A Holiday Story. 'Uncle Herbert, will you tell us a Christ-mas story! Please do!' The speaker was only a little maid of six years old, but a dozen voices echoed the request.

It was Christmas, and we were gathered, according to time-honored custom, round a blazing fire under my grandfather's root. We were a merry party, comprising some fifteen cousins of all ares, with their respective parents, and a few married and unmarried uncles and aunts. Uncle Herbert, otherwise Mr. Herbert Milward, was our uncle by marriage only, as the husband of our Aunt Alice; but though thus only indirectly related to us, I think he was, with the younger ones, at any rate, the best-beloved of all. Perhaps because he had no children his own, he was always specially sympathetic in youthful troubles, and specially lenient to youthful misdoings. However grave the offense, we were always sure of Uncle Herbert's intercession, though he never failed privately to admonish the offender—very gently, but so gravely and seriously that his quiet words would bring tears to eyes too proud to weep under the severest punishment, and tame the most rebellious spirit to submission and repentance. He could be very merry at times, but there was a gravity mingled even with his merriment, as of one to whom the more solemn aspects of life are always present. His devotion to his wife was remarkable, even to our youthful eyes. No one could say that his affection was demonstrative, and yet no one could be in the company of the two together, even for an hour, without feeling that Aunt Alice was more precious to her husband than anything else in the world. Wherever his eyes wandered, they always seemed to come back to her as their resting-place, and however deeply, to all appearance, he might be engrossed in conversation with others, he was always able, by some magical process of intuition, to divine her wants or wishes, and silently to supply them. Her furs were the warmest, her silks the softest; nothing was too costly, no trouble too great that ministered to her pleasure. There seemed to be no such thing as forgetting, no possibility of mistake, wherever she was concerned. If she had found a four-leaved shamrock, and had good fairies constantly attending her, she could hardly have been better served. Nor was Aunt Alice behindhand in returning her husband's devotion. He was many years older than she, but I fancy the difference in their ages increased, if anything, her pride and pleasure in his love. She never did anything (indeed she had no need) to test or draw attention to his devotion, but she quietly abandoned herself to his tender care. She seldom thanked him in words, at least in company, but he was thanked enough by the look of perfect love and perfect peace which was the habitual expression of her gentle grey eyes.
On the present occasion Uncle Herbert was

seated in a high-backed oaken chair, with Aunt Alice on a footstool beside him, and the rest of the party grouped around in a semicircle before the blazing fire. The candles were not yet lighted, but the dancing flame shed a ruddy light throughout the room, throwing into bold relief the carved work of the oaken furniture, and brightening with a genial glow the red berries and dark-green eaves of the Christmas evergreens. It was just the moment for a fireside story; and as Uncle Herbert was known to be learned in legends and German fairy tales, which he wont to narrate with much quiet humor, our little cousin's request met with general approval. Uncle Herbert did not immediately reply, but sat apparently reover his face, showed us that he was in a serious mood. Aunt Alice glanced up at him inquiringly; and I thought to myself that I had never seen her bright young face (for she was many years younger than the rest of our aunts and uncles) look more perfectly beautiful than it did that night, and I caught myself wondering, half-unconsciously, how it had come to pass that she should have married one so much older, and to all appearance so unlike herself, as sober gray-headed Uncle Herbert.

'Well, my dears,' said Uncle Herbert at last, 'I will tell you a story, a true story. I don't think it is quite what you mean by a Christmas story; but the events about which Ham going to tell you happened at Christmas-time, on this very night indeed, twenty-

seven years ago.'
We all settled down to listen, and, after a

minute's pause, he went on: -'It was Christmas eve, or rather Christmas day, for 12 o'clock had struck, and the few people left in the streets were getting gradually fewer and fewer, till it seemed as though the policemen and the waits would shortly have London to themselves. It was a bitter cold night, and snow was beginning to fall. Most of the houses were dark and silent, though here and there lighted windows and stray sounds of music and of happy voices showed where a household was seeing Christmas in, and giving a merry welcome to the happy season. Out of a brilliantly-lighted house in one of the Westend streets there came a young man, who looked as though he felt but little share of the general rejoicing. He was barely twenty years of age; but though so young his cheeks were flushed and his gait unsteady with wine, and his face was contracted with a look of hopeless despair. And little wonder! The house which he had just left was a noted gaming-house. He had been tempted by bad companions, and had gambled and lostlost far more heavily than he could afford. One sin brings on another. In the vain hope of recovering his losses-with the insane persuasion, common to all gamblers, that he must win in the end if he could but play a little longer-he had taken, without leave, a large sum of his employer's money, had staked it, and lost. And then, all at once, a horrible remorse, a mad despair, seized upon him. Now that it was too late, he saw the full magnitude of his crime; he knew too well that the money which, when he expected to be able to restore it secretly, he had thought of as borrowed, the law would call by a very different name. He knew now that, disguise it as he might, the taking of that money was a theft. Already he felt in imagination the officer's hand upon his collar, the handcoffs on his wrists. He could see the witnesses come forward to bear testimony to his crime, he could hear the voice of the judge pronouncing sentence on the thief. He dared not meet the conse-quences of his sin, and in his mad despair, fearing to face offended man, he had resolved by suicide into the presence of an offended God. He was now hurrying home to drink his last draught on earth, the draught that brings the awful sleep whose waking is eternity. With his hands clenched, and his hat crushed down upon his forehead, he was rushing madly on, when he heard a sound of shouting and the tramp of galloping horses. He looked up and saw glare; and then a remove possed him with the , and heep it bright."

terrible of of "Fire!" A house was on fire in one of the streets through which he had to pass; and, with a strange feeling of reprieve, he turned aside—turned aside from the read to his death—to see the sight. He elbowed his way through the crowd, which gave way right and left at the pressure of his muscular arms. The dwellers in the burning house had been somehow got out, and now stood half-naked and shivering in the street. All, it was thought, were safe; but just as he reached the group there was a fearful shrick, for it was found that there was one, the youngest missing. The poor mother sobbed and screamed, and was only held back by force from re-entering the burning house and perishing with her little one. The father, wringing his hands like one distracted, offered a thousand pounds to the firemen, if they would but rescue his child.

'It can't be done, sir, said one of them; 'not if you said a hundred thousand, it couldn't be done. The floors will fall in in five minutes, and it's certain death to enter

that house again. The red flame was already shining through the first floor windows, and through the open door could be heard the roaring of the fire, which was fast gaining hold upon the staircase. A thought flashed across the young man's mind. His minutes were numbered, his life was worthless; its last act should be a worthy one, and if he perished in the attempt, he would be guilty of one sin the less. With quick, eager questions he ascertained where the child was. The firemen guessed his intentions, and held him back. 'Don't go, sir, for God's sake! it's wasting

it, the Lord have mercy on your soul!' 'Amen!' said the young man; and throwing off the hands that held him back he rushed into the house and up the staircase, which creaked and crackled under his feet.

two lives instead of one. We're not cowards,

sir, but this is certain death. If you attempt

The fire was raging on the first floor, the child was in the floor above. The first-floor landing was already in flames, but the young man, with a fierce leap, sprang past the burning spot, and in another second was in the room where the child lay. The room was already filled with smoke, and here and there the flames were darting through the crevices of the flooring. He could not see the bedstead, but a little frightened voice, sobbing 'Papa, dear; do come, papa!' guided him to the spot where the child lay. 'I will take you to your papa, dear, he said; 'don't be frightened.' Then, quick Then, quick

as thought, he wrapped the little one in the blanket, and began to retrace his perilous route. Quick, however, as he had been, the flames had gained ground, and scorched his feet as he stepped over the burning floor. He rushed to the window, thinking by means of a ladder they might escape that way; but pouring from the windows below him was a sheet of flame. The burning staircase was the only road. Tying his handkerchief round his mouth and nose, to keep out the suffocating smoke, he groped his way to the door. To his horror, he heard

a crash-one-half of the staircase had gone.

A deadly terror seized upon him; the last hope of escape was lost. The life which a few minutes since had seemed a burden too heavy to bear, suddenly grew unutterably precious. His eyes were blinded, his throat scorched by the thick black smoke, and tongues of flame were leaping up around him, seeking to devour him. With awful him, seeking to devour him. distinctness all the evil of his life, crowded into that one fearful moment, shone out clear as noonday before his eyes. Instruction wasted, good advice spurned, good resolutions broken, rose up before him; and one and all seemed to drag him down, flecting; and the flickering firelight, playing lost, lost, Lost forever and ever! A moment since he had not dared to live, now he did not dare to die. That awful horror lent him almost superhuman strength. Threading his way through the flames, which were now rising all around him, he crept down as far as he could, and then, grasping the broken hand-rail, swung himself over, and dropped, as best he might, a depth of some fifteen feet into the hall below. Fearfully burnt, he had just strength-still holding his burden in his arms-to stagger into the street, and fell senseless into the firemen's arms.

For many weeks he hovered between life and death, in the intensest physical and mental agony. For the most part of the time he was delirious, and haunted by the memory of that awful moment when, standing on the brink of death, he had looked over into the abyss of eternity. As he regained his reason, a new terror came over him, the dread of the consequences of his crime. He never woke without fearing to find the officer of justices at his bedside, waiting to carry him before the Judge. But this last fear had lost its former horror; being, as it were, swallowed up in this overwhelming thankfulness at having been saved from a far greater crime, the crime that knows no repentance. On his bed of pain he prayed as never beforeprayed with a penitent and thankful heart; and by the time he was able to sit upright he was ready to endure without flinching the shame and pain of his punishment. some weeks the evil day was delayed; but at last, as he was beginning to regain strength, a visitor was announced, and his employer entered the room. With a beating heart, but still resigned, he felt that his hour was come, and nerved himself to meet it. To his surprise, his master made no allusion to his misconduct, but kindly praised his courage and his daring deed; and the thought flashed across him that his folly and sin were still unknown, and if he did but keep his own counsel, might so remain forever. The tempter whispered, 'Be silent! and for a moment he was inclined to yield; but his good angel triumphed. With bowed head and downcast eyes he told the story of his sin, and waited to hear his sentence from the man he had wronged. For a few minutes

the good old man (God bless him) was silent, and then he said, with tears in his eyes: -'My lad, I am glad that you have told me this, very glad; although I knew it before, You have committed a great sin, and you have suffered a beavy punishment. Thank God, who in His mercy has saved you from a far greater sin-a sin whose punishment is forever and ever. You have been through a fiery trial; let your future life show that you have been truly "purged in the fire." For your offense against myself, God forbid that I should add to your punishment. I forgive you with all my heart, my boy, and you need have no fear about coming back to your old place in the office, for no one except myself will ever know a word of the matter. One thing, however, you must promise menever to enter a gambling-house or to stake

money at play again.' 'That I do, sir, upon my hon- he began, and then stopped short, as the unfitness of the word, from one in his situation, flashed

eruelly upon him. 'Nay, lad,' said the old man, holding out his band, 'don't take it back, that is just the way in which I want your promise. of galloping horses. He looked up and saw that the sky above him was red with a lurid now; let it be the labor of your life to make Down that the sky above him was red with a lurid now; let it be the labor of your life to make Down that the sky above him was red with a lurid now; let it be the labor of your life to make the labor of your l

And, with God's help, he did. He rose from that bed, where for so many weeks he had bed in peril of his life, an altered man. mer friends wondered at the change, His colored that he had left his young in the out they knew nothing of the fiercer fire wich during those long weeks had raged in his bosom, and had scorched away the relish for youthful follies. Having stood so awfully near to death, he had learnt to value life; and to strive so to use life, that death should be no longer terrible. And so striving, God prospered him. The father of the little girl he had saved was a wealthy man, and with generous kindness helped him even against his will. His kind old master stood his faithful friend, and even made opportunities of showing his confidence in him; and for many years past he has been a partner in the firm, a rich and respected merchant. Very few people know his story. It is not a very merry one, but it was uppermost in my mind when Effie asked for a story—it mostly is on Christmas-eve—and therefore I have told it

"Who was the young man, Uncle?" said a childish voice. "Have we ever seen him?" "Yes, my dear, you know him very well." "But what became of the little girl that was saved, Uncle? Is she alive still?"

"My dears," said Uncle Herbert, "the little girl is now your Aunt Alice.' Just then the fire-light, which had grown dim, flickered up into a blaze. Aunt Alice bent over Uncle Herbert's hand and kissed it, and as she raised her head we could see that there were tears in her eyes. And we

CITY ORDINANCES.

Lewis, in English Society.

guessed the rest of the story.-Angelo J.

RESOLUTION TO RELEASE CERTAIN properties of Benjamin H. Brown and George

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia, That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to release from the lien of a judgment, en tered on the bond of Benjamin H. Brown and George Woelpper, securities for George H. Brinkworth, September term, 1870, No. 248, D. S. B , all the real estate of the said Brown and Woelpper, except the messuages or tenements, wharf property and lot of ground bounded by Richmondestreet, ash street, Gunner's run, canal, and land now or late of Charles W. Warnock; containing in front on said Ash street 375 feet 9 inches, along Warnock's line 421 feet, and along Richmond street 185 feet; Provided that the said Brown and Woelpper shall pay to the City Solicitor for the use of the city the sum of ten dollars to defray the expenses of the publication of this resolution, and that the City Solicitor shall first be satisfied that the security of the city will not be jeoparded:

LOUIS WAGNER. President of Common Council.

Attest-John Ecrstein, Clerk of Common Council. SAMUEL W. CATTELL,

President of Select Council. Approved this twenty ninth day of December, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A. DANIEL M. FOX, Mayor of Philadelphia,

A N ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE A paving of Tower street, Tenth ward.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia do ordain. That the Department of Highways be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with a competent paver or pavers, who shall be selected by a najority of the owners of property fronting on Tower street, from a point two hundred and forty seven feet six inches west of Twentieth street to the east line of Twenty-first street, in the Tenth ward. The conditions of said contract shall be that the contractor shall collect the cost of paving from the owners of property fronting thereon; and he shall also enter into an obligation with the city o keen said street in good order for three years after

And the provisions of the ordinance which prohibits the paving of streets after the first day of December shall not apply to the above, provided the city shall be

shall not apply to the at no expense for said paving.

LOUIS WAGNER, President of Common Council. Attest-ABRAHAM STEWART,

Assistant Clerk of Common Council. SAMUEL W. CATTELL, President of Select Council Approved this twenty-ninth day of December, Anno Don ini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A. D.

Mayor of Philadelphia,

AN ORDINANCE MAKING AN APPROpriation to the Commissioners of Fairmount Park for the expenses of the year 1871.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia do ordain. That the sum of eighty two thousand five hundred (82,500 dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to the Commissioners of Fairmount Park, for the expenses of the year 1871, as

Item 1. For the salary of the solicitor authorized by the fifth section of the supplement to an act en itled "An act appropriating ground for public purposes in the city of Philadelphia," two thousand five hundred Sesso) dollars. Item 2. For keeping said Park in repair and good or

der, and for current expenses of Park Commission. eighty thousand (\$80.000) dollars. And warrants for said appropriation shall be drawn

by the said Commissioners. LOUIS WAGNER.

President of Compon Council.

Attest-John Eckstein. Clerk of Common Council.

SAMUEL W. CATTELL. President of Select Council. Approved this twenty minth day of December, Anne Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A.D. DANIEL M. FOX.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE paving of Main and Penn streets, in the Twentythird ward, with rubble paving.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia, That the Department of Highways be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with a competent paver or pavers, who shall e selected by a majority of the owners of property fronting on Main street, from Green street to Front street, road intersections not to exceed nine hundred and sixty six dollars and sixty-four cents; Penn street, from Orthodox street to Sellers street, intersections not to exceed one hundred and eleven dollars, for the paying thereof with rubble paving. The conditions of said contract shall be that the contractor or contractors shall collect the cost of said paving from the property owners respectively fronting thereon, and shall enter into an obligation with the city to keep said paving in good order for three years after the paving is finished

President of Common Council. Attest-ABRAHAM STEWART. Assistant Clerk of Common Council. SAMURL W. CATTELL.

LOUIS WAGNER.

President of Select Conneil. Approved this twenty-ninth day of December, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A. D. DANIEL M. FOX. Mayor of Philadelphia

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE Bain, City Commissioner elect. Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia, That H. G. Clark and Henry Bain are hereby approved as the sureties of James Bain, City Commissioner elect; and the City Solicitor is hereby directed to prepare the proper bond with warrant of attorney for said parties to execute and to cause a judge ment to be entered thereon; and further, to file an agreement of record that the lien of the judgment entered against Henry Bain shall only operate on and against premises No. 233 south Twelfth street and No. 229 north Thirteenth street and No. 122 south Eleventh

LOUIS WAGNER. President of Common Council. Attest-ABRAHAM STEWART,

Assistant Clerk of Common Council. SAMUEL W. CATTELL. President of Select Council. Approved this twenty-nigth day of November, Anno aini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A DANIEL M. FOX. diagrami kanimergala.

CITY ORDINANCES.

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE AN AP-City with Water, for the year 1871. Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of four

hundred and forty-one thousand and fifty (\$441,050) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the Department for Supplying the City with Water for the year 1871, as follows: Item 1. For salary of chief engineer, five thousand

Item 2. For salary of register, two thousand five hundred (\$2500) dollars. Item 3, For salary of chief clerk, twelve hundred

\$1200) dollars. Item 4. For salary of receiving clerk, one thousand \$1000) dollars. Item 5. For salaries of two permisclerks, two thou-

and (\$2000) dol ars.

Item 6. For salaries of four general clerks, four thou sand (\$4000) dollars. Item 7. For salaries of eleven inspectors, eight thou-

sand eight hundred (\$8800) dollars. Item 8. For salaries of four purveyors and one messenger, four thousand two hundred (\$4200) dollars. Item 9. For salary of one engineer's clerk, one thou-

sand (\$1000) dollars. Item 10. For salaries of two engineers, Fairmount vorks, two thousand (\$2000) dollars. Item 11. For salaries of four assistant engineers

Fairmount Works, two thousand four hundred (\$2400) dollars. Item 12. For salary of one watchman, Pairmount Works, six hundred (\$600) dollars.

Item 13. For salaries of two engineers, Delaware Works, two thousand (\$2000) dollars, Item 14. For salaries of seven foremen, Delaware Works, four thousand two hundred (\$4200) dollars. Item 15. For salaries of two watchmen, Delaware Works, one thousand two hundred (\$1200) dollars. Item 16. For salaries of two engineers, Schuylkill

Works (with houses), one thousand eight hundred (\$1880) dollars. Item 17. For salaries of two assistant eigineers, Schuylkill Works, one thousand two hundred (§1200) dollars. Item 18. Fortalaries of ten firemen, Schuylkill Works.

six thousand (\$6000) dollars Item 19. For salary of watchman, Schuylkill Works, six hundred (\$600) dollars. Item 20. For salaries of two engineers and four fire-

men. Belmont Works, four thousand four hundred (\$4400) dollars. Item 20%. For salary of wa'chman, Belmont workssix hundred (\$600) dollars.

Item 21. For salaries of two engineers and four firemen, Roxborough works, four thousand four hundred \$4400) dollars. Item 21%. For salary of engineers' auxiliary engine. Roxborough reservoir, eight hundred and fifty (\$850)

Item 22. For salaries of two engineers and two fire men. Germantown works (for three months), eight hun-

dred (8800) dollars. Item 23. For salaries of inspector and watchman Germantown works, fourteen hundred and fifty (\$1450)

GENERAL EXPENSES. Item 24. For books, stationery, advertising, printing and posting, two thous nd (\$2000) dollars. Item 25. For fuel for offices, ground rents, cleansing, incidentals. &c., fifteen hundred (\$1500) dollars. Item 26. For coal and wood, Fairmount works, six

hundred (\$600) dollars. Item 27. For coal and wood, Delaware works, fifteen thousand five hundred (\$15,500) dollars. Item 28. For coal and wood, Schuylkill works, twenty-two thousand (\$22 000) dollars.

Item 29. For coal and wood, Belmont Water Works, ten thousand (\$19,000) dollars. Item 30. For coal and wood, Roxborough Works, ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars. Item 31 For coal and wood, Germantown Works,

three thousand (\$3000) dollars. Item 32. For tallow, oil and gas, Fairmount Works, two thousand (\$2000) dollars.

Item 33. For tallow, oil and gas, Delaware Works, seven hundred and fifty (\$750) dollars.

Item 34. For tallow, oil and gas, Schuylkill Works, two thousand (\$2000) dollars. Item 35. For tallow and oil, Belmont Works, seven hundred (\$700) dollars. Item 36. For tallow and oil, Roxborough Works, five

hundred (\$500) dollars. Item 57. For tallow, oil and small stores, German town Works, one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars. Item 38. For small stores, tools, red and white lead. gum, hemp, &c., twenty five hundred (\$2500) dollars.

For repairs, Fairmount Works, five thousand (\$2000) dollars. Item 40. For repairs, Delaware Works, three thousand \$3000) dollars. Item 41. For repairs, Schuylkill Works, four thou-

sand (\$4000) dollars. Item 42. For regains, Belmont Works, one thousand \$1000) dollars. Item 43. For repairs, Roxborough Works, one thou-

sand (\$1000) dollars. Item 44. For lepairs, Germantown Works, two hun dred and fifty (\$250) dollars. Item 45. For keeping pipes, pings, stops, and fix

tures in good order, twenty-eight thousand (\$25,000) Item 46. For keeping buildings, grounds, and reservoirs, in good order, eighteen thousand (\$18,000) dol-

lare. Item 47. For the purchase of iron pipes, fire-plugs, stop-cocks, lead, brass, and iron castings, and other fixtures and materials connected with the laying of pipes, setting and fitting of plugs and stops, one hun-

dred and fifty thousand (\$150,000) dollars. Item 48. For labor in laying pipes, setting and fitting fire-pings, stop-cocks, &c., &c., seventy thousand (\$70,000) dollara.

Item 49. For drilling and making new attachments, eighty-five hundred (\$8500) dollars. Item 50. For iron railing, Fairmount, three hundred

Item 51. For carriage hire and keep of horse, &c. for use of chief engineer, six hundred and fifty (\$650) dollars.

Item 52. For rent of engines, engine-house and pool of Germantown Water Company (for three months). twelve hundred and fifty (\$1250) dollars. Item 43. For repairing inlet to forebay at the Schuylkill Works, ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars.

Provided, That all coal to be used by the Department for Supplying the City with Water shall be purchased from miners and shippers only after advertisement in at least two daily newspapers. And warrants shall be drawn by the Chief Engineer in conformity with exlating ordinances.

LOUIS WAGNER, President of Common Council, Attest-ABBAHAM STEWART.

Assistant Clerk of Common Council. SAMUEL W. CATTELL. President of Select Council. Approved this twenty-pinth day of December, Anno

Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A DANIEL M. FOX. Mayor of Philadelphia AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE

A construction of a Sewer on Twentieth street. Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Department of Highways be and is hereby anthorized to construct the following sewer, viz.: On the line of Twentieth street, from the sewer in Columbia avenue to a point two hundred and thirty-nine feet north of said Columbia avenue, with a clear inside diameter of three feet; said sewer to be built of brick, circular in shape, and in accordance with specifications prepared by the Chief Engineer and Surveyor.

Section 2. The Chief Commissioner of Highways shall advertise, according to law, announcing that bids will be received for the sewer above designated, and he shall allot it to the lowest bidders, and it shall be a condition of said contract that the contractor shall acept the sums assessed upon and charged to the properties lying on the lines of said sewer, in manner and form authorized by ordinance entitled "An ordinance regulating the assessment upon property for the con-struction of branch culverts or drains," approved May 12, 1866, and supplement thereto, approved February 16, 1869; any excess over and above said assessment to be charged to item (for branch sewers) of annual anpropriations made to the Department of Highways for the year 1871; provided said excess shall not in any case be more than can be charged to said item under ordinance entitled "An ordinance authorizing the Chief Commissioner of Highways to draw warrants for street intersections, manholes, and legal deductions in the construction of branch sewers," approved April 3, 1888. LOUIS WAGNER.

President of Common Council. Attest-JOHN ECKSTRIN. Clerk of Common Council. SAMUEL W. CATTELL. President of Select Council.

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OITY ORDINANCES. AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE AN AP-

propriation to the Board of Health for the year Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the sum of two bundred and thirty-nine thousand two hundred and forty (\$219 240) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to the Board of Health to defray the ex-

penses of the year 1871, as follows: HEALTH OFFICE, &c. Item. 1. For salary of health officer, twenty-one hundred (821 000) dollars. Item 2. For salary of chief clerk, eighteen hundred

Item 3. For salaries of two assistant clerks (at \$1000 each) two thousand (8,600) dollars. Item 4. For salary of registration clerk, twelve hun-

dred (\$1200) dollars. Item 5. Salaries of three assistant registration clerks (at \$850 each), twenty five hundred and fifty (\$2550)

Item 6. For salary of port physician twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars. Item 7. For salary of runner, five hundred (\$500) dollars.

Item 8. For salaries of four nuisance inspectors and two messengers (at \$560 each), thirty-nine hundred and : ixty (\$3960) do lars.

Item 9. For sa'ary of night inspector, six hundred and sixty (2669) dollars. Item 10, For salaries of two vessel inspectors, from

June 1 to October 1 (at \$350 each), seven hundred and twenty (\$720) dollars. Item 11. For pay of eleven vaccine physicians and

eleven collectors, five thousand (\$5000) dollars; Item 12. For fuel, furniture, repairs, postage and incidentals, seven hundred (\$700) dollars.

Hem 13. For printing, advertising, books, newspaper

blanks and stationery, seven hundred (\$700) dollars. Item 14. For removal of nuisances, ten thousand \$10,000; dollars. Item 15. For carriage hire, railroad tickets for dis-

trict committees, five hundred (\$500) dollars. Item 16. For carriage hire and railroad tickets for burial ground and pondrette committees, and for expenses incurred in executing the pondrette laws, four hundred (\$400) dollars. Item 17. For use of committee on registration in exe-

cuting the registration act, and for expenses of office, also for books, stationery, blanks and advertising. twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars. LAZABETTO.

Item 18. For salary of Lazaretto physician, fifteen hundred (\$1500) dollars. Item 19. For salary of Quarantine master, one thou sand (\$1000) dollars.

Item 20. For salary of steward, twelve hundred \$1200) dollars. Item 21. For salary of gardener, two hundred and forty (\$2(0) dollars.

Item 22. For salaries of bargemen or tugmen and engineers, twenty-seven hundred (\$2700) dollars. Item 23. For salaries of male nurses, one hundred and fifty (\$150) dottars.

Item 24. For salaries of female nurses, two hundred Item 25. For salary of watchman, one hundred (\$100) dollars. Item 26. For clothing, bedding, brushes, furniture,

scap, cleansing and incidentals, eight hundred (\$800) Item 27, For medicine, lime, coffins and burial expenses, three hund ed (\$301) dollars. 11cm 28, For coat, oil, paints, fluid, flags, boats and

repairs, six hundred (\$600) dollars. Item 29. For carriage hire and railroad tickets for Lazaretto Committee, two hundred (\$200) dollars, Hem 30. For board and washing the clothing of barge men, tugmen, nurses, patients and officers, twelve hun

dred (\$1200) dollars. item 31. For general repairs to buildings, grounds and appurtenances, and for taxes and insurance, twenty-five hundred (5:2500) dollars.

Item 32. For outside channel visits and taking vessels to quarantine, and for quarters for boats, bargemen, &c. (including the maintenance of a steam tug-boat) forty-five hundred (\$4500) dollars. Item 33. For carrying mails, postage and porterage,

two hundred (\$200) dollars. Item 34. For ice and filling ice-house, three hundred (\$300) dollars. MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL.

It sm 35. For medical attendance, two thousand (\$2000) dollars. Item 56. For salary of matron, five hundred (\$500) dollars.

Item 37. For salaries of laundresses, two hundred and forty (\$240) dollars. Item 38. For calaries of male nurses, eight hundred and forty (\$840) dollars. Item 39. For salaries of female nurses, four hundred

and eighty (\$480) dollars. Item 40. For salary of fireman, three hundred (\$300) dollars. Item 41. For salary of watchman, three hundred \$300) dollars.

Item 42. For salaries of two gardeners, five hundred St00) dollars. Item 43. For board and washing for patients, nurses and others, thirty-nine hundred (\$3900) dollars. Item 44. For clothing, bedding, furniture, repairs and incidentals, eight hundred (\$800) dollars.

Item 45. For fuel, lights, brushes, soap, cleansing and incidental appriles, fifteen bundred (\$1500) dollars Item 46. For medicines, coffins and burial expenses, eight hundred (\$800) dollars. Item 47. For carriage hire, rallroad tickets, convey-

ance of patients, cots, porterage and postage, five hun dred (\$500) dollars. Item 48. For general expenses of the Sanitary Com mittee, printing, blanks and stationery, three hundred

\$300) dellars. Item 49. For purchase of horses, vehicles and harness. and for the keep of and repair to the same, twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars. Item 50. For insurance and general improvements and

repairs to buildings, grounds and appurtenances, including the maintenance of a telegraph, twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars. STREET CLEANING, REMOVING ASHES, GARB-AGE, &c. Item 51. For pay of contractor for cleansing the

streets and markets, and removing askes, dead animals, and garbage therefrom, one hundred and sixty-five thousand (\$165,000) dollars. Item 52. For stationery and printing, two thousand 82(00) dollars. Item 53. For salaries, three thousand (\$3000) dollars

Item 54. For incidentals, one thousand (\$100) dol Provided, that warrants for one-twelfth only of the appropriation for salaries to the officers and employees of the Board of Health shall be drawn in each m and warrants shall be drawn by the Board of Health in

conformity with existing ordinances. LOUIS WAGNER. President of Common Council. Attest-ABRAHAM STRWART, Assistant Clerk of Common Council.

SAMUEL W. CATTELL. President of Select Council. Approved this twenty-noth day of December, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A. D. DANIEL M. FOX.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE construction of a certain sewer on Eighteenth

Mayor of Philadelphia,

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Department of Highways be and is hereby authorized to construct the following sewer on Eighteenth street, from Norris street to Susqueharna avenue, to have a clear inside diameter of five feet from Norris to Diamond street, and from Diamond street to Susquehanna avenue, five and a half feet drameter, to connect with open channel; said sewer to be built of brick, circular in shape, and in accordance with specifications prepared by the Chief

Engineer and Surveyor. Sec. 2. Chief Commissioner of Highways shall advertise according to law, announcing that bids will be received for the sewer above designated, and he shall allot it to the lowest bidders, and it shall be a condition of said contract that the contractor shall accept the sums assessed upon and charged to the properties lying on the line of sa.d sewer in manner and form authorized by ordinance, entitled "An ordinance regulating the esessment upon property for the construction of branch culverts or drains," approved May 12, 1866, and supplement thereto approved February 16, 1869; any excess over and above said accessment to be charged to item (for branch sewers) of annual appropriations made to the Department of Highways for the year 1871. LOUIS WAGNER.

President of Common Council. Attest-ABRAHAM STEWART. Assistant Clerk of Common Connell. SAMUEL W. CATTELL, Prosident of Select Conneil. Approved this twenty-ninth day of December, Anno Approved this twenty ninth day of December, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A. D. DANIEL M. FOX, DITY ORDINANDES.

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE AN APPROfor the year 1871.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of th city of Philadelphia do ordain. That the sum of six hundred and eighty three thousand seven hundred and thirty (\$683,730) dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to the Commissioners of Sinking Funds for the year 1871, to be applied as follows: Item 1. To sinking fund of ten millions, one hundred

thousand (\$100,000) dollars. Item 2. To sinking fund of one million, twelve thoueard (\$12,000) dollars.

Item 3. To sinking fund of eight hundred thousand dollars loan, nine thousand six hundred (\$9600) dol-Item 4. To sinking fund of four hundred and fitty

thousand dollars loan, five thousand four hundred (\$5400) dellars. Item 5. To sinking fund of Sunbury and Erie Raitroad, twelve thousand six hundred (\$12,600) dollars. Item 6. To sinking fund of three hundred and twenty-

five thousand dollars, three thousand nine hundred \$3900) dollars. Item 7. To sinking fund Northwestern Railroad, seven thousand eight hundred (\$7800) dollars. Item 8. To sinking fund certain obligation, nine hun-

dred and sixty-nine (\$ 69) dollars, Item 9. To sinking fund road damages, one thousand (\$1000) dollars. Item 10. To sinking fund of certain culverts, two

thousand four hundred (\$2400) dollars. Item 11. To sinking fund water loan, No. 1, three thousand nine hundred and thirty six (\$3936) dollars. Item 12. To sinking fund seven buildred thousand (\$700,000) dollars, eight thousand four hundred (\$8400)

Item 13. To sinking fund of defence of city, No. 1, fifteen thousand six hundred \$15,600) dollars. Item 14. To sinking fund of gas works, No. 1, nine

ousand (\$9000) dollars. Item 15. To sinking fund of gas works, No. 2, ten housand (\$10 000) dollars. Item 16. To sinking fund of gas works, No. 3, ten

thousand (\$10,000) dollars. Item 17. To sinking fund of gas works, No. 4, twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars. 1;em 18. To sinking fund of school loan, No. 1, twelve

hundred (\$1200) dollars.

Item 19. To sinking fund of road damages and bridges, twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars.

Item 20. To sinking fund Caestnut street bridge, No.

1, twenty-four hundred (\$2400) dollars.

Item 21. To sinking fund of one million two hundred thousand dollars, tourteen thousand four hundred Item 22. To sinking fund bounty, No. 1, six thousand

\$6000) dollars.
Item 23. To sinking fund defence of the city, No. 2. six thousand (\$6000) dollars. Item 24. To sluking fund defence of the city, No. 3, twelve thousand (\$12,0.0) dollars.

Item 25. To sinking fund city bounty, No. 2, thirtynine thousand (\$39,000) dollars. Item 25. To sinking fund city bounty, No. 3, fortytwo thousand (\$42,000) dollars. It m 27. To sinking fund school loan, No. 2, twelve

thousand (\$12,000) dollars. Liem 28. To sinking fund water loan, No. 2, twelve thousand (\$12,000) dollars. Item 29. To sinking tune municipal loan, thirty thousand (\$30,000) dollars. Item 30. To sinking fund Chestnut-street bridge, No.

Item 31. To sinking fund delence of city, No. 4, seven

thousand two hundred (\$7200) dollars. Item 32. To sinking fund city loan, No. 33, twelve thousand (\$12.000) dollars. Item 33 To sinking fund city loan, No. 34, twentyone thousand six hundred (\$21,600) dollars. Item 24. To sinking fund of culvert, No. 2, nine thou-

2, one thousand and twenty (§ 1020) dollars.

sand six hundred (\$9600) dollars. Item | 5. To sinking fund Park loan, No. 1, forty-eight thousand (\$(8.600) dollars. Item 36. To sinking fund city loan, No. 35, nineteen thousand six hundred and eighty (\$19,680) dollars.

Item 37. To sinking fund Gas Works, No. 5, twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars. Item 38. To sinking fund Gas Works, No. 6, twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars. Item 39. To sinking fund city loan, No. 37, twelve

thousand (#12,000) dollars. Item 40. To sinking fund city loan, No. 38, twelve Item 41. To sinking fund Park loan, No 2, twenty-

four thousand (\$24,00) dollars. Item 42. To sinking fund city loan, No. 39, eight thouand four hundred (\$8400) dollars. Item 43. To sinking fund school loan, No. 3, six thousand (\$6000) dotlars.

six thousand (\$6000) dollars. Item 45. To the Commissioner of the Sinking Fund, forty-five thousand (\$45,(00) dollars, to pay the portion of the city debt unprovided for, which has fallen due, and that which may be due and demanded for the year

Item 44. To sinking fund House of Correction loan .

Item 46. For salary of secretary, four hundred (9:00) dollars. Item 47. For stationery and incidentals twenty-five \$25) dollars And warrants for the same shall be drawn in con-

formity with existing ordinances. LOUIS WAGNER. President of Common Council. Attest-ABRAHAM STEWART, Assistant Clerk of Common Council.

SAMUEL W. CATTELL, President of Select Council. Approved this twenty-ninth day of December, Anno mini one thousand eight hundred and seventy (A. D. DANIEL M. FOX, Mayor of Philadelphia.

AN ORDINANCE TO ORGANIZE A House of Correction and Employment for the city of Philadelphia. Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia do or lain, That the House of Cor-

rection and Employment for the city of Philadelphia shall be managed by a board of managers to be elected by the Select and Common Councils of the said city. Section 2. In the month of December, A. D, 1879, the Select and Common Councils shall elect ten persons, five persons by Select and five by Common Council, citizens of Philadelphia, over thirty years of age, to serve as managers of the House of Correction and Employment, and thereafter in the month of December in every year each Chamber shall elect one person to serve as said manager for the term of five years from and after the first Tuesday of January following their election. And any vacancy which shall occur in said board shall be supplied by a special election held by the Chamber in which the vacancy may occur for the

unexpired term, to be held as early as convenient after such vacancy is known to exist. Section 3. The board of managers elected by the said Councils shall meet for organization on the first Tuesday of January, Anno Domini 1871, and on the same day in every succeeding year, in the Common Council chamber, or at such other place as they may select, when they shall determine by lot the terms for which they shall serve, viz.: two for one year, two for two years, two for three years, two for four years, and two for five years, at which meeting there shall be elected a president and secretary, the president to be chosen

Section 4. The board of managers shall take posses sion of the two wings of said House of Correction and Employment, which are to be finished for occupancy on the twenty-ninth day of October, 1871, or as soon as the same are finished, as well as any portion of said House of Correction and Employment which from time to time is finished and ready for occupancy of the building which is now under contract on the Pennypack Creek, in the Twenty-third ward of the city of Phila-

deiphia. Sec. 5. That the board of managers shall be fully competent to make and frame all rules and regulations for the government of said House of Correction and Employment as to them may seem proper, in accordance Pennsylvania, approved the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini 1868, provided the same be first submitted to and approved by the Select and Common Councils of

the city of Philadelphia. Sec. 6. All appropriations to said board of manager for the support and maintenance of said House of Cor-rection and Employment shall be made by the Councils of the city of Philatelphia, and all bills contracted by the said board of managers shall be first submitted to and approved by the Committee on House of Correction of Councils, all ordinances or parts of ordinances to the

contrary hereof notwithstanding. LOUIS WAGNER, President of Common Council. Attest-ABRAHAM STEWART,

Assistant Clerk of Common Council. SAMUEL W. CATTELL, President of Select Council.

Approved this twenty-ninth day of December, Anno

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