CITY COUNCILS. - A special meeting was held Schet Branch.—An ordinance making an appropriation of \$1,033 46 to the Guardians of the Poor, for certain trusts, was passed. The recolution referring the matter of the increase in the satary of the Judges of the District Court and Court of Common Fleak to the City Solicitor, with instructions to propare a case on which to secure a decision of the Supreme Court, was indealitely postponed. The ordinance making an additional appropriation to the Inspectors of the County Prison was concurred in. The bill appropriating \$4,000 for payment of the city's portion of the expense in grading and bridging City avenue was agreed to. The recolution jot thanks to Robert H. Gratz, Eq., who presented the city with apportant of General Grant, was concurred in. The spropriation of \$462,630 to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund was passed. A bill appropriating \$500 to J. F. Salter, the examiner appointed by the court to take testimony in the confested election case of 1807, was referred to the Committee on Law. An appropriation of \$6,500 to the District-Attorney and Coroner was passed. The boundary line of the Ninth division of the Twentieth Ward was changed, and a new division was created in the South of the Ninth division of the Twentieth Ward was changed, and a new division was created in the Fourth Ward. An extra supropriation of \$8,500 to the Clerks of Councils was passed.

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ferred to the some appears commented to the state of the first supply school houses with furniture and heaters, authorizing certain transfers in the spropriation for public rehool purposes, were concurred in; one authorizing transfers in the Department of City Property was concurred in; another authorizing the purchase of a lot of ground in the Twenty-second Ward was similarly disposed of. perty was concurred in: another authorizing the purchase of a lot of ground in the Twenty-second Ward was similarly disposed of.

The bill fixing the tax rate for 1869 at \$1 80 per \$100, moor discussion at the time the chamber adjourned on Thurday last, was again taken up. On motion of Mr. Littleton the chamber resolved itself into a committee of the whole. The question was debated for one hour and a half. The committee then rose and reported the hill back without amendment. Several dilatory motions were made, and the bill finally passed.—Yeas \$1, nays 13.

The bill making further appropriations to clerks of Councils, to pay advertising bills, etc., was passed.

The Finance Committee reported ordinances making appropriations to Board of Guardians, School Controllers, Board of Revision of Taxes for 1869. Laid over.

An ordinance appropriating \$365 to pay clork of Steam Boiler Commission was passed.

A resolution requesting the City Treasurer to pay the warrants of the Guardians of the Poor in preserence to all others was passed.

A resolution directing the City Treasurer, when in funds over and above the amount advertised, and payment not demanded by holders of advertised warrants to set aside the amount to pay the warrants so uncalled for when demanded, and then proceed to advertise that he is prepared to pay all such warrants as he may have means to pay within the numbers advertised, provided that whenever he has on hand funds that can be applied to the payment of warrants amounting to \$23,000, he shall advertise up to the number or warrants that this sum will core. Passed. The Select Council resolution to appoint a committee of five from each chamber; on steam engines and boilers; was concurred in. Messrs, Evans, Bardelay, Stockbam, Hetcell and the payment of warrants amounting to five from each chamber; on steam engines and boilers; was concurred in. Messrs, Evans, Bardelay, Stockbam, Hetcell and the payment of warrants and the property warrants that the said highway will be required for public use, was pass

CONTROLLERS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS .- A

stated meeting was held yesterday. Communications at follows were received: From the Third section, request follows were received: From the Third section, requesting the Board to grant an additional rent of \$80 to the cowner of the Buringer school; another informing the Board that more schools are required in that section; both were referred; one from the Eighth section, existing that there is a deficiency of \$81.150 in the amount appropriated to that section for the rental of schools; referred to Councils. The Thirteenth section gave notice that the Rockenburg school house, on Noble street, below Eighth, had been wacated; referred.

The Sixteenth section reported that the committee to examine into the manner in which the Landanberger school building had been finished have presented the following: "in many places the seams of the structure have opened to the extent of three-eighths of an Inch, while is others boards too.short have been used in the floors, leaving tape, through which water runs when the floors are being wached, that green number has been used for doors, partitions and sashes." The communication was referred to the Committee on Property.

The Twenty-second section petitioned the Board to ask Councils to purchase a lot of ground on Cotage street, west of Germantown avenue, for school purposes. Referred.

The Twenty-fourth section asks for the immediate comwest of termanown sector, asks for the immediate com-ferred.

The Twenty-fourth section saks for the immediate com-pletion of the Belmont Grammar School, and the privi-lege to establish echool divisions in the building at For-tieth and Lencaster arenue. Referred.

The Board was notified to vacate the second and third stories of the building No. 554 South Bixth street, and the building Twelith and Wistar streets, new used for school surposes.
A resolution requiring all bills contracted by the Sectional Boards to be its mixed in detail was passed.
The Committee on Supplies reported that \$35,000 would be required during the year for fuel for the various the required during the year for fuel for the various schools in the city.

The Committee on Qualification of Teachers reported through its chairman that at the November examination there were 194 applicants, ten of whom withdrew, leaving 184, of which number 91 attained the average entitling them to certificates, graded as follows: One for a prince which a prince of the consolidate examinations of the consolidate examinations. pal of a consplicated grammar echool; 13 of the second class; 24 of third class; 50 of Gourth class. Of the sincery one certificates awarded, 75 will be given to applicants coming from the Girls' Normal School. The per centage of certificates granted at the oxamination is 49, that of the May (last) examination 47; exhibiting for this year amore favorable result than has been attained for seaveral

the May (last) examination 47; exhibiting for this year a more favorable result than has been attained for several years past.

A resolution requiring teachers to register their names in the office of the Board, with date of their certificates of qualification, and the time of their transfer and application, and the time of their transfer and applications, and the time of their transfer and applications, the property of the private of the private requiring the averages for granting certificates to be as follows:—First class, 75; ascond, 65; third, 60; requiring porsons elected principals of grammar schools to have previously taught three years; secondary, two years; primary school one year, and to be over seventeen years of age.

The Committee on Vaccination reported a resolution declaring that any child not vaccinated shall not be admitted or continued in any school in the First Echool District; that all principals shall report quarterly the number of non-vaccinated pupils in their schools to their gapective sectional thuards, and those failing to do so, shall have their salary withheld until they comply with the demands of the resolution. Passed.

An amendment was offered to the Twenty ninch rule making it optional with pupils as to home study, and that it shall not be required by teachers.

A large number of the bids to supply books, slates, etc., to the Board were read and referred. Adjourned until the 22d inst.

RECEPTION OF PRESIDENT McCosh, OF PRINCETON COLLEGE.—Rev. James McCosh, D.D., LL.D., Presi
dent elect of the Princeton, N. J., College, was last even
ing handsomely received by the Philadelphia Alumnt of
Princeton College, at the Rev. Dr. Crowell's Church, on
Broad street, asove Chestnut. The large edifice was
througed in every part. Hon. Judge Stroud, of the
Class of 1817. President of the Alumal Association, occupied the chair. The exercises were
conducted in the following order: Music (under
the direction of Mr. A. R. Taylor), "Awake! Awake! The
Plowers unfold." Prayer by the Rev. Wm. E. Schenck.
D. D., of the Class of 1838. Introductory statement by the
Hon. James Poliock, of the Class of 1834, Chairman of the
Committee of Arangements. Addresses of Welcome
by the Hon. Benjamin Harris Brewstor, of the
Class of 1824. Music; Congratulatory address, by the Hon. W. C. Alexander, of the
Class of 1824, President of the New York Alumni Association. Address by President McCosh. Music. Address
by Stophen Alexander. LL. D., of Princeton, Professor of
Natural Philorophy and Astronomy. Prayer, by the Rev.
Chak. W. Shielde, D. D., of Princeton, Professor of the
Harmony of Science and Revealed Religion, of the Class of
1844. Benediction by the Rev. John Maclean D. D.
LL. D., Ex-rresident of Princeton College, of the Class of RECEPTION OF PRESIDENT McCosh, of PRINCE-

Sons or Malta—The semi-annual election, held at the meeting of Minne-ha-ha Grand Lodge, No. 1 Zons of Multa, on Monday evening, December 7, resulte Bons of Multa, on Monday evening, December 7, resulted in the selection of the following named officer, who were duly installed: Grand Commander, bohert O. Lowry: Vice Grand Commander, John Thornloy: Grand Chancellor, Charles A. Rubleam: Grand Scorciary, George W. Wood: Grand Treasurer, Samuel Simes: Grand Conductor, Benjamin Ripperger.

Trustees of Contingent Fund—Jacob Laudenslagor, William C. Bridges, William B. Hood.

Charity Committee—Henry C. Howell, William S. Gregory, J. Laudenslagor, William Thomson.

Resolutions were offered by a committee, expressive of regret for the loss sustained during the pust year in the decease of Robert P. King, William M. Swain and Philips. White, which, after feeling remarks made by a number of the members, were unanimously adopted.

Grand Longer Of Coloren Masone. The

GRAND LODGE OF COLORED MASONS .- The GRAND LODGE OF COLORED MASONS.—The election for officers of the M. W. Grand Lodge for the State of Pennsylvania A. Y. M., hold on Monday, 7th inst., resulted as follows: Ralph G. Gilmore, re-elected M. W. Grand Master; George W. Roper, R. W. D. drand Master; Wm. Cooper, R. W. G. Senior Warden; Alfred F. Hawkins, R. W. G. Junior Warden; James Needham, re-elected K. W. G. Teasurer, and Jonathan Davis re-elected R. W. G. Teasurer, and Jonathan Davis re-elected R. W. G. Teasurer, and Jonathan Davis re-elected into their respective positions at the annual assession, to be held on Monday, Lee Es. The Grand Master will then miste his appointments for the year.

Sudden Death in Church ..- Mr. Oliver Willard, 80 years of age, and a resident of Wardshoro, Vermont, died suddenly on Sunday evening in the Woodland Presbyterian Church, Pine and Forty-first streets, West Philadelphia. The deceased was on a visit to his sop-in-law, Mr. Elisha C. Warren, No. 4 Hamilton Terrace, and attended church with Mr. Warren's family. Foon after being seated in the pew Mr. Willard was seen to fall slowly forward, and when raised he breathed for a moment and died.

SCHOOL TRACHERS CHANGED .- Teachers have been changed in the following Public Behools during the peen changed in the Jonewing Problem Schools during the past records, as follows: Mr. J. H. Sides has been elected Principal of the new Grammar School in the Twenty-fourth Ward; James C. Sickle has been sent to the Twenty-seventh Ward Grammar School; J. Emery Byran takes charge of the Forest School; J. W. Banting has been elected Principal of the Fayette Grammar School; J. M. Danton Willard, of the Randolph Grammar School, ad. Monroe Willard, of the Randolph Grammar School, and A. T. Huuter of the Holmeschool at Coll geville.

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