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COLLAPSE OF THE CUBAN REBELLION.

The Havana journals of the 1st instant announce that the leaders of the Cuban Junta in New York have issued a circular directing the insurgents to lay down their arms for the present and to submit to the Spaniards, in order to avoid further bloodshed. A despatch from London of the same date alleges that the British Secretary of Foreign Affairs has acknowledged to the Spanish Minister that he was satisfied, from official information, that the Cuban rebellion was declining in strength very rapidly. This intelligence corresponds substantially with the previous advices received in this country, and there can be little doubt that the newly-constructed gunboats which are about to sail from New York to Cuba will, after their arrival in the ever-faithful isle, speedily extinguish the expiring embers of the rebellion. The contest was substantially decided before their departure from our shores was authorized, and during its continuance the Cubans derived material assistance from this country, so that the incidental aid granted to their oppressors at a period when it was no longer needed is more than counterbalanced. The sympathies of the American people were with the insurgents, but after it became evident that they were putting forth only a small share of their energies, and trusting to Americans to fight their battles rather than to their own good right arms, there was but little cause to hope for the overthrow of Spanish ascendancy. The number of sincere, resolute, courageous, and self-sacrificing patriots was, after all, but limited. There were thousands who longed for deliverance from a hated yoke, thousands ready to intrigue or to pay for independence, but when it came to filling up the ranks of armies, maintaining them in the field through a series of years, and inuring them to toil, exposure, disease, and danger, the patriotic Cubans were unable to cope with their formidable antagonists. The chief reason of their failure, however, is to be found in the abandonment or desertion of the island by thousands whose presence in the patriotic camp would have formed the very soul of the revolution.* The achievement of national independence is no holiday task to be performed in the hotel and boarding-house parlors of foreign cities. To win such a boon men must not only pledge "their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honors," but lose them, if need be, and fight on through good and evil report, in the full conviction that there is no alternative between victory and death. The Cubans infused some of this spirit, but not enough, into their conflict, and they have but a limited number of resolute and reliable compatriots from whom recruits could be drawn. A large proportion of the slaves of the island continued to toil peacefully upon the plantations, the native Spaniards rallied with desperate courage and wondrous unanimity around the loyal standard, and as a large proportion of the Creoles who escaped massacre, banishment, or imprisonment fled for safety to more hospitable coasts, the suppression of the revolt is a perfectly natural result; and however much we may regret it, it was, under the circumstances, inevitable.

HACK LITERATURE.

The last *Atlantic* contains an essay on the lack of originality among American writers, which urges, as a corrective of their present subserviency to the English standard, a broader culture and the study of the French, German, and Italian schools. But we fancy the need lies deeper than this. It is neither culture nor learning which moulds the ideas of a nation, but the master touch of two or three great original minds. The literature of a people has little to do with the horde of petty *litterateurs*.

"I have but one child at a birth," said the Queen of the Beasts, "but that is a lion."

There is constant complacency among literary men nowadays in the greater encouragement given year by year to authors, the increased rates of pay, and the consequent liberty which a man obliged to support a family feels to devote himself to authorship as a profession. Dryden's famous five pounds of wages is contrasted with the present royal rates of payment of our publishers, with unceasing congratulations and pleasure that our lines have been cast in the better days of the present.

But, after all, would it not be the better and wiser plan to go back to the old scale of prices; to do away if possible with copyright altogether? Authors would starve, probably, but would not the public be benefited? When a man writes or paints in hunger or pain, simply because of the inexorable necessity there is in him to utter his thought, depend upon it that poem or picture will be something which the world will deem worth the keeping. "That song," says Carlyle, "only should be sung which will not be silent."

No doubt it is a very comfortable thing for the mob of gentlemen and ladies who write with ease nothings about everything to be sure of their twelve or twenty dollars a page; but what becomes of the "holy cause of literature" meanwhile? Hawthorne wrote his first book in a fireless house, with wife and children half starving around him. Miss Evans' books, says her publisher, are sure of a run of ten thousand copies. On the one hand we have "The Scarlet Letter," on the other, "St. Elmo." In the old iron age of authorship we had a neglected player giving birth to *Lear* and *Hamlet;* or a blind and suffering old man solacing himself by his visions of heaven in "Paradise Lost." Now we have Mr. James Parton rolling in silver-palace cars over the continent, and serving up our cities, religions, and ideas in his own little dishes, sure of a goodly sum of shekels per dish. Literature is almost given over to a horde of James Partons, of more or less ability, hack writers who are ready to serve up any subject, science, art, or fiction, at the shortest notice, for a proper consideration.

One cause of this is the number of literary magazines in England and this country. Now magazines are no doubt useful auxiliaries to knowledge. A hurrying, energetic people, too busy in building railroads across the globe for thorough study of any subject, find it pleasant to find all subjects set before them thus in miniature. They take their supply of thought as they do their meals, on hasty sandwiches at railway stations. But the method pursued by the publishers of the first English magazines was different from that of ours. They applied to scientific men and scholars for articles containing a *resume*, in a popular form, of their special branch of knowledge. A man thus might perhaps contribute but once to a magazine, but that one article contained the essence, probably, of a life's research. Now each magazine and leading newspaper has its corps of shallowly educated men, who stand waiting, at call, to give a description of the last transit of Venus, or prize-fight, as indifferently as a dairyman would skim pans of milk standing side by side.

By all means let us go back to the old system of low prices or no prices. If the true poet starves, he will give us his sweetest song in dying, and the *litterateurs* will starve and give us no song at all; and in either case the world will be largely the gainer.

NAVAL STAFF RANK.

We have received an official copy of the bill prepared by Senator Spencer for the reorganization of the Medical, Pay, and Engineer Corps of the United States navy, and to regulate and fix their absolute rank, uniform, etc., which he introduced in the Senate on December 7. This bill is the best solution of the difficulties between the staff and line of the navy that has yet been offered. It gives the staff officers all that they can justly claim, and it fixes their rank, privileges, and uniform with sufficient exactness to protect them from imposition, and at the same time it does not infringe upon any of the rightful prerogatives of the line, or in the slightest degree undermine the foundations of good discipline.

By this reorganization of the staff, the new grades of fleet surgeon, fleet paymaster, and fleet engineer will be created, to rank with commodores and captains; surgeons, paymasters, and chief engineers will rank with commanders and lieutenant-commanders; passed assistant surgeons, passed assistant paymasters, and first assistant engineers will rank with lieutenants; assistant surgeons, assistant paymasters, and second assistant engineers will rank with masters; third assistant engineers will rank with ensigns, and cadet engineers with graduated midshipmen. It is also provided that there shall be a director-general of each corps, with the rank of rear admiral, to be appointed from the fleet officers for a terms of four years.

The bill gives each staff officer on the issue of his new commission the absolute rank, uniform, pay and emoluments, right to quarters, honors, privileges, immunities, prize-money, pensions, etc., of the same rank in the line; but it expressly declare that they shall not exercise command or authority, ashore or afloat, except in the corps to which they belong and over those placed under the control of their particular departments.

There is but one objectionable feature in this bill, and that is the very unjust discrimination it makes against the engineers. Provision is made for immediately confirming the members of the Medical and Pay Departments in the new grades established, while the Secretary of the Navy is directed to subject the engineers to a rigid medical and physical examination, and the Superintendent of the Smithsonian Institute, the Superintendent of the United States Coast Survey, and the Superintendent of the National Observatory are designated as a scientific board for this purpose. While these gentlemen may be perfectly well fitted to conduct an examination embracing the higher scientific branches of engineering, it is extremely doubtful whether they are qualified to discuss such matters as the designing, construction, and practical management of marine engines; and even if they were, there is a manifest injustice in obliging one class of officers to pass through an ordeal from which the others are exempt. The engineers have been subjected to a strict examination before each promotion, and they have a right to demand that they shall be treated with a reasonable show of fairness. With the exception of this very extraordinary feature, Senator Spencer's bill is entitled to the candid consideration of Congress as a fair and equitable settlement of the difficulty that is exciting a most demoralizing effect at this time on our naval service.

At an informal caucus of the Republican members of the Harrisburg House of Representatives, held on Saturday afternoon, B. B. Strang, of Tioga, was chosen as the candidate for Speaker. This is an admirable selection. At the last session he distinguished himself by his zeal and hardihood in supporting retail and wholesale schemes of plunder, and he was especially determined in his defense of the infamous bill which provided for the payment of a large number of unnecessary pasters and folders, in defiance of existing laws. No man in the House has a better understanding of the art of facilitating the passage of objectionable bills, or of the devices whereby legislators and the applicants for legislative favors may be enriched at the expense of the State. Strang's selection as Speaker, therefore, is an auspicious augury of large "divvies" and plenty of them, and the voters of Philadelphia have additional reasons for congratulating themselves upon the re-election of men who are abundantly qualified to improve the superior opportunities that are likely to be presented.

MEDORA LEIGH.

On our sixth page we publish a synoptical review of a book just published in England under the editorship of Dr. Charles Mackay, which is an appropriate supplement to the disgraceful narrative with which Mrs. Stowe treated the world in the columns of the *Atlantic Monthly*. This is the autobiography of Medora Leigh, the unhappy creature whom Mrs. Stowe designates "the child of sin," with letters and editorial comments that serve to make her story complete. There is every reason to believe that the facts given in this new development of the Byron scandal are substantially correct, and the exhibition of depravity that is thus made is anything but edifying. There does not appear to be any evidence whatever that Medora Leigh was the daughter of Lord Byron, beyond the mere word of Lady Byron, who, by the most charitable construction that can be placed on her conduct, seems to have been under a hallucination on this point. Medora, for her part, was apparently scarcely more than half-witted; and the story of her sufferings and the treatment that she received at the hands of her relatives is one of the most disgraceful revelations that has ever been made with regard to any family. Lady Byron's own conduct towards her scarcely seems entitled to the laudation that Mrs. Stowe bestows upon it, for her sole object appears to have been to get the miserable creature out of her sight, and to hide her in some obscure place where she would cease to be an annoyance. With the exception of a brief confinement in a private lunatic asylum, Medora was left to take care of herself, exposed to all the temptations that were most potent over her weak mind and passionate temperament. And some of her relatives, so far from placing any restraints upon her, seemed rather to seek her ruin by placing temptations in her path.

The conclusion that all right-thinking men must come to with regard to this business is, that whether Mrs. Stowe's revelations be true or not, she had no right to make them, and that the persons who have given this disgusting story of Medora Leigh are no less culpable than the original author of the scandal. No good end could be served by these publications, and, true or not true, the world had no right to know the things that they reveal.

The contest for the State Treasurership is said to be complicated by a struggle between "the friends of a prominent banking interest and several of the largest mercantile and oil interests in the western part of the State." This bitter fight for the privilege of fleecing the taxpayers will enable the members who have it in their power to decide for whose benefit they are to betray their constituents to charge even a higher price than usual for their sweet voices, and to open the session with a splendid stroke of business. The only thing that astonishes us is that they do not divide the money in the Treasury among themselves and their favorites, instead of merely parcelling out the interest and profits arising from the use of the State funds. The principle is identical in either case, and it is scarcely worth while for them to respect the distinction between grand and petty larceny. They were sent to Harrisburg as plunderers to plunder, and they may as well satisfy their constituents that they are masters of their profession.

The subject of University tests in England has again been called into prominence by the circumstance that the honors of Senior Wrangler of the recent commencement at Cambridge fell to the lot of an Israelite, while the two who achieved the highest honors in the department of moral science were unhappily "nonconformists." All three are therefore debarred from the competition for those luxurious positions termed fellowships. It is quite time that Mr. Gladstone had turned his attention to this particular iniquity of the old system which he is so vigorously and successfully assailing.

The Finances of France.—The report of M. Magne, French Minister of Finance, was issued on the 13th of December. The floating debt, he states, has been reduced to $163,600,000, which, large as it is, is $41,000,000 less than on the 31st of July, 1868. There is a surplus of $3,600,000 for 1868, an expected surplus of $11,000,000 for 1869, and a surplus of $20,000,000 is predicted for 1870. All this would be very satisfactory, for there really has been an increase in the indirect taxes, if only M. Magne could guarantee France against extra credits or more loans; but he cannot, and the Chamber cannot till it has obtained more control over affairs than it has heretofore exercised. Perhaps, under the constitutional regime, this result will ensue.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

OFFICE OF THE HOSPITAL OF THE PROT. EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN PHILADELPHIA, No. 709 WALNUT Street.
JANUARY 1, 1870.
The Annual Meeting of the Contributors to the HOSPITAL OF THE P. E. CHURCH IN PHILADELPHIA will be held at the Office on TUESDAY, the 4th inst., at 12 o'clock M., when Eight Managers will be elected to serve for the ensuing three years.
1 3 5t JOHN A. CHILDS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE CITY TREASURER,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23, 1869.—Warrants registered to No. 59,000 will be paid on presentation at this office, interest ceasing from date.
1222 JOS. F. MARCER, City Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED SECURITY LIFE INSURANCE AND TRUST COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA, S. E. corner FIFTH and CHESNUT Streets.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31, 1869.
The Annual Election for Directors of this Company will be held at their Office on WEDNESDAY, January 12, 1870, at 11 o'clock A. M.
1 1 10t C. F. BETTS, Secretary

OFFICE OF WELLS, FARGO & COMPANY, No. 84 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, December 28, 1869.—Notice is hereby given, that the Transfer Books of Wells, Fargo & Company will be CLOSED on the 19th day of JANUARY, 1870, at 3 o'clock P. M., to enable the Company to ascertain who are owners of the stock of the old Ten Million Capital. The owners of that stock will be entitled to participate in the distribution of assets provided for by the agreement with the Pacific Express Company.
The Transfer Books will be opened on the 22d day of JANUARY, at 10 o'clock A. M., after which time the $5,000,000 new stock will be delivered.
Notice is also given that the Transfer Books of this Company will be CLOSED on the 25th day of JANUARY, 1870, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of holding the annual ELECTION OF DIRECTORS of this Company. The books will be RE-OPENED on the 7th day of FEBRUARY, at 10 o'clock A. M.
12 31 1t87 GEORGE K. OTIS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN MERCHANTS' UNION EXPRESS COMPANY, No. 113 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, November 29, 1869.
The Board of Directors of the American Merchants' Union Express Company have this day declared a dividend of THREE DOLLARS ($3) per share on the outstanding capital stock of the Company, payable on the 15th day of January next.
The transfer books will be closed on the 31st day of December next, at 3 o'clock P. M., and reopened at 10 o'clock A. M. on the 16th day of January next.
By order of the Board.
12 31 15t J. N. KNAPP, Secretary.

OFFICE OF UNION MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, N. E. corner THIRD and WALNUT Streets.
PHILADELPHIA, December 20, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stock and Scripholders of the Union Mutual Insurance Company of Philadelphia will be held, at the Office of the Company, at 12 M. MONDAY, January 10, 1870. At the same time eight Directors will be elected, to serve the ensuing year.
12 22 4t10 JOHN MOSS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD OF CALIFORNIA, No. 54 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK, December 17, 1869.—The SIX PER CENT. interest coupons of first mortgage bonds of the Central Pacific Railroad of California, due January 1, 1870, will be paid at the banking house of Fisk & Hatch, No. 5 NASSAU Street, New York.
12 31 15t C. P. HUNTINGTON, Vice-President.

OFFICE OF THE BELVIDERE MANUFACTURING COMPANY.
BELVIDERE, N. J., Dec. 8, 1869.
Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the BELVIDERE MANUFACTURING COMPANY respectively, that assessments amounting to SIXTY PER CENTUM of the capital stock of said company have been made and payment of the same called for on or before the eighth day of February, A. D. 1870, and that payment of such a proportion of all sums of money by them subscribed is called for and demanded from them on or before the said time.
By order of the Board of Directors
12 28 6w S. SHERRERD, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HESTONVILLE, MANTUA, AND FAIRMOUNT PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27, 1869.
NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at their Office, No. 2262 CALLOWHILL Street, on MONDAY, January 10, 1870, at 2 o'clock P. M. An Election for a President and Five Directors to serve for ensuing year will be held at the same place and on the same day, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock P. M.
12 28 15t CHAS. P. HASTINGS, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE GREEN AND COATES STREETS PHILADELPHIA PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY, TWENTY-FOURTH and COATES STREETS.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at the Office of the Company, on MONDAY, January 10, 1870, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time and place an Election will be held for a President and twelve Directors, to serve for the ensuing year.
12 27 2t 31 J 3 5 7 8 10* J. B. MOFFITT, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE FAME INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 809 CHESNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, December 28, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Fame Insurance Company will be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of January next, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the office of the Company.
An Election for Twelve Directors, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the same time and at the same place, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.
WILLIAMS I. BLANCHARD,
12 28 11t Secretary.

OFFICE OF CALIFORNIA AND OREGON RAILROAD, No. 54 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The Six Per Cent. Interest Coupons of First Mortgage Bonds of the California and Oregon Railroad, due Jan. 1, 1870, will be paid at the Banking House of Fisk & Hatch, No. 5 Nassau street, New York.
C. P. HUNTINGTON,
12 31 15t Vice President.

OFFICE OF THE NORTH PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 407 WALNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the NORTH PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 407 WALNUT Street, Philadelphia, on MONDAY, the 10th day of January, 1870, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of electing a President and Ten Directors, to serve for the ensuing year.
12 28 11t EDWARD ARMSTRONG, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE SEVENTEENTH AND NINETEENTH STREETS PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY, NINETEENTH and MASTER Streets.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Company will be held at the Office, MONDAY, January 10, 1870, at 12 o'clock, at which time and place an election will be held for President and Five Directors to serve the ensuing year.
12 29 CHARLES T. YERKES, Jr., Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 52 WALL STREET, NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1869.—The Coupons of the Mortgage Bonds of this Company, due Jan. 1, 1870, will be paid in gold coin on and after that date, at the National City Bank, New York.
12 31 15t D. H. PAIGE, Vice-President.

OFFICE OF CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD OF CALIFORNIA, No. 54 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK, Dec. 17, 1869.—The Seven Per Cent. Interest Coupons (Bonds of 1889) due Jan. 1, 1870, will be paid at the banking house of Eugene Kelly & Co., No. 21 Nassau street, New York.
12 31 12t C. P. HUNTINGTON, Vice-President.

NEW YORK AND MIDDLE COAL FIELD RAILROAD AND COAL COMPANY—Office, No. 226 WALNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company, and an Election of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at their Office on TUESDAY, the 11th day of January, A. D. 1870, at 12 o'clock M.
12 29 1t C. R. LINDSAY, Secretary.

SHAMOKIN COAL COMPANY, Office No. 226 WALNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the above-named Company, and an election of Directors to serve for ensuing year, will held at their Office on WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of January, A. D. 1870, at 12 o'clock M.
12 31 16t C. R. LINDSAY, Secretary.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.—CITY LOANS MATURING January 1, 1870, will be paid on and after the 1st day of January, 1870.
JOSEPH F. MARCER,
1 3 3t City Treasurer.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
PHILADELPHIA, January 1, 1870.
The semi-annual interest on City Loans due January 1, 1870, will be paid on and after this date.
JOSEPH F. MARCER,
1 3 3t City Treasurer.

GOPSILL'S PHILADELPHIA CITY AND BUSINESS DIRECTORIES.
The subscriber takes this method of notifying the public that he has finished the compilation of the above books. Any person or persons having made changes in firms, places of business or residence, will do well to notify the same at the Directory Office, corner FIFTH and WALNUT Streets, on or before TUESDAY, the 4th of January, 1870, so that the necessary alterations may be made in the manuscript before printing.
1 1 3t ISAAC COSTA, Compiler.

IRISH BARDS AND BALLADS.
CHARLES W. BROOKE, ESQ.,
Will Lecture on the above subject at
CONCERT HALL,
On THURSDAY EVENING, January 6, 1870.
To give proper expression to the melodies of the Irish Bards,
MADAME JOSEPHINE SCHIMPF
has kindly consented to appear.
Cards of Admission, Fifty Cents.
Reserved Seats to be had at J. L. Carncross & Co.'s, No. 6 North Eighth street. 12 31 6t

THE COUPONS DUE JANUARY 1, 1870, of the first mortgage bonds of ST. PAUL AND PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY (First Division Branch Line) will be paid on and after that date upon presentation at the office of DABNEY, MORGAN & CO., No. 53 EXCHANGE Place, New York. 12 31 12t

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD CO., Office, No. 227 S. FOURTH Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22, 1869.
DIVIDEND NOTICE.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed on FRIDAY, the 31st instant, and reopened on TUESDAY January 11, 1870.
A dividend of FIVE PER CENT. has been declared on the Preferred and Common Stock, clear of National and State taxes, payable in CASH, on and after January 17, 1870, to the holders thereof as they shall stand registered on the books of the Company on the 31st instant. All payable at this office. All orders for dividend must be witnessed and stamped.
S. BRADFORD,
12 22 60t Treasurer.

UNION PACIFIC RAILWAY. (SOUTHERN BRANCH.)
Coupons of the Six Per Cent. Gold Bonds of this road due on 1st prox. will be paid on and after that date, free from Government tax, by
CLARK, DODGE & CO.,
12 31 15t No. 51 WALL Street, New York.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY.
Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of this Company, that the Annual Meeting and Election for President and Eight Directors will be held at the Office of the Company, in the City of READING, on MONDAY, the 10th day of January, 1870, between 12 M. and 2 P. M.
HENRY C. JONES,
Secretary.
PHILADELPHIA, December 8, 1869. 12 3 9t

WEST CHESTER AND PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD COMPANY.—The next Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held in the HORTICULTURAL HALL, in the Borough of West Chester, on MONDAY, the 14th day of January, A. D. 1870, at 11 o'clock A. M., when and where an Election will be held of Officers to serve the ensuing year.
By order of the Board.
A. LEWIS SMITH, Secretary.
Philadelphia, Dec. 13, 1869. 12 28 11t

NESQUEHONING VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY. Office, No. 122 S. SECOND Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company, and an Election for President and Twelve Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at this Office, between the hours of twelve and two, on MONDAY, the 10th day of January, 1870.
12 28 11t W. B. WHITNEY, Secretary.

THE PHILADELPHIA, WILMINGTON, AND BALTIMORE RAILROAD COMPANY.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec 23, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company and an Election of Directors will take place at the Office of the Company, in Wilmington, on MONDAY, the 10th of January, 1870, at 1 P. M.
12 28 11t A. HORNER, Secretary.

NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31, 1869.
The annual election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 11, 1870, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
12 30 1ot J. P. MUMFORD, Cashier.

FARMERS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10, 1869.
The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of January next, between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.
12 11 4J12 W. RUSHTON, Jr., Cashier.

THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11, 1869.
The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of January, 1870, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
S. C. PALMER,
12 13 mth 9t Cashier.

SOUTHWARK NATIONAL BANK.
PHILADELPHIA, December 11, 1869.
The Annual Election for Directors will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 11, 1870, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 12 o'clock M.
12 13 mwf9t P. LAMB, Cashier.

GIRARD NATIONAL BANK, PHILADELPHIA December 10, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders, for the election of Directors and for other purposes, will be held at the Banking House on WEDNESDAY, 12th January, 1870, at 12 o'clock M.
The election will take place between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.
12 11 s 5t W. L. SCHAFFER, Cashier.

CORN EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK.
PHILADELPHIA, December 11, 1869.
The Annual Election for thirteen Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 11, 1870, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.
H. P. SCHETKY,
12 11 stuth13t Cashier.

THE ENTERPRISE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, Company's Building, No. 409 WALNUT Street, Dec. 24, 1869.
NOTICE.—The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the ENTERPRISE INSURANCE COMPANY will be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of January next, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Office of the Company.
An election for Twelve Directors to serve the ensuing year will be held on the same day, at the same place, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.
12 24 1mwtJ 10 ALEX W. WISTER, Secretary.

CAMBRIA IRON COMPANY.—THE Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the CAMBRIA IRON COMPANY will be held at their Office, No. 400 CHESNUT Street, Philadelphia, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of January next, at 4 o'clock P. M., when an election will be held for Seven Directors, to serve for the ensuing year.
JOHN T. KILLE,
Secretary.
Philadelphia, Dec. 16, 1869. 12 18 25t*

SUSQUEHANNA CANAL COMPANY, Office No. 417 WALNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, December 30, 1869.
Notice is hereby given that the semi-annual interest on the Preferred Bonds of the SUSQUEHANNA CANAL COMPANY and the Priority Bonds of the TIDEWATER CANAL COMPANY, falling due on the 1st of January, 1870, will be paid at the offices of the Company in Philadelphia and Baltimore, on and after the 3d proximo, on presentation of the coupons thereof, numbered 11.
ROBERT D. BROWN,
12 31 2w Treasurer.

SUSQUEHANNA CANAL COMPANY, Office No. 417 WALNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, December 30, 1869.
Notice is hereby given that the semi-annual interest on the Common Bonds of the SUSQUEHANNA CANAL COMPANY, falling due on the 1st of January, 1870, will be paid on and after the 3d proximo, at the First National Bank of Philadelphia, on presentation of the coupons for the same, numbered 24.
ROBERT D. BROWN,
12 31 2w Treasurer.

EAST MAHANOY RAILROAD COMPANY.—Office No. 227 S. FOURTH Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec 15, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company and an election for Officers to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Office of the Company on MONDAY, January 10, 1870, at 2 o'clock P. M.
ALBERT FOSTER,
12 14 23t Secretary.

THE MAHANOY AND BROAD MOUNTAIN RAILROAD COMPANY.—Office No. 227 S. FOURTH Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company and an election for Officers to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Office of the Company on MONDAY, January 10, 1870, at 1 o'clock P. M.
ALBERT FOSTER,
12 14 23t Secretary

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETing of the PHILADELPHIA BIBLE SOCIETY will be held THIS AFTERNOON, at 4 o'clock, in the BIBLE HOUSE, when the annual report of the Board of Managers will be read.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the SUMMIT BRANCH RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at the office of the PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY in Philadelphia, Pa., on the 17th day of January, 1870, at 1 o'clock P. M., to elect Directors for the ensuing year, and transact such other business as may be presented.
WILLIAM B. FOWLE,
12 28 17t Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Contributors to the PRESTON RETREAT will be held at the Retreat, HAMILTON and TWENTIETH Streets, on MONDAY AFTERNOON, January 10, 1870, at 4 o'clock, for the purpose of electing twenty-four Managers, a Treasurer, and two Auditors, and of transacting such other business as may be brought forward.
ROBERT C. CORNELIUS, Secretary.
Philadelphia, Dec. 24, 1869. 12 24 11t

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the PHILADELPHIA AND TRENTON RAILROAD COMPANY will be held on MONDAY, the 10th of January, 1870, at 1 o'clock P. M., at the Company's Office, No. 226 S. DELAWARE Avenue, at which time an Election for Twelve Directors will take place.
J. MORRELL, Secretary.
Philadelphia, Dec. 22, 1869. 12 22wfmt J10

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the THIRTEENTH AND FIFTEENTH STREETS PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY will be held at the S. E. corner of BROAD and CARPENTER Streets (entrance on Carpenter street), on MONDAY, the 10th day of January, 1870, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the election of a President and five Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented.
JAMES DEVER BROWN, Secretary.
Philadelphia, Dec. 23, 1869. 12 24 2t J 6 10d*

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of HORTICULTURAL HALL for the Election of Directors and the transaction of other business, will be held at the Hall on TUESDAY EVENING, January 11, at 7½ o'clock.
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EAST MAHANOY RAILROAD COMPANY, Office No. 227 S. FOURTH Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23, 1869.
Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of this Company that a Dividend of Three (3) per Cent., free of State taxes, has this day been declared, payable in cash on the 15th day of January, 1870.
RICHARD COE,
12 23 20t Treasurer.

THE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27, 1869.
An election for thirteen Directors of the Company will be held at the office of the Company, Nos. 4 and 6 EXCHANGE BUILDING, on MONDAY, Jan. 10, 1870, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
12 27 12t J. H. HOLLINSHEAD, Secretary.

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GEORGE P. FARMER,
MARSHALL PRATT,
No 95 Chambers street, New York, and No 28 Bank street, Philadelphia.
December 31, 1869.

NEW YORK, JANUARY 1, 1870.—A Copartnership has this day been form