The County Court House—Some Account of its History.

Circumstances have recently caused much attention to be directed to the County Court House, at the corner of Sixth and Chestnut streets, and we have thought that a sketch of its history might not be uninteresting at this time. At the close of the Revolutionary War, when the minds of the people became urned toward the improvement of the city, many matters that had been considered necessary before the commencement of the Revolutionary struggle again pressed themselves upon public attention: among others was the improvement of the State House lot by the erection of new public buildings. Neither city nor county had been able to take advantage of the permission given by the grant of February, 1762, by the institution of measures for the erection of a Court House and City Hall. In 1785 the Assembly gave direction that the old jail, at Third and Market streets, should be sold; and of the money received for the same £3,000 should be appropriated to the county of Philadelphia for the erection of a Court House at Sixth and Chestnut streets, and £3,000 to the city for the erection of a City Hall at Fifth and Chestnut streets. The lots were shortly afterward extended to the depth of 88 feet. The county was the earliest to carry out the provisions of this law. In the spring of 1787 work was commenced on the Court House, the cellars of which were dug by the convicts, commonly called "Wheelbarrow Men." In 1790 the City Hall was commenced, and was finished in the succeeding year. The Court House was given up for the use of Congress during the time the seat of government was located in the city. The Senate occupied the south room, second story, now District Court room No. 1. The House of Representatives had the apartment now so well known as the Quarter Sessions Court room. There was a wide hall, which ran through from Chestnut street, dividing the room now used by the Receiver of Taxes and forming a small room upon each side of the passage. Congress sat in the room in the rear; and the arrangement was much the same as the present disposition of the same apartment, except that the speaker sat on the west side of the room. The lobbies for the public were in the same places as those now appropriated to spectators of the doings of the Court of Quarter Sessions. There was a private entrance for members on the east side of the room.

The meanness of the apartments in the old County Court House, formerly occupied by the two houses of Congress, in contrast with their present splendid quarters at Washington, might be dilated upon extensively. A cotemporary writer describes the ancient location of the houses of Congress. He first refers to the Senate chamber in the back room of the second story. He says:

In a very plain chair, without canopy, and a small mahogany table before him, festooned at the sides and front with green silk, Mr. Adams, the Vice President, presided as President of the Senate, facing the north. The portrait in Peale's Museum is, in the opinion of the writer, a perfect *fac simile* of the elder Adams, in face, person and apparel, as they appeared to him, above the little table placed before that venerable gentleman. Among the thirty Senators of that day, there was observed, constantly, during the debate, the most delightful silence, the most beautiful order, gravity and personal dignity of manner. They all appeared every morning, full powdered, and dressed as age or fancy might suggest, in the richest material. The very atmosphere of the place seemed to inspire wisdom, mildness and condescension. Should any one of them so far forget, for a moment, as to be the cause of a protracted whisper while another was addressing the Vice President, three gentle taps, with his silver pencil case upon the table, by Mr. Adams, immediately restored everything to repose and the most respectful attention, presenting in their courtesy a most striking contrast to the independent loquacity of the representatives below stairs; some few of whom persisted in wearing, while in their seats, and during the debate, their ample cocked hats, placed "fore and aft" upon their heads, with here and there a leg thrown across the little desk s before them, and facing Mr. *Jupiter* Dayton, as he was sometimes called by writers in the *Aurora* of Benjamin Franklin Bache.

In describing the lower hall, now occupied by the Court of Quarter Sessions, our writer says:

The House of Representatives, in session, occupied the ground floor. There was a platform elevated three steps, plainly carpeted, and covering nearly the whole of the area, with a limited promenade for the members and privileged persons; and four narrow desks, between the Sixth street windows, for the stenographers, Lloyd, Gales, Callender and Duane. The Speaker's chair, without canopy, was of plain leather and brass nails, facing the east, at or near the centre of the western wall.

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Speaker Muhlenberg was succeeded by Jonathan Dayton, of New Jersey—a very tall, raw-boned figure of a gentleman, with terrific aspect, and, when excited, a voice of thunder. His slender, bony figure filled only the centre of the chair; resting on the arms of it with his hands, and not the elbows. From the silence which prevailed, of course, on coming to order, after prayers by Bishop White, an occasional whisper, increasing to a buzz, after the manner of boys in school, in the seats, in the lobby, and around the fires, swelled at last to loud conversation, wholly inimical to debate. Very frequently, at this stage of confusion among the "babbling politicians," Mr, Speaker Dayton would start suddenly upon his feet, look fiercely around the hall, and utter the words, "Order, order! without the bar!" in such an appalling tone of voice, that, as though a cannon had been fired under the windows in the street, the deepest silence in one moment prevailed, but for a very short time.

We have before us a caricature picture, which illustrates a scene which took place n the apartment last described, on the 15th of February, 1798. Matthew Lyon, of Vermont, a prominent Democrat, having become much vexed at the remarks of a Mr. Griswold, a leading Federalist, spat in the face of the latter while Congress was in session. Griswold afterwards returned the insult with a blow, which Lyon resented with the tongs, which he seized for the purpose. The fight raged for some time before the combatants were separated. This, we believe, was the first personal conflict that ever took place in the American Congress; but, unfortunately for the credit of the country, there have been too many repetitions of such knock-down arguments. The caricature referred to presents the "honorable" gentlemen "going in" with bludgeon and tongs, while the members around seem to enjoy the exciting scene. At the bottom is the following doggrel:

"He in a trice struck Lyon thrice
Upon his head, enrag'd sir,
Who seized the tongs to ease his wrongs,
And Griswold thus engaged, sir."

The "American Republican Harmonist," a collection of quaint political songs, published in this city in the beginning of the present century, contains a number of verses which were written in commemoration of this pugilistic scene, but they are written in such a free-and-easy style that a regard for common decency will prevent us from transferring them to our columns.

An old and much respected citizen informs us that he has often heard Gallatin, Bayard, Harper, John Randolph, Nicholas Dana, and the other great men of their time, engaged in debate in the apartment now used as a court room. We learn from the same reliable authority that when the Senate met in the south room, up stairs, the apartment was larger than it is at present. There was a narrow gallery at the northern end of the room; and opposite, in the spot now occupied by the Judges of the District Court, sat Vice President Jefferson, with Samuel A. Otis, Secretary of the Senate, seated before him.

Under the Confederacy New York was chosen as the seat of government; but, after the adoption of the Constitution, Philadelphia was selected to be the place of meeting of Congress for ten years, until the new Federal Capital, in the District of Columbia, was properly prepared by the erection of buildings, etc. General Washington spent nearly the whole of his Presidential life in Philadelphia, and John Adams the greater part of his official term also. In 1800 the seat of Federal Government was removed to Washington, and the same year the State Legislature ceased to meet in Philadelphia.

On the morning of the 26th of December, 1821, the County Court House, at Sixth and Chestnut streets, took fire and, in spite of the exertions of the firemen, the roof and cupola were partially destroyed. Fortunately the fire took place in daylight, and the main building and wings of the State House escaped damage. At another time the roof of the City Hall, at the corner of Fifth and Chestnut streets, was mostly destroyed by fire. The old County Court House was also much endangered at the time of the burning of Hart's Building, in December 1851. It was on fire several times, and it was only by the heroic and determined exertions of the firemen that the Court House was preserved from destruction.

The recent history of the building is so generally known that it is scarcely necessary to enlarge upon it. It is also known that City Councils have made an appropriation for enlarging the Court House by building an addition to it upon the south. At a bar meeting, held on Saturday, Mr. James Lynd, President of Select Council, stated that the new Court House, to be built in the square south of the present building, is to be ninety feet on Sixth street, and sixty feet in depth; and the Quarter Sessions Court room, which is to be in the second story, is to be sixty by fifty-eight feet, the present room being forty by forty-seven feet, and will have a greater height of ceiling by ten feet than the present room has. The plans have been prepared, and proposals for the erection of the building are to be immediately issued. Mr. Lynd did not think the sum of $35,000 sufficient to complete the building; not less than from $50,000 to $60,000 would, in his opinion, finish it.

CITY BULLETIN.

CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE PHILADELPHIA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.—The closing exercises of the Girls' High and Normal School took place this morning at the school building in Sergeant street. The room was appropriately decorated for the occasion, ane was crowded with the relatives and friends of the scholars. A number of the members of City Councils and the Controllers of the Public Schools were present. The young ladies of the graduating class were dressed in white, and in respect to the memory of Miss Josie A. Sinquet, who died a few weeks ago, a mourning badge was worn on the arm.

The programme consisted of music arranged by Prof. Everest, the teacher at the school, essays, recitations and drawings on the blackboard.

The exercises were opened by a prayer delivered by Rev. P. S. Henson.

The reading of the scriptures followed.

The remainder of the programme was as follows:

Anthem—"All ye Nations"—in two parts.

Essay—"Needles"—composed by Miss Lizzie S. White—read by Miss Matilda Montgomery.

Recitation—"The Mantle of St. John de Matha"—Miss Emma Coope.

Essay—"The Romance of War"—composed and read by Miss Julie T. Costigan.

Recitation—"The Land of my Birth"—Miss Lidy J. Ker.

Recitation—"An Hour on the Ice"—Miss Kate C. Harrison.

Ballad—Miss Lizzie Bird.

Essay—"Great Emergencies produce Great Men"—composed and read by Miss Lizzie Scott.

Recitation—"The Baptism of Christ"—Miss Cornelia W. Lund.

Essay—"What he winked at in the Streets of Philadelphia"—composed by Miss Kate C. Harrison—read by Miss Susie McNabb. Recitation—"The Rising,—from the "Wild Wagoner"—Miss Josephine Hamill.

DELIVERY OF DIPLOMAS.

George W. Fetter, Esq., the Principal of the School then delivered the diplomas to the graduating class, and in doing so, addressed the young ladies as follows:

ADDRESS OF THE PRINCIPAL.

Young Ladies: You are about to sever your connection with the many happy associations by which you have been surrounded during the three years of toil, labor, and, I trust, pleasant reminiscences, that you have been pupils of this school. Your career has been commendable and praiseworthy in study and deportment; in the performance of every duty you have distinguished yourselves alike, and on leaving this institution, you bear with you the fondest hopes of all with whom you have been accustomed to associate, that you may realize a bright, successful, and happy future, that your onward career through life may be brilliant and useful. Your course here, ladies, I trust is an earnest of what you will be in any position, to which you may be called in the future. Your industry, perseverance and energy here are a sure guarantee of success and prosperity elsewhere. Although you graduate to-day with distinguished honors, the termination of your school day career, which has been fraught with many fond anticipations that were hopeful, pleasant and attractive, and I hope are or may be realized, is but the beginning of a life of care and anxiety, but I trust of great usefulness, and much felicity.

No doubt most of you intend to select the calling of teacher for a profession; in doing so, you are eminently qualified for that noble and useful mission, and your success depends entirely upon your personal exertions and well directed efforts. In accepting this vocation, you accept grave responsibilities, and I trust you will ever feel alive to the importance of wise effort, and judicious labor, remembering that you have to deal with immortal minds, and in the discharge of your duty you are not simply responsible to the properly constituted authorities, or to society alone, but a wiser and greater Power, the Searcher of all hearts, your Creator, as correct teaching has much to do with moulding the character of all responsible beings.

But, ladies, in whatever sphere in life you may be called to act, may the time spent, the advantages you have received here, under the wise auspices of those having charge of our educational interests, the Controllers of Public Schools, in organizing and sustaining this noble institution, be fruitful in great and manifold blessings to society, and redound to the wisdom and glory of God.

And now, in the name and by the authority of the Controllers of Public Schools, I present to you these diplomas, as an evidence that you have completed the course of study prescribed in the Girl's High and Normal School; and, as graduates of this institution, commend you to the care and confidence of the community.

GRADUATING CLASS.

	Average.
1. Amanda E. Foust,	95.1
2. Cornelia W. Lund,	93.7
3. Emma Coope,	93.0
4. Josephine Hamill,	93.0
5. Julia Costegar,	91.2
6. Kate C. Harrison,	91.1
7. Matilda Montgomery,	90.4
8. Laura Hayes,	90.4
9. Susie McNabb,	90.2
10. Sallie E. Clayton,	90.2
11. Lidy J. Ker,	89.8
12. Lizzie Scott,	89.5
13. Fannie E. Bartlett,	89.4
14. Lizzie Hilton,	89.2
15. Anna E. Lindsay,	88.9
16. Emma E. Earley,	88.3
17. Rachel Mackey,	88.1
18. Susie M. Webb,	87.9
19. Sarah D. Manly,	87.9
20. Fannie Reinhold,	87.3
21. Eliza F. Ridgway,	87.2
22. Ella B. Morgan,	87.2
23. Lizzie Bird,	86.6
24. Bessie Y. Horn,	85.5
25. Lizzie S. White,	85
26. Julia H. Cherry,	85.2
27. Sallie B. Paullin,	83.3
28. Carrie F. C. Shreve,	83.0
29. Mary Morgan,	82.9
30. Kate A. Farrow,	80.3
31. Sallie W. Choate,	77.3
32. Sallie F. Rogers,	

List of those who obtained the highest term average in each section:

	Section.	Average.
Miss Beulah H. Hinchman,	C,	99
" Minnie Murdoch,	B,	98.8
" Lizzie Vandeveer,	D,	98.7
" Emma M. Geiselman,	E,	98.5
" Matilda Montgomery,	A,	97.5
" Susie R. Mitchell,	F,	97.4

AWARD OF TESTIMONIALS.

The testimonials were then awarded as follows:

DISTINGUISHED.

Division A.—Amanda E. Foust, 95.1; Cornelia Lund, 93.7; Emma Coope, 93.; Josephine Hamill, 93.; Josephine T. Costigan, 91.2; Kate Harrison, 91.1; Matilda Montgomery, 90.4; Laura Hayes, 90.4; Susie McNabb, 90.2; Sarah E. Clayton, 90.2.

Division B—Minnie Murdoch, 97.45; Lydia Voute, 96.5; Jennie Vandeveer 90.55; Mary E. Elliott, 90.5; Lavinia P. Rodgers, 90.25; Annie Hershey, 90.05.

Division C—Jennie W. Wylie, 97.5; Beulah H. Hinchman, 96.2; Bessie W. Connell, 95.25; Emma S. Gaskill, 95.2; Emma D. Miller, 94.2; Lydia M. Watson, 92.9; Tillie Scott, 92.1; Annie Kohler, 92.1; Ella Clay, 91.7; Fanny Rudolph, 90.5; Clara Beale, 90.5.

Division D—Lizzie W. Dickson, 95.9; Maggie Prichard, 95.05; Nellie Goddard, 94.7; Fanny Bean, 94.4; Lizzie Vandeveer, 93.5. Annie Krewson, 92.2; Lottie Somers, 91.2; Mary W. Stevens, 90.85; Emma Camp, 90.05.

Division E—Emma Geiselman, 96 85; Mary E. Hall, 93 3; Kate Foulke, 92.1; Mary D. Eldridge, 91.4; Annie Manly, 90.2.

Division F—Ella Demuth, 95.5; Hallie Hully, 94.6; Susie R. Mitchell, 90.

The valedictory address—"Good Bye"—composed by Miss Juliette H. Cherrey, was read by Miss Amanda E. Foust.

This closed the exercises and the audience separated.

THE BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.—There was another large audience at Concert Hall yesterday afternoon and last evening, to witness the billiard tournament for the championship of Pennsylvania.

In the afternoon Messrs. Palmer and Hughes played a match game of 500 points, which was won by Palmer, the score standing at the close of the game: Palmer, 500; Hughes, 324. The highest runs were as follows: Palmer, 35, 28, 24; Hughes, 28, 62, 31.

An exhibition game was then played between Messrs. Nelms and McDevitt, which was won by Nelms, who scored 300 against 129 for McDevitt. The highest runs were, Nelms 32, 82, 50; McDevitt 20, 24, 17.

In the evening Messrs. Ryall and Bruce contended for the championship in a game of 500 points, which was won by Ryall, who distanced his opponent 276 points. The highest rune were, Ryall 71, 68, 53; Bruce 28, 29, 31. At the conclusion of the game, Pierre Carme, the celebrated French player, gave an exhibition of fancy shots. The evening's performance closed with an exhibition game of 300 points, betweeu Ryall and Nelms, which was won by Ryall, who made the large run of 293 points, the game standing Ryall 300, Nelms 165.

This afternoon Ryall and Hughes will contend, and in the evening Plunket and Bruce will try their skill.

SAD DEATH OF AN INSANE WOMAN.—Elizabeth Spanzenburg, seventy years old, leaped into Gunner's Run, yesterday afternoon, and was rescued by Nineteenth Ward officers and taken to the Nineteenth Ward Station. It was subsequently ascertained she was insane, and had managed to leave her home, No. 987 Kurtz street, without the knowledge of her friends. Information of her whereabouts was made known to her friends through the police telegraph. Mrs. Spanzenburg was removed to her residence, where she soon after died.

TRIAL OF ENGINES.—The trial of the engines on the United States sloop-of-war Chattanooga, now lying at Reed street wharf, commenced yesterday, and will be continued until Saturday evening. They were built by Messrs. Merrick & Sons, of this city, under the supervision of Chief Engineer George S. Bright, U. S. N. When the trial is concluded, the Chattanooga will be fitted out for sea.

RE-ARREST OF A JAIL BREAKER.—John Ward, who was convicted at Media, Delaware county, about a year ago, of a misdemeanor, in being a principal in a prize fight, and sentenced to two years' imprisonment, but who broke jail a few days after, was arrested yesterday by reserve officer Crout, at the foot of Walnut street, and before night was back in his old quarters.

DOINGS OF THE DETECTIVES.—During January the officers of the Detective Department have made 65 arrests. The charges were:—Larceny, 17; receiving stolen goods, 1; robbery, 8; burglary, 4; conspiracy to cheat and defraud, 7; swindling, 1; drunk and disorderly, 1; extortion, 1; garroting, 1; suspicion of larceny, 1; assault and battery, 1; false pretences, 2; professional thieves, 20. Total, 65.

THE STEAMSHIP LINE TO SOUTHERN PORTS.—Last evening, at the Board of Trade Rooms, the various committees having in charge the subscriptions for the establishment of steam lines between Philadelphia and the South, presented their several reports. It appears that the required amount of $600,000 has been entirely secured.

THE CIRCUS ROBBED.—Last evening, about 6 o'clock, the box-office of the Great Western Circus and Menagerie, at Tenth and Callowhill streets, was entered by bursting open the front door, and a small hand-safe, containing over twelve hundred dollars, carried from the premises. Two men were seen leaving the office, carrying the safe between them, but they were, at the time, supposed to be employes of the company.

This morning the safe was found at Eighteenth and Thompson streets. It had been broken open and robbed of its contents.

EASTWICK SKATING PARK.—The skating on both basins at Eastwick Park, Gray's Ferry, is really superb. Beck's band plays during the afternoon, and all the arrangements are of the very first character. The facilities for getting to the park and returning are excellent, and the throng of visitors is very great. No more attractive spot for the engagement of the exhilarating sport of skating can be found than Eastwick Park.

SOUTHERN STEAMERS.—We are requested to call the attention of shippers to the fact that the ice embargo having been raised the steamers for the Richmond, Norfolk and Petersburg and Alexandria and Washington lines are now receiving freight and will leave to-morrow (Saturday), Feb. 3d, and regularly hereafter on their advertised days.

NATIONAL SKATING PARK.—The splendid park at Twenty-first and Columbia avenue is now in as splendid order as at any time during the winter. Some of the most marvelous skating ever seen in this city has been accomplished on this extensive and well-ordered park, and those who visit it cannot fail to be delighted.

DIED FROM HIS INJURIES.—The little boy named Hogg, who was badly burned yesterday by his clothes taking fire while playing with matches, died from his injuries last evening. His parents reside at the northwest corner of Twenty-fourth and Callowhill streets.

OIL PAINTINGS.—Persons wishing to contribute to the sale of Oil Paintings, to take place at Scott's Art Gallery, 1020 Chestnut street, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 7th, must have their Paintings in store on or before Saturday, 3d inst.

B. SCOTT, Jr., Auctioneer.

WINDOW SHADES,
Scroll,
Landscape,
Plower,
Gilt and Gold,
of every description.
Manufactured by
BOWER & WORRELL,
229 Arch street.

WE WOULD direct the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Messrs. J. C. Strawbridge & Co. They will open this day, 5 cases new style Spring Calicoes, of best makes, at 23 cents per yard. Also, a large lot of wide Chintzes, at 25 cents.

SUPERLATIVELY FINE CONFECTIONS.—Choice and rare varieties for select presents. Manufactured by STEPHEN F. WHITMAN, No. 1210 Market street.

PURE LIBERTY LEAD.—Orders daily increasing.

HEAVY all linen napkins, large size at $2 62 per dozen, at J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets.

WINE OF TAR
Syrup.
For Coughs, Colds and Affections of the Lungs. This excellent preparation affords speedy relief in all cases of a pulmonary character. Put up in bottles at 50 cents. Harris & Oliver, Druggists, S. E. corner Chestnut and Tenth streets. The trade supplied at reasonable rates.

INCOMPARABLE GUM DROPS—Ever soluble, and deliciously flavored. Manufactured only by STEPHEN F. WHITMAN, No. 1210 Market street.

J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., Northwest corner of Eighth and Market streets, have reduced their fine blankets from 56 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.

COUNTERPANES, new patterns, just received, J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets.

WINTER CLOTHING, at reduced prices, at Charles Stokes & Co.'s, under the Continental.

HAVANA CIGARS AND LYNCHBURG TOBACCOS—Best in the City, at reduced prices, at Flaherty's, 87 Chestnut street, opposite the Continental. Notice.—Store closed on Sunday. Customers, please purchase on Saturday.

HOPKINS' HOOP SKIRTS are the best made, and his assortment is complete. No. 628 Arch street.

INIMITABLY FINE CHOCOLATE CONFECTIONS.—A variety of choice kinds. STEPHEN F. WHITMAN, Manufacturer, No. 1210 Market street.

BARNUM, in his *exposé* of modern humbugs, will, it is understood, apply the lash to the counterfeiters of foreign perfumes in this country. They are fair game, but of small account, as Phalon's "Night-Blooming Cereus," the great floral extract of the day is rapidly driving their trash out of the trade. Sold everywhere.

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, Under the Continental Hotel.

8-4 Heavy Bleached Table Damasks, at $1 00 per yard. J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets.

DEAFNESS, BLINDNESS AND CATARRH.—J. Isaacs, M. D., Professor of the Eye and Ear, treats all diseases appertaining to the above members 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.

8-4 CREAM Loom Table Linens, in block patterns, J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets.

SILVER PLATED WARE.—Patented, August, 1865.—An air-tight Ice Pitcher. The trade furnished with plated ware of all descriptions. FREDK LEBFRIED, Manufacturer, F. C. MEYER, Superintendent, 233 South Fifth street, Phila.

PURE LIBERTY LEAD.—Try it, and you will have none other.

THE EDITORIAL TREADMILL.—The *Home Journal* thus describes the editor's burdens: "It is one of the hardships of our profession that its working wheels—brains and heart—are not allowed to lag for sickness, or to stop for calamity or sorrow. The lodge may sojourn his court, the school and the workshop may close shutters, the mourner may veil his features, and turn friend and stranger from the door; but the journalist must forget before to-morrow the sorrows of to-day and must write gayly and freshly at all times. This is, however, an easy task when his pen is devoted to eulogizing the excellence of the coal sold by W. W. Alter, No. 957 North Ninth street.

ROASTED ALMONDS.—The finest Roasted Almonds manufactured,
Are those prepared by
STEPHEN F. WHITMAN, No. 1210 Market street.

PURE LIBERTY LEAD.—Preferred by Dealers, as it always gives satisfaction to their customers.

A LOVE OF AN AMBASSADOR.—Sir Frederick Bruce and his diamond star create much sensation in Washington. The ladies pronounce him "a love of an ambassador." Sir Frederick has shown that he knows what he is about, for he has sent on to Philadelphia to procure one of those cheap and elegant suits, sold at the Brown Stone Clothing Hall of Rockhill & Wilson, Nos. 603 and 605 Chestnut street above Sixth. Now is the time to imitate the example of Sir Frederick, and secure the cheap garments rescued from the conflagration.

ALL the leading makes of cotton sheetings and shirtings, J. C. STRAWBRIDGE & CO., N. W. corner Eighth and Market streets.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA.—Estate of HENRY HASSAN, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that LEVINA HASSAN, widow of the said decedent, has filed in said Court an inventory and appraisement of the personal property of said Estate, and her petition claiming to receive and retain the sum of $300, as set forth in her petition under the Act of Assembly of April 14, 1851, and that the same will be approved by said Court on Friday, February 16, 1866, unless exceptions be filed thereto.

JOHN GOFORTH,
Attorney for Petitioner.
January 31, 1866. fe2,f,tu,4t*

REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE.—A desirable dwelling on Walnut street, west of Broad. Address "W. H." BULLETIN Office. fe2-4t*

PICKLED HERRING.—500 barrels Bay of Island's Herring, in store and for sale by E. A. SOUDER & CO., Dock Street Wharf.

ALMERIA GRAPES.—100 kegs of these splendid white grapes in fine order landing and for sale by JOS. B. BUSSIER & CO., 103 South Delaware avenue

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SKATING BY MOONLIGHT,
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PHILADELPHIA
SKATING PARK,
Thirty-first and Walnut Streets.
WITH ALL THE ATTRACTIONS AND ADVANTAGES PECULIAR TO THIS PARK.
There was splendid Skating on this Park all of yesterday and last night, which can only be produced such mild weather as this by
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Single admission Tickets, TWENTY-FIVE CENTS EACH. To be had at entrance. 1t*

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Central Skating Park
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GOOD ICE
ALL DAY AND EVENING. 1t

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Skating by Moonlight This Evening.
Skating by Moonlight This Evening.
At Union Parks, Fourth and Diamond.
The EAST PARK has not been skated upon till today. The Ice is in
Superbly Excellent Condition.
Come and see the accomplished and expert lady skaters of Philadelphia this afternoon and evening.
Look out for the GRAND MASQUERADE AND FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL, to come off soon.
Full particulars in future notices. 1t

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AND BY MOONLIGHT THIS EVENING.
NATIONAL SKATING PARK,
TWENTY-FIRST ST. AND COLUMBIA AVENUE.
SPLENDID SKATING. ICE IN PERFECT CONDITION. Music in attendance. Take Ridge Avenue Cars. 1t

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16 South Third st., Philadelphia. | 3 Nassau street, New York.
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TO
NEW OFFICE.
On MONDAY, 5th instant, we shall remove from our temporary office, 305 CHESTNUT Street, to our old location,
114 South Third Street,
With greatly enlarged facilities for the
PURCHASE AND SALE OF
Government and Other Securities,
And the transaction of a general Banking business.
JAY COOKE & CO.
PHILADELPHIA, January 1, 1866.

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From this date, HENRY D. COOKE, HARRIS FAHNESTOCK, PITT COOKE, JOHN W. SEXTON and GEORGE C. THOMAS, are partners with us in the firm of JAY COOKE & CO., Philadelphia.

JAY COOKE,
WM. G. MOORHEAD.
PHILADELPHIA, January 1, 1866. ja6-1m

$5,000, $1,500, $1,000, $500, TO LOAN, ON Mortgage, by J. H. MORRIS, No. 233 North Tenth street. fe2-4t*

COPARTNERSHIPS.

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the firm of CHAS. HILLBORN & CO., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All parties having claims against said firm will present them for settlement to CHAS. HILLBORN, WM. H. NIXON.
JANUARY 31, 1866. 513 Commerce Street.
The undersigned will continue the Paper and Rag Business, on his own account, at 513 COMMERCE St.
CHAS. HILLBORN.
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WANTED.—A FIRST-CLASS SALESWOMAN, in a retail Cloak Store; one thoroughly competent can obtain a permanent situation at a liberal salary; all communications strictly confidential. Address E. E. L., BULLETIN Office. fe2-2t*

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RIBLEY'S CONTINENTAL NEWS EXCHANGE
CHOICE SEATS
To all places of amusement may be had up to 8½ o'clock any evening. mh29-4t

CHOICE SEATS AND ADMISSION TICKETS can be had at THE PROGRAMME OFFICE, 431 CHESTNUT street, opposite the Post Office, for the ARCH, CHESTNUT, WALNUT and ACADEMY OF MUSIC, up to 6 o'clock every evening. se19tf

LA COTERIE BLANCHE,
THIRD ANNUAL FANCY DRESS HOP
AT
ACADEMY OF MUSIC,
February 7th, 1866.
SECURED SEATS in the FAMILY CIRCLE and TICKETS for the AMPHITHEATRE can be obtained by the Subscribers for their friends on application to WM. H. BELLOWS, Secretary, at No. 630 Chestnut street, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M. Price One Dollar each. fe1-3t

NEW CHESTNUT STREET THEATRE.
CHESTNUT Street, above TWELFTH.
LEONARD GROVER and WM. E. SINN, Lessees and Managers.
ARRAH-NA-POGUE, ARRAH-NA-POGUE,
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ARRAH-NA-POGUE, ARRAH-NA-POGUE,
It will be repeated
THIS (Friday) EVENING, Feb. 2, 1866.
Mr. F. H. GLENNEY as.....SHAUN THE POST
Miss JOSIE ORTON as.....ARRAH MEELISH
Messrs. F. Mordaunt, G. H. Clarke, Walter Lennox, B. Young, J. T. Ward, Miss Lizzie Cooper and Mrs. Mordaunt will also appear.
The performance will conclude with the new London Farce,
MY WIFE'S MAID,
with Mr. Walter Lennox, Mr. J. T. Ward and Miss Annie Ward in the cast.
Doors open at 6.45. Curtain rises at 7.45.
ADMISSIONS—25 cents, 50 cents, and $1.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON, February 3,
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EIGHTY-SEVENTH GRAND FAMILY MATINEE
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ADMISSION TO ALL PARTS OF THE HOUSE, 50 CENTS.
Children, 25 cents.
Doors open at 1.15. Curtain rises at 2.

WALNUT STREET THEATRE.
N. E. corner NINTH and WALNUT Streets.
BENEFIT OF MR. JOHN S. CLARKE.
ENTIRE CHANGE OF PERFORMANCES.
FRIDAY.
Oliver Goldsmith's Comedy, in five acts, of
SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER.
Tony Lumpkins.....Mr. J. S. Clarke
Mr. Griffiths as Hardcastle, Mr. Walcot as Marlow, Fawcett as Diggory, Miss Graham as Miss Hardcastle, Mrs. Walcot as Miss Neville, Miss Carr as Mrs. Hardcastle.
First time Planche's Comic Drama of
HE'S JACK SHEPPARD.
Jack Sheppard.....Mr. J. S. Clarke
Commences with the capital Farce of
THE PRACTICAL MAN.
SATURDAY—Planche's Great Drama, in five acts,
THE KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE,
With other entertainments.

MRS. JOHN DREW'S NEW ARCH STREET THEATRE. Begins at 7½ o'clock.
FAREWELL BENEFIT
OF MISS JEAN HOSMER.
THIS (Friday) EVENING, February 2, 1866,
ION.
Ion.....Miss Jean Hosmer
Clemanthe.....Miss E. Price
Adrastus.....E. L. Tilton
Cresiphon.....McKee Rankin
Medon.....F. Mackay
Phocion.....L. L. James
Agenor.....Mr. Wallis
After which ICI ON PARLE FRANCAIS.
Mr. Spriggins.....Stuart Robson
SATURDAY—LAST NIGHT OF MISS HOSMER.
MONDAY NEXT—EMMA WALLER.
Seats secured six days in advance.

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OPENING NIGHT.
SATURDAY EVENING, Feb. 3d,
When will be presented, (and on
EVERY EVENING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.)
Mr. McKeon's Great Dramatization of
UNCLE TOM'S CABIN;
OR, LIFE AMONG THE LOWLY.
This is *the only* recognized version of Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe's great work, and is pronounced by THE CLERGY, THE PRESS AND THE PEOPLE.
Uncle Tom.....Mr. H. W. Gossin
Simon Legree.....Mr. Thomas Weir
Topsy.....Miss Clara Fitz James
Eva.....La Petite Maria Nichols
THE COMPANY FULL AND EFFECTIVE.
THE SCENERY NEW AND APROPRIATE.
SONGS, DANCES, CHORUSES, &C.
PRICE OF ADMISSION.
Dress Circle and Orchestra, 50 cents; Parquet, 30 cents; Family Circle, 25 cents; Reserved and Private Box Seats, 75 cents.
Doors open at 7 o'clock. Commence at half-past 7 o'clock. fe1

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GRAND NATIONAL CIRCUS,
WALNUT street, above Eighth.
FIRST APPEARANCE OF W. F. WALLETT, the Queen's Jester, Shakspearean Fool and Citizen Clown, who will perform
EVERY EVENING
AND ON WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY AFTERNOONS,
Also, the brilliant
M'LLE ZANFRETTA.
Last week of
"THE FIELD OF THE CLOTH OF GOLD."
Comic Pantomime—"THE FRENCH SCHOOLMASTER."

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Corner of TENTH and CHESTNUT Streets,
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PEAK FAMILY
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EVERY EVENING THIS WEEK,
AND
SATURDAY AFTERNOON,
GRAND MATINEE.
Admission, 35 cents. Secured Seats, 50 cents. Children, 25 cents. No half-price to secured seats.
Doors open at 6½ o'clock. To commence at 7½.
Matinee admittance, 25 cents. Children, 15 cents.
Matinee—Doors open at 2 o'clock. Commence at 3.
ja29-6t C. C. CHASE, Business Agent.

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UNABATED SUCCESS—NEW FEATS.
SIGNOR BLITZ,
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EVERY EVENING at 7½ o'clock, and Wednesday and Saturday Afternoons, at 3 o'clock.
This week, the Wonderful