

OFTY BULLETIN.

OPENING OF SPRING BONNETS .- Yesterday being set apart by the house of Messra Wood & Cary—the leading military estab-lishment of this city—for their Spring "opening," their spacious store, at No. 725 Chestnut street, was to the ladies of our city the chief centre of attraction. This house has long been looked up to by this branch of trade as a sort of fountain head for authoritative styles and fancies in the millinery line, not only in ready-made bonnets and hats, but in all the materials for making them, of which they keep a magnificent assortment to cut for customers who prefer to buy the materials, and either make their own bonnets or have them made to order. Their "opening" yesterday ex-ceeded in extent, richness and variety, any of their former exhibitions, and certainly or their former exhibitions, and certainly afforded a capital index to the styles and fashions which are to prevail during the coming season. The size of bonnets is more diminutive than ever; the shapes usually varied, while in colors the fancy of purchasers

is the only rule. is the only rule. A morning paper, in an article on the "opening" in question, furnishes the follow-ing description of some of the specimens in the exhibition, which we take the liberty of reproducing, together with a few comments upon Messrs. Wood & Cary's Hats, style of immings, etc.: What may be called the regular bonnet of

the season is a kind of round-crown, sensible affair, and decidedly pretty. More fancy than this are the "Gypsy," "Fanchon," half-handkerchief hat, and some thirty or forty other technicals to be seen in Wood & Cary's stock.

A plain white straw, trimmed with green a puff of silk across the crown, a wreath of violets extending to the face, and a fall of beautiful white lace in front—the latter a new and stylish trimming, now much in

vogue. A French chip in this department was greatly admired. It was constructed with an open crown, folds of the chip forming a roll at the side, out of which fell a delicate veil. The face was formed with a twist of vell. The lace was formed which a twist of green velvet, lilies of the valley and rose-buds, being altogether the most gossamer-like and ethereal looking article to protect the head from the weather that could possibly be imagined. We also notice a pink crape bonnet, with

an open crown, formed of three bands of ribbon, festooned with rose-buds to match

ribbon, festooned with rose-buds to maten, and trimmed with a point appliqué lace flower—a decided novelty, Another much admired French bonnet was a light drab silk, with full puffs on the crown, and a falling veil of crape, fastened on the face and descending down the side, the entire effect being stylish but neat.

The styles of ornamenting bonnets are as various as the shapes of them are numerous; black jets, jet chains, silver chains and ornaments, emeralds and delicate fixings with-out number being more or less in favor.

In Hats for ladies the opening was replete with pretty things. The first that we shall notice is entitled the "Medallion," the material of which is a glace, mixed with silver. The shape of it, a square crown with a full roll at the side. This forms a pretty, common-sense hat, and will be very popular. It is made by, and confined exclusively to Wood & Cary. The hat is trimmed hand-somely with bands of violet ribbon, silver chains and other fine ornaments. Another was a fine English Straw, of thesame shape, trimmed with a graceful veil of dotted blond falling across the hat and down at the side. Their "Yacht" hat is also a square crown, made in the order of the Sailor hat. The "Darby" we may store an organic which "Derby," we may state, *en passant*, which was so popular during the winter, still holds its own both in point of sale and style of trimming, and a very becoming style of

hat it is.

SAD CASE OF SUICIDE .- Jacob Koch, a German residing at No. 1309 South Fifth street, committed suicide by shooting him-self yesterday afternoon. The only instru-ment to be seen in the room, with which he could have done the deed, was a small toy cannon, about three inches in length. He is supposed to have loaded this and placed it on a chair, then getting down on his it on a chair, then getting down on his knees,put his face close to the muzzle of the cannon and discharged it. His face was cannon and discharged it. His face was laid open, presenting a most horrible sight. The man lived but a few minutes after the commission of the deed. The deceased was about ferty years of age, and had a wife and three children. He had two rooms in the house, and appeared to live very comforta-bly. He was a cake-baker by trade, but had been unable to obtain work for several weeks past. This, added to several paraly-tic strokes which he had had recently, made him melancholy, and it is supposed that he committed the deed while in this condition. An inquest was held by Coroner Taylor, An inquest was held by Coroner Taylor. AN IMPOSTOR,-A woman of rather interesting appearance is going about Philadelphia, representing herself as the widow of a Pennsylvania soldier, said to have been killed at Gettysburg. She hails from Jack-son, Susquehanna county, Pa., and exhibits a paper purporting to be from the Rev. R. G. Lamb, of that place, whose name heads a subscription list in her behalf. This clergyman has been applied to for informa-tion and disclaims all knowledge of the case, which he pronounces or important case, which he pronounces an imposture. We think it well, when there are so many deserving objects of charity, to put our citizens on their guard. SUDDEN DEATH .-- A. P. Hockman, aged about forty-five years, the owner of a large distillery near Mount Joy, entered the cel-lar under the Bull's Head Hotel, No. 1025 Market street, last evening, and called for a glass of ale. He had scarcely drank the contents when he suddenly fell dead. Seven thousand dollars were found on his person. Coroner Taylor held an inquest, resulting in a verdict of death from disease of the heart. DEATH OF A HOSPITAL NURSE,-Mrs. Susan Ackley, long known as the nurse in charge of the epileptic and idiotic ward of ne Department of the Philadelphia Hospital, Almshouse, died yesterday morn-ing at the advanced age of seventy-eight years. She was in the full possession of all her faculties, and, until a few weeks since, was one of the most active officers of the institution. She held the position she occupied for very many years. COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES .-- Last evening at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, the commencement exercises of the South-western Grammar Schools were held. The Western Grammar Schools were held. The programme consisted of a prayer by Rev. Wm. M. Rice, introductory remarks by Lewis Elkin, Esq., singing, recitations and addresses by the pupils, conferring of certi-ficates by the Principal, Charles H. Rainer, and a closing address by George Inman Richie, Esg. Richie, Esq. VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE .--- We valuable PROPERTY FOR SALE.—We call attention to an advertisement in re-ference to the sale of the brick factory at Callowhill street and York avenue, and the five-story warehouse at Fourth and Callow-hill streets. These properties have been among the most valuable in that part of the city. The sale is by order of Court, and the purchaser will acquire a perfect title. A GREEN CORN-SHELLER MORE Willact A GREEN CORN-SHELLER.-Messrs. Wiler & Moss of this city, have prepared for the trade, in anticipation of the green corn season, a patent corn-sheller, for table use, which is a very pretty piece of plate, and excellent for its purpose. It will loosen the nutricious portion of the grain much better than a knife and fork, and we can recommend it bight recommend it highly.

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DESTRUCTIVE CONFLAGRATION IN DAN-VILLE, VIRGINIA-LOSS OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.—We find in the Rich-mond Examine: of Wednesday the following account of a disastrous fire in Danville on Monday night.

The conflagration commenced about 11 o'clock on Monday night, in the planing mill of Messrs. Lynn Brothers, which was soon reduced to ashes. The flames next communicated to the extensive woolen factory owned by a stock communication control owned by a stock company, but re-cently leased to a Baltimore firm, who were running it. Both the mill and the weie running it. Both the mill and the factory were completely destroyed, with their stock and valuable machinery. Both of these establishments were located on the east side of the canal, and the flames spread to Main street, sweeping all that space on the east side from the Exchange Hotel up to the office of the Southern Ex-press Company.

press Company. The following are the most extensive suf-The following are the most extensive suf-ferers: Brown & Jeter, auction and commis-sion merchants; Pairo & Co., confectioners and news dealers; S. H. Yates & Co., tin-ners; Wm. Robinson, grocery merchant; Hickson & Brother, china and crookery dealers; Peyton & Gallagher, dry goods dealers dealers.

dealers. The Exchange Hotel was in imminent danger at one time, and a number of out-buildings, including the kitchen. were des-troyed, with the building known as the "Ballard House," and used as the bar-room of the Exchange. Messrs. Brown & Jeter of the Exchange. Messrs. Brown & Jeter had a heavy stock on hand, every pound of which was consumed. The large new build-ing recently erected by T. S. Davidson, Esq., and several adjacent, were destroyed with the rest. The total loss is estimated at from \$150,000 to \$200,000, and the insurance at \$75,000. The insurance on the woolen fac-tory is \$30,000.

DEATH OF PROFESSOR SMITH, OF THE NAVAL ACADEMY: - The papers inform us of the sudden death of A. W. Smith, LL.D., Professor of Mathematics in the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. Dr. Smith was a native of Madison county, N.Y., and a graduate of Hamilton College, and from 1832 a professor in the Wesleyan University, Conn., of which he was also presi-dent for several years. In 1850 he received an appointment in the Naval Academy, which he held with honor until his death. He died at Annapolis, March 23d, of pneu-monia, after a short illness, aged sixty-four.

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noon, with the following programme:

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ELECTRICITY IN A COTTON MILL.—The Lowell (Mass.) Courter, of March 23, says: "It is a general truth that friction develops electricity, and most workmen know that a machine belt at high speed by its friction with the air is highly electrified. It has for with the air is highly electrified. It has for years been a common experiment for a workman to light gas burners by holding one hand to a fast-going belt and the other to the open burner. This matter was cu-riously demonstrated in the Appleton Mills of this city on Wednesday. A strong smell of fire being noticed, the premises were carefully searched, and a small quantity of cotton lint, inside a belt casing, was found on fire. The lint lay upon a beam which was within four inches of a belt some fifteen inches wide and moving some two hundred inches wide and moving some two hundred and twenty revolutions a minute. In the beam was an iron bolt, the head of which was toward the belt. From the belt to the bolt was passing a stream of electric sparks which had set the cotton lint on fire. After attending to this case, Mr. Motley, the agent, opened the casing of a similar belt in another mill. The beam in this case was fourteen inches In another mill. The beam in this case was fourteen inches from the belt, but the stream of electric sparks was at once seen jumping across the beam, although it had not set fire to anything. Perhaps some of

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