THURSDAY EVENING DEC. 7, 1882,

Results of a Great Science. The astronomers had a field day yes terday, and are delighed with the generally propitious sky that was given them. They had made great preparations for their observations, which they regarded as of the very highest importance; as was exhibited when one of them used the telegraph and the associated press to sembled in their churches, for a clear sky. It is evident that astronomers at least consider themselves to be on good terms with the doctors of revealed religion, since they asked for aid and favor from the preachers; possibly it is only the geological scientists who find themselves on doubtful terms with the teachers of divinity. Astronomy is a very pleasant and enticing study, and we rejoice with its professors that they were enabled yesterday to make observations satisfactory to them. A man who knows anything about astronomy is naturally an object of awe, if not of adoration, to the generally uninformed public. We all generally interesting, and so easily comprehended, should be neglected by people of intelligence. It is seldom that you meet anyone who pretends to have more than a general comprehension of the movements of the heavenly bodies, and probably the astronomical knowl-

sun. This is an improvement on the

upon a big turtle's back and revolved the

sun about it.

The astronomical calculations which brought Venus to the verge of the sun at the moment she really appeared there, before the eyes of all the people who had been summoned to the spectacle, were certainly very wonderful in their results, however simple they may have been to these professors. The native Americans, whom the Spaniards in their invasion awed with the prediction of a solar eclipse, had not much more reason for wonder at the fulfillment of the prophecy than had we when Venus advanced upon the sun's disk at the time gets through he will find out he has been advertised for her appearance there. For though we know how the knowledge came to the learned astronomers that the inflexible paths of the heavenly bodies place them punctually in their appointed places, it is yet startling to be thus shown rently supernatural knowledge not make us healthier or wealthier, and reform on both sides. hardly even happier, outside the class of astronomical specialists. Probably it is interest. The hope of productive dis-

THE governor of Louisiana has given Kellogg the certificate of his election to Congress after taking proper time to consider the objection made as to his ineligibility because of non residence. Kel logg, though a notorious scoundrel, is entitled to represent his Louisiana constituency if they want him. Congress might be a decenter body if it exercised the power of rejecting infamous men as its members; but it is better that it should continue its practice of letting in all the black sheep that the people want to send among them; because it would be difficult to draw the line between the sufficiently decent and the too bad entirely; and moreover there would be quite too convenient an opportunity given to political partisanship to sustain itself by a too partic ular criticism of its political opponents. The only way is to leave the people alone in the decision as to the fitness of their representatives and to admit all, black, white and grey, who appear with proper credentials and a majority endorsement. Kellogg is a man who has richly earned bia, whom he wanted to bring to his home hanging, and who would adorn a penitentiary cell better than a congressional seat, but the Louisiana negroes have raid otherwise, and they, alas, have votes.

THE Republican majority in Congress has an opportunity at this session to set | theory that wedlock is the tie that binds tle the tariff and tax questions if it will. I them beyond the power of legislation to That a wise statesmanship would lead tear them asunder. the party to do this is manifest; but it is exceedingly doubtful whether the Republican party is sufficiently unanimous in sentiment to enable its representatives to agree upon a policy to support. Obviously the party should, as it is about going out of power, make a strenuous effort to leave a good odor behind it; and it has a splendid chance, by dealing wisely with the revenue, to commend itself to the favor of the people. If the leaders can agree upon what would be acceptable to public sentiment shoes, when seen by the Herald corresthey should have no difficulty in enacting | pondent, resemble a pair of shingles. it. They may make a mistake in their judgment, but they cannot lose much if has had little experience behind the scenes they do, while if they hit, they may of theatres. He was shown a dressing make a ten strike. However, there is lit ladies put on their fleshlings." When tle use in giving good advice to a party "Premise" was being rehearsed he was so badly demoralized as the Republican ; anxious that the rustics should be more it is not in a condition to act, however plain it may appear that action is necessary for it. Nothing is likely to be cone at this session in revising the rev- the first one taken up by the military con enue.

ANOTHER shocking disaster is re by the explosion of a boiler on a steam. change of front. boat near New Orleans fifteen persons were sent into eternity on very short notice. It does certainly seem that there is criminal negligence somewhere that throat and his own, in Louisville, on demic. It has resulted very disastrously might profitably be made the subject of an investigation that would investigate and possibly put an end to the alarming mind was affected.

Thursday. He is dead and his wife is dying at last accounts. He had been engaged in litigation and it is supposed his mind was affected.

Thursday. He is dead and his wife is demic. It has resulted very disastrously to the two branches of the institution, Out of about five hundred students between two hundred and three hundred remains mind was affected. frequency of such "accidents."

THE enterprise and good taste of our merchants manifested in the decoration the near approach of the Christmastide. The array of beautiful and novel goods which begin to adorn their establishments is enough to tempt the heart and open the pocketbooks of anyone who glances around him as he passes along our thoroughfares, and the elaborate preparations which have been made in every branch of business to meet the rebeg the public prayers of the people, as speak the anticipations of a busy trade that from all appearances are likely to be fully realized.

> AND now Venus has had her transit give the poor old lady a rest for awhile.

THE Press' exposure of the graveyard ghouls in Philadelphia is another feather in the cap of that enterprising journal.

THE cabinet-makers are becoming derelict. For several days they haven't provided Governor Pattison with any advisers. This must provoke Pattison.

THE Baltimore Day since it passed into the hands that at present control it has have studied the science at school, and we taken several departures, the latest of are all equally and woefully ignorant of which is the reduction of its price to one it out of school. It seems remarkable cent. The Day is a good newspaper and that a science so universally studied, so there ought to be no doubt of its liberal still alive were frightful to behold. Holt

TWENTY FIVE majority is a pretty comfortable margin for the Democrats to assume control of the lower House of the Assembly. Let them not become puffed up with power, but remember that the edge of the most of folks is limited to people have a jealous eye upon them and and the other white man who had been the fact that the earth, an orange shaped that they have been sent to Harrisburg in scalded, but who escaped ashere with body, revolves upon its axis around the the interest of reform and honest govern- first carried ashore, then the boy Fraites,

ancient ignorance which put our orb THE Garfield fair was not as successful as anticipated. All sorts of things still block up the capitol and some of the con- an hour after reaching the Charity hospigressmen, particularly the older members, who have been unused to the spectacle of gaudily colored carpets and tapestries in also Holt, whose injuries were pronounced the capitol building, are inclined to be cross about it. Senator Anthony drew up a bill yesterday to prohibit such things

> Bosler has begun a contest for the senatorial seat to which Captain Wagner was chosen last month in the Adams-Cumberland district. Bosler says he was cheated out of the place. Before Bosler fooling with a boomerang. Foresight is always better than hindsight, but if Bos ler prefers the latter, why it's merely a

the theatre by the other sex. But the that science gives its votaries. All the girls can double discount them with a reexertion of the professors yesterday was cital of the inconveniences they are put to the boat reached them. Four swam toward for the purpose of obtaining data for the by the masculine nuisances who always the shore, and three of them reached it alive that what is wanted is prompt action by more accurate measurement of the sun's come late, go out after every act, and in- but one, the fireman of the Morning Star, distance from the earth. This knowl- variably make their preparations for deedge, while of great importance in as- parture before the last scene is over. On tronomical investigation, is not of any the whole, we think the men are rather practical account to humanity. It does worse that the women. Let us have

THOSE astronomers who were only parbecause of the practical unimportance tially satisfied with the result of their obof the science that it engages so little of servations Wednesday, on account of the men's attention, despite its beauty and capriciousness of the planet causing her to hide herself occasionally behind a cloud covery animates the inquiry into other rift, ought to thank their lucky star (who sciences; but astronomy furnishes was Venus in this case) that she didn't nothing to its students but pleasure and select to-day for her flirtation with Old Sol. Big-eyed scientists wouldn't have been able to see the festive goddess at all if she had postponed her transit twenty-

> CHEAPER postage seems to be indicated by the drift of affairs at Washington Yesterday the House passed a resolution directing the committee on appropriations to insert a clause looking to the reduction of letter postage to two cents, and the House postal committee, which meets Friday, will report favorably a bill reducing the postage on first class matter from three to two cents per half ounce. The sentiment of the House, as shown by the adoption of the resolution of instruc tions to the appropriations committee. seems to be in favor of such a measure.

Folger declares busband and wife to be, in the decision of a question arising under the Chinese act. The collector of customs walls, and he will not be a candidate if at Portland, Oregon, had telegraphed that there shall not be a good show of success; a Chinaman, resident at that port, had a but if the lay shall look promising, he will wife and child at Victoria, British Columin Portland. The collector wished to be notified the collector to grant the desired permission on the ground that the wife partook of the status of her husband, and was entitled to the same privileges on the

PERSONAL. MME. NILSSON is in Chicago.

MRS. W. J. FLORENCE is indisposed.

HON. TOM OCHILTREE, who will visit Washington next week, is called the-warm hearted Ananias of the howling South.

GOVERNOR-ELECT BUTLER, of Massachusetts, dined with President Arthur, at the Soldiers' Home, on Tuesday evening. CONGRESSMAN W. D. KELLY is a protectionist of his own feet. The soles of his

TENNYSON, according to Mr. Labouchere

GENERAL FITZ JOHN PORTER will, as mittee of the House. Porter is in Washington, urging his claim for restoration to the large influx of students to Syracuse, with his usual perseverance. He naturally the heard of health are to take ported from the Mississippi river, where feels much encouraged by General Grant's

> A Crazy Husband's Crime. John Trinler, of Chicago, cut his wife's

FIFTEEN LIVES LOST.

of their shop windows warn people of THE HAVOU DONE BY ESCAPINGSTEAM Explosion of a Boller in a Steamboat Nea

New Orleans-Passengers and Crew Scalded to Death. At 6 o'clock Wednesday morning the steam propeller Morning Star exploded overboard. Of these 10 were drowned, while three, the engineer, Mark Penny-witt, a boilermaker named John Ryan, and a white man whose name is not known, (the two latter passengers), were The engineer was very badly scalded, as was also Ryan, but the other was unhurt. Of those who were scalded and taken off the boat by the steamboat Sumbeam, two died en route to New Orleans. A negress named Nancy Gardner, from Fairview plantation, city with his uncle Frattes on a visit to his

soon became generally known along the

levee. Capt. O'Neil and Corp. Lynch were

on the plank soon after the stage-plank

The sufferings of the victims who were was writhing in agony on a mattress on the after part of the lower deck of the Sunbeam, and near him was the still living and suffering colored woman Sarah Young and the poor boy William Fraites. The engineer. Mark Pennywitt, was in the after cabin of the Sunbeam, as were also James Ryan then Holt, and lastly Pennywitt. The three first named were transported to the Charity hospital, while the engineer was conveyed to the Touro infirmary. Half tal Sarah Young died in Ward No. 38, and at 6 o'clock the boy Fraites also died. They had been shockingly scalded, as was fatal. Large flakes of skin and flesh fell from the legs, arms and bodies of the unnot be alleviated by drugs, as it was impossible to administer opiates. Ryan was also transferred to the Charity hospital,

but was not seriously injured, and at last

accounts was doing well.

Mr. Frank Scovell, clerk of the Sunbeam, was interviewed in regard to the disaster, and stated that at the time the Sunbeam was about 100 yards ahead of the Morning Star, both coming up stream. Suddenly he heard a faint rushing noise, similar to that made by a locomotive when the driving-wheel slips on the track. He looked aft and saw a cloud of steam escaping forward and aft of the Morning Star, and saw people jumping overboard. MEN complain of the big hats worn at The Sunbeam was rounded to and the life boat lowered. There were thirteen persons, as far as he could see, struggling in the water, and nine of them sank before sank and was drowned. The Sunbeam went to the assistance of those who remained on the ill-fated boat, and they were the city. En route the officers of the Sunbeam rendered the unfortunates every assistance and supplied their wants as well as was possible under the circumstances. The Morning Star was not damaged much by the explosion, the havor made in the lives of the passengers being due to the escaping steam. How many were scalded of those who were chronicled is not known as none of the bodies have been recovered. As soon as the accident occurred the pilot of the Morning Star headed the boat ashore, but she struck a sand bank and grounded a few yards from the bank. Both heads of the boiler were blown out simultaneously and the steam escaped into the cabins fore and aft. The boat was not damaged by the explosion, and those in the upper deck escaped injury altogether. The boat was built at Mason City, W. Va, in 1880, and was a smallsized, but fast traveler. II. W. Pennywitt was her captain, and he and his brother Mark, the engineer, were the owners. Captain Pennywitt was unhurt. The doctors are not yet able to pronounce upon the character of Engineer Penny-

> THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE. Cameron Said to Favor Mylin—No Quarter The Washington correspondent of the

Philadelphia Times telegraphs as follows The mission of Senator George Handy Smith and ex-Register Bunn to Washington has been misunderstood by many ONE and inseparable is what Secretary The genial Bunn came to take a quiet

look over the field as a probable candidate for sergeant-at-arms to the new Senate. He is too discreet to butt against stone be a candidate. He will be cordially supported by Cameron, and it is probable that Mitchell will favor him. If the two Pennsylvania senators shall unite in favor instructed in the premises. The secretary of Bunn he will have more than an even chance to win the place and all admit that he would make an excellent officer. Senator Smith has not been here look-

ing after a district commissionership, as has been intimated. He came to have a close conference with Cameron, with whom he is in perfect accord, about the organization of the Senate. Cameron is implacably hostile to any recognition of the Independent senators in Pennsylvania, and he will not sanction the proposition to make Lee president pro tem. of the Senate. He will rally the Stalwarts on either Reyburn, of your city, or Mylin, of Lancaster, and give the Independents their choice to support the caucus candidate or break from the party. If they break, and threaten a successful combination with the Democrats, Cameron will attempt to countermarch on them by throwing the Stalwart votes to Wallace if thereby he can defeat the Democratic Independent fusion. Senator Smith has been going over this Boyertown, Pa. matter with Cameron, and he will return to obey Cameron's orders. Of the two Stalwarts named for president of the Senate, Cameron prefers Mylin, but he will take Reyburn if necessary.

A STAMPEDE OF STUDENTS.

Madison University and Colgate Academy Depopulated on Account of Diphtheria. Madison university and Colgate acadrevails in all branches of the institution and the wildest excitement exists. Owing the board of health are to take measures to prevent any spread of the scourge. About a week ago two students rooming in the east college building were stricken with the disease and died. Their classmates nursed them and as a result the disease became epi-

places in the village of Hamilton, and thus the disease was spread. Now it prevails in many families. About one hundred students left Wednesday night and more are leaving on every train. Recitations are suspended. The freshmen and sophomore classes have all gone home. The east col-lege building, where the boys died, is abandoned. The college faculty are di her boilers near Bellair plantation, not far from New Orleans. Fifteen lives were The dean, Professor Andrews, is in favor lost and four persons so badly scalded that of closing, but President Dodge is optheir lives are despaired of. The boat posed to it. One of the students who was about one hundred yards from the who died, Benjamin S. Salisbury, is said quirements of the gift-giving season shore at the time, and 13 persons jumped to be from Germantown, Pa. The University will no doubt be closed. Some of the rooms in east college ball remain disinfected. Much indignation prevails at the faint efforts to eradicate the disease.

THE VIRGINIA FRAUDS.

Sensution in the United States Circuit The investigation into the alleged election frauds in Virginia is progressing slowly in the United States circuit court in Richmond. There was something of a and a boy one year old, named Joseph sensation when Congressman Dezendorf, Simoderin, whose parents reside on the the recently defeated anti-Mahone candilower coast, and who was going to the date, testified in response to the sumthe recently defeated anti-Mahone candimons served on him. Congressmangrandparents. The Sunbeam reached New at Large elect John S. Wise, who is Orleans about 11 o'clock, and the accident | the district attorney, is prosecuting these cases against his late political opponent. Congressman Dezendorf was taken in hand by Mr. Wise, who asked was launched ashore, and upon learning him if he knew anything of the alleged that a number of the wounded were frauds, and Dezendorf replied : "Not of abroad telegraphed for a charity wagon to my personal knowledge. I wrote you a convey them to the hospital. you the information you desire." District Attorney Wise said he had not received it and asked the names of the witnesses whom Mr. Dezendorf thought knew of frauds. Congressman Dezendorf then gave the names of General Wm. Mahone, Collector James D. Brady, Auditor S. Brown Allen and all the county treasur-ers and collectors appointed by Auditor Brown Allen.

The giving of this list of prominent Mahoneites, beginning with the general himself, cause excitement, which was increased when Dezendorf said he had a copy of been brought to justice, and thousands of his letter which he would read. Mr. Wise dollars' worth of property thereby saved stopped him by saying: "We will not go into that." The Mahoneites do not relish this turn of affairs. Their auditor, S. Brown Aller, has disappeared and with him all trace of a bond which the Mahoneites have relied upon to show the frauds ment that Mr. A. Hiestand, proprietor of they allege to have been practiced by the the Stevens house, had asked permi-sion Mahone strikers. It is not supposed Mr Wise will call on General Mahone to let out his campaign secrets, which would fortunates, and their terrible agony could involve the showing of the disbursement of the Hubbell assessment fund.

THE TOBACCO TAX.

Prompt Action Demanded from Congress At a meeting of wholesale tobacco manufacturers in St. Louis, yesterday, about forty representatives of the trade being present, a resolution was adopted requesting Congress to repeal the tax on tobacco as quickly as possible, and to allow a rebate on all unbroken packages in the hands of dealers at the time of such repeal. The resolution will be circulated throughout the state Missouri for signatures and then sent to the Missouri delegation in Congress.

A telegram from Cincinnati says no meetings have been held there of tobacco dealers and manufacturers, to express views as to the abolition of the tobacco tax, "but there is a unanimous agreemen Congress, whether to abolish, reduce, or to let the present tax remain. Jobbers and retailers are afraid to make orders, lest the tax be removed and loss follow. transferred to this vessel and brought to The manufactories are running, but with reduced production."

> A LONDON THEATRE BURNED. fames Following Close Upon an Operation A fire broke out in the Royal Alhambra theatre in London at 12:45 o'clock this morning, after the conclusion of the performance of the burlesque opera "The Merry War." Within half an hour the dome of the theatre fell in, and the building and a neighboring house were soon completely gutted. Nothing was saved from the theatre. During the progress of the fire Leicester square, in which the theatre was situated, was crowded with people. The fire was first noticed in the saloon where refreshments were served. Soon afterward the whole front of the theatre was ablaze. The flames spread with fearful rapidity, and the entire structure was soon destroyed. The district around for some distance was illuminated and the spectacle was one of appaling grandeur. The cause of the fire is unknown. Three hundred persons are thrown out of employment by the burning of the theatre.

Some Notable People Dead. Louis Blanc, the famous French radical, died in Cannes on Wednesday Anthony Trollope, the novelist and one of the most voluminous of modern writers of fiction, died in London on Wednesday. Rear Admiral Fabius Stanley, retired, died in Washington on Tuesday evening, aged 67 years.

Mrs. Eleanor R. Boyer, wife of Judgeelect Boyer, and John Jones, a leading quote high legal authorities to sustain citizen of Norristown, Pa., both died on their rights, and they protest against Tuesday night. Mary Ann Weidner died in Reading at the age of 67 years, atter having been for

36 years a paralytic, speechless and unable | red to the city solicitor for his opinion. to move a limb. Record of Fires. The furniture factory of William Long

in Pell street, New York, was burned out Wednesday morning. Loss, \$28,000. Several buildings in Charelon, Iowa, were burned on Tuesday. Loss, \$22,000. The underground fires in the cinder formations of the New Jersey steel and iron works, at Trenton, broke out afresh on Tuesday and are still burning. Workmen were engaged in digging trenches and introducing water to extinguish the flames

The granite block at Third and Sibley streets, in St. Paul, owned by Charles Lockhart and occupied mainly by Nicholls Dean, wholesale hardware dealers, was burned Wednesday. The store of Merrill, Sahlgaard & Thoring, wholesale druggists, adjoining, was damaged. The total loss is estimated at \$90,000. Death in the Mine.

Joseph Boden, about 40 years of age, was killed, and another man, named Bower, was severely injured Thursday morning by a fall of top ore in a mine near

" The Mighty Dollar.

A small audience witnessed the produc tion of this comedy last night at Fulton opera house. Mr. Florence in his character of Judge Slote was nevertheless in his happiest vein, and his impersonation had all of the quaint humor and good natured satire that have made it famous, and emy, located at Hamilton, are largely pat- ranked him with the best of American ronized by the citizens of Syracuse. A comedians; he was continuously applaudusual, be the subject of a good deal of regular stampede of students to their homes ed and at one time compelled to bow his discussion in Congress. His case will be has just been made. Malignant diphtheria acknowledgments before the curtain. The pointed by the absence of that lady, whose Mrs. Gen'l Gilflory has been considered a fitting companion piece to her husband's congressional caricature ; but it can fairly be said Miss Ethel Greybrooke made a very satisfactory substitute. The dear soul threw her French around in characteristic regardlessuess and was just as snobbishly amiable or amiably snobbish as of yore. The remainder of the company were of no account, but since the Hon. Bardwell Slote and Mrs. Gen'l Gilflory are tween two hundred and three hundred remain. Many of them sought boarding didn't matter so much about the others.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

what the fathers did last night. Dr. Fitzpatrick Receives the Reward For

Causing the Arrest of the Firebugs .-Councilman Goodman Resigns. There was a stated meeting of both branches of city council last evening. Select Council.

The following named members were present: Messrs. Baker, Baldwin, Bitner, Brown,

Evans, Wise, Wolf, Zecher, and Borger-The minutes of last meeting were read

and approved. The report of the city treasurer and receiver of taxes for the month of November was read. It shows a balance in the treasury of \$29,457.99.

Mr. Evans, from the finance committee, presented their monthly report, from which it appeared that bills had been approved to the amount of \$7,460.49. Mr. Evans also presented a bill from Dr. Fitzpatrick for \$500, for the arrest and conviction of Brimmer, the incendiary who fired the poorhouse barn. Mr. Wolf moved that the mayor be di-

rected to draw his warrant in favor of Dr. Fitzpatrick for the amount claimed. Mr. Baker said he believed Dr. Fitzpatrick was entitled to the reward offered by the city for the conviction of incendia ries, but he understood there were other claimants. He asked whether the city would be secured against these claimants in case the reward was paid to Dr. Fitz-

patrick. Mr. Wolf said the chief of police had presented a bill for the same amount, but everybody who knew anything about the matter knew that Dr. Fitzpatrick had fairly earned the reward.

Mr. Evans said the chief of police had no claim to the reward. The supreme court had decided that officers could not recover in such cases. Dr. Pazpatrick had detected and arrested Brimmer, and it was through his plans and exertions that the whole gang of incendiaries had The question was then taken on Mr Wolf's motion to pay Dr. Fitzpatrick's bill and it was unanimously agreed to.

The monthly report of the street committee was read. It contained a stateto lay at his own expense and under the supervision of the street committee Bel gian pavement in front of the Stevens house. The committee recommended that authority be given Mr. Hiestan'l to do the work. They also reported the following work done: A crossing on the west side of Walnut at Charlotte streets; a crossing on West King between Water and Mulberry; a crossing at East King and Shippen, and the raising of the crossings on Prince street at the corner of Prince and Chestnut. The report was received and

The report of the water committee was read. It showed that bills to the amount of \$1,554.45 had been approved by the committee during the past month. Mr. Brown presented a bill from Peter Huber, No. 139 North Water street, claiming damages done to his property during the building of the Water street

Mr. Bitner asked whether the contractor who built the sawer was not liable for all such damages. Mr. Evans answered yes, and on his motion the petition was referred to the street committee to report. Mr. Evans presented a petition for the increase of the salary of street commissioner from \$600 to \$800. It was referred

to the street committee to report. Mr. Baker presented a petition from the Southern Telephone exchange company for the lease of the room in the third story of the city hall, now used as a band room. Mr. Baker said he understood there was a verbal contract with the band by which they engaged to pay \$25 per year for the room, to keep it clean, and not to play when councils or the school board were in session. The band neither pays rent nor keeps the room clean. The matter was referred to the property committee with

power to act. Petitions to have lamps erected at the corner of Duke and New, Cherry and New, and on North Lime, half a square north of New, were referred to the lamp committee.

Mr. Baldwin called attention to the new

annex to St. John's Free Episcopal church, which, he said, encreached upon the public highway in violation of the city ordinance. He moved that the mayor be directed to have the obstruction removed. A long communication from the build ing committee of the church was read wherein they claim to have legal author ity for doing all they have done. They deny that the annex is an encroachment on the highway, or that it in any way obstructs either public or private rights. Their church was the pioneer improvement in that part of the city, and was built on lines given by the city regulator as long ago as 1853. The buttresses of the annex do not stand out as far as those of the church by at least a foot. The building committee make a long argument, and being held up as violators of the law.

Mr. Baker moved to amend Mr. Baldwin's motion by having the matter refer-The amendment was agreed to.

A petition from Mrs. Sprenger was read in which she prays to have refunded her \$50 which she paid the city for connecting her property with the Locust street sewer. Having subscribed \$200 towards building the sewer she claims the right of making connection with it without further

Mr. Evans explained that this sewer was built expressly for the accommodation of Mrs. Sprenger and one or two others; that the city expended \$600 on it without securing any advantage and that the owners of the properties benefited ought to pay the same price for connect ing with it as are charged against other persons making sewer connections. On motion the matter was referred to the street committee. A bill from II. N. Howell, chief of the fire department, for repairs to his wagon, was on motion of Mr. Evans laid on the

Common Council. The following named members were present Messrs. Albright, Buchanan, Cochran. Cormeny. Cox, Dinkelberg, Everts, Huber,

Hurst, Lichty, McKillips, McLaughlin,

Middleton, Moore, Power, Remley, Riddle,

table. Adjourned.

Scheetz, Schum, Skeen, Smeych, Davispresident. The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved. President Davis called the attention of councils to the fact that under the rules governing the proceedings it was almost impossible to get matters of moment originating in common council over to the select council before that body adjourned, and at his suggestion a motion was made

and carried, suspending the regular order

and allowing council to take up such

items as might be deemed most expedient.

Mr. Cox presented the report of the fire

committee, comprising an abstract of its proceedings since last report. Resignation of Councilman Goodman. Mr. Schum presented the resignation of Councilman J. G. Goodman, of the Fourth ward, who said his business required his absence from the city so often that he was unable to properly discharge the duties of the office of councilman.

On motion of Mr. Schum the resignation was accepted. Mr. Cox stated that Mr. Eaby, member | sell each part separately.

from the Third ward, had moved out of the ward and wanted to know whether that did not create a vacancy. The chair thought it did, but Mr. Hurst was not so sure about that, and said that heretofore there had been cases of members moving out of the ward, but who had nevertheless been

permitted to serve out their term. Mr. Cox moved that the seat be declared vacant, but on the suggestion of several members, action was deferred in order to give Mr. Eaby the opportunity to resign if he desired. The clerk was directed to notify Mr. Eaby of the action of council. Filling a Vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Cormony council proseeded to the election of a member to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr. Goodman's resignation. Mr. Schum nominated Benjamin Bartholomew, and there being no further nominations he was unanimously

Mr. Hurst stated that the value of building lots in the eastern end of the city had been largely augmented by reason of the increased water facilities afforded by the erection of the stand-pipe. Mr. Smeych izens in others parts of the city demand. What is required is larger mains.

There was some informal talk on several from Mr. Riddle that the president might celebrate the incoming of the new year by providing a set-out for hungry council men. The chair promptly ruled the matter out of order and council adjourned.

THE DOCTORS

Meeting of the Medical Society, The Lancaster city and county medical society held their regular stated meeting on Wednesday afternoon in Grand Army hall President Musser in the chair

The following members were present: Drs. J. L. Atlee, J. L. Atlee, jr., Albright, Blackwood, Compton, Davis, S. T., Ehler, Herr, A. J., Herr, M. L., Musser, F. M., Reed and Welchaus, from this city; D.s. Bockius, Bruner and Craig, from Columbia; Drs. Hertz, Reebuck and Shenk, from Lititz; Drs. Bryson, Marticville; Black, Strasburg; Herr, B. F., Millersville ; Hershey, Paradise ; Kohler, New Holland; Livingston, Mountville; Mayer, Willow Street; Musser, J. H. Lampeter; Musser, H. E., Witmer; Miller, Bird-in-Hand; Newpher, Mt. Joy; Ringwalt and Shenk, Rohrerstown; Trabert, Reamstown; Thompson, Wrightsville; Wentz, New Providence; Wiseman, Bainbridge : Zell, Fairmount ; Lightner, Ephrata; Kendig, Salunga, and Hurst,

esting cases were reported.

prevailing to some extent in our city. Dr. Welchans offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted : WHEREAS, There is reason to fear that fort will be made to destroy the identity

ing them under the control of the latter; slice, of Norristown department, com

to be the most valuable collection of their kind in the world, and are consequently of incalcuable value to the cause of medical science, thus rendering their preserva-

spectfully, request the honorable senators | pany upon a lady with whom he was unand representatives of Congress to make no change in the present management of people are continually passing. A cowhid the army medical museum and library, ing would be a mild punishment for such a but would earnesdy urge upon Congress person. the importance of providing a commodious fireproof building in Washington, for better preservation and protection of these invaluable collections, and

Resolved, That a copy of these resolu-Washington.

When the death of Dr. Adam Sheller, of Mt. Joy, a member of this socity, was announced, Dr. John L. Atlee made a brief address enlogistic of the deceased, and noved the appointment of a committee of three to draft resolutions, expressive of Bruner and Newpher were appointed as rails in a short time, and no delay to trains the committee. The following preamble was caused. and resolution were presented by the committee and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, We have heard with regret of the death of Dr. Adam Sheller, a member of this society, and WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon us to testify ourselves of the loss we have sus-

tained; therefore, be it Resolved, That in the death of Dr. Sheler, this society has lost a member who in all his intercourse with us manifested a zeal, dignity and deportment to command our respect and in his reports to this sociworthy of imitation; and

with our respectful condolence. The subject appointed for discussion at

this meeting was "Whooping cough and rendered by Mr. Charles Wheatleigh. The its complications." The discussion was Ironville orchestra furnished the music for Newpher, and afterwards participated in by a number of the members present. Society adjourned to meet the first the greater expense of getting an orehestra Wednesday in January next.

INSPECTING A BRIDGE. ounty Commissioners and Inspectors is

To day the county commissioners, accompanied by the inspectors appointed by the court-Wm. R. Gerhart, J. B. Swartz welder and John J. Jeffries, city; George L. Buckwalter, East Lampeter; John M. Shenk, Providence, and John H. Brackbill, Strasburg township-visited the new bridge near Refton, and gave it final in spection. The bridge, which is of somewhat peculiar construction, was built by B. F. Herr and S. M. Miller. It is a low had time to pass over. On stepping upon bridge and inclines slightly up stream. The builders claim that should there be very high water the flood will pass over it, instead of lifting it from the piers. On to entirely clear the track the engine the other hand there is some complaint struck them both and threw Miss Rosenthat the bridge is too short, and that miller into the street, in front of the Relay during a flood the water will overflow the House, and Mr. Armstrong some distance bank of the stream on the Providence to the west. Both were badly injured, side, and prevent an approach to the Miss Rosenmiller having the bone of her bridge, long before the water is sufficiently high to endanger the structure

The Coyle Case. In court at York on Wednesday Judge Wickes read the opinion of the court in the application for a change of venue in the Coyle case, in which he stated that No. 230 North Duke street, where she reowing to the state of public opinion in crived the attendance of Drs. S. T. and M. that county, and the prejudice existing L. Davis. Mr. Armstrong was carried to against the prisoner, the difficulties of ob the Keystone hotel, where he has been taining a jury, efc., it had been decided to boarding. He isattended by Dr. John nge of venue to Adam

The prisoner, John Coyle, will therefore be immediately removed to the marvellous. Mr. Armstrong received en-Adams county jail, and the new trial comiums from everybody for his here ism granted him by the supreme court will in rescuing the lady, who would inevitably take place at Gettysburg. The time for have been crushed to death had he not the trial is not yet decided upon.

county.

Rotting Mill to be Sold. The Lochiel rolling mill property, near sale for several years, but no purchaser

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

Events Along the Susquebanna-ttenm of Interest in and Around the Borouge

Picked Up by the Intelligencer's Reporter Mr. Frank Eilwood, of Georgetown, D. C., is the guest of friends on Fourth

street. Mrs. II. F. Bruner and daughter, Annie, have gone to Philadelphia on a visit to

Miss Mame Seltzer, who has been visiting friends here, returned to her home in ochester, New York, this morning. Niles, Evans, Bryant and Hoey's 'Meteors," a specialty company, will give one of their performances here to night. While working on top of a 24 foot ladder, this morning, Frederick Franks fell

and dislocated one of his arms. A large dog was shot on the Laucaster turnpike this morning, because it showed signs of madness,

The late Charles Swartz was not a memsaid this was all right, but all has not yet | ber of the Knights of the Mystic Chain, been accomplished that the needs of cit- but was connected with the Knights of Pythias. The high wind stirred up the dust most

effectually this morning. No person vensubjects, among which was the suggestion tured upon the streets unless business compelled them to leave the shelter of their home or place of business. On the 22th of December Susquehanua

lodge No. 80, I. O. O. F., will celebrate the 40th year of its organization by exercises appropriate to the occasion. Preparations for a good time are now be-

To-night the musicale will be held at the residence of Dr. J. K. Lineaweaver, on Walnut street. It is desirable that all the members who can astend will do so : very important business will come up before the society. Go early. Poor Market.

Another small market was held this morning. There were low buyers and still few sellers. Columbia does not seem to be very fortunate lately in this respect, to having large markets. Produce may !e scarce, or the farmers may be holding it back until the holidays. Such certainly must be the case with butter and eggs, for although the prices are high, the are exceedingly scarce. Wait until the new river bridge is built, then the York county farmers can put their articles on the C. Iumbia market. Just wait. How long?

Looking Through Smoked Glass. If a stranger who knew nothing about the transit of Venus had come to Columbia yesterday he would have woodered Dr. B. F. Herr reported a case of stricture of the escaphegus, producing death by starvation. A number of other intertransit, and those who took the trouble The health reports show diphtheria as to blacken with smoke a piece of glass saw it. The newspapers will soon be full of scientific accounts of the transit.

The Grand Army of the Republic. At the meeting of Gen. Welsh Post No. 118, G. A. R., last night, several recruits at the present session of Congress an ef- | were mustered in. Other business also claimed the attention of the post. Visiof the great Medical museum and library, tors were present in large numbers from at Washington, by merging them into the York, Wrightsville, Laneaster and Mari General Congressional library, and place etta. Among them was General Vandermander and several of his staff officers. WHEREAS, Under their present manage- The visitors were greatly pleased with

An Independent Fellow A strange man stepped up to a married lady a few nights since on Locust street and offered her his company, Of course tion and progress objects of deep interest it was refused, but the fellow still insisting to the medical profession of this country. upon accompanying her the lady entere la Resolved. That the Lincaster city and disappeared. It seems amazing that a man county medical society earnestly, but re- | could have the hardihood to press his comacquainted and that upon a street where

A Palufut Accident Yesterday afternoon while Mrs. Rachael Martin, residing on new Second street, was engaged in taking one of the cleavers from a sausage chopping machine it fell. tions, together with a protest signed by striking her on the arm, above the wrist, the members of this society be forwarded and inflicting a painful wound. The lady to our senators and reresentatives at fainted, and had become very weak from loss of blood before a physician arrived. She is as well as could be expected under

the circumstances this morning. Off the Track.
Another P. R. R. engine, No. 186, was thrown off the track between Bridge and Walnut streets, this morning, by a spreadthe sentiments of the society. Drs. Atlee, ing of the rail. It was replaised on the

> A freight car was thrown off the P. R. R. siding near Swartz's icehouse, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by a misplaced switch. While engine No. 526 was employed in replacing it on the rai's, it ran off the track. A little additional trouble soon righted the matter.

A Fine Performance.
The Madison Square theatre company in " Hazel Kirke," drew a'good-sized audience last night. Miss Belle Archer, as Hazel Kirke, is a success, beyond a doubt. Miss Archer delineated the character ety exhibited a knowledge and devotion faithfully and with such effect as to draw to the advancement of his profession tears to the eyes of many of the audience. Mr. Herbert Archer, as Lord Travers; Resolved, That this preamble and reso. Mr. Joseph Frankan as Pittacus Green : lution be sent to the family of Dr. Sheller and Miss Nellie Irving, as Dollie Dutton. were excellent, while the character of Dunstan Kirke, Hazel's father, was finely pened by a paper on the subject by Dr. the entertainment and it was excellent. It seems strange that it is not more often engaged, instead of managers incurring

> from Lancaster or York. SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

A Lady's Leg Broken, and a Flagman Badly A serious accident occurred at the

Prince street crossing of the Pennsylvania

railroad yesterday afternoon about halfpast 5 o'clock. The Harrisburg accommodation train west had just passed a: d the day express east was rapidly ajproaching the crossing when Miss Rebecca Rosenmiller attempted to cross the track. Samuel Armstrong, the flagman at the crossing, called to her to go back, but she either did not hear him, or thought she the track she tripped and fell. Mr. Arm strong, who is over 60 years of age, sprang to her assistance, but before he was able left thigh broken a short distance above the knee, besides sustaining several painful contusions; and Mr. Armstrong being badly bruised in the right hip and abdomen, cut about the head and face, and right arm badly sprained. Miss Rosenmiller was carried to her home. L. Atlee. Both patients suffer acutely, but neither is considered to be in any great danger. Their escape from death is risked his own life to save her. We hear of other instances in which Mr. Armstrong has shown himself to be the right man in the right place at the right time. Harrisburg, has been on the market for Only a short time ago, he saved a heedless driver and his team from being crushed, can be found for it. It is now proposed to by seizing the horses by the heads and divide the property into seven parts and turning them from the track just as the

train whizzed past them.