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to Miss Mary E. Rupp, all of Philadelphia.

BEARER: W. M. HAZARD, Church, in this

city, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. J. W. Clayton, J. R.

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An Old Times Festival.

In a sketch of the history of the locality

of the NEW BULLETIN BUILDING, No. 607

Chestnut street, published in our columns

within a few days, we referred to the fact

that we had in our possession a cotemporary

description of a grand fête gotten up many

years ago by the Chevalier de la Luzerne,

the French Minister to the United States, in

honor of the birth of the "Dauphin," son

of Louis XVI. Numerous requests have

been made to us to republish the description

referred to, and, in compliance with the

request of our correspondents, and as a con-

tribution to the history of the city at an in-

teresting era, we transfer the account of the

entertainment to our columns. It will be remem-

bered that the fête came off in July 1782,

not many months after the defeat of Corn-

wallis, at Yorktown. The French Minister

resided at the time in the old Carpenter

mansion, on Chestnut street, above Sixth,

on the spot recently occupied by the Arcade

in the garden extended down to Sixth street

and in this retreat the grand rejoicings de-

scribed below, took place. The account

given of the festival is as follows:

"The Chevalier de la Luzerne, Minister

Plenipotentiary, having fixed upon the 15th

of July for the celebration of the birthday

of the Dauphin, a prodigious number of

people resorted from all parts to this city

and its neighborhood, to testify the part

they took in an event which has crowned

the wishes of our country.

"At 9 o'clock in the morning His Excel-

lency invited to his apartments all the

French resident in Philadelphia to return

thanks to the Emperor being for the late

and blessing He has bestowed on the nation

the *Te Deum* was chanted, after which the

Chevalier de la Luzerne received the con-

gratulations of the officers of the Govern-

ment, citizens, &c. &c. At the close of the

service was presented to him an ode upon the

birth of the Dauphin, composed by Mr. Smith,

a young lawyer, who displays a very great

facility of pen.

"His Excellency invited more than fifteen

hundred guests from this and the neighbor-

ing States to attend at this entertainment,

which began at 8 o'clock in the evening.

"The first course of the entertainment

was the court yard belonging to the house he

had caused to be built for their reception a

hall of the most excellent architecture, and

the court yard itself had assumed in less

than two months the form of a regular gar-

den; groves formed into arches, and hung

over with glass lamps, the prospects being

generally disposed at a small distance, who

appeared a splendid illumination, repre-

sented a palace, ornamented with a great

number of pyramids and columns; the fire-

works played off by intervals from the

most distant part of the park; there was an

immense crowd of persons that covered

the fields round about; a green hall raised

up in the garden, and covered by porches

of great extent, and several other struc-

tures, contributed to render this garden a most roman-

tic and delightful recess. A hall after the

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happened, although more than fifteen

thousand persons were present.

"The presence of His Excellency, the

President, and the members of Congress;

of His Excellencies the Governors

of Pennsylvania, of Jersey and Delaware,

and the principal military and civil officers

of those States, were most solemnly

to the entertainment as the dress and beauty

of the ladies added to its charms. Their

Excellencies General Washington and Le

Comte de Rochambeau, who had been in

town the day before, increased the

general satisfaction, and seemed to bring

the laurels of Yorktown to the cradle of the

Dauphin.

"An Indian chief, devoted to France and

the United States, had also arrived in Phil-

adelphia to attend the entertainment. He

was appointed and was the first to

of his country, and did not fail to express

in the three languages, which he spoke well,

the sincere part he and his countrymen

take in the entertainment, who had been in

town the day before, increased the

general satisfaction, and seemed to bring

the laurels of Yorktown to the cradle of the

Dauphin.

"The entertainments began with a concert,

succeeded by fireworks of superior and un-

rivaled excellence, and a brilliant ball. At

the close of the evening, which had been in

town the day before, increased the

general satisfaction, and seemed to bring

the laurels of Yorktown to the cradle of the

Dauphin.

"It will be understood that the Dauphin

was born at Versailles, on the 19th of

the admirers of the French, in Philadelphia,

eighty-four years ago, was not the unfor-

tunate youth who bore that title and who died

in prison in the "Temple" during the

French revolution. The Dauphin who so

greatly excited the loyalty of the Chevalier

de la Luzerne, was an older brother of the

Dauphin so well known in history. He died

in 1787 and his title descended to the hapless

prince just referred to.

"From Atlantic City.

(Correspondence of the Phila. Evening Bulletin.)

ATLANTIC CITY, May 15th, 1866.—The

coined advancement of Atlantic city in

these elements which make up a thriving

and attractive place, is becoming year by

year more apparent and gratifying. The

rough and primitive rudeness of the

Island is fast disappearing, and a new order

of things is shaping the future of this place

into a city of no inconsiderable importance.

Gradually the work of filling up the swampy

places and ponds, which formerly extended

midway between Atlantic and Pacific ave-

ues almost the entire length of the city, is

going forward, and the huge sandhills that

are the lines of breakwaters along the

ocean, are being leveled and built upon.

Twenty years of unremitting toil and perse-

verance have wrought these changes as

the result of the most judicious and enter-

prising measures calculated to secure an

immense crowd of persons that covered

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gather around them a permanent popu-

lation, and would soon remove the wild

features of the island and supplant them with

handsome buildings and a permanent resi-

dence. Your correspondent learns that a number

of capitalists contemplate erecting such

works, but no definite time has been fixed

for the commencement of their manufac-

turing establishments will likewise be con-

structed at no distant day.

"The proposition of the railroad company

to extend its track farther down the

beach is also meeting with popular favor

as it will tend to improve very largely the

portion of the island, which embraces some

of the best lots in the city, and has one un-

broken stretch of excellent bathing ground

for nearly nine miles in extent. The work

of this extension will probably begin this

season.

"Such are some of the main features pre-

sented by this seaside city to those who wish

to enjoy its summer or permanent advan-

tages, and they are duly appreciated

as indicated by the country increasing

population and the number of tasteful pri-

vate and public buildings—some twelve

years having now in progress—which are

added yearly to the city. SALTM.

THE AMERICAN NATIONAL DEBT.

Interesting Speech by a British

Minister.

In presenting his yearly financial state-