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PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1866.

DOUBLE SHEET, THREE CENTS.

## DIED.

BROCK.—On the evening of the 12th instant, Chas. Henry Brock, in the 27th year of his age
CHEW.—At Cliveden, Germantown, on the morning of Wednesday, December 12th, 1856, Henry Banning Chew, aged 65 years.
The remains will be interred at Greenmount Cemetry, Ballimore, on Saturday, the 15th instant, at 3 check P. M. DUBS.—At Newtown, N. J., on Sunday evening the linst, atter a lingering iliness, Miss Snean M. Dubs, ed 64 years.
Her relatives and friends are respectfully invited to tend the funeral, from Wm. H. Moore, Undertaker, 5 Arch street, on Friday, the lath inst, at 11 o'clock.
M., without further notice. To proceed to Laurei ill.

A. M., without further notice. To proceed to Laurel Hill.

KELLY.—In Louisville, Ky., Dec. 3d, John C., son of the late Neal Kelly. of Newark, N. J.

MARTIN.—At Hoboken, N. J., on the 12th instant, William Howart, son of Charles D. H., and Virginia L. Martin, aged four months.

POLLUOK.—On the evening of 1.th instant, Robert Pollock, in his 53d year.

His relatives and friends are invited to attend his loneral, without further notice, from his late residence, Jorner Ridge avenue and Log House lane, on Saturday, the 15th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M. Interment at Laurel Hill. Carriages will be in waiting at S. W. corner Seventh and Buttonwood, to convey the friends to his late residence, until half past one o'clock.

RILKY.—On the 12th inst., Annie S., daughter of Benjamin S., and Anna M. Riley, aged 20 years and 6 tays.

days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her parents, 4215 Orestaut street, on Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock, without further notice. To proceed

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Carpendon Hotel, New York, President Hotel, New York, MELODEON COVERS AND RICH PIANO COVERS, FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
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## ExRE & LANDELL, Fourth and Arch. SPECIAL NOTICES.

FALL ANNOUNCEMENT-1866.

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS-NEW AND ATTRACTIVE STYLES-NEW FACTORY. MASON & HAMLIN CABINET ORGANS. MASON & HAMLIN PORTABLE ORGANS. PRICES, \$75 to \$1,000 EACH. Gratified by the high appreciation of their Cabine

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It has always been the inflexible purpose of Mason A HAMLIN to secure the VERY BEST qualities of material and workmanship, and the nearest approach to perfection possible in every department of their economy of manufacture. They have also been care nest in their efforts for improvement, by unremitting experiments at treir own factory, and a liberal policy in securing the use of all improvements in this class of instruments effected elsewhere. The public are as sured that no effort will be spared to maintain the extraordinary excellence of the Mason & Hamlin Cabi net Organs, and to render them more than ever wor thy the reputation they have obtained as THE BEST

As evidence of the character and standing of the instruments of their make. MASON & HAMLIN Have the gratification of referring to the fact that within a few years they have been awarded F1FTY-TWO GOLD OR SILVER MEDALS, or other highest premiums, for substantial improvements effected by them, and for the superiority of their Cabinet Organs to all other instruments of the class. Their instruments have also heen bonored with an amount and degree of approval from the musical profession altogether unprecedented A large mojority of the most eminent organists, plan igts, composers, directors and teachers in the country, have given public testimony to their high appreciation of the improvements effected by MASON & HAMLIN and to the marked superiority of their Cabinet Organs
to all other instruments of this general class. As loose statements are often made by manufacturers respecting such matters. Mason & Hanlin invite attention They also carnestly solicit the most critical exami and comparison of their Cabinet Organs. The more intelligent and searching these may be, the more confidence they will have in the result. They invite attention (specially to the CHARACTER AND QUALITIES

from those of any other reed instruments.

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THE MASON & HAMLIN PORTABLE ORGANS.

In order to meet the demand for low priced in truments, Mason & Hamlin have commenced the manu nomical form, and at the lowest prices possible. They are smaller in size, and more compact than the Cabi Organs, and hence will be a newn as THE MASON & HAMLIN PORTABLE ORGANS. The cases, which are all of walnut, are very plainly, though neathy and taste, fully finished; and in various details, such as ivory keys. pedal coverings, music desks, hioges, &c. &c not offecting the practical usefulness or durability of the instruments, less expensive materials and workman Ship are employed than in the Cabinet Organs. This economy of manufacture is not, however, allowed to extend to the working parts of the instruments, which are all made with that scrupulous care and thorough-Bess for which the Mason & Hamlin Cabinet Organs

It should be observed that the principles upon which the Mason & Hamin Portable Organs are made are just the reverse of these which are generally adopted in the manufacture of low-priced justimments, The plan commonly is to make as much show as poswhole in externals, and to slight the interior parts of the instrument, which are not seen. In the Portable Organs it is chiefly upon the externals—upon those parts which are seen, and which are not essential to the musical capacity of the instrument, that the saving is effected, and not upon the more important interior. In that liquid purity and smoothness of tone by which the Mason & Hamlin Cabinet Organs are dis-Zinguished, and for which they have become to celebrated, and in some other respects, the Portable Or gans cannot claim to be fully equal to them. The ne-cessity for adopting different and smaller cases, bellows, &c., renders the attainment of this imposible. Yet it is confidently believed that in quality of tones. The Portable Organs approach nearer to the Mason & Hamiln Cabinet Organs than do any other reed in-struments. In power, quickness of action, and other excellences, they are worthy of highest praise. Each one is furnished with the Antomatic Bellows Swell. two Blow Pedais, Combination Valves, and such other of the patented improvements of Masen & Hamlin

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## SPECIAL NOTICES.

THE INDUSTRIAL HOME, Corner of FROAD street and COLUMBIA avenue, is open for the admission of Girls from twelve to eighteen years of sage, who are neglected or deserted by their par nis, and who need the shelter and instruction of a Christian home. If the public will sustain this Institution many girls may be kept from evil and maderespectable and useful wemen.

Cortributions may be sent to James T. Shipperson. NORTH PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD AND GREEN LANE, REST SPRING MT. LEHIGH FURNACE COAL, BEST SPRING MT. LEHIGH FURNACE COAL, DELLVERED, \$7 Sc; DO. STOVE \$8.

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NOTICE.—Holders of twenty or more Seven-thirty
crupons, due Dec. 15th, 1866, can present them at this
office previous to the 15th inst., for count and examination. Checks will be issued for the same on the 15th
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TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK, PHILADELIPHIA, Dec. 12, 1865.
The Annual Election for 1 irectors will be held at
the Sanking House on TUESDAY, January 8th 1857.
briween the hours of 10 o'clock A. M and 2 o'clock
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THE PHILADELPHIA UNIVERSITY 'OF

MEDICINE AND dURGERY — Social meeting
of the 1 rastees will be held TO MORROW (Friday)
EVENING, the 14th inst. at 7% eclock, at the office of
the Secretary S. E. cor. 9th & Cherry siz By order of
Committee of Five. [11\*] C. F. FOLWELL Secry.

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The Lombard street, Dispensary Department, Medical treatment and medicines furnished gratuitously to the poor. to me poor.

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Stock. Price only \$10, Life membership \$40, dl1-12trop

The Artists' Sale. The pictures contributed by the Artists of Philadelphia for their second annual sale, have been on free exhibition during the past week at McClees and McCann's Gallery of Fine Arts, 927 Chestnut street. To-morrow (Friday) is the closing day and we would advise those of our citizens who have not seen this really meritorious collection to avail themselves of this last opportunity. Ws would be pleased to give an extended

merely noting the more prominent works of interest in the exhibition. Mr. Lewis's large picture of "Conway Valley and Harts' Ledge" is full of masterly and effective painting, with pleasant arrangement of light and shade; the left hand corner is a splendid rendering of foreground and an admirable display of techni-

notice of the many beautiful paintings that

are found upon the walls of the gallery, but

are compelled to remain content with

Mr. Rothermel's work, entitled "Venezia." is in his best manner and is a charming specimen of color.

Geo. F. Bensell contributes several most excellent pictures. Merited admiration is freely given to his fine landscape, No. 58, of this production are great freedom of handling, freshness of coloring, and a most happy choice of subject. Indeed, this last characteristic is to be found in all his works. and adds much to their popularity.

J. E. Galvan's "Woodlands in the White Mountains, in a carefully-rendered study of nature. The foreground is deserving of especial mention. A loving care has been given to every detail in this picture. Witness the faithful rendering of the ferns and the crimson-tipped sumach that nestle near the roots of the white birch. The other contributions by Mr. Galvan are much admired.

As a specimen of tone and fine color we would cite No. 57, "Falstaff & Bardolph." by E. B. Bensell. The drawing is correct, the composition admirable and full of quiet humor. It gives us pleasure to compliment Mr. Bensell upon the success of this picture. No. 33 is another pleasing work from the easel of the same artist.

Mr. Ramsey is represented by some of his fine fruit pieces, the best of them being catalogued No. 70. Many good qualities distinguish the works of this painter, and they are embodied in the picture to which we have made allusion.

A snow scene by Bonfield is excellent and attracts a generous meed of praise from the artistic fraternity. The marine pictures by Mr. Bonfield are also excellent.

Our limited space prevents us from giving a more special notice to many gems that form a part of this commendable display; yet we cannot conclude without warmly praising the works of those fine artists-Young, Nicholson, Knight, Fenimore, Winner, Gerlach, Briscoe and Fagan.

MME RISTORI.-Space is lacking to do justice to the magnificent performance of Mme. Ristori, last evening, in the drama of Elisabetta. It shows; more than anything she has yet appeared in, her wonderful vorsatility and extraordinary power. An audience that fairly overcrowded the Academy, was stirred up to an enthusiasm rarely displayed by the Philadelphia public. There will be no performance this evening, but to-morrow Phedra (the Phedre, of Racine) will be given, and those who saw Rachel in that, one of her greatest rôles, will have an opportunity of comparing Ristori with her. On Saturday evening Elisabetta will be repeated.

NEW MUSIC.-Mr. J. Knecht, planist of this city, has published a "Danse Espagnole" and a "Chanson Slave," which show a high degree of talent, and which will be popular among those who enjoy brilliant and effective piano music. Mr. Knecht is an artist who has established a reputation here, and the various testimonials from distinguished musicians and journalists in France, which he brings with him, prove that

he was fully appreciated in the old world. SYMPHONY CONCERTS. - Mesers. Jarvis. and Schmitz will give the first of their grand symphony concerts on Saturday evening, at he Musical Fund Hall. Beethoven's Seventh Symphony will be played entire, by a fine orchestra, and there will be other music. vocal and instrumental, by first-rate artists.

Orphans' Court and Executor's Sales of Valuable Heal Estate.
On Tuesday next, at the Exchange. See Thomas & Sons' suction head and handbills, at the auction rooms. Books for the Helidays.

It is a pleasure to-day to repeat our annual notice of the stocks of books, albums. diaries, &c., which Messrs. T. B. Peterson & Brothers have prepared for Christmas and New Years. Their splendid establishment, at No. 306 Chestnut street, is a perfect magazine of standard and light literature, of the cheapest and also of the mosf expensive editions. Every standard work of American and foreign literature may be seen on the shelves and counters, and any book of the day published in America or Europe can be procured at the shortest notice, by Messrs-Petersons or their correspondents. As an instance of their enterprise, we may mention that they publish twenty different editions of the novels of Charles Dickens bound in every possible style, from the plain paper cover to the full bound calf volume. In another column an advertisement gives a full list of the editions of Dickens, with the prices. We can think of no more appropriate Christmas presents than one of these beautiful sets, particularly when every taste can be gratified in the choice of the edition. In the way of poetical works Messrs. Petersons' stock is unsurpassed in America, and there is the widest possible range of other noble books as can be seen by a visit to their spacious establishment and a delightful walk among the treasures of intellect so lavishly displayed. If you love Scott and Abbottsford you will find almost numberless copies of the romances, both prose and verse which have endeared Sir Walter and his bome to you. If you are spell-bound by Shakspeare or Milton you can choose from a battalion of editions of either. If Byron, or Shelley attract you, the choice can be made between sturdy volumes, comprising the labors of their lives, or neat little books, in which one only gets a "taste of their quelity" in the shape of a minor poem or noems. If one is philosophically or scienti. fically inclined, the results of the labors of the great masters invite your regards, and stand in curious contrast to the thronging numbers of the light tales and romances upon which the graver volumes look down

SCOTT'S SALE of bronzes, clocks, silver and plated ware and other beautiful articles. imported by Bailey & Co., attracts a crowd to the Art Gallery, 1020 Chestnut street. The sale will be continued to-morrow. The opportunity is a fine one to get bargains for he holiday season.

John B. Myers & Co., Auctioneers, Nos. 232 and 234 Market street, will hold on to morrow, (Friday) December 14, a large special sale of Foreign and Lomento Dry Goods, by catalogue, on four months credit, including. credit. including—
5 000 dozen Gloves Shirts and Drawers, Traveling
Shirts, Euspenders, Hoop Shirts, Wool Yaru, Muslin

Shirts and Shirt Fronts stee dozen L. C. Huskis, Ladles' Merino Vests, Hoslery, Zepbyr Goods, &c., &c., arranged on third floor, commencing at 10 o'clock. ALSO. Full assortment of Fall styles Carpetings, Yarn. Oli (loths, &c., arranged on first floor, to be sold at 11 o'clock.

Real Estate Sales. James A. Freeman adverties a number of properties to be sold on the 26th inst, on our last page ESF (ATALOGUES OF THE LARGE BALE NEXT WEDNESDAY ARE NOW BEADY.

[From the Toledo Blade.]

The Amnesty Proposition—The Inhabitants of the Cross Boads made the Victims of a Cruei and Heartless Honx.

CONFEDRIT X ROADS (with is in the Stait uv Kentucky), December 3d, 1866.—I never wuz so elevated nor never so cast down in my life ez last nite, and the entire Corners wuz ditto. The circumstances uv the case wuz ez follows: Me and a party uv friends wuz a playin draw poker with a Noo York commershel travler, I believe they call 'em, a feller with a mustash and side whiskers, wich comes South a talkin secesh and a selin goods. He made some inquiries about he standin uv the deelers at the Corners, and wuz,aftersed inquiries,eggstreemly anxious to sell 'em goods for cash. They wanted 'em on ninety days time, and on this they split. He agreed with em in principle—he drank to Jeff Davis, and damned Linkin flooently ble and immovable. To while away the rosy hours, a knot of choice sperits, him inclooded, gathered in the Post Orfis, to encloded, gathered in the Post Orfis, to enjoya game uv draw poker. There wuz me and Squire Gavitt, and Deekin Pogram and Elder Slathers, and the Noo York drummer. We played till past the witchin hour of 12 M., when grave yards yawn and gosts troop forth—when the Noo Yorker suckumd. His innocent, unseasoned bowels hedn't bin eddicated up to the standard uv Kentucky whisky, wich, new a wed girly Kentucky whisky, wich, new ez we drink it, is pizen to foreigners. The Deekin and Elder grabbed the stakes wich wuz onto the Elder grapped the stakes wich wiz onto the table, and rifled his pockets on the suspishen that he wiz a Ablishinist, and rolled him out, and while in the very act, Pollock, the Hillory store Resper, cum rushin in askin us

ef we'd heerd the news.

We susered youngnmusly that we hedn't. .'I'm jist in from Looisville," sed he, ' ist rode over from the stashen. Looisville s in a blaze uv glory!"
"Wat," sez I, "hez Sumner killed Thad Stevens and immejitly committed soci-

cide?"
'Nary," sez he, "but Johnson and Congress hev come together on the basis uv yooniversal Amnesty, wich wuz proclaimed yesterday, to be follered by yooniversal sufrage ez soon ez the South kin conveniently They hev met and embraced on Horris Greely's plan."

ris Greely's plan."

Deekin Pogram burst into a hysterical laff and in his joy handed me the proceeds uv his explorashun uv the pockets uv the Noo Yorker, and like a blessed old lunatic broke for the meetin house. In a moment or two the bell pealed forth its joyous notes, and in a minit more the half dressed villagers way seen emergin from their respectives. gers wuz seen emergin from their respective domicils in all styles uv attire. A few minnits sufficed to make them understand wat wuz the occasion uv the uprear, and a more enthousiastic population never woke the ekkos. Afore five minits had rolled off into eternity, there wuz a bonfire blazin on the North side uv the square, the sed bonfire bein a nigger skool house wich the Freed-men's Commishn hed erected, and wich our enthoosiastic citizens hed in their delirium uv joy set fire to. It wuz emblematic. The smoke ez it rolled to the South methawt asscomed the shape uv an olive branch—the cry uv the nigger children wich coodent escape, symbolized their desertid condishn, and the smell uv them ez they roasted, wuz like unto incense, grateful to our nos-

trils.
A informal meetin wuz to wunst organized by the lite of the burnin skool house,

to which Deekin Pogram addressed hisself. He remarked that this wuz a solemn occasion, so solemn indeed that he felt inadekate to express the feelins which filled him. kate to express the feelins which niled nim.
His mouth wuzn't big enough to give vent
to his sole, though ef he didn't he'd bust.
"Wat are we met for to-nite," my friends,
sed he, "wat calls us together? Wherefore
these sounds uv joy—wherefore this fire,
and wherefore is Bascom sellin likker at balf price? Becoz we are rehabilitatedhalf price? Becoz we are renabilitated—
that's what we are. Becoz the "North hez
gone into the olive branch bizness agin, and
we hev wunst more our rites. We are amnestied. We kin vote—we kin go to Congress—we are agin citizens uv the great
Republic—

Pollock, the Illinoy store keeper, riz and begged permishin to say a word. He pro-tested agin these doins. He understood, skkordin to Horris Greeley's plan, that you-niversal suffrage wuz to follow youniversal amnesty—why then this makin John Rod-gerses, but the priggers? When the Congerses uv the niggers? Wuz the South a goin to act in good faith?

DeekinPogram replied: "The South never

yit broke plighted faith save when she cood make suthin by so doin. At this present junkter uv affairs he presoomed the South wood extend, not precisely universal suffrage to the niggers, but the way wood be opened to em. Sich a mass uv ignorance good never be trusted with the ballot without preparashen, and to prepare em wood be a overturnin the Kentucky theory, that the nigger is a beast, and the Northern Demokratic idea that the nigger wuz cust by Noer and doomed forever to be a slave. "The gentleman from Illinoy wil to-wunst perceive the fix we are in. They aint fit or the ballot now, and of we make em so, it overturns our theory, wich we can't do. Still we propose to be just to em. We shel give sich uv em the ballot ez are suffishently ntellijent, and we shel not put the standard too high nuther. We shel give every wun uv em the ballot who is able to reed the Greek testament fluently and pass a credible examinashen in Latin, embroidery, French, German, English, Grammar and double-entry book-keepin. The path to the polls you see is open to em. Uv course we cant be expected to tolerate school-houses for em,coz that wood raise em above their normal condishen. Also, there must be proper regulashens controllin em.

oe proper regulashens controllin em. for, my deer sir, they are mere infants, and their tottering steps on the road to freedom needs directing. Society is a compromise in wich every one resigns ez much of his persnel liberty ez the good of the hull may demand: We count ourselves the hull, add the resinin of persnel liberty must come from them. That nigger, sed he, plutin to wan wich the nigger, sed he, pintin to wun wich the object, see he, pinth to wun wich the joyous citizens wuz stringin up to Bascom's sign post, "that nigger is a resinin his persnel freedom for the good of the hull. No doubt in his heart he murmurs, and ef the cord wich is chokin him cood be loosened, he wood regime. It is cood be loosened, he wood repine. It is rough on him, but the sooperiority uv the Caucashu race must be—My gosh! its one uv my niggers! Stop! Bascom, stop!" ejackilated the Deekin, but it wuz too late. The nigger was already black in the face and hed ceased to kick, and the Deekin, heavin a sifth, perceeded. They shel hev the rite to buy land, an be in all respecks like us, ez soon ez they kin be trusted. Till then they will hev to be restraned. There must be laws prohibitin

lawa prohibitin em from receevin more than \$4 50 per month; that they may not become bloated aristo-crats and pampered sons uv luxury—the proper development of the countri, and like-wise the payment of the Confederit debt, require manyel labor wich we wuz require manuel labor with we wuz never edjucated to do, and therefore the good of the whole requires that they shel resine their persnel liberty so fur ez to be confined to the plantashuns onto which they hev engaged to laber, that they must religiely do it, wich is cleerly nessary, for yoo see of I hire a nigger in Janooary, I must not be exposed to the chances uv his quittin me in July. But wat more kin they want? They are free to ez great a extent ez the good of sosiety will permit. We shel give em qualified cuffrage, fixin, uv course, wich is just, the qualification ourselves, and bein valyooable members of sosiety, hereafter we shel care fur em, so long ez they are healthy—good gracious! why will them cusses persist in hangin up able-bodied niggers when there's o many old ones around, good for nothin but to celebrate with," and to save anuther

wun uv his former servants, the Deekin t is connecessary to recount the further doins uv the nite. There wuz a skool-house and church, recently erected, burnd, with some skore or sich a matter uv young niggers in em, which wuz too young to be uy any yoose, save one girl, wich wuz neerly white and almost fifteen, wich ought to hev bin reskood, and five, of I counted correctly, able-bodied men and wimin wuz hung. Bascom sold out his stock entirely, and by three A. M. the entire inhabitance uv the Corners wuz a layin around the square, in

festoons.

There wuz a bitter awakenin to this scene uv festivity. At a little after 7, while the Deekin, the Elder, and myself, wuz in Bas-Deekin, the Eider, and myself, wuz in Bas-com's tryin to get an assuager, and the best we cood do wuz to pour a quart uv water into a barrel wich hed bin emptied, and roll it around and thus flavor it, Captain McPelter, late uv Morgan's cavalry cum in from Looisville. Eagerly we asked him the confirmation uv the tidins, when he in-formed us that it wuz a heav—that no such ormed us that it wuz a hoax—that no such thing hed been done, nor wuz Congris in any sich a noshen. Pollock dropped in and when I reproached him with his dooplicity, he ansered that it wuz a hoax, but he hoped we'd excoose him. He hed a cravin desire to see whether ef Amnesty and Suffrage shood be adopted, how fur we'd go in the latter direction. He wuz satisfied, and honestly hoped we'd forgive him the pleaant jest. He'd made the Corners lively one nite anyhow. I wuz too profoundly dis-

## gusted to reply to the wretch. PETROLEUM V. NASBY, P. M., (wich is Postmaster.) AMUSEMENTS. DRAMATIC.-The bills at the theatres remain nearly

the same this evening as during the previous nights of the week. To-morrow, being devoted to benefits, extra attractions will be added. On Saturday the Chestnut and the American give matinees. On Mon-day there will be several changes, among which will be the rroduction of "Griffith Gaunt" at the Chestnut. Signor Blitz gives his great basket feat, in addition to many o her attractive acts, at Assembly Building sightly and on Wednesday and Saturday after

noons.

AT NATIONAL HALL we have the Old Folks. Tomorrow, as we have already stated, Mrs. Nichols takes her benefit. She is the star singer of the troupe. On the occasion of her benefit Mrs. N. will present each lady in the audience with a capital copy of her photograph, she is represented "in costume."

THE NAVY DEPARTMENT has received despatches from Commodore George H. Cooper, commanding the United States steemship Wincoski, announcing his departure from Key West on the 23d ult, for the coast of Cuba.

SLIGHT FIRE.—Last evening, about 61

BASE BALL.

Convention of Players at New York.

The Tenth Annual Convention of the National Association of Base Bell Players was opened at 3 o'clock yesterday in Clinson Hall. Coroner Wildey, of the Mutuals, ec. cupied the chair, Mr. A. H. Rogers acting

as Secretary.

There were some 600 representatives of There were some our representatives of base ball interest, most of them delegates from clubs already represented, or wishing to be represented, in the convention. There were delegates from all parts of the country, even so far away as Oregon, Iowa, Maryland and Virginia,

The principal business of the afternoon session was receiving of credentials from delegates, and as over one hundred new clubs were represented, this task occupied a considerable time in its completion. As considerable time in its completion. As the delegates from the various Southern clubs presented themselves, they were greeted with loud and hearty cheers, plainly indicating that, though the Radical party were desirous to keep the late seceded States unrepresented, at least the Convention of Rese Rall players had both better cause and Base Ball players had both better sense and more generous impulses. Of the Southern dubs were: The Enterprise, of Baltimore; Hunky Dorey, Wheeling, Virginia; Lightfoot, Chattanocga, Tennessee; Maryland, of Baltimore; Pastime, Baltimore; and Union, Richmond, Va.

The following clubs, as their representa ives came forward, were also loudly cheered: Wahkonsa, Iowa: Western, Burlington, Iowa; Union, St. Louis; Pioneer, Portland,

Walkonsa, lowa: Western, Burlington, Iowa; Union, St. Louis; Pioneer, Portland, Oregon; and Fort Scott, Kansas.

Among the new Clubs applying for admission, were. Athenian, Philadelpnia; Atlone, Philadelpnia; Atlantic Trenton, N. J.: Amateur, Philadelpnia; Atlantic Trenton, N. J.: Amateur, Philadelpnia; Atlantic Trenton, N. J.: Amateur, Philadelpnia; Arastrong, Philadelpnia; Antietam, Hagerstown Pa.; Bachelor, Philadelpnia; Antietam, Hagerstown Pa.; Bachelor, Philadelpnia; Antietam, Hagerstown Pa.; Barchelor, Philadelpnia; Antietam, Hagerstown Pa.; Barchelor, Philadelpnia; Dirigo Philadelpnia; Excelsior, Coats ville, Pa.; Excelsior, Paterson, N. J.: First Ward, Philadelpnia; Dirigo Philadelpnia; Excelsior, Faterson, N. J.: First Ward, Philadelpnia; Gymnast, Philadelpnia; Harry Clay, Philadelpnia; Hawatha Kittaniag Pa. Independent; Johnstown, Pa.; Revistoue, Harrisourg Pa.; Kevalrgton, Philadelpnia; Korndaffer, Philadelpnia; National, Morristown, N. J.: National, Philadelpnia; National, Morristown, N. J.: Rasional, Philadelpnia; Rittenhouse, Philadelpnia; Foranton, P.; Rwal Trovelone, Philadelpnia; Rittenhouse, Philadelpnia; Foranton, Pa.; Star Altoona, Pa.; Samel J. Randall Philadelpnia; Social, Hontingdon, Pa.; Sea Side, Longbranch; Tyrolean, Harribourgh, Pa.; Typographic, hiladelpnia; Trenton, Trenton, N. J.: Union, Titudelpnia; Western, Burlington, Iowa: West Philadelpnia, Thenton, Trenton, N. J.: Union, Titudelpnia; Western, Burlington, Iowa: West Philadelpnia, Trenton, Trenton, N. J.: Union, Titudelpnia; Western Market, Philadelpnia.

The Convention reassembied at 7½ o'clock in the evening, After the meeting was

in the evening. After the meeting was called to order the rejort of the Judiciary Committee was read. In the report the ac-tion of several clubs during the year was reprehended, and some considerable debate ensued on the motion to adopt it, which motion was finally carried, and the charges eainst the clube v The Committee on Rules, through Dr. Jones, reported on the condition of the game

of base ball throughout the States, and pro-posed a number of amendments to the rules of the Convention, as follows, which were : bstaoba In view of the distance of certain States, it was decided to encourage the establishment of base ball conventions, which, if composed of eighteen clubs, might be represented in

in the Convention by two delegates. Clubs, after the adjournment of the Convention, may be elected on probation, and permitted to come in the association

The annual meeting to be held wherever the Convention may decide.
Each club delegate to be allowed two votes, and delegates from State associations shall be allowed two votes for each club in the association, but no club to be allowed to vote by individual representation and

through its State association. On this amendment there was considerable discussion. The idea involved was that. at the association progressed, individual clubs, from various reasons, could not be represented in numbers, and by this means sociations of clubs in each State could be represented by delegates, and have each a voice in the deciding of all matters. It was objected that this plan would lead to cenralization and coercion, the delegates controlling the votes of clubs to which they did not belong. The question was put to the vote several times, and each time objected to; finally a vote by clubs was taken and

the question was decided carried by a vote of 105 to 39. Several minor alterations were made also n the by-laws. A number of alterations were made in the ules and regulations of the game, touching

the fair delivery of balls, &c. It was decided that the pitcher shall deliver the ball fairly for the striker.

That if the pitcher's arm touch his body when he delivers the ball it is unfair. That if the pitcher's arm be bent when he delivers the hall it shall be a throw livers the ball it shall be a throw.

Some debate ensued on a question as to the possibility of a man rupturing himself from pitching a ball with both feet on the

ground. It was decided that a striker is considered

to be running his bases so soon as he has struck a fair ball.

A foul ball shall be considered not in play antil it is settled in the hands of the pitcher, and he within the lines of his position The striker in striking a ball shall not step forward or backward, but must stand on a line drawn through the centre of the home bass. A motion that no members of clubs shall play in matches unless they have been members of the club ninety days prior to the match, occasioned much dispute. The amendment was introduced to prevent the system of the engagement of paid players. The delegates from the West and South strongly objected, no such thing as paid players being known there. The amendment was laid on the table, so that the time remains as before, thirty days.

It was decided that all clubs playing for money, or allowing any person paid for playing to be a member of their club, shall be considered as out of the National Association.

This concluded the amendments of rules, Ac., as also the report of the committee.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of officers. For president, the following gentlemen were nominated: Hon. B. F. Rose, Mountain Club, Pa.; Mr. Arthur B. Gorman, president of the National Club, of Washington; Judge D. A. Scott, president of the Hudson R. R. Club, A. C. Davis, Moof the Hudson R. R. Club, A. C. Davis, mo-hawk Club, Brooklyn; F. Pigeon, Eckford, of Brooklyn; Wm. Herring, Union Club, of Morrisiana, and Coroner Wildey, of the Neutral Club, Messrs, Pigeon, Herring and Wildey declined to run.

The delegates then proceeded to ballot, but at the time of going to press had not

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SALES OF STOOKS.

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PRICES OF STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

Reading Railroad'.... New York Central... United States 6s '81.... United States 6s, 5-20s.

There was some reaction in the speculative share at the Stock Board this morning, and part of the con cession made yesterday was recovered, but the market generally was devoid of animation, and the volume o ousiness was small. Government Loans e'osed quiet at 112% for the Coupon Sixes, '81: 103% for the "policy" Bonds; 107% for the Five-Twenties, '62: 106 for the '61s, 106% for the '65s; 95% for the Ten-Fortles; 105% for the February Seven-Thirdes, and 105% for the June and July do. State and City Loans were very quiet. The latter closed at 99 bid for the new, and 95 for the old issues. Reading Railroad sold up to 55-31-an advance of %. Catawissa Railroad Preferred advanced %. Pennsylvania Railroad sold at 54%-a decline of %. 129% was bid for Camden and Amboy Railroad; 6E for Norristown Bailroad; 37% for North Pennsylvania Railroad, and 30½ for Philadelphia and Erie Re Canal stocks were decidedly better, Schuylkill Navigation Preferred sold at 34%@34%-an advance of % and Morris Canal Preferred at 125. Bank shares were offered very sparingly. Farmers' and Mechanics' sold at 135, and Mechanics at 33. 137 was bid for North America; 150 for Philadelphia; 100 for Northern Liberties; 100 for Kensington; 56% for Girard; 41 for Consolidation; 62 for Union, and 55 for Commonwealth. In Pastenger Railway shares the only sales were of

Hestonville, at 14%.

The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Balt. road Company announce a semi-annual dividend of five percent, clear of tax, payable en and after Jan

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Jay Cooke & Co. quote o-day, as follows:

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Philadelphia Markets. TRUESDAY, Dec. 12.—There is less demand for Gloversted but no change from yesterday's quotations Small sales at \$9 25@10—the latter figure for choice. Timothy ranges from \$3 25@3 75. Small sales of Flax-seed at \$3 \$3 bushel.

There is little more firmness in the Flour market, There is little more firmness in the Flour market, particularly; for the better grades, but there is no demand except for home consumption. Sates of 6@7000 barrels at \$110012 \$\forall \text{ barrel for Northwest extra family, \$11 \$\text{ 6}\$ (3) for Penna, and Ohio do, do, farcy at \$140016, extras at \$16010 and superfine at \$200 \$50. There is no change in Rye Flour or Corn Meal. Smallsales of the former at \$7.25.

There is scarcely any demand for Wheat and prices are nominal at \$2.5562 \$\text{ 5}\$ for Penna. Red \$2.2562 \$\text{ 15}\$ (3) \$\text{ 5}\$ (3) \$\text{ 15}\$ (3) \$\text{ 17}\$ (3) \$\text{ 16}\$ (3) \$\text{ 17}\$ (3) \$\text{ 18}\$ (3) \$\text{ 17}\$ (3) \$\text{

i MPORTATIONS.

Reported for the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

KINGSTON, JA.—Schr Prince Consort, McDennell

—660 bags pimento 131 bbls oranges 24 pcs and pkgs old

metal D N Wetzlar & Co. MARSINE SULLETIAN.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA-DECEMBER 18 See Marine Bulletin on Seventh Page.

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ARRIVED THIS DAY

Schr Prince Cousort, McDennell, 30 days from
Kingston, Ja. with pimento, &c. to D N Wetzlar & Oc.
Schr Olivia, Fox, 1 day from Odessa, Del. with
grain to Jas L Bewley & Co.
Schr R Vaux, Powell from Boston.
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Schr Mary H Westcott, Westcott from Bridgeton.
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Schr JM Vance, Burdge, from Providence.
schr R L Tay Baker, from Calais.
Schr H R Miller, from Greenwich, NJ.

OLEARED THIS DAY.

Bark Capello (Brem), Christoffer, Hamburg, L Westergard.

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Schr E H Atwood, Rich Boston Caldwell, Gordon&Co Schr Mary E Coyne, Facemire: N York Penn Gas Co. Schr J O Henry, Dilks, N York via Bridgeton, captain, Schr Vansciver, Stites, Newport, G Cochran. Correspondence of the Philadelphia Erchange.

LEWES, DEL., Dec 11-6 PM.

The bark M D Culbert. from Yarmouth; brig R G
Gave, from New Orieans; schra Borden, from Fortland; War Ragie, and Margaret, from Boston, all for
Philadelphia, passed in to-day. Pilot bosts Henry
Cope and Moses C Grinnell are the only vessels at the
Breakwater.

Breakwater.

MEMORANDA

Ship George Peabody, Paine, hence 15th July, at San
Francisco 11th inst.
Ship Reynard, Callighan, from New York 21st July, at San Francisco 11th inst.
Steamer Hecla (Br), Edmondson, from Liverpool
Nov 27, and Queenstown 23th, at New York yesterday,
Steamer Bavaris (Ham), Meyer, from Hamburg, 25th ult and Southampton 23th, with 567 passengers, at
New York yesterday, Dec 2, 1st 4970, 1on 22 50, passed
steamer Baxonia, from New York for Hamburg, 4th,
lat 49 10, lon 35 35, steamer Persia, from New York for
Liverpool: 11th, lat 41 12 ion 55 30, a National Steamship Co's stramer (The Queen), bound E.
steamer San Antonio, from Wilmington, Del. for
Matagorda, touched at Key West 6th inst. for coal.
Steamer Tille, from Galveston, at Key West 6th inst.
and sailed 7th for New York.
Bark Victoria, Wilson, salled from Barbados 20th
ult, for Orchilla.
Brig Idelia, Jackson, hence for Matanzas, was
spoken 6th irst, lat 29 54, loz 75 40.
Brig Mary Elock (Br), Kollu from Rio Janeiro-Pith
Oct, at New York yesterday, with coffea.
Brig Fanny Foulke, Townsend, hence at Key West 4th inst.
Street Win Clilly Court of Street Coats. Soling Yanny States and States an Schr G W Hynson, Scull, hence at New Orleans 5th inst.

Schrs C P Stickney, Matthews; J S Weldin; Dean; O A Heckscher, Willard; Henry May, Franklin; Emily H Nsylor. Nsylor; Rnergy Brown; Vasht; Schap, Sharp, hence for Boston; Wm M Wilson, Brown, do for Salem and Annie May, May, do for Portland, at Holmes' Hole lith inst.

Schr D S Mershon. Corson from Eoston for this port, salled from Holmes' Hole lith inst.

Schra Trade Wind, Corson, hence for Boston; Geo T Thorn, Townsend; Margt Reinbart; J Williamson, Jr. Wilsmore; J D McCarthy, Young, from Boston fer this port; J Stockham, Smith, from Salem for do, and Hannah G Hand, Hand, from Braintree for 69, and Holmes' Hole 10th link.