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TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 27, 1881.

The Christmas Celebration.

Ordinarily "Christmas comes bu once a year." This year it came twice and the country had the occasional experience of two holidays in succession. When this occurs it has been generally found more grateful for the second to fall so fitly for any other of our popular him. holidays as Christmas. It gave us Sunday this year for the religious and do-St. Nicholas could not be diverted from his regular time of coming nor the Christmas tree be held back in its annual bloom, and in most homes here and that is tenderest and holiest in the celebration of this festal day of Christendom and childhood's supreme delight. The day was bright and beautiful and genial as the springtide. The churches were everywhere well attended and worshipprofane and drunken reveiry.

Yesterday was wholly given up to the secular observance of the day, and the general suspension of trade and manuthe observance of the festival by its religious character, led to a vast amount of unbridled enjoyment running often to drunkenness and rioting. Happily there is little worse to record in our our own community than cracked shins or aching heads, but the country generally is fearfully large. Christmas is apparently marked by greater social disorder than when its festivities are all crowded into one day.

It has been from all accounts, notwithstanding all unfavorable features, a merry Christmas the world over. The ted if not entirely prevented the usual when it is appointed by the speaker. sufferings of the poor; trade has been merchants represent last Saturday to as a diplomat. have been the briskest day ever known here; the politicians have enough to express from Kansas a package, which was keep them busy plotting and counterplotting, and that makes them merry; made from a corn-cob. officeholders who are going out have had a good thing of it, and those who are coming in expect a still better; the well-known friendship for him, and also newspapers seem to be well patronized with advertisoments, a sure indication distinct merit of defending Grantism. of prosperous times in business circles, and there are enough sensations afloat to enable them to write them up readably to the heirs of Captain John Paul Jones, in all shapes, for the diversion of all kinds of readers: the preachers and pious have good reason to believe that ture of certain British vessels of war.' the world is growing better when they see the Christmas graces more and more abound, and altogether we can look back 1881 with a good deal of fondness and a recollection of good cheer.

. A Shrewd Politician. It must be admitted that the new president has proceeded deftly and with a good deal of caution in reorganizing WILLIAM E. CHANDLER, of New Hampthe administration entailed upon him by shire, secretary of the navy. Nothing what Senator Edmunds called " the lottery of assassination." He is accomplishing all that his Stalwart friends anapprehended, without giving them any special particular political advantage, whose performance in office all the political hopes of his friends were fixed. is succeeded by a third termer; so is the comical look peculiar to him he asked: stiff-backed MacVeagh; and Conkling's friend is the dispenser of the powerful patronage of the treasury department; James makes room for a devoted henchman of the Grant regime, and the father-iu law of one of the star routers counsel; and now Sargent and A Lancastrian's Tribute to One of the William E. Chandler are talked of for other places in the cabinet! The Stalwarts control the House and Senate, and and it is now hinted that the next stroke will be the elevation of Folger to the supreme bench, his succession by Conkling, the nomination of Collector Robertson for governor of New York, the appointment of Cornell to Germany, and years he was the head of probably the the placing of a thick-and-thin Conkling man in the custom house. In the proposed conferring of honors and profits upon Chandler and Robertson, two What made Mr. Steinman so sucof Blaine's next friends, the president's cessful, and now, in his extreme old sagacity is just as evident as in taking age, so much respected by his fellow-Brewster for attorney general and Gray for judge. In the latter cases the fitness of the appointees disarmed all criticism trade." Throughout his long and useful upon their political status, and if he as- life his word has been as good as his bond, signs high places to Chandler and Rob- and the farmers and mechanics and busiertson, it will break the force of a good ness men of Lancaster county more than many disappointments, possibly win timate of him, that of an honest man, a section of Blaine's friends to the sup- and helped him to build up the enorport of the administration and secure for mous business which is still retained by it control of that great political lever the the present firm. Such men as the late New York custom house. Chandler Isaac H. Stouffer, of New Orleans, the never was reconciled to his slaughter in the Senate, permitted by the Garfield al- whole south, had their training under his ministration to appease MacVeagh, and immediate eye. God bless the old man, if he now has salve put on his wounds by a stranger hand New Hampshire is as likely to be swung into the Stalwart column as Ohio will be led there by the speakership. With these allied to New was passing the house when the tramps York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Wisconsin, coaxed him in. They beat him after Virginia and other states that they can which they stole two coats and some manipulate, the Stalwarts have a grip for

MAYOR MACGONIGLE has signed the ordinance providing for the reorganization of the fire department and it is now a law; and it becomes good firemen and good citizens to do all they can to make about 14 years, son of Michael Reilly, it effective for the good of the city. It has grave defects, no doubt, one of the most marked being the failure to provide a way to appoint the firemen. Let its defects be cured as speedily as possible, being drunk and disorderly, and will be heard by Alderman Barr.

and, above all, let its operation and appointments be kept out of the domain of partisan politics. Nothing will more speedily spoil the system than to allow it to be made the football of the political wranglers.

For the time being the attention of Washington society is withdrawn from interest in fitting out a crusade against Mormons to the determination of the come as a day of rest and healing from exact social status of the new British the activity and dissipation of the first. minister, who is a reputed bachelor with The inverse order of things could not a house full of children accompanying

It appears that Gen. Sickles came by inheritance to that fine sense of honor mestic celebration of the day. Of course which induced him to marder his wife's paramour and then take back the injured wife to his bosom.

WHEN it came to giving out the "Merry elsewhere Sunday morning was Christ- Christmas" there was enough to go around mas morning and Sunday was the real to everybody but the iceman and plumber. genuine Christmas day, marked by all They were badly left. The undertaker plants himself hopefully on the old proverb.

Owing to the pressure of local and advertising matter to-day our usual form of make-up is so changed that the news of pers were not disturbed nor the neigh the past two days will be found on our borhood of their devotions invaded by outside pages and the publication of a crowded into the celebration, each delarge amount of local correspondence and tracting necessarily from the other. other interesting matter in type has to be deferred until to-morrow.

THE Philadelphia jury fixer is distanced factories, as well as the removal of all by the astute New Yorker, who, for \$150, the restraints usually imposed upon which had been dropped into his pocket by "a man with a red moustache," whose place in the prison van and started to serve out his term, but weakened and confessed.

THE Graphic takes a good deal of the crop of crime and disaster from over the romance out of the wedding of old Mr. Sickles of New York the other day by Whisky seems to have done more to boldly declaring that the woman whom he make fat graveyards than the green wed had been for many years his concu-Christmas. So that, on the whole, while bine and that the misses who made up the religious remembrance of the day is the bridal procession were their illegitimate more devout and uninterrupted when it children. But Sickles is very rich and falls on Sunday, the "second day" of may yet be induced to subscribe to the anti-Mormon fund.

PERSONAL.

R. B. Hayes refused to be one of the \$1,000 contributors to the Garfield monument because he was "too poor."

It is reported that Representative KAS sox, of Iowa, will be made chairman of gentle weather has undoubedly mitiga- the committee on Inter-Occanic canals M. BARTOLOMEI, the Russian Minister,

will sail for Europe next month. It is not exceptionally heavy, and in this city the likely that he will return to this country Colonel Corkhill received yesterday by

> found to contain a very ingeniously-de-vised gag "for Mr. Guiteau," which was THE appointment of Howe as Postmaster-General is ascribed to Mr. CONKLING'S

> to the fact that he has long been and still is a pronounced third-termer. He made a The secretary of the interior has issued twenty-seven pieces of bounty land scrip

the famous privateer, "in appreciative acknowledgment of brave and meritorious services in connection with the cap-"Tell Mr. Conkling I am fifty years old to-day," is said to have been the reply which Mr. James made when the New York Senator demanded that he should

upon this double barrelled Christmas of quit the Cabinet after the nomination of Robertson. This leads the Blaine organ in New York to remark that whoever supposed after that Mr. Arthur "would long tolerate Mr. James in his Cabinet was jolly green.

It is reported that President Arthur has decided to appoint ex-Senator Sargent, of California, secretary of the interior, likely to prevent the appointment of Sargent, and Chandler will certainly be nominated unless General Grant shall de sire to actively interfere in behalf of his ticipated, and as much as the other side friend Gen. Beale, for the naval portfolio, THURMAN, was at the Capitol the other day seeing to the packing of his private books and papers. His private secretary such as they expected would certainly had had his boxes marked "Hon. A. G. ensue in case the Garfield cabinet was Thurman. Keep Dry." As the veneradisplaced. The prime minister, upon ble statesman passed through his old committee-room he noticed the boxes and their marking. He took the arm of the senator who was with him and with a

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

"Who the devil would ever think of giv

HONORABLE OLD AGE.

ing me such advice as that?

All. Sanderson's Shippensburg Chronicle.

In the Lancaster Intelligencer of Monday last is the following short para-

"Mr. John F. Steinman is 92 years old to-day."

Far beyond the Psalmist's allotted pe riod has lived one of the most successful business men of Pennsylvania. For many most extensive hardware firm in Pennsylvania, cetablished by his father more than a century ago. We refer to the establish ment of Steinman & Co, Lancaster. citizens? Honor, probity and reliability John F.Steinman never knew, or if he did would never practice, the "tricks of the John G. Brenner, of Philadelphia, and head of the largest hardware house in the and may he live to celebrate his centen-

Charged with Larcony.

A lot of tramps recently rented a house in Low street. On Saturday a country man money from him. The whole party was manipulate, the Stalwarts have a grip for arrested and they gave their names as follows; James Lingthurst, Philip Dunn, James Higgins and Rose Higgins, A!hearing.

Arm Broken. broke his arm by falling, while performing at the high school gymnasium.

Held for a Hearing. Seven tramps have been arrested for

CHRISTMAS.

HOW THE HOLIDAY WAS KEPT.

THE DUAL CELEBRATION OF THE GREAT CHRISTIAN FESTIVAL.

DAYS OF JOY AND OF FEASTING

In the Churches, at the Fireside and on the Town—An Ample Religious Observance on Sunday, with Plenty of Mirth and Jollity on Monday; and Some Fea-tures of Drunkenness and Dis-order That Might Just as Well Have Been

The great festival of the Christian calendar was observed with even more than the customary zest that is wont to pervade the celebration of Christmas in this vicinity. The fact of the day of the nativity falling upon Sunday gave opportunities for its religious observance that were taken full advantage of, as will be noted in the following detailed accounts of the services in the churches. The beautiful weather of Sunday presented additional incentives for a large attendance at the Christmas services, and the verp complete arrangements made by the good people of the congregations, their pastors and the choirs had an accomplishment that must have proved especially gratifying to their promoters, from the fact that the religious services could be entered into with afreedom from other considerations that is scarcely to be attained when the social features are

REFORMED.

St. Luke's Reformed Chapel. The Sunday school of St. Luke's Reformed chapel, on Marietta avenue, held its Christmas festival at 10:30 a. m., at which time gifts were presented to scholars from the school and individual teachname he did not know, took a convict's ers. The services consisted mostly of scripture passages relating to Christ's nativity, read antiphonally, the singing of Christmas hymns and carols and an address by Rev. Prof. J. S. Stahr.

The attendance upon the morning service was large. When the audience was dismissed the members of the church tarried to present their pastor, Rev. W. F. Lichliter, with a number of valuable books, which must have added much to his Christmas joy.

In the evening the celebration Rev. Mr. Lichliter preached on the great theme of "the Saviour's birth." The decorations of the chapel were beautiful. Heavy festoons of laurel were extended from the middle of the central beam to the corner rafters; graceful garlands hung on the walls, wreaths encircled the chandeliers and the chancel furniture was tastefully trimmed with crowfoot; a large banner trimmed with greens for an appropriate motto was placed in the recess. Last, but not least was the Christmas tree, emblazoned with designs, candles and ornaments. St. John's.

Splendid decorations on pulpit, altars, around the gallery posts and front. The Christmas services were held at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, the pastor, Rev. A. E. Dahlman, officiating, and preaching a sermon on the birth of Christ. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered to a great number of communicants. In the evening at 7 o'clock the Sunday ercises consisted of dialogues, addresses, recitations, &c., and a short address by the pastor. There were two large Christmas trees, one on each side of the church. All the children who are old enough to infant children with packages of candies. The church choir sang the anthem "Unto us a child is born," under the leadership of Prof. Louis Bauman. A collection was lifted while the anthem was being sung, for the benefit of the orphans' home of the Reformed church, at Womelsdorf, Pa., recently destroyed by fire.

First Reformed. The usual early morning service was held here at 6 o'clock, the church being crowded to its utmost capacity. The service was in all respects similar to those of former years, including the narrative of the Nativity as recorded in St. Luke's gospel, which was read by Rev. Prof. Kieffer, with vocal interjections by the choir at several passages. The music throughout the service was excellent, the solos being given with fine effect and the choruses strong and harmonious. There was a full orchestral accompaniment. Rev. J. A. Peters conducted the service. The decorations of the church are on the customary elaborate scale, every available point being handsomely and profusely draped in greens set off here and there with beautiful flowers, while an illuminated star suspended from the pulpit arch glowed in fiery beauty and lent an additional charm to the fine effect of this artistic

ornamentation. At half-past ten the pastor, Rev. J. A. Peters, preached an appropriate sermon to another large congregation, and in the evening the childrens' service was held. This consisted of the singing of Christmas carols, reading of the narrative of the Nativity by the pastor, with antiphonal responses by the pupils of the Sun-day schoo', and other timely passages from the scriptures. A feature of the musical programme was the singing of a carol by three little boys with a chorus by the school. Rev. Dr. Dubbs delivered an address suitable to the occasion, and Rev. J. S. Stahr offered prayer. The children books, confections, etc., and the exercises terminated with the doxology and benediction pronounced by Prof. Stahr.

St. Paul's Reformed. The side walls, pulpit and chancel rail ing were prettily decorated with evergreen. The usual Christmas service of the Reformed church was held at 10 o'clock conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. B. Shumaker, who preached a sermon from the text found in the 8th chapter of St. John, 56th verse. In the evening Dr. Shumaker preached from Paul's epistle to Titus, 11th chapter and, 13th, 14th and 15th verses. Last evening the Sunday school of the church held its thirty first anniversary exercises, the church being crowded. The exercises consisted, of singing and recitations by a number of the pupils, reading of the scriptures by the pastor, annual report by the superintendent, an address by the pastor and distribution of candies to each of the pupils.

LUTHERAN.

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. At St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran church very extensive arrangements had been made to greet the nativity of our Lord by a Christmas decoration, A great Gothic arch spanned the chancel, and the church was also very handsomely decorated with evergreens. Full Christmas service was rendered, with sermon by the pastor, Rev. E. Meister, from the text Luke, ii., 10, 11.

The Sunday school celebration on Sunmore than ordinarily interesting. The candies, and the infant chi attendance was quite large; the body of stocking filled with candies. the church was nearly filled with the scholars and teachers of the Sunday school ; pers of the co tom with handsome toys, &c. The exercises

tenday) service was held in the morning at 10:15. Rev. E. Meister preached an earnest sermon from Heb., xii., 3, 4. On Saturday evening Rev. Meister was the recipient of a very handsome silver caster, presented by the Bible class of the congregation, finely engraved with the following: "To Rev. E. Meister, from Class '81." The presentation speech was made by Miss Mary Wissner. The surprise was a complete one.

Trinity Lutneran.

Trinity church was very neatly decorated, the altar, pulpit and front being profusely hung in greens tastefully arranged, the gas brackets and chandeliers being also decorated. The Christmas service commenced at 10 o'clock, the liturgy being read by Assistant Pastor Fry, and the sermon preached by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Greenwald. The attendance was quite large. There was no service in the afternoon, but at 6 o'clock in the evening the children's meeting was held in the church, the body of the church being dethe church singing "Adeste Fideles," with presented by the procession was very atscripture readings, psalms and responses, prayer by Rev. Fry. Grace.

at either end of church. Triple column on either side of chancel, railing festooned with greens supporting a lofty arch bearing the angelic message "Glory to God in the highest on earth, peace, good will to men. colored autum leaves and ferns appropri atly arranged.

Service commenced an 10:30 conducted by the pastor, who delivered a sermon from the 10th verse of 98th psalm. The choir sang Knauff's church service in F. and a Christmas anthem, "Glory to God in the Highest.

Several persons were received into the church by confirmation.

The evening service was for the Sunday chool. At 6 o'clock they met in the Sunday school room which had been decorated for the occasion with greens, autumn leaves and pictures and a brilliant by Mr. Hardy. The music was of a high beneath. At 6.30 the line of march was fully selected and very appropriate protaken to the church, to the music of a gramme printed in this paper on Saturby Prof. Kevinski with violin, Prof. Kil- fleeted high credit upon the large male welder presiding at the organ. The programme consisted of eleven short parts by needless even if it were not well nigh impupils, consisting of texts from scripture, hymns and musical selections so arranged as to carry the audience along from the the words,

birth of our Saviour. the scholars who had been most punctual in attendance during the year, and honorschool services were held in the church, able mention to five others who had

men's Bible class a handsome silk umread were presented with books, and the from her friends in the school a hand Holy Innocents will be appropriately obceived from her class a handsome Bible. morning service and in the evening the parish. church was densely crowded.

Zion's Lutheran. The church is very profusely decorated, cel being also handsomely trimmed. The morning services began at 10:30, the paspreaching a sermon on the incarnation. both occasions, The choir sang two fine Christmas authems, the music being greatly im- held in this church to-morrow (Wednesproved by the magnificent new organ re-

cently erected. In the evening the children's meeting was held in the church, the exercises consisting of addresses, music, dialogues, recitations, &c., by the pupils, all having reference to the birth of the Saviour. A the close of the exercises all of the chil dren present were presented with pretty books, suitable for children of their age. In this connection we should mention that there will be a grand concert given in Zion church on Tuesday evening next, on be sung by the classes of the girls' high school and some of our best home talent, Miss Cynthia Bare will give some of her best vocal gems, and Prof. II. W. Nicholl, of New York, an accomplished organist, together with the builder of the new organ, will perform several selections upon it.

St. John's. This church was tastefully decorated with laurel and evergreen and beautified with floral cmblems. In the morning the pastor, Rev. Sylvanus Stall, preached from Luke iii., 10, 11; and of the music Miss Leila Bear's solos were notably well rendered. At 2:30, p. m., the Christmas exercises, arranged by Rev. J. C. Zimmer man, of Osborn, O., consisted of Christwere presented with gifts consisting of mas hymns, Scripture readings with responses, etc., solos by Miss Lila Bear, Grace Wylie, addresses by the pastor, Rev. C. Reimensnyder and Mr. S. B Herr, former superintendent. After the candies to the school, Mr. L. Levan, on pastor, Rev. S. Stall, with an envelope Mr. Stall, with much emotion, very kindlosed with the doxology and benediction.

Christ Church The usual services were held on Sunday morning and evening, the church being trimmed with evergreen and sermons preached by the pastor Rev. E. L. Reed. The Sunday school festival was held last evening. The church was much crowded. Two Christmas trees were placed, one on each side of the pulpit with an arch between them, on which was placed, during the responsive exercises 18 sented with a fancy box of caudies. was made by Rev. Reimensnyder. The responsive exercises were gone through with by the boys and girls without aid from the teachers. Several anthems and hymns were sung, and passages of the Scriptures read. Mr. E. J. Erisman read the annual report, which showed the school to be in a flourishing condition. Prof. R. K. Buehrle made an interesting address to the school. A collection was lifted for the benefit of the school. Gifts of candies were then distributed-the day evening in St. Stephen's church, was larger pupils receiving each a box of The candies, and the infant children each

CATHOLIC.

St. Mary's Church

officiated, and Millard's noble composition consisted of prophecy, reading of the Scripture and the events of the birth of Christ The "Adeste Fideles" and Lambillotte's and the jubilant commemoration of the Christmas hymn were also sung with cornet fact by chants, hymns and responses. An accompaniment. At the end of the mass address by the pastor, Rev. E. Meister, was the holy sacrament was administered to delivered and attentively listened to. The basket collection in the evening resulted in \$58.50. On Second Christmas Day (yes. Service of the day was held, Millard's held, having special reference to the festal

mass being again sung, with Dr. McCullagh as celebrant. The benediction was performed after the mass, the customary vesper service being dispensed with in the afternoon. The altars in the church were handsomely and tastefully adorned with greens, and all the services were pervaded by a beauty and solemnity in keeping with the nature of the celebration.

St. Joseph's Hospital. At St. Joseph's hospital the altar was brilliantly decorated and illuminated with flaming candles and jets, The altar was also decked with flowers and greens. Mass being absent in Philadelphia assisting in one of the churches of that city. St. Joseph's Church.

At St. Joseph's Catholic church the services were notable not only by the solemnity of the ritual and excellent music but by the fact that a young priest, recently graduated from St. Vincent's, Westmore land county, celebrated his first mass, an voted to them, while the congregation occasion which always has a special interwas relegated to the galleries. The est for the celebrant and the congregation. children formed a procession, and entered At 5 a. m. Father Grotemyer celebrated the early masses and at 8 a. m. Rev. Mar orchestral accompaniment. The scene cus Kirchner, O. S. B., conducted the mass. At 10 a. m. the "first mass" was tractive. After the usual opening ser-vices of the Sunday school there were Father C. M. Hegerick, with Rev. Kirchner as deacon and Rev. Grotemyer as sub and hymn-singing by the school, and the infant school; Lloyd's Te Denm by the torate at McKeespert, Pa., in the Pittschoir of the church, the reading of the annual report by the superintendent, and preached by Father Grotemyer and in the afternoon vespers were held. In the singing of the mass at 10 a. m. the solo Decorations elaborate, large holly tree parts of Miss Amelia Diehl and Mr. Peter in centre of chancel and two large cedars Weber were especially excellent.

St. Anthony's Church. This church, which has always been handsomely decorated on Christmas, was even more elaborately decorated this year. High mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Festoons were placed on the Kaul, at 5 o'clock a. m., on which occasion side walls and choir gallery and gothic Mozart's mass was sung, and the sacraarches of laurel over the windows. Bright | ment was partaken of by several hundred communicants. At 10 o'clock a. m. Mercedente's mass was sung by the choir, and vespers at 3 p. m. After vespers the children's Christmas service was held in the school room in the basement of the church, and gifts were distributed to the pupils from a large Christmas tree erected in the school.

EPISCOPAL.

Old St. James. The full Christmas service was performcd at 10 in the morning, being conducted by the rector, Rev. Dr. Knight, assisted Christmas tree with landscape garden order of excellence, comprising the careprocessional hymn. The music was led day, every number being rendered with an in the evening, as well as during the day, accuracy, sweetness and spirit that reheffer with cornet, and Miss Kate Swartz- choir. The merit of the music was so uniform withal that distinction would be possible. The rector's sermon was at once timely and telling, being based on "What shall we do darkness preceding the creation of man to for the child?" The decoration of the coming of the light developed in the the church was in keeping with simi- over the result of the guessing at the numlar efforts on previous festal occasions, not The gifts to the scholars consisted of being confined to the chancel, which was shaped bottle, found to hold about three pretty books, while special gifts of more adorned in the most striking and artistic quarts of plain white soup beans, but of valuable books were given to twelve of manner, while hung round the walle were such peculiar construction and varying wreaths of greens, the whole speaking elo- thickness of glass that its capacity was quently of the solemn beauty of the very deceptive. During the time above Christmastide. Evening prayer was said mentioned it has been open to all comers Stephen's day on the church calendar and brella, from the young ladies' Bible class to-day St. John the Evangelist's, Holy a drop gas light with porcelain shade. The Communion was administered in the organist, Miss Swartzwelder, received morning. To morrow the feast of the sachel containing a sum of money. One served at half-past four in the afternoon, of the teachers, Emma Swartzwelder, re- with a children's service in the church, served at half-past four in the afternoon, when the Christmas carols will be sung There was a good attendance at the and gifts presented to the children of the

This church was very prettily decked in evergreen. At 10 o'clock the regular festoons of evergreens encircling three | Christmas services were conducted by the sides of it, and the pulpit, altar and chan- pastor, Rev. C. N. Spalding, who preached sermon appropriate to the festival. In the evening the regular service was tor, Rev. F. P. Mayser, officiating and held, there being large congregations on

The Sunday school festivities will be day) evening.

THE MORAVIANS. The decorations of the Moravian church were very pretty. In the morning the reading desk, pulpit and communion table were beautifully festooned with garlands of Jerusalem moss, while there were garlands of laurel all the way around the pulpit platform. In the pulpit recess was a very large evergreen tree, and hanging from the pulpit arch was a large banner with the words in evergreen "Behold thy King cometh" There was also festoons of which occasion, in addition to selections to evergreen over the door. The congregation in attendance was large. The pastor, Rev. J. Max Hark, read the Christmas litany, and preached a Christmas sermon, his theme being the surround ings of the babe in the manger-the mother, the father, the wise men from the East, the ignorant and curious, being all representative of those who celebrate Christmas in our time. The presence of the wise men, led thither by their astrological wisdom, shows that science when properly understood is not against Christianity but leads to it; while on the other hand the consternation caused in Jerus dem, the trouble of Herod, the terror of the priests and pharisees, and their determination to destroy Jesus, were but representative of those who are now fighting against His kingdom.

In the evening there was an immense crowd in attendance and the character of the decorations was somewhat changed distribution of Christmas cards and The Christmas tree had been removed from the recess and placed on the floor behalf of the congregation, presented the in front of the altar; it was hung full of Christmas ornaments of the usual sorts. containing \$54, for which unexpected gift | The Sunday school classes formed in the lecture room adjoining the church, and thanked the donors. The exercises took seats assigned them. The exercises consisted of the rendition of Christmas hymns by the pupils of the Sunday school and of the infant school, after which the love feast of cakes and coffee was served. The annual report of the secretary was read, showing a large increase in the number of pupils and the average attendance, and a very marked increase in the amount of collections. The school has an average attendance of 150 pupils. After the read ing of the report each scholar was pre letters which when all put up read "Unto missionary boxes were then opened, the us a Child is born." The opening prayer amount taken from them being between \$40 and \$50. The hymn "Light of the World we hail Thee" was sung, at the close of which lighted candles were brought in on trays and given to the children-each child in the school and congregation receiving one, The service closed with a benediction by the pastor.

Prof. Dreher, of Roanoke, Va., was present at the evening exercises and expressed himself delighted with the entertainment

METHODIST.

Duke Street Church. Morning prayer meeting at 6 o'clock. Regular services at 10:30, on which occasion the pastor, Rev. Robinson, preached a sermon on the Incarnation. In the after- morning; four of them paid costs, two pied the side seats and the galleries. Two beautiful trees stood at the right side on the pulpit which were filled from top to bot-High mass was celebrated here at 5 day school services, at the close of which o'clock in the morning, in presence of a candies and Christmas cards were precharged and two cases were held over. ing Rev. Robinson' again preached. Inmediately after the morning service, II. H. Hazlett, leader of the choir, was presented by members of the congregation

with a very handsome silver ice pitcher. St. Paul's.

supper, music and speaking.

THE PRESBYTERIANS. a holiday of Christmas, but as the day tend to him for that, this year fell on Sunday, Rev. J. Y. Mitchell, D. D., pastor, preached a sermon on the birth and mission of Christ-the light of the world. There were no decorations was celebrated at five o'clock by the in the church. Dr. Mitchell received sevpriests at the hospital, Father Ignatius eral very handsome private gifts from members of his congregation. The Union Bethel.

> The Bethel was prettily decorated with evergreen, and sermons were preached relative to the Incarnation, Rev. by G. W. Seilhamer, morning and evening. The choir sang appropriate Christmas anthems. The New Church.

> The Swedenborgian society met in their temple, Long's building, on Saturday, where they held Christmas services. Dr S. S. Rathvon, the leader, conducted the service and delivered an address. A Christmas tree and some other evergreens were erected in the room.

THE SECULAR OBSERVANCE. A Day of Feasting, Enjoyment and

Dissipation. Although the weather was far less propititous yesterday and a drizzle of rain fell servances of the day had been removed. From 8 or 9 o'clock until noon the streets were thronged, The lunch route was long and well traveled; the saloons, hotels, cigar stores and billiard rooms were about the only business places opened, and they were well patronized. By noon the thorthey again came out on dress parade and by night-fall the ravages of holiday dissi-

pation were very apparent. The main features of the secular observance of the day will be found below noted in detail. At the Theatre.

Fulton opera house was crowded last

evening when the talented young actress, Miss Lillie Hinton, made her promised reappearance. The play was "Frou-Frou, and in the trying role of Gilberte. Miss Hinton gave fadded testimony of the extended range of her dramatic abilities. She was very cordially received, but it was notable that the favor of the audience was confined almost exclusively to the star of the evening; and not much wonder, for the remainder of the company was of such inferior stock that it would be scarcely worth while pointing out the abounding defects. Miss Hinton has talent deserving of better support.

Guessing at the Beans. For a week or more there had been great deal of interest developing among the habitues of H. C. Demuth's cigar store, her of beans contained in a curiously Lichty, with 6,750, was next and took second prize, one-third of the whole purse. The following table shows all the guesses made, and is interesting and curious :

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C. B. Kaufman, 4,933, 4,952, 4,565, 4,763, 4,853, 3,290, 4,886, 4,981. J. B. Lichty, 5,800, 6,200, 5,650, 5,250, 5,200, 4,250, 4,400, 4,550, 5,300, 4,350, 3,500, 5,125, 6,150, 6,700, 7,800, 8,630, 9,330, 4,875, 7,200. D. D. Lichty, 6,500, 5,811, 6,750, 5,678. A. P. Shirk, 7,856, 8,567, 6,425, 6,785, 5,825, 6,850, 7,275, 8,525, 5,540. C. L. Ehler, 4,650, 4,540, 4,297, 1,314, 4,357, 4,379, 1,391, 18,750, 25,640, 4,419, 4,320. Eshleman, & Kautman, 8,755. B. F. Eshleman, & Kautman, 8,755. B. F. Eshleman, & Kautman, 8,755. B. F. Eshleman, & Kautman, 8,755, B. F. Eshleman, & J. H. Bauer, 8,000, 8,550, 12,000, 6,500, 7,500. T. H. Reed, 9,689, 5,333, 5,111, 6,970. S. H. Metzger, 4,400, J. H. Baker, 4,703, 4,508, 4,39, 5,101, 4,901. F. A. Demuth, 5,855, 5,454. Geo. Lutz, 7,310. J. K. Reed, 1,050, 5,500. M. A. Royer, 7,896, 6,600. J. R. Royer, 6,357. J. Harry Trout, 7,043, 7,465, 6,000, 6,227, 5,813, 4,817, 288, 5,682, 5,312, 7,927, J. C. Carter, 4,876, 6,696. J. H. Baumgarther, 8,625, 8,680, 8,755, 8,750, 8,155, 8,900, 8,955, 9,910, 9,055, 9,820, 9,345, 8,250, 9,465, 9,550, 9,500, 3,500. C. M. Howell, 7,196, 6,682. W. C. Herman, 30,000, 40,000, 2,500, 3,000, 3,500. J. S. Strine, 8,575, 9,640. The Misses Carpenter, 5,823, 5,793, 5,841, 5,555, 4,950. W. M. Slaymaker, 3,125, 2,450. R. Shullz, 5,960. J. A. Hollinger, 12,000. H. Baumgardner, 2,5 0. W. Drepperd, 6,542. T. S. Diekey, 27,000. C. H. Barr, 4,000. Howell and Levy, 4,948. H. J. Martin, 7,000,000,000, 70,000, 7,000, 4,444, 5,555, 6,666. Mrs. C. A. Bair, 4,359. C. J. Swarr, 2,500. Sam. Hess, 8,995. Geo. Shullz, 10,653. Grove and J. Carpenter, 4,553. G. W. Brown, 7,990. 6,666. Mrs. C. A. Bair, 4,359. C. J. Swarr, 2,560. Sam. Hess, 8,995. Geo. Shullz, 10,655. Grove and I. Carpenter, 4,553. G. W. Brown, 7,900, 7,950, 8,000, 8,021, 8,048, 8,073, 7,850, 7,800, 7,750, 7,750, 7,650, 7,625. F. H. Campenter, 8,888, 7,265. C. H. Baker, 8,637, 7,137, 5,637, 6,037, 4,037, 3,037. T. C. Wiley, 14,760, 25,760. Mrs. J. K. Reed, 7,725. J. W. F. Switt, 14,800, 12,00, 12,000, 11,900. J. P. Shirk, 5,642, 7,000, 4,800. P. Wolf, 7,525. Miss M. A. McGeegan, 5,525, 7,542, 5,611. W. H. Powell, 7,500. H. C. Demuth, jr., 5,721, 5,771, 6,437, 6,935, 5,618, 7,155, 5,328, 5,887, 6,184, 6,235, 6,533. John Borger, 5,909, 6,100, 6,225, 6,300, 6,455, 6,525, 6,700, 7,000, 7,000. John Ridemour, 9,000, 4,700, 5,200. J. C. Peters, 6,900, 7,100. W. D. Stautfer, 3,835, 7,777. F. Suydam, 5,449. R. McGrann, 1,800, 2,752. D. Eby, 8,000. J. B. Albright, 8,050, 7,890. R. B. Killinger, 12,000, 5,800, 12,225. C. A. Jeffries, 5,500, 5,750. Robinson & Muhlenberg, 5,031, 4,777. Herbert Inger, 12,000, 5,850, 12,225, C. A Jeffries, 5,500, 5,750, Robinson & Muhlenberg, 5,631, 4,777, Herbert Johnston, 6,803, 10,009, H. Carpenter, 4,329, J. C. Wiley, 3,000, 5,009, 6,239, 5,551, S. Moore, 8,900, W. A. Atlee, 727, J. Hay Brown, 3,709, 5,900, J. A. Lutz, 10,900, R. B. Risk, 3,900, H. Herzog, S. H. S. W. Heinitsh, 29,500, G. A. Smith, 5,617, E. P. Brinton, 6,200, W. Potter, 90,000, W. R. Grove, 4,411, 15,805, 5,125, O. Roland, 5,100, 4,100, S.S. Sprecher, 4,339, Holton, 7,111, J. Habach, 8,135, 7,109, 7,515, 4,815, 10,222, 9,750, 9,590, 9,103, 8,500, 11,400, A. S. Edwards, 4,875, 6,320, 6,229, 5,337, 5,829, 5,579, 6,747, 7,197, 7,235, 7,313, 7,408, 7,588, 6,665, 6,319, 5,97, 6,177, F. R. Howell, 3,636, 4,444, W. Henderson, 4,955, 4,787, 4,89, 4,94,5027, 5,225, 5,081, 5,143, 5,195, 5,299, 3,736, 6,475, J. R. Kauffman, 5,720, 6,161, 5,061, 5,391, 6,383, 5,331, 5,501, 5,941, 5,299, 6,601, Carpenter and Kaufman, 7,379, D. W. Patterson, 1r., 5,501, 4,656, Reah 5.30, 5.31, 5.29, 6.00; Carpenter and Kambar 7.379. D. W. Patterson, jr., 5.50, 4.656; Real Frazer, 8.473, 7.847, 5.175, 8.010, 5.675, 6.875, 8.317 2.500, 7.809, 1.122, 6.575, 6.175, 7.483, 5.375, J. C. Long, 4.950, 5.300. H. S. Franklin, 5.250. Mrs H. C. Demuth, 6.019, 6.281, 9.406; E. Rintz, 6.121 6.181, 8.425, C. C. Carpenter, 5.500, 6.000, 6.666 7.777, 8.000, 8.500. H. N. Howell, 63.402, 6.684, 4.11, 5.140, 4.702, 7.109, 7.112, 5.346, 5.949, 9.821, 11.4 5,140, 4,709, 7,199, 7,112, 5,346, 5,949, 9,833, H. C. Demuth, sr., 5,481, 5,485, 7,833, 6,081, 10,383, 8,883 C. I. Landis, 4,500, 4,800, 5,100, 8,500, E. G. Smith, 5,273, 4,567, 9,362, C. M. Strine, 4,872, 6,458, 5,679, 8,335, 7,469, 9,646, 13,561, H. C. Hopking, 5,050, 5,250, 5,100, C. W. Eckert 3,900, 3,00), 4,560, 4,900, 5,800, 3,100, 5,550, 6,500, 7,002, 2,200, C. Mitchell, 6,498, H. B. Parry, 7,875, 7,900, H. A. Lichty, 18,000, 6,007, 6,371, 6,231, 7,002, 6,571, 6,991, 7,202, 6,432, 6,841, 6,992, H. Carpenter, 7,777, 4,710, 4,967, 5,021, 7,222, 7,925, 7,111, 6,333, Diffenderfler & Wiley, 4,327, 4,271, 4,853, 5,253, 5,333, 4,073, 5,840, 5,783, 5,650, 4,797, 4,425, 4,631, 4,162, 4,725, 5,122, 5,196, 4,378, 4,356, 4,333, 4,531, 4,678, 6,370, 4,892 5.140, 4.709, 7.199, 7.112, 5.346, 5.949, 9.833, 11. 5,122, 5,196, 4,378, 4,356, 4,333, 4,531, 4,678, 6,370, 4,89, 4,362, 6,137, 6,340, 5,006, 5,407, 6,225, 4,927, 4,187, 4,467, 1,379, 4,696, 4,578, 5,135, 5,772, 5,090, 5,007, 5,111, 6,23, 5,444, 5,555, 5,293, 5,163, 5,923, 5,634, 5,693, 5,755, A 5,414, 5,555, 5,293, 5,163, 5,923, 5,634, 5,693, 5,755, A. R. Poisol, 7,500, 7,798, 6,594, 5,650, 8,912, 6,684, 5,575, G. F. Kurtz, 11,888, 13,100, T. B. Cochram, 6,500, 9,300, 4,300, J. W. Reed, 9,850, 7,225, 10,250, 7,440, 7,580, 8,525, J. Levy, 6,329, 5,656, 7,424, 7,303, 4,649, 4,959, 5,777, 5,660, 5,111, 5,333, 5,222, 6,433, 7,224, 6,123, 6,733, 4,848, 4,954, 6,553, P. E. Skaymaker, 6,367, H. Henderson, 1,038, 4,988, 4,903, 4,861, 6,750, 4,513, 4,275, 4,750, 6,064, H. Muhlenberg, 4,875, 4,425, 4,701, 4,961, 4,943, 3,800, 4,687, 4,033, 5,472, 4,020, 4,553, A. F. Kauffman, 42,300, 9,960, 8,886, 8,921, 9,650 A. F. Kauffman, 12,300, 9,960, 8,889. 9.350. A. D. Gyger, 2.090, 4,999, C. Brimme 4 000, 3,500, 6,000

CRIME AND DISORDER. The Effect of Christmas Revelry.

There was a great deal of drunkennes vesterday, and as a consequence there was large amount of disorder and fighting. The station house was full, and the mayor had eighteen persons before him this Frank Ziegler, formerly a clerk in F. A. were committed for terms ranging from charged and two cases were held over. Pat Burns's Christmas.

market house and then kicked him down the steps. For that Alderman A. F. Donnelly will give them a hearing. At the

ccasion celebrated. At 3 o'clock the | Schiller house, where a sociable was being andy distribution took place, about held, Burns attempted to go in and got inthree-quarters of a pound in a neat sachel to a fight with E. S. Kurtz, whom he box was given to each scholar. The Sun- kicked in the face. Alderman Samson day school met on Monday evening in the basement of the church and had a cake Burns was very disorderly, and Officers Leaman and Creamer attempted to arrest him; he resisted and struck Officer Cream-The Presbyterians do not make much of er on the mouth. Alderman Barr will at-

The Colored Citizens, At the corner of Duke and Middle streets. George Burton, a colored porter at the Grape hotel, was attacked by a party of men, who whipped him. He made complaint before Alderman Barr, and had

Christian Swartz, Henry Resh, George Smith and Ed. Deisley arrested. Hanry Smith, colored, got "whaled" in Christian street, and blames John Drachbar and several others for doing it. He had them arrested, and Alderman Barr will hear them. Levi Smith has brought suit before Al-

derman Barr against Henry Weaver, who whipped him, as he claims. Alderman Barr will investigate this rumpus.

Alderman Sampson will give his attention to Nan Butler, colored, when she comes before him on the charge of drunken and disorderly conduct, for which she was arrested on complaint of Mary Bryson Brutal Assault on a Store Keeper. On Saturday night a lot of young fel-

lows went to the store of Henry Keller, at Rockland and Church streets, and asked for masks. Mr. Keller told them that he had none, and after talking a little while good part of the day, it was very early one of the party picked up a new tin coffee perceptible on the streets that the re- pot and walked out with it. The whole straints of Sunday and of the religious ob- party then went over on the opposite corner of the street, and Mr. Keller's son, John, went over to get the coffee pot. They at once began an attack on him and returned to the store. Mr. Keller was on the front step, and after he went into the store they followed him. One man struck him in the face, and when he attempted to oughfares were more deserted, the people defend himself with a club, they pulled it retiring for dinner, but in the afternoon out of his hand and beat him over the head. cutting it very badly. Mr. Keller's son was kicked in the stomach by one of the party, and another struck Mrs. Keller. Mr. Keller made complaint against the party, and the following were arrested: Charles Hedricks, George Hedricks, Jacob Bowers, Wm. Bowers, Frank Hambright, George McIntyre, Ed. Dyer, and a young man named House. Alderman Barr will dispose of them.

Robert Douts has brought suit before Alderman Samson against Henry Butts, who, as he alleges, cut him badly in the arm with a knife yesterday at the Schiller House, The Miennerchor.

The Mænnerchor gave a Christmas concert and sociable at their hall last night. It wat largely attended, and the festivities were kept up until a late hour, and all went merry and joyfully. The programme was as follows : Overture-Orchestra ; Chorus -Ein Veilchen, Rutchmar. Solo-Das Erkennen, Proch, G. Pfeiffer; Chorus-Blanveilchen, Abt; Piano Solo-Labella Amazon, Loeshhorn, Miss Annie Wolf; Solo-Zichte im Herbst, Heiser: Chorus-Soldaten March, Abt; March-Orchestra.

CHRISTMAS BLAZE.

A WOOLLEN MILL BURNED,

Supposed to Have Reen First Robbed. The building well known around Mt. loy as " Zuck's woollen mill " was deat 7:15 p. m., when there was some further to guess, at 10 cents a guess, on the num- stroyed by fire shortly after midnight Sun-The pastor received from the young excellent music. Yesterday being St. ber contained. There were over five hun- day night. It was situated in East dred guesses made, and when opened and Donegal township, about three miles counted it was found that A. S. Edwards, southeast of Mt. Joy. and was run by of the prothonotary's office, had struck the winning and exact number, 6,747, and was fire was first seen by a young man of that therefore entitled to two-thirds of the vicinity who was returning home about 1 whole amount of money, while D. D. o'clock on Monday morning. He awoke the proprietor, Mr. William Hill, who was in bed asleep at the time. Efforts were made to extinguish the flames, but the fire had gained such headway that all efforts in that direction were futile. They tried to save the contents and succeeded in taking out several hundred pounds of wool. Fortunately at the time there was only a gentle breeze, otherwise the surrounding property would have suffered a

like fate. The property, which was an old frame structure 46x30 feet, and two and a half stories high, belonged to Mr. Jonas Mumma, a farmer who lives close by. He owned a portion of the machinery and his loss will aggregate not much less than \$3,000, upon which there is no insurance. During the last two years Mr. Hill put in some new machinery at a cost of about \$1,000 His stock, consisting of wool, yarn, eassinet and other manufactured articles is estimated to have been worth \$2,000. On this there is an insurance of \$1,400, divided between a York company and one

of New York. A stable adjoining, destroyed by fire, contained some hay. The five stock was not burned. It is not known how the fire originated, but it was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary. It is believed thieves entered the building, set it on fire and took with them the booty. The proprietor is unable, however, to say whether any goods were taken. During his management it was twice robbed. At one time the thief secured about \$300 worth. At another time a thief had taken out of the mill a large lot of goods. An emyloyee of Mr. Hills came home at the time, discovered the thief and frightened him off by

shooting off his revolver. About two years ago, while at Philadelphia, Mr. Hill fell through a hatchway, severely injuring himself. He exerted himself too much and incapacitated him-

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE River rising .- Charles Filbert, now 21, will go into the coal business with his father.-Passenger car No. 1,019 was badly "stove in" near Frederick, Md., yesterday.-Vigilant ball a grand success -Excelsior elocution club at Mr. II. Wilson's, not Mr. J. Fendrich's, this evening.—John Swartz lost a horse by colie.— John E. Owens at the opera house tonight.-W. K. Nowlen, aged 8, son of J. W. T. Nowlen has died of diphtheria.-Dr. Goerke's four-year-old boy created some consternation this morning by dropping 22 calibre cartridges out of the front window and exploding them on the pave-

Streets thronged on Sunday. Many persons out yesterday and much drunkenness, but little disorder. A saucy negro was pounded by a white man at Wagner's hotel, and another fight occurred at Fifth and Union. The church entertainments were highly enjoyable and the pastors received presents; Rev. Wm. Evans got \$60

in gold. A notable feature of Christmas here was the number of strangers in town. Mr. Joe McFadden and Drew Beiter, from Philadelphia, were visiting their relatives; Miss Nellie Melick, of Lock Haven, is at Wm. Withers; B. B. Broomell, of Dan ville; over a hundred of young men from York; Miss Lydia and Mr. Harry Nagle, of Philadelphia, at S. Filbert's; Miss Caddie Bruner, home from school; Miss Mazie Fendrich has left town to visit frienus; Bennett's store, now at Williamsport, is

Buffalo Bill.

This noted frontiersman rode through Patrick Burns, a young man who resides town this morning at the head of a band on Mulberry street, made himself quite of Indians, who will assist him to-night in numerous yesterday and became involved in a good deal of trouble. Together with titled the "Prairie Waif." The company John Wagner and William Hoover, he played to an \$800 house in Harrisburg knocked Frank Donahue down at the new last night, and in addition to his other