NOW THE AFFAIRS ARE MANAGED. Report of the Investigating Committee

PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS.

In Select Council yesterday afternoon Colonel James Page, Chairman, presented the report of the Special Committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Philadelphia Gas Works. The report says:

The Committee report that they held twenty-five meetings, exclusive of the sub committee. They subpensed forty-six witnesses, of whom twenty-six attended. The following refused to recognize the manical of the law: Samuel M. White, James Moore, Charles McCready, James McCawley, Malachi Sloan, James McGonigle, Joseph Leanig, John A. Houseman, James Osborre, C. H. Marple, John McGong, Charles A. Graeff, James McManus, Charles A. Miller, John Manuel, Charles L. Wolf, Benjamin Harper and W. H. Barnes.

Joseph Manuel and Benjamin S. Riley appeared by Sere the Committee but refused to be sworn. Charles Thompson Jones, the President of the Board, appeared and testified, as did Mr. Will am Elliott, Trustee

Trustee Subpensed and notified, who did not speer, were Houseman. Barnes, Graeff, McManes Miller, Manuel, and ex Trustee Wolff The employes who refused to obey the subpens were White, the registrar, McCready, foreman of the Paint Breeze retort house; Moore, at the same station; Thomas R. Brown, engineer's clerk. John Roberts; foreman at Point Breeze and Jehn Beckenback, foreman at Ninth Ward Works, attended and were examined.

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committee is a mistaken one. Competition, except in
a few instances in the past, and in no case in the present was or is invited by public advertisement.

The furnishing of supplies by members of Councils
is impolitic and wrong, and may lead to the grossest
abuses and corruptions. The fact that the Chairman
afthe Committee on Gas Works now holds several
heavy contracts for supplying iron retort, amounting
to thousands of dollars in the year, is not only objectionable, but should be, if it is not already done, prevented by law.

ANNUAL EMPORT FOR 1865.

To assume, as has been done by the cashier in his
report on the lat of January, 1885, that the loss for 1865
of 188,783 st was ewing to the high prices of coal and
wages paid to the workmen, and the great loss susislaned by the trust in lighting the public lamps, is a
most convenient way of absolving the trustees from
every responsibility for the disastrous results of that
year. If the coal used in 1885 has been as well carbonized as it had been in the previous years, and its yield
gas had been properly manufactured before being
passed into the holder, so that sixty millians of coole
feet could not have resolved themselves into tar, map
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the annual reports of the trustees of these
would have been no loss on that year, the figures would
have been nevereed notwithstanding the high pr.cas
el coal, the increased demands for labor, and the loss
sustained in lighting in public lamps as as alleged.

It is most unfair, however, to complain of the loss on
public lighting, in the shape in which it is presented in
the annual reports of the trustees.

It is a feature against the management that they
could not carry for any length of time even a portion
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and the exercise of a proper economy, this might nave seen avoided.

The city, in common with the private consumers, safers from the inferior quality of the gas supplied from its want of illuminating power yet ane is charged to the full extent of the price of gas at the standard value. No doubt she paid the full price for a full supply of gas for burners consuming six feet per hour, but did not get it, as in the case of the mufflers. What she paid for more than she received it is hard to say. The conduct of the Trustees in this particular is the more surprising, and, in the judgment of the committee, more reprehensible, from the fact that some of them submitted themselves with a seeming, willingness to an examination, while at the same time they retained in office those who were guity of disrespect to this Council and its committee, and over whom they had sufficient centrol as to dismiss them from the positions they so nonworthly filled. It is due, however, to Col. Jones to say that he promptly attended before the committee and cheerfully answered their questions, giving all the information in his power.

Many citizens, too, who were subt cenaed, and whose the fourty was known to be important, declined to at the committee and cheer important and committee and cheer import restimony was known to be important, declined to at ane Legislature in passing the law authorizing conneils to issue subpense and administer eaths, presumed that every good citizen would respect and obey the requirements of that law. This reasonable expectation the withresses named have wholly ignored.

The report then refers to the testimony phonographed. It says it was impossible within the time occupied by the committee to make anything like a faill examination of the management of so extensive and diversified Works or the system by which they are governed. The extent of the Works almost bid definite to any attempt at complete and perfect investigation, and when difficulties are thrown in the way, and obstacles interposed by those having them in committee have done the best they could under the circumstances by which they were surrounded, and selecting some prominent features from the mass of sydences present them with a few brief comments, and close with the conclusions at which they have surrived.

arrived.

The high price of coal for less being one of the chief reasons assigned for the failure of the Works to realize grofit. In that year it is proper to look at the facts which produced that condition of things.

In 1863 the cost of cal was \$1,16,167 56, more than both of the preceding years put together.

The sub committee, in their examination of the books papers and documents, were confined by resolution to the years 1884 and 1885, so that it was only when antecedent transactions extended into the former year, or contracts of the latter ran into 1886, that they were permitted to investigate outside of the limits fixed by the committee.

ne snm of \$1,238 700 60 per cent per annum.

. 116,000 00 For Germantown up to January 1, 1866,... For Manayunk up to January 1, 1866......

For Richmond up to January 1, 1866... Added this year....

Allusion having been made to this in the testimony of Mr. Elliott, one of the trustee, the attention of the committee has been necessarily drawn to its consideration. As far back as 1863, he then this Engineer, storage room, and of horeasing the number of retorus torage room, and of horeasing the number of retorus refers to these also, and in strong language, presses minent requirements, for the successful conduct of the entitled to, for the retorus defending the result of the successful conduct of the entitled to, for the retorus have any steps yet teen thouse is not yet ready, nor have any steps yet teen taken to provide additional retorics is shown in the loss of coal. To meet the definand, the gas has been forced to the great waste of the laid to a large extent and at heavy cost to carry into the entand and the heavy cost to carry into the renal districts and at heavy cost to carry finite the rural districts and at heavy cost to carry finite the rural districts before the capacity to support the company and the second of the control of the recurred.

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publican party, and one, James McManes, was nominated and elected Prothonotary.

To sum up the whole the labure in the management of the Gas Works may be largely attributed to the introduction of politics in the appointment of Trustees and their employes. Commencing years back, the vil has grown in force and intensity. Certain it is that corruption once begun goes con increasing and theilest year will always be the worst. Each set of politicians, according to the power their processed used the Works for their own ends. For a time there was a balance of strength, but in the spring of 1885, the denaminator of one of them became supreme, and then a wholesale discharge of their political opponents ensed, and their places were supplied with political favorites, with but little regard to finess or capacity. While it is not intended to secure any of the Trusteen prostituting a trust into which they should never have permitted politics to enter, the facts show that this year has been the growth of the profits for it being only \$121,463 25 For 1885.

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mens profits, and this, too, while every establishment of the like kind was making money and paying dividends.

Independently of the malignant and mutinous spirit which party changes are always sure to engender, leading to malicious interference with the Works, cropping out, as is shown by the testimony, in ruptured holders, stopped off valves, mutilated burners and broken pipes, the disastrous effects upon gas retorts, coal and coke from inexperienced hands, have been abown by the table prepared, and the comparison of coal and coke from inexperienced hands, have been shown by the table prepared, and the comparison of conveyer with another.

CONCLUSION.

It cannot be denied that there has been gross mis management, even if the charge of corruption be doubted. The profits have disappeared, the expenditures have largely increased, the citizens pay heavier and receive less light, while the Works which were regarded in the prospective as a source of sure profit, are now a burden to the city.

No one can believe that a man without scientification with the compared of the region of the city. Its successful management requires the mind and genius of no ordinary individual. He must be a disciplinarian, watch its profit of the trust is a great one and the responsibility heavy. To depend upon his subordinate is at once to destroy his power and piace him at their mercy. nates is at once to the city and the comfort and relief their mercy.

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To make the Works a department of the city would bring them directly under the control of the city would bring them directly under the control of the city would bring them directly under the control of the city and managed, they are in the sature of a close corporation, away from inspection and without check.

The task of the committee a most unpleasant one, however imperfectly executed, is at an end, and they are not sorry for it. They have met with annoyances rudeness and insult from these who ought to have known better; and their efforts at investigation have been thwarted by those interested in defeating it. The impunity with which the chief engineers bearded the committee, in the outset, was not without its influence upon others.

In conclusion the committee would remark that the proper management of the Gas Trust is a matter which was superior to all parity consideratiess. It is one which involves the comfort of every man, woman and child in our great and growing city, for light is one of the absolute necessaries of life, and we can no more dispense with it than we can with water. Its supply should be cheap and certain, as well for the rich as the poor, for the counting-room as the parlor, for the gayety or the dance as the chambers of the Surely, then, the wise and good if can be absent. Surely, then, the wise and good if can be absent. Surely, then, the wise and good is can be absent. There is no pleasure or pain from which it can be absent. Surely, then, the wise and good is can be absent. There is no pleasure or pain from which it can be absent. There is no pleasure or pain from which it can be absent. Surely, then, the wise and good of the conting-room as in the parlor, for the gravity in a political machine, or to use then for personal and pecuniary views.

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LAMES PAGE,

Evolved, That

December 12, 1866.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from urther consideration of the subject.

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held yesterday afternoon.

Select Branch.—Mr. Gray presented a communication from Chief Engineer Birkinbine, relative to the affairs of the Water Department

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The committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and the report was ordered to be printed.

The ordinance from Common Council making an appropriation to pay the interest on the funded debt failing due January lat, was concurred in; also the ordinance making as appropriation to pay the funded debt failing due January lat, isso.

The ordinance from Common Council making an extra appropriation to Clerks of Councils, was taken up Mr. Bumm moved to indefinitely postpone, and urged that less than a year ago the salaries were increased, and if the gentlemen were not content with their pay they could resign and others would be ready to take their places. Our finances would not permit us to induge in this liberally.

Mr. Barlow opposed the ordinance, and referred to the fact that the taxes now pressed beavily upon the people and they would not permit another to postpone was not agreed to.

Messia, Van Cleve and Wagner supported the passage of the bill and it passed—yeas 14, nays 7; it being first amended by adding an item of \$100 to the Messen ger of Select Council.

The ordinance from Common Council re-organizing the Fire Deparlment was taken up, and a motion to postpone led to a debate for and against the bill—Messia, King, Gray and Hopkins opposing and Mr. Freemau and Mr. Smith favoring—the latter wishing a commission to suit the Firemen. Upon the call of the yeas and nays, the vote for an indefinite postpone mentstood—

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Nays-Cattell, Freeman, Hodgdon, Jones, Manuel, Pollock, Van Cleve and Spering—8.

In order to prevent the reconsideration of the vote hereafter, the opposers of the bill moved a reconsideration at once, as the vote was in the negative, the bill was killed. Adjourned.

Common Branch.—The Finance Committee reported as ordinance appropriating \$1,125,000 to pay the interest on the funded debt of the city, falling due on the 1st of January, 1857. Agreed to.

Also an ordinance appropriating £907.118 46 to pay the funded debt of the city maturing in 1857, which was agreed to.

Mr. Griffith of the Committee of Finance and the funded debt of the city maturing in 1887, which was sgreed to.

Mr. Griffith, of the Committee of Fire and Trusts, reperied the ordinance to reorganize the Fire Department, already published.

Mr. Bardsley submitted a minority report, with an ordinance attached, similar to the original ordinance introduced by Mr. Evans.

It was moved to refer both ordinances to the Committee on Law, for the purpose of ascertaining whether Councils have the right to pass an ordinance creating a Fire Commission. Councils have the right to pass an ordinance creating a Fire Commission.

Mr. Harper opposed the motion, as the object was to delay action upon the bill and keep it back until the next year.

The motion to refer to the Committee on Law was not agred to-yeas 16, nays 25.

The ordinance reported by the minority of the Committee was then taken up, and under the call of the previous question the bill was passed by a vote of 25 yeas to 14 nays, as follows:

YEAS-Messrs, Allen, Allison, Armstrong, Bards, Edillington, Derbyshire, Evans, Fox, Franciscons Harper Harrison, Hetzell, Krupp, Marcer, Martin Miller Oram, Ray, Schafer, Simpson, stokes, Taylor Vankirk, Willits, Stokley, President—25.

RAYS-Messrs, Barnes, Calhoun, Dillen, Griffiths,

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Mr. Stanion reported an ordinance for the leasing of Dock street wharf, ast\$4,000 a year, to the Delaware avenue Market Co.. which was recommitted to the Committee on Port wardens.

Felect Council here met Common in joint convention and nominated James Lynd and Thomas J. Barger for city Solicitor, in place of Mr. Brewster, resigned. After a number of votes had been cast several of the members asked parmission to change their vetes, which was granted. These gentlemen voted for Mr. E. C. Nichols, the present Assistant Solicitor.

The recolution was offered that the Legislature be requested to repeal the act of Assembly which authorizes the Receiver of Taxes to retain five per cent, on outstanding taxes.

After considerable discussion the resolution was referred to the special committee on Board of Revision. The ordinance making an appropriation to the Highway Department for 1857 was taken up It was moved to reduce the item of \$12,000 for repairing over water pipe te \$8,000.

Mr. Schafer stated that the Highway Department had been paying 35 cents per yard, while the work could be done for 20 cents.

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Dearwise of the City of Philadelphia: Gentlemen Councils of the City of Philadelphia: Gentlemen Councils of the City of Philadelphia: Gentlemen Made to There seems to be a misunder landing of the manage ment and condition of the affairs of this department, and also an impression that the improvements made to the Works are not judicious expenditures; and as these impressions in the minds of members of your honorable body are injuriously affecting the interest of the Department, as well as myself, to whom you have in pressions in the minds of members of your honorable body are injuriously affecting the interest of the Department, as well as myself, to whom you have in trust of the Department, easing the violation to the following statements, designed to vindicate the action of Councils in authorizing the work and in making the appropriations for carrying it on, as well as in my own behalf; and requesting such action on your part as may be deemed proper in the pramises.

On taking charge of the Water Works in July, 1838, a large number of petitions from various parts of the city were referred to me by Councils, with a resolution directing me to report upon a means of furnishing an adequate supply of water to all parts of the city. In answer to this resolution a report was presented to Councils in October (see Appendix No. 20, Journal of Select Council. 1835, page 442.), of the city.

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Three turbines and pumps

Raising Corinthian sand pumps

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mains for distributing water of twenty-four million gallons.

Awarth, The connecting of the Works so that they can all be made to assist each other, instead of being entirely independent of each other as before.

The total capacity of the Works for pumping and distributing water, previous to the improvements, was about seventeen million gallons per day, or thirty-four gallons per inhabitant, while the amount supplied last year to a greatly increased population, was forty-one gallons per inhabitant.

The capacity of the Works is thus more than doubled by an expenditure of less than one fifth their original cost. The total saving in the running expenses resulting from these improvements will not be apparent until nextysar, but it may be estimated at \$5,000 to \$100 000 per annum. As no accurate accounts were kept of pumping expenses prior to 1859 a detailed statement is improvided.

is impossible.

In 1859 one pound of coal was consumed for every 472 1-10 gallons of water supplied, and in 1856 one pound of coal for every 883 8 10 gallons, showing a saving in coal slone of 4.755 tons, which at \$2 25.100 \$2 ton, would

In appropriating the extensions proposed for Fairmade to complete the extensions proposed for Fairmade to complete the extensions proposed for Fairmoune Works.

The replacing of the old wheels by turbines, and erecting a large pumping engine, will increase the pumping power of the Works ten million gallons at all seasons of the year. This would enable the Department to furnish a foll supply, and allow for all contingencies that might occur by accident or drought.

In managing the Works, suggesting or making improvements, indicating other source of supply, care has been taken to study the interests of the city. The character of the work done, and the results of these improvements. I would respectfully submit to the judgment of your honorable body.

Yours, respectfully.

HENRY M. P. BEPKINBINE,
Chief Engineer.

ILLEGAL DISTILLATION.-James Pollett had a hearing before United States Commissioner Smith, yesterday, on the charge of having distilled states, without a license, back of No. 122 Dock street, and with having removed the still after its selzure by the Revenue officers. Henry Pauli leatified to making the seizure, and to placing two Government watchmen in the place, and to the removal of the still before the watchmen had been relieved. Defendant was held for trial.

HAVING FALSE STENCILS MADE.—Before United States Commissioner Sergeant, yesterday, John Lavens was charged with having caused to be made certain false steuctis containing the names of J. H. Sill, J. Littell and J. McCail. United States Inspectors, with Intent to use the same to defraud the Government. The defendant was held in \$10,000 ball to answer at Court.

Boy Killed.-Frank Mock, thirteen years old, was killed yesterday, on Green street wharf, by a pile o' lumber falling on him. His parents reside back of No. 129 Coates street. TESTIMONIAL TO GEO. H. STUART, ESQ.

Last evening a large number of ministers of the scapel, in connection with many prominent merchanics of this stip, assembled at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association for the purpose of participating in the presentation to the above named gentleman of a splendid bust of General Grant, mounted on a pedestal. The bust is of fine white marble, and has been executed in the most artistic style, at a cost of \$1,500.

Stephen Colwell, Eqq., was called to the chair, on taking which he briefly attack the object of the meeting. At the close of his remarks Rev. Mr Parvin, of the Episcopai Church, read several communications from the various committees having a bearing on the aubject. Letters of regret were also read from General George G. Meade and others, in which they expressed their sorrow at not being able to be present.

Mr. Parvin then made an elequent address previous to presenting the bant, in which he stated that the presentation was made as a testimonial of the friends of the United States Christian Commission, in cossideration of their high appreciation for the services rendered by Mr. Stuart pulled in a brief address, his health being Mr. Stuart replied in a brief address, his health being TESTIMONIAL TO GEO. H. STUART, ESQ.

wounded and dying in the various hospitals and on the field.

Mr. Stuart replied in a brief address, hus health being too feeble to admit of extended remarks, thank ing his friends for this testimonial of their friendship. He regretted bis inability to continue and then gave way to ex-Governor Pollock who made an address, in which he reviewed he many good works accomplished by the United States Christian Commission, of which Mr. Stuart was the honored President. At the conclusion of this and other addresses the cimpany retired to an adjoining room, where they partook of a fine repast, prepared by order of the Young Men's Christian Association. FAIR.—We would recommend our friends

to visit the Fair now being held at Green Hill Hall, conner. Seventeenth and Poplar streets, where they will and used and fancy articles at low prices (Christmas presents); also, a complete set of base ball implements is to be given to the Club receiving the most vetes, and a magnificent silver fire horn and baton is also to be voted for. It closes to-night.

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LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY. Capital and Assets, \$16,000,000. Invested in United States, \$1,500,000. Total Premiums received by the Company in 1865, \$4,947.175. Total Losses Paid in 1865, \$4,018,250. Premiums received in the U.S. from January 1 to July 1, 1886, \$737,637 32.

Losses in United States from January 1 to July 1 \$353,188 61.

All lesses promptly adjusted without reference to England.

ATWOOD SMITH, OFFICE, No. 6 Merchants' Exchange, PHILADELPHIA.

Five Hundred Dollars Reward. LOST, in going into the Treasury Department, from Chestnut street, a parcel of 7 3-10 COUPONS. Due 18th inst., amounting to \$3,297 77.

The above reward will be paid if the parcel is left at the DREASURY DEPARTMENT, Philads. dis 2t*

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CURWEN STODDART & BROTHER Have determined to offer their

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And give purchasers an opportunity of selecting a useful and acceptable HOLIDAY GIFT. CURWEN STODDART & BROTHER, Nos. 450, 452 and 454 N. SECOND ST., ABOVE WILLOW.

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I have now in store and for sale a most complete and POPLINS! POPLINS!

PLAIN POPLINS,
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EMPRESS CORD POPLINS,
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One case of SILK STRIPE POPLINS, only 75 cents
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I have just opened a full line of FRENCH MERI-NOES, of all desirable shades and qualities. New additions in DRE'S GOODS made daily frenc-the Philadelphia and New York Auctions. MUSLINS! MUSLINS P

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My Stock of FLAND ELS is large and cheap.

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LACES AND LACE GOODS.
HDEFS—Ladies and cents, every variety,
VRILS. SCARPS., NECK TIES, &C.,
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Embracing Novelties adapted for
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French Embroidered Handkerchiefs, from 75 cents.
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Thread Veils at \$2.50, worth \$3.
A choice stock of Triraming Laces, in old Pointe.
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has now on hand a ful line of FALL and WINTER
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Ladles's Merino Vests and Drawers.

Gents' White, Clouded. Grey and Bed Merino Shirts
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Hosiery, Gloves, Suspenders, Ties, Scarfs, &c.;

White Shirts on hand and made to order. A perfect
fit guaranteed.

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Calicoes and De Laines for Christmas.
Filks and Shawis for Christmas.
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Misses' and Ladles' Gloves for Christmas.
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We will sell our entire stock at low figures, to snit purchasers making Christmas-Presents.
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PDWIN HALL & CO., 28 SOUTH SECOND Street,
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Heavy Black Silks,
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French and German Poplins,
Black Goods in great variety,
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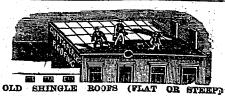
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Machine Work and Millwriting promptly attended.



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