

ADVERTISEMENTS ON THIS PAGE Under the respective classifications of WANTS, FOR SALE, FOR RENT, &c. FIVE CENTS A LINE.

SOCIETY NOTICE NOTICE—Mutual Benefit Land and Building Association No. 1. There will be no meeting February 30. Dues for said meeting will be paid March 7, which is a monthly meeting.

CINCINNATI IRISH BUILDING ASSOCIATION NO. 1.—Notice is given that the money paid in advance by members will be refunded by EXTING, February 29, 1876. Also, all mortgages paid in full will be returned to the members who gave them.

WANTED—BOY—To go on errands. Apply at DUCASZ'S shoe store, 129 York street, Newport, Ky.

WANTED—BUY YOUR HATS OF MARTIN, at 43 W. Fifth at 11:15-11:30

WANTED—SECOND-HAND CLOTHING—For which I pay the full value in cash. L. COHEN, 41 East Fourth street.

WANTED—TO KNOW—That B. CAVANAUGH, 808 N. Main, has a new lot of Macaroni just received from Nervi, Italy, also a splendid line of Groceries. 11:30-11:45

WANTED—TO KNOW—Where the new improved side-plating machine can be found by one who wishes to buy. Address: E. PLATER, Columbus, Hamilton county, O.

WANTED—TO CLOSE OUT—A stock of first-class Sewing Machines in order to retire finally from the business. Will sell at COST for CASH. Call for AGENT, 230 Walnut street, first floor.

WANTED—EVERYBODY TO KNOW—THE SENATE SAMPLE ROOMS are open day and night; choice wines, liquors and cigars. Give us a call. 399 Central avenue. C. SMITH, Proprietor. 10:1-11

WANTED—JIM & CHARLIE DAVIS—formerly of 174 Race street, are located at the "Sun Saloon," 73 Fountain Square, where they will be pleased to see their friends. Open at all hours, day and night. 10:1-11

WANTED—WHY SUFFER?—When you can get your corns, bunions, warts and ingrowing nails cured. Dr. H. H. HEISCHKE, ELD. Office, Egbert's barber shop, under the Ashland House, Lexington, Ky. 10:1-11

WANTED—PARTNER—With a small capital, to go in the photographic business on the river, by an experienced operator; must come well recommended; none others need apply. Address: PHOTOGRAPHY, 112 1/2 Higgins court, O. 10:1-11

WANTED—CAPITALIST—To furnish a printing-press and outfit, and to employ the undersigned, a Western editor of experience, to edit a newspaper to be established in Custer City, Black Hills Country. Address: COL. B., Lock-box 488, Van Wert, O. 10:1-11

WANTED—LADIES TO KNOW—That they don't have three profits to pay for shoes at the New Shoe Store, 104 Fifth street, near Central avenue. Here sold their goods at the factory, 172 Race street. All custom work warranted. Women's, misses' and children's shoes a specialty. 10:1-11

WANTED—PARTNER—No. 1 American gentleman to join me in ranching, West or South; will require about \$2000 each; an unmarried man preferred; best of references and photos required in West. Address: Address COL. B., Lock-box 488, Van Wert, O. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a Protestant girl, as cook or laundress; city or country. Call at No. 410 Liberty street. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a young man as barkeeper; speaks German and English. Address: P. H., 536 Main street. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a young man 18 years of age, to do some light outside work. Address: OPEN AIR, this office.

WANTED—SITUATION—By a boy fifteen years old, that can write a good hand and is willing to work. Address: J. O'HARA, No. 60 Hughes street, Cincinnati. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a middle-aged woman, who thoroughly understands general housework; no objection to country. Call at 220 Water street. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a good carter, who understands fence-building or jobbing of any kind; will work cheap. 11:15-11:30 to Mr. ROSE, 191 Cutter street. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a young lady from the country, in the city, to learn military trade this spring. Address: CARRIE LEE, Box 40, Mason, O. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a man of five years' experience, as traveling agent for hardware or groceries. Address: W. B. WEAVER, Centerville, Wayne county, Ind. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a married man, as carriage-maker; can come well recommended. Address: immediately PETER FAHNER, Cambridge City, Wayne county, Indiana. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a steady, sober young man; is a No. 1 teamster; would like to rise a transfer wagon or coal wagon; best of references. Address: J. K., 119 Toplar street. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—By a young man, in a wholesale store, in city or surrounding town; will work for small wages; references. Address: S. W. McPHEE, 119 Toplar street, Toledo, O. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—To drive dray, wagon, bus, or peddler's wagon, in the city or country. Speaks German and English. Good reference. Address: W. B. W., 621 West Front street, for 10 days.

WANTED—SITUATION—By a young, well educated German, only a short time in the country, with best of city references. Will accept of anything to make an honest living. Address: A. M. No. 25, this office.

WANTED—SITUATION—In some wholesale house by a young man of German descent, 19 years of age, and with a good common school education; will make himself generally useful. Address: Dr. HENNING, 250 W. Liberty street. 10:1-11

WANTED—SITUATION—A gentleman thoroughly acquainted with the notion and grocery trade through-out Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, would like a position traveling on commission. Address: J. B., P. O. Box 1111. 10:1-11

BOARDING—First-class, with neatly-furnished front room, at 393 West Third street; terms moderate. 10:1-11

BOARDING—With well-furnished second-story front room; also, third-story front and back rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Apply at 321 West Ninth street. 10:1-11

LOST—DOOR-KEY— brass. Finder will please leave it at 152 1/2 Fourth street, near Franklin B. HANKIN. 10:1-11

AMUSEMENTS. NATIONAL THEATER COMIQUE, Sycamore street, bet. Third and Fourth sts.

GRAND EXTRA MATINEE, Tuesday at 12:30. The performance concluding in time for the audience to witness the procession.

BLACK HILLS. HO! FOR THE BLACK HILLS! One hundred and fifty men wanted to accompany.

BUFFALO SAM on his expedition to the BLACK HILLS. Headquarters 102 Plum Street. JOSEPH BURKHARDT.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE. FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—ARM—A beautiful farm of 20 acres with good improvements, within half a mile of Loveland, O. Address Box 408, City P. O. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—GO WHERE THE TAXES WILL NOT EAT YOU UP—A splendid farm of 89 acres, 15 miles from the city, on a railroad. Address H., this office. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—CHEAP—LIFE SCHOLARSHIP—For full Arithmetic and Telegraph Code, Dryden, Stratton DeHart's College. For full particulars address S. P. C., Box O, city. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—LAND—30 acres prairie land; good spring on same; in thickly-settled neighborhood, in Adair county, Iowa, near county-seat. Or will trade. Address "W," this office. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—ROOMS. FOR RENT—ROOMS—Three nice rooms on the second floor of No. 111 Brown street near Mohawk bridge. For particulars inquire of Mrs. C. Wolman, on this premises. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—ROOM—Nicely furnished room with large closets, gas, and fire if desired. Comfortable for two gentlemen. 346 Plum street, between George and Seventh. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—ROOMS—Two new and elegantly furnished front rooms in private family, to single gentlemen or gentlemen and wife, on first floor; rent reasonable. Call at 30 Sene street. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—ROOM—Large, front, second floor, furnished in splendid style, for rent and wife or two girls, in a private family; central location; good references required. Call at 307 West Fourth street. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—ROOMS—Two parlors, on first floor, front and back, both elegantly furnished, hall, gas, fire, to gentleman or man and wife, with or without board; one room on second floor. Call at 173 Sycamore street. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—HOUSE—Of 7 rooms, bath, hot water, all modern conveniences. Apply for key at 455 W. Ninth street. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—HOUSE—Brick, 8 rooms and kitchen, in good order; 361 Clark street. Inquire at 309 Clark street. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—HOUSE—New, of five rooms, at \$20 per month, in advance; splendid view. Call at 1700 Eastern avenue, Columbia. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—COTTAGE—Of 5 rooms and kitchen, No. 65 Lion street, between Scott and Greenup streets, Covington, Ky. Rent \$10 per month. Call from 12 to 3 P. M. at the house. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—HOUSE—Near 2-story brick, 5 rooms and kitchen, cellar, gas and water, on German street. References required. Apply to D. PAPPARD, 30 E. Fifth street, next door to door. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—COUNTRY RESIDENCE—Two-story frame dwelling house, on L. R. H. R., at 1897; nice barns. Inquire of Mrs. C. H. Galt, No. 111 North street, Fendleton, Cincinnati. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—DWELLING—Most complete dwelling in the East End; hot and cold water in every room, bath-room, water-closet, furnace, range, large yard, bay window, &c.; situated on a quiet street; rent low to a good tenant. 122 Broadway. 10:1-11

FOR RENT—HOUSE—In Covington, of five rooms, front and back yards, good summer kitchen, large cellar, front side entrance, all in good order; street cars pass the door. A good lot at 1314 Scott street, Covington, Ky. 10:1-11

FOR SALE. FOR SALE—ENGINE—And boiler, 8-horse power, complete; \$300. J. B. MOONEY, 155 E. Second street. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—COAL—Half ton Pomeroy coal for \$1 50, N. W. corner John and Third. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—COUNTRY—Ten feet long, in good condition. Will be sold cheap. Apply at 107 West Fifth street. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—BUGGY—A nice shifting-top buggy, good make and good as new, with harness, for sale at MAHER'S stable, 30 Plum street, near Eighth. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—DRUG STORE—In front of O. and 5 years' lease, on best corner stand in the city; will invoice about \$5,000. Address Lock-box 288, Ironton, Ohio. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—RESTAURANT—A first-class restaurant, business and fixtures; centrally located in the city of Richmond, Ind. For particulars address Lock-box 1381, Richmond, Ind. W. M. MITCHELL. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—LEASE—And new furniture of a flourishing, first-class hotel, in the very center of the enterprising city of Canton, Ohio, on the P. F. W. & C. R. R. For particulars address Lock-box 4, Canton, Ohio. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—HOUSE—That splendid business property, Nos. 129, 131 and 133 West Third street, between Race and Elm, fronting 140 feet on Third and Union streets, and 72 1/2 feet on Elm street. Particulars at No. 16 West Third street. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—HOUSE—Frame dwelling of three rooms, stable and out-houses, with eight acres of ground, in Mineville, Clinton county, O., twenty-two miles from Cincinnati. Address Mrs. ELIZABETH OSBORNE, P. O. Box 1,069, Cincinnati. 10:1-11

FOR SALE—HOUSE—3 1/2 story house, containing double parlors, dining-room, kitchen, laundry, two bed-rooms, and two attic rooms, store-room, bath-room and water-closet, marble and slate mantles, low-down grates and ash pits; situated on West Seventh street, the house is in perfect order. Lot 35 1/2 feet 9 inches to Van Horn street. Address HOUSE, P. O. Box 924. 10:1-11

Kentucky Legislature. FRANKFORT, Feb. 26.—The Senate today took up its entire time in the discussion of local measures, and passed twenty-three bills.

In the House, a bill repealing the law allowing three days' grace on eight-drafts, and a bill putting promissory notes, payable to order, on the footing of foreign bills of exchange, were both laid on the table. A bill regulating the sale of medicine and poisons went to a committee of five physicians. A bill appropriating \$1,000 per annum to be paid for essays on Horticulture was amended and went over.

Springfield Items. SPRINGFIELD, O., Feb. 28.—The railroads have issued tickets at reduced

LAST EDITION. TERRIBLE STORM DISASTER. Loss of Life and Half a Million Dollars of Property.

By American Press Association to the STAR. ST. CHARLES, Mo., Feb. 28.—A terrible wind storm passed over this place at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, striking the northern part of the city and traveling in a southern direction down Main and Second streets, sweeping everything in its way.

The storm only lasted about five minutes, and presented the appearance of a huge yellow cloud. The woolen factory and saw mill in the upper part of the city were badly damaged. Kramer's warehouse is a total wreck and his flooring mill greatly injured; also Kluge's mill.

The steeple and part of the roof of the German Methodist Church are blown off. The Court-house, Jail, County Clerk's Office, California House, Zeitung office, Harris' livery stable, Concert Hall, St. Charles Savings Bank, Park House, Odd-fellows' building, Meyer's drug-store, St. Charles News Building, Democrat office, St. Charles Furniture Store, St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern Railroad depot and car shops and numerous other buildings were badly damaged.

The Gas Works are a total wreck. Jas. Garvey, an employe of the Gas Works, and his little son were instantly killed. Sam Gasney was severely injured, and several others badly hurt.

The storm extended, sweeping residences, farm buildings and fences away. The residence of Rufus Robbins, six miles from St. Charles, was razed to the ground.

A young boy is missing and supposed to be carried away by the wind. Physicians are attending to the wounded as fast as possible. Steps have been taken to guard against thieves and fire.

A company of fifty citizens, under command of the City Marshal and the Fire Department, being out for these purposes.

NEW YORK. By American Press Association to the STAR. NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A fire yesterday in the 5-story brick building, No. 250 West Twenty-eighth street, damaged stock, &c., of cabinet furniture makers, \$1,000, and other occupants about \$2,000. Loss on building, owned by A. S. Spaulding, \$20,000. The property was partially insured. The origin of the fire is not known.

Rev. E. C. Langley, while preaching a sermon yesterday in the Mission Church, corner of Nassau and Oakland streets, Brooklyn, fell dead in his pulpit. The deceased seemed to feel the illness coming upon him, and sank back in his chair, and before assistance reached him he was dead. He never spoke after he sank in his chair. The cause of death was heart disease.

The following is the programme of the Grand Centennial Rifle Contest, under the National Rifle Association and the National Centennial Commission, to be held at Greenvale, Long Island, commencing Tuesday, September 12, 1876; Competition open to all. Distance, two hundred yards. Position and rifle and ammunition free. Competition open to all. Distance five and six hundred yards. Any rifle within rule. Entrance fee, \$2 for each distance. Prizes for both matches to be announced hereafter. Competition for the championship of the world open to riflemen of all countries. Distance, 500, 300 and 1,000 yards. Each team shall consist of eight members. The various teams must be native-born citizens and residents of the countries they represent, except in case of teams representing foreign countries. The prize money, in which case a resident in the province is sufficient, provided the member is a native-born subject of the parent country.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The Committee on Rules of the National Association of Amateur Base-ball Players will recommend for adoption to the Convention of Amateurs, in Philadelphia, March 8, that portion of rules governing the playing of the game adopted by the professional players.

The temperance people are going round urging employers to pay their workmen on Mondays instead of Saturdays, that Saturday night and Sunday drunkenness may be thus lessened.

FOREIGN. By American Press Association to the STAR. DON CARLOS GIVES UP. PARIS, Feb. 28.—Don Carlos crossed the frontier into France on Saturday. It is reported that he has issued a manifesto announcing that he has relinquished the struggle for the Spanish throne in order to promote the welfare of Spain.

POLISH DEMONSTRATION. BERLIN, Feb. 28.—The Polish residents in Prussia are preparing for a public demonstration against the prohibition of their language in the schools and courts.

AUSTRIA THREATENS. VIENNA, Feb. 28.—The Government of Austria threatens the forcible expulsion of refugee insurgents from Herzegovina, unless the Sultan's offer of amnesty is accepted.

HEAVY FORGERY IN ITALY. NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A Herald special cable from Rome says: Discovery has been made of a great fraud upon the Civil List. The King's signature has been forged to a bill for 200,000 francs or \$40,000. Marquis Mantegassa, of Milan, has confessed that he is the guilty one, and says other forged bills for a great amount are in circulation. He is under arrest.

CENTENNIAL BOATING. A cable to the Herald from London has the following: Commodore Bryant, in reference to the probability of the English Club participating in the Centennial Regatta, says no action will be made by any of the Thames Club until after the Henley race in June. The crew winning the race at Henley may go to America as the representative English crew, but there is no prospect of the London Club's going. Members of the London Club, anticipates taking over a four-pair and a sculling crew. There is no prospect of either Oxford or Cambridge sending crews.

Springfield Items. SPRINGFIELD, O., Feb. 28.—The railroads have issued tickets at reduced

rates to parties attending the Carnival at Cincinnati.

The employes on the C., S. & C. Railroad have not been paid for the past three months, and considerable dissatisfaction exists among them.

In the Common Pleas Court Philip Maxon was found guilty of forgery, and Officer Pat, Flynn, of South Charleston, was found guilty of assault and battery, and fined \$15.

A large and respectable meeting of citizens was held a few nights ago at the Opera-house to aid the poor. From a careful reading of the proceedings we find an immense amount of words were uttered and fine rounded period speeches were delivered, and a few fervent prayers were offered, and really nothing materially done for the poor.

Last Night's Storm. By American Press Association to the STAR. BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 28.—A severe storm prevailed last night in this section, accompanied by thunder and lightning. The storm extended West as far as Chicago. There is no telegraphic communication with points west of Chicago, owing to the storm, which probably extends to the Far West.

BOSTON, Feb. 28.—A light snow commenced falling at 7:30 last evening, and continued all night. The thermometer is twenty-three degrees above zero.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 28.—A cold rain has prevailed here all night, and is still falling.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 28.—A light snow commenced falling at 6 o'clock last night, and still continues. The temperature is now above freezing point, and the weather is growing milder, with prospects of rain.

Minor Mentions. By American Press Association to the STAR. OSSIAN, IND., Feb. 28.—The steam saw-mill of E. H. Montgomery burned this morning. Loss \$8,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Gen. Babcock is again on duty as Secretary to the President. His room has been crowded all day with visitors extending congratulations.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 28.—Extensive preparations have been made for a reception to Colonel J. W. Forney, who is expected this afternoon on the steamer Indiana.

COLUMBUS, Feb. 28.—Governor Hayes has appointed as delegates to the Immigration Convention, at New Orleans, James A. Frazer, John A. Townley, William McKim, Thomas W. Howell and Leopold Levy, of Cincinnati; C. Z. Krugie and Jacob Newman, of Crestline; Robert H. Gardner, Starling Loving and John H. Kippart, of Columbus; Cortez Ewing, of Ottawa.

FLASHES. Brazil, Ind., had a \$10,000 fire Saturday.

H. E. Harding's Bank, Effingham, Ill., has suspended.

Isaac Harter, sr., banker, of Canton, O., died of heart disease.

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad has been completed to Pueblo, Colo.

Mrs. General P. H. Sheridan was safely delivered of a daughter last Saturday.

The barn of Harry Engle, with all its contents, near Middletown, O., was burned yesterday.

The Southern States Exposition was opened at New Orleans Saturday. The attendance was small.

A State Convention of Kentucky to succeed to the Centennial Exhibition at Louisville on the 15th of May.

The steamer Faraday has arrived at Torbay, and will leave in a few days to repair the cable between Torbay and Ry Beach.

Joseph Tinkler, of Lebanon, Ind., grain dealer and railroad agent, has left for parts unknown, leaving his accounts short \$45,000.

Pierre M. Irving, the nephew and biographer of Washington Irving, as well as a literary man of no mean repute, died at New York on Saturday.

The managers of the Eastern railroad lines have agreed to reduce freights eastward bound from Chicago, five cents on grain and fourth-class freight, and ten cents on flour.

A colossal statue of Bismarck will be sent to the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia. A copy is to be erected at Kieselgen, on the spot where Kullmann attempted the Chancellor's life.

The Special Committee of the Louisiana House of Representatives, appointed to investigate into the administration of Governor Klotz, reported a series of resolutions on Saturday calling for his impeachment. They were laid over until to-day.

General Miller, President of the Alaska Commercial Company, appeared before the Ways and Means Committee of the House, Saturday. He claimed that the Company had not only fulfilled all its obligations to the Government, but had done more than the contract required.

LATEST LOCAL. THE JURY in the Hamilton and Logan case have not yet decided on a verdict.

The case of John How, who was indicted for grand larceny, is now on trial.

THE CINCINNATI Jaeger Association No. 1 has filed its papers with the Recorder.

VOLUNTEERS are wanted to pull the hand-engine in the Mardi Gras parade. Report immediately at Headquarters of Fire Department, corner Sixth and Vine streets.

AN extra performance will be given at the National Theater or Comique to-morrow afternoon at 12:30, and will be over in time for the audience to witness the parade.

DISTINGUISHED ARRIVAL—Lady Edna, daughter of the Earl Grand Marshal, is at the Walnut-street House. She will return to her estate at Mt. Notre Dame in a few days.

ALL who intend to participate in the display of wagons must report promptly at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon on Sycamore street, north of Fifth, to General Kennett, Colonel Moore and General Reinhold.

W. H. STRICKLAND, Esq., General Agent for Bryan's Minstrels, is at the Walnut-street House. He is making arrangements for the opening at the Grand Opera-house next Monday.

J. T. RENARD, the comedian and Manager of the McCullough Dramatic Combination of this city, arrived in town from Loveland this morning. He will take part in the grand Mardi Gras procession to-morrow.

ALEX. LONG has been appointed administrator of the estate of Lena Lee, \$18,000 in personalty and \$3,000 in realty. Adel Brill has been appointed administrator of Samuel Brill's estate; \$3,500 in personalty; \$500 in realty.

At a meeting of the Cincinnati Pork Packers' Association at their rooms on "Change this morning it was resolved that the Association should defray their own expenses of the exhibition intended to be made at Philadelphia, including transportation and care of articles, and the arrangements to be made for exhibiting them. This question was brought up from the previous meeting of the Association.

WHERE'S THAT MONEY? \$30,000 Gone up the Spout. The following abstract of the report which is soon to be submitted to the County Commissioners, by George Messenger, the examiner of accounts of the Ex-Treasurers of Hamilton County, will be read with interest by the groaning tax-payers:

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners and Control of Hamilton County, Ohio:

In obedience to a resolution passed by the former Board, January 12, 1876, and approved by the latter February 4, 1876, authorizing me to examine the books and accounts of R. H. Fenton and of John Gerke and F. J. Mayer, late Treasurers of Hamilton County, Ohio; also, to ascertain and report to you the amount of money, if any, which has been collected by either of said persons as Treasurer, and not paid over or accounted for by them, I do herewith report the result of my examination in the following manner:

To obtain this result involved the necessity to ascertain the Auditor's charges, as well as the Treasurer's collections for taxes at each semi-annual settlement (which is omitted here—Ed. STAR).

GEO. MESSENGER, Examiner.

F. J. MAYER—1870. Aggregate amount Treasurer's Collections \$1,736,730 20 Aggregate amount of Auditor's charges 4,731,973 40 Balance due 3,035,236 80

MAYER—1871. Aggregate amount Treasurer's Collections \$4,359,310 24 Aggregate amount of Auditor's charges 4,305,675 08 Balance due 53,635 16

Total due from Mayer \$3,088,871 96 Amount of Auditor's Collections \$4,968,914 02 Amount of Auditor's Charges 4,002,782 92 Balance due 986,131 10

JOHN GERKE—1872. Amount of Treasurer's Collections \$4,064,914 02 Amount of Auditor's Charges 4,002,782 92 Balance due 62,131 10

JOHN GERKE—1873. Amount of Treasurer's Collections \$4,064,914 02 Amount of Auditor's Charges 4,002,782 92 Balance due 62,131 10

REMARKS BY THE EXAMINER. How much money has been refunded by the Treasurer from the foregoing (in cases of errors made in his office otherwise) of the taxes of the years 1870, '71, '72 and '73, I am unable to ascertain, as Mr. F. J. Mayer, Ex-Treasurer (who also managed the affairs of John Gerke, Treasurer), states he has not kept memorandums or accounts of all the refunds paid over by him during these four years, and consequently give me no true amount of them all. I am informed that they amount to a considerable sum.

GEO. MESSENGER.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT. A Young Man Shoots His Sleeping Brother.

Since the death of their parents two boys, Frank and Ralph Emerson, aged respectively sixteen and thirteen years of age, have been living with their uncle and guardian, Mr. Lowe Emerson, at No. 43 York street. Last Friday evening Ralph, the younger of the two, borrowed a pistol from a playmate with which he amused himself by snapping it in play at his young friends.

On Saturday evening he went with a son of Mr. Emerson and bought half a dozen cartridges, with which he loaded the pistol unknown to his brother, who was spending the evening with a school-fellow, who lives next door. About 9 o'clock Ralph bade his uncle good-night and went upstairs to the room which is his and his brother's joint occupancy. Before retiring, he placed the loaded weapon under his pillow. At the time of Frank's return he was asleep, while the pistol had slipped from under the pillow and was exposed to view.

Frank saw it, and thinking it would be a good joke to surprise his brother, picked up the pistol and snapped it in his ear. The weapon being loaded, went off with a loud report, the ball entering the right ear and passing into his brain. Frank uttered a piercing cry of alarm, and in a few moments Mr. Emerson entered and found him emulating his brother. The shock was so terrible that he was almost bereft of reason. Doctors Palmer and Goode were immediately summoned, and spent most of the night with the wounded boy, but all their efforts to extract the ball or to restore him to consciousness were unavailing.

Up to 10 o'clock this morning Ralph had not recovered consciousness, or had his condition changed any. He restlessly tossed about on the bed, and moans piteously. His physicians give but little hope of his recovery.

Frank is almost distracted by the melancholy accident. He was so overwhelmed with grief as to render the attendance of a physician necessary. No blame can be attached to him for the accident. Up to this time both boys had been attending school, one at the Fourth Intermediate, and the other at Woodward High School.

At 2 o'clock the young man was still living, and the doctor had said he was still increasing.