NEWS SUMMARY.

City Affales.

-Last evening at the armory, No. 1913 Market street, a dress drill was given by Company C of the 1st Regiment, 2d Brigade, of the Grey Reserves.

-Last evening, shortly after 5 o'clock, a two-story frame structure at the western end of Chesnut street bridge, above Thirtieth street, caught fire and was totally destroyed. It was occupied by Mr. Mehl as a tobacco factory, and the loss, including the contents, is about \$5000. From this the flames communicated with McGamis' coal yard adjoining, setting fire to and destroying a number of sheds. The loss is about \$500. The fire made a great light, and led many persons to believe that an extensive conflagration was

-The Board of Public Education held a regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at their rooms, corner of Sixth and Adelphi streets, M. Hall Stanton, Esq., in the chair, and all the members present. After the transaction of routine business of no general interest, Dr. Andrew Nebinger, from a general committee appointed to laquire into a contract for "Lawrence's Model Reader," presented a report, signed by himself and Messrs. P. A. Fagan and Lewis Elkin, which severely censures the firm which furnished the board with "Lawrence's Reader" at \$14.40 per dozen, while furnishing the same at a less price to booksellers. The report recommends that no business be henceforth transacted between the board and the designated publishers. Mr. Charles F. Abbott presented a minority report, which sets forth that they do not deem the publishers guilty of any moral or legal wrong, and if any fault was committed, it laid with the board. A lengthy discussion followed. A motion to adopt the minority report was lost-11 yeas to 15 navs. The majority report was then adopted and entered upon the journal. Adjourned.

Domestic Affairs. -C. C. Bowen, a member of Congress from South Carolina, was yesterday indicted for

-Six inches of snow fell in Denver, Colorado, on Sunday night, and yesterday the thermometer stood at twelve degrees below

-Three notorious pugilists were arrested in Hartford, Conn., last night, upon a suspicion that they had been engaged in a prizo

-The strike of the shoemakers in New York is rapidly drawing to a close, many of the men who at first stood out now returning to work.

-The Republican member of Congress held a caucus meeting last evening at Washington to consider the subject of removing the disabilities in the South existing under the Fourteenth Amendment.

To bring the Great Western Railroad in uniformity with those of the United States by changing its gauge, traffic on its rails between Toronto and Hamilton, Canada, will be suspended after Saturday next.

-In the United States Senate yesterday, after the close of our report, leave was refused to entertain the Lee resolutions by a vote of 54 nays to 4 yeas-the yeas being Fowler, Hamilton (Md.), Vickers, and Mc-Creery. Mr. Sprague, of Rhode Island, offered resolutions, which were adopted, providing for an investigation of certain statements impugning his loyalty. After the customary speeches of respect to the late Representative Ridgeway, of Virginia, the Senate adjourned.

-In the House, Mr. Butler presented a petition of 2000 citizens of Gloucester, Mass. complaining of the Canadian treatment of our fishermen, and asking for retaliation. It was referred to the Foreign Committee. Mr. Morrell, of Pennsylvania, introduced a bill to advance shipping interests, which was referred to the Commerce Committee. After disposing of the business on the Spraker's table, the House adjourned.

BUROPEAN AFFAIRS.

LAST NIGHT'S DESPATCHES.

THE WAR IN FRANCE-THE CAPITAL OF THE PROVI-SIONAL GOVERNMENT BEMOVED TO BORDEAUX-FURTHER REPORTS OF FRENCH DEFRATS-THE END

LONDON, Dec. 11 .- Mr. McLean reports on December 10 that the centre of Frederick Charles' army is at Orleans, his left at Beaugency, and his right near Gien. A cavalry division, followed by a force of infantry, proceeded south from Orleans, and has now occupied Vierzon. The whole army of the Prince comprises eleven divisions, in all 145,000 men. The extension of his line over so long a distance causes some anxiety at Versailles. Mana distance causes some anxiety at versalles. Man-tenffel is operating to occupy Havre, Dieppe and Rouen. Four divisions, under General Werder, are besieging Belfort. Two divisions are operating in the country about Dijon, while there are in Lorraine, at Montmedy and Longury two divisions, and in front of Paris seventeen divisions. These armies, if their ranks were full, would number 540,000 men, but their real strength is less. New recruits are now en route to fill them up to this strength, which is considered ample to hold the

cuuntry all winter.

A detachment of General Manteuffel's army occupied Dieppe on December 9, without resistance.

The defeat of the 15th, 16th and 17th French corps at Beaugensy was not as decisive as at first

To-day the 17th and 22d Bavarian corps, occupying a position near Baugenacy, were again unexpectedly attacked by the French, and a severe fight followed, lasting until night. The Bavarians maintained their position with moderate loss.

The total number of deaths from the explosion at the Birmingham cartridge factory is twenty-nine.

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London, Dec. 10.—[Special to New York World.]
—MacLean writes on December 7, as follows:
"Bismarck declares that he will not treat with the
Tours government on any consideration, because it has connived at bad faith, and its officers have broken their parole. The Paris government has just re-fused a summons to surrender, saying that they

will fight to the last man."
Mr. Wood writes from Meung, the headquarters Mr. Wood writes from Meung, the headquarters of the Duke of Mecklenburg, on December 9:

"We have had three days fighting with the 11th French corps commanded by Goureguiborg, and the 17th, commanded by Colomb, both corps under direction of General Chanzy. The German forces consisted of the 17th and 22d divisions, the 1st Bavarian division and some cavalry.

The fight commenced on the 7th near Meung, and continued during the 8th and 9th along the roads leading to Beaugency, which is occupied tenight. The French fought with wonderful obstinacy. The German loss is great, but that of the French is greater.

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The Army of the Loire is now separated into three bodies. Chauzy's two corps and the two under Paladines are retreating toward Vierzon, pursued by Prince William of Mecklenburg, and the one on the north bank of the Loire, near Gien, is pursued by the 3d corps. More fighting is expected to-mor-

by the 3d corps. More fighting is expected to-morrow.

London, Dec. 11.—[Special to New York World]—
The Morning Post tells the exact truth about the reported proposal of an armistice. Gambetta suggested to Lord Lyons, with a view to the speedy meeting and efficiency of the coming congress on the eastern question, that an armistice be pressed by the neutral Powers, in order to allow the election of a French Assembly, and thus give increased weight to the presence of a French plenipotentiary in said congress. No overture was made to Bismarck, nor has the suggestion led to any result.

The revolutionary party at Rome attempted an emeute on December 9, and threatened to sack St. Peter's and attack the Vatican. The trouble was quelled by the gend'armes and military.

BRUSSELS. Dec. 11.—[Special to the New York Herald.]—Garibaldi has resigned the command of the army of the Vosges, and is about to return to Italy. This action was caused by the unfriendly spirit manifested by some of the French population, who are not disposed to continue an obstinate defence.

REUSSELS. Dec. 11.—[Special to the New York Proposition of the New York Proposition of the Prench population, who are not disposed to continue an obstinate defence.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 11 .- [Special to the New York Herald).—Preparations are making for the occupa-tion of Luxemburg by the Prussians as a military necessity, to prevent the furnishing of supplies by that state to the France-tircurs. For arresting the

facilities afforded for the escape of French prisoners the army of occupation will come direct from Gor-many. The arrangement is said to be in conformity

many. The arrangement is said to be in conformity with an understanding with the King of Holland.

Vensailles, Dec. 8.—Paris was summoned to surrender on the 6th. French officers captured at Amiens and Orleans accompanied the flag. The Prussians threatened an immediate bombardment as a penalty for non-submission. A committee was allowed to come out of Paris to consult the government at Tours. The reply returned was a flat refusal. It is doubted whether the threat of bombardment can be possibly falfilled, as no guns are in position, but plenty are here, and could soon be mounted if the gunners in the forts would let the workmen slone. Three hundred guns can be run into position in a single night, and can possibly be all dismounted and silenced by one day's firing from the forts.

The king was very angry with a correspondent who stated that the bombardment was impossible, and ordered him banished from the army The strength of the army of Frederick Charles is much reduced. The 22d division has only 6900 instead of 16,000 men. His army consists of five corps, numbering 105,000 men, besides two cavalry divi-

The expectation is that the war will close with the surrender of Paris. At the King's headquarters at Versailles, it is now said that the occupation of France will continue for two years after peace is

VERSAILLES, Dec. 10 .- The French, assuming the offensive before Paris in large force, were repulsed at nightfall after a day's artillery fight. A few French prisoners were taken.

General Mantenffel was in Dieppe on Friday.

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Thr French at Ham captured a detachment of Germans, with artillery.

VERSAILLES, Dec. 10.—Reports from the second army corps, now in pursuit of the French, say that since the last fight the roads are obstructed by large quantities of stores, guns and clothing abandoned by the enemy on their retreat.

VERSAILLES, Dec. 11.—The French were repulsed on December 9 in an attack on the 9th corps, at Monthevault, near Blois. The French were driven out of Chamford by the Hessians, who captured five guns. After the fight at Nevley the fugitives were pursued beyond Briare.

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BORDEAUX, Dec. 11.—The government has been installed here. Vigorous measures have been de-cided upon, and large reinforcements are going for ward to the army from all parts of the south of France. The troops are perfectly armed and equipped. A large number of batteries are ready for service as also the men and horses for a large

Tours, Dec. 11 .- [Special to the New York World.]—Dispatches from General De Chauzy to December 11 say that the result of the four days' fighting near Beaugency was substantially a French victory. The army now holds positions only five miles distant from the positions occupied at the beginning.
On December 7 the Germans attacked the French

along the line from Beaugency to St. Laurent without success. On December 8 they renewed the attack, with slight success. On the 9th the French assumed the offensive, gaining advantages, and on the 10th they renewed the attack with the same result. This fighting was all done by the 16th corps

The 21st corps, under Fierck, from Le Mans, and the 15th, under Pallieres, from Orleans, are near at hand. The French losses during the four days are not larger than those inflicted on the Germans. HAVEE, Dec. 10.—[Special to New York Herald]
-There is much excitement hereover a report that a mutiny had taken place among the sailors of the fleet. General Briand ordered ten war vessels to Cherbourg. The sailors refused to go, and shots were fired, some of which struck the United States

ship Shenandoah. The intention to attack Havre is a feint. It is the capture of Cherbourg that is intended. Wells, of the Shenandoah, will take the American women and children on his vessel in case the city is bombarded. There are four French iron-clads

MARINE TELEGRAPH.

For additional Marine News see First Page ALMANAC FOR PHILADELPHIA-THIS DAY.

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pent call at Southampton. CLEARED YESTERDAY. Steamer William P. Clyde, Sherwood, New York, John F. Ohl. Steamer H. L. Gaw, Her, Baltimore, A. Groves, Jr. Brig Redowa, Salter, Amsterdam, T. C. Hand, Jr. Brig James Baker, Phelan, Cardenas. Schr S. V. W. Shamons, Williams, Wilmington, N. C., Chas, Haslam & Co.

Queenstown, except the Canadian line, which call at Londonderry. The steamers for or from the Conti-

ARRIVED YESTERDAY. Steamer E. N. Fairchild, Trout, 24 hours from New York, with mose, to Win. M. Baird & Co. Steamer Fannie, Fenton, 24 hours from New York, with made, to W. M. Baird & Co.
Brig Julia E. Arey, Coombs, 5 days from Boston, in ballast to Lennox & Burgess.
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not as before.
Schr T. J. Trafton, Tapley, 5 days from Baston, in ballast to Lennox & Burgess.
Schr Olivia, Fox. 1 day from Odessa, Del., with

Schr Searsville, Chase, from Boston, with mase. Correspondence of The Evening Telegraph.

EASTON & McMAHON'S BULLETIN.

NEW YORK OFFICE, Dec. 15. — Three barges leave in tow to-night for Philadelphia. Ann McCsffrey, with cement and bleaching pow-der, and Charles, with iron ore and soda ash, for

L. C. Meyer, with iron ore and slab iron, for Wil BALTIMORE BRANCH OFFICE, Dec. 13 .- The following barges leave in tow to-night, eastward:—
Ann Harman, James Leighton, Susan Hayhoe, G.
C. Gere, Major Anderson, L. Carson, Chick Henley,
John F. Hager, Colonel Willett, D. Biddlecum, H.
Beckwith, and M. E. Merrick, all with coal, for New

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH OFFICE, Dec. 14. — The James Tracy, John Hawkins, and Winons, all with coal, for New York, left last night. L. S. C.

LEWES, Del., Dec. 13—A. M.—Two brigs went up to day, and a bark passed in at 10 A. M. A ship is going out in tow of the America.

In harbor, ship Research, for Philadelphia; schr Harry White, Hopkins, from Jamaica for Philadelphia; and two schrs unknown.

Wind N. W. Thermometer, 55.

MEMORANDA. Ship Eliza McLaughlin, Hibbert, from Antwerp 1st Oct. for Philadelphia, was spoken 11th inst., lat. 36 16, long, 14 30. Br. steamer Batavia, Billings, from Liverpool 3d inst., at New York yesterday.

Br. steamer Prussian, Dutton, for Liverpool, cl'd at Portland löth inst.

Br. steamers Abyssinia, Harris, and Minnesota, Freeman, for Liverpool, cleared at New York yes-

Br. steamer Cuba, Moodie, from New York, at Queenstown 10th inst., and proceeded for Liverpool. Br. steamers Calabria, Wisconsin, and Erin, from New York, at Queenstown 11th inst.

Fr. steamer Pereire, Marchand, for Havre, cl'd at

N. G. steamer Silesia, Trautman, for Hamburg, cleared at New York yesterday.
N. G. steamer Berlin, from Baltimore Nov. 24, arrived at Great Grimsby on Dec. 19, where she now awaits an opportunity to proceed to Bremen.
Steamer Donau, Young, for Glasgow, cleared at New York resterday.

New York yesterday.
Steamer Benefactor, Pennington, from Galveston 20th Nov., via Pensacola 7th inst., at New York yesterday. Steamers Mary Sanford, Chadwick, and El Cid. Nickerson, from Wilmington, N. C., at New York Steamer City of Galveston, Eldridge, at Key West th inst. from Galvesten, and sailed same day for

New York. Steamer George Washington, Gager, from New York, at New Orleans 12th inst. Steamer Tonawanda, Barrett, from Savannah for Philadephia, has on board 268 dales cotton, 88 do. yarn, 200 casks rice, 40 tons car wheels "nd axles, 32

yarn, 200 cases rice, 40 tons car wheels and axies, 32 tons old iron, 185 pkgs. mdse., etc.

Steamer Wyoming, Teal, hence, at Savannah yesterday—so suppesed; telegraphed Tonowanda.

Steamer Yazoo, Catharine, hence ist inst., via Havana, at New Orieans 9 A. M. 18th inst.

Br. bark Lilfus, Bent, for Philadelphia, cleared at Hamilton, Bermuda, 24th ult.

Bark Sarcho Panza, Wiler, at Mornel 23d ult for Bark Sancho Panza, Wiley, at Memel 23d ult. fm Schr Tradewind, hence, at Savannah yesterday.

Schr Cordella, Newkirk, sailed from Alexandria 12th inst. for New Haven. Schr C. B. Stickney, at Alexandria 12th inst. from Schr George B. Somes, Pray from Bangor for Phischr Charles B. Raymond, Kelley, for Philadel-

bis, cleared at Boston 10th inst.

Schr Ring Dove, Hill, for Philadelphia, cleared at Eastport 23d inst. Schr Ellen M. Duffield, Springer, hence, at New Bedford 10th inst.
Schr John Beatty, Price, from Canal Locks for Philadelphia, at Norfolk 10th inst.
Schrs L. B. Wing, Endicott, for Philadelphia, and Anna Freeman, Beynton, for do. or Bangor, sailed from Providence 10th inst.
Schrs J. I. Worthington, Brown; Fanny Hanmer, Brooks; M. V. Cook, Falkenburg; E. G. Irwin, Johnson, hence; and Surge, Warwick, from Trenton, at Providence 11th inst. Bedford 10th inst.

Providence 11th inst. Schrs Anna Myrick, Richards, from Danversport: R. W. Huddell, Bradford, and Warren Sawyer, Cox, from Boston; and George W. Middleton, Bradford, from Providence, all for Philadelphia, at New York

Schra E. F. Cabado, Swain, from Boston, and Jas Satierthwaite, from Providence, both for Puliadelphia; and Anna Myrick, Richards, from Danversport, and Emeline Haight, Avery, from Fall River, both for New Castle, Del. passed Hell Gate 12th inst. MISCELLANY. Ship Silesia, from Savannah 10th inst. for Liver-

pool, had on board 2170 bales of upland cotton, valued at \$161,432-85. valued at \$161,432.85.
Ship Anna Camp, from Savannah 2th inst. for Liverpool, had on board 3854 bales of upland cotton, valued at \$275,802.87.
Ship R. James, Black, cleared at New Orleans 8th inst. for Liverpool, with 3950 bales cotton, etc.
Steamer Acadia, from Savannah 19th inst. for Liverpool, carried out 175 bales of the cotton of t

Liverpool, carried out 1759 bales of upland cotton, valued at \$124,702-42.

Bark Annie Torrey, from Savannah 9th inst. for Amsterdam, carried out 2231 bales of upland cotton, valued at \$163,389.61.

Bark Odulia, from Savannah 10th inst for Liverpool, has on board 1166 bales upland cotton, valued

Bark Caroline 1 amont, Bowker, from Greenock via Flores, for Baltimore (before reported for Phila-delphia), with railroad iron, put into Bermuda 28th ult., in distress, and reports having experienced uit., in distress, and reports having experienced very heavy weather during the entire passage. On the 8th uit., lat. 41 29, long. 60 19, encountered a heavy gaie frem W. N. W., which split and blew away a great number of her sails, carried away the main, maintopsail, and foreyards, and sprung the mizzenmast. The vessel was strained so much that it has caused her to leak. She has lost during the voyage one entire suit of sails and the greater portion of another.

The New Bedford Mercury of Monday says:—"The news from the Arctic whaling fleet, brought by a

news from the Arctic whaling fleet, brought by a steamer to San Francisco and thence telegraphe here, excites some apprehensions as to the safety of ships not reported. There are seven of these that had not arrived at the Islands when the stamer left -four belonging at this port, one at Edgartown, and two at Honolulu."

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