

pose of successfully accomplishing this greatly desired object.

The removal of the powder magazine in Philadelphia from its present location is a subject demanding prompt attention.

You will, in due time receive a full report of the transactions of the Board of Public Charities during the past year.

During the last few years it has been my melancholy duty to chronicle the death of a number of eminent citizens.

Hon. George Connell, member of the State Senate from the fourth Senatorial district, died in Philadelphia, on the 26th of last October, aged fifty-six years.

Hon. David Stanton, Auditor General elect, departed this life under distressing circumstances, at New Brighton, Beaver county, on the fifth of November last, aged forty-two years.

He was a physician, having graduated at the Cleveland College, and at the University of Pennsylvania.

During the late war he was professionally engaged in several branches of the army, viz: Surgeon of the First Pennsylvania Cavalry, Surgeon of United States Volunteers, Superintendent of Hospitals, Medical Director of the Northern department, and at the close of the war was brevetted Lieutenant Colonel.

J. W. Dickerson, Esq., of Bedford, departed this life on the 12th of December last. He had distinguished himself as a successful teacher of our common schools, and as County Superintendent.

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In accordance with an existing law, the banks in the Commonwealth are required at stated periods to publish a correct statement of their business transactions and financial condition.

In previous messages legislative attention has been called to sundry articles upon which no action has been taken.

The obnoxious doctrine of free-trade is again raising its hydra-head, with a view to destroying, as far as possible, some of the most important interests of our State and nation.

My opinions, heretofore so fully and freely expressed in relation to a tariff protective of our products and manufactures, and especially upon salt, coal, iron and steel, remain not only unchanged, but are greatly strengthened by reflection and observation.

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A FEW days ago Mr. Bergh visited Barnum's show, now exhibiting on Third avenue, and requested that a hyena, well known by Mr. Barnum's employes to be the most ferocious animal in the menagerie, whose violence, he was told, was beyond a doubt, should be unchained and allowed to roam its den.

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