CITY BULLETIN.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—Richard S. Nicholson, residing at 1639 Lombard street, was attacked by three men, about half-past twelve yesterday morning, when within a few yards of his house, and was robbed of $25, the money having been taken from his vest pocket. Charles McVey was arrested on the charge of having been one of the robbers and was identified by Mr. Nicholson. He was committed by Ald. Kerr.

Samuel F. Beatty was robbed of a gold watch, and a pocket-book containing $72, a check for $100, and two checks for $50 each, on Saturday night, on Tenth street, near Market. Officer Merito, who had been watching the thieves, captured one of them, and found the pocket-book and contents on him. The watch was not recovered. The prisoner gave his name as Jos. Meredith, and was committed for a further hearing by Ald. Kerr.

DELIVERED HIMSELF INTO CUSTODY.—Samuel B. Goff, the proprietor of the "Excelsior Refined Fluid," which exploded on Saturday, during an experiment, in the store of Charles Stackhouse, on Orthodox st., Frankford, delivered himself into the custody of Chief Kelly, of the Detective force, at Ninth and Callowhill streets, this morning. He belongs to Cape May county, New Jersey, and says that he has been engaged in selling the fluid for about two weeks. He had traveled through New Jersey and experimented with it at least 150 times, but never before had an accident. He has been held to await the Coroner's inquest in the case of the little girl, Clara Oldfield, whose death resulted from burns received in consequence of the explosion.

FIRE.—A building on Pier 9, Port Richmond coal wharves, belonging to the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, and used as a carpenter shop, engine house, &c., was discovered to be on fire about six o'clock last evening. The flames were extinguished by Policeman Weiss, of the Eighteenth District, before any serious damage had been done. There were several locomotives in the building at the time, and if the flames had got fully under way, they would undoubtedly have been destroyed. The fire originated from an overheated stove.

HEAVY ROBBERY.—John Stacker, Sr., of Montgomery county, was robbed of a wallet containing $400 in cash and promissory notes amounting to $2,000. He had noticed two men following him about the city, while he was engaged in transacting business. When he got upon a passenger railway car they also got on, and soon afterwards complained of being interfered with by some iron pipes which Mr. Stocker had. Mr. Stocker put his arms around the pipes and removed them. The men then jumped from the car, and the wallet was missed about the same time.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.—Between twelve and one o'clock on Sunday morning an attempt was made to enter the house of Mrs. Field, No. 1429 Chestnut street, by breaking the Venetian parlor-shutters, which failed, when the front and vestibule doors were bursted, making a loud report, which attracted the attention of a policeman, who was early on the spot, but not in time to secure the burglars. A second attempt was made last evening, but was not successful.

MARKET THIEF.—Mary Mason, an old market thief, was arrested on Saturday by Officer Reeder, at Twelfth and South streets, on the charge of larceny of a piece of pork and a lot of sausages. She also had in her possession two pounds of butter, which she is supposed to have stolen. She was committed by Alderman Kerr.

ATTEMPTED HIGHWAY ROBBERY—On Saturday evening, about half-past six, a young man in the employ of John Burns, 247 South Eleventh street, while delivering parcels at Twenty-third and Pine streets, was attacked by two men, who knocked him down, and while one endeavored to get his watch the other made off with the parcels, but subsequently dropped them.

LARCENY.—Christopher Wilson was arrested at 11 o'clock last night, at Seventh and Lombard streets, upon the charge of having snatched a bundle of clothing from a woman who was passing along the street. He was taken before Alderman Carpenter, and was committed to answer.

SUSPICIOUS.—A young man, named Frank Warburton, was captured in a house on Clinton street, above Ninth, yesterday morning. He was observed to enter the same, and when search was made for him, he was found lying on a sofa in the front parlor. He was locked up for a hearing at the Central Station.

RUNAWAY AND ACCIDENT.—A horse attached to a carriage ran away from the railroad depot at Chestnut Hill on Friday afternoon last. The vehicle was broken, and the driver, John Matlack, was thrown out, run over and considerably bruised.

ALLEGED HORSE THIEF.—Geo. Kline was arrested at Forty-second and Market streets, while attempting to sell a horse and wagon, which had been stolen from Frankford. He will have a hearing at the Central Station.

TILL TAPPING.—Samuel Jackson and Howard Williams have been committed by Ald. Kerr to answer the charge of robbing the money-drawer of the tavern of Peter Kelley, No. 511 South Sixth street. They got about $2.

BETHANY—BETHANY—BETHANY.—Fairs as a general thing are somewhat unpopular, both to those getting them up and to those who are not so nearly interested; but, as there are exceptions to all rules, so there is to this, for the Fair of the Presbyterian Memorial Mission, "Bethany," gives every indication of being very popular, and attracting the better class of our citizens where they can make very desirable purchases for the holidays, and at the same time aid this grand, good work. The Fair will commence at Horticultural Hall on Thursday next, at 4 P. M.

APPEAL OF THE GERMAN HOSPITAL.—This noble charity, whose labors are not restricted to race or creed, has, in the dispensation of its charity, become crippled in means, and is thereby restricted in the exercise of its benevolent purposes; and dire necessity compels the Managers to make an appeal to the generosity of the public, trusting that it will meet with a noble response. Donations to the building fund, may be left at Drexel & Co's banking-house, and contributions to the Hospital will be received by the President, Mr. John D. Lankenau, 34 South Third street.

HOLIDAY GIFTS.—Among the many useful articles for gifts during the coming holiday season nothing could be more desirable or acceptable to mother, wife, sister or friend than one of WHEELER & WILSON'S Improved Family Sewing Machines. Call at the new and elegant salesroom of PETERSON & CARPENTER, No. 914 CHESTNUT STREET, and examine these unrivaled instruments. They are sold on very reasonable terms.

J. R. SYPHER, Esq., Philadelphia Editor of the New York *Tribune*, who read law under the late Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, and was a member of the Lancaster bar, was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court, on Saturday last, on motion of Assistant District Attorney Valentine.

THE COURTS.

QUARTER SESSIONS—Judge Paxson.—The December term of the Court commenced this morning, Samuel Levering being appointed foreman of the Grand Jury. Judge Paxson addressed the jury at some length. After defining their duties and referring to the trivial cases returned by Aldermen, he spoke of the large increase of crime of late years, and quoting the statistics, said: "This increase of crime has become a question which not only merits but imperatively demands the serious consideration of every one who has any interest in the well-being of this community. There was a time when our city was justly known for its quiet and good order. It is not so now. Crime no longer lurks in secret. It is bold and defiant. It strikes down its victims upon our highways, in our saloons, and in our places of business. It follows its associates to the very doors of our halls of justice and aids them in their flight and escape from the hands of the law. It has reached, I hope, its culmination. Strong as crime has proved itself to be, the law is stronger, and if we are to have a direct issue between crime and ruffianism upon the one hand and the law upon the other, so far as it may depend upon the action of this Court the law shall reign supreme."

After referring to the causes, including that of whisky, leading to the increase of crime, the Judge said: "Another reason for this increase of crime is the indulgence and sympathy which it meets at the hands of too many of our citizens. It may suit the novelist and the poet to dress up crime in an attractive garb, but when you see it in the dock the illusion is quickly dispelled. The era has passed when men robbed with such courtly grace as to charm their victims. But the sympathy engendered for criminals by such false literature has remained to do its mischievous work. In too many instances the moment the doors of the prison cell close upon a convict he becomes the object of this misplaced sympathy with a certain class of men and women—a mild type of humanitarians, who fancy they are rendering a valuable service to the public by using their influence to procure the release of outlaws, thus turning them again upon society to repeat their crimes. And it is perhaps a little singular, that while this class of philanthropists will expend their time and money freely for such an end, they seldom have any sympathy with, or extend any aid to the victims of the crime. The widow, the orphan, and orphan children who have been deprived of their natural protector by the hand of the assassin, are left to suffer uncared for, while the wicked author of their misery is the recipient of sympathy as well as of pecuniary aid out of zealous but misdirected efforts for pardon. The Executive is beleaguered, the court and jury who have with conscientious intelligence and a firm hand vindicated the outraged law, are denounced as having been influenced by prejudice or with having acted through ignorance. The law destroys no victims. * * * It admonishes when it punishes. * * * With such a system, so eminently merciful in its practical operation, the exhibition of sympathy with crime which we daily witness is not only weak, but criminal. It interferes seriously with the administration of the law. It paralyzes the upraised arm of justice; it affords aid and comfort to the criminal; holds out the hope of pardon, and thus encouraged, he tramples upon the law. Morally these sympathizers with crime are accessories before the fact to every felony committed in the land." The crowded condition of the County Prison, the existence of gambling saloons, the crowded condition of the Alms House, especially the department for the insane; the defective means used for the conveyance of prisoners to and from the Court-house, were referred to; and the Grand Jury is also recommended to visit the station-houses in order to examine into their condition. The Judge also referred to the development in a recent homicide case of citizens concealing the fact that they saw the crime committed, and he added: "Every citizen should sustain the authorities by every means in his power. If the friends of good order in each Ward would form an association for the "detection and punishment of crime," and follow it up with half the zeal with which they pursue their pleasure, their politics or their religion, we should see a marked change in this community. Gambling-hells, lottery-offices, bawdy-houses, and unlicensed groceries would soon disappear, and their aiders and abettors would sink out of sight before the majesty of the law and the frown of an indignant public. Our streets would become so quiet and peaceable that the child or unprotected female could walk them by day or night. But this end, desirable as it is, can never be attained without the hearty aid and support of the people."

The Grand Jury then retired.

Both docks this morning were filled with prisoners, and the Court commenced the trial of prison cases.

QUARTER SESSIONS—Judge Peirce.—A special jury was summoned for the old Quarter Sessions Court room, and prison cases were also taken up there.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange Sales.

FIRST BOARD.

2000 Phila&Erie 7s	85	100 sh Read R	2dys	49.56
9000 Leh Gld Ln 1ts	95¾	23 sh Cam&Am R		119⅝
4 sh Mech Bk	32	55 sh do	1ts	119⅞
24 sh Penn R	1ts 54¼	20 sh Cam&Am Scrip		63½

Philadelphia Money Market.

MONDAY, Dec. 6.—There is but a very limited demand for money to-day, and lenders appear more disposed to accommodate than for many weeks past. Business men have few wants, and these, with the ample supply at the disposal of the general market, are readily satisfied. We quote call loans at 5a6 per cent., chiefly at the lower figure, either on Government or good stock collaterals. First-class business paper is current to-day at 8a10 per cent. according to credit, but there is very little activity in the market.

Gold opened this morning with sales at 122¾, and advanced to 123⅞, closing at noon at 123¾.

Government bonds are strong and a firm feeling pervades the market.

There was but little activity at the Stock Board, but prices of all the speculative shares were very firm.

City Loans, new issues, were steady at 99; and Lehigh Gold Loan sold at 93¾.

Reading Railroad was quiet, but firmer, closing at 49½a49.56. Pennsylvania Railroad was steady at 54¾. Camden and Amboy Railroad sold at 119¾. 71 was bid for Norristown; 42¾ for Little Schuylkill, and 28¾ for Philadelphia and Erie. In Bank, Canal, and Passenger Railway shares there was no change.

Messrs. DeHaven & Brother, No. 40 South Third street, make the following quotations of the rates of exchange to-day at noon: United States Sixes of 1881, 116¾a117¼; do. do. 1862, 114⅞a115¼; do. do. 1864, 112¾a113¼; do. do. 1865, 113⅛a114¼; do. do. 1865, new, 115⅝a115¾; do. do. 1867, new, 115⅞a116; do. do. 1868, 115⅞a116; do. do. fives, 10-40s, 108⅛a108¾; do. 30 year 6 per cent currency, 107½a107¾; Due Compound Interest Notes, 19; Gold, 123½a123¾; Silver, 120a122

Smith, Randolph & Co., bankers, Third and Chestnut streets, quote at 10.30 o'clock as follows: Gold, 123½; U. S. Sixes, 1881, 117½; do. do. 5-20s, 1862, 115; do. do. 1864, 113; do. do. 1865, 113½a114¼; do. do. July, 1865, 115⅝a115¾; do. do. July, 1867, 115⅞a116; do. do. July, 1868, 115⅞a116; 5s, 10-40s, 108⅛a108¾; Currency 6s, 107½a107¾.

Jay Cooke & Co. quote Government securities, &c., to-day, as follows: U. S. 6s, 1881, 117a117¼; 5-20s of 1862, 115a115¼; do. 1864, 113a113¼; do. 1865, 113¼a114; do. July, 1865, 115⅝a115¾; do. 1867, 115⅞a116⅛; do. 1868, 115⅞a116; Ten-forties, 108⅛a108¾; Currency, 107½a107¾; Gold, 123¼.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

MONDAY, Dec. 6.—The receipts of Cloverseed are trifling, and good quality is in demand at $8 50a8 62½. Timothy is scarce and sold at $4 per bushel. Flaxseed cannot be quoted over $2 25.

There is no improvement to record in the Flour market, and the trade is necessarily dull. There is no inquiry for export, and only 700 barrels were taken by the home consumers, at $4 87½a5 00 per bushel for Superfine; Extra at $5 12½a5 37½; Northwestern Extra Family at $5 75a6 25; Pennsylvania do. at $5 75a6 12½; Ohio and Indiana do. do. at $5 87a5 50, and fancy lot at higher figures. Rye Flour is steady at $5 50. In Corn Meal, no improvement.

In Wheat the transactions are extremely limited at Saturday's quotations. Small sales of Pennsylvania and Southern Red at $1 30a1 32 per bushel, and 4,000 bushels Western on secret terms. Rye was quoted at $1 05 for Western and $1 10 for Pennsylvania. Corn is in steady request, with sales of 1,000 bushels old at $1 03a1 10, and 3,000 bushels new at 85a90c. Oats are less active, with sales at 59a61c.

Whisky—The demand is limited. We quote at $1 05a1 08 for wood and iron-bound.

Philadelphia Cattle Market, Dec. 6.

Beef cattle were in fair demand this week at an advance. About 2,000 head arrived and sold at 9a9½c. for Extra Pennsylvania and Western steers; 9¼a10c. for a few choice; 7a8½c. for fair to good, and 5a6¾c. per pound gross for common, as to quality. The following are the particulars of the sales:

56 Daengler & McCleese, Western, grs	7	a8¼
85 P. McFillen, Western, grs	7	a9½
35 P. Hathaway, Western, grs	6¾	a8¼
55 Jas. S. Kirk, Chester co., grs	6¾	a9
48 B. F. McFillen, Western, grs	7	a9¼
100 Jas. McFillen, Western, grs	7	a9
50 E. S. McFillen, Chester co., grs	5	a10
145 Ullman & Bachman, Western, grs	8	a9½
85 Martin Fuller & Co. Western, grs	6	a9
105 Mooney & Smith, Western, grs	7	a9
84 Thos. Mooney & Bro., Virginia, grs	5	a7
101 H. Chain, Western, grs	6	a8½
100 John Smith & Bro., Western, grs	7½	a9¼
97 J. & L. Frank, Virginia, grs	6¾	a8¼
58 H. Frank, Va., grs	6	a8
100 Hope & Co., Va., grs	6¾	a8¾
38 M. Dryfoos & Co., West Pa., grs	5¾	a6½
108 G. Schamberg & Co., Western, grs	6	a9
63 Elkon & Co., Virginia, grs	5½	a7½
24 J. Baldwin, Chester co., grs	6	a8
12 D. Branson, Chester co., grs	6½	a8
46 Blum & Co., Va., grs	6	a7½
60 Ellinger, do.	6	a8½
49 Chandler & Alexander, Chester co., grs	6	a9
36 A. Kimble, Chester co., grs	6	a8½
30 S. Frank, Va., grs	5½	a6
52 Thomas Duffy, Va., grs	8¾	a10
17 Layton, Pennsylvania, grs	7	a8½
44 John McArdle, Western, grs	5¾	a9¾
20 T. Tooman, Western, grs	6	a7
26 Wm. Vogdes, York State, grs	6	a7

Cows were higher; 150 head sold at $50a$100 for for cow and calf, and $45a75 per head for Springers.

Sheep were in fair demand at an advance, 12,000 head sold at the Park and Avenue Drove Yards at ⅞a8¼c. per lb. gross, as to condition.

Hogs were 50 cents per 100 lbs. higher; 3,800 head sold at $15a15 25 per 100 lbs. net, for corn fed.

New York Money Market.

[From the Herald of to-day.]

SUNDAY, Dec. 5.—The approaching session of Congress is likely to have, as it has heretofore had, a direct and powerful influence on the speculative movements of Wall street. A lively market for all the various classes of investments dealt in at the Stock Exchange, the Gold Room and the Government Board may be looked for as the sequence of the deliberations which begin to morrow—the first Monday of December. The speculative hosts of Wall street have already marshalled their forces and drawn up their plans. The past week was a busy one with them, owing to the arrangement and disposition of the materials which they intend to employ or operate upon in the ensuing financial campaign. The line of their main operations will be in the gold market, and already they have shown something of the policy which they intend to pursue. Let it be remembered that the recent sudden and sharp decline in gold was simply a speculative movement. It will, therefore, be easily conceived how a speculative movement the other way is the grand programme of Wall street for the immediate future. The persons enlisted in the new movement are the same who recently argued and prophesied an immediate return to specie payments. The change of front on the part of the new advocates of higher gold may be disguised by an ingenuous sophistry, but if during the next few weeks the public who have to buy or sell gold in Wall street will remember what was told them a week or two ago by these same persons they will readily discover not only the inconsistency of their oracles, but the purely speculative, gold-jobbing character of the would-be guides of financial opinion. The very men who have talked and preached specie payments for the past month will, between now and New Year's, clearly demonstrate the fact that not only is more currency essential to the welfare of the country, but that gold is cheap anywhere below 150. The same materials will be employed to turn the speculation upward that were used to direct it downward. In brief, the great cliques of Wall street who were "short" of gold after the culmination of the "corner" in September, succeeded so far as to force the price down to 123¾, the lowest since the early days of the war; but finding that they were exciting a storm of indignation from the whole business portion of the country that so far invoked the intervention of the Secretary of the Treasury as to lead him to suspend his gold sales, they immediately reversed their tactics, got upon the other side of the market and have come out the most enthusiastic "bulls." The situation is, in fact, the exact counterpart of the speculative movement last September. Then the cliques were checked by the gold sales of the government. Now they have ceased to "bear" the market through fear of a suspension of these gold sales. The action of Secretary Boutwell, last Tuesday, in declining to accept the bids at the Sub-Treasury was the pivotal point on which they have revolved in getting into position for the inauguration of the new "bull" movement in the precious metal. The plan contemplates an exhibition of the really weak situation of the government in its ability to meet resumption. In the midst of the recent "bear" movement of the cliques when the fact of the hundred and odd millions of gold in the Treasury was skillfully employed as an argument to prove the power of the government to resume, it was shown in these columns that the specie in the vaults of the Treasury on the 1st of January next, after paying outstanding certificates, accrued interest, &c., would be less than twenty millions, and attention called to the therefore Utopian character of any Congressional scheme for immediate resumption. How far the new movement will succeed depends upon the skill with which it is managed. All the ammunition furnished by a comparison of the imports and exports, showing the immense excess of the former over the latter, will be actively used to show the necessity for specie payments. With reference to the exact relation of the imports and exports, there always will be doubt until a statistical bureau is created to compile all the facts concerning them. A statement comes occasionally from Washington, but as the imports are very certain to be given quite fully, owing to the constraint of Custom House inspection, and as the exports are going out haphazard from every city, town and hamlet on the coast between St. Croix and Rio Grande, the excess of the one or the other above the other or the one cannot be definitely known. The figures of the chief ports of the country are not a sufficient index. They show the imports but not the exports. The scheme has other details, which it is unnecessary to sketch here, but which will be unfolded from day to day as the movement proceeds. If Congress could digest and enact some practical plan of putting an end to the speculation in gold, it would be doing infinite good to the legitimate business interests of the country.

THIRD EDITION.

2:15 O'Clock.

The Message.

The President's Message is coming by telegraph, but very slowly, and we are obliged to go to press with this edition without it.

BY TELEGRAPH.

From the Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—A special commission from Japan to the Sandwich Islands sailed for Honolulu to-day to investigate the condition of their countrymen on the plantations on the island. Possibly the draft of a treaty with the Hawaiian kingdom will be submitted to the government of Japan on their return.

The new city and county officers assume their duties to-morrow.

The Legislature assembles to-morrow.

Sacramento is crowded with members, office-seekers and lobbyists.

By the Atlantic Cable.

FRANKFORT, Dec. 6.—U. S. Five-twenties opened firm at 91 la91¾.

HAVRE, Dec. 6.—Cotton opens quiet both on the spot and afloat.

Snow Storm.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—A heavy snow storm commenced here at noon to-day.

Forty-Second Congress.—First Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.

SENATE.—The Senate met at noon, with fifty-five members present.

The resignation of Senator Grimes was received.

Mr. Lot M. Morrill was sworn in as Senator from Maine.

The credentials of the Virginia Senators were presented and laid on the table.

A committee was appointed to inform the House and the President of the Senate's readiness to proceed to business.

HOUSE.—The House was called to order by the Speaker, at noon, when the proceedings were opened with prayer by the chaplain, Rev. Mr. Butler.

The roll of members was then called by States by the Clerk, and a large majority answered to their names. The roll having been completed the Speaker announced that there were 180 members present.

Mr. Brooks, of New York, presented as a question of privilege, the credentials of S. S. Cox, member elect from New York. The Speaker stated that there were several gentlemen present, including Messrs. Cox, of N. Y., Barnum, of Connecticut, Brooks, of Massachusetts, and the members elect from Alabama, who had not been sworn in, and he invited all of them whose right to seats was unchallenged to present themselves and take the oath at the same time.

Mr. Paine suggested that perhaps the better mode would be to make a formal reference of the credentials of all those members to the Committee on Elections.

The Speaker remarked that his suggestion had been that only those members whose credentials were absolutely unchallenged should present themselves, and that he would not administer the oath to any member against whom an objection should be made. The usage had always been to allow members to be sworn in against whom there was no objection without further ceremony.

Mr. Brooks remarked that in point of fact the credentials of Mr. Cox had been presented early in March last unchallenged, and Mr. Cox had been actually appointed by the Speaker as a member of the Committee on Banking and Currency.

Mr. Paine said he did not object to any individual member. He had only suggested a general rule which he thought ought to be adhered to.

The several members elect then presented themselves at the bar to take the oath of office.

Mr. Kelley objected to the swearing in of Mr. Sherrod, of Ala., and Mr. Whittemore objected to the swearing in of Mr. Box, of Ala., and those gentlemen were directed to stand aside. The oath was then administered to Messrs. Barnum, of Conn.; Brooks, of Mass.; Cox, of N. Y.; Burchard, of Ill., and Buck and Buckley, of Ala.

On motion of Mr. Schenck, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House had assembled, and that the House was ready to proceed to business.

On motion of Mr. Schenck, a Committee of three was ordered to join a similar Committee of the Senate, to wait upon the President of the United States, and inform him that Congress had assembled, and was ready to receive any communication that he might be pleased to make.

The Speaker appointed as such Committee Messrs. Schenck, Dawes and Woodward.

Mr. Schenck then moved that the House take a recess until half-past one o'clock.

New York Stock Market.

[Correspondence of the Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, December 6.—Stocks strong. Money 5a7 per cent. Gold, 123¾; United States 5-20s, 1862, coupon, 115¼; United States 5-20s, 1864, do., 113¾; do. do. 1865, do., 113¾; do. 1865, new, 115¼; do. 1867, 116; do. 1868, 115¾; 10-40s, 108; Virginia 6's, new, 54; Missouri 6's, 90¾; Canton Company, 50¼; Cumberland Preferred, 26; Consolidated New York Central and Hudson River, 90¾; Erie, 26¾; Reading, 99½; Adams Express, 57; Michigan Central, 132¾; Michigan Southern, 86; Illinois Cent'l, 134; Cleveland and Pittsburgh, 82¾; Chicago and Rock Island, 107¾; Pittsburgh and Fort Wayne, 186¼; Western Union Telegraph, 35.

Markets by Telegraph.

[Correspondence of the Associated Press.]

BALTIMORE, Dec. 6.—Flour dull and weak, and quotations are nominal and unchanged. Wheat dull; prime to choice red, $1 33a1 40. Corn dull; white, 85a92 cents; yellow, 90a93 cents. Receipts large. Oats dull at 55a57 cents. Rye, $1. Provisions unchanged in every respect, with but little doing. Whisky firm and in good demand at 104½a105 for wood and iron-bound.

CITY NOTICES.

A SUCCESSFUL ARTISAN.—Mr. William H. Helweg has achieved a success in his vocation that commends him to all who desire elegantly-made boots of the latest London and New York styles at moderate prices. We sincerely believe he takes as much pleasure in modeling his wares as his patrons do in purchasing them from him. He is always foremost in obtaining the latest styles; employs only first-class workmen, and uses the finest materials in the market. Such a course cannot fail to convince any dealer of the futility of attempting to compete with him. His warerooms are at No. 535 Arch street, next to the corner of Sixth.

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DEAFNESS, BLINDNESS AND CATARRH.—J. Isaacs, M. D., Professor of the Eye and Ear, treats all diseases appertaining to the above members with the utmost success. Testimonials from the most reliable sources in the city can be seen at his office, No. 805 Arch street. The medical faculty are invited to accompany their patients, as he has no secrets in his practice. Artificial eyes inserted. No charge made for examination.

CHALK.—FOR SALE, 180 TONS OF Chalk, Afloat. Apply to WORKMAN & CO. 123 Walnut street.

SECOND WEEK OF THE MAMMOTH SALE.

AN IMMENSE SUCCESS!
HOUSE THRONGED EVERY DAY!
THE PEOPLE APPRECIATE IT!
THOUSANDS OF GARMENTS SOLD!
OVER $300,000 WORTH STILL TO BE DISPOSED OF!
Low Prices Are Doing It!

The people are now convinced that we actually are UNDERSELLING EVERYBODY, and that, too, by so large a margin as to defy COMPARISON, to say nothing about competition!

THIS GRAND CLOTHING SALE is in every respect a duplicate of the GREAT EXECUTORS' SALE held one year ago, at which the people well remember they secured the best BARGAINS in Clothing that they have ever made in their lives.

THIS IS THE STATEMENT OF OUR CASE:

Anticipating, as did all Merchants, an unusually brisk trade, we invested EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($800,000) in the purchase and manufacture of Clothing. Our Sales have exceeded last year's, but have fallen short of our calculations, amounting to the present time for Fall Trade to about $400,000, leaving us FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH OF GARMENTS of every description, suitable to all classes, made up with the utmost care, of the very finest materials, not one dollar's worth of which are we willing to carry over into next year; hence we are determined, AT ALL HAZARDS, to make

A CLEAN SWEEP.

We, then, offer Our Entire Stock at prices as low as those prevailing at the Great Sale of last Fall, bringing some of our prices far below the cost of manufacturing.

HEAVY DISCOUNTS
IN THE
"CUSTOM" AND FURNISHING GOODS DEPARTMENTS,
AND WHOLE STACKS
OF
BOYS' CLOTHING,
AT LESS THAN THE COST OF MANUFACTURING.

Call and see for yourself. We surely have something you want, and you shall have it if any reasonable ACCOMMODATION OF PRICES WILL INDUCE YOU TO BUY.

Remember, Every Garment is to be Sold!

THE GREAT OAK HALL BUILDINGS,
S. E. CORNER OF SIXTH AND MARKET STREETS.
WANAMAKER & BROWN.

Read this Note if you have not time to Read any more:

This Sale is positively to clear out $400,000 worth of Clothing, and every garment must be sold, in order to do which we have marked on the goods such figures that no house can approach the low prices at which we are selling off. The great mass of people who have filled the store all the week can testify to this. A visit will satisfy any one, that in the matter of Low Prices we are down so low that no other house can ever reach us.

WANAMAKER & BROWN,
SIXTH AND MARKET STREETS,
OAK HALL,
OAK HALL.

DRY GOODS.

GREAT CRASH IN DRY GOODS.
EVERYTHING DOWN.
High Prices Over for the Season.
Grand Closing Sale OF RICKEY, SHARP & CO.'S
IMMENSE STOCK OF DRY GOODS AT RETAIL.
UNPRECEDENTED BARGAINS IN SILKS, VELVETS, DRESS GOODS AND MISCELLANEOUS DRY GOODS.

This stock is the most extensive and varied ever offered at retail in this city, and contains more novelties and staples of recent importation than can be found elsewhere.

ONE PRICE AND NO DEVIATION.
RICKEY, SHARP & CO., 727 Chestnut Street.
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MILLIKEN'S LINEN STORE, 828 Arch Street.
New Store, 1128 CHESTNUT ST.
New Department—Bed Clothing.
Best Blankets, Fresh from the Mills.
Marseilles Bed Quilts.
Honeycomb Quilts, all sizes.
Allendale and Lancaster Quilts.
Linen Sheetings, every width.
Cotton Sheetings, " "
Pillow Casings.
We mean to do a large trade in this department by offering cheap and reliable goods.

USEFUL PRESENTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
Pointe, Real Valencienne Thread and Guipure LACES
In Sets, COLLARS, HDKFS., and by the yard.
TRIMMED and EMB'D. SETTS.
ROMAN SCARFS and SASHES.
GLOVES, of every description.
INDIA and CASHMERE SCARFS.
Together with our elegant Stock of SILKS, POPLINS, and every variety of
Dress Goods, Shawls, Cloths, Cassimeres, etc
JOHN W. THOMAS,
Nos. 405 and 407 N. Second Street,
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GENERAL REDUCTION IN PRICES.
Entire Stock to be Closed Out at Less than Gold Prices.
FINE DRESS GOODS, SUITABLE FOR HOLIDAY PRESENTS.
Black Silks with Lustre, at $1 25, $1 37½, $1 50, $1 62 to $2.
Black Lyons Gro Grains, fine qualities, at $1 40, $1 50, $1 75 to $4.
Colored Dress Silks, $1 50 to $3.
Corded Changeable Silks, at $1 25; cost $2 25.
Striped French Silks, at $1 30; worth $2 25.
25-inch Fancy French Silks, at $1 75; cost $3.
French Silk Poplins, at $1 50; worth $2.
Colored Gro Grain Silks, $3 to $4.
Heavy Plaid Silks, at $1 25; cost $2.
Figured Colored Silks, at $1; cost $1 50.
2,000 yards Double Cord.
3,000 yards Chameleon.
Silk Poplins, at $1 50; cost $2 25.
All-wool Plaid Poplins, at 62, 75, 87; worth 87, $1, $1 25.
10,000 yards English Poplins, at 20, 25, 31; cost 37½, 50 and 62c.
Best American Delaines, at 16c.
A choice assortment of fine Long and Square Paisley Shawls.
Broche Scarfs.
Long and Square Blanket Shawls.
Novelties in Silk Ties and Scarfs.
Lyons Cloaking Velvets—Fine qualities at very low prices.
Silk Plushes, all colors.
Genuine Jouvin Kid Gloves—Blues, Greens, Purples, Wines, Autumn Leaves, Bismarcks, and all the scarce colors, our own importation.
The best Kid Gloves, in all the new and desirable colors.
H. STEEL & SON,
NOS. 713 AND 715 NORTH TENTH STREET.
On and after MONDAY, December 6th, our Store will be open until 10 o'clock P. M., until after the Holidays, for the accommodation of persons who cannot conveniently make their purchases during the day. 1t

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS
During the Present Week
AT THE
Ninth Street Popular Dry Goods House,
No. 123 North Ninth Street.
Our immense, entirely new and carefully selected stock of
DRY GOODS,
HOSIERY, GLOVES, LINENS AND FURNISHING GOODS ARE MARKED AT PRICES THAT WILL INSURE RAPID SALES.
White Flannels, good quality, from 20c. up.
Red and Gray Flannels, from 25c. up.
Good quality Canton Flannels, 12½c. and up.
Muslins, all the leading makes, cheap.
Job lots, all-wool Blankets.
Black Alpacas, from 25c. up.
Other Dress Goods at reduced prices.
Linens, Waterproof Cloakings and Miscellaneous Dry Goods in variety.
Having been for years in the Wholesale Dry Goods business, we have facilities for buying goods for our Retail house not possessed by others.
All Goods marked in plain figures. Satisfaction always guaranteed.
Cheap, Reliable. One price, and no deviation.
An early inspection of our Goods and prices is requested.
CHAS. C. PETTIT & CO., No. 123 NORTH NINTH STREET.
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EYRE & LANDELL,
Fourth and Arch.
DEALERS IN BETTER CLASS OF
DRY GOODS,
Fine Shawls, Good Silks, Extra Velvets,
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS
OF INTRINSIC VALUE.
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THOS. KENNEDY & BROS.
WHOLESALE STOCK AT RETAIL.
Great Reduction in Prices.
TRIMMED BONNETS AND PARIS WALKING HATS.
500 dozen Feathers Just Opened.
Ostrich Tips.
Long Ostrich Plume de Cock, Paradise,
India Pheasants,
Willow Feathers,
Colored Birds.
Richest Assortment of French Flowers Ever Opened.
BARGAINS
White Felt Hats.
Colored Felt Hats.
Silk Velvet Hats.
Roman Sashes Very Cheap.
Bonnet Ribbons.
Satins and Velvets Cut Bias.
Real Laces,
Guipure Laces,
Steel Buckles,
Jet Ornaments.
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