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MEWS SUMMARY.

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City Affairs.

-The Germantown Library Association was organized on Monday at their room, No. 4803 Main street. -About 8 o'clock last night a thief attempted

to steal some washed clothes from the yard of Mrs. Stalcup, No. 814 Erie street.

-A meeting of the Managers of the Pennsyl-vania Baptist General Association was held yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the publication house, Arch street, near Sixth. —The Americus Club, a political organization,

ok possession of new quarters last evening, on Fifth street, above Prune. There was a street parade, followed by an entertainment at the club room.

-An inquest was yesterday held on the body of John Mitchell, who died suddenly at No. 718 S. Seventh street. Deceased was a pensioner, he having lost a leg in the United States service. His death was attributed to intemperance. --Yesterday afternoon Reserve Officer Clayton

arrested a man named William Turner for the theft of a piece of cloth, valued at \$25, from the store of Mr. John Louty, No. 26 S. Eighth street. Turner was committed by Alderman Kerr, in default of \$1600 ball, for trial.

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-Preparations are being made for the reception of the Powhatan which is to be refitted at our Navy Yard. A telegram received yesterday announces her departure from Key West, Florida, for this city. This will add some hundred men to the force employed in the several departments.

-The Committee of Fire and Trusts had a meeting last evening to investigate the charge against the Harmony Engine Company, growing out of the capture of and damage to the Fame Hose carriage, several weeks ago; also, a diffi-culty between the Northern Liberty and Ring-

gold Hose Companies. —John Devinney was arrested yesterday by the agent of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for working a lame horse at a new building in Locust street, above Fifteenth. The horse was boisting stone by a pulley. vinney was fined five dollars and costs, and held in \$300 for future good behavior by Alderman S. P. Jones.

by Rev. William Cooper, D. D.; after which ad-dresses bearing on the subject were delivered by Rev. Bishop Janes, Rev. Jesse T. Peck, D. D., and Rev. T. M. Eddy, D. D. In the afternoon a Love Feast was held in the Green Street Church, when brief addresses were made by several clergymen, and prayers offered up in behalf of this object. It was stated that the churches throughout the country belonging to this denomination would be expected to raise from \$\$00,000 to \$1,000,000 during the next twelve months.

-Last evening a large missionary meeting was held in the Union Methodist Episcopal Church, Fourth street, below Arch, the church being filled in all parts. Bishop Scott presland, and, on taking the chair, made a brief address explanatory of the object of the meeting. The churches of this denomination in the city have been pledged to raise fifty thousand dollars towards the missionary enterprise, and the meeting was called to afford an opportunity to the membership to listen to addresses on this subject. During the evening prayer was made

Domestic Affairs.

-Gold closed yesterday at 12214. -The Spanish war steamer Isabella has left.

Havana for New York, with crews for twelve of the Spanish gunboats.

-A defalcation of \$50,000 is reported to have been discovered in the accounts of the Howard National Bank, Boston.

The country in the neighborhood of Colima, Mexico, is in a state of anarchy. Murders and robheries are of daily occurrence

-One ballot was taken in the Kentucky Legislature yesterday for a United States Senator, without a choice. McCreery will probably be elected to-day.

-In the Tennessee House yesterday, a resolu-tion requesting the forthcoming Constitutional Convention to grant the elective franchise to women was tabled.

-In consequence of the intractability of the Collector of the port of Mazatlan, Mexico, cargoes now expected from Europe will probably harge at San Blas.

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Annie Calbers. Mr. McBride moved that 500 copies of the report be published for the use of the members of the Board. Agreed to. Mr. Hickok, from the Office Committee, submitted Annie Culbert.

a report, recommending the printing of the warrants on bank-note paper. Agreed to, The same gentleman also presented the following

interesting report :--SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Board of Controllers of Public Schools:-The Special Committee on the School Superin-tendency respectfully present the following report; Organization and system are essential to the suc-

cessful administration of public school affairs; espe-cially in a community so infge as ours, and so rapidly growing. The proper organization of a public school system, as understood and operated in this country. is so simple as to be self-evident. To state the case is to ducide the policy. With most of the leading features of a well-ar-

ranged system of public instruction our people are already familiar. School buildings and furniture, teachers and text-books, they know to be indispensa-

teachers and text-books, they know to be indispensa-ble. They understand the necessity for grades in schools, from the primary to the high school, in order to the proper classification of pupils and ar-rangement of studies, and the suitable division of labor among teachers. They recognize the propriety of normal schools for the due training of teachers for the public schools, of a competent board of ex-aminers to grant certificates, and of teachers' insti-tutes for the improvement of teachers already in the field. And they are accustomed to the agency of controllers and directors in the general and local government of the system. Thus far we stand on common ground, and are conscious of no material differences of opinion.

differences of opinion. But there is, with us, one element yet wanting to fill up the outline, and round out the full proportions of a symmetrical and complete school system, of a symmetrical and complete school system. Next to its teaching force and means of support, an indispensable requisite to the full success of any public system of education is the general super-vision of the schools by experts in the art of teach-ing. This principle, the professional supervision of schools, is everywhere alike applicable, in town and country, city and village, and furnishes the key to the revolution in the workings of public school sys-tems during the last fifteen years throughout the Northerm half of the renublic, especially in our large

Northern half of the republic, especially in our large cities. It has also been the executive main-spring of ecucational effort in the Southern States since the close of the Rebellion.

Your committee have not been able to discover anything in the condition or prospects of the First school district to make it an exception to the universal rule. On the contrary, they are of the im-pression that a more inviting field for its beneficent agency cannot readily be found. The Committee on Revision of Studies alluded to

this subject in their general report of March 10, 1868, and stated with great force and justness, that "No plan of general education the success of which de-pends upon the conduct of others, however solicitous these may be in the performance of their duties, can these may be in the performance of their duties, can be complete without a supervisory head. We mean, of one who, having the confidence and affection of the teachers, shall act in harmony with them, ready and watchful to discover deficiencies in the system, and to recommend to the consideration of the Board such improvements as his own experience and that of other cities may from time to time suggest. Thus we should be constantly advised by one who, tho-conghiby accomplicated in his duties would be empiled oughly accomplished in his duties, would be enabled to direct his whole attention to the large field of in-struction covered by the schools of the First School District of Pennsylvania."

District of Pennsylvania. If this timely admonition had been heeded, and a eally competent school superintendent placed in the field at the same time with our revised course of

rights of teachers. The teaching profession should be to a large extent in its own hands, and nowhere is it better organized for mutual improvement, and the common detense of its interests, than where it is under the leadership of an accomplished affi sympa-thizing official head, with whom its members can ad-vise, and to whom they can appeal, and around whom they can raily in cordial unity of sentiment and purpose. and purpose

At this point a collateral subject forces itself upon the stubion, and compels a passing notice. Before any educational machinery can be successfully ope-rated, it must be properly adjusted, the parts fitted to each other, and each part dimited to its appropriate encoding the state of the rated, it must be properly adjusted, the parts fitted to each other, and each part dimited to its appropriate inactions. Otherwise there will be no system, and without system no success. The superintendency will not of itself supply defects in other parts of the organization, though it would eventuate in pointing them out. We have the elements of a very superior school system, but loosely organized in their relations to each other; and with antagonisms between grades, and jealousies between schools and sections as un-seemly and unwise as Alsop's fabled conflict for su-premacy between the members of the human body. This is partly owing to ambition and the instincts of self-preservation on the part of teachers, and partly to the want of harmony between the school authori-ties, but the result is, that each part of the system presents the negative pole of the battery to every other part, and thus they repul instead of attracting each other and working in harmony. The First School boards and sections, with the several grades of schools, as parts of one common whole, attaining their highest usefulness in their proper relations to the general system—in exact pro-portion to the clearness with which their status is defined, and their fidelity in confining themselves to their appropriate jurisdiction. A ranumar school should be a grammar school.

defined, and their intentity in containing themselves to their appropriate jurisdiction. A grammar school should be a grammar school, no more, no less; and so of all the other grades, whether high, normal, or primary, and each be pro-tected from encroachment or undue pressure from any other, with no more friction or difficulty in pro-metions from the grammar school to the High School any other, with no more include of dimension pro-motions from the grammar school to the High School than from a primary to a secondary, or a secondary to a grammar school. In no other city but ours is there any. The examinations for promotion, all the way through to the High School, should be also under one uniform and impartial rule, applicable to all grades alike. Justice is an element in school ad-ministration that cannot unidently be overlooked or ministration that cannot prudently be overlooked or

disregarded. The High School should not be permitted to dominate the system and oppress the grammar schools, in furtherance of its own supposed interests, as is said to have been the case in former years; neither should the High School and the Girls' Normal School be cut off from their vital connection with the grades below them, as is the case under existing arbitrary regulations, which cripple them, yet fail to benefit the stranger backs of the stranger of the stra

Nor is it correct to judge of our public school sys-tem by special instances of talent amongst its gradu-ates. That standard belongs to a past age when only the few were educated, and thus outshone the many. Our schools are established for the masses, the commonwealth of mid_for the common benefit the commonwealth of mind-for the common benefit and the common protection, regardless of the acci-dents o. life-grammar and high schools for those who have the leisure and capacity to reach them; primaries and secondaries for those who, from what-ever cause, can go no further; and the system is to ever cause, can go no further; and the system is to be judged, not by exceptional cases, as is claimed for it in some quarters, but by the pervading atmo-sphere of infelligence and moral culture which it diffuses throughout society. Its blessings fall upon the community not in meteoric showers, but "like the dews of heaven, unseen and unfelt, save in the freshness and beauty they contribute to produce." The proper adjustment of the broken relations be-tween the grammar schools and the two institutions next above them, is a tempting subject for discus-sion here; but belongs to other committees, and there we leave it, with the single remark that the promotion of pupils from one grade to another on any other ground than qualifications would seem to be more curious than tenable. In conclusion, the only legal obstacle to the ap-pointment of a school superintendent is the want of

In conclusion, the only legal obstacle to the ap-pointment of a school superintendent is the want of funds to meet the necessary expense. They cannot be had unless applied for and only asked for. It is incredible that the respectful and united appeal of this high board of education, charged with the su-preme responsibility of public instruction in the second city of the continent, should fall unheeded upon the ear of both City Councils and the Legisla-ture. From one or the other we have the right to expect a favorable response, if they be duly advised of our wants in this regard. The appointment of a special committee is therefore recommended, to re-present the Board of Control before those bodies, and endcavor to procure an appropriation for this and endeavor to procure an appropriation for this

It would be good policy and the truest economy to provide the superintendent at the outset with two able assistants; one for the consolidated schools, most of which are in the rural districts, and should be kindly fostered; and one to devote himself to the primary schools, whose importance is sometimes lost sight of, but cannot well be overestimated. The comparatively slight additional expense would bear no comparison to the resulting advantages of the proposed arrangement. New York city has five assistant superintendents, and work for all of them.

ELPHIA, WEDNESDAY,	DECEMBER 15, 1869.
ELPHIA WEDNESDAY, DARADINE DELEGRADES, JAMANA FOR PHILADELPHIA THIS DAY, AMANA FOR PHILADELPHIA TONS, AMANA FOR PHILADELPHIA TONS, AMANA FOR PHILADELPHIA TONS, AMANA FOR PARAFINA, AMANA FOR PHILADELPHIA TONS, AMANA FOR PARAFINA, AMANA FOR PARAFINA, AMANA FOR PARAFINO, AMANA FOR PARAFIN	HOUSE * JRIMISHING GOODS. EDWARD J. WILLIAMS, No. 932 CHRESNET Street. House-Furnishing Goods. Will reduce our stock, previous to removal, At Very LOW Prices Indeed. Christmas Goods Offered at cost, Ital windtspo C REAT BARCAINS FOR THE HOLIDAYS IN House Furnishing Goods AND TABLE CUTLERY, AT THE NEW STORE, No. 824 ARCH Street. 18 CHRIST & BROS. PLATE OLASS. RUGH PLATE GLASS FOR FLOORS, 1 INCH THIOK.
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Steamship Wyoming, Teal, hence, at Savannah yester- day. * Steamer Centipede, Rackett, hence, at Portsmouth, N. H., 11th inst. Barque Sir Colin Campbell, hence, at Hamburg 1st inst. Brig Jane Murphy, bound to Philadelphia, was spoken 6th inst. 40 miles SE. of Cape Henry. Brig Orcassian, Bunker, hence, at Boston 13th inst. Schr Mary McKee, Sharp, hence, at Trieste 12th inst., in 42 days passage. Bohr Margaret, for Philadelphia in 3 days, was at East	AMERICAN WINDOW GLASS, ALL SIZES AND QUALITIES. For sale by B. H. SHOEMAKER, 205, 207, 209, and 214 N. FOURTH St., 11 19 fmw1m PHILADELPHIA. WINDOW GLASS.
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NOTICE TO MARINERS. Notice is hereby given that on the evening of the 15th December, 1899, and every seening thereafter, a second order fixed white hight, illuminating the entire horizon, will be shown from the new tower recently built on Little Gull Island, eastern entrance to Long Island Sound, New York; and at the same time the fourth order light now shown will be withdrawn. The buildings consist of a grey granite tower, surmounted by a lantern, painted black, and connected with a keepr's dwelling, of red sandstone,	LOWEST MARKET RATES. (9 25 3m
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-A party of one hundred men took two negroes out of the Richmond (Ky.) jall on Sunday night, hung one, and having whipped the other, put him back in jall. —After April 6, 1870, the University of Cali-

fornia will be declared by the Regents free to all properly qualified applicants from all countries, and the fees abolished.

-Cornellus C. Donaghue, of Titusville, Pa. has been awarded \$30,000 in the New York Supreme Court, at Buffalo, as compensation for injuries sustained in the Mast Hope disaster.

-General Clark, the Republican member elect from the Third Texas Instrict, who arrived in Washington last evening, says that the Republi-

cans have won a great victory in that State. --Mr. Gaylord, Treasurer of the Avondale Relief Fund, reports receipts to the amount of \$100,077'32, of which \$12,727'64 has been distributed among the sufferers by the awful calamity, and \$76,635-72 invested, leaving a balance on hand of \$10,713-76. Mr. G. H. Stnart has a further sum of #26,000 deposited at call at six per cent. interest.

In Congress yesterday no business was transacted after the delivery of the Fessenden enlogies, as mentioned in our report.

Foreign Affairs.

-Carlists are active on the French and Portuguese frontiers.

-Eugenie has written to the Pope, regretting her inability to visit him. -Peter's pence, since 1859, have yielded the

Pope one hundred million francs. -Paul Angelo, a Spanish deputy, who had fled to France, has been ordered to leave that

country.

-A large number of addresses and presents were taken to the Pope by the Bishops present at the Œcumenical Council.

-Two gunshops were entered in Dublin, yesterday, by unknown persons. The owners were fired at and one killed. A number of pistols and guns were carried off.

-Fio Nono has issued a bull defining the conditions upon which propositions may be sub-mitted to the Ceumenical Council, and fixing the order of precedence. A majority of the bishops are dissatisfied with many of its pro-

BOARD OF SCHOOL CONTROLLERS.

An Important Meeting-The Report of the Committee on School Superintendency. Committee on School SuperIntendency. A regular stated meeting of the Board of School Control was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the President, Mr. Daniel Steinmetz, in the chair. The resignation of Robert M. Wilson, of the Eighth section was precived and accounted.

section, was received and accepted. The appointees of the Court of Common Pleas, Messrs, Daniel Wetherby and Simon Gratz, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of Messrs. Wetherill and Wilson, were sworn in as members of

the Board. A communication was read from the Twenty-A communication, endorsing the action of the Presi-dent of the Board in opposing the increase of the salaries of the teachers, and recommending the Board to turn their attention to the building of school

Board to turn their attention to the building of school houses instead of the salaries of teachers. Mr. Weidner moved to send the communication back to the directors of the Twenty-seventh section, as it was insulting to the Board. Mr. Green moved an amendment, that it be re-ceived and filed. Not agreed to.

The motion to send the communication back was

then agreed to. Mr. Eikin, Chairman of the Committee on Qualifi-Mr. Elkin, Chairman of the Committee on Qualifi-cation of Teachers, submitted the following report :-The semi-annual examination of candidates for certificates of qualification for teachers in the public schools was held in the Zane Street School, Novem-ber 11 and 12. There were 162 spplicants, 18 males and 150 females. Four males and sixteen females have the required average, 75-a first-class certifi-cate. Two males and forty females an average of 65-a second-class certificate, and thirty-one females an average of 60-a third-class. Total number of certificates, 98. Of that number, 53 are from the Giris' Normal School. Since the enactment of the law in 1865, ten secon-annual examinations have been held, and 866 certificates granted, averaging 178 per annum. Several special examinations have been held uring the same period, and about 50 certificates awarded.

awarded. The following are the names of those holding the average required for a certificate of qualification as teachers in the First School District of Pennsylvania,

studies, nearly two years of lost time would, in the ndgment of your committee, have been saved; our eachers have been less bewildered; the board re-ieved from perplexing embarassments, and needed odifications ascertained and settled at a much

Your committee do not propose to themselves any elaborate discussion of this subject in detail. too late in the day, in this remarkable era of educa-tional light, activity, and progress, for such a line of argument. It is no longer an open question. They argument. It is no longer an open question. They point at once to the living, unanswerable demonstra-tion furnished by New York city, with her corps of superintendents, Boston, Baltimore, Washington, Louisville, Cincinsati, St. Louis, Chicago, Milwan-kee, Cleveland, Buffalo, and a score of other cities, where this mode of sepervision is as much an esta-bliched word of their school meabliner a fuel conblished part of their school machinery as fuel and furniture, text-books and teachers; and where the superiority of the results produced vindicates, be-yond all peradventure, the wisdom of the policy. What Congress would be in attempting to conduct a war without a general in the field; the directors of

our leading rallway company without general and division superintendents in immediate charge of their road; or a machine shop without a foreman; the Board of Control practically is, without a skilled

and efficient agent to supervise and periodically re-port upon the work of tuition in the schools. To legislate is one thing; to administer is another and a very different thing. The Board of Control is a legislative body, mainly; and in the nature of things it can never, either of isself or through any of the committees, reach, stimulate, and mould the of its committees, reach, stimulate, and mould the working life of our schools. What official and an-thentic information has the board to-day of the condition of the schools under its charge, or the fidelity with which the course of instruction or any other prescribed regulations are carried out? None! Then why grope in the dark any longer? Why not by de-

cisive action place ourselves at once in the line of intelligently directed progress? The principle under consideration is already conceded in our own practice. We have a superin-tendent of school buildings and repairs, whose ser-vices are invaluable. A superintendent of music, without which there could be no uniform system in that important but long-neglected branch of educa-tion: and nine-tenths of our teachers, the assistants, have been for years under the nominal invisidetion tion : and nine-tenths of our teachers, the assistants, have been for years under the nominal jurisdiction of their respective principals. Why not give super-vision a more extended and serviceable applica-tion in a direction more vitally important than any

The School Superintendent would be as useful to the Sectional Boards as to the Board of Control. Having to do mainly with the methods of instruc-tion and the angliances of the teaching art there could be no conflict of jurisdiction, as his duties in this respect would cover ground they do not pretend to occupy. Their committees would accompany him on his school visitations at their pleasure; and it is very desirable they should do so, in order to profit by any suggestions he may have to make, and to judge for themseives of the performance of his official duties. Scrupulously respecting their local jurisdiction and authority, and reporting to them upon such matters coming under his observation as belong to them to regulate, a mutual good under-standing, baneficial to the schools, would soon be had, and more uniformly harmonious relations established between them and the Board of Con-

The only objection worthy of consideration is a The only objection worthy of consideration is a sensitive apprehension on the part of teachers that they may fail into bad hands. Here there should be no mistake. The duties to be performed, and the extent and peculiar condition of the field of labor, are such as to challenge and reward the best efforts of the best and ablest men in the ranks of the pro-fession. None others should be thought of. The incumbent of this important office should not only noncess literary and scientific attainments are

The incombent of this important office should not only possess literary and scientific attainments equal to the position, and skill and experience in the art of teaching that would place him at the very head of his profession, coupled with energy of character and executive ability, but he should be devoted to the cause for its own sake; and his known charac-ter for integrity and sound judgment should be such as to inspire confidence and command respect, and win, through the influence of those qualities, the co-operation and support of the teachers with whom he would officially come in contact. No one should be selected whom the leading teachers of the city could justly regard as their inferior in professional skill and attainment, or of whose disinferested motives and judicial firmness, courtesy, and impartuality, there could be any reasonable doubt. Antiquated routine would be lamentably out of place in this con-nection, worse, indeed, than useless; and a schem-ing trimmer, with personal ends to serve, would be simply intolerable. Aside from this supposed danger, teachers would have everything to hope, and nothing that they onght

simply intolerable. Aside from this supposed danger, teachers would have everything to hope, and nothing that they onght to fear from the proposed supervision. Rightly ad-ministered, its inevitable tendency is to improve the schools, and elevate the standing and protect th.

We require only two under existing circumstances, but those we should have. It would be a labor of love with many teachers to perform this attractive

auxiliary service. This subject is, in every respect, one of the most important that can occupy the attention of the board. In legal parlance it is a "condition precedent" to the much desired improvement in our schools. Our present presiding officer, and in former years Presidents Fletcher and Shippen, made it a leading point in their annual report. It presses home upon us now, with an ever increasing urgency and force that will not be put off, but will become more importu-nate with every month's delay. There can be no better time than now to move in

the matter; and some decisive action seems to be due to our schools, to the reputation of the board, and to an induigent and forevearing public, that hoped much from the new Board of Control, and is ill ratiently awaiting the fulfilment of those hopes Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. HICKOK. CHARLES F. ABBOTT, STEPHEN H. SMITH, JAS. S. MCBRIDE,

Committee Mr. Hickok also offered the following resolution : That a committee of seven be appointed to apply to That a committee of seven to appropriate the proper authorities to secure an appropriate the proper authorities of a superintendent of defray the expenses of a superintendent of public schools, for the First School District of Pennsyl-

Mr. Elkin moved to refer the report to the Com-

Mr. Each moved to refer the report to the com-mittee on Expenses. Agreed to. A motion to strike out from the resolution the words "a committee of seven," and insert "the special committee submitting the report," was

A resolution was offered by Mr. Eikin, that here-after the atternoon sessions of the schools be com-menced at half-past 1 o'clock and continue until 4 P. M. After considerable discussion the resolution was agreed to. Adjourned.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

The City Amusements

AT THE CHESNUT the romantic Irish drama of Patrice will be performed this evening. A new play entitled Champagne; or, Step by Step is

n preparation. AT THE WALNUT Miss Bateman will appear this vening as "Mary Warner." A new military drama with the title of Not Guilty eparation.

A new minary drama with the title of Not Guidy will shortly be produced. AT THE ARCH the comedy of The Overland Route will be repeated this evening. AT DUFREZ & BENEDICT'S OFERA HOUSE a variety of attractions will be offered this evening. AT THE ELEVENTH STREET OFERA HOUSE an

entertaining minstrel performance will be given this evening. SIGNOR BLITZ and his son will perform some

interesting feats of magic at the Assembly Build-ings this afternoon and evening. OPERA DI CAMERA.—This afternoon, at the Ches-

nut, Mr. J. Remington Fairlamb will produce his opera of Treasured Tokens. We hope that there will e a full house.

CARL WELPSOHN will give a Schubert matinee at the Foyer of the Academy of Music on Saturday, assisted by Signor Ettore Barili, Mr. Rudolph Hen-nig, and Mr. Wenzel Kopta. THE SENTZ-HASSLER ORCHESTRA will perform at Musical Fund Hall on Saturday afternoon. THE "STAR" COURSE OF LECTURES __To-morrow evening Wendell Phillips will deliver his oration on "Daniel O'Connell." This afternoon Mr. Paul B. du Chaillu will tell the young folks about his adventures "Among the

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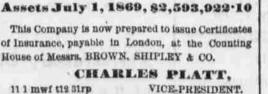
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agreed to. The resolution as amended then passed. HOURS OF THE AFTERNOON SESSION.