

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

DISCRETION.

The New Fire Department—How it is Worked—Admirable Results—The Effects of System.

Perhaps some of the readers of THE TELEGRAPH have had the unfortunate experience to have had a slight fire occur in their premises. If a lamp upset and a table-cloth is burned, or if a defective fire ignites some portion of the wood-work of the dwelling, and the information thereof should (had luck) happen to get on the streets, an alarm of fire would instantly be given, and in less time than it takes to write this, that unfortunate dwelling would be instantly surrounded by a group of perspiring and fussy men who would break furniture, smash windows, pour floods of water, and so alter the condition of things about that house that its owner would scarcely know it if he wasn't told of the fact. This, it will be observed, would be the condition of affairs had our defective fire or upset lamp done this damage under the old Volunteer Fire Department. This is not written with a desire to reflect on the personnel, but on the system of the old regime. The same men who were the services of the old fire department are now the services of the new. The new system is a systematic management, flowing from a lack of authority on the part of the managers, which rendered the old plan nearly useless in some cases, and very destructive in others. Especially in the case of the old system, the old system was a haphazard one. In the new system, the old system was a haphazard one. In the new system, the old system was a haphazard one.

SWINDLING MINSTRELS.

How They Came to Over the Germantown.

A few days ago we enlightened our readers upon the misdoings of the Collins & Holmes' Minstrel Company in Germantown. We have further particulars of the swindle perpetrated upon the Mount Airy Library Association. In the first place, Collins denies having any partnership in the concern, but states that he was only a hired member of the troupe. Holmes' real name is said to be Alfred H. Humphreys, and his residence No. 2017 Ely street. It will be remembered that Holmes or Humphreys offered a large photograph frame, valued at \$25, to the society for their services. The number of tickets for the entertainment. The Mt. Airy Library Association sold 143 tickets, and was entitled to the frame. It now appears that the frame was purchased from the maker, who was to be paid twenty dollars on the evening of the entertainment, or have it returned to him. Being a prudent man, he came to Germantown to superintend the disposal of his property. Holmes then told him that he could not pay him twenty dollars, and would therefore return the frame. The swindle is made the more flagrant from the fact that the Mount Airy Library had twice hired the minstrels for entertainments, and had paid them liberally for their services. Members of this society were at Alderman Thomas' on Tuesday evening to get advice about prosecuting Humphreys for swindling, but no action will be taken except to expose him whenever he attempts a similar swindle. When the disappearance of the frame was discovered, members of the library immediately went to the railroad depot and searched the 10 and 11 o'clock trains, but failed to find anything of the kind. They then went to one of the lower streets, and there they saw a man who was seen passing Chelton avenue on their way down the Main street. The members of the troupe were led in their denunciations of Humphreys, who, according to their story, had fallen upon them their salaries. Should they attempt to visit Frankford, or any of the suburban villages, a committee of the Mount Airy Library will be on hand to expose him.

THIRD EDITION

LATER FROM EUROPE.

Another Parisian Outbreak.

The Troops Fire on the Mob.

Heavy Forgery in Baltimore.

Matters at Washington.

The Question of Adjournment.

Mr. Sumner and San Domingo.

The Joint High Commission.

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PARIS, March 23.—Last evening an outbreak occurred in the Place Vendome. The insurgents had been much irritated by the proclamation of the National Assembly had issued, and determined to resist it with violence. The temper of the general public as they stood discussing the situation was sufficient to excite the anger of the "Reds," for they were denounced on all hands and their outrages spoken of in bitter terms. One gentleman reproached the National Guard for timidity and cowardice and apparent sympathy with the insurgents. The discussion grew heated, and one of the National Guards confronted this gentleman, the end of which was a fight between the two, in which the gentleman left the crowd somewhat damaged in physical appearance. The groups of people, evidently ripe for mischief, became so alarming that an order was given the National Guards to clear the Place Vendome. The people refused to leave and the Guard fired, killing five persons and wounding many others. The firing was successful in clearing the Place Vendome, and as many of the crowd were insurgents, with chaps after their hands, their disposition to return the fire was regarded as very significant. Paris has, however, become much calmer, and the absence of competent leaders with the insurgents induces the citizens to believe the rioters are not supported.

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The National Guards and their Insurgent.

LONDON, March 23.—The National Guards on Tuesday reinstated the Mayor of the Sixth arrondissement, who had been expelled from office by the insurgents. The insurgent Central Committee has decided to disarm the Nationals of Quartier St. Germain. During the night the insurgent National Guard endeavored to surprise the 11th Battalion, occupying the Place de la Bourse, but were unsuccessful. Many battalions of the National Guard are being armed for the preservation of order. An unarmed manifestation is advertised for Wednesday afternoon. It is announced that the Nationals of Lyons only await the arrival of a delegation from Paris to form a Central Committee on the plan of that operating in Paris. Garibaldi, it is reported, now commands the Montmartre insurgents.

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