CITY INTELLIGENCE.

| For Additional City Intelligence see Fifth Page. PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE .-- The December stated meeting of the Executive Council was held on Monday evening, 17th inst, the President of the Board, Mr. Weish, in the chair.

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A paper upon the proper construction of lifeboats and life-saying apparatus was received from J. S. Biedle, Esq., covering a communication from Captain Ammen, U. S. Navy, describing and offering for public examination and adoption an invention of his which he considers effective. The subject was referred to Mr. Tatham and a select committee, with instructions to examine into the various inventions for saving life at sen, and re-

A communication from the Chamber of Com-A communication from the Chamber of Commerce of New Orleans, and one from C. J. Field and John A. Strother, soliciting the co-operation of the Board in procuring governmental aid in rebuilding the Mississippi levees protecting the Yaxoo valley, was referred, together with a paper from the Albany Board of Trade urging the substitution of the cental or hundred weight for the bushel in purchases and sales of grain.

Mr. Fraley, from the Committee on Inland Transportation, offered the following report and resolution, which were respectively accepted and adopted:

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To the Excentive Council of the Philadelphia Board of Trade: The Committee on Inland Transportation, to which was referred the application of the Directors of the Xcomico and Pocomoke Kailroad Company, asking the aid of the Board of Trade in procuring subscriptions to the stock of said Company, respectfully report:

That they have given consideration to said application, and have endeavored to obtain such information on the subject as would guide to a correct; idgment. They find the statistics given by the officers of the Company confirmed by their inquiries; and that there are also large quantities of lumber and from ore on the route of the proposed road that may be calculated on for additional transge.

The old outlets of the trade of the region penetrated by the proposed road were by the small rivers and creeks connected with the ocean, but these have become so much obstructed by deposits of sand, etc., as to be no longer profitably navigable, and produce has to be transported considerable distances, and at great expense, in wagons.

The city of Philadelphia formerly had considerable

transactions with the werebants and people of that part of Maryland, and it is a most certain that the construction of the proposed railroad would again bring a large share of their trade and business back to us.

The amount they require to secure the completion of their road is not large, and we think the e prise worthy of the aid of our merchants and manu ress.

We accordingly submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Executive Council of the Philadelphia Board of Trade, the construction of the Yeomico and Pocomoke Bellivad will be of benefit to the trade and business of the city, and they therefore recommend animalisation.

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The Committee of the Month were then named: Messrs. George L. Buzby, Samuel Stokes and Geo. N. Tatham, and Council adjourned.

THE PHILADELPHIA HORTICULTURAL So-CIETY.—Though the month of December is not a month in which flowers and fruits are in profuse abundance, there was nevertheless a very interesting exhibition last night, at the regular meeting of the Penusylvania Horticultural Society.

The principal contributions were rare exotics, cut flowers, table designs and hanging vases, pears, apples and winter vegetables. The crowning glory of the numerous pear family exhibited, was the contribution of Mr. W. V. Pettit, a resident of Chesnut street, above Fifteenth, in whose garden stands a tree bearing fruit whose average weight is three-quarters of a pound, and which, in the absence of any other name, has been termed the Niles pear. This fruit can be kept through the entire winter, and yet has all the mushy smack and the vinous flavor of the pears that ripen in August. These Niles pears received a special premium. There was another fine collection also exhibited from the grounds of the late Mr. Baxter, Fourth and Washington streets.

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Of apples the display was very fine. The exhibition would have been much larger but that the society is waiting for the completion of the new hall, and until it is finished a good many persons are withholding their contributions. Where all were so meritorious it would be inviduous to particularly. The apple ground this State has been ticularize. The apple crop of this State has been made a feature of its productive capacity, and the time is probably not remote when every tree in the State, instead of bearing fruit whose juices require no more elaboration than is necessary for the cider vat, shall yield choice grafted fruit.

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There was a fine display of cut flowers last evening. Mr Kelvington, florist, of West Philadelphia; Henry A. Dreer, Esq., Chesnut street, and various other cultivators of flowers, exhibited an array of bouquets and baskets of flowers that very decidedly pleased the lady visitors. Taken as a whole, though occurring in mid-December, the exhibition was very creditable to the society.

At the business meeting last night a very liberal schedule of premiums was adopted, to be awarded at the spring exhibition, to be held in the new hall on the 5th, 6th and 7th of June next, at which time a floral bazaar will be held by the ladies of the Society. It will open on the 29th of May, and will no doubt be a very beautiful display of their handi-

no doubt be a very beautiful display of their handi-work. The entire proceeds of the fair will be de-yoted to the frescoing and decorating of the new

DEATH OF A PROMINENT CITIZEN.-Mr. Edward C. Dale, President of the Norristown and Germantown Ratiroad, and Vice-President of the Franklin Fire Insurance Company, died at his residence, in Spruce street, near Twelfth yesterday morning, after a brief illness. Mr. Dale lett the office of the Franklin Insurance Company on Monday afternoon, feeling u swell. He rode to Twelith and Spruce streets, and fell to the pavement before reaching his home. He was taken up in an insensible condition, and died, while in that state, about seven o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Dale was well known throughout our city as one of the early Presi-dents of the Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore Railroad Company, and also as Direc-tor of the Mint during the administration of Mr.

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER TO THE JUDGES Last evening, at a meeting of the Philadelphia Bar, held in the Supreme Court-room, a committee of twenty-five was appointed to make arrangements for a complimentary dinner by the Bar to the Judges of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, of the District Court, Court of Common Pleas, and the Judges of the United States Court for this District. The 8th of January was fixed as the time, and it was resolved to limit the subscribers to the dinner to the resident members of the Philadelphia Bar, and to restrict the invitations to the Judges named. meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

A HARD ROAD TO TRAVEL. - Ridge avenue, from Twenty-second street to Washing-ton lane, is in a very dilapidated condition, and almost impassable at times for vehicles. Coun-cils some months since passed an ordinance directing that the footways be curbed and paved, but for some reason or other the work has not yet been done. The roadway is piked, and its condition is owing to the neglect of the turn pike company, which still charges toll on all vehicles passing over it.

PENALTY ON DELINQUENT TAX-PAYERS. -The special committee of Councils to whom was referred the resolution offered in Councils on Thursday last, asking the Legislature to repeal the act giving the Tax Receiver five per cent. on delinquents, held a meeting last evening. A resolution was adopted instructing the chairman of the committee to report a bill, to be sent to the Legislature, repeating the act giving the Receiver of Taxes five per cent. on all bills collected from delinquents.

STORE, ROBBERY.—The hardware store of Mr. D. A. Knight, No. 1011 Market street, was entered by thieves on Monday night, and fine cutlery to the value of several hundred dollars carried off. An entrance was effected by boring through a back window-shutter,

FAIR.—The ladies of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, of West Philadelphia, are bolding a fair at No. 1214 Chesnut street, the proceeds to be used in paying off the debt of the

Accreent,-John Moloney, 36 years old, residing in Steward street, had a thigh broken yesterday at the foot of Washington avenue, by the giving way of a gang plank on which he was walking. He was taken to the Hospital.

ORDER OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.—Brevet Brigadier-General Wagner, of this city, has been appointed temporary commander of the Provisional Department of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of organizing districts and posts in the department. All honorably discharged soldiers and sailors desirous of or-

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ganizing posts of the Grand Army within the department will address the commander. The following gentlemen have been appointed the Provisional Staff of the Department of Pennsyl-Provisional Staff of the Department of Pennsylvania:—Colonel James Given, A. A. C.; Captain William J. Mackey, A. Q. M. G.; Brevet Brigatier-General E. R. Biles, A. A. D. C.; Captain J. H. Lambdin, A. A. D. C.; Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel W. M. Worrail, A. A. D. C.; Rev. G. Collins, 72d Pennsylvania Volunteers, Chaplain, and John C. Morgan, M. D., 29th Missouri Infantry, Surgeon.

SUPPOSED HOMICIDE.-Anthony Josline, who was admitted into the Pennsylvania Hospital on Monday, suffering from a wound repital on monday, suffering from a wound re-ceived on Sunday night during a disturbance in Bedford street, died in the Hospital yesterday. When Josline was admitted, it was thought be had been injured by a kick, but it is now said that he was stabbed. An inquest will be held

VISITING FIREMEN.-A delegation of firemen from Norfolk, Va., was in this city yester-day, for the purpose of purchasing a steam dre-engine. From them we learned that there are but two fire companies in Nortolk, one of them being a steam-engine company.

CAMDEN AFFAIRS.

GANG OF THIEVES BROKEN UP .- For some time past, our cuizens have been annoved by the depredations of some parties unknown breaking into their house, and carrying off every-thing that was portable. The officers have been on the alert, and have gradually captured the gang, one by one; but last evening they captured two more, and, as far as can be ascer-tained, there is only one left, and hopes are

entertained of his speedy capture.
On Monday evening, Mr. David Hammill's meat shop was broken into and a quantity of provisions and clothing was carried off. In the morning one of Mr. Hammill's employes went into the shop to get the wagon loaded for market; but not finding the rabbits and ducks, asked him "what he had done with them?" He replied, "They were in the shop;" but on examination,

they were not to be found.

They then made an examination of the premises, and discovered that the door had been pried open. Mr. Hammill said nothing, but went to his stall in the Fifth street market. He had been there about an Lour, when two Germans came along and offered him some ducks for sale. Immediately recognizing them as his property, he secured one of them; but the other made tracks for parts unknown. He gave his name as John Schmidt, and was taken to Cam-den and locked up. In the evening, officers at the Station House were informed that the other fellow was at a tavern at the corner of Fourth and Market streets. Officer Jauntry and two others immediately went to the place in ques-tion, and secured him. When brought before the Mayor he was questioned and cross-ques-tioned by his Honor, so that, in a short space of time, he involved himself in such a web that he could not extricate himself from it.

He gradually, but unconsciously, implicated himseli in all the robberies that have been com-mitted in the neighborhood for the past two weeks. Upon searching him a counterfeit fifty cent note was found, which he said he had had for six months. He had well provided himself for the winter in the clothing line, as he had on six shirts, two pairs of unmentionables, two coats, three pair of; stockings, and one vest. He was committed to the lock-up for the night. He gave his name as George Harman, and says he hails from Baltimore.

The other man was equally well provided with clothing. He had on five shirts, three pair of pantaleons, two coats, one vest, and four pair of stockings, and under all had an alpaca coat. These same men broke into Officer Herseley that Hawkins' shed and stole a table covering and a pair of gum shoes. Harman acknowledged selling the cover for \$1.00. The hat which he wore was recognized as belonging to Captain Jones, whose house they had entered on Saturday last and carried off sundry articles amounting to \$250, among which was a box of a fine brand of cigars, which were found in both of the prisoners' pockets, reduced to smoking tobacco. Both of the parties will have a hearing before the Mayor to-day. Great credit is to the Camden police force for the admirable manner in which they effected the capture of these two men, and for breaking up the gang.

ODD-FELLOWS' HALL .- This hall has undergone a sudden metamorphose, and Camden can now boast of one of the duest and largest halls in the State. The main entrance is on Market street, where two large mahogany folding loors debar the entrance of the too eager crowd to witness what is transpiring in the room above. When they are thrown open, we ascend a flight of steps, and are immediately ushered into the room. We are astonished, at first, to see the hall so well lighted, and on looking to see from whence the light comes, behold eight chandeliers, with three gas jets on both sides of the room. Glancing at the walls, we perceive they are coated with a flesh colored plaster, which, when contrasted with the jets, presents a very

beau iful effect. Looking towards the Fourth street end, we behold a stage, the dimensions of which are thirty-four by thirty-six feet. The front is shaped like a semicircle, with a door at each side. Over the doors, and running the entire width of the room, is beautiful fresco work. The entrance to this part of the hall is on Fourth street, and is exclusively for the artists. Having finished our examination of the main hall, we next come to the ante-rooms, two in number, on the same floor, which we find fitted up in good style, being amply supplied with closets, cloak wardrobes, and washing apparatus. Over head we find two more, which are the supper-rooms. The length of the hall, including the space occupied by the stage, is one hundred and twenty eet, and the width thirty-six. The room will be furnished with portable settees, and everything that will tend to the comfort of the audience and the performers, or whoever may occupy the hall for a short season, is insured by the proprietor. The gas-fixtures were furnished by Messrs. Cornelius & Baker, of your city, and the plumb-ing was done by Mr. Mooney, of this city.

To Mr. Morgan, the enterprising owner of the property, the citizens are deeply indebted for supplying this great desideratum. The hall will be formally opened this evening, by a grand concert given for the benefit of Charles Drew, and we hope to see it filled to overflowing with our citizens participating in the overflowing. our citizens participating in the opening.

AN ATTEMPT TO BREAK JAIL .- On Saturday last Officer Jauntry received information that certain prisoners were going to leave the County Prison surreptitiously, and he informed Sheriff Sharp of the fact, who immediately made an examination of the jail, and found one of the bars sawed to such an extent that it could be wrested from its place, and easy access could be had to the court-yard, after entering which the persons attempting to escape would be scot free. Those implicated were immediately placed in frons, and their little game was irusirated. But for the timely warning no doubt one-hall of the prisoners would have escaped, and thus defeated the ends of justice.

ROBBERY AT THE CAMDEN WOOLLEN MILLS.—Last night \$1300 were stolen from a drawer in the Camden Woollen Mills. The thieves got upon the root, and opened a trap-door, and thus obtained access to the room in which the money was kept. A man and a woman were by Officers Ayers and Hankins, who saw them on the roof, but no money was in their possession. When found they were in their stocking feet. The police made a thorough search of the premises, and arrested another man on suspicion. The trio were locked up in the county jail to await an investigation.

THE SOLDIERS' MONUMENT .- This monument to the memory of the honored deal who lost their lives in the defense of their country's flag was yesterday surrounded with an iron fence, and now presents a handsome appear-ance. The monument is well worth a visit, and those who do stop to take a glance at it are well satisfied, and go ou their way rejoicing that there are some at least in this city who honor the memory of our brave boys.

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