From our Fifth Edition of Yesterday.

Important from Washington.

[By the U. S. Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—On account of the absence of Justice Grier, who is to deliver the opinion on the decision of the Supreme Court in the test oath case, it was not delivered this morning. As the Court will adjourn on Friday until Thursday of next week, this opinion may not be expected until Monday of the following week.

No decision has yet been given in the application for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of Dr. Mudd, one of the Dry Tortugas prisoners.

It was stated that Chief Justice Chase doubts the jurisdiction of the Court in the matter. If it is not speedily decided by the Courts, the action of the Executive will be invoked to order the release of the prisoners condemned by the military commission who come within the terms of the recent decision of the Supreme Court in the Mulligan case, better known as the Indiana Conspiracy case.

Further News From Mexico.

[By the U. S. Associated Press.]

GALVESTON, Dec. 26th.—Col. Plato, late of the Quartermaster's Department, has just arrived here from Indianapolis. He saw the *Daily Ranchero*, which stated on the authority of its Matamoras correspondent that it was reported and generally believed that Escobedo had been captured and hung outside of the city. It was believed that the military had instigated Ortega to the act.

Escobedo had been heard from on the day previous to the reported execution.

Massacre of United States Soldiers.

[To the N. Y. Associated Press.]

FORT LARAMIE, Dec. 26.—A terrible massacre occurred on the 22d inst., near Fort Phil. Kearney.

Brevet Col. Fetterman, Captain Brown and Lieut. Grumond of the Eighteenth Infantry, with ninety enlisted men of the Second Cavalry and the Eighteenth infantry were surrounded by Indians, and every officer and man killed.

From Washington.

[To the New York Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—At an early hour this morning a policeman, named Williams while attempting to arrest two burglars on Seventh street, was shot by one of them, the ball striking a button on the breast of his coat before entering his body.

The burglars then made their escape, and up to this time have not been arrested. The wounded man was conveyed to his home, where he now lies in a serious condition, the ball not having yet been extracted.

From South Carolina.

[To the New York Associated Press.]

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 26.—A freedman, known as Horace Greeley, and who made his escape from prison several weeks since, was recaptured last night. He stands charged with the murder of a son of Mr. Rhett, last summer. We have reports today of the killing of two freedmen. One is said to have been murdered by some soldiers connected with the sixth infantry.

Marine Intelligence.

[To the N. Y. Associated Press.]

HALIFAX, Dec. 26.—Late Bermuda advices report the total loss of the bark Pathfinder, from Rockland to New Orleans, with a cargo of lime. A portion of the cargo will be saved.

Reception of the New French Minister by the President.

The Marquis de Montholon, the retiring French Minister, and the newly accredited minister, M. Berthemy, were presented to the President by the Secretary of State at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The leave-taking of the Marquis de Montholon, with the answer of the President to him, were of the kindest character.

Mr. Berthemy made the following address to the President.

Mr. President—I have the honor to place in your hands the letters which accredit me in the quality of Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of his Majesty the Emperor of the French. In confiding to me the mission to represent him near you, my sovereign has specially charged me to make known to you, the value he attaches to the relations of friendship which exist between France and the United States of America, to maintain these relations, to draw them more closely, if possible, in view of the developments of interests, common to the two countries. Such will be the constant aim of my efforts, and I have firm hope to attain it, if, as I am in advance assured, the government and people of the United States share in the sentiments of which I bring to this place sincere expressions.

The following is the President's reply to Mr. Berthemy:

Sir—Grateful affection toward the French nation is among the earliest, the most profound and the most enduring sentiments of the people and the government of the United States. We constantly try to believe that no interest of either country requires alienations or antagonisms between them. While intimate commercial interests tend to bind them together, as you have justly observed, they have at the same time a common interest in the advancement of civilization and humanity throughout the world. In expressing these feelings I am only repeating what has been uniformly said by the United States since they became sovereign. We have had much reason to be pleased with the conduct of your predecessor, the Marquis de Montholon. Be assured, M. Berthemy, that no consideration, or courtesy, will be withheld, which shall tend to make the performance of your duties agreeable and pleasant.

The retiring French Minister and his successor dined with the Secretary of State last night.

SINKING OF A STEAMER.—Saturday morning, at four o'clock, the stern wheel steamer Argonaut No. 2, just after leaving the New Albany (Indiana) wharf, where she had discharged a lot of clay for the glass works, struck the ledge of slate rock, and almost immediately sunk. She was attempting to run through a fog, and had made but a few revolutions ahead when she struck heavily, the stern sinking in about fifteen feet water. She lies alongside the bank, close to shore, with the water up to her boiler deck forward, and the water on her cabin floor aft. She had some fifteen cabin and twenty deck passengers, all of whom were saved unhurt, together with their baggage. The engineer was working her slowly at the time; but being laden with iron, her bow was crushed on the instant of contact with the slate shelf or reef. The Argonaut No. 2 was on her way to Cincinnati and Pittsburgh, from St. Louis. She entered protest at Louisville. The boat was valued at $20,000, and was insured for $10,000. The Underwriter, which has just finished with the Emperor, will probably raise her in a day or two. The bow of the Argonaut is spread open, but she is otherwise unhurt, and a bulkhead can very soon be built, so that she can be pumped out. All of her cargo, except some whisky and iron, will prove a total loss.

Financial and Commercial.

[To the U. S. Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 26, 1 P. M.—The Flour market is quiet and firm; sales of 4 900 bbls. superfine, $8 20@10; common to choice extra State, $10 40@11 75; ditto Western, $9 40@3 50; round hoop Ohio, $10 90@12; trade brands, $12 05@13 25: the market closing quiet but firm.

Southern Flour dull; sales of 150 bbls. at $11@13 25 for common, extra at $13 30@16 50. Rye Flour quiet; sales of 180 barrels at $6 50@7 50. Corn Meal easier; sales of 625 barrels Brandywine at 5@5 50. Wheat quiet and without a decided change; sales of 3,000 bushels of Amber State at $3 10, 7,100 bushels mixed Milwaukee at $2 15. Rye is dull: sales of 500 bushels at $1 35. Barley dull: sales of 1 000 bushels. Corn is about 1c. better, with only a material demand; sales of 24,000 bushels at $1 14½@1 15 for mixed western afloat, and $1 12 for new yellow Southern. Oats dull and heavy; sales of 18 000 bushels at 62@65c for Chicago and Milwaukee; 68@69c for State, and 66c. for new Ohio and Delaware. Whisky dull and nominal. Pork is lower; sales of 4 300 bbls. at $18 75@19 25 for old; sellers closing at $18 81 cash. New mess, $20@20 50. Prime, $17@17½. Beef is heavy. Beef hams are firmer; sales of 200 bbls. at $2 90@3 50. Bacon is quiet. Cut meats are heavy; sales of 140 packages at 9@10c. for shoulders and 10@12c. for hams.

IMPORTATIONS.

Reported for the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

BANGOR—Brig Nellie Clifford, Littlefield—212,783 ft lumber 121,000 laths E A Souder & Co.

ST MARY'S, GA.—Brig D B Doane, Weeks—150,000 feet lumber 8 bdls strips E A Souder & Co.

Arrival and Sailing of Ocean Steamers

TO ARRIVE.

SHIPS	FROM	FOR	DATE
City of Dublin	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 8
Atalanta	London	New York	Dec. 8
Palmyra	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 11
City of Boston	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 12
England	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 12
Allemania	Southampton	New York	Dec. 12
Nova Scotian	Liverpool	Portland	Dec. 13
City of Limerick	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 13
Fulton	Havre	New York	Dec. 19
TO DEPART.			
Helvetia	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 29
Pioneer	Philadelphia	Wilmington, NC	Dec. 29
Whirlwind	Philadelphia	Charleston	Dec. 29
Louisiana	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 29
St. Lauret	New York	Havre	Dec. 29
Deutchland	New York	Bremen	Dec. 29
Hendrick Hudson	Philada	Havana	Dec. 29
Wm Penn	New York	London	Dec. 29
Fung Shuey	New York	New Orleans	Dec. 29
Geo Washington	New York	New Orleans	Dec. 29
Columbia	New York	Glasgow	Dec. 29
Ocean Queen	New York	Aspinwall	Dec. 31
Atalanta	New York	London	Dec. 31
Corsica	New York	Nassau & Hav'a	Dec. 31
Java	Boston	Liverpool	Jan. 2
City of Limerick	New York	Liverpool	Jan. 2
Palmyra	New York	Liverpool	Jan. 2
Morro Castle	New York	Havana	Jan. 3
City of Cork	New York	Liverpool	Jan. 5
Allemania	New York	Hamburg	Jan. 5
City of Boston	New York	Liverpool	Jan. 5
England	New York	Liverpool	Jan. 5
Australasian	New York	Liverpool	Jan. 9
Eagle	New York	Havana	Jan. 10
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SUN RISES, 7 20 | SUN SETS, 4 39 | HIGH WATER, 7 9

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Ship David Crockett, Burgess, 94 days from San Francisco, with wheat to C H Cummings. Towed up by tug America.

Steamer Philadelphia, Fultz, 36 hours from Washington, with mdze to W P Clyde & Co.

Steamer Claymont, Allen, 36 hours from Richmond, with mdse to W P Clyde & Co.

Steamer George H Stout, Ford, 35 hours from Washington, with mdse to W P Clyde & Co.

Steamer New York, Platt, 24 hours from New York, with mdse to W P Clyde & Co.

Schr Isabella Thompson, Corson, 8 days from Jacksonville, with lumber to D S Stetson & Co.

Schr J Elliott, Gilchrist, from Calais, with lumber to D Trump, Son & Co.

Schr E L B Wales, Cramer, from New York, with barley to Bergdoll & Psotta.

Schr Clayton & Lowber, Jackson, 1 day from Smyrna, Del. with grain to Jas L Bewley & Co.

Schr Rebecca, Ross, 1 day from Lewes, Del. with grain to Jas L Bewley & Co.

Tug Hudson, Carr, from Delaware Breakwater, with 4 schrs, to W P Clyde & Co.

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Tug Hudson, Carr, Delaware Breakwater, with bark Blue Nose in tow, W P Clyde & Co.

Correspondence of the Philadelphia Exchange.

LEWES, DEL., Dec 25—6 P.M.

Bark Island Home, from Liverpool for Philadelphia, went in yesterday; a ship passed up this morning. Brig Circassian, from Turks Island, is at the Breakwater, waiting orders. Bark Ella, 90 days from —— for Boston, was spoken off the Capes of the Delaware, 24th inst. by pilot boat M H Grinnell. Wind N. W. JOSEPH LAFETRA.

*Probably the Ellen, Morrison, from Mauritius 20th Sept. for Boston.

MEMORANDA

Steamer Peruvian, Glover, hence at Liverpool 9th inst. via New York, and entered out next day for this port.

Steamer Moneka, Libbey, cleared at New York yesterday for Charleston.

Steamer Victor, Gates, cleared at New York yesterday for Vera Cruz.

Ship Eureka, Smith, cleared at Liverpool 8th inst. for this port.

Ship W J Hatfield, Murphy, entered out at Liverpool 8th inst. for this port.

Ship Equator, Krohn, hence at Flushing 10th inst.

Ship Nummer Eechs, Tobias, entered out at London 8th inst. for this port.

Ship Uncle Tobey, Pinkham, hence, remained at San Juan del Sur about 10th inst.

Ship Gen Shepley, Dinsmore, hence for Acapulco, remained at Rio Janeiro 25th ult—would repair without delay.

Ship Andrew Johnson, Curling, cleared at Liverpool 10th inst. for Callao.

Bark Thomas Dallett, Davis, from Richmond, remained at Rio Janeiro 25th ult. disch'g—captain and crew sick.

Barks Minnie Traub, and E W Bernard, at Havana 15th inst. to load old iron rails and old iron at Sagua for this port, at $4 per ton.

Bark Chas Gumm, Gallison, hence at Antwerp 8th instant.

Bark Jacob Hatfield, Blauvelt, hence at Flushing 10th inst.

Bark John Boulton, Lindsay, hence at Trieste 4th instant.

Bark Jupiter, Bradherring, hence at Hamburg 5th instant.

Brig James Baker, Thompson, for this port was up at Charleston 24th inst.

Brig Sarah Ellen, McLaughlin, hence at Flushing 10th inst.

Brig Zephyr (Br), McCullough, hence in the river, Antwerp, 10th inst.

Brig Haze, Hall, at Charleston 23d inst. from Boston.

Schr S S Lee, Melton, cleared at Charleston 22d inst. for Turks Island via Buck's Mills, SC.

Schr T D Wilder, Darrah, cleared at Mobile 21st inst. for New York.

Schrs Trident, Jameson, and A Falkenburg, Terrill, from Boston for this port, at N York yesterday.

Schr H Blackman, Gaudy, cleared at New York yesterday for this port.

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INLAND TRANSPORTATION RISKS on Merchandise per Railroads, Canals and Steamboats.
FIRE RISKS on Merchandise, Furniture and Buildings in City and County.
INCORPORATED IN 1794—CAPITAL, $500,000, AND PAID IN AND SECURELY INVESTED.
TOTAL PROPERTIES, $1,700,000.
PERPETUAL CHARTER.
DIRECTORS.
Arthur G. Coffin, | John Mason,
Samuel W. Jones, | George L. Harrison,
John A. Brown, | Francis R. Cope,
Charles Taylor, | Edward H. Trotter,
Ambrose White, | E. S. Clarke,
William Welsh, | William Cummings,
Richard D. Wood, | T. Charlton Henry,
S. Morris Wain, | Alfred D. Jessup.
T. Charlton Henry.
ARTHUR G. COFFIN, President.
CHARLES PLATT, Secretary.

PROVIDENT LIFE AND TRUST COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, NO. 111 South FOURTH Street, INCORPORATED 3d MONTH, 22d, 1865. CAPITAL, $150,000, PAID IN.
Insurance on Lives, by Yearly Premiums; or by 5, 10 or 20-year premiums, Non-forfeiture.
Endowments, payable at a future age, or on prior decease, by Yearly Premiums, or 10-year Premiums—both cases Non forfeiture.
Annuities granted on favorable terms.
Term Policies. Children's Endowments.
This Company, while giving the insured the security of a paid-up Capital, will divide the entire Profits of the Life business among its Policy holders.
Moneys received at interest, and paid on demand.
Authorized by charter to execute Trusts, and to act as Executor or Administrator, Assignee or Guardian, and in other fiduciary capacities under appointment of any Court of this Commonwealth or of any person or persons, or bodies politic or corporate.
DIRECTORS.
Samuel R. Shipley, | Richard Cadbury,
Jeremiah Hacker, | Henry Haines,
Joshua H. Morris, | T. Wistar Brown,
Richard Wood, | Wm. C. Longstreth,
Charles F. Coffin.
SAMUEL R. SHIPLEY, President. ROWLAND PARRY, Actuary.
THOMAS WISTAR, M. D., Medical Examiner. J. B. TOWNSEND, Legal Adviser. oc1,tf

FIRE ASSOCIATION, Incorporated March 27, 1820. OFFICE, No. 34 N. FIFTH street. Insure BUILDINGS, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and MERCHANDISE generally, from Loss by Fire, (in the City of Philadelphia only.)
STATEMENT of the Assets of the Association January 1, 1866.
Bonds and Mortgages on property in the City of Philadelphia only...$836,466 17
Ground Rents... 20,843 81
Real Estate (Office No. 34 North Fifth street) 14,396 17
U. S. Government 5-20 Bonds... 45,000 00
U. S. Treasury Notes... 6,640 00
City Warrants... 645 00
Cash on hand... 27,423 41
Total...$951,419 10
TRUSTEES.
WM. H. HAMILTON, | JOSEPH R. LYNDALL
JOHN SOUDER, | LEVI P. COATS,
PETER A. KEYSER, | SAMUEL SPARHAWK,
JOHN PHILBIN, | CHARLES P. BOWER,
JOHN CARROW, | JESSE LIGHTFOOT,
GEORGE I. YOUNG, | ROBERT SHOEMAKER.
GEORGE W. TRYON, President.
WM. T. BUTLER, Secretary.

MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.
OFFICE, NO. 5 SOUTH FIFTH STREET,
ASSETS, - - - - $126,522 21
CHARTER PERPETUAL.
MUTUAL SYSTEM EXCLUSIVELY.
DIRECTORS FOR 1866.
Caleb Clothier, | William P. Reeder,
Benjamin Malone, | Joseph Chapman,
Thomas Mather, | Charles Evans,
T. Ellwood Chapman, | Edward M. Needles,
Simeon Matlack, | Wilson M. Jenkins,
Aaron W. Gaskill, | Lukens Webster.
CALEB CLOTHIER, President.
BENJAMIN MALONE, Vice President.
THOMAS MATHER, Treasurer.
T. ELLWOOD CHAPMAN, Secretary. se22-3m

JEFFERSON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.—OFFICE, No. 24 NORTH FIFTH STREET, NEAR MARKET STREET.
Incorporated by the Legislature of Pennsylvania CHARTER PERPETUAL. CAPITAL AND ASSETS $150,000. Make Insurance against Loss or Damage by Fire or Public or Private Buildings, Furniture, Stocks Goods and Merchandise, on favorable terms.
DIRECTORS.
George Erety, | Frederick Doll,
August C. Miller, | Jacob Schandler,
John F. Belsterling, | Samuel Miller,
Henry Troemner, | Edward P. Moyer,
William McDaniel, | Adam J. Glass,
Christopher H. Miller, | Israel Peterson,
Frederick Staake, | Frederick Ladner
Jonas Bowman,
GEORGE ERETY, President.
JOHN F. BELSTERLING, Vice President
PHILIP E. COLEMAN, Secretary.

PHOENIX INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.
INCORPORATED 1804—CHARTER PERPETUAL
NO. 224 WALNUT Street, opposite the Exchange.
In addition to MARINE and INLAND INSURANCE this Company insures from loss or damage by FIRE on liberal terms, on buildings, merchandise, furniture &c., for limited periods, and permanently on buildings by deposit of premium.
The Company has been in active operation for more than SIXTY YEARS, during which all losses have been promptly adjusted and paid.
DIRECTORS.
John L. Hodge, | David Lewis,
M. B. Mahony, | Benjamin Etting,
John T. Lewis, | Thomas H. Powers,
William S. Grant, | A. R. McHenry,
Robert W. Leaming, | Edmond Castillon,
D. Clark Wharton, | Samuel Wilcox,
Lawrence Lewis, Jr. | Louis C. Norris.
JOHN R. WUCHERER, President.
SAMUEL WILCOX, Secretary.

FIRE INSURANCE EXCLUSIVELY, — THE PENNSYLVANIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY—Incorporated 1825—Charter Perpetual—No. 510 WALNUT Street, opposite Independence Square.
This Company, favorably known to the community for over forty years, continues to insure against loss or damage by fire, on Public or Private Buildings, either permanently or for a limited time. Also, on Furniture, Stocks of Goods and Merchandise generally, on liberal terms.
Their Capital, together with a large Surplus Fund is invested in the most careful manner, which enables them to offer to the insured an undoubted security in the case of loss.
DIRECTORS.
Daniel Smith, Jr., | John Devereux,
Alexander Benson, | Thomas Smith,
Isaac Hazlehurst, | Henry Lewis,
Thomas Robins, | J. Gillingham Fell,
Daniel Haddock, Jr.
DANIEL SMITH, Jr., President.
WILLIAM G. CROWELL, Secretary.

AMERICAN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.—Office Farquhar Building, No. 12 WALNUT Street.—MARINE AND INLAND INSURANCES. Risks taken on vessels, cargoes and freights to all parts of the world, and on goods on inland transportation on rivers, canals, railroads and other conveyances throughout the United States.
WILLIAM CRAIG, President.
PETER CULLEN, Vice President.
ROBERT J. MEE, Secretary.
DIRECTORS.
William Craig, | Henry C. Dallett,
Peter Cullen, | Wm. S. Lowber,
John Dallett, Jr., | J. Johnston Brown,
William H. Merrick, | Samuel A. Rulon,
Benj. W. Richards, | Mason Hutchins,
Gillies Dallett, | Henry L. Elder,
Wm. M. Baird, | S. Rodman Morgan,
Pearson Serrill.

AMERICAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, INCORPORATED 1810.—CHARTER PERPETUAL.
310 WALNUT Street, above THIRD Street, PHILADELPHIA.
Having a large paid up CAPITAL STOCK and SURPLUS invested in sound and available Securities, continue to insure on Dwellings, Stores, Furniture, Merchandise, Vessels in port, and their Cargoes, and other Personal Property. All Losses liberally and promptly adjusted.
DIRECTORS.
Thomas R. Maris, | John T. Lewis,
John Welsh, | James R. Campbell,
Samuel C. Morton, | Edmund G. Dutilh,
Patrick Brady, | Charles W. Poultney
Israel Morris.
THOMAS R. MARIS, President.
ALBERT C. L. CRAWFORD, Secretary. my22

INSURANCE.

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, 1866, $737,697 32.
Losses in United States from January 1 to July 1 $393,188 61.
All losses promptly adjusted without reference to England.
ATWOOD SMITH, General Agent for Pennsylvania.
OFFICE, No. 6 Merchants' Exchange, PHILADELPHIA.
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DELAWARE MUTUAL SAFETY INSURANCE COMPANY, Incorporated by the Legislature of Pennsylvania, 1835.
Office, S. E. Corner THIRD and WALNUT Street, Philadelphia.
MARINE INSURANCES, on vessels, cargo and freight, to all parts of the world.
INLAND INSURANCES, on goods, by river, canal, lake, and land carriage, to all parts of the Union.
FIRE INSURANCES on merchandise generally. On Stores, Dwelling Houses, &c.
ASSETS OF THE COMPANY November 1, 1866.
$100,000 United States Five per cent. Loan, 1871...$114,000 00
120,000 United States Six per cent. Loan, 1881... 136,500 00
200,000 United States 7 3-10 per cent. Loan, Treasury Notes... 211,500 00
125,000 City of Philadelphia Six per cent. Loan (exempts)... 126,562 50
54,000 State of Pennsylvania Six per cent. Loan... 54,700 00
46,000 State of Pennsylvania Five per cent. Loan... 44,620 00
50,000 State of New Jersey Six per cent. Loan... 50,750 00
20,000 Pennsylvania Railroad First Mortgage 6 per cent. Bonds... 20,500 00
25,000 Pennsylvania Railroad Second Mortgage 6 per cent. Bonds... 24,250 00
25,000 Western Pennsylvania Railroad Six per cent. Bonds (Penna. R. R. guarantee)... 20,750 00
30,000 State of Tennessee Five per cent. Loan... 18,000 00
7,000 State of Tennessee Six per cent. Loan... 5,040 00
15,000 300 shares stock Germantown Gas Company, principal and interest guaranteed by the city of Philadelphia... 15,000 00
7,150 143 shares stock Pennsylvania Railroad Company... 8,258 25
5,000 100 shares stock North Pennsylvania Railroad Company... 3,950 00
*20,000 80 shares stock Philadelphia and Southern Mail Steamship Company... 20,000 00
195,900 Loans on Bonds and Mortgage, first liens on city property... 195,900 00
$1,045 050 Par. Market value...$1,070,280 75 Cost, $1,030,552 05
Real Estate... 36,000 00
Bills Receivable for Insurances made... 217,637 23
Balance due at Agencies—Premiums on Marine Policies—Accrued Interest and other debts due the Company... 38,923 98
Scrip and Stock of sundry Insurance and other Companies, $5,173. Estimated value... 2,930 00
Cash in Bank...$41,102 26
" in Drawer... 447 34
41,549 60
$1,407,321 56
*This being a new enterprise, the par is assumed as the market value.
Thomas C. Hand, | Samuel E. Stokes,
John C. Davis, | Henry Sloan,
Edmund A. Souder, | William G. Boulton,
Theophilus Paulding, | Edward Darlington,
John R. Penrose, | H. Jones Brooke,
James Traquair, | Edward Lafourcade,
Henry C. Dallett, Jr., | Jacob P. Jones,
James C. Hand, | James B. M'Farland,
Wm. C. Ludwig, | Joshua P. Eyre,
Joseph H. Seal, | Spencer M'Ilvaine,
George G. Leiper, | John B. Semple, Pittsb'gh,
Hugh Craig, | A. B. Berger, Pittsburgh,
John D. Taylor, | D. T. Morgan, Pittsburgh,
THOMAS C. HAND, President.
JOHN C. DAVIS, Vice President.
HENRY LYLBURN, Secretary de13 to no1

THE RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.
Incorporated in 1841. Charter Perpetual.
OFFICE, No. 308 WALNUT STREET.
CAPITAL, $300,000.
Insures against loss or damage by FIRE, on Houses, Stores and other Buildings, limited or perpetual, and on Furniture, Goods Wares and merchandise in town or country.
LOSSES PROMPTLY ADJUSTED AND PAID.
ASSETS...$408,004 71
Invested in the following Securities, viz:
First Mortgages on City Property, well secured...$124,100 00
United States Government Loans... 135,000 00
Philadelphia City 6 per cent. Loans... 55,000 00
Pennsylvania $3,000,000 6 per cent. Loan... 21,000 00
Pennsylvania Railroad Bonds, first and second Mortgages... 35,000 00
Camden and Amboy Railroad Company's 6 per cent. Loan... 6,000 00
Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company's 6 per cent. Loan... 5,000 00
Huntingdon and Broad Top 7 per cent. mortgage bonds... 4,560 00
County Fire Insurance Company's Stock... 1,050 00
Mechanics' Bank Stock... 4,000 00
Commercial Bank of Pennsylvania Stock... 10,000 00
Union Mutual Insurance Company's Stock... 380 00
Reliance Insurance Company of Philadelphia's Stock... 3,000 00
Cash in bank and on hand... 5,914 71
$408,004 71
DIRECTORS.
Clem. Tingley, | Benj. W. Tingley,
Wm. Musser, | Marshall Hill,
Samuel Bispham, | Charles Leland,
H. L. Carson, | Thomas H. Moore,
Robert Steen, | Samuel Castner,
Wm. Stevenson, | Alfred English,
James T. Young.
CLEM. TINGLEY, President.
THOMAS C. HILL, Secretary.
PHILADELPHIA, December 1, 1865. de20 ...s,tu,th

THE COUNTY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—OFFICE NO. 110 SOUTH FOURTH STREET, BELOW CHESTNUT.
"The Fire Insurance Company of the County of Philadelphia," Incorporated by the Legislature of Pennsylvania in 1839, for indemnity against loss or damage by fire, exclusively.
CHARTER PERPETUAL.
This old and reliable institution, with ample capital and contingent fund carefully invested continues to insure buildings, furniture, merchandise, &c., either permanently or for a limited time, against loss or damage by fire, at the lowest rates consistent with the absolute safety of its customers.
Losses adjusted and paid with all possible despatch
DIRECTORS.
Charles J. Sutter, | Edwin L. Reakirt,
Henry Crilly, | John Horn,
Robert V. Massey, Jr., | Joseph Moore,
Henry Budd, | George Mecke,
Andrew H. Miller, | James N. Stone.
CHARLES J. SUTTER, President.
BENJAMIN F. HOECKLEY, Sec'y and Treasurer.

ANTHRACITE INSURANCE COMPANY.—CHARTER PERPETUAL.
Office, No. 311 WALNUT street, above Third, Phila.
Will insure against Loss or Damage by Fire, on Buildings, either perpetually or for a limited time, Household Furniture and Merchandise generally.
Also—Marine Insurance on Vessels, Cargoes and Freight. Inland Insurance to all parts of the Union.
DIRECTORS.
Wm. Esher, | David Pearson,
D. Luther, | Peter Sieger,
Lewis Audenried, | J. E. Baum,
J. R. Blakiston, | Wm. F. Dean,
Jos. Manfield, | John Ketcham.
WM. ESHER, President.
WM. F. DEAN, Vice-President.
WM. M. SMITH, Secretary

FAME INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 406 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.
FIRE AND INLAND INSURANCE.
DIRECTORS.
Francis N. Buck, | Jno. W. Everman,
Charles Richardson, | Robert B. Potter,
Henry Lewis, | Jno. Kessler, Jr.,
Samuel Wright, | E. D. Woodruff,
P. S. Justice, | Chas. Stokes,
Geo. A. West, | Jos. D. Ellis.
FRANCIS N. BUCK, President.
CHAS. RICHARDSON, Vice President.
W. I. BLANCHARD, Secretary.

EDUCATION.

EVENING CLASSES IN LATIN, FRENCH, MATHEMATICS AND HISTORY. For circulars, apply at the school rooms, 1318 Chestnut street.
de20-th,s,w,6t CHASE & BUCKINGHAM.

DR. LABBERTON, CLASSICAL AND MATHEMATICAL TEACHER, has returned from Europe and can be seen at his residence, 338 South FIFTEENTH street. He will resume his private lessons on December 31st, 1866, and his lectures on history and physical geography on January 7th, 1867. de10 18t

THE PHILADELPHIA RIDING SCHOOL, FOURTH street, above VINE, is now open for the Fall and Winter Season. Ladies and Gentlemen will find every provision for comfort and safety, so that a thorough knowledge of this beautiful accomplishment may be obtained by the most timid. Saddle horses trained in the best manner. Saddle horses and vehicles to hire. Also, carriages for funerals to cars, &c.
se25tf THOMAS CRAIGE & SON.

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MARTIN LEANS, NO. 402 CHESTNUT STREET.
First Premium awarded by Franklin Institute to MARTIN LEANS, Manufacturer of MASONIC MARKS, PINS, EMBLEMS, &c., &c.
New and original designs of Masonic Marks, Templars' Medals, Army Medals and Corps Badges of every description. no14-w,th,f,s,3m

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FOR NEW YORK.
EXPRESS STEAMSHIP LINE
Have commenced their regular OUTSIDE TRIPS.
The Steamships
NORFOLK, Captain Vance.
ALEXANDRIA, Captain Allen.
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Leaving from each city, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS, From first wharf below MARKET street, Philadelphia, and Pier 14 EAST River, New York.
These steamers insure at lowest rates.
FREIGHT received DAILY, at our usual low rates.
WM. P. CLYDE & CO., Agents, 14 South WHARVES, Philadelphia.
JAMES HAND, Agent, 104 WALL street, New York. de17

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.
The Philadelphia and Southern Mail Steamship Company's Regular Lines, second wharf below Spruce street.
The steamship TONAWANDA, Capt. W. Jennings, for SAVANNAH, will commence receiving freight on THURSDAY, January 3d, and sail on SATURDAY, January 5th, at 8 o'clock A. M., and every alternate Saturday thereafter—viz: January 19, February 2d, 16th, &c.
This steamer has fine State Rooms and other accommodations for passengers.
Cabin passage, $25; Deck do., $15.
Through tickets sold to the following points—Macon, Ga., $38; Columbus, Ga., $40; Augusta, Ga., $32; Atlanta, Ga., $39; Albany, Ga., $40; Montgomery, Ala., $46; Eufaula, Ala., $40; Mobile, Ala., —; New Orleans, $60.
Freight taken at low rates.
Through receipts given at through rates to Macon, Augusta, Columbus, Atlanta, Ga.; Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville, Memphis, Tenn.; Canton, Miss.
No freight received or bills of lading signed on sailing day.
Agents at Savannah, Hunter & Gammell.
For freight or passage, apply to
WM. L. JAMES, General Agent, 314 South Wharves. se12

FOR NEW ORLEANS, DIRECT.
THE PHILADELPHIA AND SOUTHERN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S REGULAR LINE.
The first-class Steamship STAR OF THE UNION, 1,200 tons register, T. N. Cooksey, Master, Will commence receiving freight for the above port at second wharf below Spruce street, on MONDAY, December 31st, and sail on SATURDAY, Jan. 5th, at 9 o'clock A. M.
Returning, will leave NEW ORLEANS on SATURDAY, January 19th.
This Steamer has superior State Rooms and other accommodations for passengers.
Cabin passage, $60; Deck do., $30.
Freight taken at low rates.
No freight received or bills of lading signed on sailing day.
Agents at New Orleans, Messrs. Crevy, Nickerson & Co., who will give careful attention to shipment of goods to Galveston, Mobile, Vicksburg, and interior points.
For freight or passage, apply to
WM. L. JAMES, General Agent, 314 South Wharves. se5-tf

FOR WILMINGTON, N. C.
THE PHILADELPHIA AND SOUTHERN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S REGULAR LINE, from Second Wharf below SPRUCE street.
The first-class steamship PIONEER, Captain J Bennett, for WILMINGTON, will commence receiving freight on THURSDAY, December 27th, and sail on SATURDAY, December 29th, at 9 o'clock A. M., and every alternate Saturday thereafter—viz.: January 12th, 26th, &c.
Passengers will find superior accommodations and best attendance.
Cabin passage, $20; Deck do., $10.
Freight carried at low rates.
No freight received or bills of lading signed on sailing day.
Agents at Wilmington, WORTH & DANIEL, who will give especial attention to forwarding goods addressed to their care to and from the interior.
For freight or passage, apply to
WM. L. JAMES, General Agent, 314 South Wharves se12

FOR BOSTON.
STEAMSHIP LINE DIRECT, SAILING FROM EACH PORT EVERY FIVE DAYS, FROM PINE ST. WHARF, PHILADELPHIA, AND LONG WHARF, BOSTON.
The steamship ROMAN, Captain Baker, will sail from Philadelphia on Thursday, Jan. 3, at 10 A. M.
The steamship SAXON, Captain Matthews, will sail from Boston on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at 3 P. M.
The line between Philadelphia and Boston is now composed of the
ROMAN (new), Captain Baker, 1,488 tons burthen.
SAXON, Captain Matthews, 1,250 tons burthen.
NORMAN, Captain Crowell, 1,203 tons burthen.
These substantial and well appointed steamships will sail punctually as advertised and freight will be received every day, a steamer being always on the berth to receive cargo.
Shippers are requested to send Bills of Lading with their goods.
For freight or passage having superior accommodations, apply to HENRY WINSOR & CO., au6 332 South Delaware avenue.

THROUGH AIR-LINE TO THE SOUTH AND WEST.
PHILADELPHIA, RICHMOND AND NORFOLK STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH RECEIPTS TO NEWBERN.
Also, to all points in NORTH and SOUTH CAROLINA, via Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad, and to LYNCHBURG, VA., TENNESSEE, and the WEST, via NORFOLK, PETERSBURG AND SOUTHSIDE RAILROAD.
The regularity, safety and shortness of this route, together with the moderate rates charged, commend it to the public as the most desirable medium for carrying every description of freight.
No charge for commission, drayage, or any expense of transfer.
Steamships insure at lowest rates, and leave regularly from the first wharf above Market street
Freight received daily.
WM. P. CLYDE & CO., 14 North and 14 South Wharves. se10

HAVANA STEAMERS. SEMI-MONTHLY LINE.
The Steamships
HENDRICK HUDSON...Capt. Howes
STARS AND STRIPES...Capt. Holmes
These steamers will leave this port for Havana every other SATURDAY, at 8 A. M.
The steamship HENDRICK HUDSON, Howes, master, will sail for Havana on SATURDAY MORNING, December 29th, at 8 o'clock.
Passage to Havana $50.
No freight received after Thursday.
For freight or passage, apply to
THOMAS WATTSON & SONS, au20 140 North Delaware avenue.

NEW EXPRESS LINE TO ALEXANDRIA, Georgetown and Washington, via Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, with connections at Alexandria, Va., form the most direct route for Lynchburg, Bristol, Knoxville, Nashville, Dalton and the Southwest.
Steamers leave First Wharf above Market street every Wednesday and Saturday at 12 M.
For freight apply to the agents,
W. P. CLYDE & CO., 14 North Wharves.
J. B. Davidson, Agent at Georgetown; M. Eldridge & Co., Agents at Alexandria.

FOR NEW YORK.—Philadelphia Steam Propeller Company—Despatch and Swiftsure Lines, via Delaware and Raritan Canal—Leaving daily at 12 M. and 5 P. M. connecting with all the Northern and Eastern Lines.
For freight, which will be taken on accommodating terms, apply to
WM. M. BAIRD & CO., mh16tf No. 132 South Delaware avenue.

STEAMER FOR SALE.—The fast sailing coppered and copper fastened Steamer HELEN GETTY (side wheel), 408 tons O. M., 180 feet long, 24½ feet beam; depth of hold 8 feet 6 inches; draws 5 feet 4 inches water; built of live oak and red cedar. Apply to E. A. SOUDER & CO., se12-tf Dock Street Wharf.

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DELAWARE and CHESAPEAKE STEAM TOW-BOAT COMPANY.
BARGES towed to and from PHILADELPHIA, HAVRE-DE-GRACE, BALTIMORE, WASHINGTON, and intermediate points.
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Captain JOHN LAUGHLIN, Superintendent.

FOR RIO DE JANEIRO.—The fast sailing A1½ brig KATE STEWART, Padlock, master. For light freight or passage, apply to E. A. SOUDER & CO., Dock street wharf. de22-4t

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.—The Br. bark BALTASARA, Wilson, master, 294 tons register, ready to load. Also, the Br bark CONQUEROR Sterling, master, 185 tons register. For terms, apply to E. A. SOUDER & CO., Dock street wharf. de20-6t

WANTED TO PURCHASE.—A centre-board Vessel, suitable for grain trade. Not over three years old, and not over 26 feet 4 inches beam. Apply to EDMUND A. SOUDER & CO., No. 3 Dock street. no3

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.—Consignees of merchandise per Br bark ARBUTUS, Knowlton, master, from Liverpool, will please send their permits on board, at South street wharf, or to the counting house of the undersigned. The general order will be issued on Friday, December 28th, when all goods not permitted will be sent to public stores. PETER WRIGHT & SONS, 115 Walnut street. de27-2t

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby cautioned against trusting any of the crew of the Br. bark ARBUTUS, from Liverpool, as no debts of their contracting will be paid by captain or consignees. PETER WRIGHT & SONS, 115 Walnut street. de27-tf

CONSIGNEES of 25 tons Copper Ore per ship Merrimac, from Liverpool, (wrecked on Townsend's Inlet, New Jersey,) will please forward their address immediately to the undersigned. PETER WRIGHT & SONS, 115 Walnut street. de19-7

JAS. S. SHINDLER, successor to JOHN SHINDLER & SONS, Sail Makers, No. 300 North DELAWARE Avenue, Philadelphia.
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Particular attention given to repairing.

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