

PERILS OF THE OCEAN.

FOR THOSE WHO GO DOWN TO SEA IN SHIPS. Over 1,300 Lives Lost Since 1873 in the New England Fleet—The Mild Weather succeeded by a Cold Wave in the West—Damage by Fire.

In the ten years from 1873 the total loss of vessels engaged in the New England fisheries has been 147, of which 107 were abandoned in a sinking condition. The total loss of these vessels was \$75,126.

STEVENS HOUSE ASSEMBLY.

LANCASTER'S GRAND ANNUAL NEW YEAR SOCIETY EVENT. A Dream of Fair Women—Dancing Out the Old Year to the Strains of Sweet Music—Some of the Elaborate Tolets and Who Wore Them—A Gala Evening.

Last evening the long and anxiously awaited grand annual of the Stevens house assembly, was held and proved a splendid success in every particular.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Before the Footlights and Behind the Scenes. Play House and Green Room.

Walking gentlemen are very numerous at present.

At the Philadelphia theatres business was slow on Christmas but bright during the season.

Harry Miner says he intends cutting down the salaries of all people in his traveling companies.

Smith, Waldron, Cronin & Martin, the famous "Big Four," leave San Francisco for Australia on Saturday.

Frank Gibson, who was out about Hyde and Lehman's minstrels, is now at home in this city.

Charlie Whitney, the well known circus man who has been friends here, will be with Forough the coming season.

Hyatt Frost, an old timer in the circus business, is thinking of putting out a fine show the coming season.

James B. Radcliffe, negro comedian is now a member of Moore & Holmes English company.

Miss Henrietta Chanfrau has been obliged to cancel all engagements and close her traveling season, on account of sickness.

Donald Hagedorn the well known Templeton street artist, who has been reported killed in Chicago last week, is again all right.

C. W. Tylbourne, the manager of the Chanfrau's, has had a varied career. He has been a lawyer, congressional reporter, confederate soldier, journalist, actor, author and manager.

He intends writing his recollections in book form.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE LANCASTER LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. The New Officers Elected—A Bar Meeting Organized in Which Ground is Taken Against the Philadelphia Scheme to Establish Circuit Courts.

The annual meeting of the Lancaster Law Library association was held at ten o'clock this morning.

THE LAST OF THE OLD YEAR.

Watch Meetings to See If Old-Successful Cantata in Trinity Lutheran.

The New Year was ushered in by watch meetings in many of the churches in reference to which was made in the INTELLIGENCER of Wednesday.

The singing of the cantata, "New Year Eve," in Trinity Lutheran chapel was so complete a success that all who were present voted in favor of its repetition.

It was the custom of the former city aldermen in the Old Year is admonished by Father Time that his race is run.

The latter calls up in review the months of the year. Spring displayed "the green," "the harvest," "the winter," "the Christmas star."

The cantata concluded with the procession of the seasons and months to sing farewell to the old year and welcome to the new.

The cantata will be repeated at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening.

The procession will be devoted to the same object, the India missionaries.

The Catholic Churches.

In the Catholic churches there is a holiday of obligation, being the feast of the circumcision of the Saviour.

Masses were held in the several Catholic churches of the city in which the services were appropriate to the event.

The Colored Church.

The services at the colored church in Faugleyville last night were more than usual.

They began early and continued until the new year came in.

The church was crowded the whole night, a great majority of those present being white people.

The sermon was by Rev. Mathew M. Diggs, who chose a text and did not again refer to the spirit of the prosperity of the past year however, and hoped for a continuance of it in the present.

There was also an old fashioned "joke" about the shouting of the members of the congregation.

Rev. Diggs is making extensive preparations for his lecture upon "Cremation" next Thursday night.

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COUNTY IRON IN OLDEN TIMES.

Where It Originally Came From—The Last Visit of Any of the Penns to Lancaster County. Special Correspondence of the INTELLIGENCER.

At a late meeting of the Lancaster Law Library association was held at ten o'clock this morning.

THE TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKES.

SCENES OF RUIN AND DESOLATION IN UNHAPPY SPAIN.

King Alfonso to Personally Inquire into the Condition of the Sufferers—Rescue Those Who Had Been Partly Buried For Twenty-six Hours.

MADRID, Jan. 1.—It is probable that King Alfonso will visit Andalusia to personally inquire into the condition of the earthquake sufferers.

Government delegates are visiting the several mountain districts, deep in mud and terrible gales have passed over the half ruined villages.

The delegates caused the bodies of those killed by the earthquake to be interred.

Albunuelas presented an appalling sight. Half of the town is completely ruined. Churches, the convent and the town hall were thrown to the ground.

The inhabitants are gathered outside the town where they are sheltering from fire. Women and children are crying in the streets.

Sixty wounded persons are in a temporary ambulance. One hundred and ninety-two corpses have been taken from the ruins, and active efforts are being made to recover the others.

The mayor and several wealthy residents are among the victims. The mayor's wife remained buried waist-deep in the ruins for 18 hours.

Many persons were rescued alive after being partly buried for 26 hours. Some were half-dead with fright.

Pleasant cries were heard in the ruins for 24 hours, but it was impossible to render any assistance. Troops have since brought provisions for the needy.

Similar tales are told of the disaster in Alcala, where the scenes are described as fantastic and weird.

The inhabitants during the day wander about their ruined homes, risking their lives in their endeavor to save something from the wreck.

They remain at night in improvised camps of straw, tents and sheds all around the ruined town-tower and the surrounding mountains.

The picture is altogether striking and impressive.

The shock at Granada last night was more severe than any since Thursday. The people were afraid to remain in their houses and occupied the streets all night.

It being the tenth shock since Tuesday, the panic already prevailing among the people was greatly increased.

Ten thousand persons left this city yesterday.

YOUNG LADIES AS FALL-BEARERS.

A Dying Girl Makes the Arrangements for Her Own Burial.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 31.—Last Sunday Miss Annie M. Tewes, daughter of the late Joseph Tewes, summoned a number of friends to her bedside, and with her last breath requested that at her funeral eight of her lady friends should act as fall-bearers.

That her wishes should be carried out, and that her coffin should be trimmed with white satin with gold fringe, she further requested that the young ladies should wear white satin dresses with wreath and flowing veil, and that each carry a white lily.

Just as she completed the arrangements she died.

Her funeral took place from her mother's residence, on Lombard street, and services were held at St. Michael's Roman Catholic church.

Several thousand people were present. The young ladies who fulfilled the request of their dead friend were Miss M. Heir, Eva Nagels, M. Limer, M. Dieckman, A. Schmidt, Kate Tremelher, M. Wambaeh, and Jennie Ruth.

Free-Trade Hurd Spouting.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—A dispatch from Cincinnati quotes Congressman Frank Hurd as saying that when he was in Buffalo after the civil war, Governor Cleveland was elected president, and in still its president.

This fact Mr. Hurd says was preserved as a profound secret during the recent political campaign. Cleveland is a radical free trader, he says, who will advance his ideas when he gets into power.

Brilliant Reception at the White House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The executive mansion was beautifully decorated with ferns, palms and cut flowers.

The president held a reception in the blue parlor, assisted by the wives of members of the cabinet and other dignitaries.

After the diplomatic corps and other dignitaries had paid their respects to the president, there was a reception of private citizens, which was largely attended.

The Juvenile Burglars Nearly Escape.

LEBANON, Pa., Jan. 1.—The four boys, known as the "Boy Burglars," came near effecting their escape from the jail here last night.

When they had nearly thrown their way out, and another half hour would have seen them free. They were taken to Reading this morning for safe keeping.

New Year in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—New Year's Day is being observed as a holiday here, and although the weather is dull and threatening the streets are thronged with people.

All the business houses, banks, exchanges and public institutions are closed.

Factory and Store House Burned.

NASHUA, N. H., Jan. 1.—A fire to-day destroyed the boiler and steam press works of J. J. Crawford, and damaged the works of Henry Stearns.