CITY BULLETIN.

The Stewart Obsequies.

HONORS TO THE DECEASED ADMIRAL

THE FUNERAL PROCESSION

The committee of gentlemen engaged in making arrangements for the obsequies of the late Admiral Stewart, to take place in this city this afternoon, assembled yesterday afternoon at the Mayor's office. Hon. Adolph E. Borie, President, in the chair.

Mr. Charles Macalister offered to place in the Hall a large and excellent portrait of Admiral Stewart while the body lies in state there.

Mayor Fox stated that the Commissioner of City Property had made every arrangement for the proper care of the body, and for means of access and egress for citizens. The flags on all of the public buildings will be displayed at half-mast, and the State House bell will be tolled during the funeral procession.

A resolution requesting that all of the church bells in the city be tolled likewise was adopted.

General Ruff, Chief Marshal, then detailed off. This gave an impetus to the worshippers in the old church, who by subscriptions, and mainly through the assistance of the ladies, were enabled to erect a sanctuary which was the worshippers could lull and pray in peace. After getting a church, the next thing was to get a preacher, and the difficulties were wildly, described by the speaker with which the church had contended in procuring the necessary person. It is true they had a pastor, but he was too old, nearly forty years of age, and he preached religious doctrine, and not long pace with the current and fashionable religious topics of the day. This old man was got rid of by paying down the expenses of the church, and among others his salary, from six hundred to two hundred dollars a year, for the time he had to resign. Then, again, they quietly voted out some old fogies from the vestry of the church, and voted in some very young men, whose chief qualifications were that they knew how to make the money flow. After they had got rid of all their disagreeable incumbents they considered themselves the *crème de la crème*.

The lecturer then described the leading troubles of the church—the organist, Professor Nimble, who "entertained" his hearers with passages from "Yankee Doodle" and "Sweet Bye and Bye." His salary was $1,800 a year, and the old fogy deacon who suggested that that amount had better be appropriated to charitable uses was frowned down upon. The other members of the choir were also paid handsomely, and their fashionable but not religious characteristics described. The only useful members of the Church Committee were the sexton and Mr. Dennis, who had always been furnished the wind, in unlimited quantities, and he only got $30 a year for his labors.

The Camden Needle Association was an adjunct of this church. They met periodically, and collected in one year as their report shows, $23 in money, a piece of red flannel, a pair of half-worn shoes, and a fine-tooth comb.

Mr. Dennis then described the various preachers who had endeavored to get an engagement in the church, and their characteristics. Some, he said, were most amusing. Among the subjects of one of the sermons he delivered, was one by Mr. Tobias Thumb, on "The Tidal Forces of the Congregation;" by Mr. Plum, on "The Probable Length of Christ's Patience," "The Construction and Uses of Pharaoh's Chariots," and "The Study of Anatomy as a Means of Grace" by Mr. Skeedaddle on the "Healing of the Leper," and on "Parental Authority" and by Mr. Unco, on "The Dew of Herman," "The Rose of Sharon," and "The Way to Jericho."

They succeeded in obtaining a minister at last, in a Mr. Daisy, a young clergyman, who was a sharp and shrewd man, who, in less than an hour discovered the weak points in the character of the elders, and played upon them that he was almost unanimously elected. It would have puzzled a deep student to know what his doctrines were. He preached to please all. He was made a Doctor of Divinity, and then he was sent in the Church Extension to Europe for the benefit of his health, which he had not lost, but which it was expected he would have in Europe.

The lecturer described the peculiar characters and habits of the various elders he met, in touching with a keen, sarcastic pen their peculiar foibles.

His description of Clump, the sexton, was very racy; and very truthful was that of the aristocratic member, who coldly freezes up all of his pew any stranger who inadvertently stepped into it.

Toward the close of the lecture Mr. Dennis said that ultimately he had been made pastor of the Pennsylvania Church, and that the condition of his position was that he should perform his duties by day and by night, to rich and poor, sick and well, and that how he accomplished the runs smoothly; five or six persons manage the whole affair, and there is nowhere a more snug or cozy church in the country.

—The Controllers of the Public Schools held a stated meeting yesterday afternoon. The resignation of Mr. J. Price Wetherill was received. A communication was received, signed by numerous citizens of Germantown, calling attention to a serious grievance in the Public School system. The Normal Schools, they say, afford the only opportunity for their daughters to become teachers in the Public Schools, and the admission of a limited number should therefore be impartial. As there is no place for all who wish to enter, those best qualified to profit by its instructions should be allowed to enjoy its privileges; and no local preference should lead to the admission of a single scholar not qualified. They therefore ask such action as will admit into the Girls' Normal School only those best qualified. The communication was referred. The Commissioners have made a report of the estimated expenditures of the coming year. The whole amount asked for is $1,234,229 75. The general items in the report were: For fuel, $60,000; books and stationery, $100,000; employment of additional teachers, $10,000; for salaries in the Central High School, $8,500; for the same in the Girls' Normal School, $11,780; for salaries of School Board, $12,000; for the same in the annual report, blanks, &c., $8,000. The consideration of the report was postponed until Tuesday next. On motion of Mr. Pennypacker the public schools were directed to be closed this afternoon, by reason of the obsequies of Rear Admiral Stewart. Mr. Armstrong offered the following, which was laid over for future consideration:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to report upon the expediency of memorializing the Legislature in favor of the passage of a law which, under proper restrictions, shall require the attendance of school children at some public school.

—The Temperance Meeting held in the Common Pleas Court-room last evening was largely attended. Prayer was delivered by Rev. Mr. Cooper of the Methodist. Speeches and addresses were made by Father Heritage and Thomas M. Coleman, Esq. Since the opening of the Blessing about 570 persons have signed the total-abstinence pledge at these meetings. They have been among the most successful temperance meetings ever held in this city.

—At a meeting of the medical class of the University of Pennsylvania, held yesterday afternoon, it was unanimously resolved that the students of that institution discontinue their visits to the clinics held at the Pennsylvania Hospital.

—Adams Express Company will carry free, throughout any flags, pictures, army relics, &c., forwarded for exhibition in the halls used by the Army of the Tennessee, at the meeting on November 17th, at Louisville.

—Messrs. Thomas & Sons sold at the Exchange, yesterday noon, the following stocks and real estate:

Three-story brick dwelling, No. 2008 Coates street, $3,037

Contract three-story brick dwelling, No. 1318 Melon street, 3,475

Modern residence, northwest corner Eleventh and Wallace, subject to a yearly ground rent of $146, 7,000

Greenwich street (redemptions) $150 a year, 2,500

Irredeemable ground rent $160 a year, 2,680

Irredeemable ground rent $63 a year, 1,050

Large lot, Broad street, above Master, 50x160 feet, subject to a yearly ground rent of $225, 5,700

Large lot, Broad street above Thompson, 50x200 feet, subject to a yearly ground rent of $600, 9,400

Three-story brick dwelling, No. 1314 Lombard street, subject to a yearly ground rent of $40, 3,950

$5,000 Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, 89

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50 shares Girard National Bank 56

17 shares Western National Bank 72½

5 shares Merchants' Hotel Company 50

7 shares Mercantile Library 61

50 shares Tow Tow Farm Oil 6c.

15 shares Union Transportation Company 75

100 shares Insurance Company of North America 21

—The Evangelical Knowledge Society held its anniversary meeting at the Church of the Epiphany yesterday afternoon. The annual report of the Executive Committee embodied the following facts: Balance in treasury from last report, $3,353 17; received since, from contributors, $12,726 19; from legacies, $5,076; interest on bonds, $710 77; sale of publications, $2,000; total, $23,866 13. Expenditures, $20,445 95; balance, $1,240 25. The property of the society consists of stock in trust $59,053 85; stereotype plates and wood-cuts, $52,000; furniture, $600; debts due the society, $6,000, and cash in bank, $1,240 25. Total, $62,310 11, which with the legacy fund consisting of United States six per cent. registered bonds, $1,500, and New York city seven per cent. bonds, $18,200, make a general aggregate of $82,010 11. Life members belong to the society during the year were 39.

The following gentlemen were chosen the Executive Committee for the ensuing year: Rev. Samuel Cook, D. D.; Rev. A. H. Vinton, D. D.; Rev. Dr. Cotton Smith, D. D.; Rev. J. Paddock, Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr.; Stewart Brown, Stephen Cumbering, Frederick Brown, George D. Morgan, John H. Earle, J. P. Morgan, Rev. N. H. Schenck, D. D., C. R. Marvin.

—The Mercantile Beneficial Association held its annual meeting yesterday afternoon. The annual report shows that during the past year 16 annual and 8 life members have been added to the association, and 4 have been transferred from annual to life membership. During the same period 3 deaths and six resignations have occurred. The total membership consists of 132 life, 615 annual and 1 honorary, making a total of 748 members. The Treasurer, W. H. Bacon, presented his report, showing the financial operations and condition of the association. During the year $4,240 05 were received, and $1,971 22 were paid out, leaving a balance of $2,268 83 in the Treasurer's hands. The assets of the association are placed at $27,300 10. The following gentlemen were elected managers for 1869 and 1870: Wm. C. Ludwig, Daniel Steinmetz, Aug. B. Shipley, Samuel Bowen, William H. Love, A. L. Bonnaffon, John P. Steiner, Thompson Reynolds, Louis D. Baugh, Henry C. Howell, Wm. M. Bacon, Jos. Huebnler, Charles S. Ogden, Thomas Allman, Charles Smith, Benjamin F. Hadly, R. Dale Benson, T. Russell Dawson, D. C. McCammon, W. H. Allen.

—The will of the late Thomas Brady was yesterday admitted to probate. It contains the following public bequests: $500 to the House of Good Shepherd; $300 to the St. John's Catholic Orphan Asylum; $200 to the Catholic Orphan Asylum; $200 to the Home for Incurables; $200 to the Theological Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo; $200 to Bishop's House; $200 to the St. Mary's Hospital.

—Fortunato Gudio Pompei was arrested a few days ago at Zeigleersville, Montgomery county, on the charge of selling tobacco with fraudulent stamps on it. The complaint grew out of the seizure of sundry boxes of navy tobacco, having fraudulent stamps upon them, by Revenue Detective Brooks. He was held to answer at Court.

—The house of the Undine Barge Club, at Fairmount Park, was broken open on Sunday night, and the clothing and uniforms of the members of the Club stolen. The house was also much damaged by the thieves. This is the fifth time that the house has been robbed.

—Mr. Edward Rogers has been elected Captain, and J. Francis Maher, First Lieutenant, of the First City Troop.

NEW JERSEY MATTERS.

—An adjourned special meeting of Council will be held this evening to take action in reference to the gold fire department.

—The repairs on the exterior of the Camden court-house, which are now being made, are being pushed forward to advantageous completion.

—The want of water during the fire yesterday morning, in Camden, was the subject of general complaint. It always is in cases of fire.

—The Special Court of Camden county, for the trial of small causes, is now in session, but it is thought it will get through with the business before it to-morrow.

—A Council of the Independent Order of Red Men is soon to be formed in Haddonfield, arrangements to that effect having already been made.

—The popular vote on the Republican ticket in Camden county at the last election fell off about 400 from last year. The Democrats about 250 votes.

—Within about three weeks hence the Camden Gaslight Company will assume the responsibility of lighting and keeping the public lamps in proper condition, thus relieving the police officers from performing that especial duty.

—The officers of the Board of Chosen Freeholders yesterday commenced their proceedings to the public good, that body would have a lamp placed at the corner of Sixth and Cooper streets, Camden, which would be of a decided advantage.

—A concert and entertainment is to be given for the benefit of the Sabbath school attached to the Tabernacle Methodist Episcopal Church in Cooper's Point, Camden, on which the choirs are to be the performers.

—The proposition to establish night schools in Camden, for the benefit of those who are not attend during the day at the public schools, receives universal approval, and will win a general an apathy in regard to carrying it out.

—The large and increased majority in Camden for the Republican ticket at the late election has given that party assurance for the success of their municipal candidates at the coming March election.

—The annexation of a portion of Newton township to the city of Camden, which has been pending before the Legislature of New Jersey for several terms, will again be urged during the incoming session.

—A large new establishment is nearly completed in Newton township, at Eighth and Walnut streets, for the manufacture of certain kinds of Marseilles goods. It will soon be in operation.

—The Rev. A. G. Thomas, Pastor of the North Camden Baptist Church, in conjunction with his congregation and friends of the Church, is taking measures to liquidate the debt standing against their house of worship. This is laudable.

THE CREAM OF THE NEW BOOKS.

Some Passages from Auerbach.

From "German Tales by Berthold Auerbach," now published in this country for the first time in one of Messrs. Roberts Brothers "Handy Volumes," sold by Tuttjer Bros. & Co. prefaced by an introduction from the pen of Mr. Charles C. Shackford we borrow some thoughtful and apply-worded paragraphs:

THE PROFESSOR IN DEJECTION; FROM "GELLERT'S LAST CHRISTMAS."

Gellert was sitting in his room, and had tighted a pipe to dispel the agitation which he would experience in opening his letters; and, while smoking, he could read them more comfortably. He reproached himself for smoking, which he said to be injurious to the health; but he could not quite give up the "horrible practice," as he called it.

He first examined the envelopes and seals of the letters which had arrived, then quietly opened and read them a little smile passed over his features; there were letters from well-known friends, full of love and admiration, but from strangers also, who, in all kinds of heart distress, took counsel of him. He read the letters full of friendly aspirations for Christmas, that he might have the right of reading them again, and he might not have to tell at once and forever, that he had a friend's letter for the second time, he sprang from his seat and cried, "Thank God, I have still a friend! Blase and ennate as to have such friends!" To his inwardly diffident nature, such letters were supplements they served to cheer him, and only those who did not know him called his joy at the reception of praise—crude. It was, on the contrary, the truest modesty. How often did he sit there, and ponder the question, and doubt if all that he had ever been to men in word and deed, failed, vanished and died away, and he appeared to himself as a useless burden upon the world. His friends he answered immediately; and, with the exception of those letters of the philanthropy, nay, the spiritedness of his heart, which, with his friends, then he was among men and looked in a fitting face, was not so with his letters. When he 'bethought him of the friends who had done him good, and of his only acquired tranquillity, that virtue for which his whole being he strove, but his loving nature received, yet, in spite of these slight intimations dit he betray the heaviness of his heart, and the consciousness of his merit. He was, in the full sense of the word, "philanthropic," in the sense of the word, and his thoughts of their welfare there was for him real happiness and a joyous animation.

When, then, he had done with his letters, and felt lonely again, the gloomy spirits came back; he had neglected his friends, and, in his thoughts for composing a sacred song, but he was ill at ease, and had no power to express that inward fire, and yet, Friday was the day of faith which lived in him.

Again and again the scoffers and free thinkers rose up before his thoughts; he must refute their objections, and not until that was done did he become tranquil.

It is a hard position when a creative spirit cannot bring the whole power of his soul into expose him in the world: they come unsummoned to the room, and will not be expelled; they pour over the soul, and fill it, plunge the hand which fain would write; they turn images upside down, and, in the place of thoughts: and here and there, from ceiling and wall, they grin, and scoff, and oppose; and what was just, pushing as an amplification, they turn, and reverted to a confused absurdity.

At such a time, the courageous and self-dependent, must take refuge in itself, show a firm front to world and fate.

A strong nature badly hurts his instandt at the Devil's head; goes to battle with his opponent with the sword of spirit, and the shield of faith, and keeps his own individuality free from the peripatetics with which his opponents distract all that has been, and, perhaps, is, and, perhaps the soul unsteadfast and unnerved for what is to come.

Gellert was no battling, defiant nature, which relies upon itself; he did not hurl his opponents down and grind them to atoms, and scatter them so and so they were always ready to encounter him.

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"The kindnesses I receive," he thought, "are indeed trials; but yet I ought to accept them with thanks, for I ought to accept them, that I be a benefactor to others as others are to me, without duplicity, and with purest thanks to God, our highest benefactor: this will I do, and search no further for the why and the wherefore." As he thought this, he rose from his chair, him, and he stood erect and raised his arms on high, and, in a fervent prayer, he said: "Lord, at this moment I have not been in this or that place, to this or that man, a brother, a friend, a confessor, a physician, a nurse, a house-mother, a house, may be, my spirit travels, awakening, enlivening, the Consciousness of the Soul, where burns a solitary light; and afar in some village a mother is sitting by her child and sighs, and, perhaps, a sick man, who is, in a ragged and, peradventure, some solitary old man, who, in his poverty, has, perhaps, been by his fireside and his lips are uttering my words."

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