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MARRIED.

LAWTON—REED.—On January 1st, by the Rev. Luther T. Albert, D.D., of Virginia Conference, Germantown, Philadelphia, Walter E. Lawton to Annie Louise Reed. No cards.

DIED.

BENNETT.—On the 31st inst., Sarah Turnbull Bennett, wife of Thomas W. and Annie R. Bennett.

HARRISON.—On the 31st inst., Thomas Harrison, aged 67 years.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, N. E. corner of Thirteenth and Ellsworth avenue, on Tuesday morning, at 9½ o'clock. Interment at St. John's Church, Tacony, at 12 o'clock. Carriages will be in waiting on the arrival of the 8:30 A. M. train from Walnut street depot.

MILLER.—On January 1st, 1870, Mary, wife of Wm. Miller.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her husband, No. 1808 Ellsworth street, on Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock.

TAGGART.—Suddenly, on the morning of the 31st inst., Walter, only son of Edwin R. and Elizabeth A. Taggart, in the twenty-first year of his age.

The relatives, those from the residence of his parents, 1709 Arch street, on Wednesday afternoon, at half past 2 o'clock. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

TYSON.—On the 31st inst., Margaretta Tyson, wife of William Tyson.

The funeral services will take place on Wednesday morning, 5th inst., at 11 o'clock, at the residence of her brother-in-law, Thos. V. Cushing, 1803 Pine street.

JOUVIN'S 6-BTN. BLACK KID GLOVES.
—Prices Reduced—Jouvin's plain Black, $1.75; Embroidered, $1.85; Philo., two buttons, $2.00; Castilemen's, $2.25.
BESSON & SON, Mourning Goods,
de30 6trp No. 916 Chestnut street.

BLACK MOHAIR TAMISE, OR FRENCH ALPACA.—Just received, one case of Mohair Tamise, from 50c. to $1.25 per yard.
Mourning Dry Goods House,
de30 6trp 916 Chestnut street.

CARD. JANUARY 1, 1870.
JEVNE & DEVELIN,
FOURTH AND ARCH
... out WINTER GOODS low to prepare
for ... NEW SPRING GOODS.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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Finest Clothing Establishment,
818 & 820 Chestnut St.

Ours is the Finest Ready-Made Clothing in America; far superior in every way to all other Ready-Made Clothing and equal to the best Custom Work of most establishments, but in closing out our present stock we are selling as cheap as any house either on Market or Chestnut street.

JOHN WANAMAKER,
Finest Clothing Establishment,
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Our Boys' Clothing and Gents' Furnishing Goods are all marked down, and can be bought now at prices which would justify any one in laying in a stock for future use.

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ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS.
An Historical Portrait of
Major Gen. Geo. G. Meade at Gettysburg,
Painted by D. B. KNIGHT, for members of the Union League, Soldiers, Sailors and Citizens in the Art Gallery of the Academy, from December 31st to January 4th, inclusive.
ADMISSION FREE, from 9 A.M. to 10 P. M.
de31 3trp

SPRING GARDEN SOUP SOCIETY.
At the Annual Meeting, November 9th, the following gentlemen were elected MANAGERS for the ensuing year:

James Pears,	Thomas Marsh,
John M. Oxley,	A. M. Murphy,
Thomas Miller,	Hiram Miller,
F. B. Atwood,	Joseph Sparks,
C. P. Bowers,	Gilbert S. Parker,
James Chalmers,	Franklin Shoemaker,
Joseph Williamson,	William Vanderveer,
D. B. Fairman,	David Vanderveer,
John Edgar,	Henry Warner,
James G. Brooks,	Alden Sampson,
Joseph W. Oakill,	John Godson,
Ell Kruse,	Aaron S. Oakill,
	Ell Dillon.

Contributions for the above worthy charity will be gratefully received by either of the above Managers, or by the regularly authorized Collector, Mr. Jonathan Pugh, who will call upon the friends of the worthy poor.

JAMES PETERS, President,
825 Race street.
JOHN M. ODDEN, Vice President,
46 Marshall street.
THOMAS MATHER, Treasurer,
1305 Wallace street.
K. P. ATHERTON, Secretary,
de30 3trp 30 South Water street.

THE SOCIETY FOR SUPPLYING THE POOR WITH SOUP, 1520 Girard street, appeal to the public for the usual annual aid by which they are enabled to carry on their operations. In addition to a daily delivery of Soup, Corn Meal and Bread are distributed, each twice weekly. A visitor is employed to examine into the fitness of each applicant to receive relief. The Society has no paid collector; but a manager is authorized to receive funds for the Society.

JOHN S. JEVIS, President, 111 Walnut street.
EDWARD T. STEEL, Treasurer, 308 Dock street.
JOHN RICHARDS, Secretary, corner Third and Spring Garden streets.
MANAGERS.
Edward T. Steel, 308 Walnut street.
Thomas Robins, 1020 Chestnut street.
Edward Lafourcade, 1020 Chestnut street. de31 3trp

PEACE OF THE SPRING GARDEN ... CO. ... ENTERTAINMENT ... WOOD'S MUSEUM ... MONDAY ... Commencing at 7½ o'clock. ... Tickets ... at the Museum ... de31 3trp

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE ...

A QUARTERLY MEETING OF ... will be held at Assembly ... Chestnut street, ... January, 1870, at ... o'clock P. M. ... the election of ... Directors to serve ... ensuing year, and ... other business ... JOHN ... Secretary.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF ... COMPANY ... The annual meeting of the Stockholders of ... Company ... for the election of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at ... office, ... street, on THURSDAY, the 13th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M. ... JOHN ... Secretary.

NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC, ... The Board of Directors have declared a dividend for the ... Four Per Cent. for the last six months, payable on demand. ... of stock. ... WM. ... Cashier.

THE GIRARD FIRE INSURANCE ... ANNUITY AND TRUST COMPANY ... PHILADELPHIA, No. 408 CHESTNUT STREET. ... The Company has the right to insure Buildings, Furniture, Merchandise, and other property, against loss or damage by Fire on the most favorable terms. ... per cent. on the amount insured, payable to the Stockholders, clear of State and United States taxes, or charges of any kind. ... [Signed] ... JOHN ... Secretary.

SOUTHERN DISPENSARY.—THE ... ANNUAL MEETING of the Corporation of the Southern Dispensary will be held at the Dispensary, ... on TUESDAY, the 4th day of January, 1870, at the hour of 4 o'clock P. M., for the election of Managers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting. ... [Signed] ... JOHN ... Secretary. ... Philadelphia, December 28, 1869. ... de28 3trp

SPECIAL NOTICES.

WEEK OF PRAYER AT ARCH STREET M. E. CHURCH.—Services EACH EVENING of the week, except Saturday. Strangers invited. Seats free. ja3-3trp

1109 GIRARD STREET. 1109
TURKISH, RUSSIAN AND PERFUMED BATHS.
Department for Ladies.
Entrance from 11th street.

HOWARD HOSPITAL, Nos. 1518 ... Medical advice and medicines gratuitously to the poor.

PROFESSOR ANDERSON AND MAGIC ... Second Exhibition ... Tuesday Afternoon ... Admission ... Children ... de31 3trp

The Secret of the Decadence ...

Prof. L. ... of the following table of the weather at Germantown for the month just passed.

DECEMBER, 1869.

Days of Month.	Barom. Point at 9 A.M.	Barom. Point at 3 P.M.	Thermometer.	Wind and Weather.
1	29	51	51	W. Clear.
2	29	36	36	N. E. Cloudy. Snow
3	29	34	34	N. W. Clear.
4	30	02	30	S. Cloudy.
5	29	35	41	S. W. Cloudy.
6	29	32	32	N. E. Cloudy. Snow 1 in.
7	29	36	34	N. W. Clear.
8	30	02	30	W. Clear.
9	30	03	36	N. W. Clear.
10	30	02	36	N. E. Clear.
11	29	32	46	N. E. Clear.
12	29	33	45	W. Clear.
13	29	34	37	W. Clear.
14	29	37	37	N. W. Clear.
15	29	36	36	N. E. Cloudy.
16	29	34	36	N. E. Cloudy.
17	29	32	36	S. E. Cloudy.
18	29	42	42	S. W. Cloudy.
19	29	42	42	S. W. Cloudy. Rain.
20	29	37	38	N. W. Clear.
21	29	47	47	W. Clear.
22	29	47	47	W. Clear.
23	29	43	43	W. Clear.
24	29	37	37	W. Cloudy.
25	29	41	41	N. E. Cloudy.
26	29	47	47	N. E. Cloudy. Rain.
27	29	47	47	N. E. Cloudy. Rain.
28	29	47	47	N. E. Cloudy.
29	30	01	41	N. W. Cloudy.
30	29	57	50	N. W. Clear.
31	29	50	50	N. W. Clear.

MONTHLY AVERAGES.

Lowest Point	29.02
Eight o'clock	29.36
Twelve o'clock	29.39
Three o'clock	29.37
Depth of rain	2.34

—The Italian opera season will begin at the Academy of Music this evening with *Il Trovatore*. The cast of this opera includes Signor Lefranc, the celebrated tenor, Madame Caroline Brîol, said to be a first-rate singer, Madame Eliza Lumley, and Signor G. Reyna. There will be a very large and very well drilled chorus, and an orchestra composed of the best instrumental musicians in this city. A first-rate performance may be expected. To-morrow night, *Faust and Marguerite* is to be produced with the great artist Ronconi in his celebrated character of "The Cobbler." On Wednesday Rossini's grand opera of *Guillaume Tell* will be presented, with increased orchestra and chorus, with a ballet, with new dresses and appointments, and a great cast. Signor Lefranc will appear as Arnold. Seats for these performances can be procured at the counter.

Little Dorrit will be played three nights more at the Arch Street Theatre, giving an opportunity to those who have not been able to secure places during the holidays to witness it. Mrs. Wallace has succeeded so well as author and actress that a number of propositions have been offered for herself and play, which she will accordingly take time to revise the play for which the hurry of holiday performances allowed neither her or even for the usual correcting rehearsal. The play is destined to become a standard drama, and when the character of "Little Dorrit" is better understood, the anxiety for Mrs. Wallace's power to overcome timidity will be changed to an appreciation of her ability to personate a timid, self-sacrificing and affectionate daughter and sister. We congratulate Mrs. Wallace on her unusual success.

—At the Walnut, to-night, Watts Phillips's new romantic drama, *Not Guilty*, will be produced in handsome style. There will be new scenery and costumes, and novel mechanical effects, together with military manœuvring, fine music, and plenty of exciting incident. Mr. Hemphill has expended a great deal of time and money upon this drama, and we do not doubt that it will be a brilliant success.

—*Champagne; or, Step by Step*, the new play, by Miss Laura Keene and Miss Matilda Heron, will be produced at the Chestnut this evening, with a good cast and handsome appointments.

—At the American Theatre this evening a first-rate bill is offered, including ballet-dancing, burlesque, farce, gymnastic feats, negro comicalities and miscellaneous performances. Mr. F. A. Gibbons, the famous acrobat, will appear nightly in the perilous feats.

—Messrs. Carncross & Dixey offer a very attractive entertainment at the Eleventh Street Opera House this evening, including singing, dancing, burlesque, and the pantomime *The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe*.

—At the Seventh Street Opera House Messrs. Dupree & Benedict announce a number of novelties in the way of burlesque and Ethiopian delineations, and besides these there will be good vocal and instrumental music every evening, with the usual miscellaneous performance.

—Signor Blitz and his ... exhibition of their wonderful ... and ventriloquism ... every afternoon ...

THE NEW CITY GOVERNMENT.

Organization of City Councils and the Controllers of the Public Schools.

CITY COUNCILS.

Both branches of City Councils met this afternoon in accordance with law, for the purpose of effecting an organization.

Select Council.

At 12 o'clock the Clerk of Select Council, Mr. Barth. H. Brinton, called the chamber to order, and proceeded to call the names of those members holding over, called for the credentials of the newly-elected members, as follows:

1—Henry Marcus.	14—I. Sherwood Ivins.
2—Henry Marcus.	15—I. Sherwood Ivins.
3—Samuel H. King.	16—I. Sherwood Ivins.
4—Henry Marcus.	17—I. Sherwood Ivins.
5—John C. Bickel.	18—Dr. Burnell.
6—John C. Bickel.	19—Daniel A. Sawyer.
7—Samuel H. King.	20—George A. Smith.
8—Samuel H. King.	21—George A. Smith.
9—Samuel H. King.	22—George A. Smith.
10—Samuel H. King.	23—George A. Smith.
11—Samuel H. King.	24—George A. Smith.
12—Henry Marcus.	25—George A. Smith.
13—Henry Marcus.	

It was then moved by Mr. Armstrong that an election for President be proceeded with. Agreed to.

Mr. Francieus nominated Samuel W. Cattell.

Mr. Marcus nominated Samuel G. King.

Messrs. Bayley and McCabe were appointed tellers. The result of the election was announced, with the following result: Samuel W. Cattell, 16; Samuel G. King, 8.

Mr. Cattell, having again declared elected, then Mr. King conducted him to the President's chair and administered the oath of office. President Cattell then addressed the Chamber as follows:

GENTLEMEN OF SELECT COUNCIL:

Gentlemen—Again I thank the Select Council for the honor conferred upon me by my election to the Presidency of this body. I feel that you have given me a position which I am not worthy to occupy, but I will endeavor to discharge its duties to the best of my ability, and I hope that I may receive your kind forbearance and support. I trust that we will all be governed by a spirit of harmony, and that we will legislate and care for the interests of our city, as though they were the individual interests of each of us. I fervently pray that our every course as Councilmen may be characterized by an enlightened and *liberal* policy, and *economical* expenditure of the public moneys, and a faithful discharge of the duties of the full spirit of the obligations which we have now taken.

Having thus briefly alluded to a few of the important matters which from time to time will claim your attention, I ask your indulgence a little longer, while I say a few words for myself.

The high position which, by your favor, I now occupy, is not of my own seeking, and therefore I feel how much I need your indulgence for every error or omission into which I may fall. There are among you those better acquainted with the duties and labors that I am. I do not hesitate to ask their kind assistance, and assure you that in whatever I do I will, as much as in me lies, impartially and impartially to discharge all the duties of President of Select Council. Your kind forbearance and strict compliance with the rules will make the duties light and the position easy. I earnestly solicit your co-operation, and assure you that in whatever I do I will, as much as in me lies, impartially and impartially to discharge all the duties of President of Select Council.

My fellow members, again I thank you and to each and all I wish a prosperous and happy New Year.

The new members were then brought to the President's chair and the oath of office was administered to them.

Nominations for Clerks were then made.

Mr. Sherman, Jr. nominated Benjamin H. Haines and Robert Bethel.

Mr. Marcus nominated Charles J. McAllister and John J. Bell.

Messrs. Haines and Bethel received 16 votes, and Messrs. McAllister and Bell received 9 votes.

Messrs. Haines and Bethel were then declared elected, and were duly sworn into office.

An election for messenger then took place. Mr. Mortimer D. Hunter received 16 votes and Charles McCarthy 8 votes. Mr. Johnson was declared elected.

President Cattell then introduced the Rev. Edward L. Drown, Pastor of the Church of the Saviour, West Philadelphia, who read the 13th chapter of the 1st Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians in an impressive manner, and then invoked a Divine blessing on the deliberations of Councils.

A committee was then appointed to notify Common Council that the Chamber was organized and ready for business.

The drawing for seats was then proceeded with.

A committee from Common Council, headed by Mr. Martin, then entered the chamber, and notified Select Council that Common Council was organized and ready for business.

On motion of Mr. King a joint special committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. King, Jones and Hankinson, to wait upon the Mayor and inform him of the organization of the Chamber.

Mr. Francieus then offered the following:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City and Liberties, that a committee be appointed to inquire into the practicability of using dummy engines in the freight routes within the city limits, and that they be authorized to make such experiments as they may deem necessary. Referred.

Mr. Francieus then moved that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Rev. Dr. Drown for his valuable assistance at the organization of the Chamber. Agreed to.

A resolution was presented that all joint special committees be appointed. Agreed to.

The committee appointed to wait on the Mayor reported that they had attended to their duties, and the Mayor stated that he had no message to send to Select Council at this time.

The committees of Select Council for the year 1870 were read by the Clerk, as follows:

COMMITTEES OF SELECT COUNCIL FOR 1870.

Finance—Messrs. Francieus, Hankinson, Shoemaker, G. A. Smith, King and Cochran.

Gas-works—Messrs. W. F. Smith, Jones, Harkness, Cramer, Hodgson and Bickel.

Water—Messrs. Hankinson, Ritchie, Houston, Armstrong, McIlvain, Bayley and Sawyer.

Police—Messrs. Shallcross, Jones, Farley, Harkness, Bickel and Hankinson.

Fire and Fire-alarms—Messrs. Bickel, Armstrong, Burnell, Marcus and Plumly.

Poor—Messrs. Barlow, Ritchie, Burnell, Sherman, McCall and Sayder.

Surveys—Messrs. Armstrong, McIlvain, Burnell, G. A. Smith, McCall and Bickel.

Commercial Affairs—Messrs. Bayley, Houston, Francieus, Sherman and Cochran.

Port Wardens—Messrs. Hodgson, W. F. Smith, Ritchie, Shallcross and Sawyer.

Markets—Messrs. W. F. Smith, Shallcross, Sherman, Burnell, Plumly and Kaercher.

Ordinances—Messrs. Bunn, Ritchie, Jones, Shoemaker, Plumly and Kaercher.

Regulation of Streets—Messrs. Jones, Smith, Barlow, Ritchie, Hopkins and Hockley.

Revision of Taxes—Messrs. Sherman, Hodgson, Francieus, Barlow, Hopkins and Snyder.

Wharves and Docks—Messrs. Barlow, Francieus, McIlvain, Burnell, Hopkins and Snyder.

Gas-lamps—Messrs. Bayley, Francieus, Shallcross, Kaercher and Plumly.

Girard Estate—Messrs. Shallcross, chairman; Evans, Cramer, Farley, Bayley, Hodgson, Plumly and Cochran.

City Property—Messrs. Jones, chairman; Shallcross, Farley, Hankinson, Bayley and Sawyer.

Schools—Messrs. Cramer, chairman; Barlow, Bickel, Farley, Burnell, Hockley and Kaercher.

Railroads—Messrs. Bayley, chairman; Farley, Shallcross, Shoemaker, W. F. Smith, Francieus, Marcus, Hopkins and Plumly.

Health—Messrs. Cramer, chairman; Bunn, Barlow, Sherman, Farley, Hockley and Kaercher.

Prisons—Messrs. Sherman, chairman; Cramer, Bunn, Barlow, Hockley and Snyder.

Streets Cleaned—Messrs. Barlow, chairman; Ritchie, Armstrong, Tabor, Plumly and Snyder.

Defence and Protection—Messrs. Armstrong, chairman; G. A. Smith, Bunn, Cramer, Plumly and Bickel.

To Verify Gas Accounts in the City Treasurer's Office—Messrs. Bunn, chairman; Hodgson and King.

Printing and Supplies—Messrs. Ritchie, chairman; Armstrong, Bunn, G. A. Smith, McCall and Hankinson.

On Boiler Explosions—Messrs. W. F. Smith, Jones, McIlvain, Hodgson, Shallcross, King and Cochran.

On Legislation—Messrs. Jones, Chairman; W. F. Smith, Jones, Shallcross and Marcus.

On Horse and Cattle Railroads—Messrs. Francieus, Bayley, Cramer, Cochran, King and Bickel.

Monthly visiting committees to Girard College for 1870.

January—Messrs. Sherman, chairman; Cramer, Hodgson, Kaercher and Plumly.

February—Messrs. Barlow, Shallcross, Harkness, Marcus and Snyder.

March—Messrs. Bunn, chairman; Ritchie, Ferreira, Hockley and Bickel.

April—Messrs. Jones, McIlvain, Burnell, Hopkins and McCall.

May—Messrs. Francieus, chairman; Shallcross, Shoemaker, Plumly and Cochran.

June—Messrs. Hodgson, McIlvain, Burnell, Bickel and King.

July—Messrs. Shoemaker, chairman; Armstrong, Sherman, King and Hopkins.

August—Messrs. G. A. Smith, Farcira, W. F. Smith, Kaercher and Cochran.

September—Messrs. Harkness, chairman; W. F. Smith, Armstrong, McCall and Cochran.

October—Messrs. Cramer, Barlow, Francieus, Kaercher and Hockley.

November—Messrs. Ritchie, chairman; G. A. Smith, Bunn, Bickel and Snyder.

December—Messrs. Burnell, Francieus, Tabor, Cochran and Bickel.

Adjourned.

Common Branch.

General Wagner (U.), President of Common Council last year, took the chair, and stated that this being the day, according to law, for the organization of Councils, he therefore directed the clerk to call the names of members holding over; after which the certificates of members elect were read.

Nominations were then made for President.

Mr. J. C. Martin (U.) nominated Gen. Louis Wagner (U.).

Mr. Nickels (U.) nominated Mr. Geo. Heitzell (U.).

The roll was called, and Gen. Wagner (U.) received 41 votes, Mr. Hotzell (Democrat) 13 votes.

Gen. Wagner having received a majority of the votes was declared elected. The ... and ... Mr. Hotzell ...

... Walker ... was then instructed ... a portion of the Scriptures and ... with a devout prayer.

Mr. Hall moved that the rules of proceedings of Council of the year 1869 be adopted for the government of the Chamber for the year 1870. Agreed to.

Mr. Nickels moved to proceed to the drawing of seats. Agreed to.

Mr. Hunn presented a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of three to wait upon the Mayor for the purpose of their forming bills of the organization of Common Council. Agreed to.

The chair appointed Messrs. T. Hilles Hawkes and J. S. Stockdale.

Mr. J. C. Martin moved to appoint a committee of two to inform Select Council of the organization of Common Council. Agreed to.

The chair appointed Messrs. Martin and Gill.

Mr. Canning presented a resolution providing for the recall of the ordinance from the Mayor making an appropriation to the Fire Department. Not agreed to; ayes 31, nays 9—not two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Bardsley presented a resolution providing for the continuance of all joint special committees. Agreed to.

President Wagner then announced the following as the standing committees for the year 1870:

COMMITTEES OF COMMON COUNCIL FOR 1870.

Finance—Messrs. Bardsley, chairman; Hall, Kline, Baldwin, Bunting and Ladner.

Gas—Messrs. Organ, chairman; Baldwin, Stockham, Currie, Grant and Griffiths.

Highways—Messrs. S. Miller, chairman; Williams, Miller, Ehrt, Lewis, Gilmore, Myers, Bardsley, Margadon and Hetzell.

Police—Messrs. Huhn, chairman; Blackburn, Martin, Organ, Shane and Hamilton.

Fires and Fire—Messrs. Hanna, chairman; Bay, Tucker, Rules, Shane and Nickels.

Poor—Messrs. Stewart, chairman; Joseph S. Allen, Glass, S. Miller, Mountain and Judge.

Surveys—Messrs. Willits, chairman; Leighton, Shissler, Currie, Widener and Gill.

Compare Bills—Messrs. Walker, chairman; Sellers and Grant.

Port Wardens—Messrs. Myers, chairman; Bowker, Glenn, Glass, Ehret and Hamilton.

Markets—Messrs. Calhoun, chairman; Glenn, Shissler, Souder, Myers and Fagan.

Claims—Messrs. Rice, chairman; W. J. Allen, Bardsley, Bowker, Canning and Grant.

Election Districts—Messrs. William J. Miller, chairman; Shields, Logan, Leighton, Mountain and Fagan.

Revision of Taxes—Messrs. Kline, chairman; Smith, Rabb, Rice, Judge and Gill.

Rights of Citizens—Messrs. Allen, chairman; Lewis, S. Miller, Williams and Metzell.

Wards—Messrs. Gilbert, Hanna, Marsh, Allen, Miller, Jenner, Jos. S. Allen, Glass and Gill.

Gas Regulations—Messrs. Baldwin, Bardsley, Williams, Rubicam, Rice and G. B. Stockdale.

City Property—Messrs. Martin, Leighton, Ellis, Gilbert, Stockham and J. F. Stockdale.

Schools—Messrs. Lewis, Shields, Gilbert, Stewart, W. F. Allen and G. B. Stockdale.

Railroads—Messrs. Bardsley, Souder, Cresly, Allen, Organ, Neall, Allen, Mickenbacker, G. B. Stockdale.

Health—Messrs. Stockham, Shissler, Bowker, Jenner, Canning and J. F. Stockdale.

Lamps—Messrs. Cresly, Hanna, Walker, Blackburn, Hagerdon and Ehret.

Prisons—Messrs. Hall, Logan, Jenner, Wm. F. Miller, Hargadon and Ehret.

Street Cleaning—Messrs. Shane, Sellers, Calhoun, Bunting, Griffith and Judge.

Defence and Protection—Messrs. Glenn, Bay, Blackburn, Cresly, Ladner, Mountain and Nickels.

Yearly Cash Accounts—Messrs. Myers, Ellis and Stiles.

Printing and Supplies—Messrs. Souder, Parker, Widener, Stockham and G. B. Stockdale.

Boiler Inspection—Messrs. Currie, Logan, Shields, Walker, Canning and Hamilton.

Legislation—Messrs. S. Allen, Parker, Widener, Ehret and Ladner.

Monthly visiting committees of Common Council to Girard College for 1870:

January—Messrs. Bunting, Cresly, Organ, Ellis, Walker, Rev. Gill and Nickels.

February—Messrs. Blackburn, chairman; J. S. Allen, Stewart, Currie, Sellers, S. Miller, Mountain and Canning.

March—Messrs. Lewis, Calhoun, Baldwin, Myers, Parker, Glenn, Judge and Grant.

April—Messrs. Sellers, chairman; Willits, Souder, Leighton, Shissler, Wm. F. Allen, Hargadon and Ehret.

May—Messrs. Gilbert, Kline, Shields, Glass, Jenner, Hall, J. F. Stockdale and Metzell.

June—Messrs. Martin, chairman; Hanna, Bardsley, Ryan, Logan, Widener, G. B. Stockdale and Griffiths.

July—Messrs. Parker, Bowker, Rice, Shane, Stockham, Allison, Fagen and Hamilton.

August—Messrs. Hall, chairman; Gilbert, Blackburn, Cresly, Widener, Wm. F. Miller, Gill and Ladner.

September—Messrs. Shissler, chairman; Cresly, Jenner, Lewis, Shields, Ellis, Nickels and G. B. Stockdale.

October—Messrs. Leighton, chairman; Martin, Glass, Rice, Bowker, Stockham, Hargadon and Metzell.

November—Messrs. Logan, Shane, Baldwin, Ryan, Currie, Glenn, Ehret and Fagan.

December—J. S. Allen, chairman; Souder, William F. Allen, Walker, Sellers, Myers, Ladner, and J. F. Stockdale.

Mr. Hall presented a communication from S. P. Hancock, Richard Peltz, and Alex. McCuen, submitting the names of their sureties, they having been declared elected to the offices of City Controller, Receiver of Taxes and City Commissioner. Referred.

Mr. Canning moved to proceed to a second reading of the resolution providing for the recall from the Mayor of the ordinance making an appropriation to the Fire Department.

Mr. Hanna moved to indefinitely postpone. Not agreed to—ayes 18, nays 30.

Mr. Allison moved to refer to the Committee of Fire and Trusts. Not agreed to—ayes 18, nays 31.

Mr. Allison moved to adjourn. Not agreed to—ayes 20, nays 30.

Mr. H. Huhn moved the previous question. Agreed to.

The resolution was agreed to—ayes 30, nays 2.

Adjourned.

CONTROLLERS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

This body assembled at ten o'clock in the hall in the Assembly Building.

Lewis Elkin, Esq., was called to the chair and James H. McBride was appointed Secretary.

The credentials of the newly-appointed members were then read, and the oath of office was administered by the Chairman.

Mr. Green moved to go into the election for President. Agreed to.

M. Hall Stanton, Esq., of the Twelfth Ward, was then chosen by acclamation. He was conducted to the chair by Mr. Cassidy and said:

I have nothing but words of gratitude, gentlemen of the Board of Control, to offer you in return for the very handsome compliment which you have just conferred upon me.

In administering the responsible duties of this chair, I know, gentlemen, that I shall want, and I feel that I shall receive, your kind counsel and co-operation. It was this consideration alone and no other that influenced me in yielding—much against my own personal inclination or desire—to the repeated solicitation of my friends to serve the Board as its presiding officer.

During the past two years I know that we have accomplished much, and doubtless much remains to be done; perhaps something to be undone. Be that as it may, I accept the position which you, in your kindness, have assigned me, fully conscious of its care and its responsibilities. I accept it with an abiding faith in the united wisdom of this Board, whose duty it is, and whose ambition, I am sure, it will be, to see to it that the Public School System of Philadelphia shall continue to be in the future what it has been in the past—the glory and pride of our fair city.

I accept the position, gentlemen of the Board of Control, with renewed expression of my thanks for this mark of your esteem and confidence, and with an earnest desire to administer the duties now devolving upon me faithfully, conscientiously, and with an eye single only to the great and important educational interest committed to our common care.

On motion, the old officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, as follows:

Secretary—Henry W. Halliwell.
Assistant Secretary—James Dick.
Clerks—Andrew Hammond, A. C. Snodgrass.
Messenger—Wm. Rafferty.

... Real Estate ... Personal Property ...

Philadelphia ... 37,482,257
Chicago ... 14,622,546
New York ... 54,873,544

	Tax Levy, 1869.	Population about.	Tax per capita.
Philadelphia	$7,775,563	800,000	$9 97
Boston	4,020,004	270,000	14 89
Baltimore	Regular, 1,000,000		
	Special, 3,000,000	270,000	14 85
Chicago	7,000,000	306,000	22 88
New York	21,385,996	1,000,000	21 39

We also need a law to levy special taxes for special purposes, by means of which the increase of our funded debt might, to a great extent, be prevented. The statement, that the present tax-payer should not pay for what will benefit his successor, is no doubt a correct proposition, but it is an exceedingly expensive one when carried to extremes.

We borrow, say, $1,000,000 for public improvements, and issue therefor bonds at 6 per cent. interest; to pay this sum at maturity—thirty years—a sinking fund of $12,000 annually is created, and on it annual interest of $60,000 is paid. In thirty years we pay for this one million dollars, put into improvements, no less than $2,160,000. To remedy this disparity, I would suggest that the making of permanent improvements be spread over a number of years, whenever the character of the work will admit, and that the cost thereof be met by special taxation.

In other cases, special funds might be created from which to pay the interest and sinking fund of the sum borrowed for instance as suggested by the Chief Engineer of the Water Department, the amount required for the extension of our water works could be met by a slight increase in our water rents. Loans for bridges could be repaid out of special taxes and assessments levied upon the properties in the districts more immediately benefited; culverts could be extended and school-houses erected in the same manner. It may be urged that this plan is too complicated for practical adoption; but I can point to other large cities who carry it to efficient operation.

In conclusion, I can only express the hope that these matters of finance, and all other subjects of public interest, will receive prompt and early consideration at your hands; and that you will co-operate with me in despatching the business committed to our care with fidelity and zeal.

The members elect were then duly qualified.

Mr. J. C. Martin (U.) moved to proceed to the nomination of candidates for Clerk and Assistant Clerk. Agreed to.

Mr. J. C. Martin nominated John Eckstein for Clerk and Abraham Stewart for Assistant Clerk. Mr. Nickels nominated Joseph F. Snyder for Clerk and Nicholas V. B. Strafford for Assistant Clerk.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Shields and Ladner tellers.

The tellers reported that 54 votes ... east, of which Messrs. Eckstein ... that received 40 votes, Messrs. ... Strafford 14 votes.

John Eckstein was ... and Abraham Stew...