TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

GEN. GEORGE SHEA, Judge of the Court of the Queen's Bench, has died suddenly.

MR. FROST, of the Dublin *Irishman*, has been convicted of publishing treasonable and seditious libels.

THE House of Commons, last evening, passed the bill suspending the writ of *habeas corpus* in Ireland.

THE leading members of the Liberal party in England propose to give a farewell dinner to Minister Adams.

ATLAN, the Fenian, who was discharged from custody on Tuesday, has since been arrested on the charge of murder.

THE new Government of Portugal is very unpopular, and tumults are reported in various parts of the kingdom.

SEVENTY persons have been arrested in Paris for political demonstration at a performance of Victor Hugo's *Roy Blas*.

IT is reported in Florence that the Italian Government has decided a frigate to watch the movements of Farragut's fleet.

THE North Carolina Convention adopted the bill of rights yesterday, and considered several applications for divorces.

THE New Jersey Senate has passed the resolutions withdrawing the ratification of the fourteenth amendment.

GOVERNOR BULLOCK has vetoed the bill passed by the Massachusetts Legislature, repealing the State Constabulary law.

THE Laurens county, Republican Convention has resolved in favor of Grant and Colfax for next Presidential and Vice Presidential.

THE tobacco factory of G. B. Hague, at Hannibal, Mo., has been seized for violation of the Internal Revenue laws.

IT is rumored in San Francisco that the Fenian organization on the Pacific coast is to be placed on a war footing.

AT a reception of the royal family of Hanover in Vienna, King George is reported to have said that he would never return home and resume his throne, in spite of Fenians.

THE Virginia Democratic Convention met yesterday, elected delegates to the National Convention, and passed a State ticket, headed by Hon. Chas. Dunn for Chief Justice.

THERE was great excitement in Montreal yesterday, on the departure of the Canadian Papal Zouaves for Rome. An immense audience was present at a farewell entertainment held at the Notre Dame Cathedral on Tuesday night, in connection with the event, and yesterday over twenty thousand persons assembled at the station to see them off. A general poop-pooh was nearly crushed to death by the pressure of the crowd.

Pennsylvania Legislature.

[CLOSE OF YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.]

SENATE.—Mr. Naglee introduced a bill incorporating the German Theatre.

Corporation Committee.

Mr. McConaughy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That as a token of recognition of the meritorious patriotic services of the soldiers of Pennsylvania who honorably served in the late war, there be procured and engrossed by the American Bank Note Company a certificate of honor, to be furnished under the direction of the Governor to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors.

The following bills were called up and considered:

One by Mr. Sanderson, authorizing the borough of Norristown to borrow $10,000. Passed.

One by Mr. Connell, authorizing the majority of property owners on any rural street to have the same macadamized and turnpiked. Passed. Adjourned.

HOUSE.—Mr. Thorn, of Philadelphia, moved to discharge the Municipal Corporations Committee from the further consideration of an act giving Penn Square, in Philadelphia, for use by certain institutions, and to refer the bill to a select committee consisting of the eighteen Philadelphia members, which was agreed to.

Mr. Thorn moved to print five thousand copies of the Auditor-General's Report on Railroads.

Mr. Duncan moved a further amendment by striking out five thousand copies, which was agreed to by four majority.

Mr. Malin moved to obtain for the use of the House, the same number of legislative handbooks as delivered last year. Agreed to.

Mr. Jenks offered a resolution extending the courtesies of the floor to the members of the Executive Committee now in session at Harrisburg. Passed.

The bill authorizing Councils to elect a chief engineer, commissioners of highways and of the markets and city property, and a solicitor for three years, was considered (Published on Tuesday).

The bill was favored by Mr. Thorn and opposed by Mr. Josephs, and was defeated by 51 nays to 47 ayes.

The Philadelphians voting in favor of the bill were: Messrs. Adams, Clark, Fox, Holgate, Hoog, Stokes, Kleckner, Suloon, Thorn, Watt and Davis, Speaker.

Those who voted against the bill were: Messrs. Bull, Dailey, Josephs, McGinnis, Thomas Mullen, Michael Mullen and Wilson.

Before the bill was defeated, Mr. Josephs said he knew of no Republican or Democrat who asked for its passage, but he knew of both who opposed it. No doubt the Chief Commissioner of Highways and his four assistants desired the bill, but they were not Councils. They was no good reason why the terms of office should be changed and a new board created to establish a system that had proved to be not to good to either party.

Mr. Stokes presented a petition from the merchants and manufacturers against the sale of goods by auction or otherwise by non-residents, whose principal place of business is not within the State.

Mr. Clark, of Philadelphia, presented two petitions from the Twenty-third Ward, favoring the bill compelling the Highway Department to clear the highways of obstructions.

A supplement to the Academy of Music bill was passed, as follows:

Be it enacted, &c., That so much of a supplement to an act to incorporate the Academy of Music, approved the 16th day of March, 1854, which reads: *Provided, however*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to confer upon those who shall be holders of free tickets of admission, under the proviso to the second section of the supplement to the said act, passed the 6th day of May, 1853, the right to be present at any other than operatic and dramatic performances by whatever name, and in lieu thereof the following proviso is hereby enacted, and declared to have the same force and effect as though the same had been inserted in the said act; *Provided, That* free stockholders shall have the privilege of stock in his or her name, the same being registered in their name on the books of the company, shall entitle the holder thereof to a perpetual free ticket of admission, and to the enjoyment seat in the house thereat to all lectures, concerts, operatic, dramatic, and other public exhibitions, not including balls; *Provided at the same time*, That no stockholder has complied with all the other different acts in relation to the said corporation.

After the passage, Mr. Thorn moved to reconsider, and called up the following letter from the President and Directors:

We, the undersigned, Directors of the American Academy of Music, respectfully represent that a supplement to the charter has been prepared and presented without the knowledge and approval of the officers and directors of the Academy; that it is in direct opposition to the interests of the corporation, and, as they believe, is in accordance with the wishes of the stockholders. They therefore remonstrate against the passage of said supplement as it was of merit, especially as it does not give the stockholders an opportunity of voting on its provisions.

James C. Hand, President; George S. Stepler, J. R. Steiner, Frederick Brown, Thomas Sparks, J. L. Cloghorn, George Trequair and D. L. Haddock, for Directors.

The reading of a letter in favor of the bill was called for by Mr. Stokes, which was granted, and his willingness to have read, if the gentleman desired it. It was from W. S. Stokley and John Farries, as follows:

We would greatly desire your support for the bill, as it affects our interests, and though parties who oppose it are on the Board of Directors. The stockholders simply ask to be placed in the same position as the directors, and the original charter granted the stockholders the privileges they now ask.

The bill was reconsidered.

Mr. Stokes favored the bill as eminently just and proper.

Mr. Thorn opposed the bill, because it would interfere with the lasting of the Academy, to allow five hundred and fifty stockholders to exercise "deadheads," and occupy the best seats at lectures, concerts and exhibitions.

Mr. Sulcer denied that it was proposed to admit them to all entertainments but such as those of that kind were excepted.

Mr. Fleming inquired whether, if the bill passed it would not be possible for the stockholders to enter, even when the Academy had been leased to the Republican or Democratic convention, to hold exact session.

Mr. Thorn replied that it would.

The bill was defeated by 13 yeas to 63 nays.

All the Philadelphians voted no, except Richard Mullen and Mr. Sulcer.

A long discussion ensued on the bill of Senator Ross, between Roberts and Gamble, the question turned on the alleged assertion—whether it was on the part of the husband or wife whether it was within the marital power to act. The bill passed.

Mr. Stokes moved to reconsider the vote by which the House defeated the bill authorizing the term of certain Philadelphia officers. Agreed to, and the bill was then postponed for the present. Adjourned.

CITY BULLETIN.

THE DEATH OF WM. M. SWAIN, Esq., was yesterday the occasion of a meeting of the employes of the establishment, called to take action in relation to the death of William M. Swain, Esq., who died on Tuesday morning, February 18th, 1868. The meeting was organized by the selection of Richard A. Shiels as Chairman, and Messrs. Richard Muckle and Henry C. Davis as Secretaries. The Chairman briefly stated the object of the meeting, whereupon, on motion, a committee of three was appointed, consisting of Wm. A. Barrow, Wm. Jones and Dr. J. E. Rodine, to draft a preamble and resolutions.

The committee retired, and upon returning Mr. Barrow said:

Chairman.—I will not say in the general acquaintanceship of those with whom "a great man has fallen in our midst," but will say that a great man has fallen in our midst. Our business here assembled was this sad, well, and I doubt not, acceptable duty to say in words the sentiment that is present to the full meaning of every heart. Mr. Swain was all that became a man, a good man, none knew better than the employes of the *Public Ledger*, and it is not to long, sir, before the memory of his good deeds will pass from this assembly to the larger one of the following preambles and resolutions from the committee:

The employes of the *Public Ledger* office, deeply impressed with the death of the former proprietor, William M. Swain, Esq., desire to give public expression to their feelings, and to add their testimony to the many which exist, both as a man and as an employer. As a man, they have found him courteous and kind, as an employer, just and liberal, and never unwilling to grant any reasonable request. Considerate both as a man and as an employer. As a man, they have found him courteous and kind, as an employer, just and liberal, and never unwilling to grant any reasonable request. Considerate both as a man and as an employer. As a man, they will connect his name with her future history, as a