AMUSEMENTS.

—*Not Guilty* will be repeated at the Walnut to-night. On Monday evening next Mr. Joseph Jefferson will begin an engagement by the production of *Rip Van Winkle*.

—At the Arch Street Theatre, this evening, Robertson's comedy, entitled *Caste*, and the farce, *As Like as Two Peas*, will be presented. On Monday evening John Brougham will appear in his celebrated play, *The Red Light*; or, *the Signal of Danger*. To-morrow evening Miss Lizzie Price will have a benefit.

—At the Chestnut, to-night, an excellent variety performance will be given, in which the entire company will participate. The Morlachi Band, Tempo and company of first-class comedians will appear.

—At Fox's American Theatre, to-night, the Lawrence Ballet Troupe will appear in the ballet, *Les Beauties D'Arabin*. The skillful gymnast, Mr. Frank Gibbons, will also appear.

—Allen & Pettengill's troupe of minstrel performers will give exhibitions at Dupree & Benedict's, Seventh Street Opera House, every evening during the week.

—At Carncross & Dixey's Eleventh Street Opera House a minstrel entertainment this evening.

—A vocal and instrumental concert will be given at the Academy of Music, this evening, in aid of the Geological Section of the Academy of Natural Sciences. A good programme has been prepared, and a number of eminent artists will appear.

—A complimentary concert, tendered to Mr. Carl Sentz by the members of the Amphion Club, will be given on Saturday evening next.

—The pupils of the Lincoln Institution will give a very attractive and amusing entertainment at the Assembly Buildings, this evening, consisting of calisthenic exercises, burlesques, dramatic pieces, and other attractions. The Girard College band furnishes the music, and the whole affair will be a very pleasant one. Tickets may be obtained at the Lincoln Institution, No. 208 South Eleventh street.

—On account of the large number of strangers in the city who are attending the various religious conventions, the proprietor of the Pilgrim has concluded to give exhibitions every evening during the week and on Saturday afternoon.

—Miss Antoinette Sterling, pupil of Madame Anna Bishop, will give her benefit in Philadelphia at Concert Hall on Tuesday evening next in Handel's grand oratorio of "The Messiah." Tickets should be secured early.

—The Abt Male Singing Society will give a concert this evening at Musical Fund Hall. A very attractive programme has been prepared.

CITY BULLETIN.

—Eugene Savage, thirty-five years of age, residing at No. 813 Washington avenue, attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the Delaware from Market street wharf, yesterday afternoon. He was rescued from drowning by two citizens who observed his movements.

—Martha E. Hill, aged seventeen years, had one of her eyes burned from the socket and totally destroyed by the breaking of a shuttle in the Cameron Mills, Twenty-first and Washington avenue, where she was employed, on Tuesday. She was taken to her home, No. 2213 Ellsworth street.

—A meeting of the Philadelphia friends of Ireland was held last evening, at Logan Hall, No. 1520 Chestnut street. Dr. John Bonwill presided, and Mr. James Moon acted as treasurer. Stirring addresses were made and fifty men enrolled themselves as prepared to go to the front. Subscriptions to the amount of about five hundred dollars were raised for the benefit of the cause.

—James A. Freeman, Auctioneer, sold yesterday, at the Exchange, the following: Two three-story brick dwellings and lot, 15-by 100-feet, No. 1008 Christian street, $5,540; three adjoining dwellings, each three stories, Nos. 1006, 1008 and 1010 Christian street, $5,040; three-story brick dwelling and lot, 17 by 58½ feet, No. 718 South Broad street, $3,600; three-story brick residence, No. 1 Vine street, opposite Franklin Square, lot 17 by 58½ feet, subject to $1200 ground rent, yearly thirty-five acres, Hart's lane, Twenty-eighth Ward, the estate of Abraham Tilton, deceased, was postponed until fall; sold one three-story three-story brick residence, No. 1125 Mount Vernon street, lot 16 by 130 feet, $2,300.

—The Republican members of City Councils held a caucus yesterday afternoon, and made the following nominations: *Trustees of the N. L. Gas Works*—Jacob Naylor and Isaac A. Sheppard. *Port Warden*—Joseph V. Merrick; Geo. W. Hacker, S. J. Christian, Wm. M. Greiner, Charles C. Vanhorn, Thomas B. Peck, E. Harper Jeffries, Wm. Crump. *Sec. Board of Health*—Charles B. Barrett. *Sr. Guardian of the Poor*—George W. Simmons. *Trustee of the City Ice Boat*—William Cummings. *Police Magistrates*—First District, Thomas Mason; Second, Samuel Last; Third, Charles M. Carpenter; Fourth, Louis Godfroy; Fifth, Joel Mercur; Sixth, Samuel P. Jones; Seventh, Wm. S. Stokes; Eighth, Jacob R. Massey; Ninth, Charles J. Pancoast; Tenth, A. H. Shoemaker; Eleventh, Wm. Heins; Twelfth, James J. Allison; Thirteenth, J. B. Thompson; Fourteenth, Joseph Lamb; Fifteenth, Thadeus Stevens; Sixteenth, Thomas Randall; Seventeenth, Jesse Bonsall; Eighteenth, Jas. Neill.

A Word, in Olden Tone, to the Girls.—Do our young women (asks *Putnam's*) know what it is that strikes one who has been away from the country for a time the most palpably on his return? It is not their faces, assuredly, which for regularity of outline, and delicacy and freshness of tint, are unsurpassed, indeed are not equalled, by any thing that one sees abroad, save in the finest pictures. Nor is it their forms, which are lithe, supple, and graceful, with a spring in the step and a freedom of carriage that are always a delight to the eyes. Nor can it be said to be their dress; for though they dress too much, in colors too positive, and decided, and are in this respect far behind the French women, yet they are yet in advance of all others—English, German, or Italian. But—is the voice, and the management of it, which strikes one looking at our American girls is almost always a disappointment to hear them speak. What they say is perhaps well enough, but the tone and mode in which they say it is not well enough. Their voices are commonly too loud and shrill, and when they are not, are pitched in too high a key, sometimes they speak through the nose a good deal more than is desirable. They have a metallic ring, or at least a *non-vibrating*, like the *rear* tones of the organ, and not that soft, low and gentle quality which Shakspeare proclaimed so "excellent in woman." Climate has no doubt a good deal to do with this result, for the fault is most perceptible at the North and East, and least perceptible at the South; but carelessness has quite as much to do with it. Our mothers and teachers, we suspect, do not bestow much pains to train their children and pupils into good habits of enunciation. They are carefully taught to sing, but they are not carefully taught to read and to speak. Yet more than half the charm of all social intercourse depends upon the agreeable or disagreeable use of the voice. How repulsive, whatever has been lost in admiration of a beautiful face and a noble figure, to hear the mouth open like the grating of a hinge, or the "squeak" of a quinsy-fowl! How delicious when it opens with the sweet full of the flute, or the mellow tones of a horn, with that deep, rich, mellow, and sympathetic liquidity, which no other instrument but the human throat possesses!

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Presbyterian General Assembly.

At 3 P. M. yesterday the proceedings were opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. J. G. Watson, of Northumberland, Pa. The entire session was occupied with the discussion on the ratio of representation, many delegates insisting on the number of churches constituting the basis of representation, and not the number of ministers, which would reduce those without charges. The debate was participated in by the foreign delegates—Prof. Blaikie, of Scotland; Drs. McLeod and Edwards, of Ireland, and Dr. Arnot, of Edinburgh—but no action was reached at the time of adjournment.

The Committee of Conference with the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions report that in their judgment a fair proportion of the A. B. C. F. M. cause be referred to the Reunited Presbyterian Church, and proposed the necessary details. They state that the contributions of the one branch hitherto connected with the American Board have been $100,000 yearly, and the number of missionaries is about fifty, besides missionary assistants. The report of Dr. Nelson, on Foreign Missions, coincided in these views.

Evening Session.—The Assembly met last evening for the purpose of receiving the Foreign Delegates. The proceedings were opened with prayer by the Moderator, who introduced the Rev. William Arnot, D. D., of Edinburgh, and Prof. W. G. Blaikie, D. D., representing the Free Church of Scotland. Dr. Arnot was the first speaker. He enunciated as the two great ideas of the Apostle Paul—Faith in the head and union with one another. There is great delight in union after a breach. He typified the reunion of the Church by the connection of the Old and New World by the Atlantic Cable, and then proceeded to sketch the Constitution and History of the Free Church of Scotland, and compared its organization with that of the Church in the United States. The greater religious judicatories of the Old Country had been buildings especially erected wherein to meet, Americans had the superior advantage of short sessions. He then spoke of the question of the support of the Church, and explained the sustentation fends. He concluding these sums were moderate, and claiming great superiority for his church as compared to support of ministers. He presented the cordial salutations of his Church to the reunited Assembly, and expressed his appreciation of the generosity of the event of union which had brought his colleagues and himself to the New World.

He was followed by Prof. Wm. G. Blaikie, of the same Church, by Dr. Robert Watts, and Mr. Thomas Sinclair, of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, who spoke the lengthily and elaborately. Dr. Arnot, but all expressive of the same cordial feelings of Christian fraternity and beaty reigning over the reunion.

The Moderator (Dr. Backus) responded briefly, welcoming the strangers to our stores and reciprocating all the kindly feelings that had been expressed.

American Baptist Publication Society.—At the afternoon session yesterday the address was delivered on the subject of colportage by Rev. C. L. Thomson, of St. Louis, Missouri, which, on motion of Rev. J. Wheaton Smith, D. D., that portion of the report of the Board of Publications on the Jeopard issues of the American and Foreign Bible Societies was read, which, after some discussion, was adopted. Mr. Smith, of Newark; Rev. Dr. Armitage, of New York, and others, took part, Rev. J. Wheaton Smith offered a resolution to accept the offer of union with the brands of the Boston Committee.

Some discussion arose in reference to the propriety of adopting the resolution offered by Mr. Smith, when, the question being put to the house, the resolution was adopted by a large vote.

Rev. Dr. Armitage offered a resolution to the effect that in prosecuting the Bible work the Board be instructed to circulate the most faithful version that can be found.

Rev. J. Wheaton Smith, D. D., moved the appointment of a committee of three, to the chair, and report for the consideration of the body, the name of the new Society. The Chairman appointed the following committee: Rev. W. Smith, D. D., Rev. H. C. Fish, Rev. J. W. Dackell, A. D. Cheney, E. E. Cummings, C. Clark, S. L. Caldwell, J. H. Castle, F. Wilson, J. M. Hoyt, H. G. Western, Thomas Armitage, A. E. Dickinson, W. W. Norris, A. M. Wilson.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:

President—Wm. Phelps, Esq., N. Y.

Vice Presidents—Samuel A. Crozer, Esq., Pa.; E. D. Jones, Esq., Missouri; Hon. J. Alex. Stevens, Mass.; Franklin Wilson, D. D., Maryland.

Corresponding Secretary—Benjamin Griffith, D. D.

Recording Secretary—H. G. Jones, Esq., Pennsylvania.

Treasurer—Mr. Wm. V. Pettit.

Managers—Revs. J. Wheaton Smith, W. F. Hamell, W. Randolph, J. H. Castle, William Lathearl, G. W. Anderson, P. S. Henson, J. Pendleton, George A. Pelton, J. S. Stopford, Hon. Henry G. Weston, J. Spencer Kennard, Messrs. William W. Keen, Thomas Thomson, Henry Crosley, William Buckwell, Charles F. Abbott, George Nugent, George K. Cooper, Jacob H. Cassady, Horatio J. Mitchell, George Callaghan, Jacob W. Stout, W. Rufus Buckwell.

In the evening the house was crowded. After devotional exercises, Rev. Dr. Mandy, of N. C., made an address in relation to the Sunday-school work. He was followed by Rev. Dr. Wilson, of Baltimore, who addressed the audience in relation to the circulation of Denominational Literature.

Cameos and How They are Cut.—Rome is now the chief seat of the art of cameo-cutting, two kinds of which are produced—those cut in hard stone and those cut in shell. The stones most valuable for this purpose are the oriental onyx and the sard onyx, provided that they have at least two different colors in parallel layers. The value of the cameo is greatly increased for this purpose if the layers or five differently colored parallel layers, if the layers are so thin as to assist in working the device of the cameo. For example, a specimen of stone which has four parallel layers, it may be useful for cameos of four colors where the ground would be dark gray, the face light, the hair and helmet brown or gray.

All such cameos are wrought by Lapidary's lathe, with pointed instruments of steel, and by means of diamond dust. Most cameos are cut from large shells found on the African and Brazilian coasts, and generally two layers are white and the other a pale coffee-color or deep reddish orange. The subject is cut with small steel chisels out of the white upper layer of the shell. Stones adapted for cameo-cutting are dense, thick, and consist usually of three layers of different colored shell material. In one variety of these shells each layer is composed of very thin plates, that is, laminated, the lamination being perpendicular to the plane of the main layer, and each lamine consisting of a series of elongated prismatic cells, adherent to their long sides. The lamine of the outer and inner layers are parallel to the lines of growth, while those of the middle layer are at right angles to them. In another variety, known as the cowrie, there is an outlined layer, which is a duplicate of the lamination of the layer when the animal has attained its full growth.

CARDEN GOSSIP.

—The Paid Fire Department of Camden has given full and universal satisfaction.

—John Adams, brakeman of a coal-train on the Camden and Atlantic road, was crushed to death between two cars at Winslow station, a few days ago. He resided at Absecum.

—A few nights ago some burglar entered the Friends' Meeting House, at Haddonfield, and cut open the cushions on the seats, and stole all the hair stuffing from them.

—Some sacrilegious scoundrel entered the Harding Methodist Episcopal Church, near Mt. Ephraim, a night or two since, and stole all the books it contained.

—A cavalry regiment is about being organized in Camden. The military spirit is quite active. It is not known whether it is designed to be in the Fenian interest.

—This morning Edward Trovins, the man who was so terribly injured at Stare's foundry day before yesterday, was slightly better, but no hopes are entertained that he will recover.

—A painful report is current in Camden that Hon. Edward Bettle, State Senator from Camden county, is lying dangerously sick, with an attack of pneumonia, at his residence, on the White Horse turnpike.

—United Council I. O. U. M., of Philadelphia, paid a friendly visit to United Council No. 1, of Camden, last evening, and had a very pleasant time. They were accompanied by a band of music.

—Hon. G. W. N. Custis, the popular Superintendent of the Camden and Atlantic Railroad, will withdraw from that position on the first of June to take charge of a railroad in one of the Southern States. He will take with him the best wishes of hundreds of the citizens of Camden.

Conventional Types.—Some of the most interesting and amusing passages of Dr. Newman's volume, "Essay in Aid of a Grammar of Assent," illustrate very cleverly the absurdities which have flowed from the improper substitution of *notional* for real apprehension:

"I suppose (he says) most men will recollect, in their boyhood, the sort of notions they have made about persons, parties, local occurrences, nations, and the like, of which at the time they had no actual knowledge of the persons; how ashamed or how amused they have been on their own gratuitous idealism when they came into possession of the real facts concerning them. They were accustomed to speak of Tiberius or Tibbs as the *gloomy tyrant*, the *indifferent tyrant* or the *gallant tyrant*, as the case might be, according to his moods, or rather, according to the moods of his biographers. In the Spectator's Club, the Spectator is the *grave* Mr. Addison, Sir Roger is the *humorous* Mr. Steele, Will Honeycomb is the *gallant* Mr. Addison, Sir Andrew Freeport is the *solid* Mr. Addison, Captain Sentry is the *brave* Mr. Addison, Captain Sentry is the *brave* Mr. Addison, Captain Sentry is the *brave