The Late Steamboat Explosion on James River.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 10.—At 5 o'clock yesterday morning the disabled steamer Thomas Kelso arrived at Norfolk, in tow of the steamers John Sylvester and City of Norfolk. At 9 o'clock the Coroner held an inquest on the bodies of the three firemen, who were killed instantly by the explosion.

The following are the particulars, as gathered from passengers and officers of the Kelso:

The explosion occurred as stated at 3½ o'clock on Saturday morning, about three miles to the northward of Half Trap Light Boat, which is off the mouth of the Rappahannock river, and forty-five miles from Norfolk. The wind was blowing moderately from the southward and eastward, and a heavy fog overspread the Chesapeake bay. The connection in the steam drum burst by the rivets, some dozen or more coming out on the heads breaking off. An explosion immediately ensued, and the steam passing along the deck and up into the saloon, extinguished all the lights and fire in the steamer, leaving it in total darkness, and the passengers not knowing what had occurred, were for the time left in the most terrible suspense. It was difficult to conjecture what had occurred, whether the boat was sinking or on fire, and a considerable time elapsed before the real condition of affairs was ascertained. There was great excitement after the collision, the passengers rushed terrified over the steamer, the wounded suffering intensely, but the exertions of Captain H. B. Cralle and the officers of the steamer, of whose conduct in that trying moment the passengers speak in the highest praise, aided by many of the passengers, restored quiet and calmed the fear of the panic-stricken when the extent of the disaster was ascertained. A small sailboat was dispatched to Cherrystone, some five or six miles distant, with instructions to telegraph the disaster to Baltimore and Norfolk. When the Kelso anchored, the attention of all on board was directed to the suffering wounded, the dead, of whom there were three, being past all assistance. Every attention was paid to the sufferers, and Dr. Turner Wilson, of North Carolina, is spoken of very highly for his efficient services in assuaging the sufferings of the victims, and the energy and coolness he displayed throughout. The steamer City of Norfolk, from Annamessic, now hove in sight at 10 o'clock A. M., and seeing the signals of distress took off all the passengers and baggage from the Kelso, and arrived at Norfolk at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. A visit to the City of Norfolk revealed a sad sight. The saloon was filled with the suffering wounded, some of them moaning with anguish, others bearing their intense suffering without a murmur.

A large number of the physicians of Fairfax, among whom were recognized Drs. Jackson and Samuel Seldon, together with Mayor Ludlow, and many members of the City Council, visited the City of Norfolk and rendered all the aid in their power. About 5 o'clock P. M. a number of vehicles arrived at the steamer landing, and the wounded were taken to the Hospital of St. Vincent de Paul, where they have all been well attended by the noble Sisters of Charity. The following is a complete list of the killed and wounded:

Killed—Thomas Ennis, coal heaver; Chas. Adams, colored; Harmon Batts, fireman, and an unknown colored fireman.

Passengers Injured—Stephen Hays, badly scalded; James Davis, slightly; May Eugenie Carter, hands badly; Mrs. James, slightly; Edward Zeallor, slightly; Dr. A. T. Osborne, Oxford, Md., badly; Charles W. Mixon, Chowan, N. C., very badly; John T. Cawling, slight; L. A. Langteller, slight.

Officers and Hands Injured—Charles Reed, of Baltimore, chief engineer; Vance Wilson, assistant engineer; Walter Peggans, agent; Wm. Hait, fireman; John Bowan, slight; Samuel McKenny, badly; Samuel Young, colored, slight; John Thomas, colored, slight; John Coburn, slight; Captain Cralle, the commander of the Kelso, was slightly injured in the hand.

About twenty horses and mules belonging to one of the passengers, Mr. C. W. Mixon, were scalded and ruined. They were on the lower deck, tied, several feet in front of the engine, and singularly enough, though their heads were turned from the boiler, they were injured alone in that part of their bodies. The skin, and their tongues burned so as to prevent their eating, and most of them, having inhaled the steam, suffered terribly.

Mr. Walcrop, the baggage master, was awakened by the concussion, and springing up, crawled out of his berth through a small opening in the window, and reached the upper deck, badly scalded. Captain Craele had a short while before given the steamer in charge of his second officer, and had been asleep but a short while when he was awoke by the concussion. He rushed from his state room, bewildered and confused. On feeling a stifling sensation, as if in a heated atmosphere, and gasping for breath and grouping around he struck the bulkhead, opposite the open door. He finally reached the door, and entering the large saloon found it in darkness and filled with steam. In making his way to the after part of the steamer he struck the cabin stove, and was knocked down, injuring his left shoulder, and badly bruising his body. Recovering, he reached the stern of the vessel, and assisted many of the excited passengers out of the saloon window on to the guard of the steamer, where they were free from the stifling effects of the steam.

It is considered fortunate that the accident did not occur sooner. All the passengers had retired, and the doors of their staterooms being closed, accounts for the comparatively small number of scalded. Had it taken place before they retired, and while they were in the saloons and social hall, it is impossible to estimate the loss of life that would have occurred. Many of the passengers that were scalded received their injuries by pushing through the saloons in their fright to ascertain the nature of the concussion, which had scalded every one on board. One lady had her face burned by looking out of her state-room door before the danger had passed. This was the only lady passenger injured.

The following accurate information was furnished yesterday by Dr. Samuel Geldon, of the Hospital of St. Vincent de Paul:—From the arrival of the steamer City of Norfolk with the wounded, during their transportation to the hospital, and during the night, the following physicians were in attendance, viz.: Drs. R. W. Rose, S. J. Browne, S. K. Jackson, Samuel Seldon, H. M. Nash, aided materially by John E. Todd, apothecary, who furnished the physicians with bandages, lint, stimulants and dressing. The following is a list of the patients under treatment at the hospital:

Chas. W. Mixon, N. C., situation critical.
Stephen Hayes, N. J., " "
Dr. A. F. Osborne, Oxford, N.C., doing well.
Samuel Kinney, Baltimore, " "
William Wilson, " " "
John Rowan, right hand and arm badly scalded.
John Marlin, colored, condition critical.
All the rest are doing well.

The Sisters of Charity, presided over by Sister Isidore Kenney, the Superior of the Hospital, were indefatigable in their attention to the sufferers, and remained up with them all night.

The Kelso has had her cargo discharged, and she now lies anchored in the Elizabeth river. She requires but few repairs, not being materially injured.

SALES OF PUBLIC LANDS.—During the month of November 62,256 acres of the public lands were disposed of at the Minasha (Wisconsin) and Booneville (Missouri) offices, the greater portion having been taken for actual settlement and cultivation, and will add about three hundred and fifty farms to those States.

Returns from Oregon for the month of October show that 28,150 acres of the public lands were disposed of at the following local offices: Traverse City, Michigan, 23,055 acres; East Saginaw, Michigan, 5,095 acres.

The greater portion of the lands were taken under the Homestead law, for actual settlement and cultivation.

By Atlantic Cable.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—In the Commission to adjust the Alabama claims, those of this country against the United States, in losses of British subjects by depredations, &c., during the war, will be brought prominently forward.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A factory for the preparation of Greek fire has been discovered by the police in Dublin.

The Minister of the United States of Colombia has made a demand upon the Government for the restoration of the steamship Bolivar, and it is probable that she will be given up to her owners without further delay.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—It is now stated that the Imperial Commission will agree upon a similar plan to that adopted by Denmark for the reorganization of both the army and navy.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—It is rumored here and on the Continent that the Emperor of Russia has proposed to the great powers that they hold a conference to take into consideration the position of the Christian subjects of the Sublime Porte.

ROME, Dec. 12.—An American frigate has arrived at Civitta Vecchia, and it is supposed her mission is to carry Surratt to the United States for trial.

From Mexico.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The steamer Eagle, from Havana, Dec. 8th, has arrived here. The steamer Elder, from Vera Cruz, Dec. 6th, had arrived.

Maximilian had decided not to abandon the Empire, and a proclamation communicating said fact had appeared.

The United States frigate Susquehanna had arrived at Sacrificios. Vera Cruz journals attribute to Sherman and Campbell's arrival, the determination of Maximilian to remain, and call upon the Mexicans to prevent the absorption of their country by the United States.

Penzan and Valdez attacked Zacambaro, according to the *Chronista*, with 1,200 men and 4 pieces of artillery, but were repulsed by the garrison, although it consisted of only 400 men. The Liberals retreated to the hills. They made three distinct attacks at Tuancingo, demanding its surrender. The garrison, which consisted of 300 Belgians, and 400 Mexicans, repulsed every attack.

The *Estafette* of Mexico, of the 26th, says that the French citizens who escaped the massacre of Sonora are beginning to arrive at that city. Others escaped to Lower California. Two priests arrived at Guaymas, one of whom had walked sixty leagues.

Gen. Catagony reached Guadalajara on the 5th, with 1,400 men. It is reported that he went there to cover the retreat of the garrison of Mazatlan.

There were at anchor at Mazatlan six men of-war, two of which were American. The Church party had offered Maximilian $3,000,000. Gen. Douay, with a portion of his division, arrived at Mexico on the 22d and proceeded to Puebla. The garrison was to leave Zacatecas on the 27th. Juarez was at Saltillo. The Commandant Berthelin was killed at Barrancas del Beltran.

Among the passengers by the Elder, from Vera Cruz, was the private secretary of Maximilian. He comes to New York in the Eagle and will trace proceed to Paris by way of Southampton. He has been very reserved since his arrival and it may be possible he carries despatches or has particular business to leave Mexico.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—The well-informed correspondent of the New Orleans *Picayune* writing from Vera-Cruz on the 2d inst., gives the following:

The Empire has just passed through a serious crisis. Marx has proved himself a clever gold seeker; he has done more than draw blood from a stone. He has got money from the bishops. The clergy of this country, a few days ago placed at the Emperor's disposal $25,000,000, for immediate use, and promise a similar sum annually to enable him to keep up an army. The merchants of Mexico pledged themselves at the same time, to give him $100,000,000 annually, and on these terms he has decided on retaining his crown, and shedding the last drop of blood in defence of the nation.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 4.—The following is the proclamation from the Prefect which was published in the sheets of the city:

Vera Cruzeans—One of the most important events for the Mexicans has just taken place in the nation. His Majesty the Emperor, who has made so many sacrifices for the welfare and happiness of our dear country, has given the last proof of fine regard which he claims when borne down by the natural sentiments which conflicted yet struggled in his soul became of the indisposition of his august and noble wife.

Our beloved Sovereign, it may have been believed for a moment, that he had temporarily abandoned the country in devotion to the sacred duty of attending to his meritorious consort the care she so much needs in her present delicate condition. The Emperor nevertheless, sacrifices himself for us, prefers his duty as a man to that which honor as a rule directs him in these critical moments through which the country is passing, solemnly declares that he will be at his head, and fight without rest, even to the spending of the last drop of his blood in defence of the nation. Vera Cruzeans let us congratulate ourselves; let us give thanks to God for having preserved the integrity of our territories, and let us hail the assumption day of our nationality which was about to disappear.

[signed] D BUREAU.

The Susquehanna's arrival has done nothing towards strengthening the good feeling of the French for the United States. The French officers here are very angry because the French flag was not saluted, and they say that although the Americans do not recognize the Empire, they recognize France, and they feel slighted by the omission. Consequently, when a Lieutenant of the Susquehanna landed on Saturday morning, the latt instant, he was stopped at the gate of the Custom House by the Port Captain, a Mexican, who informed him that he could not pass into the town without permission of the French admiral.

The Lieutenant then made his way to the French flag-ship, and after a delay of a couple of hours, returned with the permission required and was allowed to enter. He returned to his ship very shortly with papers and letters apparently escorted by the Lieutenant, the American Consul. The Susquehanna remained at her anchor until 12 P. M. on Sunday, when she left by report, for Tampico. It is said that Porfiero Diaz has given in his adhesion to the Emperor, and that Ortega's partisans, as a whole body, are following suit.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The steamer Continental, from Mazatlan, arrived last night. She brings the particulars of the evacuation of that place by the Imperialists and French troops on November 11th.

The French fleet, consisting of the Rhine, Marle and Talisman appeared off the harbor, which was the signal for a general excitement among the troops and people, as it was believed that General Corona would attack the French while embarking, and the fleet would shell the city. The American consul volunteered his services to induce Corona to let the French embark in peace, which were unsuccessful, Corona having declared it his duty to inflict as much injury as possible.

The same evening the Liberals made an attack upon the French lines, but without any effect. The next day a strong attack was made and hard fighting took place, the French losing heavily in men and officers.

On the 10th the French Admiral sent a flag of truce to Corona, the result of which was the French were allowed to evacuate the place. The same afternoon the Liberals entered the city in fine style and without the least disorder, and were greeted with great enthusiasm by the people.

On the arrival of the Continental at Mazatlan, the Liberal Government proposed to seize her for violation of the neutrality laws during the past two years. This was energetically opposed by Captain Sherley, of the United States steamer Suwanee, and the steamer was not molested.

The French evacuated Durango on the morning of November 13th, thus leaving that port free from the forces of Maximilian. The city was left entirely to the protection of the merchants, and four days later was occupied by the Liberal forces under command of Gen. Auza. No disturbance occurred, and trade has been restored.

The French, while on the retreat to the City of Mexico, were very much harassed by the Liberal forces. At a place called Arenael, twenty-four miles from Durango, on the road to Sombrero the French column was entirely cut up, leaving two hundred men and three pieces of artillery on the battle-field.

Guadalajara advices of Nov. 10, from reliable sources, state that Maximilian was still at Orizaba, with his intention to abdicate. His Ministry sent a committee of three of their number to have an interview with him, but he refused to receive them. The French will recognize the Government of Juarez, and through the medim of the United States, will settle the French claims.

To this effect, they will appoint a commission of three to meet in Washington a similar commission of three Mexicans, composed of Senors Ladd, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Francisco Zearco, the eminent statesman, and Romero, Mexican Minister. In case the commissioners cannot agree then three citizens of the United States will be appointed to act as mediators.

San Luis Potosi was evacuated on November 13th. General Castagnay was in Guadalajara awaiting the arrival of troops from Mazatlan, and together with the French troops in that city, will march to the City of Mexico. In accordance with the orders the French will withdraw next spring. They will concentrate in the City of Mexico and will leave the Government in the hands of Porfiero Diaz.

Mr. Schleiden, son of William Schleiden, of San Francisco, has been arrested by Corona. Commander Shirley, of the United States steamer Suwanee, had demanded his release, as an American citizen. The demand had been refused on the ground that young Schleiden was a citizen of Mexico, having been born in Vera Cruz.

The steamers Continental and Panama had been seized by Corona, General-in-Chief of the Mexican Army of the West. The Continental was afterwards released under an agreement.

From late Mexican correspondence it appears that the Liberals, after driving the French and Imperialists out of Guayamas and Jalapa, commenced quarreling and intriguing among themselves.

Camillo Cruse, Chief of Staff to Gen. Martinez, shot a prominent merchant of Guayamas, for which Martinez attempted to arrest him, whereupon Cruse fired upon the General, and was instantly shot by the latter. Martinez has been unreasonably pressing Gov. Pesquiera for money, and declaring his ability to get it if it was not forthcoming.

Gov. Pesquiera left Guayamas for Hermosilli, saying he would remain no longer, to have his authority as Governor insulted. Martinez pursued him and begged his return, to which the Governor finally consented. Martinez then left for Sinaloa with his cavalry, his infantry going by sea to Mazatlan.

The people in Sonora were greatly rejoiced at his departure. Governor Pesquiera is very popular with the Americans, and has done much to invite immigration. The heavy dues imposed by the Imperialists have been greatly diminished, and the passport system abolished. The onerous interior duties have been entirely done away with.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CHRISTMAS DINNER TO THE POOR.—The teachers and managers of the Bedford Street Mission intend giving a DINNER to the poor children attending their day and Sabbath schools, on CHRISTMAS DAY, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock, at the Mission House, No. 619 Bedford street. The friends of the cause are cordially invited to be present. Donations in Money, Poultry, Provisions, Clothing, &c., thankfully received by the Missionary, No. 619 Bedford street, or by the undersigned.

EDMUND S. YARD, 309 Spruce st.
JACOB H. BURDSALL, 1125 Chestnut st.
GEORGE MILLIKEN, 828 Arch st.
JAMES L. BISPHAM, 710 S. Second st.
JOHN PARKER, JR.,
de11-tu,th,s,3t] 807 Spring Garden st.

OFFICE OF THE FRANKFORD AND PHILADELPHIA PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 2453 FRANKFORD Road, PHILADELPHIA, December 4, 1866.

All persons who are subscribers to or holders of the Capital Stock of this Company, and who have not yet paid the second installment of FIVE DOLLARS per share thereon, are hereby notified that the said second installment has been called in, and that they are required to pay the same at the above Office on or before WEDNESDAY, the 2d day of January next, 1867.

By Resolution of the Board of Directors.
de5-14t] JACOB BINDER, President.

OFFICE OF THE PHILADELPHIA AND SOUTHERN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, NO. 314 SOUTH DELAWARE AVENUE.

Notice is hereby given that by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the above-named Company, adopted August 29th, 1866, the FOURTH and last installment of the Capital Stock of said Company, being THIRTY PER CENTUM or SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS per share, has been called in, and is due and payable at this office.

WILLIAM J. MALCOLM,
se8tf Treasurer.

OFFICE OF "THE RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA," No. 308 WALNUT street. PHILADELPHIA, November 26th, 1866.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of "THE RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA" and the Annual Election of thirteen (13) Directors, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at their Office, on MONDAY, December 17th, 1866, at 12 o'clock, M.

THOMAS C. HILL,
no26 tdel7] Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE MILL CREEK AND MINEHILL NAVIGATION AND RAILROAD COMPANY. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5, 1866.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 407 LIBRARY street, on MONDAY, December 31 1866 at 12 o'clock, M., at which time an election for Officers to serve for the ensuing year, will also take place.

P. C. HOLLIS,
de10,t31] Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE SCHUYLKILL VALLEY NAVIGATION AND RAILROAD COMPANY,—PHILADELPHIA, December 5, 1866.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at the office of the company, No. 407 LIBRARY Street, on MONDAY, December 31, 1866, at half-past eleven o'clock, A. M., at which time an election for Officers to serve the ensuing year will also take place.

P. C. HOLLIS,
de10,t31] Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE SCHUYLKILL NAVIGATION COMPANY, No. 417 WALNUT ST.—PHILADELPHIA, December 11th, 1866.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders and Loanholders of this Company, and an Election of Officers for the ensuing year, will be held at this office, on MONDAY, the Seventh day of January next, at 11 o'clock A. M.

W. M. TILGHMAN,
de11 tu,th s,t,ja7] Secretary.

OFFICE MOUNT CARBON & PORT CARBON RAILROAD COMPANY. PHILADELPHIA, December 5th, 1866.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 307 LIBRARY street, on MONDAY, December 31st, 1866, at eleven o'clock, A.M., at which time an election for 11 Directors to serve the ensuing year will take place.

P. C. HOLLIS, Secretary.
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THE PHILADELPHIA NATIONAL BANK. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4, 1866.

The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, the eighth day of January, 1867, between 11 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.

B. B. COMEGYS,
de4 tu,th,s-ja8] Cashier.

MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK, PHILADELPHIA, December 8 1866.

The Annual Election for Directors of this bank will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of January, 1867, at the Banking House, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.

de8-tja9 J. WIGGAND, JR., Cashier.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK OF PHILADELPHIA, 723 ARCH street, PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5th, 1866.

The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held on TUESDAY, the 8th of January, 1867, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

SAML. J. MAC MULLEN, Cashier.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PHILADELPHIA, PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 6, 1866.

The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held on TUESDAY, the 8th of January, 1867, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.

MORTON MCMICHAEL, JR.,
de10tja8 Cashier.

KENSINGTON NATIONAL BANK, PHILADELPHIA, December 8, 1866.

An election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 8, 1867, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

WILLIAM McCONNELL,
de10 tja8 Cashier.

FARMERS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK, PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1866.

The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of January, 1867, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 3 o'clock P. M.

W RUSHTON, JR., Cashier.
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CHILDREN'S HOME, WEST PHILADELPHIA.—The annual sale of useful and fancy articles will be held at Association Hall, 1219 Chestnut street, above Market, West Philadelphia, on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 12th, 13th and 14th instants. Admission 25 cents. Base Ball implements to be raffled for.

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A GRAND FAIR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FRENCH PROTESTANT CHURCH will be held at the Assembly Rooms, TENTH and CHESTNUT, commencing MONDAY, Dec. 10th, and continuing through the week. Season tickets, 25 cts.; single admission 10 cents.

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NOTICE.—TRENTON, Dec. 10th.—The Delaware and Raritan Canal will be closed for navigation on TUESDAY, the 18th inst, unless sooner stopped by ice.

J. G STEVENS,
de11-8t] Engineer and Superintendent.

DIVIDEND NOTICES.

DIVIDEND.—The Directors of the BUTLER COAL COMPANY have this day declared a dividend from the profits of the company of ONE DOLLAR per share clear of taxes. (It being the second dividend for same amount declared this year.) payable on and after 24th inst. to stockholders of that date. Stockholders residing in New York will be paid the dividend at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company.

SAMUEL DUTTON, Treasurer,
No. 411 Chestnut street.
PHILADELPHIA: Dec, 6, 1866. dec8t24

OFFICE OF THE LEHIGH COAL AND NAVIGATION COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 27, 1866.

The Board of Managers have this day declared a Dividend of FIVE PER CENT., or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF PER SHARE, on the Capital Stock of this Company, payable on demand, clear of National and State taxes.

SOLOMON SHEPHERD,
no27-tf] Treasurer.

DRUGGISTS.

FRESH ADAMS COUNTY PEACHES, In Gallon, Half Gallon and Quart Cans. Fresh Quinces and Tomatoes. Also 100 doz Tomatoes in Glass. 100 doz. Green Corn. For sale by

JAMES R. WEBB,
WALNUT and EIGHTH Sts

MAINE POTATOES—Prince Alberts and Jackson Whites just arrived from Portland, and for sale in lots to suit by the schooner Ida F. Wheeler, at Cattell's wharf below Arch street.

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PRIME NEW JERSEY LEAF LARD just received and for sale by

E. C. KNIGHT & CO.,
no16-1m S. E. corner Water and Chestnut streets.

FOX'S FARINA CRACKERS.

Fresh Crackers in tins unrivaled Brand always on hand and for sale in bbls. and ⅛ bbls., by

ALDRICH, YERKES & OARY,
18, 20 and 22 Letitia street.
no6-3m] Exclusive Agents.

10,000 Cans FRESH PEACHES, WINSLOW Corn, Fresh Tomatoes, Green Peas, Strawberries Mushrooms, &c., in store and for sale, wholesale or retail, by M. F. SPILLIN, N. W. corner Arch and Eighth.

DRIED FRUIT.—Very handsome pared peaches, unpared do. dried apples, in store and for sale by M. F. SPILLIN, N. W. corner Arch and Eighth.

BUCKWHEAT, BUCKWHEAT.—5,000 lbs. of the celebrated Silver Flint Buckwheat, in store and for sale by M. F. SPILLIN, Tea Dealer and Grocer, N W. corner Arch and Eighth.

NEW RAISINS AND FIGS—Superior new Layer Raisins and choice Elma Figs, for sale by M. F SPILLIN, N. W. corner Arch and Eighth streets.

NEW BETHLEHEM BUCKWHEAT & WHITE Clover Honey, in store and for sale at COUSTY'S East End Grocery, No. 118 South SECOND street.

QUEEN OLIVES.—300 gallons choice large Queen Olives, in store and for sale by gallon or barrel, at COUSTY'S East End Grocery, No. 118 South SECOND street.

NORTH CAROLINA HOMINY GRITS, NEW Hominy, pared and unpared Peaches, just received and for sale at COUSTY'S East End Grocery, No. 118 South SECOND street.

STUFFED MANGOES AND PEPPERS, GENUINE Chutney Sauce, Robinson's patent Barley and Groats, always on hand at COUSTY'S East End Grocery, No. 118 South SECOND street.

GEORGE PLOWMAN,
CARPENTER AND BUILDER.
232 CARTER STREET.
And 141 DOCK STREET.
Machine Work and Millwrighting promptly attended.
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SALT.—2,500 sacks LIVERPOOL GROUND SALT also 200 sacks Fine Salt, afloat, and for sale by WORKMAN & CO., 132 Walnut.

SIMON GARTLAND,
UNDERTAKER,
No. 35 South Thirteenth Street.
Interments made in all the Cemeteries
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BOVEE'S BOSTON BISCUIT.—Bovee's Boston Butter and Milk Biscuit, landing from steamer Norman and for sale by JOS. B. BUSSIER & CO., Agents for Bovee, 106 South Delaware avenue.

AUCTION SALES.

JAMES A. FREEMAN, AUCTIONEER.
No. 422 WALNUT street.
EIGHTEENTH FALL SALE AT THE EXCHANGE, DEC. 19, 1866.

This Sale, on WEDNESDAY, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Exchange, will include the following—

STOCKS.

Share in Athenæum. *Executors' Sale.*

MORTGAGE OF $3000—A purchase money mortgage of $500 0, due in two years, secured by a square of ground, 24th Ward. *Well secured and interest punctually paid.*

FRONT and AMBER STS—Property No. 2007 north Front st. and 1906 Amber st, $40 ground rent. *Orphans' Court Sale—Estate of David S. Brown, dec'd.*

ADJOINING—Three story brick house No 2005 N. Front st., through to Amber st. Clear. *Same Estate.*

NO. 1949 BLAIR ST—Frame house and lot, below Otis, late Wood, 19th Ward. Clear. *Same Estate.*

LOTS, 22D BELOW PINE—Two building lots, west side each 16 by 80 feet. Clear. *Peremptory Sale.*

NO. 1022 S FIFTH ST—Three-story brick dwelling; 16 by 40 feet. Clear. *Orphans' Court Sale—Estate of Samuel P. Marks, dec'd.*

DWELLINGS, TWENTIETH, ABOVE GREEN.—Two handsome new three story brick dwelling houses, with back buildings and the modern improvements, one at the S. E. corner of 20th and North sts, the other the first house above Wallace st., each 19 by 87½ feet. *Clear.*

WALLACE ST—A three story brick residence, east of 20th, 27¾ by 103 feet. *Similar to the above with the addition of a side yard. Clear.*

MANSION, WALLACE ST—Handsome double mansion, chambers finished in walnut, east of 20th, 40 by 160 feet. Part may remain on each of the above. These are very desirable properties, and may be examined any time. *Clear.*

GERMANTOWN—Stone dwelling, stable and lot, Mechanic st., S. W of Morton st. 25 by 90 feet. Immediate possession. *Executrix Sale—Estate of John Regan, dec'd.*

NO. 520 S. FRONT ST—A three story brick dwelling with back building, 23½ by 100 feet. Rents for $630. $339 0 may remain. *Clear. Executors Sale—Estate of Peter Rommel, dec'd.*

NO. 460 N. FOURTH ST—A genteel dwelling with back buildings, 19 1 6 by 80 feet; marble vestibule, &c. *Clear. Same Estate.*

NO. 119 N. SIXTH ST—Office building, 34 by 74 feet, $186 ground rent. Yields a rental of $1300 per annum. *Orphans' Court Sale—Estate of Robert M. Lee, dec'd.*

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