On the Contract Between the Philadel-phia and Reading Bailroad Company and the Atlantic and Great Western Railway Company.

Cheap Food from the West-Soft Coal to the East-New Trade to the City of Philadel-

[OFFICIAL COPY.] Office of the Coal Exchange of Philadel-phia, No. 2051 Walnut street, Philadelphia, pana, No. 2054 Walmat Street, Panatacopana, January 23, 1866.—At a special meeting, held to-day, the greatest ever held by the trade, nearly all the large operators being represented, the members present producing over five millions of tons of coal per year, the following resolutions were unanimously educated.

mously adopted.

Whereas, The Atlantic and Great Western Railway, the East Pennsylvania Railroad Company and the Philadelphia and Read ing Railroad Company have entered into a contract for the construction of a through line of railroad from the West, through the coal regions of Pennsylvania to the cities of New York and Philadelphia; and

Whereas, The line of road to be con-particuted under the said contract, will furnish cheaper food to our workmen and tional markets for our productions; there-

Resolved, That the proposed railroad connections will be of great advantage to the coal trade, and cannot fail to add largely to the commercial prosperity of Philadelphia.

Resolved, That the connection offered by the proposed railroads between the rich agricultural districts of the great West and the corn fields of Pennsylvania, carrying provisions at New York rates per mile, and charging only for the actual distance car-ried, will secure to the mining interests a new and valuable source from which to derive an abundant supply of cheap food. Resolved. That the opening and develop ment of the great bituminous coal region of Pennsylvania by the construction of the proposed railroad through the counties of Centre, Clearfield, Jefferson and Clarion will add greatly to the prosperity of the State, and to that of the city of Philadelphia, by strengthening its present position as the great coal market of the United

Resolved, That it is the duty, therefore, of this Coal Exchange and its members to lend all aid in their power to the proposed enter-

prise.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished for publication in all the daily newspapers, and the U.S. Railroad and Mining Register of Journal of Pottsville.

A. B. GÖBGAS, gister of this city and the Miners'

Attest, A. B. GÖRGAS, Secretary of the Coal Exchange,

Among the persons present at the meeting that passed these perspicuous, positive and significant resolutions, we observed, among others, the individuals, the firms, and the representatives of coal companies whose names here follow, and which we give so that our readers may see and know that the proceedings were participated in by the coal interests in the Lehigh as well as the Schuylkill region, the bituminous as well

Schuylkill region, the bituminous as well as the anthracite trade:
Van Dusen Lochman & Co.
Day, Huddel & Co.
Blakiston, Graeff & Co.
Wm. Hunter, Jr. & Co.
Honey BrookCoal Co. (Represented by J. B. Mc
Creary.)
Galloway C. Morris & Co.
Powelton Coal & Iron Co.
(Represented by J. W. Morris, Jr.)
Mammoth Vein Con. Coal
Co. (Represented by Jas.
Neill.)
Coal Company. (Represented by Jas.
Neill.)
Coal Company. (Represented by Jas.
Neill.)
Coal Company. (Represented by H. W. Fuller, Boston.)
Coal, Hacker & Cook.
Geo. W. Huntzinger & Co.
J. G. & S. Repplier.
Msy. Patterson & Bro.
Glen Carbon Coal Co. (Represented by Steward Patterson.)
George S. Patterson.
Burnside Coal & Iron Co.
(Represented by A. M. Lewis Rothermel.)

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Burnside Coal & Iron Co.
(Represented by A. H.
Fortunich

Henry Hell.
St. Nicholas Coal Company. (Represented by John Donaldson, President).

St. Nicholas Coal Company, vis. "garson & Co., vis. "garson & Co., allier, Graeff & Co., allier, Graeff & Co., tyler & Co.

These resolutions have three strong

oints: First-The Coal Trade recognize that it will be immensely to their advantage to have Western food at New York rates per mile, and at an actual distance carried, believing that this will provide the cheapest possible mode by which the coal district can be fed. Abundant and cheap food makes abundant and cheap labor, and that produces cheap coal, and that in turn makes a larger trade and more profit.

Recond—They recognize that the union of the bituminous coal of Central and Western Pennsylvania with the anthracite coal of Eastern Pennsylvania, upon the same wharves at Port Richmond, Philadelphia, will benefit both parties, by bringing there gore buyers and more ve Third—They pledge the Coal Trade to lend all the aid in their power to the enterprise.

CITY BULLETIN.

WELL-DESERVED TESTIMONIAL. - There is now to be seen at Earle's a beautifully executed piece of penmanship, forming a testi-monial presented to our townsman, Samuel B. Fales, Esq., by the Union Refreshment Committee, at the conclution of their labors. It is a beautifully designed affair, comprising a view of the Saloon and Hospital, an admi rable medallion likeness of Mr. Fales, and several emblematic figures illustrating the work in which these patriotic citizens have so long been engaged. As a specimen of artistic penmanship it is quite worth a visit to Earle's gallery. The following is the text of this te steful affair:

Whereas, The four and a half years of civil

war in our land having been brought to an end; the time will soon arrive when our services as Members of this Committee will be no longer required. We deem it our duty to place on record some testimonial to our fellow-associate, Samuel B. Fales, as the most prominent of the many gentlemen aiding us in furnishing Refreshments to the passing troops, and taking care of the sick and wounded soldiers. Therefore be it Resolved, That the cordinal thanks of the Thion Volunters Refreshment Committee

Union Volunteer Refreshment Committee be tendered to Samuel B. Fales, for his disinterested support from our first organiza-tion, May 27, 1861, to the present time; for his sterling integrity and untiring energy in the performance of his duty as General Financial Agent and for the good judgment exercised and dignity maintained in the performance of his duty as Corresponding Secretary from the time he became a mem-ber of our organization to this date.

Resolved, That we have always found Mr. Fales ready and prompt in the performance of every and all duties assigned him. That he has always had the interest of our salcon at heart. That he has been a constant friend to the soldier, whether sick, wounded or in health; a true patriot and a steadfast, supported the country in the daylast heave. porter of his country in the darkest hour of her troubles. His valuable services not only entitle him to the warmest consideration of this committee, but also, to the thanks of this community and nation.

Resolved, That an engrossed copy of these resolutions be prepared and presented to Samuel B. Fales, as a token of our regard, and appreciation of his worth.

[Signed]—ARAD BARROWS, Chairman.
[Signed]—JOSEPH B. WADE, Secretary.
Signed]—John B. Smith, W. S. Mason,
Curtis Myers, Committee on Testimonials. PHILADELPIA, Oct. 25, 1865.

WHOLESALE SWINDLER IN TROUBLE. Before Alderman Beitler, on Saturday afternoon, a young man very neatly dressed, was arraigned upon the charge of swindling. His plan was to call upon wholesale dealers, represent himself as a member of a firm doing business in Richmond, Va., and buy a bill of goods, generally to the amount of

several hundred dollars. He would pay for the goods with a draft exceeding the au of the bill, and then would ask for the dif erence in cash between the bill of goods and the sum which the draft called for. Some of the dealers complied with his request for cash, but took the precaution to inquire in respect to the drafts before the goods were shipped. In all instances the rafts were discovered to be worthless. But the swindler did not confine his operations to the dealers in dry goods or clothing; he swindled confectioners and jewelers, and last, not least, tried his hand at the makers of monuments, ordering two from different marble workers for a deceased brother, whom, he represented to one them, had been killed in the rebel

service at Fredericksburg, and to the other that he had been cut down at Chancellorsfille. The swindler, in order to excite sympathy, carried his arm in a sling at one time, and at another pretended to be lame in one of his legs. Quite a number of hotel keepers have been swindled by the fellow the last of them being the El Dorado. At the Continental he ran up a bill of ninetyeight dollars. When arrested, officer Roberts, of the Mayor's office, who, in connection with officer Cooper, worked up the matter very successfully, found on the person of the swindler two moustaches. He gave the name of Robert Morris: but he as gone by the name of B. M. Powell, of the firm of Pesinev & Powell of Richmond The firms he bought goods of were Stillson & Boyer, Bomberger & Co., Wm. H. Yeaton & Co., and Lewis L. Guthman. From the last named be bought clothing which he said was for negroes in Virginia. The fellow was held for a further hearing.

THE PRISON SOCIETY.—The Philadelphi Society for Alleviating the Miseries of Public Prisons held its eightieth anniversary on Thursday evening, the 25th instant. the same evening the annual election took place, the result of which has been already published. The Society was organized on its present basis in 1787, a similar association, formed eleven years previously, having been dissolved upon the occupation of Philadelphia by the British army. The original title of the Society, which 'it still retains, is hardly descriptive of the character of its present work, and may mislead to some extent. The strenuous and persevering labors of bygone years having abolished the miseries, at least of the city prisons, the main work of the Society in Philadelphia, the principal bulk of its labor has been the reformation of prisoners. In the counties of our State, however, a great work needs to be done, and the earnest efforts of the Society to effect it should receive the public sympathy and support which they deserve.
It is to be hoped that the general indiffer-

ence in regard to the great subject of the reformation of criminals will not long continue. It is needless to dwell upou the benefit to society of securing the fallen from the grasp of crime and restoring them to the paths of honest and productive labor. The thinker, in estimating the public utility of efforts devoted to this end, will consider not merely the direct and tangible benefit which the community receives from them, but their effect upon the public heart and mind, and the higher civilization of which they are the prediction. Not only upon this but on the more obvious ground the workers in the cause of criminal reformation have a just laim to public gratitude. Intelligent and public spirited men should not only recogprize this claim, but—what is far more important—should recognize and promote

the work itself to the extent of their power. THE BOOTBLACKS AND NEWSBOYS .- There was quite a large assemblage of the news-boys and bootblacks, at the Court Room, Sixth and Chestnut streets, yesterday after-noon. They were addressed by Chas. E. Lex, Esq., who was listened to with the closest attention by his motley audience. The boys are becoming much interested in this effort to benefit them, and many of them express themselves as anxious to better their condition and to procure other occupation. Some of them who have acquired intemperate habits, have voluntarily signed the temperance pledge and all seem to appreciate the kindness of those who have hus devoted themselves to promoting their welfare. Quite a number of our citizens were present, yesterday afternoon, and there is much encouragement to hope that some permanent provision may soon be made for the improvement and elevation of this neglected class of our juvenile com-

munity, MISSIONARY MEETING.-Last evening a public missionary meeting was held at St-Stephen's P. E. Church by the Sontheastern Missionary Convocation, which includes all the Episcopal churches south of Market and east of Broad street. The opening religious exercises were conducted by Revs. Messrs, Graham and Fullerton, Interesting addresses were delivered by Revs. addresses were delivered by Rev. W. B. Erbin, of the Seamen's Mission; Rev. C. L. Fisher, of the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelical and Rev. Joseph R. Moore, of the Mission Church of the Crucifixion for colored people. A collection was then taken up in aid of the work in the district.

CITY MORTALITY.—The number of interments in the city during the past week was 273 against 353 during the same period last year. Of the whole number 142 were adults and 131 children—61 being under one year of age; 152 were males, 121 females, 69 boys and 62 girls. The greatest number of deaths occurred in the Seventeenth Ward, being 19, and the smallest number in the Tenth Ward, where only 1 was reported. The principal causes of death were, apoplexy, 4 croup, 9; consumption, 40; convulsions, 11; dropsy, 6; scarlet fever, 11; typhoid fever, 10; inflammation of the lungs, 26, and old

age, 6. VAGRANTS AT CAMP CADWALADER,-During yesterday the Twenty-third Ward Police arrested seventeen colored men who were hanging about Camp Cadwalader. The prisoners had all been soldiers, and had recently been discharged. Four were from Virginia, two from Tennessee, three from Kentucky, one from Florida, two from the District of Columbia, one from Canada West, one from New York, one from Ohio, one from Maryland, and one from Pennsylvania. They were all taken before Alderman Ramsdell, and were committed as

DISORDERLY HOUSE CASE.—Elizabeth Fiss was before Alderman Fitch, this morning, upon the charge of keeping a disorderly house on Carlisle street, below Stiles, Twentieth Ward. It is alleged that there was considerable fighting in the house, about half-past ten o'clock yesterday morning, and murder was cried several times. Mrs. Fies was committed in default of \$800 ball to anywer at court and seweral other and to answer at court, and several other per-sons—males and females—who were found in the place were held to keep the peace.

LARGENY.-On Sunday night a wagon was stolen from Twenty-fourth and Spring Garden streets, and a few minutes afterwards a horse disappeared from a stable in the vicinity. The team was then driven up the Reading railroad and five barrels of coal oil were abstracted from a car and were placed in the wagon. When the thieves were returning with their plunder several police-men gave chase. The thieves jumped from the wagon and escaped. The wagon was taken possession of by the officers.

CHARGED WITH ROBBERY.-Before Ald. Butler, this morning, Mary Tyler was charged with having robbed a countryman of \$117, at a house No. 618 Lombard street. She was committed to answer. None of the stolen money was recovered. Edward Curry, who was found in the house was recovered.

woman named Mary Johnston, residing at Tenth street and Susquehanna avenue, was stopped by four men on Tenth street, a short distance below her residence. A black cloth cloak was taken from her back, and the was also relieved of all the money she had in her pocket.

PHILADELPHIA CATTLE MARKET, Jan. 29. Beef Cattle continue dull and prices are rather lower. 1,800 head arrived and sold at from 16@161 cents for extra, 14@15 cents for fair to good and 10@13 cents \$2 to for common, as to quality. The following are the particulars of the

90 Martin Fuller & Co., Western, 13 @16 60 H. Chain, Western, grs. 60 J. Chain & Bro., Western, 70 J. S. Kirk, Chester county, 60 P. Hathaway, Lan. co.,

60 P. Hathaway, Lan. co., 14 @15
30 Christy & Brother, Chester co., 13 @15
57 Owen Smith, Ohio., 13 @16
29 A. Kennedy, Penna., 12 @15
20 Jones McClese, Western, 12 @15
93 Ullman & Co., Western, 12 @15
120 Mooney & Smith, Western, 12 @15
77 J. & J. Frank, Western, 12 @14
103 Shamberg & Frank, Western, 12 @16
125 G. Cohn, Western, grs., 7 @ 9
19 S. Sternberg, Western, grs., 64 @ 7
45 Dryfoos & Dryfoos, Western, grs., 3 @ 74 45 Dryfoos Dryfoos, Western, grs. 3 @ 71 60 Hope & Co., Lancaster co. 14 @13 Hogs—Are in fair demand; 2,600 head

\$13 50 the 100 bs nett.

Cows-Prices are rather better; 150 head sold at \$50@85 for Springers, and \$60@100 per head for milch cows.

Sheep—Continue dull; 7,500 head arrived anp sold at from 6@71 cts. per h gross for good fat sheep.

old at the different yards at from \$13@

A COUNTRYMAN LOSES HIS WATCH, An individual from the country, who is an individual from the country, who is stopping at the Continental; started out yesterday on a tour of observation. He soon fell in with a couple of fascinating damsels. A carriage was hired and the trio went out riding. Various parts of the city were visited, and the party returned last evening. At Eleventh and Chestaut streets, Mr. Countryman discovered that he was minus his gold watch, and he accused his fair companions of having stolen it. They indignantly denied the impeachment, but a policeman was called, and they were taken into custody. This morning before Alderman Jones, the prisoners gave the names of Hetty Irvine and Margaret Lesher. They were held in \$800 bail to answer at Court.

BREAKING THINGS .- On Saturday night an individual named Henry Clothier, who had imbibed a little too freely, went to the house of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Kelly, on Amber street below Otis, and amused him-self by cutting the pillows and breaking the furniture. Mrs. Kelly remonstrated against such conduct, when it is alleged she was badly beaten. Clothier was taken before Ald. Clouds, and was held for assault and battery and carrying concealed weapons, billy having been found on his person.

LITTLE WANDERERS' HOME. - We ac knowledge the receiptor this charity; in aid of the funds of this charity; \$2.00 knowledge the receipt of the following sums

P. M. E. G., . \$2 00 Previously acknowledged, 126 50 . \$128 50 ACCIDENT .- Mrs. Dr. Hartshorn fell on

the ice at Nineteenth and Buttonwood streets, last evening, and broke her ankle. ACTRESSES AND OPERA SINGERS.-IIS ACTRESSES AND OPERA SINGERS,—US and endorse only exquisite "Email de Paris" for in parting to the roughest skin the color, texture an complexion of polished ivory. It Email de Paris used as a delicate beautifier for theatre, saloon and barroom. Mile, Vestvali, Mrs. D. P. Bowers, Louli Western, and other ladies recommend it to the profession and public for its efficiency and harmlessness Sold by druggists and dealers in tollette articles.

HEAVY all linen napkins, large size at J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets.

SKATING AND BALLS.-People in this vicinity seem to have balls and skating "on the brain." All the world and hiswifego to the skating parks and to the public balls, but most of them are glad to get home igain and enjoy a good comfortable its made from the coal sold by W. W. Alter, No. 857 North Nine street. J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & Co., Northwes corner of Eighth and Market streets, have reduce their fine blankets from 35 to 50 per cent.

How comfortable the ladies look who are invested with a set of Furs. All the dangers of severe colds and affections of the lungs are rendered void by these elegant articles of dress, and it is now in the power of every lady in the city, no matter how limited her means, to procure a set of rich Furs at a very small cost, at CHAS. OAKFORD & SONS', under the Continental Hotel.

NOTICE.—Keep it before the people that at W H. Patten's Uphoistering establishment, located at 1408 Chestont street he is prepared at all times to execute orders promptly and at the lowest prices, the best quality of material always used.

COUNTERPANES, new patterns, just received, J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market atreets. Now is the time to get your work done or the most reasonable terms, at
W. HENRY PATTEN'S,
Upholstering Establishment, 1408 Chestnut street,

WITH HALF AN EYE the difference ma be seen between a coarse fabric and a fine one, and any one with the molety of the sense of smell will find no difficulty in selecting Phalons 'Night-Blooming Cereus' from all the perfumes in the market, as the most delictious and refreshing. Sold everywhere. STORE SHADES made and lettered in al colors to suit the fancy, at the shortest notice.

W. HENRY PATTEN'S.

A LETTER FROM FREEDMEN'S "BILL."

ON DE RUN, WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.

Mr. Editor.—Brees you, dis is de fust time I was abber in Congress, and, as you may see by depapers, me and Judge Kelley have boff been fru de House. I nebber thought when de Judge fast took hold of me dat I would be here, jes waitin to go fru de Senate likewise, and den up to Massa Johnson to take his hand at de White House. Some of de white folks say! will be sent back to de House an altered and improved Bill; but, bress you, honey, I don't see how dey could do much wid me; but I'm in de bands of de Judge, and he says he'll see me fru. Secretary McCulloch has a Bill dat he wants to put forward like me, but deres no use ob talking, nuffin goes here cept dere's a tille blackmule connected win it. Dats a joke. I learned that from de Judge, and he larned it, he told me, from reading de advertisements of Massa Charley Stokes & Co.'s One Price Clothing House, under de Continental, printed in de fliadelfy papers.

Yenetian Bliinds Repaired and Trimmed

VENETIAN BLINDS Repaired and Trimmed
W. HENRY PATTEN'S Upholstering Store
1406 Chestnut street. HOPKINS' HOOP SKIRTS are the bes

THE only place in the city where you can have every thing in the Upholatering line done with despatch. N.B.—All branches executed in the best manner at W. HENRY PATTEN'S. 8-4 HEAVY Bleached Table Damasks, a 11 00 per yard. J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets.

8-4 CREAM LOOM Table Linens, in block atterns, J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., atterns, N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets. SILVER PLATED WARE. Patented, Au gust, 1865.—An air-tight Ice Pitcher.. The trade fur nished with plated ware of all descriptions. FRED'R LEUFREID, Manufacturer, F. C. MEYER, Superintendent, 233 South Fifth street, Phila.

ROASTED ALMONDS,-The finest Roasted Are those prepared by

STEPHEN F. WHITMAN,

No. 1210 Market screet,

Now IS THE TIME to buy clothing at Charles Stokes & Co.'s One Price, under the Continental.

THROAT CONFECTIONS, — Eminently soothing to the throat are the Marshmallove Drops and Iceland Moss Posts Manufactured by STEPHEN F. WHITMAN, No. 1210 Market stre t.

PURE LIBERTY LEAD.—Try it, and you

charged with having robbed a countryman of \$117, at a house No. 618 Lombard street. She was committed to answer. None of the stolen money was recovered. Edward Curry, who was found in the house with a billy in his pocket, was also sent to prison.

Bold Highway Robbery.—On Saturday evening, about nine o'clock, a young day evening, about nine o'clock, a young selling deg-cheap suits rescued from the late fire.

PURE LIBERTY LEAD.—Preferred by Dealers, as it slwsys gives satisfaction to their cus-

GLYCEBINE CREAM, An elegant preparation for solvening and healing harsh, and chopped hands or lips. It is totally free from substances calculated to irritation; value and its an instant; soother with pain or irritation exists. For sale by HARBUS & OLLVER, pruggists, Tenth and Chestnut streets. ALL the leading makes of cotton sheetings

nd shirtings, J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., PURE LIBERTY LEAD.—Orders daily in-GENTS' HATS .- Gentlemen desirous of wearing a fine Hat combining elegance and durability, will find such at the great Hat Store of this city, which is at

CHARLES OAKFORD & SONS, DEAFNESS, BLINDNESS AND CATARRH. J. Isaacs, M. D., Professor of the Eye and Ear, treats all diseases apperlaining to the above memoers with the utmost success. Testimonials from the most reliable sources in the city can be seen at his office, No. 519 Pine street. The medical faculty are invited to accompany their patients, as he has had no secrets in his practice. Artificial eyes inserted. No charge made for examination

New Jersey Matters.

SERIOUS STABBING CASE.—About twelve o'clock on Saturday night a fracas occurred at Front and Market streets, Camden, between some disorderly characters, which was attended with serious consequences. was attended with serious consequences. During the continuance of the altercation two young men, named Hoy, brothers, received severe and dangerous stabs with a knife in several places, when the assailants immediately fled. Officer Mason was promptly on the ground where the fight took place, and pursued the parties alleged to have inflicted the stabs, and finally arrested two of them near Cooper's Point. They were committed for a hearing. The two young men are in a critical condition. two young men are in a critical condition, and the authorities will hold the parties arrested until the wounded men are able to

give in their testimony. LAUNCH OF A SCHOONER -On Saturday last a fine and substantially built schooler named the I.S. and L. C. Adams, was aunched from the yard at Port Republic Atlantic county. The vessel is 1201 feet in length, 30 feet 4 inches beam; depth of hold 11 feet 8 inches, and 5 feet between decks. She is the finest vessel built in that vicinity for many years, and belongs to Mr. Israe G. Adams, of Bakersville. She will be towed to Philadelphia, where her rigging will be put in. The vessel has one of Reed's patent steering screws.

ALMOST A SERIOUS FIRE.-About four o'clock on Saturday afternoon, a fire broke out in the second story of a brick dwelling house, on Federal street, below Third which destroyed a considerable quantity of clothing and other articles. Fortunately the fire was discovered in time to prevent the flames from spreading but for awhile they seemed obstinate and threatened a serious conflagration. They were, how-ever, suppressed before communicating to other portions of the house.

ROWDYISM RAMPANT.-Disorderly conuct and bold rowdvism seem to be on the ncrease again in Camden. Late on Saturday night a gang of disorderly characters entered the lager beer saloon of one John Beck, in South Ward, and commenced an a-sault on him, striking him over the head in a violent menner, and then broke up his furniture, glasses, windows, &c. Some of the parties were afterwards arrested and seld to answer.

NEW TURNPIKE.—The new turnpike beween Ellwood and Waymouth is rapidly advancing toward completion, and it will he of great advantage to the people residing in that section. Mr. Colwell, at his own expense, has put under contract three-andquarter miles of this pike, and the work is eing rapidly prosecuted. The township is to build the remaining one-and-half miles

A New School House.—The bill authorizing the Board of Education of Camden city to borrow \$20,000 for the purpose of erecting a new and convenient school house in Middle Ward, is now before the Legisla-ture, and will be passed at an early day The Board design to commence work in the spring, for they greatly need increased school accommodations.

BAPTIZED BY IMMERSION.-Last evening seven persons were baptized by immersion in the Tabernacle Baptist Church.

AMUSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS OF THE THEATRES, &c.-By statement in another column it will be seen that the receipts of the principal places of amusement were as follows, during the

vear 1865: Chestnut Street Theatre. . \$166,059 Arch Street Theatre, Walnut Street Theatre, 94.390 Academy of Music, . Minstrels. 54.637 ENTERTAINMENTS THIS EVENING -At

the Chestnut the interesting Irish drama, "Arrah-na-Pogue," which was received with great applause during last week, will be repeated. The new London farce of "My Wife's Maid," will also be performed. At the Walnut Mr. J. S. Clarke will commence his second week, when he will appear as Bob Acres in the fine comedy of "The Rivals," and as Newman Noggs in "Nicholas Nickle-by." Miss Jean Hosmer, at the Arch, will enact the part of the heroine in Shiel's beau-tiful play, "Evadne; or, the Statue," which will be given for this night only. The amusing farce entitled "An Ample Apolo-gy," will be the afterpiece. Mr. W. F. Wal-lett, surnamed the Queen's Jester and the Shaksperian Clown, will, at the American, make his first appearance in this city for make his first appearance in this city for ten years. During his stay in Europe Mr. Wallett has been the recipient of many valuable presents, and has won high commendations from the public press. The Peak Family of Swiss Bell Ringers begin the second week of their engagement at the Assembly Building. Their concerts are really excellent, the music of the bells being of a most pleasant character. The Maenner char Ball takes place at the Academy of chor Ball takes place at the Academy o Music to-night. Signor Blitz gives his isual entertainment at Assembly Building

to-night.

Return of Secretary Seward, The U. S. steamer De Soto, with Secretary Seward and party on board, returned here this afternoon, after an absence of exactly four weeks, having left here on December 21st, 1865. The De Soto proceeded directly to St. Thomas and then made a complete tour of the West Indies from St. Thomas in the east to Santa Cruz in the west, stopping at Santo Domingo City, Port au Prince, the the capital of Hayti, and Hayana, spending a few days at each port, and being most cordially and hospitably received by the authorities and people everywhere. The two West Indian Republics, the Dominican and Haytien, were unexpectedly found at and Haytien, were unexpectedly found at peace, all the recent troubles having been quieted. At Havana the party were been quieted. At Havana the party were hospitably entertained by the Captain General. They left that port on Tuesday at noon, the thermometer at 111 degrees in the sun on the ship's deek, and arrived here at 4 o'clock to find it at 32. The entire party have been greatly improved in health and vigor, especially the Secretary and his son, who are now able to walk without the use of cones for the first time in clauses. canes, for the first time in almost a year.
The ladies of the party—Mrs. Frederick
Seward and her sister, Miss Wharton—were
also much benefited. Captain Walker, of
the De Soto, and his officers were very efficlent in contributing to the enjoyment and pleasure of the excursion. Wash. Cor. N.

A PRIZE CASE DECISION.—The United States Supreme Court has sustained the po-sition of the Government in condemning as a prize the British ship Admiral, which was captured in December, 1862, about thirty miles off Tybee Island, while standing in for the port of Savannah,

In Memoriam.

The death of William D. Hays, son of Dr. Isaac Hays, the distinguished physician of this city, which occurred on Tuesday last has caused a feeling of universal sorrow among all to whom the deceased was known, either in private life or his official relations. Mr. Hays graduated with honor at the University of Pennsylvania, in the year 1855; and, after spending the four succeeding years in the locomotive works of M. W. Baldwin & Co., went to Pittsburgh in 1859, in the capacity of Private Secretary to Haskins Dupuy, Esq., President of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company. He remained there until Mr. Dupuy's resignation, in 1860. When Mr. Dupuy, in that year, assumed the Presidency of the Catawissa Railroad, Mr. Hays was appointed Chief Clerk to the Superintendent of that road, Mr. Goodwin, which position he held until 1862, when began his connec-tion with the Northern Central Railroad. At the time of his death he occupied the

position of Superintendent of a Division of he Northern Central Railroad Companythough, being the confidential assistant of Mr. Du Barry, he was in reality the Assistant Superintendent of the entire road. For this post his excellent abilities and acquirements in all matters pertaining to the man-agement of railroads peculiarly fitted him. But his energies were overtasked, and the seeds of the fatal disease which brought him to the grave were too surely sown. Yet, like the faithful sentinel, he kept at his post of duty until complete physical prostration compelled him to leave it. With difficulty he reached his father's residence in this city. where, for two weeks, his devoted parents were his faithful and tender nurses. At length death's icy hand touched his warm heart, and on Friday last all that was mortal of him was laid to rest.

Modest and unassuming in his deport-

ment, diffident almost to a fault, ever gentle, kind and affectionate, his quiet virtues and genuine worth won the respect and attachment of all who met him as friends or with whom he had official inter course. In such high esteem was he held by the employes of the Railroad Company with whom he was connected, and so much was he beloved by them that, when the sad tidings of his death reached Harrisburg, every engineer on the Northern division craped his engine, while the clerks in the Superintendent's office dressed their rooms n mourning drapery.

These tributes of respect to his memory were purely voluntary and spontaneous; they were as earnest and sincere as they are unusual.

These memorial lines are written, not in the spirit of eulogy, but in the hope that those to whom Mr. Hays was nearest and dearest, may, in the depth of their distress, gather some consolation, slight though it be from the knowledge that there are many hearts beating with sympathy for them and with sorrow for the loss sustained by all

Sunday Mercury Office, Jan. 27, 1866. OHIO TOBACCO.—The Indian weed

grown more or less in every county of the State of Ohio, Montgomery county leading off, viz:

| Pot | inas. | Pounds. |
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| Montgomery7.7 | 20.223 Belmont. | 2.245.944 |
| Brown 2,6 | 54 503 Clermont | 1.066,756 |
| Greene | 9.943 Minmi | |
| Mooroe 3 35 | 54,603 Morgan | 1.761.569 |
| Noble4.39 | 99,168 Preble | 1.114.029 |
| Warren | 00.516 Washing | On |
| Butler 8 | 7,441 Darke | 528,499 |
| Guernsey 8 | 39.232 Hocking. | 831,194 |
| Shelby | 21.421 Highland | 3 242, 11 5 |
| Lawrence 26 | 53.512 Athens | 683,370 |
| Ashtabula 22 | 83,695 Hamilton | 119,203 |
| The Third Congressional District raised | | |
| 11,121,209 pounds. | There are | a number of |
| other counties that produce large amounts, | | |
| Total in the Stat | te, 37,022,32 | 3 pounds in |
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the year 1864.

THE POLICY OF NEWSPAPERS who grumble at four cents for daily and ten cents for weekly papers here, would do well to notice what European papers cost. The London Times costs forty five dollars a year. The Morning Chronicle, Daily News, year. The Morning Chronicle, Daily News, Globe, Herald and Post, charge the same rate. The London Evening Mail is published three times a week at twenty-five dollars a year. The London semi-weeklies twelve dollars. The French daily papers, large ones, are about the same price as the London prints. Those about the size of our pennics cost twenty and twenty-five of our pennies cost twenty and twenty-five dollars a year. The German papers cost from twenty-two to thirty-six dollars a year. -N. Y. Citizen.

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