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LARGE OLOOKS.

Mr. D. W. Bradley, City Time Keeper of New York, read a paper on "Tower Clocks" before the last meeting of the American Institute, Polytechnic Branch, which is reported in the New York Tribune. We give some extracts:

Trinity clock is the heaviest in America. The frame stands 9 feet long, 5 high, and 3 wide. The barrels are 20 inches, furning three times in 24 hours The winding wheels are driven by a pinion and arbor. On the latter is placed a jack, or a wheel, a pinion, and a crank; 850 turns of the crank are required to draw up each of the weights. It takes 700 feet of 3-inch rope for the three to New-York and from Boston to Portland cords; and the winding up of the weights by the electrical influences of the Aurora consumes more than an hour of time, and requires the labor of two men. The pendulum is 18 feet long, and makes 25 beats. I cannot think that Mr. Rogers had a correct notion of what he was going to do when he began the building of this clock. At first it would not run 7 days, and he was obliged to put in new main wheels. The clock was at last finished, and an agreement was made with the sexton's son that he should receive 25 cents whenever it stopped, provided he at once notified the time-keeper; but as it stopped every day, and frequently three or four times a day, the expense of feeing the informer became irksome to bear, and the cumbrous time-piece was placed in new hands. By this time it had gained a poor reputation, which clings to it even in our day. The weights are 800, 1,200, and 1,500 pounds respectively, and drop 50 feet. A large box is placed at the bottom of the well, which holds about a bale of cotton wasto to check the full of a weight in case of accident. Two years ago I wound it up on Saturday, and on Sunday morning the chiming cord broke, letting the 1,500 pound weight fall a distance of 50 feet, cau ing much damage. The cotton box was strongly braced on all sides, but the force of the blow burst it open. The contents were well scattered, otherwise the organ bellows, just in line below, would have contracted inder a pressure somewhat greater than that which the "blower" was accustomed to exert upon them. . A much better clock ould be built of the metal contained in the ame and main wheels of Trinity's. . . . one of these clocks keep accurate time. rinity does best, the clock of the Dutch formed Church next. . . During the te heavy snow storm the north window in ne clock-room of St. Paul's was blown pen. The snow came in, partially covered he movement, and drifted down into the ox to the depth of several inches, nearly overing the ball; yet the old pendulum aded through it with the glee of a schooly, and stowed the snow on this side and it, and pelted it with such pertinacity at by the next morning the clock was 15, inutes ahead of time. The first warm dry nat followed, it fainted, and stopped rung. . . There was an old German clock It is smaller than the others, but has gained reputation for accuracy. Twenty years carefully kent from any massallance with the Post-Office, but it was removed a go a person who had not St. George's time was supposed, like a busy man, to have no me at all. As it is soon to be pulled down care is taken of its inside, and the figures n the dial are grown so rusty that the ime can only be guessed at. At the City Iall we find a good clock. The pendulum, 5 feet long, vibrates in 2 seconds. The ball reighs 300 pounds. To counteract the efiple has been applied to this pendulum. he contraction of the iron rods which rould draw up the ball is opposed by the reater contraction of the brass bar on which the ball rests, thus letting it down. When the rods expand the greater expansion of the brass bar lets it down—only it don't—that is, not yet. I regulated it from June, 1866, to February, 1867, without moving the hands, but after the latter date, for three or four months, I set it every week although the variations never exceeded 30 seconds.

MAGNIFICENT ELECTRICAL PHENOMENON.

more than two years.

One of the most beautiful electrical pheomena imaginable was witnessed last eveng in the office of the Atlantic and Pacific lelegraph Line. Wire No. 1 of this line as down between this city and Syracuse. Saddenly, it was discovered that neither rire would work. A continuous current of ectricity was then observed to be passing over the wires through the several instruments, and this while the batteries were deched. The current seemed to be of the olume of a medium-sized pipe-stem, and it to the several colors of the rainbow, beauful to behold. With the key open, the arrent flowed in waves or undulations, and om the surcharged wire it would leap ever be insulated portions of the key and flow ong the wires beyond. The same pheno-enon was observed at Buffalo and at eveland. The gas in the office here was hted without difficulty by holding the d of a wire within an inch or two of the s burner. The current was intense enough shock one holding the wires or instrunts-indeed, one of the employes of the ce had his fingers scorched by the curat. With closed keys the current was tinuous, as before stated.

The theory advanced by an experienced ctrician with whom we conversed in red to the phenomenon is this. The electriequilibrium of the atmosphere had bene disturbed by the sudden and extreme d of the past two days—and we may say re that this phenomenon has never been nessed except when cold weather preils extensively—the electricity, instead of

descending to the earth as in a thunder storm or in warm weather, ascends in the atmosphere—thus destroying the equilibrium and producing these magnificent dis-plays. The broken wire spoken of, which rested on the ground, was the point of communication for the current from the earth. the Aurora Borealis is produced from the same causes, and we submit that it is not an improbable theory. Every one has seen, undoubtedly, the wavy or undulating motions of the Aurora Borealis, and the wavy motions of the current last night with the batteries off and the keys open were precisely the same.

Here we may notice one thing not generally known. A portion of the Irrepressible Conflict Speech of Wm. H. Seward, in this city, a few years since, was telegraphed Borealis—all the batteries on the line being detached. This feat, it is said, has never been repeated.—The Rochester Union, Jan. 10, 1868.

Rural Economy.

CHICKENS HATCHED PROM EGGS 1,200 YEARS OLD.

[We know not how much strain the reputation for veracity of a Paris correspondent will bear, but we judge that the narrator of the following has never heard; the advice once given to a story teller whose tale was a little to heavy for common digestion. "Did you see that yourself?" was asked. "Yes, sir," was the reply; "anything to say against it?" 'Oh no! only that I would advise you to avoid telling it except when absolutely necessary."]

The Paris correspondent of the Nation states that the guests of the Abbe Denis, curate of the parish of St. Elio, in the Faubourg St. Antoine, dined a few days ago on fowls whose immediate ancestors figured, he says, on the table of the great Frankish King Dagobert. When the Abbe Denis laid the first stone of the church and presbytery he had built, by his own exertions, on the site of the old chateau and gardens of Dagobert, a hen's nest full of eggs was dis-covered beneath the ruins of the ancient building. These eggs, more than twelve hundred years old, were about to be thrown away by the laborers, when the Abbe remembering that wheat had been grown from grain found in Egyptian mummies dating back from the time of the Pharachs, bethought him that possibly there might still be life in these eggs.

A savant of the institute, consulted at once in, reference to these precious relics of an age when there was as yet no France to detest "Perfidious Albion" or to be jealous of Prussia and needle guns, advised their being forthwith confided to a hen of approved success in the maternal line. This advice having been acted upon the good cure and his friend had the delight of witnessing, twen-

carefully kept from any mesalliance with their congeners of less ancient blood; and the Abbe has now a yard so well replenished with "King Dagobert fowls; that he not only supplies his own larder with poultry of this illustrious breed, but is about to organize, at the suggestion of numerous friends, a sale of "King Dagobert eggs" for the benefit of the poor of his parish.

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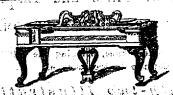


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