THE DAILY EVENING TELEGRAPH-TRIPLE SHEET-PHILADELPHIA, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1870.

C TY INTELLIGENCE.

THE COAL TRADE.

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A General Suspension in All the Anthrasite Coal Regions-The Complete Teanage for the Week and the Year-Quotations, Etc.

Contrary to all expectations the General Coun-ell of the W. B. A., which was held on Thursday at Tamaqua, agreed upon a general suspen day at Tamaqua, agreed upon a general suspen-sion, to take effect January 10, 1871. It was not generally supposed that the other regions, and cepecially Schuylkill, would unite with Wyoming in a general strike, for the reason that Wyoming would not unite with Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged the schur the schuvikill strike the schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill when begged to do so at the time of the Schuvikill council agreed almost unanimously to a general council agreed almost unanimously to a general suspension, under the impression that it will be for their own benefit next year. To a certain extent it is to their interest, as will be seen when the whole state of the case is considered.

The strike is not, like the late one, for the purpose of resisting a certain immediate demand, but has for its end a wise provision for the future. Its main end is understood to be the fixing of the basis for the next year. By means of a short suspension, which is a much better name for the present demonstration, the different regions can be made to co-operate more easily. As now understood, the suspension is not intended to continue for an indefinite time, but when the basis is fixed-probably within a week or two after-and when a com-promise has been effected in the Wyoming retion with the large corporations, which the latter undoubtedly expect, work will be resumed in all the counties. A strike in the winter at all events is no very great matter. Then again the time of the suspension is de-

layed until the 10th of January, so that ample time will be given to all who wish to do so to lay in a full supply. Under these circumstances a great advance in

the price of coal will be entirely unnecessary, and can be avoided if the people will act wisely. Of course speculators will desire to take advantage of the state of affairs, and under frail pretexts try to raise a panie and run up prices immensely. If this effort is steadily discountenanced by the public there can but little come of it. Of course some advance will take place, but this need not be so great but that it can be borne without great inconvenience to the

majority. The following is the complete summary of the trade for the past week and year, as reported for the Potts ville Miners' Journal of to-day: -

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| Pa. R. R | 11,140 | 916,599 | 893 | 1,069.033 | 154.449 d 2.104 |
| D.& H.Cal. D.& H.R.R. JeffernR R | 11,853 | 1,2.6.230 171,545 | 8,987 | 1,293,675 508,808 | 85,325 334,516 |
| Wyoming Sh. Wyoming Nh. Shamokin | 11,525 | 299.412 76.365 450,559 | 9,675 | 326,645 19,455 474,108 | 27,943 54,903 19,923 |
| | 108,545 59,723 | 12,550,852 | 69,723 | 14,539,972 | |
| Semi-Anthra. | 48,822 | | | 1,988,420 | |
| eite, Frevorton Short Mt Lykens V.Co, | 19 1,249 | 33,983 132,515 75,740 | | 67,335 68,533 | 33,402 d132,517 d 7,93 |
| Williamston. Big Lick Col. | 2,160 | 191,2.6 | 5,230 304 | 256,561 83,397 | 95,31/ 88,867 |
| Bituminous. | 3,418 | 4 \$6 365 | 5.564 | 511,335 | |
| Broad Top B. & O. R. R. Uhes.& O.Ca. | 22,504 | 849,041 957,109 573,244 | 26,578 1,423 | 841.601 | d 51,653 d115,577 d 53,70 |
| | 23,504 | 1,879,394 | 28,001 | 1,605,461 | • |
| Tot'l, all kind | 134,477 93,288 | 14.866,511 | 93,288 | 16,654.043 14,866,611 | |
| | 41,189 | _ | | 1,789,455 | , II. |

CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY.

The Religious Pervices To-morrow-Its Celebrution at Charitable Institutions, at the Pinces of Amusement, Etc.

Christmas falling, as it does this year, on Sunday, with the exception of the religions observances, will be celebrated on Monday, on which occasion all business will be suspended. it having been enacted a legal holiday.

The banks will be closed, and all those who have obligations failing due on Monday, and have failed to meet them to-day, will be obliged to pay the usual penalties for non-payment of notes

THE UNITED STATES ESTABLISHMENTS.

The Custom House, Mint, and other national establishments, except the Post Office, will be closed the entire day. The latter institution will remain open until 11 o'clock A. M. An early morning delivery will be made, and a collection will take place at 5 o'clock P. M.

CLOSING OF THE SCHOOLS. The schools, both public and private, have adjourned until the new year, to give pupils and icachers an opportunity to enjoy the holidays. Most of the public schools have held unusually interesting Christmas exercises.

CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

Many Sunday-schools will hold festivals either on Monday or during the week. The teachers of the Sabbath and day schools of the Bedford Street Mission will provide the poor with a Christmas dinner in the Mission House. The dinner will take place at noon, and will be preceded by interesting ceremonies. The same interesting ceremony will be performed at the Northern Home for Friendless Children, the Germantown Poor Hozse, and all the other charitable institutions in the city.

PLACES OF AMUSEMENT.

Extra attractions are announced for matince and evening performances at the Walnut Street Chesnut Street, Arch Street, and Fox's New American Theatres; also at Mrs. Charles War-ner's Great Champton Circus, Arch Street and Duprez & Benedict's Opera Houses, American Museum and Menagerie, Blitz' Temple of Wonders, and Sharpley's Silver Show. The great German Sanitary Fair will continue open the entire day and evening.

CURISTMAS EVE.

As was the case with last year, Mayor Fox has detailed a large posse of policemen for duty on Eighth street this evening. The usual cus-tom for many previous years of masquerading parties taking possession of that thoroughfare on Christmas Eve will therefore be suspended. RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Services will be held in all the Catholic churches to-morrow morning at 5 o'clock, and appropriate sermons will be preached in all of In many of them fine music will be given in conjunction with the services.

At the Second Reformed Church, Seventh street, above Brown, the services will be espehally attractive, there having been an accession of twenty-five juvenile voices, who will sing some fine anthems and other selections under the direction of D. W. C. Moore, who is again in charge of the choir. The sermons of the day and evening will be preached by the pastor, Rev. J. S. Hartiey, and the Christmas exercises. consisting of presentations, addresses, etc., take

There will be quarterly meeting at the West-ern M. E. Church. Sermon by the Presiding Elder, Rev. W. L Gray, at 10½ A. M. Love

teat in the afternoon; sermon at night. The new Church of the Incarnation, at the corner of Broad and Jefferson streets, will be opened to-morrow morning, on which occasion interesting exercises will be held. A sermon

will be preached by Bishop Stevens. Rev. Dr. G. B. Ide, of Springfield, Mass., will preach in the Fourth Baptist Church during the day.

There will be specially interesting choral services at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Spring Carden street, above Thirteenth, in the mornng, in which a brass band will participate. The dedicatory services of Calvary Presbyterian Church, on Locust street, above Fifteenth. will take place at 10.80 A. M. Key, G. A. Peltz will preach a special Christ mas sermon to children in the morning at the Tabernaele Baptist Church, Chesnut street, above Eighteenth. There will be service at 6 o'clock A. M. and 3 b'clock P. M., in the Swedish language, at St. Michael's Church, Fifth and Cherry streets. A Christmas prayer-meeting will be held at 5 o'clock P. M. in Broad Street M. E. Church, at

of des a in the city for the week ending at FIFTH EDITION 600n to day was 257, being a decrease of 2 line of last week, and an increase of over a corresponding period of last year. 136 were adults; 121 were minors; 195 arn in the United States: 46 were foreiga-Tretti Of the Wer ers: 13 were people of color; and 8 were from the country. Of this number 49 died of con-sumption of the lungs; 6 of disease of the heart; 8 of marasmus; 10 of old age; of typhold lever; 8 of convolsions; 7 of scatlet fever; 8 of inflammation of the lungs; 7 of congestion of the brain; and 13 of debility. The deaths were divided as follows among the

different wards:--Wards. Wards

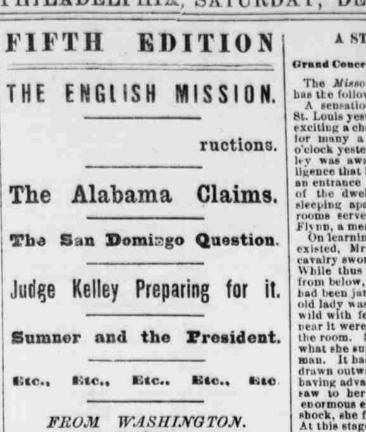
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HEAVY ROBBERY - A JEWELRY STORE CRACKED."-Between 3 and 4 c'clock this morning Gurlach's jewelry store, No. 1222 N. Fifth street, was entered by thieves and robbed of \$900 in cash and jewslry to the value of several thousand dollars. The robbers first cut a hole in the window-shutter sufficient to admit of a hand, and then moved the bolt. The win-dow fronted on an alley way, and they operated without fcar of being seen. In the store they found Mr. Gurlach's coat hanging up, and in one of the pockets they secured a key, with which they opened the fire-proof safe. In the safe they obtained the plunder, and safely made off with it. The robbery was not discovered until Mr. Garlach came down stairs this morn-ing to open the store. The detectives have been notified, and efforts are being made to ferret out the thieves.

INSTITUTE FOR COLORED YOUTH .- The eighteenth annual commencement of the Institute for Colored Youth took place on Wednesday and Thursday last, and the exercises were of an interesting character. The first day was levoted to an examination of classes in the High School and its preparatory departments. The presentation of prizes also took place on that day. The examination was continued on Thursday, and on Thursday evening the ora-torical exercises were held in National Hall, Market street, below Thirteenth. They consisted of dialogues, recitations, essays, orationa, etc , and many of the pupils acquitted them-selves with great credit. The presentation of diplomas came off after these intelesting exerclass.

FOX'S NEW AMERICAN THEATRE.-The "faunity" performance at this establishment last evening was a great success. A fine audience was in attendance, and the performance, which was of an entirely unexceptionable character, was highly enjoyed. Mesers. Coggshall & Co., Insurance agents, No. 400 Chesnut street, have effected insurances on Mr. Fox's new building in the following companies:-Franklin, #5000; State of Pennsylvania, \$5000; Pennsylvania Fire, \$5000; Royal, \$10,000; American Fire, \$2500; Girard Fire, \$5000; Spring Garden, \$2500; People's Fire, \$2500; Manufacturars' Fire, \$2500; Union Mutual, \$2500; Anthracite, \$2500; Lon-don, Liverpool, and Globe, \$2500. Total, \$47,500.

EMIGRATION OF FREEDMEN.-Last month nearly two hundred freedmen left North Carolina for Liberia, to join their friends who went a year ago, and formed the new settlements of Brewerville and Arthington, on the St. Paul's river. Coffee, sugar, and cotton succeed well. A donation of a cotton gin would be of great service. A letter from North Carolina states that "a great many are anxious to get off in the spring." The Corresponding Secretary of the Pennsylvania Colonization Society, Rev. Thomas S. Malcom, suggests that a Christmas 2,663,681. or New Year's present to the society would be very timely, to aid those who wish to promote



General Schenck's Instructions and the Ala-bana Claims. Special Despatch to The isvening Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 .- It is stated that General Schenck, like Mr. Motley, will be allowed to write his own instructions as Minister to England, subject to approval by the President. The British Minister states that he has reason to believe that no further concessions will be made by Great Britain to the United States on the question of the Alabama claims. In the last convention England, he says, made concessions which at the beginning of the negotiations she had no idea of doing; but this thing will not be repeated. From this it would appear that any further negotiations on the subject must come from the United States. It is believed that the Government will assume and pay the individual claims growing out of the Alabama business, and then take its own time to settle with England.

Samner and the President.

A new effort has been made to settle the diffe-

rences between Senator Summer and the Presi-

here is quite cold.

During the holidays

will prepare a strong speech in favor of the San Domingo annexation project, which he will deliver in the House when Senator Morton's resolution comes up after the recess. General Logan's Chances for the Senate. A private despatch received here from Spring-

field, Ill., to-day, states that General Logan's chances for election as Senator from that State are improving, and that he will be elected over all competitors.

FROM THE WEST.

The North Pole at Cincinnati. CINCINNATI, Dec. 24 .- This is the coldest morning of the season. The thermometer was four degrees below zero at sunrise. Some thermometers on the hills indicated as low as ten

A ST. LOUIS SENSATION. Grand Concerted Attack of an Elephant Upon Brick Bouse. The Missouri Republican of the 21st instant has the following:--A sensation of the first water swept East St. Louis yesterday morning, of so unique and exciting a character that it will not be forgotten for many a long day. At about half-past 3 o'clock yesterday morning Mr. Edward S Bradley was awakened by his wife, with the intel-ligence that burglars were attempting to effect

an entrance to the house. The upper portion of the dwelling is occupied by the family for sleeping apartments, while one of the lower rooms serves as a room for an old lady named Flynn, a member of the household.

On learning that some cause for alarm really existed, Mr. B. arose, and grasping a huge cavalry sword, stationed himself at the window While thus waiting a sudden crash was heard from below, as if the whole side of the house had been jammed in, and at the same time the old lady was heard to scream plercingly, as if wild with fear. The window and the bureau near it were suddenly dashed into the middle of the room. She sprang from her bed and seized what she supposed to be the retreating leg of a man. It had a queer feel, however, and was drawn outward with violence, and the old lady baying advanced close to the shattered window, taw to her horror the towering bulk of an enormous elephant. Unable to overcome the shock, she fell almost insensible to the floor. At this stage of affairs Mr. B., with his drawn sabre, started to the rescue. The stairs leading below are on the outside of the house, and as he descended he encountered the elephant, whe appeared determined to ascend the staps. A few blows of the steel blade on the trunk cowed the huge brute and he commenced a retreat. He backed out of the yard and took a northwardly course until he arrived at a saloon owned by Mr. Charles Schaffner, at which place he stopped, took a general observation of the surroundings, then making a desperate charge he shivered a large door to atoms. This last affair was the close of his damage. He wandered off through the silent streets, and at daylight was found near the southeastern depot dead, having it is said died from the effects of the cold. The explanation of the business was soon ascertained. The elephant belonged to a

menagerie which was going east on the Vancalla Railroad. The elephant was left at dark by the keeper in a railroad car, being as was supposed securely locked in. During the night, however, he broke the chain which fastened his leg, tore down the door, and started on his voyage of death. He was an immense brute. and his carcass was viewed with intense curiosity by the citizens during the day. It is said that the original oost of the animal was nearly

THE DEAD KIT BURN.

\$5000.

Funeral of the Late Sporting Man. The mortal remains of Christopher Keybourn, better known as "Kit Burn," were yesterday afrernoon borne to their last resting-place in Calvary Cemetery, from the house No. 87 Sackett street, Brooklyn. The excitement in the neighborhood was most intease, and crowds gathered around the house for some time previous to the hour set for the funeral. The crowds poured into the place and gazed in the face of the dead with as much apparent reverence as if the deceased were a high-toned, honorable, moral and religious light in the com-munity. The casket which contained the corpse was of polished black walnut, with elaborate silver mountings, and on a silver cross inside the lid were the name, date of the death of deceased and age-thirty-nine years and eleven months. The body was enclosed in a neat and very expensive shroud of fine white serge, with a deep front of quilted satin extending the entire length.

The company were of a curiously mixed cha-acter. There were several elegantly attired

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dent, but without success, as both gentlemen are averse to a reconciliation. The Weather Judge Kelley

COAL TRADE FOR 1870-71. 1870. 1871. WEEK. TOTAL. | WEEK. | TOTAL | IN. & D. 49,706 1,694 54,152 193,437 20,748 139,916 79,926 161.904 d.51.533 RRR Sch Uanal. L Val RR 8. L Val RR 8. 35,471 146,531 63 728 5,675 13,333 153,959 105,542 105,552 354,081 857,971 854,091 51,117 3,19)

"The supply from all the regions for the week was about the same as last year.

"The whole supply of anthracite sent to market this year so far, embraced in the table. foots up as follows. To this must be added about 475,000 tons not reported, against 450,000 tons not reported last year in either of the tables:' 14 590 979

| Total so far in 1870 in 1869 | 14,539,272 12,550,853 |
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| Increase of Anthracite in 1870 so far The sapply of all kinds so far:— In 1870 In 1869. | 16,656,059 |
| Increase of all kind The increase in the different kinds lows:- | 1,789.458 is as fol- |
| Increase of anthracite | $\substack{1,988,420\\74,971}$ |
| Decrease in bituminous. | 2,063,391 |

Total increase in 1870 so far..... 1,789,455 The trade at this port has been more steady. The Delaware and Raritan Canal closes operations for the season to-night; consecrently there were but few boats taken upon Friday. and none to-day.

The following are the prices of coal by the cargo at Port Richmond for shipments east of Bordenton and south of Cape Henry, and to points along the line of the Delaware and Raritan Canal for the week ending December 23, 1870:-

Schuylkill Red Ash, \$4:50@4:70; do. do. Broken. 13:60@370; do. do. Egg, \$4@4:25; do. do. Stove, \$4:15 @4:25; do. do. Chestnut, \$3:10@3:25; Shenandoan Egg, \$4:40; do. Stove, \$4:40; Chesnut, \$3:80.

The following are the current rates of freights from Port Richmond for the week ending December 23:-

Boston, \$2:50@275;Charlestown, \$2:50; Lynn, \$2:75 and dis.; New Bedford, \$2; Newport, \$2; Provi-dence, \$2; New York, \$1 35 #2; Staten Island, \$1 75; Jersey City, \$1 35:32; Washington, \$1 50:31-50; Alex. andria, \$1 50; Richmond, \$1 65; New Orleans, \$5 75.

OBITUARY-WILLIAM H. WEBB, Esq.-Last evening William Hewitt Webb, Secretary of the Reading Railroad Company, died at his residence at Germantown, aged about thirty-six years, of congestion of the lungs. The deceased was well known throughout the coustry, his official connection with the above corporation having existed over a term of nearly fifteen years. Some eight years since he was elected auditor and secretary, and close atten-tion to both of these responsible positions began to so affect his general health that a year ago his duties were lightened by the transfer of the position of auditor into the hands of J. M. lones, who, during the temporary absence of Mr. Webb, also filled the office of Secretary in an acceptable maoner. The health of Webb continued to gradually decline until two weeks since, when he was compelled to remain at home He was a very valuable officer, and in his death the railroad company sustain a severe loss. In social life he was highly respected, and he has left many warmly attached friends, besides a wife and three children, to mourn his early death.

A SHARP TRANSACTION .- About 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon three men entered Gallagher's tavero, No. 3914 Lancaster avenue, and called for drinks. They laid down a dollar bill, and while the proprietor was making change they seized his pocket-book, containing \$85, and made off with it. No arrests were made.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT .- Hagh Taggart was arrested last night in the act of breaking into a dry goods store at Tairteenth and Fitzwater street. He was captured by Pollicemen McNulty, and committed by Alderman Bogsall.

Broad and Christian streets. The fourteenth anniversary of the Sabbath-school connected with Olivet Baptist Church

will be celebrated at 2:30 P. M. At St. Philip's P. E. Church, Vine street, below Eighth, Mozart's "Gloria in Excelsis" will be sung; also Thomas' "Te Deum" and Jackson's "Jubilate." At 3 P. M. the Sundayschools connected with the church hold their

Inniversary. The Sabbath-school of the Cherry Street Bapist Church will give a concert at 3 o'clock. The exercises will consist of singing and reading of pessays. The pestor, Rev. L. D. Miller, Colonel D. W. C. Moore, Abraham Martin, Esq., and others will address the school.

Bishop Stevens will preach in the Bishop's Church, on Spring Garden street, below Broad, n the evening.

LANCENIES .- John Bryan is the name of an udividual who went into Hunt's pawn office, Eleventh street, below South, yesterday, and stole a watch. John was caught in the act, was oursued and captured. He had a hearing before Alderman Bonsall and was committed.

Charles Vinceman, Charles Huhn, and Joseph Kuiz were arrested by Lieutenant Pritchard and Sergeant Manning yesterday afternoon for the theft of some turkeys from the store of Tiller & Brothers, Frankford road and Dauphin The officers chased them for nearly half street a mile before they were captured. Defendants were held to answer by Alderman Heins.

John Baker, for the theit of a pair of boots from a store at Second and Vine streets, was sent to prison by Alderman Cahill yesterday.

James McLaughlin was taken into custody vesterday for the larceny of saveral shirts from the store of Edw. Kolb, Second and Brown sts. The prisoner had a hearing before Alderman Beitler and was committed for tris!.

THE THERMOMETER .- The weather of the past few

days has been colder than during any preceding month of December for some years back. At no one time during that month since 1867 has the thermo meter gone below 20 degrees, except in 1860, when on the 1th of the month, it reached as low as 17 de grees. The following is a comparative table of the state of the thermometer from December 19 to 24, of 1870 and 1869:-

1870. 1669. 6 A.M. 12 M. 3 P.M. 6 A.M. 18 M. 3 P.M. 29% 29 34 16% Dec. 19. 36 38 81% 59 86% 83 52 ** 20. ** 21 22. " 25., 19% " 24., 11 36 37 89

CHRISTWAS EXERCISES, - The Christmas exer elses of the Indiow Giris' Grammar School, situated on Muster street, above Fourth, took place yesterday alternoon in the presence of a arge audience. The programme, which conelsted of solos, duets, dualogues, recitations, etc., was participated in by Misses Bishop, Vance, Little, Mack, Kelly, and other of the pupils. The principal feature of the afternoon was the presentations received by the teachers from the scholars of their respective divisions.

PROPABLE HOMICIDE .- About 7 o'clock this morning John Hamili, aged 27 years, was at tacked and beat about the head with a chair by Pririck Morris Roe. The affair occurred in a dwelling at Seventh and Bainbridge streets. Hamill's injuries are of a serious nature. was arrested, and the sufferer was removed to the Hospital. It is doubtful whether the injured man will recover.

SHOPLIFTERS .-- Night before last a man and woman genteeliy dressed went into the dry goods store of Jacob A. Ritter, No. 508 Race street, and asked to look at a piece of plush. Something occurred to attract the attention of the saleswoman, and she passed to the rear of the saleswoman. the store. In the meantine the new comers picked up a piece of greaadine, worth \$50, and Eade off with it.

civilization and Christianity in Africa. PRISON VANS .- The contract for furnishing the horses and drivers for the three prison vans belonging to the city was awarded at noon to day to Joseph Gamble at the rate of \$8:40 per day. There were a large number of bidders. but the above is far below any of the competitors.

TRIFLING FIRE .- About 4 o'clock yesterday morning a trifling fire occurred at Shields' bolt works, on Twenty-third street, above Race.

THE AMAZON.

Return of the Cornell University Exploring

The scientific world was thrown into quite a flutter yesterday by the arrival of the Brazilian mail steamer Merrimac, which arrived in New York on Wednesday night, with Professor Frederick C. Hartt and party, who have been on an exploring expedition up through the Val-ley of the Amazon. The vessel now lies at the pier at Harbeck's stores, Brooklyn. She had on board a number of boxes containing a large collection of geological specimens, fossil fishes and mollusks. This collection is designed for Cornell University, whither it was sent yesterday in charge of Mr. W. A. Wilmot, one of the gentlemen composing the exploring party.

The details of the expedition, as narrated by the explorers, are very interesting and import-ant, as they tend to disprove Professor Agassiz's South American glacial theory. The party left this city in June last, and have been absent six months. Arriving at St. Carlos, in the mouth of the Amazon river, they embarked on board a steamer for Obydos, to which point vessels ply regularly. A small vessel was here chartered, and they proceeded farther west up the great river, occasionally diverging from their course to explore the Xinga, Tapajoz, Tocantins, Pacaxa, Garupatuba, Ironbeas, Canoma, and other tributaries of the Amazon.

At many points on the tributaries navigation was extremely difficult, and small boats had to be used. Vegetation is remarkably luxuriant, and some of the rivers flow for miles beneath a perfect tunnel or arch tormed by the branches of the trees meeting overhead. The branches are intertwined with vines so thickly that it is impossible to see the sky through them. Frequently it is so dark at midday in this tunnel that torches are necessary to enable the explorers to make their way. Monstrous reptiles intest these jungles.

Peofessor Hartt and his companions encountered no little danger and hardship, but what they saw and the important knowledge which they gained amply repaid them for their trouble. Discoveries made by Professor Hartt's party, it is said, tend in a great measure to dispute Professor Agassiz's theory. Professor Hartt's party are of the opinion that the "scratches" supposed to have been made by glaciers ages ago are owing to entirely different causes. It is said that Professor Hartt's geological specimens and fossil mollusks and fishes comprise the largest collection of the kind ever brought at one time from Brazil .- N. Y. Herald.

-The men-William Jackson, Benjamin Franklin, John Franklin, Gustavus Newkirk and Budson Brannigar-who took a young man named Tyree from his house near Mount Sterling, Ky., a short time since, and murdered him in a most brutal manner, were subsequently overtaken by a mob and lynched.

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COMPANY, No. 809 CHESNUT Street, PHILADELPHIA, December 24, 1870. NOTICE.-The annual meeting of the stockhold-ers of the FAME INSURANCE COMPANY will be held on MONDAY, the 9th day of January next, at 10 octock A, M, at the onice of the Company. An election for twelve Birectors to serve the en-suing year will be held on the same day, at the same place, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. WIELVAM S. I. BLANCHARD, 12 24 1.39 Addre worke je

degrees below. The weather at noon had mo derated, and the thermometer was six above.

The Population of Ohio. CINCINNATI, Dec. 24 .- The exact population of Ohio, according to corrected returns, is

Crushed to Dealh.

Patrick McCann was caught between his own wagon and another, and crushed to death, in the

Seventeenth ward yesterday. FROM NEW ENGLAND.

The Hartford Accident.

HARTFORD, Dec. 24 .- Rev. James W. Strong, of Fairtbault, Minn., who was[seriously_injured yesterday by an accident which caused the death of Rev. Collins Stone, is better, and there is strong hopes for his recovery. The New York Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 .- The following items appear in the weekly bank statement published to-day:-

NAPOLEON'S DEFENSE.

The Last Imperial Pamphiet-The War Forced on thim. The New York World yesterday published a

very long article with the above heading, from which we take the concluding paragraphs: -Let us remark with what care Napoleon III, whenever he spoke to the public, sought to prove that his line of conduct was traced out by national sentiment. In his proclamation he says: _"Frenchmen, there are solemn moments in the lives of people when national honor, violently excited, imposes itself like a restless force and takes into its own hands the guidance of the country's destiny. One of these de-cisive hours has just struck for France. Our remonstrances have gone forth against the new

demands of Prussia. She has eluded them and followed disdaluful courses. Our country feels a profound irritation, and a cry of war re-sounds throughout all France. Nothing is left but to trust our destinies to the lot of arms." On the 23d of July he replied to the Corps Legislatif, on their taking leave at the Taile-

rits:-"We have done all that depended on us to avoid war, and I can say that the whole nation, with an irresistible rush, has dictated our resolutions." Thus, then, accepting the respon-sibility, the Emperor, before and since his defeat has sought to make it clear that he has not launched the country into a perilous enterprise for mean motives of dynastic interest, but was actively encouraged, if not compelled, by the manifestations of public feeling.

The reader will have been convinced that the man who is now a captive at Wilhelmshohe employed eighteen years of undisputed power o make France the most flourishing country of Europe, to assuage international enmities, and to protect the independence of foreign peoples. When his personal efforts appeared insufficient to realize all that he meditated for the general good, he disseized himself voluntarily of authority, he called the representatives of the nation to take part in the direction of affairs, and established in France a system of the widest and most complete liberty And now, because fortune has abandoned him, is this man nothing but a tyrant who has of his own motion plunged his country into the horrors of a merciless war?

A challenge has been sent to Harvard by the Yale University crew for a three-mile straighta-way boat race next summer, over any course that may be selected by the Harvard crew.

tion have issued a call for a national suffrage convention, "to assemble at Washington, the 11th day of January, for the purpose of urging upen Congress the necessity of a speedy passage of a sixteenth amendment."

-The verdict of the Coroner's jury in the case of the men killed by the falling of a bank of slate rock in the town of Lebanon, N. Y., on the 19th inst., exonerates the resident englneer and the foreman of the works from all blame in the matter.

females present, a great many well-dressed men, and a sprinkling of Fourth ward roughs, not near so many, however, as one might expect to find there. They were very orderly, and smoked their cigars in the hall, and when the demijohn of brandy was produced did not de-

cline to take a "nip." There were ten pall-bearers, each wearing on the lapel of his coat a black and white rosette and white satin streamer, on which was printed 'We mourn our loss."

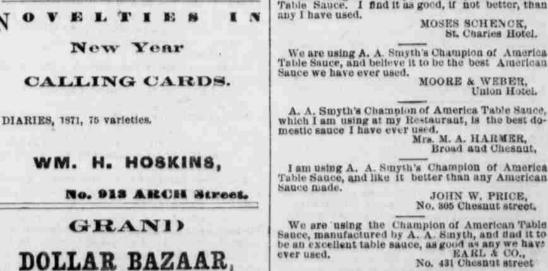
No funeral services were performed at the house, and about 2 o'clock the funeral cortege, which consisted of a large number of carriages, started for Calvary Cemetery. Old Bill Tovee came to take a last look at his old friend and benefactor, and remarked that he "never knew him commit a bad or a mean action;" Harry Williams was there, and Walter Stirling, both well known in the Fourth ward as famous bruisers. Tom Dunn, too, put in an appear-ance; Jack Musgrove and George Burns, of puglistic celebrity, Tom Norton, and a large number of others of more or less renown, who followed the corpse to the grave. - N. Y. Herald, to-day.

-The city of Boston paid \$21,285 during the year for bathing 1,397,915 men, women, and boys. -An Arkansas editor, who is either very fond

of a joke, or has had a sad experience of the responsibilities of his position, lately issued 'the paper' without editorial matter, but with

a paragraph at the head of the column in which he declared that the wives of his subscribers had so occupied his attention in calling to show their babies that he had no time to attend to anything else.

-Professor Smith, who recently contributed a valuable paper to the Baltimore Sun on the treatment of hydrophobia, wrote a letter to the same journal a few days ago, in which he declares himself out of patience with those who are superstitious enough to believe that there is any virtue whatever in the mad-dog stone possessed by a resident of Rectortown. Fauquier county, Va. "This stone," says the Professor, "is probably of a slate or chalky nature, and porous. When dry, it will adhere to a moist part, as such a substance will to the tongue, and fall off when saturated with mois-That it has any affinity for the poison of ture. the rabid animal is too ridiculous to merit serious discussion. The evil resulting from belief in remedies so absurd is that it prevents the use of efficient means.'



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