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# MEWS SUMMARY.

## City Affairs.

City Affairs. —The fifty-third anniversary of the Indigent Widows' and Single Women's Society was celebrated yesterday at the Home, Cherry street, above Seventeenth. Rev. William W. Newton presided, and opened the meeting with religious exercises. The Treasurer and Committee of Expenditures presented their annual reports, theorement the resenting of the year to have been howing the receipts of the year to have been \$26,795·73.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Deposi--The winnun meeting of the Ladies Deposi-tory Society was held yesterday, at the Instru-tion, No. 136 S. Eleventh street. The receipts of the year abounted to \$1962-72, and the ex-penses \$1911-60. The deposits were \$3394-32, and payments for work \$10,630, upon which there was a discount of \$620-13.

The report states that the small discount The report states that the small discount charged upon the work is not sufficient to pay the salaries of the agents employed to give it out, leaving the balance, with the rent of the store and all other expenses, to be disbursed by the society. The whole profit of the work goes to the depositor, who can thus live by her labor, and supply hereelf and family with some of the comforts of which misfortune has deprived her. and sixty years and are cultivated farms; and upon two hundred more for sixty years crops have been grown, and everything that can be raised by an agriculturist has been raised there as successfully as upon the finest land in Wis-consin or any other State. I know these facts. The location is healthy. The ground is fast ground. It is good farming land. It is not a mere mud-bank. There have been some accre-tions, as must necessarily have been the case; but the main portion of the island, some four hundred and fifty of the six hundred acres, is as good farming land as is cultivated in the most fertile regions of our country. I wish to state a further fact, of which perhaps the chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs (Mr. Scofield) was not cognizant, and that is this: the land The managers, therefore, appeal to the benevo-lent to aid them in their efforts.

-The annual report of the Managers of Wills' Hospital contains the following informa-

tion:-During the year the number of patients re-ceived was 198-17 remained from the previous year-total in-door patients, 215. Discharged, 201. Of the latter there were cured 109; im-proved, 69; incurable, 17; died, 1; not treated, 5. Number of out-door or clinical patients, 3105. Surgical operations on house patients, 157; dis-pensary, 261-total, 418; of which 66 were for cataract, 33 for strabismus, the remainder being for various diseases. The above is an increase for various diseases. The above is an increase of about 15 per cent. in the number of Dispensary and in-door patients. House expenses, \$5655'86; salaries and wages, \$1848'90; medical department, \$602.04; real estate, \$013.76-total, \$9111.46. Receipts for board of patients, \$1358.38. The securities received from the sale of building lots have been deposited in the City Treasurer's office. -The Fourth Anniversary of the Sunday

Schools of St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Broad and Arch streets, was celebrated last evening, in the presence of a large congreast evening, in the presence of a large congre-gation. During the evening a number of beau-tiful offerings were made by the different classes. During the year the schools have raised about \$300 for benevolent and other pur-poses. It is the intention of the congregation soon to build a house of worship for their better accommodation accommodation.

-A further hearing was had yesterday after-noon, before U. S. Commissioner Hibler, in the case of Nathan Kuhn, charged with purchasing goods to defraud creditors. Several creditors were examined who testified to the purchase of woods by the defendant and to ble purchase of goods by the defendant, and to his present in-debtedness to them; and one of them, in referring to the Sheriff's sale of Mr. Kuhn's goods, said that though doing but mess in the same neigh-borhood he had no knowledge of it, and did not hear a bell rung. There was a further postpone-ment of the hearing until Tuesday next. —The anniversary of the Society for Aged and

Infirm Colored Persons occured yesterday. The annual report of the institution states that 50 aged women await admission, some having ap-piled three years since. There are now in the Institution 25 persons, whose ages range from 60 to 99 years. The receipts, including admission fees, interest, etc., were \$3337-34; and expenses, including taxes and water rent, \$2720-65; balance on hand, \$616-69.

## Domestic Affairs.

-Gold closed yesterday at 12136. -President Grant held his first public recep-

tion last evening. \_\_The Internal Revenue receipts yesterday

were only \$300,611. —Yesterday the Minnesota Senate ratified the fifteenth amendment by a vote of 16 to 13.

-Mr. Biddle has been confirmed as Consul to Cuba, and Mr. Moore as Appraiser at this port.

-Senator Ramsey's expenses in connection with the French postal negotiations were \$724 in gold. -In view of the failure of the Reciprocity

treaty, the Canadian Parliament, it is stated,

consideration of the subject in reference to the erection of wooden buildings. Mr. Hanna, from Committee on Trusts and Fire presented a report, with a resolution annexed, sus pending the Fame Hose and Harmony Engine Com-panies for three months, with loss of appropria-tion, for ricting.

them other damage. The Delaware river in front of League Island has a depth of twenty-four feet at low water, and the back channel some sixteen feet. In reply to the gentleman from Wisconsia I will say further that I know something about this locality, for Leagne Island is in the Congressional District which I have the honor to represent. It is not an unhealthy location. It is healthy. The people in that weighborhood are among the healthlest of my constituents. It is not the low, uncultivated land he describes it to be. It is not a mere re-claimed marsh. If he will refer to the reports on file in the Navy Department he will find just the contrary to be the case, and he will ascertain that the Thirty-ninth Congress was fully informed of all the excellencies and when it was accepted. More than four hundred acres of the ground have been used as farm lands. Nearly two hundred and fifty acres have been so used for over one hundred and sixty years and are cultivated farms; and upon two hundred more for sixty years crops have been grown and everything the tage.

panies for three months, with loss of appropria-tion, for riving. Mr. Stewart moved to amend by reinstating the Harmony Engine Company. Lost. The resolution then passed. Mr. Hall, of Committee on Contested Election, presented a report in favor of Mr. James Logan, sitting member, with a resolution to discharge the committee from the further consideration of the subject. Agreed to. Mr. Bardsley presented a resolution constituting a joint committee to revise the tax laws. Referred. Mr. Allen offered a resolution requesting the Legislature to pass the bill now pending repealing all acts exempting real estate from taxation. Re-ferred.

Legislature to pass the bill now pending repealing all acts exempting real estate from taxation. Re-ferred. Mr. Myers offered a resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Mighways to notify property-holders on Susquehanna avenue that the same will be required for public use in three months. Re-ferred to Highway Committee. Mr. Sellers presented a resolution directing the clerks of Councils to distribute copies of the direct of Councils to the officers and members. Agreed to, Mr. Hall presented an ordinance requiring the proprietors of omnibuses which may be run on any streets to pay a license of \$50 and to keep the streets in repair. Referred. Mr. Allen presented a resolution directing the Commissioner of Highways to have the slush re-moved from Vine street, below Second street. Re-ferred to Committee on Highways. Mr. Bardsley presented the sixteenth annual re-port of the City Controller. Laid on the table. Also, an ordinance to systematize the manner of keeping the accounts in the various departments of the city. Referred.

A communication was received from the Chie Engineer suspending the Neptune Hose and United States Engine Company, for rioting on Sunday.

Adjourned.

## MARINE TELEGRAPH. For additional Marine News see First Page.

of money the Government will secure for the construction of the new yard. Mr. Davis-Is not that land growing more ALMANAO FOR PHILADELPHIA-THIS DAY. 

	Mr. Davis-Is not that land growing more valuable every day ? Mr. O'Neill-Well, sir, that may be, but the	ALMANAC FOR PHILADELPHIA—THIS DAY. SUN RINES
	Navy Department now proposes that we transfer the Philadelphia Navy Yard to League Island;	PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE, F. A. SOUDER,
1	and if we pass the bill before us we not only authorize the transfer, but provide for the sale	GEORGE L. BUZEY, GEORGE N. TATHAM, COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH.
	of the old location. We believe it worth	MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.
3	\$3,500,000, and by passing the bill we put the Government in the way of selling this valuable	FOR AMERICA.
	property, thus realizing for it an amount which	France Idvarpool New York
	will go far in balancing such appropriations as this Congress and its successors may make for	ColumbiaGlasgowNew YorkDec. 24 SamariaLiverpoolNew York via BosDec. 25 The QueenLiverpoolNew YorkDec. 25
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	but a transfer. The friends of Learne Island	C of Boston Livernool New York of the traded
	will of course urge the establishment upon it of such a naval station as will command the admi-	Cuba
	ration of the world, and will, when completed	Main New York Brown
	be unsurpassed in its construction as well as in	Columbia New York Glasser
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 The steamers for or from the Continent call at Southaropton.

CLEARED YESTERDAY. Steamer J. S. Shriver, Her, Baltimore, A. Groves, Jr. Br. brig Ariola, Thompson, Ponce, C. O. Van Horn. Brig Annie Batchelder, Steelman, Key West, Workman & Co. Schr M. & E. Henderson, Price, Key West, do. Schr R. W. Godfrey, Garwood, Matanzas. Schr A. D. Huddell, Long, Matanzas, Isaac Hough & Mor-ris.

ris. Sohr Watauga, Monroe, Savannah, S. Lathbury & Co. Sohr Ellen Holgate, Golding, Newbern, do.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY. Steamship Roman, Baker, 48 hours from Boston, with mdse. and passengers to H. Winsor & Co.

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will adopt more stringent measures for the protection of the fisheries and modify the present tariff.

### Foreign Affairs.

-Rochefort's arraignment is to be discussed in the Corps Legislatif on Monday. There is some talk of the Government withdrawing its demand.

-Senor Castelar introduced in the Spanish Cortes yesterday a proposition excluding the Bourbon family and all its branches from the Spanish throne.

-The Pall Mall Gazette speaks of the British Columbia petition for independence as the work of American politicians, and intended as a set-off for the Alabama claims.

### League Island.

The following official report of the remarks of Mr. Charles O'Neill, of the Second Pennsylvania district, upon the League Island transfer, delivered in the House of Representatives on Wednesday, will be read with interest. Mr. O'Neill said:-

I do not wish to consume the time of the Heuse unnecessarily after the remarks of my colleague, the chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs (Mr. Scofield), but I wish to reply to a few of the objections made to this bill my friend from Wisconsin (Mr. Washburn). All the objections to accepting League Island as a naval station were answered in the Thirty-ninth Congress, which passed the act authorizing the Government to accept it. The city of Philadel-phia made this offer in good faith, and by it the country is now in possession of the island, which comprises some six hundred acres. It is hardly necessary for me to state the cost incurred by the city in acquiring the title to this land, that is not the question to-day; but I will say in passing that the amount paid originally was \$300,000. The act of acceptance required that the city of Philadelphia should give a clear and indisputable title to the island before it passed into the hands of the Government. Subsethe city in acquiring the title to this land; that quently, however, it was ascertained that for the more perfect occupation of the island itself for naval purposes it was necessary that the Government should have a clear title to a little more land than that embraced within its limits, Hence the city, without any hesitation and at an additional expense of over fifty thousand dol-lars, making the whole cost more than three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, purchased a narrow strip of land running along the south bank of the mainland north of League Island and across the back channel, so as to give the Government jurisdiction over sufficient territory for guarding the approach to this naval station. This strip of land, included in the gift at the suggestion of the Government, makes the donation more valuable, and secures forever more than six hundred acres upon which to build a naval sta-tion as rapidly as this and other Congresses may see fit to make appropriations, nearly the whole amount of which will be returned to the Trea-sury upon the sale of the ground now occupied by the present Navy Yard. As I have already said, the Thirty-ninth Congress—and I wish my friend from Wisconsin had been in it to hear the discussion of this matter the discussion of this matter-considered all the objections which are now raised; and by the decision of that Congress these questions were, I think, settled forever. I will say here, that the "mud bank" to which he refers is all the creation of his imagination from the prejudices of those from whom he thinks he has obtained reliable information. Most of this island is fast land. and those who have been upon and examined it know this fact. The back channel, of which it know this fact. The back channel, of which mention has been made, will require very little deepening to make it of sufficient depth to accommodate the largest iron-clad vessels now under the jurisdiction of the Navy Department. The bottom of this back channel, like that of the Delaware channel, river in front of League Island, is of mud, the best bottom for a river where a navy yard is located; for a rocky bottom tears off the metal sheeting upon the vessels, and does

terday afternoon. Select Branch—President Cattell filled the chair. A batch of petitions was received from almost every suburb and section of the city, asking for in-creased facilities in the shape of paving, grading, gaslighting and cleaner streets. The various papers took the usual course. A petition was received from citizens of the Eighth ward, declaring that Mr. Hodgdon is not entitled to represent the Eighth ward in Select Council. The petition claims that Henry Button Coxe was duly elected. The reason that he was not returned as elected was "because the lists were not properly made out." The petition sets forth that flagrant wrongs were committed in the various precincts of the ward. In many instances, says the petition, the officers at the election polls re-fused to permit Democrats to vote. The signers think that Mr. Coxe was defeated only because of the policy of the Republican election officers to carry the day for their own candidates. The re-turns show, for Hodgdon, 1385 votes. The votes for Hodgdon about 100 less. The petitioners prayed for an investigation. Hodgdon about 100 less. The petitioners prayed for an investigation. Mr. McCall moved that the clerk at once pre

pare the list of names from which the ballot is to e drawn. Mr. Shoemaker (late of Common Council, a mem

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was not cognizant, and that is this: the land upon which the present navy yard is now located consists of some twenty acres in the built-up portion of the city of Philadelphia, and it was valued by the board of tax revision of the city one year ago at \$5,500,000. That is the amount of monarchine Generation of the city

for iron-clads, the country will be proud of its work, and rejoice that the Thirty-ninth Con-

gress accepted the munificent offer of these six

CITY COUNCILS. These bodies held their regular stated meeting yes-

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terday afternoon.

ber of the bar) raised a point. He questioned whether the Chamber could receive the pelition in question. According to the act of Assembly suc petition must be presented ten days subsequent to the date of the organization of the Chamber. Whatever action is taken must therefore be taken

to-day. Mr. King looked upon the petition as coming squarely up to the mark. It was in the proper time. More than that, it was in the proper shape. The decument only came into the possession of the Chamber when it was placed in the hands of the president. There is no doubt about this matter. The duty of the Chamber is now to draw the com-mittee without dalay.

Mr. Shoemaker took different ground. The placing of a document in the hands of the presi-tern of a body in advance of its assembling is cer-tainly not equivalent to the presentation of the ame document to the president of said body when that body is in session. Mr. Barlow refused to base any argument upon

Mr. Barlow refused to base any argument upon any technical ground. He didn't believe Mr. Hodg-don to be desirous of doing or receiving anything that diverged irom the line of square-toed recti-tude. The law governing Councils says "that pe-titions contesting the seats of members shall be pre-sented within ten days after the organization of the Chamber." Carry this question to the Supreme Court, and three of the judges would decide that the ten days in question include the day of organi-zation. The other two might exclude it. The chairman should decide this question at once. Mr. Cochran moved that the discussion terminate at this point. What he proposed was that on Thurday next, at 4 P. M., the committee shall be drawn.

drawn.

This was agreed to. The yeas were 19 and the

A document was then read by the clerk. It was a petition signed by citizens of the Twenty-fifth ward, to the effect that Thomas E. Evans, Republican, was actually elected to the chamber of Select Council from the Twenty-fifth ward, and that Mr. Snyder, who now holds the seat, holds it

Mr. McCall moved that the document take course with its predecessor. Agreed to. From the Committee on Prisons was received a

note relative to the imperative necessity for the enlargement of the county jail. The committee acquiesce in the desire of the honorable board of managers. They ask Councils to memorialize the Legislature to make an enactment for the extension

Legislature to make an enactment for the extension of the prison premises by extending the corridors across Eleventh street. Agreed to. An ordinance by Mr. King to create a water com-mission, with an appropriation of \$5000 for its ex-penses, was debated at length. It was then post-

The Chamber then adjourned. 17 - -----

Common Branch .-- General Louis Wagner in the chair.

A message was received from the Mayor, veto-ing the bill making an appropriation to the Fire Department. The tenor of it leads one to believe that his Honor has next October in his mind's eye. Mr. Hanna moved to postpone the consideration of the bill until next Thursday, at four o'clock. Acreed to.

A number of petitions were presented and re-

Mr. Hall presented a remonstrance of citizens against the establishment of a line of omnibuses on Broad street.

Mr. Hanna presented a resolution providing for

Mr. Hanna presented a resolution providing for the calling of a joint convention to elect directors of the Philadelphia, Erie and North Pennsylvania Railroads, and also a Port Warden. Agreed to. Mr. Bardsley, of Committee of Finance, pre-sented a report, with a resolution annexed, ap-proving of the surveites of S. P. Hancoek, City Con-troller elect; Richard Peltz, Receiver of Taxes, and Alexander McCuen, City Commissioner elect. Mr. H. Huhn moved to proceed to the considera-tion of the resolution. Agreed to. After the reading of the resolution, Mr. Hetzel moved to postpone for the present. Not agreed to. The resolution to approve of the sureties was agreed to.

The resolution to approve of an ordinance making agreed to. Mr. Bardsley also presented an ordinance making an appropriation of \$4,491 61, to pay fees of Coro-ner, Sheriff, Clerk of Quarter Sessions and District Attorney. Agreed to. Also, a resolution to discharge the Committee on Finance from the consideration of the subject of drainage, meadows, &c. Agreed to. Mr. Huhn, of Committee on Police, presented a resolution to discharge the committee from the

from Havana eth inst. for Sagua, to have the point in a point of Hatteras. Brig Waverley, Terry, sailed from Cardenas Ist inst. for a port north of Hatteras. Brig Ambrose Light, Higgins, hence, remained at Malaga 25d uit, for the United States. Brig Wm. H. Parks, Lowe, at St. Thomas 31st ult, for Boston

Boston. Schr Catharine John, Lineban, sailed from Cardenas 31st ult, for a port north of Hatterns. Schr Florence Shay, Hulse, at Messina 19th ult., from

Schr Joseph Maxield, May, for Philadelphia, cleared at

New York yesterday. Schr L. C. Hickman, hence, at Charleston yesterday. Schr E. B. Everman, Corson, hence, at Savannah yes-

terday. Schr Kathleen. Neve, honce for St. John, N. B., sailed from Holmes' Hole A. M. 11th inst. Schr R. Peterson, English, for Philadelphis, cleared at New York 12th inst. Schr Richard Vaux arrived at City Point 11th inst. Schr John Shay, Fisher, cleared at Baltimore 12th inst., for Savannab.

Senr Finma R. Graham, Smith, from Salem, and David Iner, Huntley, from Beston, both for Philadelphia, assed Heil Gate 12th inst. Schr Trade Wind, Hoffman, cleared at Jacksonville 7th Einer, passed Schr

nst. for Barbados. Schr L. S. Levering, Corson, hence for Fall River, at

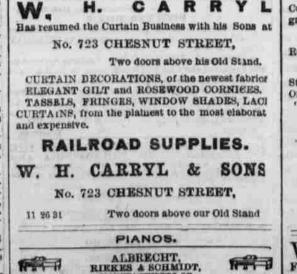
Schr L. S. Levering, Corson, hence for Fall River, at Newport 10th inst. Schrs Annio May, May, from Providence: R. S. Miller, Corson, from Somerset; J. B. Van Dusen, Young, and T. G. Smith, Lake, from Boston, all for Philadelphia, at Dutch Island Harbor 10th inst. Schrs J. W. Vanneman, Sharp, from Boston for Balti-more, and E. J. Heraty, Meredith, from Providence for New Castle, Dol., at Dutch Island Harbor 1(th inst. Fohrs Taylor & Mathis, Cheeseman; Thomas Olyde, Cain; J. B. Austin, Davis; Sarah Watson, Smith; C. W. May, Kinnear; J. Ponder, Hudson; John Stroup, Ervin; H. W. Godfrey, Searx; Jas. Satterthwaite. H. N. Miller, were at Dutch Island Harbor 10th inst.

MISCELLANY. The Wilmington, N. C., "Journal" of Tuesday says:-The steamahip Pioneer, Capt. Barrett, arrived in port yee terdas from Philadelphia, making the trip to the bar is 47 hours and 30 minutes, and from wharf to wharf in 4 heurs and 50 minutes for the tide. This, we believe as the quickest time the Pioneer has yet left on record.

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Attention is called to a buoy in the East river, about 100 yards west of the dye works, Greenpoint, marking a sunten boat, with about 9 feet of water over it at low tide.

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