancy goods store. The occupants lost on an average $2,000 worth of property each. The buildings were owned by Mr. S. J. Sherman, whose loss will scarcely exceed $1,500; insured by the Home and Continental Companies of New-York for $10,000. Mr. McCarty was insured by the Rutger's Company, and others by different companies. The fire was caused by a defect in the flue of one of the buildings.

The losses and insurances on the building and stock of the oilcloth manufactory of Edward Harvey, on Bergen-st., near Vanderbilt-ave., on Sunday night were as follows: On building, $45,000; on which there are insurances by the following Companies for the amounts named: Astor, $1,831; Firemen's Trust, $1,831; Firemen's Fund, $1,831; Exchange, $1,831; Humboldt, $3,662; Niagara, $3,662; Resolute, $3,662; Commonwealth, $3,662; Mechanics', $3,662; and Phenix $3,662. While proceeding to the above fire, Michael Haven, was run over in Fulton-ave. by Hose Carriage No. 1, and one of his feet was badly crushed. He was conveyed to the City Hospital. The falling of the walls of the factory caused the destruction of a building adjoining, owned by Patrick McCarty, causing damage to the amount of $2,500, insured in the Lafayette Fire Insurance Company for about $500. John Rooney's house in Wyckoff-st. was also damaged to the extent of about $500, upon which there was no insurance.

Christopher Mackley's stable, at the corner of Third-ave. and Sixty-first-st., was damaged by fire last evening to the amount of $100; not insured. A horse and harness owned by Mr. Heath, an expressman, were burned; loss $150, not insured.

The Rev. Mr. Scott, Pastor of the congregation worshiping lately in the Church of the Redemption (Grace Chapel), from which they were ejected by a legal process obtained by the officers of Grace Church, states that his flock contributed between $25,000 and $30,000 toward the building known as Grace Chapel.

John A. Feeney's hat and cap store, at No. 347½ Third-ave., was damaged by fire yesterday to the amount of $5,000; insured for $500 by the Continental Company of this city, $1,000 by the Norwich Company of Norwich, Conn., and $1,000 by the Imperial of London. S. Schreyer's stock of boots and shoes, at No. 349½, was damaged by water to the amount of $200; insured. The buildings are two-story frame, owned by a Mr. Pell, and are damaged to the extent of $500; insured. The fire was caused by a shelf giving way and precipitating a quantity of unfinished hats on the stove.

The Union Republican Association of the Ninth Assembly District held their monthly meeting last evening, in Lebanon Hall, Abingdon-square, Vice-President E. S. Keyser in the chair. About 150 new names were added to the roll. The reports of several special committees, appointed at the last monthly meeting, were heard and accepted. A resolution that a committee be appointed to ascertain what persons, whose names were on the roll of the Association, had removed from the district, or had changed their places of residence within it, or had died since their names were placed on the roll, was carried by a large majority. The chairman appointed the committee, with Mr. Newman Stratton as chairman, after which the meeting adjourned.

E. L. Davenport, the Hon. Chas. J. Folger, and ex-Controller Hillhouse, Geneva, N. Y., Gen. Bartholomy, Buffalo, Gen. Kilpatrick, the Hon. C. A. Dangler, Ohio, and Lieut.-Commander Rowland, U. S. Navy, are at the Metropolitan Hotel. Count Lottum, late Secretary of the Prussian Legation, and the Hon. Wm. Hamersley, Hartford, are at the Brevoort House. Gen. Wm. B. Franklin, Hartford, and Gen. D. W. C. Clarke, Washington, are at the Hoffman House. Gen. J. Meredith, jr., Albany, and Gerrit Smith, Geneva, are at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Judge W. F. Allen, Albany, and E. C. Bailey of *The Boston Herald*, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Congressman Ketcham of Dover, N. Y., is at the Coleman House. Lieut. Hankin of the British Navy is at the New-York Hotel. U. S. Senator Sawyer of South Carolina, Asa Packer of Pennsylvania, and Capt. Emmons, U. S. Navy, are at the Astor House.

HOME NEWS.

THE WEATHER.

New-York.	Hour.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.	Hour.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
Nov. 16	7	34°	30.40	N. E.	6	42°	30.42	N. E.
	12	41°	30.42	N. E.	9	40°	30.41	N. E.
	3	42°	30.42	N. N. W.	11	39°	30.41	N. E.

REMARKS.—Morning—Clear; hazy from 7 to 10; little hazy to 12. Afternoon—Little hazy to 2; hazy to sunset. Evening—Little hazy to 10½; very cloudy and overcast to 11½; clear to 12.

THE CITY.

The conductors on the Central Railroad of New-Jersey appeared in a neat uniform yesterday.

Mr. De Cordova will lecture on "Mrs. Grundy" at Pike's Music Hall, on Thursday evening.

The Board of Education will hold a stated session at the hall, corner of Grand and Elm-sts, to-morrow, at 5 p. m.

Señor N. B. Medina, the Secretary of Legation of Peru, acknowledges the receipt of $26,466 48 in aid of of the sufferers by the earthquakes in Peru and Ecuador.

The British Government is said to have ceased to send mails to this country by the Hamburg American Packet Company's steamers.

The Rev. Otto Bergner, Dr. John Phillips, George Jones, and J. Coburn and wife sailed in the Rising Star, yesterday, for California.

Workmen are laying down an experimental square of the Stafford wooden pavement in Wall-st., opposite the Custom-House.

Wm. A. Dougherty, aged 13 years, residing at No. 66 South Fifth-st., Brooklyn, E. D., yesterday fell down the hatchway of No. 27 John-st., and was seriously injured.

Ann Mills, living at No. 250 Mott-st., yesterday, while crossing Mercer-st., near Fourth-st., was knocked down, run over, and seriously injured, by a horse attached to a milk-wagon. Taken to Bellevue Hospital.

The apartment of Matthew Denck, in the tenement No. 122 Pitt-st., was slightly damaged by fire yesterday, caused by some tow taking fire from a pipe he was smoking. He was arrested by the police on a charge of arson, but was subsequently discharged by Fire Marshal Brackett.

There will be a meeting at the Spanish Episcopal Church, in Twenty-second-st., between Fifth and Sixth-aves., this evening, to consider the best mode of extending the Gospel throughout the Spanish speaking world. In view of events which have recently transpired in Spain, this meeting has a particular significance.

The first Teachers' Institute, to be held in the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, will be commenced to-day, and will be continued to-morrow and Thursday. The sessions will commence at 2½ in the afternoon and 7½ in the evening of each day, under the direction of a committee of the Baptist Sunday School Union. The Rev. Thomas D. Anderson, will conduct the exercises.

Coroner Rollins yesterday held an inquest at the West Thirty-fifth-st. Police-station over the body of Robert Hatton, aged 19 years, late a resident of No. 515 West Twenty-ninth-st. Hatton was a brakeman, employed by the Hudson River R. R. Company. Early yesterday morning he fell from one of a train of freight cars, in Tenth-ave., between Thirty-first and Thirty-second-sts., and three of the cars passed over him, causing instant death. The body was shockingly mutilated.

Société de Secours Mutuels Franco-Americaine is the name of a French Mutual Aid Society, founded at No. 636 Broadway. The following officers were elected for two years: Joseph Straus, President; L. Philiky, Vice-President; Mr. Rye, Secretary, and Ph. Van De Buth, Treasurer. The objects are to aid immigrants and residents who speak the French language. The Board of Officers meet on Friday at 8 p. m., and the Society on the first Friday of each month.

BROOKLYN.—Mortality last week, 141, against 135 the previous week.

The annual Festival of the Plymouth Sabbath School will be held to-morrow and on Thursday evening.

A separate room for boys is to be fitted up in the Bethel Reading Room. The improvement, it is expected, will be completed in two weeks.

A series of weekly concerts and lectures are to be established for the entertainment of the visitors to the Bethel Reading room.

Jacob Shettler, South First and Fourth-sts., E. D., was yesterday convicted of selling beer on Sunday, and fined $50.

The stated meeting of the Long Island Historical Society will be held on Tuesday evening, the 24th inst., when Dr. L. R. Brockett will read a paper on "Recent Geographical Discoveries in Africa and elsewhere."

The Rev. Dr. T. J. Conant will read at the Chapel of the Packer Institute to-night, the concluding portion of his paper on "Ancient Manuscripts of the Scriptures.

A model of Melrose Abbey, made of cork, by Mr. Lloyd Hoppin of Philadelphia, is on exhibition at the rooms of the Historical Society. Every detail, both interior and exterior, of that famous structure, is represented with the utmost fidelity.

The Primary Convention for organizing the New Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Long Island, will be held in this city to-morrow, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, where a Bishop and other officers and Committees will be selected.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the Rector of Grace Church, on the Hights, asked his people for a collection on Sunday toward the fund for the adornment of the new Episcopate. On counting the amount contributed it was found to be $8,144 26, and $250 for Mission work in Utah and the South-West, making a total collection of $8,394 26.

Mrs. Delia Holland, aged 45 years, was held by Justice Voorhies, yesterday, to answer a charge of stealing wearing apparel worth $200 from the residence of John Fitzgerald, No. 218 North Seventh-st., E. D. Mrs. Holland denies her guilt. She will have a hearing on Monday next.

The new public school edifice in Normand-ave., between Eckford and Oakland-sts., in the Seventeenth Ward, was opened for the first time yesterday, when Mr. A. V. Davis was installed Principal. The building is 95 feet long, 54 feet wide, with two wings on the rear, each 16x21 feet. The capacious and airy classrooms will accommodate 1,200 pupils.

At midnight on Saturday, an unsuccessful attempt was made to burn down the residence of Mr. John Bunce, No. 206 North Sixth-st., E. D. It is said that some persons gained access to the lower part of the building, and, after piling up a quantity of furniture, set fire to it, using kerosene oil for that purpose, but the family discovered the fire before it made much headway, and extinguished it.

The Brooklyn Board of Aldermen met last evening, President Bergen in the Chair. A communication from the Jackson-ave. Ferry Co. was presented by Alderman Clancy, setting forth that they had been compelled to desist from landing at the foot of Hudson-ave. by the Brooklyn Gas Co. They asked the Board to provide a more suitable place for a slip. The subject was referred to the Committee on Ferry and Water Rights. Alderman Whitney presented a report from the Committee on Public Lands and Buildings, directing the Corporation Counsel to prosecute John Brady for putting in a proposition to repair the Forty-Second Precinct Police Station House, the signatures on the bonds, having, as alleged, been forgeries. The motion was adopted. A resolution was adopted authorizing a reward of $500 for the arrest and conviction of the burglar who shot Mr. Henry Hannah in Third-ave., on Monday night of last week. Mr. Charles Fox, President of the South Side Railroad Co., sent in a petition for permission to make an experiment with the Woodbury steam-engine, on their tracks within the city limits. The subject was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

WESTCHESTER.—The Board of Supervisors resumed their labors yesterday morning, but beyond presenting a large number of bills and referring them to the appropriate committees, nothing of import transpired....James Denny was arrested on Sunday and was taken before Justice Hoffman on a charge of stealing some money, a watch and other articles from Michael Haggerty....James Lewis, proprietor of the Westchester and Harlem Bridge line of stages, while on his last return trip on Saturday, was thrown to the ground from the stage, near the Westchester Bridge, and being run over by the stage and horses, was, it is feared, fatally injured.

NEW ROCHELLE.—Mr. George H. Devean's store was entered by burglars on Sunday night and robbed of $9 in pennies. The burglars made an unsuccessful attempt to break open the safe.

WHITE PLAINS.—The Board of Excise Commissioners have presented their annual report to the Supervisors, and state that they have granted 346 licenses during the year. The Commissioners will hold another meeting at the Court House in this place to-morrow.

MAMARONECK.—A young man recently escaped from the State Lunatic Asylum at Utica, made his way to New-York, where he has wealthy relatives. A few days ago he wandered as far as Mamaroneck, almost penniless. After calling at two hotels with about 50 cents, and being refused lodgings for that sum, he entered an oyster-saloon kept by a family named Sigler, and asked to be furnished with a bed for the night, or sufficient money, including what he had, to pay for a bed elsewhere. Mr. Sigler was absent. Mrs. S., to bring her husband home, raised an alarm. One of those who rushed to the saloon to render assistance found the lunatic, with a 25-cent postal currency in his hand, asking for a little more to pay for his lodging, but in flocked Sigler and several young men, armed with pistols, etc., and they plainly intimated that he was one of the roughs who had committed a robbery there. The conduct of the young man was remarked as being strange, but some said it was only assumed, and he was subjected to assaults and insults. He was taken before Justices Haight and Palmer near midnight, the latter being aroused from his sleep to take part in the examination. The victim assured the magistrates that he was an innocent man, as could be ascertained by seeing his brother-in-law, in New-York. The Justices, after a short examination, placed him in charge of Id. Parker. Next day it was ascertained that the young man's story was true, and he was allowed to depart.

GREENWOOD LAKE, N. Y.—The large hotel buildings at Greenwood Lake, Orange Co., N. Y., were buried between 3 and 4 o'clock on Sunday morning. The property was fully insured in New-York City.

STATEN ISLAND.—On Sunday evening the residence of Mr. Sanders, on Mullins Farm, was burned. Loss in building, furniture, and effects, $5,000. Insured.

ROSEVILLE, S. I.—On Sunday night a Mr. Edmond Wilkins, while returning to his home from church, was assailed by some rowdies, and severely beaten.

STAPLETON, S. I.—Andrew Carman, a painter, employed on a building, yesterday fell to the pavement, and was severely injured.

FACTORYVILLE, S. I.—Mary Farrell, aged six years, fell into the dock at this place, yesterday, but was rescued by a James Scanlon, who jumped overboard after the child and brought her ashore.

WEST END, S. I.—At the meeting on Saurday of the Fruit Growers' Club, the following-named persons were elected officers for the ensuing year: President, Hugh Owens; Vice-President, Thos. Fitzpatrick; Secretary, Wm. Gibbs; Treasurer, Chas. Scott.

JERSEY CITY.—Paul Miller, who stabbed Officer Kling, on Sunday evening, was committed to prison yesterday, to await the result of the injuries inflicted....A Mr. Thomas Nicholas was severely injured yesterday, by the breaking of a derrick, while superintending the removal of rocks on the line of the Newark and New-York Railroad, near Bergen-ave....Thomas Dreem, aged 16 years, was sent to the County Jail yesterday, for thirty days, at the request of his father, for committing a violent assault on his mother.

BERGEN.—Major-Gen. Kilpatrick is to lecture in this place on the 1st of December. Subject: "Sherman's March to the Sea."

NEWARK.—A span of horses attached to a wagon laden with hay, while standing on the scales on Broad-st, yesterday morning, became unmanageable, and, breaking from the wagon, rushed into Marsh's store near William-st., completely shivering the doors. Several persons who were in the store narrowly escaped injury....A Musical Convention was held in the Clinton-st. Congregational Church last evening, under the direction of Prof. Emerson of Boston. The attendance was good, and considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings....The blacksmith shop of Wm. J. Decker, No. 22 Maiden-lane, was entered at an early hour yesterday morning, and robbed of tools and nails to the value of $15....The blacksmith shop of W. C. Leonard, No. 222 Plane-st., was also entered about the same hour, and robbed of goods to the extent of $10.... The Calvary Presbyterian Church gave a fair in the new church, corner of Pennsylvania-ave. and Greenwich-st., to-morrow, Thursday and Friday evenings, the proceeds to be for the benefit of the church....The teachers of the Sunday-School connected with the Third Presbyterian Church were last evening entertained by an address from the Rev. Dr. Eggleston of Chicago, on "Object Teaching"....A reunion of the Division of the Sons of Temperance of Essex County, will take place on Friday evening next, in the Temperance Assembly Rooms, corner of Mechanic and Broad-sts....In the Essex County Court of Special Sessions yesterday the following prisoners were sentenced to various terms in the County jail: Bridget Neyles, Bridget Rileband, Eliza Brackin, Jane Gibson, and Hamilton Duggan....In Justice Mills Court, Samuel Steiner and T. Hirsch were arraigned on a charge of gambling. A young German, recently arrived in this country, appeared as complainant, and testified to their having won from him $35 50, of which sum $10 was in gold. They were bailed. ....The Walsh Artillery, formed in honor of Cornelius Walsh, esq., have disbanded, and will form a new organization under the name of "Lincoln Invincibles"....The Rev. R. P. Roe lectured last evening at the First Presbyterian Church, on "The Romance of Cavalry Life."

PATERSON.—James Beaman, who some weeks ago was reported in THE TRIBUNE to have wandered from home, was discovered on Garret Mountain, on Sunday afternoon, dead, the body partially decomposed....A little child of a family named Courtney fell into the Morris Canal one day last week, and was rescued alive; but some females attempted to breathe into its nostrils to excite respiration, and the water was forced into the lungs of the child and it died....The high track of the Riverside Railway is to be blocked and filled in with dirt....The roof of St. Aloysius Hall, a Roman Catholic School in Church-st., caught fire from an overheated stove-pipe, yesterday. The flames were speedily extinguished; but much damage was done by water....John Rosencrans was arrested at Elizabeth, for stealing the horse of John Sigler at Little Falls....The Rev. J. Hyatt Smith lectures to-night, before the Y. M. C. A., on "Sight-seeing from New-York to Jerusalem"....A son of David Ramsey was thrown from a buggy at Ridgewood on Sunday evening, and seriously injured....A new boat club has been organized at Dundee.

ELIZABETH.—Lincoln Division S. of T. will this evening dedicate their new hall, which they have just completed. The Grand Worthy Patriarch of the State will officiate, and the Rev. G. G. Lawson, P. G. W. P., of Brooklyn, will deliver an address.

BLOOMFIELD, N. J.—The Essex County Bible Society met at this place yesterday. The proceedings were harmonious, and the reports show that the Society is in a very flourishing condition.

BELLEVILLE.—The residence of Mr. Thomas Brown, in Bridge-st., was entered at an early hour yesterday morning, and robbed of $80 worth of clothing.

NEW BRIDGE, N. J.—It is reported that the Erie Railway Company are about to purchase the Hackensack Railroad, and that they will continue it to New Bridge, and thence to Allandale, connecting at that point with the main line.

VINELAND, N. J.—The first annual meeting of the New-Jersey Woman Suffrage Association will be held here on Wednesday, December 2.

NEW-MILFORD, CT.—At the late election, Abel Canfield, 90 years of age, and Mr. Cyrus Northrop, in his 95th year, both voted for Grant. Mr. Northrop was nearly 21 years of age when Washington was last voted for, and has voted at every Presidential election since, and always with the party of progress and freedom. As the aged voters approached the polls, leaning upon their sons, every voice was hushed, and every eye was turned to look upon the men coming down from the days of the immortal Washington, and living under every administration of the Government, perform the crowning act of their lives by casting their ballots for Grant.

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PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

FROM LIVERPOOL, Oct. 28.—In steamship Helvetia.—G. W. Hart and wife, Mr. Renwick and wife, Thos. Renwick, T. Hill, Mr. Caine, Mrs. E. Tapper, Rev. E. P. Wright, wife, son, and servant, Miss Whitall, Mrs. Cummings, Mrs. Bradford and 2 children, Miss Bradford.

LATEST SHIP NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Helvetia, Thomson, Liverpool Oct. 28, mdse. and pass.
Steamship Mariposa, Kemble, New-Orleans, Nov. 7, mdse. and pass.
Steamship Saratoga, Alexander, Richmond and Norfolk, mdse. and pass.
Bark Wase, Brady, from Boston, in ballast.
Brig Edwin, Allen, Providence.
Brig Sea Breeze, Coombs, Bangor.
New-London, with anthracite coal, steamship Marmion.

SCHOONERS—RIVER AND COASTWISE.

John Crocker, Rondout.
Ney, Pompkereyssie.
Marcus Hunter, Newburgh.
Jane M. Brainerd, Elizabethport.
Avon, Elizabethport.
P. S. Stevens, Elizabethport.
R. M. Clark, Elizabethport.
Effort, Elizabethport.
Martha Maria, Elizabethport.
Ann S. Salter, Providence.
M. Perkins, Philadelphia.
A. C. Avery, Baltimore.
B. Brown, Georgetown.
Montezuma, Virginia.
Eliza Pearce, Providence.
R. L. Cook, Providence.
Trumpin, Providence.
Coward, Bangor.
Coral, Norwich.
Frankson, New-Haven.
J. P. Collins, Conn. River.
Sabae, Machias.
Fountain, Fall River.
Neptune, Rockland.
Sarah Ann, Bangor.
Thos. B. Smith, New-Bedford.
Brazos, Portland.
Gen. M. Glover, Rockland.
Charleston, Providence.
Josephine, Bridgeport.
Treasure, Providence.
Mary Johnson, New-Bedford.
Sauve Dash, Providence.
Ralph Carlton, Boston.
Othello, Providence.
Sea Queen, Bangor.
Panther, New-London.
R. Mason, New-Bedford.
Mary Brockway, Providence.
A. C. Gould, Milbridge.
Adelice, New-Bedford.
Marietta, Chatham.
M. E.