

MATTERS OVER THE RIVER

ANNUAL MEETING.—The fifty-first annual meeting of the Cumberland County Bible Society was recently held at Deerfield, and the following gentlemen were chosen managers for the ensuing year:—Hon. L. Q. C. Elmer, Hon. John L. Nixon, Revs. W. B. Gillette, C. B. Gregory, H. M. Smart, J. L. Challis, J. L. Stewart, J. O. Wells, J. Stockton, J. L. Whitaker, Drs. E. Nathan, William Elmer, D. B. Thompson, D. B. Whitaker, Theodore Trenham. The receipts of the Society were \$374.55, and the number of volumes distributed during the past year was 505.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.—As Judge Carter, of Woodbury, his brother, and a Mr. Oden, were returning home on Friday night last, and while passing through a piece of woods, they were fired upon by some concealed person in the brush, the ball passing in close proximity to the head of the Judge. The person who attempted this murder has not yet been discovered.

AN EXCELLENT PROJECT.—The teachers of the Central Public School in Camden are taking measures to introduce music into that school. This is highly commendable. A grand concert will be given on Thursday evening next, the 7th instant, in aid of the project, and raising funds to purchase a good and suitable organ.

NARROW ESCAPE.—One day in the latter part of last week, James P. J. Gray, of Camden, met with a narrow escape, of being thrown from a carriage, in consequence of the horse running away. He was so severely injured that he was insensible for many hours. He is now, however, convalescent.

BOLD ROBBERY.—The watch and jewelry store of F. M. Lewis, in Bridgeton, was entered by burglars a few days ago, who were carrying away about \$1000 worth of gold, silver, and plated ware. The thieves forced an entrance in the back part of the building, and after gathering up their booty made their escape.

SPLENDID FERRY BOAT.—The Camden and Philadelphia Steamboat Ferry Company have commenced the construction of a new and substantial ferry to run in connection with their other ones recently built. It is to be on the same model as the Camden, and finished in a splendid style.

DROWNED.—One day last week a little son of Mr. S. H. Miller, of Paulsboro, Gloucester county, was drowned in Mantua creek. His little body was soon after discovered and taken care of.

THE ANNUAL FESTIVALS.—The ladies connected with the different religious societies in Camden are making extensive preparations to hold their annual strawberry and floral festivals in aid of their respective churches.

NEW CHURCH.—The members of the M. E. Church at Longwood are actively engaged in erecting for themselves a handsome church edifice.

CITY INTELLIGENCE

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THE OPENING OF THE CENTENARY MOVEMENT.—The centenary movement of the Methodist Church was inaugurated last evening by a meeting at Union Church. The church was filled, the principal ministers of the Philadelphia Conference occupying seats in the pulpit. Bishops James and Simpson, Rev. G. D. Chenevix, from the East Baltimore Conference, and J. B. Dobbins, of the New Jersey Conference, were present.

Dr. Nadai, of Trinity Church, opened the meeting with prayer, the power of Jesus' name, "all hail the power of Jesus' name!" Bishop Jones then addressed the congregation. He said that the Methodist Church has always been a happy Church. In trial and conflict the people have been cheerful, happy, contented people. The doctrine of the Church, that the savior of the world is every man, and that through His vicarious sufferings universal redemption has been offered to the world, with such a doctrine the gospel could not but inspire joy and gladness in all who heard it. The Church has always preached a practical religion. Presenting to the people the conscious experience, the verity of the divine life in their hearts, it is not strange that this people has been a happy and a successful people. The Sun of the Church has its rays in every man, and that through His vicarious sufferings universal redemption has been offered to the world, with such a doctrine the gospel could not but inspire joy and gladness in all who heard it.

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Mission House in New York or elsewhere. When the missionaries leave for the foreign missions they first stop at New York for a few days. They return sick and weary, and they must rest as soon as they touch land. The time is coming when the Church will send a missionary west, and when from necessity one will be coming home monthly, and the Church must provide a mission house. This is the only connection and monumental interest in which the Church will be called to invest its funds. If the Church will enter into these purposes, with what sure groundwork can it enter upon the second century for the destiny of Methodism! If it does, the year must be the most successful of its existence, and the Church will make its way far onward in the evangelization of the world.

Bishop Simpson followed, and described the progress of Methodism during the past century. In 1800 there were 800,327 souls members and probatants in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Since that date nearly a million of probatants have been reported. During the same time about 90,000 deaths have been reported. The meeting was opened, with the benediction by Rev. Antony Arceob.

The annual celebration of the Tabernacle Sunday School, Chesnut street, west of Eighth street, will be held on Wednesday (to-morrow) evening at 7 o'clock. A splendid programme has been furnished for the exercises of the evening.

The Woodland Presbyterian Church, Twenty-fourth Ward, has given a call to Mr. Batellie, of the last graduating class in Princeton Seminary.

The Sabbath School of the Memorial Presbyterian Church, southwest corner of Twelfth and Montgomery avenues, was organized last Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. A splendid programme has been furnished for the exercises of the evening.

The family of Mr. Crozer, late of Chester, Pa., have given in trust to the Baptist Publication Society, \$50,000, as a missionary memorial for the literary and theological instruction of freedmen, by means of books and missionaries.

The Rev. R. C. Evans has been elected rector of the church of the Messiah (P. E.), Port Richmond. Letters have been recently received from Naples, stating that the health and strength of Bishop Stevens are steadily increasing.

THE BOARD OF SURVEYS.—A stated meeting of the Board of Surveys was held yesterday morning, President Kness in the chair. Mr. Thomas Daly, Jr., recently elected a member of the Board to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of his father, assumed the usual oath of office, and took his seat.

Deed of dedication for a street in the Twenty-sixth Ward, to be called South Marshall street, was read and referred to the City Solicitor. A communication asking for a sewer on Ninth street, from Reed to Moore, was upon motion, referred to Mr. Close, that he might inform the petitioners of the proper mode of application.

An application of Edwin Kirkpatrick, executor of the estate of David Kirkpatrick, for a drain on Arch street, between Fourth and Fifth, was referred to a committee, who reported adversely to the petition, as it will require a larger sewer than that is asked for. The resolution was agreed to.

A deed of dedication for Grant street, in the Twenty-sixth Ward, was referred to Mr. Daly, Jr.

An application for a sewer on Cuba street, between Morris and Moore streets, was referred to a committee, who reported a resolution authorizing a ten-inch vitrified pipe at expense of petitioners. Agreed to.

A resolution authorizing a two-foot six-inch sewer, on Oxford street, from Millin to west side of Sixth street, presented a report and resolution authorizing a three-foot sewer, which was agreed to.

A resolution authorizing a two-foot six-inch sewer, and one inlet, one manhole on Market street, from Forty-first to Wyoming, was agreed to.

In motion, the matter of the reduction of width of Powelton avenue was taken up. Mr. Miller moved that the consideration of the case be postponed until the next stated meeting, and that the parties interested be advised of the action of the Board. Agreed to.

The Board then adjourned.

POLICE CASES.—On Thursday night last, the house of Mr. J. Taylor, in West Philadelphia, was entered and robbed of wines valued at about \$500, who traced to the result of a search found yesterday afternoon, when Officer Leavitt and Ferris, of the Third District Police, ascertained that two men had rented a room over the store of Patrick Moore, in Larkin street, below Lombard, and stored therein several casks of wine. They proceeded to that place and found such to be the case, and arrested two parties, who gave the names of V. D. Brown and Henry Alexander, upon the charge of having committed the robbery. When they were being committed to the Station House, Brown broke loose from Officer Leavitt and attempted to escape; after an exciting chase he was overtaken, and again arrested. He was held in \$1500 bail by Alderman Butler to answer at Court. Alexander was locked up for a hearing.

Thomas Rouch, arrested on the charge of shooting John Maxley, on Saturday evening, in Bedford street, near Eighth, had a hearing before Alderman Thermany, yesterday, and was committed to await the result of Maxley's trial. The physician who has charge of Maxley, at the Hospital, considers the wound a dangerous one. Maxley denies that it was done in sport, as Rouch asserted, but says that it was the result of an old grudge.

Rapidly Progressing.—The Chesnut street bridge is now almost ready for the passage of the street cars. In a month the connection between the two sides of the river will be complete. The bridge is now so nearly finished that communication is unbroken between the abutments. Of course no travel is allowed on the bridge. The heavy derricks are still standing in the middle of the structure, and the adjusting and transportation of the ponderous roadway plates would render any attempt to cross the bridge perilous. On the West Philadelphia side of the river the Chesnut and Walnut Street Railway Company are laying their tracks. When the bridge opens on the first of July, there will be two lines of communication between the western boundaries of the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-seventh Wards.

Mr. Lorenzo Somerville has just returned from Europe. While there he published a volume of poetry, entitled "The Remains of the Irish people appealed for aid to educate their children. They expected to obtain \$100,000 from the American people. The church authorities here professed to see in it, and yet only one-half has been contributed, and the remainder is needed. The people of America will understand the difficulty of the Irish Conference when we state that its entire bounds only contain one-half the number of members of the Philadelphia Conference, and one of these officers, selected Methodists 800 to 1000, communicants and 4000 attendants annually emigrate to America. What a power to influence the character of American emigrants! Another institution is the Mission Institution in Bremen, Germany. Here is one of the best institutions of the Church. In the students educated there is the true spirit of the missionary work. The institution has been sustained by the people at Bremen. But they are now \$10,000 in debt, and need additional buildings, and the Church here should handsomely endow the Bremen Institution. The mission business of the Church is growing apace. This year \$1,000,000 will be expended. The General Conference recommended, as a third special object of consideration in this centenary year, the endowment of a

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