

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY.

How it was Observed—The Streets—The Churches—The Theatres, Etc., Etc.

We are obliged to confess that the present holiday season was not inaugurated with as much zeal as usually attends it in our city.

The distinctive feature of Christmas-eve was noise. We believe there is no other city in the Union in which the din of horns is so considered.

But this species of amusement was not confined to the youngsters who receive no benefit from it.

Another feature of our Christmas Eve is the crowding and pushing which is resorted to by sundry youths.

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with beautiful effect and in the most tasteful manner.

Of course all the feasts did a splendid business during the day and evening.

In the evening, the theatres were again jammed, and the rush for seats was so great that considerable difficulty was found to accommodate all.

At the Green Hill Hall, at Seventeenth and Poplar streets, a sacred concert was held.

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HOMICIDE.

A Man is Shot for Blowing a Tin Horn on Christmas-Day. The Culprit Claims His Self-Defense.

One of the most apparently unprovoked and cold-blooded murders that has ever been chronicled in the history of this city was committed yesterday (Christmas) morning.

It appears that a young man named Charles Serad, in company with four young friends, went upon celebrating Christmas holiday in the prevalent style.

Nearing the corner of Wharton street, a little above Mr. Peter Doyle's tavern, and just before a Mr. Spenser's house, Mr. Serad, having a tin horn, blew it just as a young man of the name of Harry Elinger, passed by.

Mr. Serad was struck in the left side, about the heart. He tottered into the tavern of Mr. Doyle, and sat down in a chair.

The third shot passed through an incandescence of Mr. Serad's chest, and he fell from the wall, within three or four inches of the head of a little boy, and breaking a large mirror hanging upon the wall.

Mr. Serad, a single man, aged twenty-seven years, residing at No. 207 Marion street, his standing in the community where he resided was the highest.

Elinger to-day gave himself up, acknowledged the deed, but says it was done in self-defense.

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THE YOUNG MEN'S RELIGIOUS UNION OF FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The association was organized on the evening of 21st February, 1886, by the start of numbers of eight young men.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered in writing to Alexander Russell, Esq., Treasurer of the Church, for the truly noble and Christian manner in which he has shown himself to be interested in the welfare of the young men.

Resolved, That the above be published in the daily papers of Philadelphia.

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FIRE—LOSS \$25,000.—Christmas was obscured in our country, large fire, which was so frequent in the city.

At 12 o'clock yesterday morning flames were seen issuing from the third story of the building, No. 133 Dock street, occupied by Mr. Anderson, for the storage of refrigerators, which are manufactured by that gentleman.

The fire, which gained rapid headway, and before long the two buildings were entirely in the hands of the fiery element.

The second story was occupied by Charles Phayen, manufacturer of cabinet ware.

The following properties were sold at noon today at the Philadelphia Exchange, by James A. Freeman, Auctioneer.

100 shares Dundalk Oil Co. (assessments paid). Not so.

A DESPERATE FELLOW.—George O'Donnell entered a house in Melrose street, above William on Christmas eve, and entering the room of the landlady, made a violent assault upon her, bruising her face considerably.

OTRAGIOUS ASSAULT.—Lewis Chilles was arrested at Third and Green streets, on Monday evening, on a charge of making a violent assault and battery on a woman, with an alleged attempt to commit an outrage.

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FIFTH EDITION

THE INDIANS.

Wholesale Massacre of United States Soldiers by Savages.

FORT LARAMIE, December 26.—A terrible massacre occurred on the 22d instant near Fort Phil. Keetey.

Brevet Colonel Peterman, Captain Brown, and Lieutenant Grumond, of the 18th Infantry, with 30 enlisted men of the 2d Cavalry and the 15th Infantry, were murdered by Indians, and every officer and man killed.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—E. G. Whitman & Co., No. 313 Chestnut street, are now ready to supply their choice and pure Coffee Beans, put up in neat boxes.

"HOLIDAY WEEK AND HOW TO SPEND IT."—A new work, just out, price from \$25 to \$70. Beautifully illustrated by the "Lions' V" Oreocasts sold at Charles Stokes Co.'s First-Class Clothing House, under the Continental.

LADIES GO TO G. BYRON MORSE & CO., No. 902 and 904 Arch street, for your Faded Orators, Chicken Salad, Coffee and Waffles.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING.—M. Shoemaker & Co., Nos. 4 and 6 N. Eighth street, are now opening splendid assortment of boys', girls', infants', and nurses' clothing.

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FOURTH EDITION

FROM WASHINGTON THIS P. M.

Pension Office Frauds.

Arrest of Suspected Parties.

The Mudd-Spangler Habeas Corpus Case

Christmas in the National Capital.

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Large and small sizes, playing from 2 to 12 miles, and costing from \$5 to \$500. Our assortment comprises such choice melodies as:

"Home, Sweet Home" "The Last Rose of Summer" "Auld Lang Syne" "Star Spangled Banner" "My Old Kentucky Home," etc., etc.

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