THE MORAL LEG QUESTION.

A Counterblast from Florence.

We make room for the following interesting communication, from this morning's *Press*, with unusual pleasure. It speaks for itself:

To the Editor of the Press: SIR: I respectfully ask a space in your columns to explain the occasion and motives which induced some twenty of the women students of the Hygienic Medical College to visit Philadelphia last Saturday, and whose presence caused some of your city papers, especially the *Telegraph* and BULLETIN, to speak of them in language unworthy of any respectable public journal. I should also explain my relation to them instead of to you; but much experience has taught me that editors who make treat women, against whose lives, characters and motives no word of reproach can be truthfully alleged, with such indecency of language and vulgarity of spirit, would never allow the other side to be seen by their readers, for it is only the more progressive and intelligent of the newspaper press that can either appreciate the position of these women and the cause in which they are engaged, or that can feel any disposition to do them justice.

Now, these women have adopted the "reform" dress (not the "bloomer" costume) from principle. They have worn it on all occasions for many years, as have some thousands of women in the United States. They have studied its subject faithfully, and have held three national conventions in view of comparing notes and proving the best possible style of dress that should combine convenience, utility, healthfulness, and economy, and they know they have succeeded. In dress they wear—does answer perfectly all the purposes. It is not yet fashionable; it may never become so. But if these women find it conducive to health, comfort, and useful, why cannot they be permitted to wear it in the streets of Philadelphia in peace, as they do in many other places? Why need slang epithets be hurled at them, and insinuations indulged calculated to call the rowdy element, and even that in large cities, and only awaiting some plausible incentive for outrage, to come down upon them?

It is known to all physiologists, and it is a common theme of physicians, lecturers, medical journals, and even of the newspaper of the day, that the fashionable style of woman's dress is the cause of most of her infirmities and sufferings, and that respectable physicians, who pretend to say that it is even possible for a woman either to be healthy herself or bring into the world a healthy child, if she habitually wears the ordinary costume. The physicians of Philadelphia are indebted to this cause alone for more than one-half of all their business.

The Hygienic Medical College has held yearly sessions in New York for more than fifteen years. During that time a part of its female students have worn the reform dress, which so shocked the refined sensibilities of certain editors and reporters in your city. They have been in the habit of attending the clinics of Bellevue Hospital on Saturday, and in no instance has a newspaper of that city attacked them with vile epithets or viler insinuations. Three years ago the college was removed to this place, since which time the students, male and female, have occasionally attended clinics in Philadelphia.

They are seeking a medical education with the intention of practising the health art. All they ask is the privilege of walking your streets in purchasing such articles as they need. They do not seek notoriety, nor do they desire to be mobbed. But they believe in the reform dress, and intend to wear it, male or no male. As to the "legs," concerning which the BULLETIN and *Telegraph* are so obscenely eloquent, they are covered by stockings, drawers, pantalooons, and in some cases boots—very much as men dress their lower extremities. Is there any immodesty or improprietyin women dressing above "legs" so as to protect them from cold and exposure? It seems to them and to me that the immodesty and impropriety consist in exposing them to the inclemency of the weather and to the gaze of whom it may concern.

FLORENCE HEIGHTS, N.J., Jan. 25, 1870.

The Proposed Insurance Department.

The following is a copy of the bill introduced into the State Senate by Mr. Warfel to establish an Insurance Department:

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INSURANCE DEPARTMENT IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, &c.*, That there is hereby created and established a separate and distinct department of State, to be designated the Insurance Department, which shall be charged with the execution of the laws hereinafter passed, or that may be hereafter passed, in relation to every species of insurance.

SEC. 2. The chief officer of said department shall be denominated the Superintendent of the Insurance Department.

SEC. 3. The Superintendent shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall hold his office for the term of three years. He shall receive an annual salary of two thousand dollars, to be paid quarterly by the State Treasurer. He shall employ from time to time the necessary clerks to discharge such duties as he may assign them, whose compensation shall be fixed by him and paid to them by the State Treasurer quarterly. He is authorized to appoint one of the said clerks to be his deputy, who shall possess the powers and perform duties attached by law to the office of superintendent during any vacancy in such office and during the absence or inability of his principal. Within fifteen days from the time of notice to them of their appointment respectively, the superintendent and his deputy shall take and subscribe the oath of office prescribed by the constitution for members of the general assembly and executive and judicial officers and file the same in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. And the Superintendent of the Insurance Department shall give a bond to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars, with at least two sureties, to be approved by the Governor and Attorney General, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office. And said Superintendent shall not either directly or indirectly, be interested in any insurance company or association.

SEC. 4. The Superintendent of the Insurance Department shall have full power and authority to enforce and carry into effect all laws which have been passed and which shall hereafter be passed relating to insurance companies and the formation thereof, and to every species of insurance in this Commonwealth. He shall make annual reports relative to every species of insurance in this State, and in said reports, he shall give a statement of the true condition of all insurance companies of every description organized and located in this Commonwealth, and all foreign companies doing business by their agents in this Commonwealth, the amount of capital of each, the deposits with the State of each, and also for registered policies and annuity bonds; the assets of each company, their nature and value; the real estate held by each company, and the true value; amount of cash on hand and deposited; and where deposited; amount of loans secured by bonds and mortgages; number of policies issued; amount of interest on investments made by the company due and unpaid; amount of premium notes due the company; all the liabilities of the company of every description, including them; amount of losses, the amount of claims in suit, whole amount of losses unsettled, dividends declared by the company; money borrowed by them and kind of security given therefor; amount of all existing claims against the company; the income of the company, specifying amount of cash premiums received, amount of premium notes taken, amount of premiums earned, interest received from investments, specifying investments, amount of incomes derived from any other source; amount of expenditures of each company, specifying the items, with such other information as he may deem important; also, what companies have been examined by him during the year, with the result of such examination; all penalties paid for violation of insurance laws. He shall also report the names and compensation of his deputy and other clerks employed by him, and the whole amount of the receipts and expenses of his department during the year. Such report to be delivered to the Governor, to be by him transmitted to the Legislature, on or before the second Monday in February in each year; and two thousand copies of such report for the use of the Governor, Superintendent, and the Legislature shall be printed annually.

SEC. 5. The Superintendent, with the approval of the Governor and Attorney-General, shall devise a seal, with suitable inscription for his office, a description of which, with a certificate of approval by the Governor and Attorney-General, shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, with an impression thereof, which said shall there be recorded whenever necessary. Every contract, instrument, or conveyance, executed by the said Superintendent in pursuance of his office, and having the seal of his office affixed to the same, shall be received and shall be recorded in the proper office for recording deeds in any county in this Commonwealth; and all copies of papers in the office of said Superintendent, certified by him and authenticated by his seal of office, shall in all cases be evidence equally and in like manner as the original; and an impression of said seal upon any paper shall be as valid as if it were affixed to the original.

SEC. 6. All books, papers, documents, securities, stocks, mortgages, and all other papers whatever now in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or in the office of the Auditor-General of this Commonwealth, relating to the business of insurance of any description or kind, shall on demand be delivered and transferred to the Superintendent of the Insurance Department, and be and remain in his charge and custody; and all papers, documents, securities, stocks, bonds, mortgages, and all other papers whatever made (by laws now existing or hereafter passed) necessary for any company to file with the Secretary of State, shall be given directly to the Superintendent aforesaid and be and remain in his charge and custody.

SEC. 7. There shall be appointed to said Superintendent, by the proper parties having custody of the State capital buildings at Harrisburg suitable rooms therein for conducting the business of said department, and said Superintendent shall be provided by the proper parties necessary books, stationery, fuel, lights and other proper conveniences for the transaction of said business, the expenses of which shall be paid by the State Treasurer on a warrant drawn for the same by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

SEC. 8. The Superintendent of the Insurance Department is hereby authorized to demand and receive from every insurance company, under the oath of its President and Secretary or Actuary, a full and distinct statement, semi-annually, of its business, relative to its business and affairs, and the mode of conducting the same, which he shall deem necessary to give him a full knowledge of all the affairs of said company and to enable him to make his annual report. And, also, to examine into himself, or appoint any other person not connected with the business of insurance to examine into the condition and affairs of any company doing the business of insurance in this State whenever he may deem necessary.

SEC. 9. There shall be paid by every company, association, person or persons, or agents, to whom this act shall apply, the following fees: For filing a declaration or certified copy of a charter, thirty dollars; for filing a semi-annual statement, ten dollars; for filing certificate of agency or appointment of attorney, five dollars; for any copy made of any paper in said department, fifty cents for each page; for affixing the seal of said department to any paper or copy of any paper, and certifying the same, one dollar; to any and every person appointed by the Superintendent to examine into and report the condition of affairs and standing of any company, three dollars per day, for each day actually engaged in such examination or in traveling in regard to it, and ten cents for each mile traveled in the performance of such duty; said fees to be paid by said insurance company, or by the parties for whom it is proposed on them by law; and when received said fees shall be paid (except the fees of the persons appointed to examine as, of *course*, shall be stated) by the superintendent of the Insurance Department to the State Treasurer monthly defraying the expenses of executing this act.

SEC. 10. All laws or parts of laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 11. This act shall take effect on the ——— day of ——— A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

CITY BULLETIN.

—The Trustees of the Philadelphia Gas Works presented their annual report to City Councils yesterday. It states that at the date of the last annual report, loan 15, amounting to $1,000,000, had just been authorized, which had been expended during the past year, as follows: For works, $295,274 78; for street mains, $830,546 56; for services and meters, $102,016 06; making a total of $840,837 40. There are also liabilities unpaid January 1, 1870—on account of works, $14,198 16; street mains, $7,104 25, and services, $13,826 76, which, added to the above amount, will make a total of $884,865 56, which with the amount expended in 1868, over and above the amount of loans issued to the Trustees for construction of works, &c., $252,000, will exhaust the whole loan of $1,000,000, and leave a balance due from the City of $116,865 56. The quantity of gas manufactured during the year was 1,163,102,000 cubic feet, an increase over the year 1868 of 99,462,000 cubic feet. The largest consumption in any twenty-four hours was on the night of the 23d of December, amounting to 5,203,000 cubic feet, showing an increase on the same time in last year of 404,000 cubic feet. The street mains laid during the year amount to 78,257 feet, making the total length nearly 735 miles, being an increase over the number of feet laid in 1868 of over 700 per cent., which was owing to the great increase in building and consequent demand for gas. The number of services also increase than any three years since the erection of the works. The whole number of lamps on the first instant was 8,127, of which 7,976 are supplied with gas from these works, 428 from the Northern Liberties works and 14 with coal oil. By reference to the Cashier's report, it will be found that the loans created by Councils from time to time for the purchase of works and the extension of the mains amount to $4,870,000. The amount paid from the Sinking Fund for loans 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, as they became due, is $770,000; loan 7, due on the 1st instant, amounting to $200,000, has been paid. Leaving the amount in the Sinking Fund in charge of the Trust for the payment of loans 8 and 9, $1,225,438 37, and the amount of loans unpaid is $3,900,000. The amount of loans and cash in the hands of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of loans 10, 11, 12 and 13, is $3,645,418. The amount of loans and cash in the hands of the City Treasurer for the payment of $450,000 of city loan (being the unfunded value of the Spring Garden, Moyamensing, West Philadelphia and Frankford Gas Works) is $278,875. For the purchase of the Southwark and Moyamensing, and Germantown, Manayunk and Richmond Gas Co's. stock, amounting to $309,740, the Trustees have in the different sinking funds for the redemption of the same, the sum of $89,381 01. The contingent fund amounts to $1,074,534 13, which is an increase of $286,026 62 over last report, after having paid into the sinking fund of profits over and above the requirements for interest on the loans, sinking funds and keeping the works in proper repair, and has been expended in permanent improvements of works and mains from time to time. The annual addition to the sinking funds which the Trustees are required to invest by the several ordinances, have been complied with. The Department of Distribution has been carried to its utmost capacity during the year; a 20-inch main has been laid on Ninth street, from Filbert to Diamond street holder, and thence to Front street, a distance of 10,237 feet; a 16-inch main, from Diamond street on Coral to the north side of York street, and on the latter street to the east side of Frankford road, a distance of 6,095 feet; and a 12-inch main on York street, from the east side of Frankford road to Richmond street, which has been the means of furnishing that section of the city with light. All parts of the city, with the exception of Germantown, have now an abundance of gas, and in order to furnish the citizens of that section it will be necessary to erect a new gas holder, of not less than 250,000 cubic feet capacity; the present one not being sufficient to supply more than two hours consumption, and also to connect the same with the new holder at Ninth and Diamond streets with a 12 inch main from Broad and German-town road. To enable the Trustees to make this improvement and continue the laying of pipes, and the introduction of services and meters, and to build a new holder at the Ninth Ward Works, it will be necessary for Councils to grant a loan of at least $1,000,000. As the works are self-supporting, any loan authorized does not impose any additional tax upon the citizens, and never will, if properly managed. Amount of gas made at the different works in cubic feet: Twenty-sixth Ward, 585,733,000; Ninth Ward, 274,812,000; Fifteenth Ward, 153,200,000; Twenty-first Ward, 40,310,000—total, 1,153,102,000. Number of meters and service pipes introduced during the year, 4,811; applications for gas registered, 14,664; discontinued, 9,813; and discontinuance, 9,813, shows an increase of 4,851, which, added to number of consumers, makes 62,393. Number of lights added during the year, 79,017; previously in use, 731,860—total, 801,877.

—The Trustees of the Northern Liberties Gas Works presented their annual report to City Councils yesterday afternoon. It contains the following statement:—Receipts for sale of gas, $148,608 22; for sale of coke, tar, &c., $9,807 57. Total, $158,415 79. Expenditures for works, as per last report, $100,450 70; during 1869, $5,016 58; making $106,037 28; for mains, as per last report, $88,222 23; during 1869, $824 61; making $89,046 84; services, as per last report, $54,708 81; during 1869, $1,958 74; making $56,667 55; for meters, as per last report, $35,934 46; during 1869, $1,318 25; making $36,252 68; for real estate, as per last report, $21,206 81; for just closed there were sixty-three children in the Home, all of whom are taught daily in the elementary branches of an English education. At the breaking-out of the rebellion and during the war, a large number of soldiers' children were placed in the institution. Eight of these during the year were provided with good homes in the country and elsewhere, where they are being instructed in mechanical pursuits. The managers solicit contributions from the benevolent, in behalf of the Home, in order to enable them still to carry on their operations successfully. The following are the officers and managers: President, John C. Farr. Vice-President, James H. Orne. Treasurer, Edward W. Clark. Secretary, David C. McCammon.

—The Knights of St. Crispin (shoemakers) held a meeting last evening relative to the strike in consequence of a reduction of wages. It was stated that a fund had been accumulated amounting to $200,000 for the purpose of meeting the present emergency. There are embraced in the strike about 225 men, a portion of those who were embraced in the movement having gone to work. Hatred men on the strike receive $10 per week, and unmarried men $5. There is also $1 allowed for each child, and single men having a mother depending on them receive $10. There are about 60,000 men belonging to the order in the United States, 40,000 in the United States, and 75,000 in the United States.

—Wm. Seeds, who was killed while gunning, as stated in yesterday's BULLETIN, resided at Third and Lombard streets. He and Wm. Patton were duck-shooting. They were seated in a small skiff, floating with the tide, when a flock of wild ducks came in view. Patton raised his fowling piece, telling Seeds to lay flat in the boat while he fired over him. The cap snapped and Seeds arose. The weapon, however, was discharged prematurely, lodging all the charge in the back of Seeds's killing him instantly.

—The Society for Alleviating the Miseries of Prisons held its eighty-fourth annual meeting last evening, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President—James S. Barclay; *Vice Presidents*—Jos. R. Chandler, Wm. S. Perot; *Treasurer*—William Duane; *Secretaries*—John J. Lytle, Edward Townsend; *Counsellors*—Henry J. Williams, Charles Gibbons.

—The Petroleum dealers held a meeting yesterday and adopted a memorial calling upon the Legislature not to pass the bill relative to interests, and asking them to pass instead a bill which shall make it an unlawful act to manufacture or sell petroleum which will not stand the test of 110 degrees Fahrenheit.

—The inquest on the body of Dennis Corrigan was concluded yesterday by Coroner Taylor, and the verdict of the jury was that death resulted from a stab or stabs inflicted by Frank Jack.

—City warrants numbered up to 60,000, issued in 1868 and 1869, will be paid by Mr. City Treasurer Marver on and after the 1st prox.

AMUSEMENTS.

WALNUT STREET THEATRE.
THIRTY-FIRST EVENING, THIRTEENTH ENGAGEMENT, BENEFIT OF MR. F. FOSTER, LAST NIGHT BUT ONE OF THE RIGHT SUCCESSFUL ROMANTIC DRAMA, PAUL KAUVAR, In Acts, by Mr. Dion Boucicault, Esq., entitled, THE ROSE OF AUVERGNE. Presented with original cast and all the VERY SUCCESSFUL SCENERY. BECKS PHILADELPHIA BAND No. 1 Will Perform Between the Acts. Answer to an Invitation the Management beg to state that the Prisoner is NOT Gguilty. will be performed on SATURDAY AFTERNOON. Doors open at 1½ ... Commence at 2 o'clock. SATURDAY EVENING, FIRST TIME, Will be presented the new Domestic Romantic and Spectacular Drama, entitled, THE ROSE OF AUVERGNE, In Acts and Pictures, by Dion Boucicault, Esq. 1t

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE. Bootts at 8. CHESTNUT STREET THEATRE. LAST NIGHT. BENEFIT OF MR. THOS. WHIFFEN. This Evening, Friday, January 28, 1870, Will be Produced the Comedy in Two Acts, called, LA ROSE DE FLEUR. SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 29, MARRIAGE BY LANTERNS and BLIND BEGGARS. PLS. JOHN DREW'S ARCH STREET THEATRE. Eighth Night. HOUSES CROWDED TO THE DOORS. DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENTS. Every Night and Saturday Matinee. Received Nightly ROMANCE AND REALITY. JNO. BROUGHAM'S LAST NIGHT. BLACK SWAN. Sold by the Full Company. SOUBRETTE, MISS LOTTIE WILLIAMS. MOONLIGHT, SUNSHINE AND MIDNIGHT. SEATS SECURED SIX DAYS IN ADVANCE. ACADEMY OF MUSIC. The Twelfth Grand Annual Gymnastic Exhibition and Aesthetic Ball, Under the Auspices of the Philadelphia Turnverein, Will take place on WEDNESDAY EVENING, February 9, 1870. Reserved Seats, 50 cents. Dancing to Follow, Music by the Germania, Ninth and Arch streets. Time, 8 o'clock. Tickets, $1. N.B.—Gymnasium is open all day and evening. Professors in the Sparring and Boxing Schools. THE GREAT CHAMPION CIRCUS, CORNER OF NINTH AND CHERRY STREETS. MR. CHAS. WARREN, Manager. ... WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JAN. 26 and 27, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, JAN. 29, Matinees commence at 2 o'clock. Mlle. Marie Wilkins, Mlle. Ella Zoyara, WHITAKER, BILLY PORTER, and the whole STAR CIRCUS COMPANY. ... THE GREAT CHAMPION CIRCUS. ... Admission 25 cents. Children under 10 years of age, 15 cents. Reserved chairs 25 cents each. 1t BEAN'S ORIGINAL ETHIOPIAN OPERA HOUSE, SEVENTH Street, below Arch. THIS EVENING AND DURING THE WEEK. Great Gigantic Minstrels Introduce First Time—Beautiful Ballad Scene. First Time—Beautiful Rose-Bower Scene. Also, Ethiopian Sketches, Ballads, Etc. Commencing at 8 o'clock. Admission, 25 cts. Reserved Seats, 25 cts. FOX'S AMERICAN THEATRE, EVERY EVENING, Matinee Saturday. Great Sensation Drama, Entitled, THE DOMBEY FAMILY. Or, Dombey and Son. Preceded by the Great Drama, Entitled, DE ROSA; Mr. Sam. Devere, Mr. Thos. Wiggett, Ac. Concert Every Evening. Matinee Saturday. TEMPLE OF WONDERS—ASSEMBLY BUILDINGS. SIGNOR BLITZ. ASSISTED BY MADAME THEODORE. Every evening at 8. Matinee Saturday afternoon at 2. Lecture on Modern and Ancient Mysteries. CHAS. H. JARVIS'S ASSEMBLY BUILDINGS, 1020 CHESTNUT STREET. Second Grand Concert This Evening, Jan. 29, 1870. STRUTZ'S PIANO WAREROOMS, 1020 CHESTNUT STREET. Commencing at 8 o'clock. Cards of admission to the Concert, at the principal Music Stores. OTTO DOLDERER, Agent. 1t NEW ELEVENTH STREET OPERA HOUSE. THE FAMILY RESORT. *CLAIRVOYANT, MAGICIAN, ECCENTRICITIES,* EVERY EVENING. Prof. A. H. SMITHSONIAN, Manager. SENTZ AND HASSLER'S MATINEES, Broad and Chestnut, EVERY SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 3½ o'clock. ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS. CHESTNUT street, above Tenth. Open from 9 A. M. to 10 P. M. Benjamin West's Great Picture of CHRIST REJECTED. 1t-23-tf

DRUGS.

DRUGGISTS WILL FIND A LARGE Stock of Allen's Medicinal Extracts and Oil Almonds, Best Brands of Castor Oil, Sponges, Chamois, Genuine Wolfbrand Mortars, Best Gedeon Pestles, Spatulas, Gallipots, Leeches, SHORT & HANSEL, 910 Chestnut street. DRUGGISTS SUNDRIES. A full assortment of every description kept by SHORT & HANSEL, 910 Chestnut street. DRUGGISTS SUNDRIES. Patent Medicines, Perfumery, Fancy Soaps, Sponges, Brushes, Syringes, Fine Toilet Soaps, Colognes, Hair Oils, Pomades, Hair Dyes, Combs, Ac. Druggists' prices. SNOWDEN & BROTHER, 1005 Market street. CASTILE SOAP—GENUINE AND VERY OLD. Imported and for sale by the proprietors, ROBERT SHOEMAKER & CO., Importing Druggists, N. E. corner Fourth and Arch streets. FOREIGN FRUITS, NUTS, &C.—MRS. Wilson's Figs and Lemons, Turkey figs, in kegs, drums and boxes; Austrian Prunelloes in kegs and fancy boxes; Parsley Roots, Sage, Savory, Marjoram, in cakes and fancy boxes; Fine Cordials, Brandies, Claret, Malaga Wines, Cognac Brandies, Port; Naples and Marseilles Macaroni, Vermicelli, Maccaroni, Ac. R. HUSSLER & CO., 125 South Delaware avenue. BEST OF SPIRITS TURPENTINE—50 barrels Rosin, 50 barrels Spirits Turpentine for sale by COCHRAN, RUSSELL & CO., 111 Walnut street.

MARSHAL'S SALE.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

MARSHAL'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued pursuant to the decree of a court of equity, of the District Court of the United States in and for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, will be sold at Public Sale, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th of February, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the N. E. corner of Fourth and Walnut streets, in the City of Philadelphia, the following:

ALL THAT CERTAIN BRICK MESSUAGE OR TENEMENT AND LOT OR PIECE OF GROUND, situate on the north side of Locust street, in the city of Philadelphia, and numbered "Eleven" on a plan of Jesse Lippincott's subdivision of Morris's estate, containing in front or breadth on said Locust street, sixteen feet six inches, and extending in length or depth of the same breadth, northward, sixty-five feet to forty-eight feet wide, leaving a certain twenty-feet wide street, called Quincy Alley, on the Fourth Ward of the city of Philadelphia, containing together in front or breadth on said Locust street, sixteen feet six inches, and in length or depth on the east side thereof, sixty-five feet, and on the west side thereof, sixty-seven feet six inches, more or less, bounded northward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, eastward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, southward by said Locust street, and westward by ground formerly granted to Jesse Lippincott, subject to a yearly ground rent of $6 forever.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of John Abercrombie.

ALL THOSE TWO CONTIGUOUS LOTS OR PIECES OF GROUND, situate on the east side of Ninth street, in the city of Philadelphia, containing together in front or breadth on said Ninth street, and west side of a certain twenty-foot wide street, called Quincy Alley, on the Fourth Ward of the city of Philadelphia, containing together in front or breadth on said Ninth street, sixteen feet six inches, and in length or depth on the east side thereof, sixty-five feet, and on the west side thereof, sixty-seven feet six inches, more or less, bounded northward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, eastward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, southward by said Ninth street, and westward by ground formerly granted to Jesse Lippincott, subject to a yearly ground rent of $6 forever.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Jesse Lippincott.

Being the same premises which John Ewing and wife, by indenture dated June 12, 1861, and recorded in Deed Book J. D. C. No. 1, page 1, &c., granted and conveyed to John Abercrombie.

WHICH MESSUAGE AND LOT OF GROUND adjoining the same on the north, extending in front or breadth on said Ninth street, northward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, containing in front or breadth on said Ninth street, sixteen feet six inches, and in length or depth of the same breadth, northward, sixty-five feet, more or less, and extending of that width in breadth or depth from the said Ninth street westward, sixty-five feet, to the said twenty-feet wide alley, leaving half the said twenty-feet wide alley, adjoining the premises aforesaid, to be used in common with the owner, or owners, for the time being, of the premises which John Wright, trustee to bequeath, and his wife, by indenture dated the 1st of April, 1844, granted and conveyed to Jesse Lippincott, subject to a yearly ground rent of $6 forever.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Jesse Lippincott.

ALL THAT CERTAIN TWO-STORY BRICK MESSUAGE OR TENEMENT, with three-story back building thereunto belonging, situate on the easterly side of Mascher street, in the Eighteenth Ward of the city of Philadelphia, containing in front or breadth on said Mascher street, sixteen feet, and in length or depth of the same breadth, eastward, one hundred and twenty feet to a certain ten-feet wide alley, running parallel with Second street, at the distance of one hundred and twenty feet eastward from said Mascher street, leaving a certain two-feet wide alley, for a common passage, between the premises hereby granted and those which John Wright, trustee to bequeath, and his wife, by indenture dated March, 1852, granted and conveyed to Jesse Lippincott.

ALSO, ALL THAT CERTAIN THREE-STORY BRICK MESSUAGE OR TENEMENT, with three-story back building thereunto belonging, situate on the north side of Fifth street, from the river Delaware, westward one hundred and twenty feet, to a certain alley, containing in breadth on the said Fifth street sixteen feet, and in length or depth of the same breadth, northward, one hundred and twenty feet, bounded westward by Fifth street aforesaid, southward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, eastward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, and northward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott.

Being the same premises which Robert L. Repsey and wife, by indenture dated August 29th, 1868, granted and conveyed to Jesse Lippincott.

ALSO, ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PIECE OF GROUND, situate on the north side of Fifth street, in the city of Philadelphia, containing in front or breadth on said Fifth street, twenty-four feet, and in length or depth of the same breadth, northward, ninety-five feet, and extending of that width in breadth or depth from said Fifth street, westward, twenty-five feet, bounded westward by Fifth street aforesaid, southward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, eastward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott, and northward by ground now or late of Jesse Lippincott.

Being the same premises which Robert L. Repsey and wife, by indenture dated August 29th, 1868, granted and conveyed to Jesse Lippincott.

ALSO, ALL THAT CERTAIN TWO-STORY BRICK MESSUAGE OR TENEMENT, with three-story back building thereunto belonging, situate on the easterly side of Mascher street, in the Eighteenth Ward of the city of Philadelphia, containing in front or breadth on said Second street, sixteen feet, and in length or depth of the same breadth, eastward, one hundred and twenty feet to a certain ten-feet wide alley, running parallel with Second street, at the distance of one hundred and twenty feet eastward from said Mascher street, leaving a certain two-feet wide alley, for a common passage, between the premises hereby granted and those which John Wright, trustee to bequeath, and his wife, by indenture dated March, 1852, granted and conveyed to Jesse Lippincott.

ALSO, ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PIECE OF GROUND, situate on the west side of Fourth street, at the distance of eighty-seven feet six inches, more or less, southward from the southwest corner of Rapier and Fourth streets; containing in front on said Fourth street, twenty-eight eighteen feet, and extending westward, one hundred feet, more or less, to a certain ten-feet wide alley, bounded northward and southward by ground now, or late, of Jesse Lippincott, eastward by said Fourth street, and the alley Bullinger's, twenty-feet wide, westward by said ten-feet wide alley.

Being the same premises which Jesse Lippincott and wife, by indenture dated May 1, 1867, granted and conveyed to William Hoover and wife, by indenture dated November 1, 1867, and recorded in Deed Book J. D. C. No. 1, page 1, &c., subject to the payment of a yearly ground rent of $100 forever, and the other conditions and covenants in said indenture of conveyance mentioned.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Thomas Fitzgerald, William Fitzgerald, and Jesse Lippincott, Jesse Lippincott, Jesse Lippincott, Jesse Lippincott, and Jesse Lippincott.

ALL THAT CERTAIN BRICK FRAME MESSUAGE OR TENEMENT, with the appurtenances, situate on the easterly side of Mascher street, in the Eighteenth Ward of the city of Philadelphia, containing in front or breadth on said Second street, sixteen feet, and in length or depth of the same breadth, eastward, one hundred and twenty feet to a certain ten-feet wide alley, running parallel with said Second street, at the distance of one hundred and twenty feet eastward from said Mascher street, leaving a certain two-feet wide alley, for a common passage, between the premises hereby granted and those which John Wright, trustee to bequeath, and his wife, by indenture dated March, 1852, granted and conveyed to Jesse Lippincott.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Jesse Lippincott.

Terms of Sale—Cash.

WILLIAM MCMICHAEL, Jr., Marshal.
JAMES A. FREEMAN, Assistant.
Office, 422 Walnuttreet.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CAPITAL HOTEL COMPANY, held on January 17th, 1870, the following named gentlemen were unanimously elected Managers for the ensuing year:

JOHN C. FARR,
GEORGE H. BOKER,
DANIEL HADDOCK, Jr.,
JAMES M. SELLERS,
JOHN HUSTON.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers, on January 19th, 1870, the undersigned were elected officers of the Company, viz.:

JOHN C. FARR, President.
J. SERGEANT PRICE, Secretary and Treasurer.
GEORGE H. BOKER, Assistant Secretary. 1t

OFFICE OF THE LOCUST STREET PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 232 SOUTH FIFTH STREET.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27th, 1870.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Locust Street Passenger Railway Company, held this day, a dividend of Ten Per Cent., out of the earnings of the Company, clear of State taxes, was declared, payable to the Stockholders or their legal representatives, on and after February 5th, 1870.

The transfer books will be closed until the 5th proximo.

EDWARD STEVENS, Treasurer. jan27-6t

CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS.

At the meeting for the organization of the Board of Directors, held on Thursday, January 27, 1870, the following officers were elected:

JOHN C. FARR, President.
EDWARD SHIPPEN, Secretary pro tem.

Those desiring information in regard to the objects of the Association are invited to call at the office, No. 621 WALNUT STREET, where the Minutes of the Association are kept, and where Subscription Papers are furnished with authority signed by the officers to vary the amount to be given by any subscriber.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FIVE DOLLARS.

jan26,28,29,31 EDWARD SHIPPEN, Secretary.

THE FIDELITY INSURANCE, TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, January 27, 1870.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at their office, on TUESDAY, the 8th day of February, at 12 o'clock, M., when a board of Directors for the ensuing year will be elected.

E. PATTERSON, Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE NORRIS CANAL AND BANKING COMPANY, 1516 CHESTNUT STREET.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Five Per Cent. on the amount of the Preferred Stock, payable to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after the 1st day of February next. Transfer Books will be closed until the 1st of February next.

The Interest on Scrip of the Preferred Stock will be paid at the same time.

The Interest due on Bonds and Scrip held by the Company will be paid to the parties entitled thereto, on and after the 1st of February next, at the office of the Company, No. 1516 Chestnut street.

The Stock and Scrip Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 31st of January, inclusive.

JOHN RODGERS, Secretary.

OFFICE THE NORTH MICHIGAN IRON MINING COMPANY OF MICHIGAN, NO. 22 SOUTH THIRD STREET.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17, 1870.

Notice is hereby given that the Interest of twelve (12) per cent. on the Bonds of the Company, forming a capital stock of the Magnetic Iron Mining Company of Michigan, will be paid in gold, on and after February 1st, at the office of the Company, No. 22 South Third street, free of all taxes, upon the surrender of the coupon.

By order of the Board of Directors.

jan17-6t JOHN C. DRAVER, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY, OFFICE 227 SOUTH FOURTH STREET.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27, 1869.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held on FRIDAY, the 21st inst., and a Special Meeting on the following day, viz.:

A SUPPLEMENT FIFTEEN PER CENT. has been declared payable to the Stockholders of this Company, on and after the 1st day of January, 1870, in the following proportions, viz.: Five per cent. on the amount of Stock, in cash, on the surrender of the Scrip issued for the Sixth Dividend, and Ten per cent. in Scrip, to be issued in exchange for Scrip issued for the Seventh Dividend, and Ten per cent. in Scrip, to be issued in exchange for Scrip issued for the Eighth Dividend.

Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th to the 31st inst., inclusive.

The Scrip issued for the Ninth Dividend will be paid in cash on and after the 1st of February next.

The Stock and Scrip Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to January 31, inclusive.

JOHN ROGERS, Secretary.

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JOHN ROGERS, Secretary.

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PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17, 1870.

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