#### NEWS SUMMARY.

City Affairs. -James Hickey, aged eighteen years, residing in Haddington. West Philadelphia, had both legs and one arm broken yesterday afternoon, by falling out of the third story window of the

paper mill of Cooper & Co. He was removed to the hospital.

-The Commissioners of the Sluking Fund of the city of Philadelphia, consisting of Mayor McMichael, Mr. Lyndall, City Controller, and Mr. John Welsh, held their annual meeting yesterday at the office of the City Treasurer, and cancelled \$397,110 of city loan that had been purposed by the Commissioners during 1868.

cancelled \$397,110 of city foan that had been purchased by the Commissioners during 1868, and also \$269,284'11 of loan redeemed during the same period by the City Treasurer, making the total amount cancelled \$666,394'11.

—George W. Knight, who plead guilty to the charge of executing a false bond by which the payment of the tax on distilled spirits was evaded, and was sentenced on the first of February to one year's imprisonment, has been rnary to one year's imprisonment, has been pardoned by President Johnson. Contrary to the usual practice in the United States District Court, Knight was not sentenced to the Eastern Penitentiary, and he has been since the sen-tence was passed on the untried side of the County Prison.

The Young Men's Christian Association held

The Apen-

their monthly meeting last evening. The opening exercises were conducted by Peter B. Simons, Esq., President of the Association. An essay upon the subject of "Making the Prayer-meetings Attractive," was read by the Rev. Alfred Taylor. The question, "Can Prayer-meetings be made Attractive to Unconverted Young Men?" was debated by a number of the members. Seventy-eight new members were elected. During the evening resolutions were adopted in reference to the death of Rev. Robert J. Parvin, and condoling with the family of the

-The Philadelphia Tract and Mission Society distributed during the present month 59,187 English, 8341 German, and 161 French tracts over two-thirds of the city, through 8 Mission aries, 55 Superintendents, and 800 Tract Visit-ors; 5000 tracts of this number have been given to the seamen along the Delaware and Schuylkill. These visitors gather the children huylkill. These visitors gather the children into our Sunday and other schools, supply the Bible to the destitute, meet the bodily wants of the masses through the City Mission and Union B nevolent Society, and in the temperance cause by circulating the pledge and temperance tracts. Mission meetings are established as far as possible in each section, to which the residents of such section are invited to attend who do not go anywhere to church, and thus are eventually drawn to hear the Gospel preached.

-Samuel Nicholson, aged seventeen years, yesterday afternoon stepped into the cashler's room of the National Exchange Bank, and stated that he desired to wait for his father, who he said was one of the principal deposi-tors. On a desk were a large number of \$100 coupon bonds. The cashier turned his back for an instant, and on facing about noticed that the pile of bonds was considerably disarranged. The youngster, after sitting awhile, remarked that as his father did not seem to be coming he would take his leave, but the cashier suspecting that he had stolen some of the bonds, turned the key in the door. Nicholson asked what was the matter, when the cashier discovered one of the bonds lying at his feet. Calling in a police-man, Samuel was escorted to the Central Station. where he had a hearing last evening. He was committed for trial.

#### Domestic Affairs,

-Gold closed yesterday at 134f. -Speaker Colfax is expected in Washington. -The Secretary of State will be back in Wash-

ington to-day.

—After the 1st proximo Boston is to have a weekly European mail via Queenstown. -The Spanish Government is taking measures to reduce the Budget for the ensuing year, -General Butler is getting ready an argument

opposing resumption of specie payments.

—A convention of the colored men of Western
Pesnsylvania was held in Pittsburg yesterday.

—Cincinnati is about to extend her municipal boundaries so as to add thirty square miles to Senator Morton is preparing a reply to the journals which have assailed his plan for re-

sumption.

—All the large cities in Spain, except Maid, were carried by the Republican

elections. The House Appropriation Committee was yesterday engaged in perfecting the Legislative Appropriation bill.

The Congressional committee for the investigation of election trauds in New York held a private meeting yesterday.

—The mechanics of Budalo have, in public meeting assembled, protested against the New York system of employing convict labor.

-At a meeting of the citizens of Giles county Tenn., held on Thursday, the late instances of mob law in that vicinity were condemned. -The municipal authorities of Elmira are anxious for a visit from General Grant.

United States Armory is held out as an induce - George B. Butler, President of the late Tenuessee National Bank, was arrested at Memphis yesterday, on the charge of embezzle-

—Saily Anderson, the incendiary, recently released at Richmond by Judge Underwood, has been rearrested by order of General Stoneman. -Representative Van Wyck, in a letter to a

friend, says the report made by him last week was approved by the Joint Committee on Retrenchment. -Reported conversations with the President elect, published in the New York Tribune and

World, have been pronounced utterly false by General Grant himself. -Hop. Eugene Casserly, United States Senator

elect from California, received a complimentary public dinner in New York last evening. Among the guests were William Cullen Bryant, Charles A. Dana, and Horace Greeley.

### Foreign Affairs.

HAVANA, Dec. 28.—The following intelligence Is published in the Diario:—
On account of the scarcity of provisions in Santiago, the emigration to Kingston of the

anffering poorer classes continues.

The grinding of sugar on plantations and the gathering of the coffee crop in the vicinity of Santiago are prevented by the presence of insurrectionists. With these exceptions Santiago is quiet.

The official reports of the battle near Holguin are confirmed. The Diario says the insurrectionists confess their loss to be 500, and that they lost their only two cannon. Small bands of revolutionists have made their appearance in the vicinity of Gibara. Count Valmaseda's column is advancing from Neuvitas to the interior. No reports of engagements have been

New York, Dec. 28.—The steamer Alaska, from Aspinwall the 20th, brings \$75,591 in treasure.

Baldwin, who assassingted Superintendent Parker, of the Panama Railroad, died at Aspin-

wall on the 15th. Senor Palacios nad arrived at Panama, en route to the United States and Great Britain, as Special Commissioner from Guatemala, to negotiate a loan for government improvement

The gunboat Yan'ie had returned to Aspin wall from Carthagena, where she landed Cateb Cushing, and reports the vellow fever prevailing at Santa Martha and Baranquils. President Duenas, of Salvador, has been re

elected.

An attempt to overthrow the Provisional Government of Costa Rica was discovered, and the author, General Salazar, allowed to resign his office of commander-in-chief.

The gunboat Penobscot left Aspinwall on the 20th for Carthagena and Curacoa.

Vienna, Dec. 28.—The Greeks are fleeing from Torkey on account of the threatened war. Several families of fugitives have been received by the people of the province of Roumania. They have been warned, bo wever, that they must preserve absolute neutrality in case of war, on pain of expulsion.

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Paris, Dec. 28.—the Constitutionnel of this city, a semi-official Imperialist organ, publishes a telegram from Vienna to-day, announcing that the Sublime Porte will decline to adhere to the proposed conference, if the terms of its uiti-

ma'um to Greece in the matter of Crete, or I internal questions, are mooted.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The French Chambers will PARIS, Dec. 28.—The French Chambers will assemble on January 18.

MADRID, Dec. 27, via London, 28.—The Gov-

roment is taking measures to reduce the budget for the ensuing year.

Em'lis Castelar, the well-known Republican, says that a republic has been morally formed already in Spain, as the Republican party carried all the great cities in the country, except Madrid in the late elections. LONDON, Dec. 28.—The following despatch, dated Constantinopie, December 26, is just

received:"The provinces are entirely tranquil. The Turkish commander, Kiamil, has arrived before

Syrn."

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Star this morning condemns and the Standard approves the recent action of the British authorities at Nankin. Sir Richard Mayne, who made himself noto-rious not long since by breaking up Sunday meetings in Hyde Park, died yesterday. London, Dec. 28.—The Prussian Government received, on Christmas day, an invitation from the Emperor Napoleon to the Paris Confer-

LONDON, Dec. 28 .- A letter from Monterey says President Lopez, of Paraguay, is prepared to accord full satisfaction to the United States for the wrongs suffered by American citizens. It is also stated that he was about to leave Villeta for Asuncion. The Allies were surprised in an advance on Asuncion, and lost one hundred prisoners.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Times and Standard of this city have editorials to-day on the subject of the proposed conference to settle the questions at issue between Turkey and Greece. Both

journals condemn the project as useless,
LONDON, Dec. 28.—A despatch from Athens,
dated on Thursday last, says the Foreign Minister of Greece has officially declared that that Government is ready to make any sacrifice for be maintenance of her rights and indepen-

LONDON, Dec. 28 .- The steamship Columbia, of the Anchor Line, arrived at Queenstown on Saturday under sail, having lost her screw in a gale when a few days out from New York for

BRUSSELS, Dec. 28 .- The Independance Belge says the prospects of a conference are reassuring.

## FROM WASHINGTON.

Naval Orders.

Washington, Dec. 38.—The following naval orders have been issued:—Rear Admiral Rad-ford is detached from the command of the Washington Navy Yard, on the 20th of January, and ordered to the command of the European Squadron, Captain Edward Middleton is de-tached from the command of the Pensacola and ordered to the command of the Lackawanna. Captsin J. C. Howell is detached from duty as a member of the Examining Board, and ordered to duty as fleet captain of the European Squa dron. Captain George H. Preble is detached from duty as fleet captain of the North Pacific Squadron, and ordered to the command of the Pensacola. Commander Thomas Scott Fillebrown is detached from the Hydrographic Office in Washington, and ordered to the command of Lieutenant-Commander B. K. Duer is detached

from the receiving ship Vermont and ordered to the Narragansett. Ensign J. N. Hemphill is detached from League Island station: Paymasmaster C. P. Thompson from the Navy Department; Surgeon John T. Taylor from the Naval Hospital, New York; Passed Assistant Surgeon George A. Bright from the Naval Hospital in Washington. Midshipmen W. B. H. Frariy, C. H. West, J. P. Morrill, and J. Mitchell are detached from the Franklin and ordered to the Foreste, on the 20th of January payt. Reserved. Kenosha on the 20th of January next. Rear-Admiral C. H. Poor is ordered to the command of the Washington Navy Yard. Commodore J. Selfridge is ordered to duty as ?resident and Cuptain Thomas G. Corbin as a member of the Examining and Retiring Board.

General Spinner has written a letter to Mr. Wilder, of Boston, in reply to his communication of the 24th just., in relation to the resumption of specie payments. Spinner explodes Wilder's theory about resuming by paying seventy-five cents on the dollar. This letter closes the correspondence between these gentlemen on this subject.

Senator Morton and a long interview to-day with McCulloch and General finances. He is gathering all the information he can on the subject, in order to write a reply to Greeley's letter. It is generally admitted among parties who are well posted here that Morton will come out of his controversy with Greeley considerably worsted.

General Grant leaves here on Wednesday for Philadelphia, where it is understood he will remain until after New Year, the guest of George et. Stuart. He will, stop on his way at Baltimore, to dine

with a friend in that city. CITY COUNCILS.

The House of Correction Bill Defeated. Yesterday afternoon both branches of City

Councils held a special meeting. Select Branch .- President Stokley was in the The call for the special convocation was read by The care to the special committee appointed to consider and recommend the including of certain dickey birds in the operation of the game laws reported through Colonel Page. They recommended a reconsideration of the bill, in order to include robins

among insectivorous birds.

The robin question was carried without debate. A resolution was offered authorizing the Com-mittee on Finance to report an ordinance to bridge the Reading Railroad on Broad street. This was passed.

A batch of Common Council bills were concurred One making an appropriation of \$39,574 to Clerks of Councils for the ensuing year.

One making an appropriation of \$511,062 to the Department of Highways, Bridges and Sewers, was

passed after a long debate.

The bill for the erection of a house of correction. and that a lot of ground at Tinicum Island be bought for the purpose, was talked over for a long time. The tract consists of 446 acres. The price is \$28,000, with \$3000 per annum in the shape of The bill, after a protracted debate, was post-

The sureties of Major David P. Weaver, City Commissioner elect, and of John M. Melloy, Re-ceiver of Taxes elect, were then separately ap-

An ordinance authorizing a temporary loan of not more than \$450,000, to meet the current domands of the City Treasury, was passed.

A resolution requesting the Congressional delegation from Philadelphia to urge upon the national legislature the necessity for an immediate improvement of League Island and the construction of the national dockyard for ironclads, was adopted.

Bills as follows were passed: Appropriating \$2411 Bills as follows were passed: Appropriating \$2411 to the county offices for blank books, etc., and \$220,538 to the Department of City Commissioners.

The appropriation to the Water Department, \$338,616, passed undebated.

The Chamber then adjourned.

Common Branch.—President Joseph F. Marcer in the chair. The following bills and resolutions from Select Council were considered:
A resolution to turnish stoves for one of the city
school houses. Concurred in.
A bill appropriating \$123,050 out of the money of

the Girard Estate for various expenses of that insti-

A resolution instructing a committee to inquire into the expediency of establishing a morgue or house for the dead. Concurred in.

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A resolution requesting the Legislature to pass a bill entitled a supplement to the charter of Philadelphia, providing that salaries of city officers shall not be increased during their term of office by ordinance of Councils; that such officers shall not receive any perquisites for extra service; that no person holding certain offices in the city shall be eligible as a member of Councils, and that certain oaths shall be administered to all city officers and clerks in the various effices. Concurred in, with a slight amendment.

amendment.

Mr. Ray offered a resolution authorizing a transfer in the appropriation to the Department of Highways. Agreed to.

Mr. Wagner offered a resolution requesting the members of Congress from Philadelphia and Senators from Pennsylvania to secure an appropriation for the League Island Navy-yard.

The Chamber then took up and considered, in Committee of the Whole, the bill to make an appropriation of \$1,155,522 to the Board of Controllers of Public Schools of the First school district of Pennsylvania for the year 1869. Item 330 was amended by substituting \$579 74 for \$200. An additional item, No. 341½, was inserted, appropriating \$1224 for grading, paving, etc., the grounds about certain schoolhouses. Item 385 was amended by substituting \$150 for \$100. Item 412 was amended by substituting \$300 for \$100. Item 419½ was inserted, appropriating \$3000 for furniture and rent of additional buildings. Item 430 was amended by substituting \$400 for \$800. Item 435 was added, appropriating \$6000 for instruction in vocal musle in the schools. The bill then finally passed.

Several Select Council resolutions and amendments to bills were then concurred in. ments to bills were then concurred in.

Mr. Harperoffered a resolution directing the City
Treasurer to pay warrants drawn for the payment
of League Island and the City Ice Boat. Agreed
to. Adjourned. Adjourned.

#### THE HILL MURDER.

The Proceedings Yesterday Afternoon, Prior to the adjournment of the morning sesslon of yesterday, Judges Brewster and Ludlow delivered differing opinions upon a point raised

On Saturday.

Brewster, J.: The defendant has offered to show by a witness the declarations of the deceased, made, as it is alloged, to the witness, to the effect that the deceased had bought the house and furniture for, and had given them, with the exception of the piano, to her daughter. This has been obdected to, and argued by counsel. We were not favored with the citation of any authority upon either side, and our examination, has not enabled us to find any case directly bearing upon the point thus submitted for our decision. We are remitted, therefore, to the general principles of the law which may be supposed to govern us in our consideration of such a question.

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It is not to be denied that the proposed evidence is obnoxious to the rule which excludes hearsay declarations. Such statements, not made under the obligation of an cath, and repeated by a witness who may extort them, are fraught with great danger. We applied this rule rigidly, too, in favor of the defendant when we excluded, upon his objection, declarations of the deceased as to her fear of him, and as to her intention to submit her complaint against him to counsel, with a view to the recovery of the real estate. Nor does this offer commend itself as falling within any one of the exceptions under which hearsay evidence is sometimes admitted, for this is neither.

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First. A case where the question as to whether a certain declaration was or was not made, is in controversy; nor
Second. Does it refer to bodily or mental feeling, which are the subject of inquiry; nor
Third Does it touch a question of prejudice; nor
Fourth. Is the proposed declaration a part of any res
seste. (1 Greenleaf on Evid., \$123.)

But the commonwealth has been allowed to show facts
from which it might be hereafter argued.
First. That the defendant had practised a fraud upon
the deceased by securing the name of his wife to be inserted in the title paper for the house.
Second. That the defendant had a motive for the commission of the offence, not only to avoid exposure of
this fraud, but to obtain possesion of the other property
belonging to the deceased, Incri causa.
Now, suppose the truth to be that the mother had intended to have the deed made as it was made, or inother
words let us imagine that the order given by the defendant to the conveyancer was delivered at the request
of the deceased. How could he prove his innocence in
this behalf except by the declaration of the deceased?
Take another illustration. A watch formerly belonging
to a deceased person is found in the pocket of a person
arrested for murder. Could not the defendant prove
that the deceased had declared that he had given the
watch to the defendant?

I think such evidence would be admissible, for it
would fail under the exception of declarations made by
a person making them at the time when they were made.
(Greenleaf on Evidence, see, 147.) It is true that the
ordinary and highest tests of fidelity, accuracy and
completeness of judicial evidence, are here wanting,
but there place is in some measure supplied by the circumstances of the declarant; and the inconveniences
resulting from the exclusion of evidence having such
guarantees for its accuracy in fact, and from its freedom
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irom fraud, are deemed much greater in general than any which would, probably, be experienced from its admission. While, therefore, I feel the difficulty of deciding this question, and the danger of admitting the proposed evidence, I have concluded to overrule the objection, and in favorem vitæ to give the defendant the benefit of every possible doubt.

Judge Ludlow—I cannot see my way clear to admit the declarations, of the deceased lady as proof of the title to property, either real or personal. It is true that, in so far as any evidence concerning the title to the real estate has been produced by the commonwealth, testimony may be admitted on behalf of the defendant rebutting the case of the commonwealth; that is, evidence of acts of the deceased, and declarations made in the presence of the prisoner, at times specified in the testimony presented by the Court; but beyond this I do not think we ought to go. As to the evidence of declarations of the deceased of title to personal property, I think they ought to be rejected.

First. Because sind neclarations fall within the general rules against hearsay testimony.

Second. Heliet to the declarations of a third party.

Third. Because in any view they are immaterial to the issue now before the Court.

I am therefore in favor of sustaining the objection to the testimony.

Judge Brewster—We are both agreed that this division has the effect of admitting the testimony.

At 30 clock the Court reconvened and the trial was resumed. The defence proved a number of additional bills for, furniture purchased in the mame of Mrs.

At 3 o clock the Court record a number of additional resumed. The defence proved a number of additional politic for furniture purchased in the name of Mrs. Twitchell.

Elien Nolan, recalled—Mrs. Hill said to me at different times that the house and furniture, except the piano, were Mrs. Twitchell's, that she had bought them in her name; I asked her what about the piano, and she said, "If Camilla learns to play it, it is her's," she said, "If Camilla learns to play it, it is her's," and said, "If Camilla learns to play it, it is her's," and said, "If Camilla learns to play it, it is her so, "If Camilla learns to play it, it is her's," and said, "If Camilla learns to play it, it is her's," and said.

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Thomas E. Carter, sworn—I live at No. 1293.

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and there is a rise of ten steps; the doors are of inch and three quarters plank.

Mr. Zeise was called in corroboration of Mr. Essler. Charles T. Hollingshead, recalled—The prisoner's place of business was at the foot of Cooper street. Camber, he was engaged in the manufacture of cedar shingles; the stock there consisted of 59.325 shingles within the past few weeks; I believe the prisoner put all the machinery there; I do not know what it cost him, but it would not fall short of \$5600; I counted these shingles to-day; there were also 6000 common shingles; there was no other factory of the kind there; I saw those shingles on the day preceding the murder, and I now see no change in them.

Cross-examined—thave heard that these shingles belonged to a Mr. Wallace, of Norfolk, who furnished the logs from which they were made; the engine is an old one; the prisoner is inaebted to me in the sum of \$130.

Lun M. McCully, recalled—The real value of the rei-

old one; the prisoner is indebted to me in the sum of \$130.

John H. McCully, recalled—The real value of the prisoner's property at the stable was \$1200: I had it sold at the bazaar for him; after payment of the commissions and other expenses the auctioner gave me for the prisoner \$200.

Cross-examined—This property convisted of two sets of harness, a horse and buggy; he had no phaeton at the time of the sale, but had one before; the sale occurred since the murder; he had a mare and a colt in the country.

John Crump, sworn—I am a builder, residing at No. 1753 Chestnut street; I have known for eighteen or twenty years Mr. Joseph Gilbert, who has been examined in this case, and know many others who know him; I know his characterfor truth; it is bad; he cannot be believed on his oath.

Cross-examined—I ceased to be on good terms with him in 1852.
George Thorne, recalled—I know Mr. Gilbert; I have known him three years; I know his general character for truth; it is very bad, and I would place no reliance on what he swore to.
Cross-examined—I formerly boarded with him; he never awed me for board, but he has had me bound to keep the peace, and has issued a writ of replevin sgainst me for the recovery of certain property.
Mr. Zeiss, recalled—I know Mr. Gilbert and his character for truth; it is bad; I would not believe him upon oath.
Cross-examined—I have heard Mr. Crump say it was

acter for truth; it is bad; I would not believe him upon oath.

Cross-examined—I have heard Mr. Grump say it was bad; I can recall no one else at present; I might say, also, that Mr. Easier told me so, and Mr. Thorne also; I have heard Mr. McCully say so within a few days.

Wm. Gregg, recalled—I have met Mr. Gilbert only several times, and that since the first of July last; I have heard that his character for truth was bad.

Cross-examined—I have heard Mr. Vanleer and Mr. McCully and others speak of it; Mr. Vanleer said he had said things he didn't believe; McCully said he made false statements there on several occasions; he also told me of a statement he contradicted on eath; I think this was a month ago; I heard Dr. Taylor speak in the same manner; he said he would not believe him; he was a dangerous man.

ame manner; he said he would not believe him; he was a dangerous man.

Mr. Mann-May it please your Honors, we propose to prove that Mr. Gilbert said he would hang Twitchell.

Judge Brewster-It is entirely irregular; no ground has been laid for it, and it cannot be asked.

Mr. Essler, recalled-I have known Mr. Gilbert since 1854, and knew his reputation for truth; it is bad.

Re-examined-I cannot specify any individual that I have heard speak of his character.

William Fink, sworn-I live at No. 17 south Thirteenth street; I have known Joseph Gilbert since 1845; so far as our business transactions have gone It is bad; I would not believe him under oath.

Cross-examined-Mr. Gilbert failed in business in 1851, owing me money, for which I had to sue George Thorne, recalled-I have known Mr. Gilbert about three years; the estimation in which he is held is bad; I would not in any case believe him on his oath.

Cross examined-I have heard the two Mr. Van Leers say this of him, Mr. Thorne, Mr. McCully and Mr. Twitchell's father; I heard him tell an untruth on the witness stand in this trial.

#### MARINE TELEGRAPH.

For additional Marine News see First Page. ALMANAC FOR PHILADELPHIA-THIS DAY. 

PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE. SAMURL E, STOKES
GRO. N. TATHAM.
ANDREW WHEELPR.

MONTHLY COMMITTES. 

CLEARED YESTERDAY.

Barque Boyai Arch, Stanley, Cork or Falmouth for orders, Workman & Co., Schr Henry Perkins, Seymour, Boston, J. E. Bazley & Co. Schr Elizabeth Magee, Smith, Cardenas, Warren & Gregg. Schr R. W. Godfrey, Garwood, Boston, Day, Huddell

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.
Steamship Hunter, Harding, 38 hours from Providence, with moise, to D. S. Stetson & Co.

Ship Thomas Harward, Strickland, hence, at New Ship Thomas Harward, Strickland, hence, at New Orleans 22d inst.
Stramship Pioneer, Catharine, for Pailadelphia, sailed from Wilmington, N. C., 27th-inst.
Steamship Sxon, Boggs, hence, at Boston 28th inst.
Steamship Zodiac, Hobart, hence, at New York Steamship J. W. Everman, Vance, for Philadelphia, Steamship J. W. Everman, Vance, for Philadelphia, salled from Richmond 2sth inst. U. S. Steamship Chenargo, hence, at New York 2sth Brig Alma, Kruger, for Philadelphia, sailed from Leghorn 2d fust Brig Keturah, Pinkham, hence, at Leghorn 6th fust, Brig Stella Lodge, Allen, hence, at Queenstown 12th Brig Paragon, Shute, for Philadelphia, at New York yesterday, from Bridgeport, Conn., Brig J. W. Drisko, Eaton, at Clenfuegos 9th inst., from Boaten. from Boston, Schr Mary Riley, Riley, hence, at Charleston yesterday.
Schr R. A. Ford, Carpenter. from St. John, N. B.,
for Philadelphia. at Holmes' Hole 23d Inst.
Schra Rachel S. Miller, Bearse, and Marietta Steelman. Forrester. from Boston for Philadelphia, at New
York 27th Inst.
Schr Samuel L. Crocker. Presbrey, hence, at New
York 25th Inst. York 26th inst. Schr Annie May. Hall, from Boston for Philadel-phia at New York 26th inst. Schr Foaming Sea, James, hence, at Noriolk 24th Schr Emily and Jenny, Hewett, hence, at Portland 24th inst. Simmons, Godfrey, hence, at Salem 24th histant.
Schr W. W. Pharo. Allen. and Abbie Bursley, ParSchr W. W. Pharo. Allen. and Abbie Bursley, ParSchr W. W. Pharo. Allen. and Abbie Bursley, Parker. hence, at Boston 26th Inst.
Steamtug Rescue. Wolcott, hence, at New York 26th
inst., with a double-ender in tow.

MISCELLANY.

The bull of steamship Star of the Union, wrecked near Bahta Honda, was recently sold as auction on the wharf at Havana, and brought \$151-25.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

BREAKWATER AND HARBOR AT PONTA DELGADA,
ST. M.Charl. Az bes.—A circular, with map and
views of the Island and Harbor, has been received
iron the Civil Governor, advising the commercia
and maritime interests that this important work,
many years constructing, at a cost of a million of gold
dollars, is now far advanced, affording a secure sneiter and harbor to ships and steamers of the isrgest
class, in deep water. Means of repairs are obtainable
at modgrate rates, as also provisions, coal, and excellent water, labor and port charges included. His Excellercy requests that these important facts may be
extensively made known, as the means of harboring
many ships in distress saving much property and
many lives that otherwise might be lost, from the
frequent storms of the Atlantic in winter.

### GOVERNMENT SALES.

SALE OF DAMAGED CLOTHING AND

DEQUIPAGE,
ASST. QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28, 1868.
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