CITY INTELLIGENCE.

ALBION.

The Sons of England Hold their Annual Feast.

If there be any societies existing in our midst which commend themselves to the countenance and support of all true Americans—Americans who appreciate the fact that, as our country was born of foreigners, so its future glory, in a great degree, depends upon the character of that constant tide of emigration flowing to our shores—they are the various societies for receiving, encouraging, and aiding the poor immigrant as he lands a stranger here, as well as keeping alive the remembrances of the olden lands, and feelings of fraternity among their absent children. Philadelphia has some three or four of these organizations, all flourishing, and numbering as members some of the most respected and substantial of our citizens. We have the Hibernia Society, the St. George Society, the Scots' Society, the Welsh Society, the Italian Society; in fine, societies of almost all the nationalities upon the globe. The good which these have accomplished and are now accomplishing in their peculiar sphere, may be untold, but not the less extensive. They perform their work in a quiet, unobtrusive, kindly way, and thousand of foreigners, who now rank among our most wealthy and reputable citizens, candidly acknowledge that they owe to them their first help in ascending the ladder of success. Since these facts are indubitable, the societies acquire a prominent and important place in our political economy, and their annual reunions are made occasions of general interest.

Well, last evening, one of them, the Albion Society, celebrated its annual meeting and dinner at Augustin's, No. 1105 Walnut street. It is needless to say that the time was one of mirth, cordiality, and yet improvement. The room was tastefully decorated with looping festoons of the flags of the two nations—the British jack entwining snugly and warmly with the American stars and stripes. The attendance was full. Everybody appeared in the best possible humor, and had evidently come with the intention of making the most of the social gathering. Frederick Fairthorne, Esq., for six years past the president of the society, occupied the chair. Previous to taking their places at the table, the regular business of the year was transacted. A report was presented exhibiting an unusually favorable condition of the society, and then, as any one could have foretold, Mr. Fairthorne was again unanimously elected, for the seventh time, presiding officer.

At half-past 5 o'clock the members and invited guests took their places, and the banquet was opened. First, the customary blessing was pronounced by the Rev. George Dana Boardman, D. D., and then everybody, hungry and thirsty, obeyed Shakespeare's injunction, and "fell to."

After the cloth had been removed, the President read communications received from his Honor Mayor McMichael, James Welisford, Esq., the former president of the society, K. Cornwallis, editor of the New York *Albion*, and other invited guests, regretting their inability to be present, and expressing the most cordial interest in the objects and success of the society. All these letters were most kind, and only proved the estimation in which all right-minded persons hold societies similar to the one to which they were sent.

Among the invited guests present were her Britannic Majesty's Consul to this port, Wm. H. Kortright, Esq., Major-General Robert C. Patterson, President of the Hibernia Society; James Allen, Esq., President of the St. George Society; Charles Macalester, Esq., President of the Scots' Society; Horatio Gates Jones, Esq., President of the Welsh Society; their Honors Judges Hare and Brewster; and several others of distinction.

On the conclusion of the reading of the letters the first regular toast of the evening, "The Queen," was proposed. It was responded to by the entire society singing the time-honored hymn, "God Save the Queen," Professor Thunder aiding the singing with a piano-forte accompaniment.

The second toast—"The President of the United States," was responded to by the singing of our national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner," aided on the piano by Professor Pearce.

The third toast—"The Donors and Benefactors of the Albion Society; we hold them in grateful remembrance," was drank in silence—as was befitting.

The fourth toast, "Her Majesty's representatives in this country," was responded to by her Majesty's Consul in Philadelphia, William H. Kortright, Esq., who spoke most eloquently and feelingly. He alluded to the sincere sentiments of kindness and sympathy which he knew her Majesty entertained towards the United States. Whatever may be the *status* of the relation subsisting between the diplomats of the two countries, whatever may be the relative feelings held by the members of the houses of Parliament on the one hand, and the members of Congress on the other, he was certain that not only the Queen, but also the members of the royal family were heartily in favor of removing all obstructions to the most friendly intercourse between Great Britain and America. He spoke very warmly upon this especial subject, and said, could he only throw aside necessary official caution and reserve, he might mention with particularity at least one diplomatic letter which her Majesty had modified before it was despatched to this country, and so modified not only because she found the first transcript might exasperate the United States Government, but also because she deemed it unjust. Mr. Kortright was so emphatic in these remarks, and elucidated them so clearly and strongly, that he left no doubt of their truth upon the minds of his hearers. He also related several incidents to prove the kindly feelings the Queen has towards all Americans. Among others he mentioned the following:—

It chanced that at a levee given by her Majesty, an American gentleman attended in plain dress, having either forgotten or neglected to array himself in the customary court attire. He was notified that he had transgressed the laws of etiquette, and requested to leave the saloon. This he did, but soon after, the Queen, hearing of the occurrence, had him at once sent after and brought back, saying at the time that she was pleased to meet an American citizen in any dress he chose to wear.

It was the opinion of the company that in the diplomatic letter to which Mr. Kortright referred, he had alluded to the Mason and Slidell affair, and his explanation of it was most satisfactory and gratifying. We congratulate the citizens of Philadelphia in having in their midst, as the representative of the British Government, a gentleman as able, courteous, and well informed as Mr. Kortright.

The fifth toast, "England, the land of our birth," was then responded to by the Vice-President of the Society, Wm. Elliott. He stated in his opening remarks that, though he had for a long time been a resident of this country, he had lately paid a visit of two years to the land of his birth and the scenes of his early youth. He regretted exceeding the manner in which Americans visited England. As a rule, comparatively speaking, they spent fifteen months in Manchester, twenty months in Birmingham, a year and a half in London, and then across the Channel, to spend five years in Paris. While he candidly acknowledged that there were many things for the travellers to admire in Paris, he was sorry that they paid so little attention to the green fields and pretty villages of Merry England. He spoke very touchingly of the beauties of the land of his birth; said that it was the country in which to enjoy the fruits of well-gotten means—and then jocosely continued that he had, however, found that human nature was the same in all places—that while it was the almighty dollar in America, it was the almighty pound in England. He quoted many laughable incidents in support of this assertion. His speech throughout was alive with humor. He stated, in rising to respond to the toast, that as he was unaccustomed to public speaking, he would follow the example of the most eminent, most patriotic, and most illustrious man of the country, General Grant, and make but a very brief speech. Mr. Elliott adhered to this resolution so well that he inflicted on the company a speech of only some sixty minutes' duration. That was all. He was very witty, and was frequently applauded.

The sixth toast—"The United States, the land of our adoption," was responded to by Thomas Thompson, Esq., in a most felicitous speech. Mr. Thompson said that he was a true representative of the working classes. He and his brother had come to this country thirty-seven years ago, penniless and friendless; but now, after forty years of hard toil, both of them had acquired a competence. He spoke in the most feeling way of his native land; he remembered with gratitude and kindness the country which had given him birth. His speech throughout was interspersed with humor, and he was frequently interrupted by loud and appreciative bursts of laughter.

The seventh toast, "Our Sister Societies," was responded to by Major-General Patterson. In rising he said that he had noticed a great difference existing between the societies in this country which have relation to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the societies which have relation to other countries. In looking around him he saw representatives of England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales all assembled together in social and friendly conversation. The descendants of the people of these countries are ever found adhering closely to each other, while the descendants of the French, German, Italian, and other peoples in this country, all have their seperate societies, entirely distinct, and never in a formal way have connection with each other.

The General then alluded to the benefits arising from such societies, and said it was their duty to help along the poor foreigners in a way that would not make them feel the weight of degrading charity, but elevate them with feelings of independence. His speech was most happy.

The eighth toast—"The Judiciary, the Bar, and the Press, the bulwarks of civil liberty"—was responded to in the first part by his Honor Judge Hare.

The Judge made a most excellent and elaborate speech, stating how our civil laws had derived their origin from England, and, therefore, we should cherish the most friendly feelings towards the mother country. He was listened to with the most marked attention.

Mr. A. L. Snowden was called upon to respond to the toast of "The Press."

After expressing the gratification it afforded him of being present as one of the guests of the evening, he proceeded to express some surprise at his selection to respond to the toast just announced. On a very recent occasion, when he had the honor to respond to a toast which united the Press with the general cause of education, he was under the impression that his selection then was due to the fact that he had given some little attention to the subject of popular education, rather than to any mediate or immediate connection he might have had in the past with the Press. His selection this evening, however, to respond to "The Press," simple and pure, whilst he was surrounded by so many of its distinguished representatives, had opened his eyes, he thought, to the real motive that prompted their silence and his selection; and in mentioning it he hoped the representatives of the judiciary present would preserve the immemorial dignity of their high calling, and by their example prevent any thoughtless gentlemen present from indulging in a smile. If he erred in his judgment he hoped some gentleman of the Press present would correct him. It was a conclusion, nevertheless, he had just arrived at, that his selection was entirely due to the fact that the proverbial modesty of representatives of the Press rendered it necessary that some one entirely disconnected from this high vocation should be selected to sound their praises. (Laughter and applause.) In alluding to the remarks of Judge Hare, who preceded him, Mr. Snowden observed:—Whilst listening to the eloquent remarks of the distinguished jurist who has just taken his seat, on the high mission of the English race and the English language in shaping the institutions and controlling the destinies of the world, I am reminded that in this great work of educating, enlightening, and evangelizing the world, the English press is to perform no insignificant service.

Indeed, I think no man can be found bold enough to deny that in the great march of civilization and free institutions, the American and English free press are, and must continue to be, the axemen. Great as are many of the other institutions of England; great as she is in her old memories of noble and heroic men who fought and fell for spiritual and civil freedom; great as she is in the arts and in arms; great in the extent of her territory and beneficence of her laws; great as she is in manufactures, and in commerce, whose white-winged sails float on every sea, her grandest and most enduring monument is her free press and her noble literature, that come down to us and our times, and which will be transmitted to future generations, freighted with rich blessings, priceless beyond computation. We inherit these great blessings transmitted through the literature of England by right of lineage and language. It will be the great mission, as I know it is the high ambition, of the American press to be worthy of their privileges and their high calling; and in the sublime work our country has to perform, of peopling a great continent, in developing its untold resources, stretching its telegraphs and railroads from ocean to ocean, in educating its people to habits of thought, so as to make them [illegible] that rests in their worthy of the high [illegible] jewel of bands, of preserving the "priceless [illegible] freedom" for the coming times—in all this great work the American press has a duty to perform, more important in its results upon the future of our country than all other influences and agencies united. To this sublime mission the American press is invited, and as long as her hands are free and her heart pure I shall have no doubt as to the future of our beloved land, or the ultimate triumph of free institutions in all lands.

Mr. Snowden was frequently interrupted by applause, and when he took his seat was warmly congratulated.

The ninth toast—"The Clergy" was unanswered.

The 10th toast was responded to by Thomas Thompson, Esq., after which the meeting adjourned by singing "Auld Lang Syne."

D'Huyvetter's Pictures.—The fine collection of paintings now on exhibition in the Eastern galleries of the Academy of Fine Arts contains a large number of works moderate in size and attractive in subject, which are just suited to adorn the walls of a parlor or boudoir. The low prices brought by many superior works a few weeks ago, at the sale of the Beaumont collection, ought to be encouraging to picture buyers if not to the owners. We doubt not but that many gifts for the holiday season will be selected from among the works at the Academy; and what more appropriate and pleasing present could be given than a fine picture by an artist of assured reputation? Mr. D'Huyvetter has had a long experience as a picture buyer; he knows all the artists, European as well as American, and he knows exactly what works will suit the taste of the public. Every painting in the present collection is guaranteed original as represented, under a forfeiture of ten per cent. purchase money of all paintings selling for over $100. If purchasers have any doubts at the time of payment, and they desire to prove the originality, the purchase money will be deposited with Messrs. Jay Cooke & Co., subject to their order and that of the auctioneer, and upon a certificate from the artist or dealer being produced denying the originality, the purchase money, with interest and ten per cent. additional, will be refunded. The expense of obtaining the certificate will be borne by the present owner if the paintings are not as represented, and by the purchaser if as represented. The sale will take place on the evenings of Thursday and Friday next, at the store of B. Scott, Jr., opposite to the Academy of Fine Arts, and the pictures will remain on free exhibition until that time.

Robbery, and Escape of One of the Robbers.—About 4 o'clock this morning Sergeant Lentz and Policeman McDonnel, of the Eighteenth District, saw two fellows walking along Frankford road, near Washington avenue, one of whom had a bundle under his arm. The policemen started on a brisk walk after the men, when they took to their heels. The Sergeant grabbed hold of one of the scamps, when he dropped his package and effected his escape, though he left the collar of his coat in the hands of his capturer. Both got off. On examining the bundle it was found to contain a lot of clothing, a clock, and a silver castor, which it was subsequently ascertained had been stolen from the residence of Alexander M. White, on Franklin Cemetery lane. The place had been entered by prying off one of the shutters. As the residents in this locality last winter formed a vigilance committee, it would be well for thieves to give it a wide berth hereafter.

Fine Arts.—Within a few months Philadelphia has had an addition to her list of portrait painters in the person of Carl Lindemann, a German artist. His studio is at Gutekunst's gallery, in Arch street, where a number of his works are on exhibition. Among the portraits lately finished is one of Mr. S. V. Merrick, the well-known machinist, and in transferring to canvas the likeness, the artist has established his reputation as a colorist and thorough master of his art. He can claim to rank with Nagle, Sully, and Lambdin, of this city, and Huntingdon, of New York, who heretofore have held the first rank as portrait painters.

Fatal Casualties.—Frank Doyle, one of the men who was injured yesterday afternoon by the falling of the girders at the Baldwin Locomotive Works, at Broad and Buttonwood streets, died this morning at the Hospital.

Frank Anderson, who fell from the roof of a house in the Twenty-fourth ward yesterday, also died this morning at the Hospital.

A Till-Tapper.—William Lafton (colored) went into the bakery at Crown and Wood streets yesterday and removed a $10 bill from the drawer. He was observed doing this, and was followed by a policeman for a short distance, when he came to and acknowledged the theft. Alderman Toland committed him.

Council of Colored Bishops' Missionary Anniversary.—The annual meeting of the board of managers of the parent Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church was held in the Bethel A. M. E. Church this morning, Rev. William Moore, of Union A. M. E. Church, presiding.

Members present—J. Woodlyn L. Patterson, D. W. Moore, U. M. Turner, Jesse Divine, Theo. Gould, A. T. Carr, W. D. Schureman, J. H. W. Burley.

The President briefly addressed the meeting in an effective manner, and thought that the Executive Committee should meet the Board of Managers, as he considered their duties of a relative nature.

Rev. B. T. Turner thought that the Executive Board were amenable to the Board of Managers.

It was then resolved that the Corresponding Secretary and the Executive Committee be requested to make their semi-annual report to the Board of Managers.

The reports, as above ordered, were then read, received, and together with the Treasurer's report, were referred to an auditing committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Burley, Patterson, and Sluby.

The Auditing Committe, after a short interval, reported favorably on the several reports, and their report was approved, and the other reports previously referred were adopted.

The regular opening exercises of the anniversary meeting of the Society was held last evening at the same place. Addresses were delivered by Rev. James A. Handy, Bishop J. A. Shorter, Rev. A. T. Carr, of South Carolina, and Bishop John M. Brown, and William E. Mathews, Esq., General Agent of the Society.

A very large collection was taken on behalf of the Society, and a deep interest was manifested in the missionary work by the vast audience present.

The meetings are now fairly opened and will be very interesting throughout. The anniversary exercises will be continued this evening at that church, and to-morrow evening at the Union Church, Coates street, below Fifth.

The following are the resolutions proposed at this morning's session for consideration at the meeting this evening. They will be spoken upon by Revs. J. H. W. Burley, J. D. S. Hall, D. W. Moore, S. Patterson, and others.

Whereas, With emancipation and enfranchisement of our people comes the God-ligat of education to them; and

Whereas, It is impossible for an ignorant ministry to minister successfully to an intelligent people; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting that to preserve efficiency on the part of the ministers of the A. M. E. Church, they should be urged on to high literary attainments.

Whereas, The Saviour laid upon His disciples the necessity of teaching all men, and as it is impossible to teach that of which one is ignorant. He first instructed His disciples for nearly three years; *and whereas*, humanity still continues in the sad dilemma of being unable to teach that which it knows nothing; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is high time for our Church to awake to the common-sense principle of having our ministers first instructed in the things they are expected to teach; and be it further

Resolved, That to this end we must render a hearty co-operation to all of our educational interests.

The Board of Bishops being in session at the same time, a communication was received from them for the Missionary Board to meet their session. The Board then repaired to the audience-room of the Bench of Bishops, when our report closed for the morning session.

Nicely Caught.—Detective Reeder, last evening, while promenading Market street, saw a suspicious looking individual, with a bundle of water-proof cloth under his arm, turn the corner at Eighth street. The detective walked up to his man, who stated that he was going to Sixth and Shippen streets. After reaching Fifth and Minor streets the thief proposed to the official to go into the Eastern Market and there divide the stolen article. Mr. Reeder then showed the thief his official badge and marched him to the Central Station, where he had a hearing before Alderman Beitler, who sent him to prison.

The Press Club of Philadelphia will hold a stated meeting at the rooms on Walnut street, to-morrow afternoon, at 4 o'clock, at which time business of great importance will be brought before it. A treasurer to succeed the late Caspar Souder, Jr., is to be elected, and a draft of a charter for the Club will be submitted for consideration. An essay will also be read by William J. Clark, Jr., Esq., on "A Model Newspaper," in which the relations of the press to the prosperity of Philadelphia will be discussed.

The Funeral of George N. Harvey took place yesterday, from his late residence, No. 614 North Sixteenth street, and was very largely attended. Mr. Harvey had been for more than thirty years a member of the Board of Brokers, of which he was the second oldest member. The cause of his death was paralysis. The cortege proceeded to Monument Cemetery, where the remains were interred.

A Singular Sort of Amusement.—William Dougherty, aged sixty-two years, a bummer, yesterday walked along Market street and punched holes through the window-panes of several of the stores. This amusement was put an end to by a policeman, who escorted the individual before Alderman Jones. He was provided with quarters at Moyamensing.

The Poultry Exhibition.—The annual fair of the Pennsylvania State Poultry Association begins on Monday next at Horticultural Hall, and will continue open until the Saturday following. The exhibition will be one of the finest that the society has ever given.

A Thief Captured.—Albert Davis yesterday committed an assault and battery on Patrick Godwin in a tavern at Fawn and Jefferson streets, and then, it is alleged, stole his pocket-book. Alderman Hood sent the accused to prison for trial.

Casualty.—Morris Geary, residing on Washington street, above Ninth, fell on Sunday evening in the vicinity of his house, and broke a leg.

DIED.

For additional Deaths see Third Page.

MALLERY.—On the 14th instant, JOSEPHINE R., widow of Charles B. Mallery, Esq., and daughter of the late John Purdon, Esq.

Funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, George A. Wright, No. 4106 Walnut street, on Thursday morning, the 17th instant, at 11 o'clock. Services at St. Mary's Church, Locust street, West Philadelphia. 11

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FROM CHICAGO.

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Chicago, Dec. 15.—The following is special to the Chicago *Tribune*, dated yesterday:—The General Superintendent of the Union Pacific Railroad characterizes the despatch dated San Francisco, December 14, stating that the Union Pacific Railroad has been blocked snow since the 4th, as maliciously false. A heavy snow storm a week ago interrupted communication a few miles east of Cheyenne only one day, and west of Cheyenne not quite two days, since when trains have been running regularly. The same storm delayed trains on the roads east and south of Omaha twelve to twenty hours longer. To-day Superintendent Snyder telegraphs to the Postmaster-General that the Union Pacific road is ready to convey overland mails to Evanston, 957 miles west of Omaha. The road is clear of snow its entire length.

FORTIETH CONGRESS—THIRD SESSION

House of Representatives.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Mr. Eliot (Mass.) offered a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for supplementary reports of Major-General Wilson concerning the improvement of the Mississippi river at Des Moines and Rock Island Rapids. Adopted.

Mr. Julian (Ind.), from the Committe on Public Land, reported back the Senate bill granting lands to California to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from Vallejio to Huntsville. Ordered to be printed and recommitted.

Mr. Price offered a resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit to the House the reports made on the Union Pacific Railroad by the Government Director and Special Commissioner. Adopted.

Fire in St. Joseph.

St. Louis, December 15.—The Pacific House, at St. Joseph, took fire this morning, and was entirely destroyed. Loss on building, $75,000; insured for $45,000. Mr. Bagwell, the lessee, loses furniture to the value of $25,000, which is insured for $12,500. The hotel was crowded with travellers, several of whom narrowly escaped, owing to the fire.

From Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—The Michigan Central Railroad, and Great Western Railroad of Canada, announce that they will return free, to the Suspension Bridge, all soldiers and other persons attending the reunion of the Armies of the West, who paid full fare going westward over said roads.

Fire in Massachusetts.

Worcester, Dec. 15.—George Metcalf's straw shop, in Medway, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at $10,000; insured for $8000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

From Maine.

Portland, Dec. 15.—Two men named Fairweather and Harword who were on trial here for setting fire to the Augusta Arsenal, were acquitted and discharged.

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LATEST SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

For additional Marine News see Inside Pages.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

New York, Dec. 15—Arrived, steamship Britannia, from Glasgow.

(By Atlantic Cable.)

Liverpool, Dec. 15.—The barque Alice, from New York, has arrived, with her rigging damaged by a gale.

Southampton, Dec. 15.—Arrived, steamship Union, from New York.

Plymouth, Dec. 15.—The ship Arnold Boninger, from New York, put into this port leaking.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA.....DECEMBER 15.

STATE OF THERMOMETER AT THE EVENING TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

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CLEARED THIS MORNING.

Steamship Fanita, Freeman, New York, John F. Ohl, Barque J. B. Duffis, Biarette, Antwerp, E. A. Souder & Co.
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ARRIVED THIS MORNING.

Steamship Volunteer, Gallagher, 24 hours from New York, with mdse to John F. Ohl.
Schr R. J. Mercer, King, from Dighton.

Correspondence of the Philadelphia Exchange.

Lewes, Del., Dec. 13—6 P. M.—The following vessels from Philadelphia went to sea yesterday and today:—Barques Jennie Ellingwood, for Havre; Schamyl, for Marseilles; Celia, for Barbados; schr Enterprise, for St. John, N. B.; also, one barque and two brigs, names unknown.

Thomas Kelly, who was brought ashore here suffering from injuries received by being caught in the main sheet on board the schr J. V. Wellington, has since died, and was buried here. He leaves a wife and several children in Ireland.

Wind NW. JOSEPH LAFETRA.

THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
BIBLE SCHOOL
of the Fifth Baptist Church, corner of Eighteenth and Spring Garden streets, Rev. Warren Randolph, Pastor, will be held in the
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on Thursday evening next, December 17th. Interesting exercises by the school, and an address by
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WASHINGTO

Meeting of the Reconstruction Naval Committees—Return of Colonel Wynkoop—Tributes of Respect.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Despatch to The Evening Telegraph

Washington, Dec. 1

The House Committee

on Naval Affairs met to-day and author Judge Kelley to report, and ask that the re be printed on the

Frauds in the Philadelphia Navy Y

The report will be recommitted to the C mittee. The Committee also agreed to repo bill regulating the rank of staff officers in Navy.

Despatch to the Associated Press.

The Reconstruction Committee

to-day examined the Mississippi Republi Committee, who presented various argume with data, to show why the votes of se counties should be thrown out of the co principally on the ground of fraud, irre larities, and intimidations. With this exclusi they say, the Constitution of that State been ratified by about 3000 votes.

The ommittee of Ways and Mean

had before them to-day a number of dealers tobacco from New York, who want a change the laws.

Tributes of Respect and Love.

Legislation will be practically suspended Wednesday afternoon until after the recess Thursday, and perhaps Friday will be exc sively devoted to the announcement of deaths of Stevens, Finney, Hind, and Ma Many members will start for their homes p vious to Monday.

Colonel Wynkoop,

late Agent of the Arapahoe and Cheyen Indians, will be here to-morrow for the purpo of settling his accounts. His resignation is in the hands of Commissioner Taylor, not h ing been presented to the Secretary, and con quently not yet accepted.

Bids

for furnishing annuity goods to the Indians w be opened to-day at the Indian office.

Reports from

The Local Land Office

at Huntsville, Alabama, show that during N vember sixty-six farms, embracing about thousand acres, were disposed of to parties that State.

Town Elections in Massachusetts.

Boston, Dec. 15.—The new Board of Alde men stands:—Republicans, 7; Democrats, Common Council—Republicans, 39; Dem crats, 21.

At Lynn, yesterday, James N. Baffam, citizen candidate for Mayor, was elected.

Lowell elected Jonathan P. Folsom, Repub lican, Mayor, by one hundred and fifty majorit over F. B. Pratt, running on the citizen's ticke

In Charlestown, E. L. Norton, Republican was elected Mayor with but slight opposition.

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Philadelphia, December 15, 1868.

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