### THE SAN COMINGO QUARREL.

Open War Between the President and Sumner -A Disgraceful Senaterial Debate-The Poll-rical Results of Pressing the San Domingo Job Revelution in the Republican Party— Forney Retires in Disgust—The Georgia Election—Cameron's Mission South a Failure —No Cabinet Changes Probable at Present. From Our Own Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24, 1870.

The week just closed will be marked as one the most memorable of Grant's administration. It has made the breach between the President and some of the ablest and most influential members of his party not only tangible and positive, but to all appearances irreconcilable. The war with Sumner partakes of the Intensest type of bitterness, and it has made many hitherto neutrals take their bearings and wleclare for or against the coercive policy of the President. The disorganization in the Senate, under the lead of Sumner, Patterson, and Schurz, and soon to be imitated in the House by Farnsworth, Logan, and others, is not inspired so much by hostility to the acquisition of San Domingo as by the strange and imperious test of political fidelity made by the administration. No Senator would have quarrelled with the President because he proposed and advised the appexation of San Domingo: but the ablest and most respected Republican Senators feel compelled to resist a measure that looks to the acquisition of territory by a violent policy that ignores the Senate as part of the treaty-making power. President Grant urged the ratification of the treaty annexing San Domingo during the last session. He went even so far as to call upon Senators at their rooms, and to lobby with them at the Capitol, to persuade them to support the measure. But after the fullest investigation of the subject the Senate rejected the treaty, and there it was supposed the effort would end. It was then that Butler's peculiar statesmanship came into play. He shines most when there is no regular or honest way of attaining a desired end, and he promptly came to the relief of defanct San Domingo. He found a precedent in the violent action of the Democratic party in the annexation of Texas, and he spawned the resolution of annexation, whereby a two-thirds vote in the Senate was obviated. In an evil moment the President accepted the Butler programme, and thereby made a most dangerous assault upon the prerogative of the Senate. That such men as Sumner, Ferry, Buckingham, Schurz, Trumbull, Carpenter and others should feel like resenting such an attempt at usurpation was most natural, and Sumner would not tolerate even for a moment the invasion of the powers of the Senate. The preliminary struggle came off on Morton's resolution for a roving commission to inquire into the people, resources, climate, etc., of the proposed purchase-a measure free from grave objections, but Sumner accepted the skirmish as the beginning of the grand battle, and the debate developed some most disgraceful scenes. Chandler and Conkling were the leaders of the crusade against Sumner, and the latter showed great aptness in imitating the arregance and buffoonery of the former. Insolent threats were made on the floor of the Senate that Sumner would be forced to vacate the chairmanship of the Committee on Foreign Relations-a position he has held for ten years-and the most disgusting personalities were indulged in by some of the Senators. After a Senatorial brawl lasting until daylight, the

resolution was passed with but a few dissenting

The vote on Morton's resolution has been

proclaimed as a great administration victory;

but all intelligent observers well know that it is but the beginning of a political storm of fearful magnitude and power, and an organized opposition to the administration inside of the Republican party is the substantial result of the victory which such men as Chandler, Butler, Cameron, etc., swagger about so much. Whether San Domingo, with its semi-savage cople, its internal revolutions, and its unnown and unestimated debt, should be made ps at of our territory, is not the question. It mi wy or may not be wise to annex the island and e it the rights of a Territory, but the statesmer 1 of the Republican party will not consent its annexation in any other way than provide. d by the Constitution and the laws. The Sena, te is a co-ordinate branch of the treatymakir 1g power, and it could as well surrender its por ver over legislation as to surrender its power over treaties. The President recognized the rigi its of the Sanate in the attempt to receive S an Domingo by treaty, but when that failed, 1 te has been misled by the known and notorious 1 "jobbers" of Congress-the Camerons and Char idlers of the Senate, and the Butlers of the Ho, use-to invade the prerogatives of the Senate and annex the island in defiance of the constitution tal power of the Senate. This has made open and implacable war between the President an d Sumner, and has estranged many of the best m en from the President. All disinterested and dispassionate men say that San Domingo cann ot be so important to the administration or to . the country as a united Republican party, and . It is a sad misfortune that the President has no it heeded the sincere counsels of sincere and h stelligent men. The effort to acquire San Dom. ngo in so violent a manner but etrengthens the numerous imputations of speculation and fr and in the purchase. None implicate the President in speculations, but it is accepted on all sides that the men about him who are forcing the project must have something more than patriotic n totives to drive the administration into a bitter war with its own friends. Experienced politicia as, who have observed events here for many y tars, regard the San Domingo scheme as but a napetition of the Lecompton scheme of Buchanan. It hopelessly divided the Democratic party and plunged it into despair and defeat, and the San Domingo rupture certainly promises quite as much for Grant and Republicanism. Until the Issue was made in the Senate this week the discontent was smothered, and with care it might have slumbered for months to come, or even until some opportune occasion opened the way for reconciliation; but now the war has been causelessly forced by the President, a ad It seems impossible to effect a

Fortunately Congress adjourned just after the rupture in the Senate, or Summer would have been deposed in the heat of the quarrel, and an open and uncon trollable revolution thus inaugurated in the Rel Mblican ranks. Even Morton was alarmed at the storm he had raised, and was compelled to dis ayow the madness of Conkling and Chandler; an d it is probable that when the Benators return on the 4th proxime the removal of Sumner will not be attempted. Should he be displaced, Patterson and Schurz would follow, and thenceforth the administration would be it a hopeless minority in the Senate. But even if the most conciliatory counsels prevall now, the L'timate disorganization of the Republican party of the Scoute cannot be averted if the San Demingo scheme is still

reconciliatio. 1

pressed by the administration. It cannot be acquired by the Butler fraud of a Congressional resolution, thus ignoring the Senate as part of the treaty-making power, without a direct issue between the President and nearly every Senator who is recognized by the country as a statesman. Can the administration afford such an issue? The speculators and jobbers of Congress will say that it can; but the statesmen, the independent press, and the people will answer that such an issue involves utter destruction to

Republicanism. Colonel Forney has been placed in a most unpleasant position by this San Domingo war. He was required to attack Sumner and his supporters in the Chronicle. This was the last feather on the camel's back. To make such a war and live on the busks of Washington, while the administration don't trouble itself to pay his advertising bills, was too much; and Forney abdicated at last. Visions of Cabinet portfolios had previously vanished, and as the war upon old friendships which was demanded, all for nothing and find himself, was more than Forney could bear, he has retired. He has not quarrelled with Grant, as has been alleged in some quarters, but he has at last realized what his friends have long since known, that he who grinds administration organs gain nothing in power, reputation, or purse. So Forney goes back to Philadelphia to make an effort of years to redeem what he has lost by a few months of pitiable sycopharrey to Cameronism. He would now be independent if he could, but to attempt it would be like mockery, and he must wait patiently and bow submissively until some new political regeneration takes place.

The Georgia election has defied all administrative efforts, and of course belied all of Cameron's promises. Every facility was afforded to enable the Republicans to win. Cameron went down there to perfect the leaders in the trickery of elections, and returned with positive promise of victory; but the Democrats have swept the State, and the last hope of Republicanism in Georgia is dissipated. Akerman cannot go to the Senate, and at present no immediate Cabinet changes are contemplated, but no one can guess what a day may bring forth. Cameron and Forney now both advise against any Cabinet officer from Pennsylvania, because they have given up the hope of controlling it, and as they are the only advisers the President has from your State, they will doubtless prevail for the present. After the holidays there may be a new deal, but improvement in the present condition of political affairs is not probable.

## CITY INTELLIGENCE.

### CHRISTMAS.

How the Day was Observed in the City.

Yesterday passed off as pleasantly as any Christmas for several years back-indeed, the order and decorum observed during the hours called Christmas Day were the subject of comment not only by our citizens, but at police headquarters, which but a few years back at the closing hours of the day were filled with cases of crime of every grade in the calendar. The city is to be congratulated upon the general quiet which reigned yesterday. But few men with tangled legs and displaying a propensity to prop up dead walls and lamp-posts were upon the streets. Although there were large crowds upon the prominent thoroughfares, particularly in the afternoon, there was no noise and no confusion.

Christmas eve was specially unlike to Christmas eves of years gone by. On Eighth street the difference was well marked. Then you got mashed in no yelling, jostling women tossed in the air, beheld no hats doused in the gutters or coats ripped from tail to collar. A large posse of policemen lined the thoroughfare, and an order having been issued to arrest all masqueraders or horn blowers, their duties

were very light. The churches were closed, the religious ceremonies having been performed on Sunday, when all were filled. The new Church of the Incarnation, at Broad and Jefferson streets, and the new chapel of the Calvary Presbyterian Church, on Locust street, above Fifteenth, were dedicated in the morning with appropriate and

solemn exercises. REPORTORIAL, BANQUET. The second annual banquet of the reporters of Philadelphia came off last night at the American Hotel, opposite the State House, and was, without exception, the fluest it has ever been our pleasure to attend. Out of the fraternity of reporters, numbering some thirty odd, there were at least twenty-seven present. These gentlemen, prior to entering the banqueting hall, were hospitably entertained by Mr. Charles McShane, the gentlemanly superintendent of the hotel, in the reading-room of that large establishment. At 9 o'clock the repertorial corps marched in couples to the festive board, which excelled anything of the kind ever before attempted. The table was loaded down with the good things of this life, and it is unnecessary to say that full justice was done on the occasion. The bill of fare included all the delicacres of the season, and game of all kinds was a abundance. In preparing the bill of fare Mr. Hewlings, the proprietor of the hotel, had called to his aid the best cooks in the city, and the result of their labors was shown in the splendid banquet spread before the newspaper men last night. The table presented an artistic appearance, and the decorations were of an attractive and handsome character. Baskets of flowers. pyramids of macaroni, oranges, etc. added to the embellishment of the festive board. Mr. Joseph L. Fortescue, one of the oldest report ers in Philadelphia, presided at the table. the word of command from this gentleman the company proceeded to partake of the good things set before them. At about ten o'clock eatables were removed, and then the 'champy," which was on hand in large quantities, was brought into requisition, and a season of merriment, speech-making, etc., was com-menced. The following sentiments were proposed and responded to by the gentlemen

named:-Philadelphia Journalism-Response by Charles C. Our Employers-May our Efforts always Conduce to their Financial Welfare-Response by Lawrence

Reporting as a Science—Its Triumphs and its Drawbacks—Response by William J. Jones.

Bohemians and Bores—The Parasites of the Press—Response by William H. Fisher.

Our Salaries—May they never Decrease—Response

by Hugh A. Mullen, Jr.
Our Pens and Pencils—May they never Fail Us—Response by I. P. Benner. Our Wives and Sweethearts-Response by T. E.

Midnight Watches-Response by William F. Small. "The Fifth Degree"—Response by E. M. Hassel-The city of Phlladelphia, its commerce, etc.,

were toasted, and impromptu speeches were by the chairman, George Pierrie, and gentlemen. Thomas E. Harkins and other members of the press delighted the assem-blage with song, and the festivities were continued until about 1 o'clock this morning, at hour the company dispersed, highly

pleased with the evening's enjoyment. affair passed off pleasantly to all concerned and it was such an occasion as tended to increase the brotherly feeling already existing among the knights of the quill. To the com mittee of arrangements—Joseph H. Paist Joseph L. Fortescue, Edward J. Swartz, and Rob-Welsh-great credit is due, for they aided materially in adding success to the affair Before adjourning, the following-named gentle men were appointed a committee of arrange-ments for next year:—Thomas E. Harkins, Alexander J. McCleary, and William H. Fisher.

FROZEN OVER .- The Schuylkill from the dam up to the Wissahickon, is frozen over, and the ice is in splendid condition for skating.

PROBABLE HOMICIDE—A LAD SHOT BY A PRIVATE WATCHMAN.—On Sunday afternoon a lad named George H. Furey, whose parents reside on Wharton street, above Front, was shot by Frank McGaughran, who is in the employ of Morris & Co., as private watchman, at their coal wharf, foot of Dickerson street, First ward. Unruly boys have frequently congregated on this wharf and in the neighborhood thereof, or Sunday afternoons, to indulge in throwing stones at each other, thereby annoying the watchman and other peaceably-disposed citizens. It is said that on former occasions of these "stone fights," the watchman threatened to shoot some of the boys if they did not desist, but none of them seemed to pay any heed to

On Sunday afternoon a terrific fight took place among the boys, and stones flew in all directions. The private watchman was assailed, and he procured his pistol, a large navy re volver, and, it is said, fired one or two shots in the air to intimidate the boys, but they continued in their reckless conduct, and annoyed him more than ever. He fired a random shot at the crowd, and the ball took effect in the left temple of the lad Furey. It passed downward, and lodged somewhere in his head.

The wounded boy was nearly two hundred yards distant when he received the wound. Whether he was engaged in throwing stones at the time he was shot was not definitely ascertained. He was removed to his home. physician does not entertain much hope for the recovery of the lad. McGaughran was taken into custody and locked up in the Second District Station-house. Yesterday he had a hearing before Alderman Kerr, when he was identified by William Bowers, Francis Pidgeon, Charles Jones, and John Hollman as having shot from four to six times. Physicians also testified to the critical condition of Furey. The prisoner was then committed for a further hearing on Thursday next.

THE PAID FIRE BILL .- A stated meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Fire Department was held last evening in the Hall of the Fire Association, Fifth and North streets. Vice-President James McCaully occupied the

A resolution was unanimously adopted re-questing the Mayor to veto the Paid Fire Department bill, and a committee was appointed to wait upon the Mayor and to convey to him the sense of the meeting. The committee consists of John T. Watson, of the West Philadelphia Hose; Samuel B. Savin, of the Northern Liberty Engine: Joseph Vanosten, of the Liberty Engine, of Holmesburg; George Thomson, of the Good Intent Hose, and Mr. Shultz, of the Marion Hose.

In this connection we might here state that at the fire at Trenton avenue and Dauphin streets, on Sunday morning last, a fireman's riot took place, during which several persons were injured. The police interfered to pre-serve the peace, and they were attacked and pretty roughly handled. Being reinforced overpowered the disorderly characters, and succeeded in making a few arrests. The prisoners were held to bail to answer.

THE CITY ICE-BOATS went into service on the 23d inst. No. 2, Captain Schellinger, went down the Delaware on Friday last and found considerable ice making in the river below. She went down again on the 26th, taking in tow, from off Wilmington creek, the bark John E. Chase, hence for Antwerp, and took her to New Castle piers. She is slightly cut by ice. Off New Castle found the schooners Elwood Doran and West Wind in the drifting ice and brought them up to the city. She went down again this morning as far as the lower end of Tinicum Island, and found the river full of drifting ice from four to five inches thick.

Ice-boat No. 1, Captain Mason, went around to the Schuylkill on the 25th inst., and found the river frozen over with ice two inches thick, which she cut adrift. The same day she towed the British ship Pesearch from Kaighn's Point to Greenwich Point. Yesterday she went to the Schuylkill again, and found the river frozen with ice from two to four inches thick, and, after setting this adrift as far as Gibbons' Point, returned to her wharf at 5 P. M.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL .- The West Arch Stree Presbyterian Church Sabbath-school celebrated Christmas in a becoming manner, last evening, with a festival. Two beautiful and handsomely dressed trees occupied the east end of the school-room, while other portions were tastily adorned with evergreens and wreaths. The school children were out in their strength. clad in their pretty styles, and their glad faces and sparkling eyes made up a scene attractive and inspiring. The music was fine, and the speeches of Rev. Dr. Willits and Abraham Martin, Esq., the oldest and most devoted Sabbathschool worker of our city, full of instruction and amusement. The appearance of Santa Claus through the skylight, with his load of sugarplums, created much merriment. During the evening several presents were made, and at a seasonable hour the festivities closed with the grand old doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and prayer by the pastor. The greater portion of that rapidly growing congregation participated in the festival

RUNAWAYS-A DRIVER SERIOUSLY INJURED. -About 8 o'clock last evening a pair of horses attached to a cab took fright at Thirteenth and Jefferson streets, and dashed off at a fearful speed. The driver, Mr. Peter Enver, was thrown from his seat and sustained serious injuries. His head came in contact with the curbstone and his skull was fractured. One ear was almost severed from his head, and besides he received severe internal injuries. The sufferer was carried into a house in the neighborhood, where a physician was summoned, after which he was removed to his home. It is doubtful whether he will recover. The team belonged to Stoddart, Thomas & Brothers.

This morning a horse attached to a wagon took fright at Fifth and Walnut streets and dashed off. After running two squares the animal fell and sustained injuries of a character which may require its being put to death. TRIPLING FIRES .- About five o'clock vester-

day afternoon a slight fire occurred at the residence of J. L. McGrath, No. 519 S. Eighteenth street. The flames were extinguished by Officer

About half-past ten o'clock last night a framé storehouse in the yard attached to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad depot was partially destroyed by fire. The flames were extinguished without any alarm having been sounded.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS .- The widow of the late Captain Christian desires us to acknowledge in her behalf the receipt of the following contributions in aid of her family:-From F., \$10; A. H. G., \$5; L. A. G., \$5; E. R. T., \$5; A. E. R., \$2; G. C. Carson & Co., \$10; George Sheppard, \$5; Peter Deacan, \$5; Captain William Mundy, \$5; E. T., \$1. Total, \$53.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION,-The St. Stephen's Mission Church, worshipping in the Hall of Courtland Saunder's College, had a grand Christmas festival for their Sabbath School. Rev. Dr. Rudder said that of the presents for President Saunders, one of the group, Rogers' "Foundling," was intended to be suggestive, and that if he were a foundling he would like to

be left at the Doctor's door. FATAL ACCIDENT, -On Saturday last, William Kerr, an engineer in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, fell from his engine and was run over and killed. aged thirty-five years and resided at No. 1406 Bainbridge street. The accident occurred near

the West Philadelphia depot. A SLIGHT FIRE occurred in the forecastle of the steamer Roman at 7 o'clock last evening. The Hope and Hibernia engines were prompt with their services, and the fire was extin-

guished with little damage. About 11 o'clock yesterday morning there was a slight fire at No. 813 N. Thirteenth street.

Missing.—John McLees, aged fourteen years, whose parents reside at No. 113 Otter street, Sixteenth ward, has been missing since October 14. He has been in the habit of leaving home for a few days at a time, but he has not been heard of since the above date. He he sa large scar under the right car.

CONDEMNED.

John Hanlon Condemned to Death-Bis Death Warrant Read to him by Sheriff Leeds-February 1st Fixed for the Execution-His Total Indifference to his Fate -His Interview with the Sheriff, Etc.

The next to the last act in the case of John Hanlon, convicted of the murder of little Mary Mohrmann, was performed this morning in his cell at Moyamensing Prison, in the presence of Sheriff Leeds, his counsel, and two or three other gentlemen whose official duties called them thither, the Sheriff determining that this solemn act should take place in the presence of as few people as the circumstances rendered It was conveying, in an official shape, the information to Hanlon that the date of his execution had been fixed by Governor Geary for Feburary 1, 1871. Never have we seen a man in the same position, and we have een many, who was so indifferent to the dreadful approuncement that he was to suffer the full penalty of his crime by being "hanged by the

neck until dead:" but more of that anon. Yesterday William R. Leeds, High Sheriff of Philadelphia, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth the death warrant. He immediately notified his counsel, Hon. Charles Gilpin, that the document would be served on the condemned man this morning. At a few minutes past 11 o'clock, the Sheriff, Mr. Gilpin, and two representatives of the afternoon press, one of whom was the reporter of THE EVEN-ING TELEGRAPH, left the office of Mr. Gilpin and arrived at the Moyamensing Prison a few minutes after that hour. They were received at the gate of the prison by Superintendent William C. Perkins, who escorted them to his

On inquiry, it was ascertained by the Sheriff that the two Mrs. Kelly, sisters of Hanlon, were in consultation with him. The superintendent then notified these ladies of what was to transpire, and they adjourned to the Warden's

The party, consisting of Sheriff Leeds, Counsellor Gilpin, Superintendent Perkins, P. E. Carroll, Esq., junior counsel for Hanlon, and the representatives of the press, proceeded to the condemned cell, that occupied by Probst, Winnemore, and Williams. The door was opened, and the party entered. At the time, Hanlon, dressed in the prison garb, was stand-ing, legs crossed and thumbs tucked in the armholes of his vest, leaning against a small table, the most unconcerned of all those there assembled. His indifference struck those who had witnessed such scenes previously as being of the most remarkable character. There was no emotion whatever on his introduction to Sheriff Leeds by Superintendent Perkins.

It was undoubtedly a surprise to him, as subsequent facts will develop, but, in our opinion, it would have made no difference in him, as he is undoubtedly the most firm-nerved man we have ever seen under similar circumstances. He had a quid of tobacco in his mouth, and on being introduced turned around and walked to a bucket in the front of his room, into which he spat before he received the extended hand of the Sheriff, remarking that he had shaken his (This is accounted for from the hand prior. fact that the Sheriff was the first to enter the cell, and Mr. Perkins the last.)

Sheriff Leeds then stated to Hanlon that he had received his death-warrant from Governor Geary, which would be read by Mr. Gilpin. Mr. Gilpin then read the warrant, which is couched in the following language:-

THE DEATH WARRANT.

Pennsylvania, ss.: (Signed) JOHN W. GEARY. In the name and by the authority of the Common-wealth of Pennsylvania, John W. Geary, Governor

of the said Commonwealth,
To William R. Leeds, Esq., High Sheriff of the
city and county of Philadelphia, sends greeting—
Whereas, At a Court of Over and Terminer and General Jail Delivery held at Philadelphia in and for the city and county of Philadelphia, in this Commonwealth, at October term, A. D. 1870, a certain John Hanlon, alias Charles E. Harris, was tried on an indictment for the crime of murder, and on the 17th day of November, A. D. 1870, found guilty of murder in the first degree, and was thereupon on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1870, sentenced by the said court:—That John Hanlon, alias Charles E. Harris, the prisoner at the bar, be taken from hence to the jail of the county of Philadelphia, from whence he came, and from thence to the place of execution, and that he be there hanged by the neck

Now, therefore, This is to authorize and require you, the said William R. Leeds, High Sheriff of the City and County of Philadelphia, as aforesaid, to cause the sentence of the said Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery to be executed upon the said John Hanlon, alias Charles Hanlon. alias Charles E. Harris, between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon and 3 o'clock in the after-noon of Wednesday, the 1st day of February, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, in the manner directed by the seventy-fifth sec tion of the act of the General Assembly of this Com monwealth, approved the thirty-first day of March, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty, entitled "An act to consolidate, revise, and amend the penal laws of this; Commonwealth relating to penal proceedings and hearings, and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant. Given under my hand and the great seal of this

State, at Harrisburg, this twenty-fourth day of De-cember, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and the Commonwealth the

By the Governor. F. JORDAN.

Secretary of the Commonwealth. During the reading of this document Hanlon observed the same indifferent air which was manifest on the entrance of the party to the Two or three times did he walk to his spittoon and spit in it, only to resume the same position of nonchalance as spoken of heretofore.

remarked, "John, that is the death-warrant of the Governor, fixing your day of execution." Hanlon, after contemplating Mr. Gilpin some seconds—"That's the 1st of February;" and after a lapse of a few more seconds, he uttered strongly and in an argumentative manner.

On the conclusion of the reading Mr. Gilpin

Why, that's less than thirty days. Sheriff Leeds-It's a little less than five Hanlon-Why, but, they always allow thirty

Sheriff Leeds-It's over thirty days. Hanlon-But they always allow thirty days after a man has been-(He did not complete the sentence, but evi-

dently intended those present to understand from the date of conviction.) Sheriff Leeds-Do you have all the comforts Hanlon-Oh, yes! I have all that. Superintendent Perkins then explained that

he was in his custody until the day of the exe-cution, when he handed him over to the Sheriff. Hanlon (to Sheriff Leeds)-What do you mean when you asked me if I had all I wanted Sheriff Leeds-I mean all you eat, eta

Hanlon-Oh, yes! all that. Sheriff Leeds-I am desirous that you shall receive all the comforts you want. Hanlon-Well, I want my wife to see me every day in the cell. She only is allowed here now once a week.

Mr. Perkins-Tnat's with the Inspectors. The rules only allow her to come once in ten days but they have yielded to once a week and, don't think they will permit her any oftener. Hanlon-I only want her. I don't want any body else to come in here that often, and think they might grant me the same privilege as they granted Eaton and Twitchell. Their

friends called on them every day, and were admitted to their cells. Mr. Perkins-You are mistaken. Hanlon-No, I am not. I know. Mr. Perkins-Well, that matter rests with the

Hanlon-I don't ask too much. They allowed Eaton's friends to see him daily. Sheriff Leeds-Well, I'll speak to the Inspectors about your want. Mr. Perkins—You see your relatives as eften as any of the others who have been condemned

Hanlon (angrily)-No, I don't. Mr. Perkins-Yes, you do.

Hanlon-Why, you wouldn't allow my sisters | FOURTH EDITION to come in this morning.

Mr. Carroll (his counsel) - The Twitchell matter settled that. Twitchell committed suicide.

Hanlon scornfully-I'm no Twitchell; I'm not

committing snielde. Sheriff Leeds-I'll see the Inspectors about

A lull then ensued, during which Hanlon maintained the same indifference, only varying his position occasionally, in order to spit out the tobacco juice which had collected since

he had spat.

Finally, Sheriff Leeds broke the silence, remarking, "Well, John, that's a short time for you to prepare for death."

Hanlon-Oh! that's plenty of time. All I ask is that I can have my wife in here every day. Superintendent Perkins then explained that every precaution was being taken to prevent a repetition of the finale attending George Twitchell, and that the friends of Hanlon were allowed, whenever they called, to speak to him through the grated door.

After waiting a few minutes the party left Hanlon, he shaking each by the hand in turn. We then learned that the condemned man has been extended all the privileges allowed by the rules of the institution. No food or anything else is permitted to be communicated to him by his friends or relatives. Everything is first given to the prison wardens, and if, after examination, found tolerable, it is given him. Father Barry, of the Church of the Annunciation, visits him almost daily, and religious ceremonies in the Catholic faith are performed.

Hanlon, since his confinement, has engaged him-self principally in reading, but he has taken suffi-cient time to cut "John Hanlon" and "Charles Harris" in bold letters upon the sill of his window. The following is the law with reference to the parties who shall be admitted to witness executions, which Sheriff Leeds intends to carry out

to its full meaning: -

Whenever hereafter any person shall be con-demned to suffer death by hanging, for any crime of which he shall have been convicted, the said punishment shall be inflicted upon him within the walls or yard of the jall of the county in which he shall have been convicted; it shall be the duty of the Sheriff or Coroner of the said county to attend and be present at such execution, to which he shall invite the presence of a physician, the District Attorney of the county, and twelve reputable citizens, who shall be selected by the Sheriff; and the said Sheriff shall, at the request of the criminal, permit such ministers

of the Gospel, not exceeding two, as he may name, and any of his immediate relatives, together with such officers of the prison and such of the Sheriff's deputies as the said Sheriff or Coroner in his dis cretion may think it expedient to have present, and it shall be only permitted to the persons above designated to witness the said execution; provided that no person under age shall be permitted on any account to witness the same.

OPENING OF THE NEW MANNERCHOR HALL. -The new and elegant hall of the Mænnerchor Society, at the corner of Franklin and Coates streets, was opened last evening with appropriate ceremonies. Several welcoming songs and choruses were sung by the society, and an appropriate inaugural address was delivered in German by the President, C. H. Camp, Esq. An address in English was delivered by Dr. Gross, in which the career of the Mænnerchor Society was briefly reviewed, and the members complimented upon their removal to such beautiful and comfortable new quarters. The festivities of the occasion wound up with a dance, and the large company dispersed well pleased with the whole affair.

The new Mænnerchor Hall is a substantial three-story brick building with a large hall and garden attached. The whole of the main building will be devoted to the uses of the members of the society, and it is fitted up in very elegant and comfortable style as a club house. Jpon the first floor are a ladies' parlor, a reading-room, committee-room, a dining-room, and kitchen. Upon the second floor are a rehearsalroom, a card-room, and a bar. The third floor is fitted up as a billiard-room. The rear building contains ladies' and gentlemen's dressing-

The large hall, which is connected with the main edifice by a passage-way, has upon the first floor a fine dining-room and bar. The second floor is fitted up as a dancing hall, and with a stage for dramatic performances. This part of the establishment is arranged so that it can be rented out for balls, parties, concerts, and theatrical entertainments, while the main building will be used exclusively by the society. The whole building is fitted up in a style that does credit to the Mænnerchor Society and the building committee, which is composed of the following gentlemen: -C. H. Camp. Lawrence Herbert, C. Weikenmeyer, and M. Bayers-

The following gentlemen are a committee upon theatricals, and the stage was erected and decorated under their superintendence:-C. M. Baumann, C. Reiss and M. Brickmann. Mænnerchoir will hold its anniversary on the 13th of January, when a more than usually attractive entertainment will be given. The first dramatic performance of the season will be given on January 6th.

UNPROVOKED ASSAULTS .- Matthew Hope was taken into custody on Sunday, upon the charge of having committed an unprovoked assault and battery upon Mrs. Holloway, at Thirteenth and Shippen streets. The prisoner had a hear-ing before Alderman Collins, and was committed for trial.

Zachariah Conway is the name of an individual who indulged in the "ardent" to too great an extent yesterday. He took his stand at Fifteenth and Race streets, and amused himself by assaulting passers-by. Upon two gentlemen he committed a murderous assault, using a black-jack in the effort to accomplish his purpose. Zack was arrested, and, after a hearing before Alderman Jones, was held to bail to

UNFORTUNATE .- On Saturday night a party of disorderly characters found their way into the beer saloon at the S. E. corner of Fifth and Vine streets, and quarrelled with some Germans who were in the place. They destroyed every-thing of value they could lay their hands upon. Eugene Hanman, one of the alleged participants, was arrested and held in \$1000 bail to answer by Alderman Godbou.

Yesterday another disorderly gang entered the same place and behaved in a similar manner. James Story, one of the party, was arrested on the occasion. He had a hearing before Alderman Godbou, and was held to bail to answer.

INHUMAN ACTS.-Lawrence Carroll, siding on Edgemont street, above Clearfield was arrested yesterday upon the charge of beating his wife, and was held to ball by Alderman Nelll to answer.

James Doran, residing at No. 1111 Carpenter street, amused himself yesterday by beating his mother, for which offense he was arrested and committed by Alderman Massey. Irvin Brooks (colored), living at No. 1827 Pearl street, was taken into custody yesterday for assault and battery on his mother. Irvin was put out of the house for some had conduct on his part. He returned soon after, smashed in

manner. He was committed to prison. CASUALTY .- About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Thomas McSorley, aged twenty-three years, fell out of a grocer's wagon, at Duponcean and Locust streets, and was seriously in-He was removed to the Pennsylvania

the door and beat his mother in a shameful

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# FROM EUROPE.

Dominion Advices.

of the West.

Switzerland Neutrality.

BEFLIN, Dec. 27.—Count Bismarck urges upon Switzerland a better observance of its obligations

FROM EUROPE.

of neutrality. Liverpool Markets. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 27.—The market for yarns and fabrics at Manchester is firm.

Ship News.

Brest, Dec. 26.—The steamship Pereire, from New York, 14th arrived on Monday afternoon.

FROM THE DOMINION.

Fire in Cornwall, Canada. CORNWALL, Canada, Dec. 27.—The Cornwall wool-len manufactory was burned this morning. The building during the past year was thoroughly stocked with the most improved machinery. The cause of the fire is unknown. Over two hundred persons are thrown out of employment. The loss is estimated at \$300,000; insurance, \$153,000.

Large Fire at St. Thomas-Loss of Life. THOMAS, Canada, Dec. 27 .- A targe fire occurred last evening, consuming two dry goods, stores, three grocery stores, with several other buildings. Loss estimated at \$70,000 to \$80,000, mostly covered by insurance Two men are missing, supposed to be buried un-

### FROM NEW ENGLAND.

Woollen Factory Burned. HAVERHILL, Mass., Dec. 27.—The woolien factory of Edden & Co., of Boston, located on Creek Pond, in West Haverhill, was burned this morning. Loss,

Fire in Charlestown-Four Men Injured Boston, Dec. 27.—The stables of Charles Cartis, in Charlestown, were burned this morning. Several firemen were injured, but none dangerously.

FROM THE ISTHMUS.

Ship News-The Hornet and the Cuban Volun-teers.

HAVANA, Dec. 26.—Advices from Panama to De-HAVANA, Dec. 26.—Advices from Panama to December 21 have been received via Jamaica. The Cuban Colonel Ryan arrived there on the 12th, on the steamship Ocean Queen, from New York, with a large quantity of ammunition and arms intended for Cuba. A number of Cubans were expected to join Ryan at Aspinwall. There were one hundred and fifty men with Ryan. A steamer expected to arrive from New York, the Hornet, to convey Ryan and his companions to Cuba had not yet arrived at Aspinwall. Aspinwall,

### FROM THE WEST.

A Woman Burned to Death. St. Louis, Dec. 27.-Mrs. Catherine Flynn, addicted to drink, was burned to death on Sunday while intoxicated.

Mysterious Disappearunce. W. H. Howard, from Nashville, Tenn., mysteriously disappeared from the Southern Hotel two or three days ago, and has not been heard from

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27. — Cotton quiet and weak; sales 1500 bales at 15%c. Flour advanced 5@10c.; sales 10,000 barrels State at \$5.25@6.55; Ohio at \$6.05 @6.50; Western at \$1.26.65%. Wheat advanced 1@. 2c.; sales 35,000 bushels new spring at \$1.40@1.41; winter red and amber Western at \$1.46@1.48. Corn firmer; new mixed Western at 75@77c. Oatsa shade firmer; Ohio and Western at 60%6.62c. Beef quiet. Perk firm: new mess, \$20; old, \$19.25@19.50. Lard firm: steam, 11%@12%c.; kettle, 12%@13c. Whisky firm but quiet at 96c.

A MURDEROUS GANG-ASERIES OF CHARGES .-About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a party of young men, while passing Sixth and alley, were attacked by a gang of rowdies, who freely used blackjacks and other deadly weapons. The police interfered and were driven off by the disorderly crowd. Being reinforced they returned to the seene, and with their clubs succeeded in dispersing the mob and arresting three of the alieged ringleaders, named George Fletcher, Francis Isminger, and John Fitzsimmons. The prisoners had a hearing before Alderman Carpenter. Fletcher was committed in default of \$2000 ball for cutting John Redding in the leg, thigh, and face with a knife: \$800 bail for cutting Policeman Kelly in the hand; \$800 bail for cutting John T. Watson, and \$800 bail for cutting Frank Gallen. The injuries of the parties named are not of a serious character. Fitzsimmons was put under ball for inciting to riot and using a black jack. and Isminger was committed in default of \$1400 bail for inciting to riot and committing a deadly

assault on Officer Ewing. Robbertes.—On the night of the 22d of December the residence of Mr. James Price, at Twenty-second and Venango streets, was entered by thieves and robbed of clothing to the value of \$200.

Last night the store of Mr. D. V. Steinmetz, Nos. 7 and 9 N. Fifth street, was broken into by burglars, who carried off cutlery to the value of \$1000. In neither of the above cases were any

arrests made. AMUSEMENTS. For additional Amusements see the Third Page.

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