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City Affaire. -Rev. Pennell Coombs, at the afternoon session of the Temperance Convention yesterday, denounced Geary as a renegade, on account of the sepeal of the Duncannon prohibitory law, and the convention almost unanimously passed a fieroely denunciatory resolution of the Governor. The convention then adjourned sine die.

—Seme shad fishermen caught a seal weighing 560 pounds in the Delaware, opposite Burlington.

## Foreign Affairs.

-Twenty-one members of the Commune no longer attend its sittings. -The Prussians are near Conflans l'Arche veque, in the Department of the Seine.

The Committee of Safety is determined to raze Paris to the ground rather than sur--It is ordered that all the contributors to

the Paris journals must attach their signatures to the articles which they write. -A reign of terror exists in Paris, and daily many eminent citizens are imprisoned, and the lives of many are despaired of who

are retained as hostages. —A Court of Impeachment was opened yesterday in Paris, to select hostages upon whom to execute the retaliatory measures de-

termined upon by the Commune.

—In the British House of Lords yesterday, Earl Russell consented to the postponement of the discussion of the American treaty until the 20th of June, to await the arrival of the official papers.

-A Paris despatch says the Germans demand that an armistice be arranged around the capital to enable the taking of a plebiscitum throughout France to decide the future form of government.

## OUR COMMERCE.

How it to 12 House Regime. ernter the New Yesterday, at 1 o'clock, by invitation of Colonel John W. Forney, the Collector of the Port, a number of merchants and distinguished citizens of Philadelphia met at Augustin's, on Walnut street, above Eleventh, for the purpose of having an informal conversation as to the best method of advancing the interests of this city as a commercial centre, and of taking some city as a commercial centre, and of taking some action in reference to the operations of the new

law of July 14, 1870, with special reference to the importation of goods into this city.

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o'clock, and at that hour we found assembled in the parlors Colonel John W. Forney, Collector of the Port; J. E. Kingsley, of the Continental Hotel; G. B. Lobdell, special agent of the United States Treasury Department; Hons. Leonard Myers, William D. Kelley, and Alfred C. Harmer, Congressmen from Philadelphia; John Price Wetherill, Henry C. Carey, the distinguished writer on "Political Economy;" distinguished writer en "Political Economy;" Mr. Goodrich, Deputy Surveyor; William T. Reed, William Cohen, of Cohen & Sons; William A. Brown, W. J. P. Ingraham, J. J. Buchey, E. H. Bailey, Joshua B. Lippincott, Joseph C. Grubb, Howard Wilson, W. Espen, Reuben Wonder, J. Kemper, J. A. Hiestand, Naval Officer; George H. Boker, Secretary of the Union League; Lewis C. Cassidy, Esq., General Robert Patterson, Colonel William B. Fordney and General James L. Reynolds, of Lancaster, Pa.; Colonel Thomas J. nolds, of Lancaster, Pa.; Colonel Thomas J. Fitzgerald, of the City Item; Colonel E. W. C. Greene, of the Sunday Transcript; William V. McKean, of the Leager; Colonel J. H. Taggart, of the Sunday Times; John D. Watson, of the North American; Dennis F. Dealy, of the Even-ing Herald; W. W. Nevin, of the Press; Dr. R. Shelton Mackenzie, of the Press; Dr. E. Morwitz, of the German Democrat; J. S. Walter, of the Delaware County Republican; Charles E. Warburton, of THE EVENING TELEGRAPH; W. W. Harding, of the Inquirer; Colonel Stephen Winslow, of the Commercial List; Dr. William Elder, Henry Perkins, Secretary of the Philadelphia Board of Trade; Benjamin Huckel, Deputy Collector of the Port: Lorin Blodgett, of the Treasury Department: Charles Close, Superintendent of Appraisers' Stores; J. L. Ringwalt, A. Fleish, General George Cad-walader, Captain Huston, Deputy Collector, and many others whose names we could not

A short time was spent in social converse as to the business which had led the Collector to call them together, after which the company was escorted to the dining room, where a bounteous collation had been spread for the delectation of the guests, and at which Colonel John W. Forney presided. Full justice was done to the viands provided, and upon the removal of the cloth the regular business of the day was introduced by

Colonel John W. Forney.

The Collector referred to a statute intended to facilitate the transportation of imported goods between New York and Philadelphia, which, on coming into office he had found practically a nullity. Merchants of this city were exposed to great inconveniences, resulting from delay in the delivery of their goods. Aided by Messrs. Kelley, Myers, and O'Neill, he had been laboring to remedy the evil. The beginning of reform promised well, and he hoped that Philadelphia

would resume her commercial supremacy.

He then introduced Mr. Lobdell, the special agent of the United States Treasury Department, who, after referring to the complaints made by merchants and echoed by the press of Philadelphia, concluded by saying:— "And now, in respect to all intimations and

charges, from whatever source, that the Treasury Department either is or has been throwing obstacles or impediments unnecessarily in the way of business under the transportation laws, with intent to embarrass or prevent fair, honest business transactions with the Government under those laws, I have to say, and I speak that which I know when I do'say, that all such insinuations, imputations, and charges are wrong and entirely unfounded, being based only on misapprehension of the facts of the case.

"I should certainly be glad to see the foreign

commerce of this city increased to such extent as to require the use of that entire building for its accommodation. I do expect to see it largely increased from the trade the merchants in this city are opening with Europe via New York, under the new law authorizing transit in bond, notwithstanding the present seeming diffi-culties, which are regarded by many as lions in the path or by the wayside. My official duties have been such as to afford perhaps as correct a knowledge of the operations under the law and 'regulations for the transportation of merchandise without appraisement,' as the nature of the case will permit.

"Thanking you one and all for your kind attention to what I have felt myself called on to say, I will only add my best wishes for the success of all well-directed efforts to increase the

business prosperity of the port of Philadelphia."

As a further elucidation of the subject, Colonel Forney presented the following statistics:

The following duties were paid by Philadelphia merchants at New York during the year

McCallum, Crease & Sloan ..... \$55,000 Four other carpet firms..... 155,000 Cohen & Son..... Estimates on laces, jewelry, etc..... Estimate on silk goods—12 firms..... 18,500 Estimate on woollen goods-15 firms. 2,200,000

Total. \$4,823,000
The next extract read by the Collector was a communication addressed to him by Reuben Wunder, Inspector of Bonded Goods, dated May 18, 1871, which, after referring to the facility of despetch under the operation of the facility of the f

cility of despatch under the operation of the act of July 14, 1870, says:

Merchandise for Philadelphia was first received by car, via Camden and Amboy Rallroad May 8. Shipments have been received daily without unavoidable delays; whereas under the

were received by their owners, in consequence of the multiplicity of business and difficulty that were involved in passing them through the New York custom-house. I respectfully invite your attention to the fellowing exhibit:—

Consignment to Lippincott, Johnson & Co., of this city, was placed in the hands of one of our best custom-house brokers May 5, and mailed to New York at 5 o'clock of that day. The manifest being incorrect, the Collector at New York refused to check the papers on the 6th York refused to check the papers on the 6th (the 7th being Sunday). He (the Collector), however, on Monday, the 8th, after 10 o'clock A. M., consented to check the papers—did so, and upon that same day they were shipped to this city, arriving upon the next day, the 9th, were entered in this custom-house, duty paid, examined by the appraiser, and the whole consignment delivered before 12 o'clock M., really was that the whole delivery inside of forty three making the whole delivery inside of forty-three bours from hour of mailing papers to agent in New York.

The Camden and Amboy Railroad has done all in its power to aid the furtherance of the re-quirements of the law, and the Custom House officers in charge are always ready and anxious to render the enactment effective and success ful for the commercial and business interests of

this city and Government. The next paper read by the Collector was the following, which comprised one month's account of invoices received at Philadelphia in regular consular remittances, with the number taken respectively at New York and Philadelphia, and which shows that of 827 invoices 503 were entered at this port

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	Month, Entered at Philadelphia, April 487	Entered at New York,	Whole Number, 165
	April 838	11	49
	April 1037	29	60
	April 1214	2	16
	April 1423	20	101
	April 1768 April 2041	35	76
	April 2630	4	34
	April 2858	28	80
	April 80 5	6	11
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Total ...... 503 the invoices actually received here (but entered and paying duties at New York), an equal number arrive at New York and are entered there in the name of our merchants, duplicates of which are never sent here; and the aggregate of duties paid at New York for imports coming here is larger than the aggregate paid here as duties on goods entered direct. The whole number of invoices belonging here is

about one thousand per month.

Speeches were also made by Messrs. John D.
Watson, Jehn Price Wetherill. and J. C. Grubb; by the Hon. Leonard Myers, General Patterson, and Judge Kelley.

Mr. J. J. Buchey proposed the following

resolution: -Resolved, That a committee of ten be appointed by the chairman of this meeting (Colonel J. W. Forney), to be composed mostly of those who are interested in the operation of the law of July 14, 1870, who shall be instructed to con-fer with G. B. Lobdell, special agent of the Treasury, before he leaves the city, and with the Secretary of the Treasury, in order to secure such a modification or change in the regulations that they can be made practicable for the advancement of the interests of the merchants and importers of Philadelphia.

The question was put by the Chair and unanimously agreed to. Colonel Forney desired to know if the committee should be appointed at once or within a

On motion, it was agreed that the committee should be appointed at the leisure of the Chair, and announced through the columns of the

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