MEUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

"Il Trevatore" by the Parena-Resa Troupe. Last evening the Academy of Music was again filled to repletion, the opera given being Verdi's Il Trovatore, which has obtained such a hold upon the affections of the lovers of music that it soldom fails to draw a good house, and on special occasions, such as a benefit of a popular and pleasing artist like Mr. Castle, is sure to draw an overwhelming one. Mr. Castle, the beneficiary, assumed the leading role, "Manrico, and, although it is a part in which he does not appear to as good advantage as in many others, executed it with commendable energy and a great deal of skill. Madame Parepa-Rosa as 'Leonora" was admirable, as she could not well be otherwise in a part which presents such a succession of opportunities for displaying the peculiar richness and fulness of her voice. As "Azucena" Mrs. Seguin was also charming. There are few contralto singers upon the stage who equal her in this role, and we have heard none in this city for years past who can surpass her. To Mr. Laurance was allotted the part of the "Count di Luna," a role which must alway remain a test one. Mr. Laurance, from ,sang the music of his part with a first

degree of precision and expression that carried the audience by storm. His singing of the charming Il Balen showed a little harshness, but was so admirably done that it was enthusiastically encored, and on repeating it the singer rose above the impediment which marred his first effort and gave the exquisite music in a manner that was almost faultness and presented a comparison with the best of the Italians who have appeared in the role here that was by no means disparaging. Indeed, we are not overdoing the matter in saying that Mr. Laurance is the peer of Bellini as the "Count di Luga," lacking, in a measure, the fulness and sweetness of tone which seems native to the soil of Italy. but in all other essentials of the part fully meeting its demands. Taken altogether, the performance of last evening was a very creditable and satisfactory one.

The City Amusements

AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC Weber's opera of Der Freischutz will be performed this evening by the Parepa-Rosa troupe. At the matinee to-morrow Martha will be

given, and to-morrow evening there will be a farewell performance of The Marriage of

AT THE CHESNUT Mr. Frank Mayo will have a benefit and appear this evening as "Badger" in The Streets of New York. A matinee to-

AT THE WALNUT this evening Mr. Edwin Adams will have a farewell benefit, when he will personate "Sir Bernard Harleigh" in Dreams of Delusion and "Rover" in Wild Oats.

There will be a matines to-morrow, when Mr. Adams will appear as "Claude Melnotte" in The Lady of Lyons.

AT THE ARCH Mr. A. E. Brady will have a complimentary benefit this evening, when he will appear as "Major Wellington de Boots" in Everybody's Friend. The performance will commence with the farce of Lend Me Five Shillings, in which Mr. Craig will personate "Mr. Golightly."

A matinee performance of Little Em'ly will be

given to-morrow. AT DUPREZ & BENEDICT'S OPERA HOUSE a variety of Ethiopian comicalities will be pre-

SIGNOR BLITZ and his son will give a magical entertainment at Musical Fund Hall this even-

ing. A matinee to-morrow. THE SENTZ-HASSLEE ORCHESTRA will give a matinee performance at Musical Fund Hall to-

MOFTOW. A GRAND stereopticon exhibition of dissolving views will be given for the benefit of the News-boys' Home, at Horticultural Hall, on Monday evening, February 21. The entertainment will be under the direction of Mr. O. H. Willard. THE PLIGHTM.—This entertainment opened at Concert Hall last expany to a large and lence.

Concert Hall last evening to a large audience, who expressed their pleasure by frequent and hearty applause. This entertainment is not strictly a panorama, but is a series of paintings,

if so, God help them, for this is indeed a cruel world. How true it is... "Man's inhumanity to man Makes countless thousands mourn." I hope you will excuse this long letter. I had in-tended only to write a few lines, begging you to intercede for Dr. Schoeppe, and to express my sin-cere crutinde as the cere gratitude as the WIDOW OF GEBRALD EATON.

INFERNAL CRUELTY.

Trial of a Man for the Murder of His Son-A Story of Horrible Bratality.

The Detroit Tribune of Feb. 15 says. The second trial of George Dixon took place yesterday. Dixon, on his former trial, was con-victed and sent to the State Prison. The main testimony in the former case was that of Dixon's testimony in the former case was that of Dixon's wife, or a woman claiming to be his wife, but who had a husband living when last heard from. Her evidence was admitted on the ground that the marriage with Dixon was illegal. This was held as error by the Supreme Court (18 Mich., 84), and Dixon was brought back to the county for a new trial. Dixon is a man of middle height, grey eyes, and brown hair. His countenance is coarse, and his general appearance indicate is grey eyes, and brown hair. His countenance is coarse, and his general appearance indicates a sullen disposition and a low order of intel-lect. He is a man of about forty or fifty years of age, and is the father of four children. James is the one that died on Jannary 24, 1868, and whose death was caused by cruel treatment re-ceived at the hands of his father. This child seemed to be the chief object of his father's hatred, and fell a victim to very cruel treatment and privation. After burial the body of the body was taken up and examined by Drs. Cutter and Beech, and on the trial Dr. J. H. Beech testified that he examined the child's body February 4, that he examined the child's body February 4, after it was taken up. Over the right eye was found a discolored spot, and in cutting through no injured bone was found. The flesh part appeared as if it had been bruised, but the injury appeared as if it had been bruised, but the injury was not a serious one. The heels and toes were found to have been frozen during life. Both of the beels were mortified, and the flesh partially separated from the bone. From the appearance of the feet, the freezing had taken place some time before. There was blood settled in one part of the heart, and uptions near the back were of a dark and portions near the back were of a dark, greenish hue, as if blood had settled there during life. In cutting through the breast he came to a rough bone, and on examination it was found that the breast-bone had been broken was found that the breast-bone had been broken through as by severe violence. By its appear-ance, it must have been injured three or four weeks before. The muscles over the heart and of the left side had a dark red appearance, but on the other side they were of a light flesh-color. There was an appearance of disease of the heart. The bruises in and about the heart could not have occurred over the heart could not have occurred over twenty-four hours before death, and were sufficient to cause death.

Thomas Dixon testified that he was 11 year old, and that George Dixon was his father: that Jimmy, the brother older than himself, died one night; that Jimmy slept in the same bed with him and his sister that night; on the day before, in the afternoon, Jimmy was sliting on the steps, and his father came out and threw him down in the woodshed and not on him with his known in the woodshed, and got on him with his knees; Jimmy was sitting on the steps crying because his feet were frozen, when his father came out; his father was mad because he did not saw wood. Other witnesses were called, who testified that on different times, from three weeks to six months previous to the boy's death, they had seen Dixon pull his son James down and kick him several times; that at one time he struck him with a handspike, at another with a shovel, and inflicted many other cruelties which are sickening to relate.

Dixon's statement was to the effect that he did not mean to hurt the boy, and if he was hurt at all within twenty-four hours before he died, it was by falling from a chair in which he was sitting to have his feet dressed the night before

his death. The testimony was closed at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon the jury returned a verdict of

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SHALTERS-UMENHOUR.-In Reading, on the lat of February, 1870, by the Rev. Jacob Fry. of Trinity Lutheran Church, and Rev. J. J. Kuendig, of St. John's Lutheran Church, FRANK B. SHALTERS and ELLA R., daughter of William Umbenhour, Esq., all of Reading. No cards.

STEWART-CAMPBELL.-On Tuesday, February 15, 1870, by the Rev. John Hall, D. D., Mr. SAMURL S. STEWART, of Philadelphia, to Miss EMMA J. CAMP-DELL, of New York.

DIED.

PATTERSON-MARY ELIZABETH, only daughter of Morris and Mary S. Patterson, in the 12th year of her The relatives and friends of the family are invited

to attend her funeral from No. 1511 Spree street, on Monday next, the 21st instant, at 10 o'clock A. M.

REBTS.-At Wilkesbarre, on Monday, February 14, 1870, of diphtheris, Lizzie R., second daughter of C. F. Reets.

STRPFACHER.—On the 17th instant, MARCUS M., eldest son of Wolf and Caroline Steppacher, in the 14th year of his age. The relatives and male friends of the family are

respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from the residence of his parents, No. 519 Contes street, on Sunday morning, the 20th instant, at 9 o'clock.

Sunday morning, the 20th instant, at 9 o'clock. STORRIE.—On the 16th instant, ROBERT S. STORRIE, in the 45th year of his age. The relatives and friends of the family, also Wel-come Lodge, No. 229, L. O. of O. F., and Pequot Tribe, No. 18, Improved Order of Red Men, of which he was a member, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 504 Diamond street, on Sunday, the 20th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M. To proceed to Odd Fellows' Cemetery.

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SCHOEPPE'S NEW CHAMPION.

The Widow of One Murderer Interceding for the Life of Another-The Letter in Full, as Read Before the Legislature.

In the Pennsylvania Legislature yesterday a letter from the widow of Gerald Eaton, in behalf of Dr. Schoeppe, was read by Senstor Lowry, of Eric county. The effect of the letter on our honored legislators is said to have been very marked. The immediate consequence was the passing of the bill affecting Schoeppe's case, allowing writs of error in capital cases. Eaton, it may be remembered, whose widow thus addressed the honored Senator, was executed last year, in this city, for the murder of Heenan. The following is the letter in full:--

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