

NEWS SUMMARY.

CITY AFFAIRS. About half-past 10 o'clock last night a most destructive fire occurred in the cotton mills situated at the southwest corner of Twenty-fourth and Spruce streets. These mills are known as Taylor's Cotton Mills and were for a long time in the occupation of a Mr. Spiekman. They extend from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fifth streets, and from Spruce almost to Pine. The structure is a brick one, four stories high, and the fire has completely destroyed the building and the greater part of the contents, leaving nothing but the walls and the high window standing. A large quantity of cotton was on hand. But only about fifty bales were saved. And these were dragged from the burning mill at the risk of human life. The machinery is all destroyed. It was but recently fitted up, having been received from the workshop. It is stated that about five hundred hands will be thrown out of employ, and as the winter is fast approaching, the calamity is very unfortunate. The loss will range from \$30,000 to \$50,000. The occupants are Alexander Belloni, James Dalton, Thomas Johnson, and others. Belloni is supposed to be the heaviest loser. What the insurance is we are not able to state at this writing. The fire was first seen emanating from the engine-house.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT L. O. O. F. OF PENNSYLVANIA took place yesterday afternoon, at the Old Fellows' Hall, Sixth and Fairless streets, S. M. Foster, G. P. in the chair. Seven appeals were decided, and amendments were submitted to the constitution and by-laws, to be voted on at the annual meeting of the Grand Encampment in May next. The following officers were nominated for the ensuing term:—M. W. G. P., James A. Shields, of Allegheny; M. E. G. H. P., James Binham, Jr.; R. W. G. S., Augustus Pfaff; R. W. G. J., W. C. Charles F. Jones, George Hawkes, James McGeehan, Edward Miller; K. W. G. S., James B. Nicholson; T. J. J., J. S. Hoise; R. W. G. J., H. W. Bailey, John Curtis, Peter Fritz, W. A. Thompson, S. S. Childs, Edward G. Millet, John M. Howland, Thomas W. Simpson; R. W. G. O. S., George S. Horner; R. W. G. R., to the Grand Lodge of the United States, C. H. Hickok, of Bedford, A. B. Grosh, of Lancaster.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE met last evening, and had before it the greater portion of the estimates of the departments for the year 1870. With but two or three exceptions, these were referred to the appropriate committees, with instructions to report back as soon as possible. Among the bills before the committee for action was one making an appropriation to pay road jurors. In this connection reference was made to the fact that in some cases the same parties had charged for road jurors, and every forty days services as jurors. The bill was not finally acted upon.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY was held in New York yesterday. The President will give a dinner party on Thanksgiving day to the officers of his staff and their families. Cyrus McGowan, postmaster at Knoxville, Ill., has been arrested, charged with stealing money out of a registered letter. The North Carolina Legislature met yesterday, but adjourned until to-day, a quorum of members not being in attendance. It is reported from Washington that a heavy pressure is being brought to bear upon Secretary Boutwell to issue more bank currency. Search for the bodies of those lost by the Stoneval catastrophe on the Mississippi has been completed. Sixty bodies have been recovered. General Sherman and a party of prominent men left Washington by special car yesterday, to attend the reunion of the Army of Tennessee, at Louisville. The President has lately expressed his opinion that a return to specie payments should be made as soon as possible, and that events point to an early resumption. A decision was rendered against the New Lebanon Shakers, at Hudson, N. Y., yesterday, ordering them to return to his mother a child illegally detained by them. Commissioner Delano decides that Special Agents of the Post Office are liable to tax only on the amount of their salary over \$1000, and not on payments for expenses. In the Tennessee case, Representatives yesterday the Committee on Federal Relations reported to favor of the rejection of the fifteenth amendment. The report will be taken into consideration to-day. The Alabama Legislature met yesterday. In his message, which is very conservative in tone, the Governor denies that there is any necessity for martial law; points out the advantages a reduction of taxes and a limitation of the State indebtedness to railroads. Another disaster is reported, this time from Catskill village, Hudson county, N. Y., where, yesterday morning, a boiler in Storm's paper mill exploded, killing several persons, how many is not yet known, and completely demolishing the building in which it was situated, and all others in its immediate vicinity.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS. The Empress Eugenie is expected to arrive at Alexandria to-day. A vessel built expressly for Suez Canal traffic sailed from Liverpool yesterday for Port Said. Napoleon reviewed the troops encamped at Compegne on Sunday, and met with an enthusiastic reception from the soldiery and the people. General Sikes, the American Minister, was entertained at a banquet on Sunday night by the President of the Spanish Cortes. Important results are anticipated from the post-prandial discussion. In a manifesto just published, the Opposition members of the French Corps Legislatif announce their determination to try all peaceful means to secure for the people the abolition of the military law and for other reforms.

DANUBIAN PROVINCES. The troubles in Dalmatia—Motives for the uprising—Recent news from the seat of insurrection. Venice (Oct. 28) Correspondence Daily News. I date this letter from the ancient capital of Dalmatia, the city which at one time possessed the whole seaboard of the Adriatic from Chioggia to the town of Cattaro, on the confines of Montenegro and Albania. The Venetians "annexed" Dalmatia as early as the year 997, under the Government of Pietro II. Dandolo, twenty-sixth Doge, and held it off and on for 800 years, namely, till the downfall of the republic in 1797. This is not the place to enlarge on matters connected with ancient or with medieval history, but it may be necessary to remind the reader that one at least of the pleas put forward by the insurgents of Dalmatia as an excuse for their not contributing to the conscription is not founded on fact. Levies for troops and seamen were made in this province in the thirteenth century, and no doubt long before that date, and long afterward. When Enrico Dandolo, Doge and Commander-in-Chief of Venice, set sail for the Holy Land via Constantinople, capturing that city on his way, (A. D. 1204), he had Dalmatians in his

FINANCIAL. A RELIABLE HOME INVESTMENT. THE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE WILMINGTON AND READING RAILROAD, BEARING INTEREST AT SEVEN PER CENT. in Currency, PAYABLE APRIL AND OCTOBER, FREE OF STATE AND UNITED STATES TAXES.

WM. PAINTER & CO., BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENTS, No. 36 SOUTH THIRD STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

UNITED STATES BONDS BOUGHT, SOLD, AND EXCHANGED ON MOST LIBERAL TERMS. GOLD BOUGHT AND SOLD AT MARKET RATES. COUPONS CASHED.

PACIFIC RAILROAD BONDS BOUGHT AND SOLD. STOCKS BOUGHT AND SOLD ON COMMISSION ONLY. COLLECTIONS MADE IN ALL ACCESSIBLE PORTS.

DE HAVEN & BRO., No. 40 South Third Street, PHILADELPHIA.

E. K. JAMISON & CO., BANKERS AND DEALERS IN Gold, Silver, and Government Bonds, AT CLOSEST MARKET RATES.

ELLIOTT & DUNN, BANKERS, NO. 109 SOUTH THIRD STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

GLENDINNING, DAVIS & CO., BANKERS, NO. 48 SOUTH THIRD STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

GLENDINNING, DAVIS & AMORY, BANKERS AND BROKERS, NO. 2 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK.

SMITH, RANDOLPH & CO., BANKERS, PHILADELPHIA AND NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MUSIC. TO-NIGHT—MARTHA. GRAND OPERA HOUSE. CHANGE OF OPERA EVERY NIGHT.

LAURA KEENE'S OPERA HOUSE. LAST THREE NIGHTS OF THE GREAT HIT, BOGUS!

WALNUT STREET THEATRE, BEGINS AT 8 TO-NIGHT (Tuesday) EVENING, Nov. 16.

FOX'S AMERICAN THEATRE. AMERICA'S GREATEST HUMORIST. THE ALF BURNETT TRIO.

DUPREZ & BENEDETTO'S OPERA HOUSE. SEVENTH ST., below of Chestnut (Chestnut Corner), Grand 2c. Family Matinee (Thursdays) Day.

NEW ELEVENTH STREET OPERA HOUSE. SEVENTH AND CHESTNUT. THE FAMILY RESORT.

ASSEMBLY BUILDINGS. THE GREAT MORAL EXHIBITION. THE NEW YORK LIVING QUORITTES.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY. The Society is now ready to receive subscriptions at the office of the Secretary, 112 Chestnut St., 119 Walnut St.

THE EDGEHILL SCHOOL. A Boarding and Day School for Boys, will begin its session in the new Academy Building at MEBROANTVILLE, NEW JERSEY.

A. S. ROBINSON, FRENCH PLATE LOOKING-GLASSES, ENGRAVING, BEAUTIFUL CHROMOS, PAINTINGS.

EVANS, SHARP & CO., ARE DAILY RECEIVING SHIPMENTS OF GLASS WORK, where they are now making 10,000 feet day.