

OUR SATURDAY NIGHT SUPPER TABLE NUMBER XC.I.

A DIET FOR MENTAL HYSTERIA, AND A CURE FOR HYPOCHONDRIA, HYPOCHONDRIASIS, OR ANY COMPLAINT OF A NERVOUS ORDER.

Monday, 22.—Great Panic in Washington among the over-landers. The Bivouacs causing sickness to their lovers, the restaurant customers now exclaim as they pass them by, "Good Bi Valley!"

Tuesday, 23.—John Morrissey, the pugilist, nominated in a new role, he engages Brady, of New York, to defeat the Fenians, while he promises to foot the bill. The Canadians, in the meantime, promise to foot Barney.

Wednesday, 24.—Governor Swann, of Maryland, found out to be a "goose." The Spaniards, in the meantime, promise to foot Barney.

Thursday, 25.—Benny Williams, the Irish comedian, in a new role, he engages Brady, of New York, to defeat the Fenians, while he promises to foot the bill. The Canadians, in the meantime, promise to foot Barney.

Friday, 26.—William B. Reed visits Jeff Davis, at Fort Monroe, to inquire after his health, and to consult in relation to their united action in the coming trial of President Johnson's impeachment.

Saturday, 27.—SERIES COLUMN DAY. There being no "Gas Trust" now worthy the name, the patrons of the "Supper Table" series are expected to pay cash for their weekly supply of gas in these columns.

"LIGHT, MORE LIGHT!" The dying words of Goethe were not more pertinent to the sinking poet than they are to the declining Trustees of the Gas Trust, who, if we should judge from their disposition in declining to give information as to their doings, or to answer the questions of the Committee of the Select Council, are in the last stage of decline, which Stage, by-the-way, if some things are true, ought to be the "Black Maria." At a Tournament held last Wednesday evening, Don Quixote Page had a little Mill with some of the Trusties ones, and which, indeed, turned out to be a wind "mill" in the proper sense of the word; and the Committee adjourned with the feeling that there had been a great deal of gas wasted there as well as at the Works, and had thought the Don was a good lawyer, and had studied Coke, Blackstone, and kindred subjects all his life, he was all at sea when smothered in the smoke of the coke and blackstone of the Gas Works, and the Point Breeze Institution was to him a very big breeze—indeed, a regular blow with no point at all, and he was wholly incapable (as the lawyers say) of making one out of it.

The Don, however, went to the work, by the examination of three witnesses.

The Agent for the Cameron Coal Company in this city was examined. He knew nothing of the Works, and stated that his business was simply to superintend the delivery of the coal. He did not know why they preferred the Cameron Coal, except they thought there was more gas in a coal by that name. The Chief Clerk of the Ninth Ward Works then made some statements. He testified that there had been cases where consumers had defrauded the Trust by tampering with the meters. He mentioned an instance in his neighborhood of a Methodist Church, where the choir-leader, aided and abetted by the congregation, had so abused and defrauded the metres used in their church, particularly the "Common" and "Hallelujah" Metres, that many persons in the vicinity had to move away, leaving houses tenantless, and, of course, lessening the receipts of the Trust. Further

more, many of the Metres for the public lamps were in such an imperfect state, or had been made so by malicious persons, who "loved darkness rather than light," that the location of the street lamps was undistinguishable, except when the moon shone, and the metre at the corner of the street where he lived, was only (as a young gentleman who writes, and who is a young man) a "metre by moonlight alone." (Great sensation in the Committee, at which the Don laughed immoderately, discovering in this last remark a reference to an old song he himself used to sing on certain occasions in the days gone by.)

The Cashier of the Works was the next witness that appeared, and though he was Biley, quite so, he refused to swear, notwithstanding he felt very much like it. He read his piece, instead of speaking it, and then handed it to the Don for examination, and correction as to the dotting of the 's' and crossing of the 's' before it went into print. Here it is:—

(COMMUNICATION.) To James Page, Chairman of Committee of Select Council on Gas, ex-Colonel, Head-Quarters of the "Birney" Cutter, High-Street, etc. &c. Dear Sir:—On Friday evening, June 29, A. D. 1866, in the Select Council Chamber, you made a verbal request of me to be present, and appear before you on the evening of July 5th, of the same month, to testify in relation to a statement that you desired to treat me as a go-between. But what was my disappointment and disgust that, when I did appear before you, I saw no signs of a "friend" going on; and although I would have found no difficulty in making my favorite poison, which is "Pollywag" under all circumstances (no sugar), I was not treated the whole evening, either by you or any of the Committee then present; and to the truthfulness of this statement I will be qualified before William McMullen, or any other Alderman in this city.

Note.—(The words "no sugar" were inserted before signing.) Ever of Thee, RILEY BENJAMIN. Brevet Boss of the Weight Scales, was then lengthily established by the Don with reference to many articles more difficult to explain than any of the thirty-nine of the Westminster Assembly. He described the wire-working and

pipe-laying of the establishment, in which it was shown that the 48-inch mains that have been laid throughout the city are but child's play to the men of the Trust. When the wire broke out, Mr. Macready was engaged to appear on the stage of action as a foreman, and that he often mistook his part, and came on in the character of "Toodle." And not satisfied



MR. MACREADY'S APPEARANCE ON THE STAGE, SUPPORTED BY MR. MANUS.

with that, he had all the men under his control practicing for the same part, and with great success, finding them apt pupils, inasmuch that the smell around the neighborhood induced a visit from the Internal Revenue officer, he thinking it was a distillery instead of a Gas Works. At times Macready would retire behind the curtain, and leave the witness to run the Works, the men would not obey him, and the Works suffered. When Macready was in a state of liquidation, the witness would make him up a bed and put him in it. The "retorts" that came from Macready at these times were such as would not be used in any establishment in the land. They were sadder than any that had been sold for sad-rons by the previous foremen. The witness was away twelve days, and Macready returned full time, and the witness handed over to Macready the amount, as he and another man had worked for him. Other men had been paid when not working, on the same policy, which kept a full head on the flow of greenbacks from the Works.

We will here add, although the investigations of the Committee may not give any more light to the burners, they will give more to the payers of the bills, and if the lamps are not any lighter this winter, the bills may be.



THE STATE HOUSE CLOCK BRILLIANTLY ILLUMINATED BY THE CITY GAS.

(COMMUNICATION.) MR. SERIES EDITOR:—Since the time "Villikins and his Dinah" has found its way into the piano, and bids fair to get out of it, it should judge by the earnest efforts made by some ladies in my neighborhood, I have thought, rather than go contrary to the current of taste, to supply words that would teach, for example, a bit of ancient history, and, at the same time, a moral. By calling the attention of the music publishers you will serve the ends of humanity, and help the Court of Quarter Sessions:—

CLEOPATRA. 'Tis of an Egyptian, Cleopatra by name, A rather strong-minded, very good-looking dame, Who lived 69 B. C., when 'twas the right thing For her brother to purchase the gold wedding ring! (With a slight shudder) Ri-tor-al, etc.

PROLIXY DROUPEYS, her first husband, died; Of her small younger brother she soon became bride; And together they sat upon Egypt's throne, Till she plonched the poor boy, who died with a groan. (With much horror) Ri-tor-al, etc.

Next she gammoned Marc Antony, led him astray Till the A-lu-mi-nu-m sea fight she lost him that day; For he heard some one cry, "CLEOPATRA, she dies!" so he followed, exclaiming, "Tis true, bless my eyes!" (In a hasty manner) Ri-tor-al, etc.

She was very extravagant, doubtless, yo'll think When you're told that she melted a pearl once to drink; And exhibited tastes unbecoming a girl. In this being the first to imbibe "early puri." (Gleatly) Ri-tor-al, etc.

Next she tried to sell Antony—he vowed to thwart her. On a big pile of stone, like the Delaware break water, Till he heard she'd committed a sad suicide. (Slow and subdued) Ri-tor-al, etc.

Yours, Ri-tor-al, JULIUS. "AND WE WILL EVER PRAY, ETC." Among the interesting matters presented to the City Councils last Thursday was a petition by the tenants of the Girard Estate, in the shape of a communication from some jewellers and printers who are now using steam power for the Inquirer Building, and they close their communication by saying that if they are left "undisturbed in their arrangements for obtaining steam power, they will ever pray."

Now it seems to us that it would be a most wicked thing for any committee, even a Committee of Councils, to interfere with these gentlemen if it is to interfere with their prayers; and any power that can be brought to bear to induce printers to pray, ought to be encouraged to the utmost, even if it is Steam Power.

TRIBUTES OF THE OPERA AND BALLET. An Impresario and Maître de Danse in Court. Anschutz Sued by Professor Donnatstadt. The Penalty for Smoking in a Singer's Room—Interesting Glimpse Behind the Scenes, Etc.

Frederick Donnatstadt, ex-Captain of the 1st Cavalry, and now residing at No. 1210 Locust Street, Philadelphia, has written an interesting and amusing account of his experiences in the opera and ballet world. He has been in the city for some time, and has had a chance to see many of the performers in their private lives. He has written a book on the subject, and it is now being published. The book is full of anecdotes and is very entertaining.

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TESTIMONY OF THE BALLET MASTER. I entered upon the performance of the duties of ballet master on the 1st of October, 1866. I have since that time been in charge of the ballet school, and have had a chance to see many of the performers in their private lives. I have written a book on the subject, and it is now being published. The book is full of anecdotes and is very entertaining.

Cross-examined—It is not the ballet master's business to engage the corps de ballet; it is the business of the impresario. I have since that time been in charge of the ballet school, and have had a chance to see many of the performers in their private lives. I have written a book on the subject, and it is now being published. The book is full of anecdotes and is very entertaining.

HOW THE GIRLS' FEET WERE EXAMINED. I did not try their capacity; I looked at their feet to see that they had straight feet, and that they had straight legs; I gave lessons in dancing; that is a part of the business of the ballet master. I have since that time been in charge of the ballet school, and have had a chance to see many of the performers in their private lives. I have written a book on the subject, and it is now being published. The book is full of anecdotes and is very entertaining.

TESTIMONY OF AN AGENT OF MR. ANSCHUTZ. Edward Weber was sent called, and testified that he had been in the city for some time, and had had a chance to see many of the performers in their private lives. He has written a book on the subject, and it is now being published. The book is full of anecdotes and is very entertaining.

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THE PLANTIFF HERE NAMED, and defendant's counsel opened, calling as his first witness Mr. Anschutz, who testified that he had been in the city for some time, and had had a chance to see many of the performers in their private lives. He has written a book on the subject, and it is now being published. The book is full of anecdotes and is very entertaining.

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INSURANCE COMPANIES. DELAWARE MUTUAL SAFETY INSURANCE COMPANY INCORPORATED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF PENNSYLVANIA, 1855.

Table with columns for Assets of the Company, including Cash, Bonds, and Real Estate. Total assets listed as \$1,000,000.

Table with columns for Directors and Officers of the Delaware Mutual Safety Insurance Company, including names like Samuel E. Stokes and John C. Davis.

INSURANCE COMPANIES. 1829—CHARTER PERPETUAL. Franklin Fire Insurance Co. PHILADELPHIA.

Table with columns for Assets on January 1, 1866, and Losses Paid since 1829. Total assets listed as \$2,506,851.96.

INSURANCE COMPANIES. THE PENNSYLVANIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY INCORPORATED 1829—CHARTER PERPETUAL—\$50,000,000 CAPITAL.

INSURANCE COMPANIES. THE NORTH AMERICAN TRANSIT INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 133 SOUTH FOURTH STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

INSURANCE COMPANIES. GIRARD FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY. OFFICE, No. 415 WALNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

INSURANCE COMPANIES. GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY. Capital and Assets, \$18,000,000. Invested in United States, \$1,500,000.

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