[Continued from the Pirst Page,] Post 163, to Mount Moriah, and, on returning home, to the Woodland Comstery. Will leave Twentieth and Callowhill streets, at noon, on Sunday, may 30, dressed in black suits.

Upon approaching the different cemeteries, a detachment will be sent on in advance with small flags, which are to be placed on the soldiers graves, so that

the post may know which mounds to strew flowers. Upon arriving at the gates the posts w march into the cemeteries and halt at a central spe suitable for the delivery of the oration and the con suitable for the delivery of the oration and the conducting of the religious exercises, and at the termination of which the men will be divided into four sections and disperse to different parts of the cemeteries, the band playing dirges all the time the strewing of the flowers is going on. At the sound of the bugle the men will reassemble and march from the ground in order.

A resolution was passed soliciting the citizens to display their dags at half-mast on the day of the parade.

parade.

Citizens residing in the vicinity of the cemeteries to which no posts have been delegated, are respectfully requested to do honor to the occasion by visiting the grounds and decorating the graves.

The Orphans' Demonstration, A very interesting and attractive feature of the ceremonies of the occasion will be the part taken by the inmates of the various Soldiers' Orphans' Schools in and around the city. The children of the following schools-about seven hundred in number and comprising at least one-fifth of those who are now under the care of the State—will engage in the ceremonies;—Lincoln Institution; Church Home; St. John's Orphan Asylum; Catholic Home; Northern Iome, Soldiers' Orphan Department; Chester springs Soldiers' Orphan Schools; and the Bristol oldiers' Orphan School. At half-past II o'clock tomorrow morning, the boys and girls belonging to these schools will assemble in Independence Square. They will all be neatly uniformed, and will parade with their flags, banners, and musical accompaniments. At noon the schools will pass in review be fore his Honor Mayor Fox, Major-General Meade ecretary Borie, ex-Governor Curtin, and other per sons of note. The review concluded, the child will march in parade over the following route:-Chesnut to Twelfth, down Twelfth to Walnut, up Walnut to Broad, up Broad to Chesnut, down Ches-nut to Concert Hall. This spacious building will then be the scene of a very interesting meeting. The school children will occupy the stage and the front benches, the remaining portion of the hall being thrown open to the public generally. Ex-Governor Curtin will occupy the chair, and the assembly will be addressed by him and by the Rev. Phillips Brooks, Major A. R. Calhoun and others, the exercises being interspersed with singing and recitations by the children. The doors of the hall will be thrown open at 12 o'clock for the admission of as many of the general public as can find room in the space not required for the accommodation of the participants in the demonstration. To-morrow's Ceremonies.

As has already been mentioned, some of the posts in this city have determined to perform the ceremony of decoration to-morrow—others on Sunday.

The following order has been issued by Post No. 19:-

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Headquarters Post 19, G. A. R., Department of Pennsylvania, May 14, 1839.—Commades of Post 19:—The day set apart (May 29) for decorating the graves of our fallen comrades will soon be here. As the foremost post in the State, in numbers and activity, much is expected from us, and on our individual efforts on this occasion will depend the success of the encampment. Four hundred men, properly equipped, are expected to march in our line. Committees have been appointed by the post and authorized to solicit contributions of money and flowers from our patriotic citizens. Sunday Schools and churches have been asked to join with us, for all have their dead. Wishing to bury forever the harsh feelings engendered by the war. Post 19 has decided not to pass by the graves of the Confederates sleeping in our lines, but divide each year between the blue and the grey the first floral offerings of a common country. We have no powerless foes. Post 19 thinks of the Southern dead only as brave men.

A. R. CALHOUN, Post Commander.

Aug. H. Saurman, Adjutant.

Post No. 12, in conjunction with the honorably discharged soldiers and patriotic citizens of their fellow.

charged soldiers and patriotic citizens of the Twenty first ward, will decorate the graves of the I welly-first ward, will decorate the graves of their fallen comrades to-morrow afternoon. The different grave-yards throughout the ward will be visited and deco-rated, after which all concerned will visit the Leve-rington Cemetery, in Roxborough, where an oration will be delivered by Colonel Wm. M. Runkle, and speeches made by prominent gentiemen. A full band of music will be in attendance, and the day duly observed throughout the ward. Some of the factories will close, and the bells of the churches will toll at

Post No. 55 has made extensive arrangements for the decoration of the graves of the Union soldiers in Cedar Hill Cemetery, at Frankford, to-morrow after-noon. The citizens generally will participate in the ceremonies, and there will be a general suspension of business in Frankford. There will be a parade composed of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sol-diers' and Sailors' Union, the Sunday-school children, Reneficial Associations, and Firemen, The programme at the grounds will consist of singing by the choirs of the different churches and the delivery of several addresses.

Sunday's Ceremonies Post No. 6 has agreed upon gramme, which will be carried into effect on Sun-

day:-First. Reception of flowers and evergreens in Room No. 1 of the Town Hall. Second. Prayer—By Rev. A. H. Lung, at 15, O'clock P. M., at the Town Hall. Third, Address-By Colonel William McMichael, Fourth. Parade-Starting from Town Hall at 2

O'clock P. M., under command of Captain James All honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines are cordially asked to participate in the parade. Dress—Dark clothes and hats. White gioves will be furnished by the Post Quartermaster.

Fifth. Visiting of cemeteries, in the following order:—
Fisher's Lane, St. Stephen's M. E. Church, Trinity
Lutheran Church, St. Luke's P. E. Church, Market
Square Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Church,
Square Presbyterian Church, Dr.

Rittenhouse street; First Presbyterian Church, Dr. Knox's: Haines Street M. E. Church; Meunonite, Maine and Herman streets: German Baptist Church Franklinville; St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Frank-Pastors of churches having cemeteries to be visited

are respectfully requested to open with prayer the ceremonies at their respective cemeteries. Additional solemnity would be given to the scene if the Sabbath-School children would sing appropriate hymns. The committee commend this feature to the superintendents of the various schools. Those of St. Stephen's and Haines Street M. E. Church schools, and Dr. Shaeffer's, and the German Baptist Church, at Franklinville, have already made the ne-Cessary arrangements.
The Independent Brass Band, of Manayunk, will

accompany the parade, and will play funeral dirges Citizens are requested to display their flags at halfmast. Sixth. Memorial Sermons:—The following clergy-

men have accepted the invitation to preach sermons appropriate to the occasion, in their own churches, at 7% o'clock P. M.:— Rev. A. H. Lung, Third Baptist Church, Wistar and Wakefield streets.

Rev. S. Farrington, First Unitarian Church, Chel-

ton avenue and Green street Rev. Thomas A. Gill, First Baptist Church, Price Rev. G. D. Carrow, D. D., Haines Street M. E.

Rev. W. E. Ijams, Second Presbyterian Church, Tulpehocken and Green streets.

Rev. M. A. Day, St. Stephen's M. E. Church, Main street, below Bringhurst street.

Rev. C. W. Schaeffer, D. D., St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Franklinville

Rev. J. Heldenstein, Market Square Presbyterian Rev. R. M. Lichtenwalner, Zion Evangelical Church (German), Rittenhouse street. Rev. William P. Hellings, Third Baptist Church,

Main and Upsail streets.

Post No. 27 has prepared the following programme:

The post and other organizations intending to par-

ticipate with it in the decoration will form on West and South Washington Squares, right resting on Walnut street, at 1 o'clock P. M., sharp. On arriving at the cemetery the following order of exercises will be observed:-

Dirge by the band. Prayer by Rev. J. Underdue. Reading of general orders. Address by O. V. Catto. Music by the band. Oration by Colonel James Givin. Music by the band.

Address by I. C. Wears. Strewing of flowers by the C. W. Lincoln Associa-tion and the Soldiers' and Sailors' Widows and Or-

Remarks by Comrade J. W. Brown. Music by the band. The column will form a circle around the graves and remain with uncovered heads during the ceremonics. The assemblage will observe the utmost

Through the aid of patriotic ladies and gentlemen residing in the northwestern part of the city, and especirily those in the Fourteenth ward, Post 8, Grand Army of the Republic, was last year enabled creditably to perform the pleasing task of decorating the graves in Glenwood Cemetery.

During the war the Government had placed in this cemetery the remains of about 750 of those who died in hospitals from wounds received in battle or disease contracted in the service, most of them dving in the

contracted in the service, most of them dying in the army hospitals around Washington, and brought & Philadelphia by Government for burial, their relatives and friends probably not being aware at this day of their restantiants.

day of their resting place.
Rough head-boards, with the names and regiments of the deceased in pribed thereon (now almost ob-

one who died as nobly as those who lie buried in the graves marked by monuments and tombstones, and adorned all the year round with flowers or evergreens, through the care of relatives and friends who were fortunate enough to procure their bodies from the battle-fields and hospitals.

This year the members of the post will assemble at 2 o'clock in Spring Garden Hall, whence a procession, including 225 orphan boys and girls, from the Soldiers' Orphans' Home, will march to Glenwood Cemetery. On arriving there an aidress will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Nelll, and appropriate hymns will be sung by a choir of laties and gentlemen. The orphan children will then strew the flowers on the graves.

assurances, and hoped that the present friendly relations between the two countries would long be maintained.

Mr. Washburne called on Prince Napoleon to-day, and met with a hearty welcome.

Election disturbances are reported at Amiens, Lisle, and Toulouse, but were of a trivial nature, and were easily suppressed.

The specie in the Bank of France has intereased 700,000f.

Havana, May 25, via Key West, May 27.—Dulce is dangerously ill of a cancer, and is graves.

Many business firms throughout the city will close at an early hour to-morrow to give their employes an opportunity to participate in the ceremonies. All of the Government offices will be closed in the after

Grand Army of the Republic and the organizations and citizens intending to actively participate in the ceremonies, for donations of flowers. Single flowers, wreaths, gariands, bouquets, all are desired. Let this request be abundantly answered. It probably is as little as any of us can do, to tender to the com-rades of the men who died to save us as a nation, a few grateful roses.

NEWS SUMMARY.

City Affairs. —Yesterday morning, about 11 o'clock, a serious affray occurred in a tenement house No. 612 Penn street, occupied by seven families. Henry Sharkey, who occupied the second story with his wife, got into an altereation with Misa Mary Jane Smith, a girl of fifteen years of age, who, with her widowed mother, occupied the story above. The dispute was about a ring, which, it was alleged, Sharkey had, and which belonged to Mr. Smith in his lifetime. From words the parties got to blows, and Mrs. Smith soon took part in defense of her daughter. It is alleged that Miss Smith armed herself with a hatchet, and struck Mr. Sharkey on the head, inflicting a flesh wound. The battle then ceased until afternoon, when it is alleged that Mr. Sharkey made an assault upon Mrs. Smith's room, using bricks to break a panel in the door. One of the bricks was taken by Mrs. Smith and thrown back, striking Mr. Sharkey on the head, fracturing the skull, it is believed by the physicians at the hospital, to which the wounded man was removed shortly afterwards. Mrs. and Miss Smith were arrested and held to await the result of the injuries to Mr. Sharkey, who, last evening, lay in a critical condition. Miss Smith denies using a hatchet, and Mrs. Smith alleges that she acted in self-defense.

—Benjamin Fie⊠, aged about fifty years, yesterday went into the barber shop N. E. corner of Fourth and Branch streets, and applied for a bath. He was shown into a room, and soon after being left alone the report of a pistol was heard. The proprietor of the establishment entered the room and found Mr. Field leaning over the tub bleeding profusely. On making an examination it was found the ball from the pistol had grazed the right side of his head, inflicting a severe flesh wound. Mr. Field has been in the Insane Asylum, at Frankford, during the past two years, and left that institution on Wednesday His mind was affected, it is supposed, in consequence of losses by the fallure of merchants at South after the Rebellion broke out. was removed to his residence, in Walnut street, above Eleventh.

-The Reading Hose and Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, arrived in our city yesterday morning from Reading, Pa. They brought with them their handsome steamer, also an excellent band of music. The visitors were met at the Reading depot, on Broad street, by the Southwark flose Company, whose guests they are, and escorted through a number of our princi-pal thoroughfares to their headquarters.

-The General Synod of the Reformed Church. which meets in this city next month, embraces 448 churches, 474 ministers, and 37,000 families. During the past year there have been received into the Charch 3804 persons on confession of faith and 2294 on certificates. The total communicants in the Church number 40,508, are 47,388 scholars connected with the Sundayschools. The contributions during the past year, for religious and benevolent objects, amounted to \$204,492.93.

-The Committee of Ways and Means of Congress held a final meeting yesterday at the Continental Hotel. The witnesses examined were William Harbeson, late Surveyor of the Port, and Sigmund H. Horstmann, of the firm of William Horstmann & Son; the former as to the customs department, and the latter as to matters pertaining to the tariff. At the close of the investigation the committee was conducted by the committee of the Industrial League through the iron works of Morris, Tasker & Co., the locomotive works of M. Baird & Co., and other prominent manufacturing establishments.

Domestic Affairs. -Gold closed yesterday at 13916. -Customs receipts, last week, \$2,673,451.

Internal revenue receipts this month, £16,862,272 -General Badeau has been placed on the retired list.

-The Southern Presbyterian Assembly dis solved vesterday. -The Peruvian monitors sailed, on the 26th instant, from St. Thomas to Martinique.

—The Rhode Island Senate has adopted the

fifteenth amendment by a vote of 22 to 11. -General Sickel has received his commission as Collector of Revenue for the Fourth District. -The anniversary meeting of the New Engand branch of the American Tract Society was held vesterday in Boston.

-A convention of colored men to consider the uestion of their exclusion from office met in Richmond yesterday.

—Hon, John Allison, Register of the Treasury, eft Washington last evening, on a brief visit to

his family, in Mercer county.

—The Nova Scotians have moved in Assembly another address to be presented to her Maesty, praying that the independence of that province may be established.

-In the Schoppe murder trial, now proceeding at Carlisle, Pa., three and a half days have already been occupied by the prosecution, and they have but one more witness to examine, when the defense will open. The direct testimony of the persons who were present during the illness of Miss Steinecke, goes to show that she died from no natural cause, but must have died from some violent dose, either taken by herself, or administered to her by the prisoner. Dr. Conrad, of the Baltimore Infirmary, testified that he had made the post mortem examination, and that the healthy condition of her organs proved that she died from a violent cause. Aiken, of the Maryland University, testified that he analyzed the stomach of the deceased, twelve or thirteen days after her death, and ound faint but unequivocal traces of prussic acid. Dr. Ditterman, of Carlisle, who was present during her illness, testified that in his pinion her condition indicated that she died from a compound of prussic acid and morphia. Drs. Kieffer, Dale, and others testified, in answer to a hypothetical case presented to them, that she died from no natural disease. The opportunity and motive are clearly proven, and the question rests entirely upon the sufficiency of the medical testimony. On this subject the counsel for the defense feel very hopeful. One of the strongest grounds in proving the motive was the production of a will, dated and executed a very short time previous to her death, which bequeaths her entire estate to the prisoner, and to which he and his father are the only subscrib-

ing witnesses. Foreign Affnirs. LONDON, May 27.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Otway, Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question, stated that the papers in

the case of the Alabama would shortly be laid upon the table. At the Epsom races to-day her Majesty's plate was won by "Romping Girl," beating "Expan-sion" and "Bianca." The two-year old stakes

were won by "Pate." LONDON, May 27 .- George Peabody sails for New York on Saturday next. PARIS. May 27.—E. B. Washburne, United States Minister, was received by the Emperor

to-day, and made a brief address, in which he assured the Emperor of the friendship entertained by the people and Government of the United States towards himself and the French in aribed thereon (now almost ob-that mark the graves of many a most satisfaction at Mr. Washburne's cordial

hourly expected to die. A riot occurred at Fort Cabanos on Saturday

night on the departure of the prisoners captured on the schooner Galvani, for Spain, The volunteers tried to stop their embarkation. and in the melee which followed cried "Death to

Dulce." Further outrages were prevented b the supplications of the Governor of the fortress and the prisoners allowed to proceed. A Spanish steamer, in the Bay of Nipe, fired by mistake into some Spanish troops on shore, and it is reported that forty men were killed. The Spaniards are greatly excited by frequent reports of the landing of filibustering expedi-

HAVANA, May 27 .- The iron-clad Victoria has arrived. A detachment of volunteers is expected

Intelligence has been received from St. Thomas to the effect that the Peruvian monitors have sailed thence for Martinique. LONDON, May 27 .- The Alabama claims still form the great theme of conversation and news paper comment. The Times of to-day has an article on the communications of Sir Francis Head, which have recently been published here respecting the case of the steamer Caroline, and

the course of the United States towards Canada during the patriot war.

The Times says Mr. Sumner's assertions of England's hostility to America is met by the testimony of American officials. Abuses much more flagrant occurred within the frontier of the United States, for the popular feeling of the State of New York is admitted to have more than countenanced the Fenian expeditions to

The Messrs, Laird, of Birkenhead, who built the Alabama, have recently published a letter giving legal opinions and extracts from documents and speeches, to prove that the building of the Alabama was not illegal. The letter has been extensively copied, and is thus commented

on by the press to-day:—
The Star says:—"Laird may be guiltless, but that England cannot escape the penalty is the verdict of the best authorities, and is a foregone conclusion.

The Post say:—"The vindication of the Lairds is complete. The law was inadequate to prevent the transaction, and the remedy lay with the Legislature, and not with the Executive.

The Standard says Laird's vindication con demns the Government. The inadequacy of the law is an insufficient excuse for a breach of international obligations. England's obligations were broken for the North as well as the South The Americans were equally guilty of a breach of national obligations in the case of the Caro-line, and in the case of the Fenian drillings and organizations. The final reckoning give a heavy balance to the debit of the United

PRESBYTERIAN REUNION.

The Plan Adopted by the Two Assemblies in New York-Full Text of the Joint Committee's Report.

This is the plan agreed upon by the joint committee of the Old and New School Presbyterian Assemblies now in New York as a basis of reunion. Last evening it was adopted:-PLAN OF REUNION.

"Believing that the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom would be promoted by the healing of our divisions, and that the two bodies bearing the same name, having the same constitution, and each recognizing the other as a sound and orthodox body, according to the principles of the confession common to both, cannot be justified by any but the most imperative reasons in maintaining separate and, in some respects rival organizations, we are now clearly of the opinion that the reunion of those bodies ought, as soon as the necessary steps can be taken, to be accomplished upon the basis hereinafter set

"I. The Presbyterian Churches in the United States of America, namely, that whose General Assembly convened in the Brick Church in the city of New York on the 20th day of May, 1869, and that whose General Assembly met in the Church of the Covenant in the said city on the same day, shall be reunited as one Church, under he name and style of the Presbyterian Church n the United States of America, possessing al the legal and corporate rights and powers pertaining to the Church previous to the division in 1838, and all the legal and corporate rights and powers which the separate churches now possess 2. The reunion shall be effected on the doctrinal and ecclesiastical basis of our common standards; the Scriptures of the Old and New restaments shall be acknowledged to be the inspired Word of God, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice; the Confession of Faith shall continue to be sincerely received and adopted as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and the govern ment and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in the United States shall be approved as containing the principles and rules of our polity.

"3. Each of the said Assemblies shall submit the foregoing basis to its Presbyteries, which shall be required to meet on or before the 15th day of October, 1869, to express their approval or disapproval of the same by a categorical answer to the following questions:-

"Do you approve of the reunion of the two bodies now claiming the name and rights of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, on the following basis, namely:—'The reunion shall be effected on the doctrinal and ecclesiastical basis of our common standard; the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments shall be acknowledged to be the inspired word of God, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice; the Confession of faith shall continue to be sincerely received and adopted as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and the government and dis-cipline of the Presbyterian Church in the United States shall be approved as containing the prin-

ciples and rules of our polity.

"Each Presbytery shall, before the 1st day of November, 1869, forward to the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly with which it is con nected, a statement of its vote on the said Basis of Reunion.

"4. The said General Assemblies now sitting shall, after finishing their business, adjourn to meet in the city of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, on the second Wednesday of November, 1869, at 11 o'clock A. M.

If the two General Assembles shall then find and declare that the above-named Basis of Re-union has been approved by two-thirds of the Presbyteries connected with each branch of the Church, then the same shall be of binding force and the two Assemblies shall take action accord-

and there make provision for the meeting of the General Assembly of the United Church third Thursday of May, 1870. The Moderators of the two present Assemblies shall jointly preside at the Assembly of 1870 until another Moderator is chosen. The Moderator of the Assembly now sitting at the Brick Church aforesaid. shall, if present, put all votes, decide questions of order; and the Moderator of the other Assembly shall, if present, preach the opening sermon; and the stated clerks of the present Assemblies shall act as stated clerks of the Assembly of the United Church until a stated clerk or clerks shall have been chosen thereby; and no commissioner shall have a right to vote or deliberate in said Assembly until his name shall have been enrolled by the said clerks, and his commission examined and filed among the papers of the

6. Each Presbytery of the separate churches shall be entitled to the same representation in the Assembly of the United Church in 1870, as it is entitled to in the Assembly with which it is now connected."

CONCURRENT DECLARATIONS.

rests of the Church, when it shall have become reunited, which will manifestly require adjust-ment on the coming together of two bodies which have so long acted separately, and con-cerning some of which matters it is highly desirable that there should be a previous good understanding, the two Assemblies agree to adopt the following declaration, not as articles of compact or covenant, but as in their judgment proper and equitable arrangements, to

1. All the ministers and churches embraced in the two bodies should be admitted to the same standing in the united body which they may have held in their respective connections up to the consummation of the union

*2. Imperfectly organized churches are counselled and expected to become thoroughly Presbyterian, as early within the period of five years is may be permitted by the highest interests to be consulted, and no other churches shall be hereafter received.

The boundaries of the several Presbyteries and Synods should be adjusted by the Goneral

Assembly of the United Church. '4. The official records of the two branches of the Church for the period of separation should preserved, and held as making up the one history of the Church; and no rule or precedent which does not stand approved by both the odies should be of any authority until re-established in the united body, except in so far as such rule or precedent may affect the rights of property founded thereon.

The corporate rights now held by the two General Assemblies, and by their Boards and Committees, should, as far as practicable, be consolidated, and applied for their acveral ob-jects as defined by law.

"6. There should be one set of Committees or

Beards for Home and Foreign Missions and the other religious enterprises of the Church, which the churches should be encouraged to sustain though free to cast contributions into other channels, if they desire to do so.

"7. As soon as practicable after the union shall have been effected, the General Assembly should reconstruct and consolidate the several permanent committees and boards which now belong to the two Assemblies, so as to represent as far as possible with impartiality the views and wishes of the two bodies constituting the

United Church.

'8. The publications of the Board of Publication and of the Publication Committee should continue to be issued as at present, leaving it to the Board of Publication of the United Church to revise these issues and perfect a catalogue for the United Church so as to exclude invidious

references to past controversies. 9. In order to a uniform system of ecclesias tical supervision, those Theological seminaries that are now under Assembly control, may, i their Boards of Directors so elect, be transferred to the watch and care of one or more of the adacent Synods; and the other Seminaries are dvised to introduce, as far as may be, into their constitutions, the principle of Synodical or Assembly supervision, in which case they shall e entitled to an official recognition and approation on the part of the General Assembly

p. "10. It should be regarded as the duty of all our judicatories, ministers, and people in the United Church to study the things which make for peace, and to guard against all needless and offensive references to the causes that have divided us; and in order to avoid the revival of past issues by the continuance of any usage in ither branch of the Church that has grown out of former conflicts, it is earnestly recommended to the lower judicatories of the Church that they conform their practice in relation to all such isages, as far as is consistent with their convictions of duty, to the general custom of the Church prior to the controversies that resulted in the separation.

A DAY OF PRAYER.

"That the counsels of Infinite Wisdom may guide our decisions, and the blessings of the Great Head of the Church rest upon the result of our efforts for reunion, it is earnestly recommended to the churches throughout both branches of the Presbyterian Church, that they observe the second Sabbath in September, 1869, as a day of fervent and united prayer to Almighty God, that He would grant unto us all The spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,' and in the new relations now contemplated, enable us to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds peace.

CITY COUNCILS.

City Councils met yesterday afternoon for the transaction of business:

SELECT BRANCH .- President Stokley in the The following resolution relating to the semi-

centennial anniversary of St. John's Command-ery, No. 4, was agreed to: Whereas the Masonic Order of St. John's Commandery, No. 4, Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, celebrate the semi-centennial anniversary of the establishment of their Commandery on June 15, 1869, in this city; and whereas a large number of other Masonic organizations, from the different States and cities of our country, will be present, by invi-tation, to join in the ceremonies of the occa-sion, and in the public parade which is to take

place on that day, Resolved, by the Select and Common Council of Philadelphia, That the invitation extended to councils to accept a marching salute from St. John's Commandery, No. 4, Knights Templar, on the occasion of the celebration of the semi-centennial anniversary of the estab lishment of their Commandery, be and the same is hereby accepted, and that Councils be present for that purpose at noon of that day, in Chestnut street, in front of Independence Hall, and that the hospitalities of the city of Philadelphia are hereby extended to all visit ing Commanderies who may participate in the ceremonies of that occasion A communication was presented from a lady

asking for a change of the name of Bedford street. Referred Mr Fox presented a petition for a new election district in the Twenty-fifth Ward. Re-

Smith, chairman of the Committee City Property, presented an ordinance making an appropriation of \$850 to the Department of Markets and City Property, for the purpose of placing Hunting Park in a proper condition

for public use. for public use.

Mr. Barlow presented an ordinance, making an appropriation of \$30,709 for the purpose of erec. ing a new scheolhouse on Dickerson street, between Sixth and Seventh streets, in the First Ward. Agreed to.

A resolution was adopted exempting the

Philadelphia Fountain Society from the pay-ment of water rates.

Mr. King presented a polition for the paying of Court street, between Peach and Brown streets. Referred. Mr. Cochran then mov-d a recons deration

of the vo e by which the ordinance providing for the sale of a piece of ground in the Twenty-seventh Ward to the University of Pennsylvania was postponed until next Thursday Mr. Hopkins moved to postpone the matter

indefinitely, which was not agreed to, by a vote of 11 years to 17 nays.

The motion to reconsider was then agreed

The motion to reconsider was then agreed to—Yeas 15, nays 13.

A motion to postpone the bill, for the purpose of making it the special order for June 10, was agreed to—Yeas 15, nays 13.

Mr. King presented an ordinance to prevent the counterfeiting of city warrants. The ordinance provides that the City Treasurer shall authorize to be engraved a suitable plate, on copper or steel, from which may be printed all city warrants. The warrants shall be printed on fine white paper, and be manufactured expressly for the purpose, with a water-mark in the words "The City of Philadelphia." Each warrant shall contain, as a vignette, a representation of the seal of the city and other devices. The City Controller shall procure sentation of the seal of the city and other devices. The City Controller shall procure a suitable engraved stamp, or red seal, with such emblems as shall be approved, with the words "Department of City Controller" engraved thereon, and this seal to be kept constantly in the office. The Controller shall cause to be printed and bound in books, from the plate engraved for such purpose, a sufficient number of warrants for the use of the several departments for the years 1850 sufficient number of warrants for the use of the several departments for the years 1859 and 1870. These books shall be printed and bound annually in sufficient number for the ensuing year. These books shall be placed in the custody of the City Controller, and he shall be held responsible for their safe keeping. All warrants shall be issued by the Controller or his clerk, on the order of a Head of Department, and shall be sent to the department ordering the same, to be signed by the Head of the Department, and then to be returned to "As there are matters pertaining to the inte-

the City Controller for his approval. The Controller shall then personally stamp each of the warrants with an impression of the stamp. The Controller shall not permit any blank warrants to be taken from his office, but all blanks or warrants shall be filled by the Controller, excepting the signature of the proper head of the department.

end of the department Dr. Kamerly thought that no engraved war-rants, no matter how nearly they might be ex-ecuted, could prevent their being counter-teited. The bonds of the United states were often counterfeited, and the only difficulty that counterfeiters had to contend with was mitating the signatures on bonds, warrants,

Mr 'King said that there were \$3,'00,000 city warrants now affoat. They have been coun-terfeit d, and some such measure as that now proposed was absolutely necessary to prevent

additional counterfeits.

The ordinance was then referred to the committee to verify the cash accounts of the City Treasury.
Select Council then retired to Common Conneil Chamber to elect in joint convention Port Wardens for the city of Philadelphia.
A resolution suspending the Spring Garden

Engine Company was agreed to. A resolution suspending the Columbia and Schuylkill Hose Companies, for one month, was amended by Mr. Duffy to include the Independence Engine Company. The entire matter was postponed for the present, on motion of Mr. Marcus.

On motion of Mr. Shalleross, a number of the recent police appointments of Mayor Fox were confirmed.

Mr. Barlow moved a reconsideration of the wote by which the new mode of indexing questions was postponed. The matter was postponed for one week.

A few unimportant Common Council bills were concurred in, when the Chamber ad-

COMMON BRANCH.-Joseph F. Marcer, Presdent, called the Chamber to order at quarter rast three o'clock.

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A communication was received from the Mayor, stating that together with Councils he bad been tendered the compliment of a march-ing salute by the Knights Templar on their semi-centennial celebration parade, to take place June 15. On motion, the invitation was Ray offered a resolution to recall from

Mr. Ray offered a resolution to recall from select Council the bill to sell the University of Pennsylvania the tract of land belonging to the Almshouse grounds. He stated that \$20,000 per acre could be got for it, and that a member of Select Council had told him that he would give that amount for it. Hanna said that Common Council had

acted in a liberal and public-spirited manner

in giving the ground for the sum named, and that it would redound to the credit of the Mr. Shoemaker said that the bill had the proviso that the University should pave and curb all streets opened through the grounds, and that the city had the right to open all streets on the city plan that run through the

Mr. Ray referred to a communication in the

Inquirer, stating that he believed the land was sold too low, and as a taxpayer and representative he wished the city to get the highest price for the land. Mr. Wagner said that the price offered was a air one, and that he did not believe in the "penny wise, pound foolish" policy of the gentleman from the Eighteenth (Mr. Ray). The policy of the city should be to encourage our public institutions.

Mr. Willits concurred with Mr. Wagner.

Mr. Nickles said that he did not know whet er the city had a right to sell this mand

at private sale.

Mr. Hetzeli said he did not believe in giving the institution a preference over any one else. The property should be sold to the highest bidder at public sale. He was willing to be reasonable with the University, but did not b-lieve the city had a right to sell the land for speculative purposes.

Mr. Wagner replied at length to the words of the orponents of the bill, quoting the opinions of different well-known citizens.

Mr. Hetzell said the city had no right to sell the ground below its real value. It would not be justice to our constituents to thus yote away the property of the city.

Mr. Martin called the yeas and nays on a motion to indefinitely postpone. It resulted, yeas 24, mays 20. The motion was agreed to.

Select Council appeared, and Mr. Stekley, Presiden , took the chair. Mr Martin nominated as Port Wardens John W. Everman, George Stockham, John R. Pen-rose, Jacob Walker, Edwin J. Spangler, Henry W. Workman, Preston Brearly, and Ludlow

Matthews. Trustees of Northern Liberties Gas Works-Townsend Yearsley, E. H. Fitler, and Joseph . Hancock, the latter for the unexpired term of Thomas Potter.
On motion of Mr. Hetzell, the above gentlemen were unanimously elected.
Mr. Martin nominated John Devereux as
Trustee of the City Ice Boat.
On motion of Mr. Hetzell, the above gentle-

man was elected by acciamation.

Mr. Shoemaker offered a resolution to approve the securities of R. W. Liberton, Ephraim H. Shaw, and Martin Ulrich, Supervis-

ors. Agreed to.
Mr. Myers offered a bill to allow bakers to run their carts on the sidewalks on Saturday afternoons, in summer, between four and six o'clock, and in winter from three to four o'clock. Agreed to.
Also, an ordinance to enforce an ordinance

relating to the numbers of hacks and carriages on street stands, making the plate, bearing the number, two inches in diameter; also, that the driver shall be a resident of the city six months, and wear a badge on his coat.

On motion of Mr. Hetzell, the bill was indeficited. nitely postponed before the clerk had finished ntery postponed before the cierk had finished reading it.

An ordinance appropriating \$500 to the Law Department, for the drafting of plans of the city to enable jurors to assess damages on property, was agreed to.

Mr. Stockham, from the Committee on Fire and Trusts, offered an ordinauce making an appropriation for the building of a fire-alarm box in the Tenth and Eleventh Streets Pas-senger Railway depot. Agreed to. Also, a resolutio to reinstate the Independ-

ence Engine Company. Laid on the table.

Mr. Hetzell said that the assertion made by
him on Thursday last, that the Independence Engine Company had not been out of service for ten years, was true. He read a letter from the Secretary of the Fire Department to that The resolution from Select Council, accepting the invitation from the St. John's Command-

ery, Kwights Templar, was concurred in. The Highway Committee offered a resolution to pave Jefferson street from Twentie'h street to Ridge avenue, and Horshaw street from Fitzwater to Catharine street. Agreed to. Mr. Shoemaker submitted an ordinance appropriating \$30,660 for the building of a new schoolhouse on Noble street, above Fifth, in the Twelth Ward. Passed.

Also, an ordinance appropriating \$10.410 for furniture in new school buildings, and other Mr. Hetzell moved that the amount be taken from a loan hereafter to be created. The year and nays were called on the passage of the ordinance, but no quorum voting, the Chamber was declared adjourned.

An angel born in Indiana with wings only stayed three hours. -Pullman palace cars are to be internal revenued

as hotels.

-Huntington, Massachusetts, has a society for setting out shade trees. -Wisconsin is sorrowing over a decrease of State -A Norwich school chimney has a population of a

thousand swallows. -Wheat-buyers are squeezing all the grain in Minnesota into a corner. -Potter Palmer's Chicago improvements have doubled rents on State street.

-Cheshire, Conn., sports a penny postman. He delivers forty letters a day. -Memphis is afraid of caving into the Mississippi. -Illinois is to dedicate its State Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Normal, June 17.

-Maryland and Delaware promise to peach on us live million baskets this season. -A Utica landlord has hired several organ grinders to eject a recalcitrant tenant. -Boston merchants employ 10,000 "drammers" --who will assist at the jubilee.

-Hartford put a detective after a "medium" the other night, who explained the mystery. The Chicago Fruit Packing Company advertise for 20,000 bushels of tomatoes in the fall.

The Middletown velocipede rink has declared a 12 per cent. dividend, two months carnings.

Gas having gone up, New London is taking kindly

MARINE TELEGRAPH.

Por additional Marine Nova see Pirst Page. ALMANAU FOR PHILADRIPHIA THIS DAY. SUN BIRES. 47: MOON RIBES. 10'15 SUN SETS. 72: HIGH WATER 4'11 PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE,

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CLEARED YESTERDAY.

Steamer R. Willing, Cundiff, Baltimore, A. Groves, Jr.

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ARRIVED VESTERDAY.

Steamship Pioneer, Barreit, 59 hours from Wilmington, N. C., with cotton, naval stores, etc., to Philadelphia and Sonthern Mail Steamship Co.
Steamer Anthracite, Green, 24 hours from New York, with mose, to W. M. Baird & Co.
Steamer Beverly, Pierce, 24 hours from New York, with mose, to W. P. Clyde & Co.
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Steamer H. L. Gaw, Her, 13 hours from Baltimore, with mose, to John R. Pehrose, 65 days from Liverpool, with mose, to John R. Pehrose.

Br. brig Star of Wales, Jones, 75 days from Messina, with oranges and lemons to S. S. Scattergood & Co.
Brig James Baker, Phelan, 10 days from Cardenas, with molasses to Jarden & Co.
Schr Nadab, Cheney, 22 days from St. Andrews, with cocoanuts to S. S. Scattergood & Co.—vessel to Knight & Sons Left schr Jackson, of Baltimore.
Schr Edward Lameyer, Gorman, 3 days from Gardiner, Me., with ice to Knight & Sons.
Schr Iona, Kendall, 8 days from Bangor, with lumber to Knight & Sons.
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Schr Mary Augusta, Lord, 7 days from Calais, with inm. ARRIVED YESTERDAY. night & Sons. Schr Mary Augusta, Lord, 7 days from Calais, with lum-Schr Mary Adgusta, Lord, Judy from Leipsic, Del., with grain to Jos. E. Palmer.
Schr M. C. Burnite, Durberow, I day from Camden, Del., with grain to Jas. L. Bewley & Co.
Schr Mary and Caroline, Fowler, I day from Leipsic, Del., with grain to Jas. L. Bewley & Co.
Tugs Thomas Jefferson, Allen, and Hudson, Nichols, from Baltimore, with tows of barges to W. P. Clyde & Co.

Special Despatch to The Econing Telegraph,
HAVREAGE GRACE, May 28.—Tag Clyde, with the following boats left for Philadelphia this morning:—
Isainh Kroeson, with lumber.
A. Sherwood, with flint, for Port Richmond.
A. C. Bishop, with lumber to Patterson & Lippincott.
Thos. Arnold, with slate to Pennsylvania Rairoad Co.
Washington No. 2, with lumber.

Correspondence of The Econing Telegraph,
EASTON & MCMAHON'S BULLETIN.
NEW YORK OFFICE, May 27.— Barges leave to-night,
westward, as follows.— Seven light barges for Baltimore;
W. S. Burton, with horseshoes, for do.
New Era, with tye, and Rose Ann, with rye, both for Phi-ladelphia.

Baltimone Branch Office, May 27. The following barges leave to night.—W. & I. Thompson; W. T. Blessing; Wasp; M. Repplier; Massachusetts; and A. H. Griswold, with coal, for New York. Steamship J. W. Everman, Snyder, for Philadelphia, salled from Charleston yesterday.
Steamship Jas. S. Green, Vance, hence, at Richmond 25th instant.

Steamship Fanita, Freeman, cleared at Wilmington, N., 25th inst., for New York.
Steamship Hunter, Harding, hence, at Providence 25th istant. istant. Steamer Novelty, Tufts, for Philadelphia, cleared at New York yesterday.

Barque Charles Gumm, Trefry, sailed from Cardenas 15th inst., for a northern port.

Brig Edito, Putnem, from Windsor, N. S., for Philadelhia, at Millbridge 20th inst. Brig J. B. Kirby, Barnard, hence, at Clenfuegos 15th nstant. Brig James Crosby, Baldwin, hence, at Portsmouth 23d Brig Idalia, Gordon, for Philadelphia, sailed from Havana 2010 : inst. Brig Mariposa, Staples, sailed from Cardenas 15th inst., for a port north of Hatteras.

MISCELLANY.

A steam pump had been placed, on the 19th inst., on board the schr Mary D. Irejand, from Philadelphia for Galveston, ashore on Pelican Spit. and the water pumped out. It is very probable that with a good tide she will be got afloat. A portion of the cargo, principally iron, had been discharged by the sloop Primero on the 19th.

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