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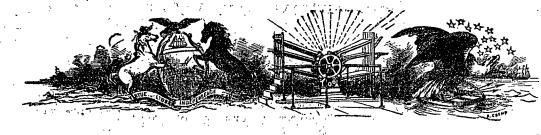
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dopted children, but she can no longer claim

him as exclusively her own. His varied and

commanding talents, and his political experi-

as one of the nation's statesmen, and here-

after his history will be part of the history o

the country whose legislative halls he helps

to adorn!" We do not wonder that the

Clearfielders are all in tears at their incalcule

ble loss. The sudden vanishing of such a

bosoms a particle to know that their "distin-

guished son" is "helping to adorn" the na

with such cold comfort as this. They want

fast as steam and his own condescension can

more, and clutch that extended hand. If

Clearfield is content to get him back, the

carry him. Then Clearfield may rejoice once nuary number commences a new volume. Be-

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Bigler and his Boswell. DETERSON'S COUNTERFEIT BANK-NOTE DETECTOR.
The Semi-Monthly number for DECEMBER 18th, is

by the tragic fate of a recent admirer of the Czaare never content till they figure before the rina, (Miss Davenport,) entertains hopes of a passion very hostile to the Czar's domestic happi-Admiral Villerbook, (Mr. Frank Drew,) the unand does not quite discountenance it. Just as in compliment, before the Court, and the insulted man has determined to pay him for it—therefore he helps the Czarina. That charming but indisreet lady raises Count Sapicha to the post of Chamberlain. A beautiful young lady named Olga, (Miss C. Richings,) the Czarina's maid of honor, gratefully falls in love with the pretence of the Count, and the Czarina has allowed her to lodge in a pavilion occupied by herself. Villerbeck, rather muddled, we admit, wanders into the palace gardens late at night, walks through an open door into a pavilion, and sees a lady, Pennsylvania has been spending five or six who suddenly puts out the light. Just then he is unceremoniously ousted by a strong hand, and gets home, somehow, next morning, more sober and rather cold. In the row, a chamberlain's key has been drepped, which the spy, Ivan, has picked up, and shown to the Czar. The key turns out to e the Count's. How came he there?---to meet Olga? Therefore, it is ordered that he shall marry her, at which resolve Olga is remarkably well But the Count-wicked wretch!-does not pass he wedding-night with his lovely bride. Then, to mend matters, poor Olga learns that the Czanoble and "distinguished" to thus find solace

rina was the Count's real passion, and that she, the bride, had merely been a cloak to concent her mistress's bad doings. Loving this naught w husband much, she endeavors to save him by pretending that the Count is greatly attached to from the cares of State in loving communion her. The Czar, however, has himself been in the oven, and feels that there is foul play. Olga for five calendar months with the "humble!" And, can it be credited, as the Boswellian biegrapher relates, that "during that time, no man of his acquaintance; [even the commonest farmer or most ordinary log-roller of the Clearfield region,] be his condition in life what it may, can say that the hand has been withheld from him by our distinguished citiven. Yet if the county in his can list to saving a respect to the county in his can list to saving a respect to the country in his can list to saving a respect to the country in his can list the hand has been withheld from him by our distinguished citiven majesty to notice "the lower classes," we should like to know what class is. If this be not unbending from "the frown which sits so well on kings." we should like to learn. To well on kings," we should like to learn. To have given that hand with such generous Count's execution, and, assuring the Usarina that he believes her innocent, gives her full evidence seness, however "weak in the knees dent it muscle, was, under the circumstances a degree of anability rarely seen unique fear could not eligit, jeniousy tices. The Crarina her perfidy, and re-orders the Count's execution: But Menzikoff, to save Olga (his daughter), has the court of his Imperial Majesty FAUSTIN the First. Neither CRICHTON nor CHESTER poisoned the Czar. This changes affairs very

There was a luxuriant rivalry, in dress, between Miss Davenport and Miss Richings, and we know of the Czar-almost painfully powerful at times, and Mr. Richings, as Menzikoff, played with even more than his usual ability. Mr. Perry, except that he marred the expression of his mouth by putting a black patch under his lower lip, did justice to himself and the character of the Count. He will play the part even better still, when he is familiar with it, and ceases to wear a pleasant smile in serious passages.
On the whole, "The Czarina" is a decided success, and when it is closely cut down, with the performers a little more easy in it, we are ersuaded it will strike the public as worthy of ming a stock play. Catherine will be one of the best characters in Miss Davonport's repertoire. know all about it) "has ample means at his

Local Periodicals. GODRY'S LADY'S BOOK -The January number of this popular periodical opens with a beautiful engraved illustration of "The Seven Ages of Woman." There is another fine engraving, also on steel, called "Neglected Flowers." As usual, the names of the painters and engravers are not given, which is unfair to them and unsatisfactory to the reader. The "Lady's Book" is crowded with a variety of wood engravings, chiefly of fashions. There is a pretty fashion-plate (steel) salled "What a Likeness," which tells a story to be best appreciated by mothers. Among the literary contents we were amused with a story called "The Unexpected Visitor," and "Miss Sabrina's Dream," both well told. We beg to doubt the propriety of Mr. Godey's describing his periodical, popular though it be, as "the true and leaving only one missed.

ARIM. KING, Of Fort Wayne, Indiana, the crack shot and probably the bestmarksman on the wing in this country, shot a match of \$5,000 a.side on Thursday. The bet was that he could not shoot forty out of the fitty double birds. He shot forty out of the fitty double birds are fitty out of the fitty double birds. He shot forty out of the fitty double birds are fitty out of the fitty double birds. He shot forty out of the fitty double birds simple justice is mainly due, as we are glad to learn from the Clearfield chronicler, to the fact that Senator Bigler, like Shakspeare, is "not a man for a day," or even "fly periodical, popular though it be, ss " the true and only Lady's Book ever published in the world," nonths," "but for all time." His greatness is too great for a single county-Clearfield which is not exactly the fact, and Mrs. S. J. Hale likening herself to Mrs. Hemans, in a notice of county cannot contain it, and if it could, and if it were kind enough to do it, has no right her own "Dictionary and Distingushed Women," to such "distinguished" monopoly! "The which we have ceased to refer to, from repeated people of Clearfield are justly proud of being failures to our kope of obtaining accurate informaable to claim Senator BIGLER as one of her tion therefrom.

SCHOOL JOURNAL .- A fortnight after it was due, the December number of the School Journal has reached us. It has become the sole property of Mr. G. N. Townsend, who promises to devote ence and sagacity, have already marked him his whole time to its editorship, and hopes soon to issue it weekly. This periodical has greatly improved since it first came under our notice. It has got a manlier tone, and contains many aricles which would be creditable to publication with far higher pretensions. Its poetical department has been good from the first. There is a brilliant light from their horizon must plungo Prize story in this number, written by George A. Townsend, and called "The Preacher's Son." so the "American citizens" of Clearfield saddening gloom. It must be a vulgarly familiar in style, that we must ask, if poor consolation to them even to feel that their loss is the country's eternal gain. It stories have been? An article by "Quill." on cannot relieve their agitated and bereaved Declamation, is truthful as well as forcible. We on say little for the literary criticism in the School Journal. Lately, it strongly praised Mr. Charles D. Cleveland's unfortunate Anti-Slavery tional Capitol, on whose adornment so much 'Compendium of American Literature," and expenditure has already been lavished that the now, in a notice of Smucker's "Public and addition of BIGLER seems a piece of pure Private History of Napoleon the Third," it says wasteful superfluity. They cannot be quieted that "Mr. Smucker is a leading American writer of popular historical works, of the kind best adapted to the demands of those desirous of acthe "distinguished son" at home, or Clearfield must go into sackcloth and ashes. Hinc ille uiring useful information without the trouble of severe study or painful reading." lachrymæ. But they need not pine as those who are utterly without hope. Three more historian! Moreover, we learn that "though he revolving moons, and the "commanding ta- is far too reckless as to authorities and authonlents and political sagacity" of Clearfield's treity," his book "contains a vast amount of reliable information." This is blowing hot and "distinguished son" need not answer at the cold with a vengeance. How an inaccurate book, Senate's roll-call. The short agony of the far too reckless as to authorities and authenticity, thirty-fifth Congress will soon be over, and the immortal Senatory whose history is to be cover. Such criticism as this is sufficient to create cover. the history of the country," may pocket his distrust and doubt as to the reviewer's capacity perquisites and mileage, and travel home as and justice.

ARTHUR'S LADIES' HOME MAGAZINE.-The Ja-

and crochet plates, it has a fine steel engraving (artist's name not mentioned) entitled "These

St. Joseph's Hospital.

TWO CENTS.

The following critique, written and put into type on Monday evening, was "crowded out" of our paper [For The Press.] The Constitution of the United States guaran ties to every man the right to worship God ac cording to the dictates of his own conscience, no "The Czarina," which Mr. Oliver S. Leland particular creed being by law established as the has adapted from one of Scribe's plays, was pro-Church. It was the wish of the framers of the Constitution that all should live in harmony and inged at Walnut-street Theatre last night Rachel played the leading character, in January, Christian charity, and the evils and the heart-1855, and failed: Miss Davenport has succeeded urnings resulting from a Church by law estab-How is this? Was Rachel not so good an actress as Miss Davenport? The fact is, Mr. Leland's ished, to whom all should pay tribute, would thus be avoided; and to a great extent it is so translation, with the alterations he has made, is But, unfortunately, in our midst we have some igby far a better acting drama than the French norant and bigoted persons who believe, or affect original. It must be cut, however, for it took to believe, that unless you belong to their particular Church you will be damned. In cheerful four hours' acting last night, and this with only four hours soting last night, and this wall only four hours so we extract the five minutes between the acts. The ourtain fell contrast to those narrow views, we extract the at five minutes past eleven. The play should end following truly liberal and Christian passages with the climax of Peter dead, and Catharine, from the report of the beginning of March, 1856, and March 1959 of the St. Insentity Combon Acres regnant Czarina, sending the Count away in the briefest manner. to March, 1858, of the St. Joseph's Orphan Asy-

"It is proper to observe that, while the hospital is under Catholic control, and is ranked among the Catholic charities of the city, it is, in the service of its charity, uncontrolled by denominational distinctions in the admission of The plot is of sufficient interest to be briefly given ere. Peter the Great (Mr. F. B. Conway) has done a great deal to convert the barbaric Russia of his time into a civilized nation. He has much laxity of morals, but is remarkably jealous of his wife. Fresh from the Court of France there comes Count Sapicha, (Mr. H. A. Perry.) who, unawed ness, and is so foolish as to make a confident of conscious mar-plot of the play, always absurd, who institution's dollies the only less its bas only just to the sufferers to allow them the select the clergyman of their own denomination, (if they desire him.) and to give that clergyman the right of entrance to the hospital, and access to the patient, whenever his services should be often tipsy, and sometimes over communicative, when under the influence of what Mr. Richard Swiveller would call "too much of the rosy." Oatharine, the Czarina, is aware of Sepicha's love, required ''
The officers of the hospital are as follows:
President, (ex-officio), Rt. Rev. John N. Neuudicious as himself, she also finds a confident in he person of Prince Menzikoff, (Mr P. Richings,) ann, D. D. Vice Presidents, Rt. Rev. James F. Wood, D. ., James M. Smith. she had once been a flame of hers, and has been placed by the Ozar to watch her. All the time ha s watched by Ivan, (Mr. B. Young,) a spy, who loss more than he says. The Czar had publicly nsulted Menzikoff, by caning him, or some such

D., James M. Smith.
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Repplier.

We are proud to see by the acts of these gentlemen the best refutation of the slanders that are daily heaped upon Roman Catholics, who are as good citizens, and, as shown in the above extracts, ore liberal Christians than their defamers. We do not mean to say that there are not some ignorant and bigoted Roman Catholics, and, unfortunately, some of them occupying places where they do much harm; but we do mean to say that against such ignorant bigots must be placed in contrast the conduct of those who, better instructed in their religion, know that the CHARITY of the Roman Catholic Church includes all sincere Christians and we are, therefore, much pleased to see the Reman Catholic Bishops and the other managers giving free ingress to clergymen of all religious creeds, to the sick and dying beds of the inmates of the hospital. One of the rules of the institu tion is to admit patients without "distinction o

GENERAL NEWS.

creed, color, or country;" all are cared for and

enderly nursed by the good Sisters in charge of

Townsend Harris, the Consul-General to Japan

hundred to four hundred of the Princes and high officers of State were present. The 'Camissimo,' or dress of ceremony, is different from other 'coasions, but, except the breeches, there is nothing worthy of particular note. They breeches are quite a yard longer than the leg, and when the warer walks they trail out behind, which gives the they trail out behind, which gives the they are alter my audience I had a business interview with the Minister for Foreign Affairs. This was very long and highly interesting. From this time I was constantly engaged in giving instruction to the Japanese—on the laws of nations—on political economic—on the operators of compoisoned the Uzar. This changes shalfs very, this time I was constantly engaged in giving inmuch. The Czarina sends away the Count and struction to the Japanese—on the laws of nations his bride, and declares in good set terms, which has reather too tedious, that henceforth she will live only to reign.

The seenery was very good, also the furniture. There was a luxuriant rivary, in dress, between Europe and America came in for its share of attention:

There was a luxuriant rivalry, in dress, between Miss Davenport and Miss Richings, and we know not which was best and most appropriately attired. Mr. Conway and Mr. Richings were also well costumed, and Mr. Perry was almost se—his vest was too dark for the rest of his handsome dress. Mr. Drew, who played very well, ought to have been supplied with a better dress. Mr. B. Young, as Ivan, was admirably made up, and played a quaint part amusingly. Miss Davenport was effective all through, but we preferred her more subdued scenes. In the last act, indeed, she displayed great power—concentrated, expressive, and

played great power—concentrated, expressive, and not noisy. Miss Richings, who acted surprisingly well, fairly divided the applause with her in several states. Mr. Convey gave a fine embodiment MARIE TAGLIONI, the most graceful of dan-cers, has gone to Paris from her villa on the Lake of Como. She has been induced to revisit the for her first appearance, and was asserted by those veracious prints to equal the great ballerina. So she went to Paris to judge for herself The ladies of the corrs du ballet invited her to a grand banquet, which took place on the 20th Only a few privileged members of the storner sex were present

Sore Throat Epidemic down the Hud-SORE THROAT LEPIDEMIO DOWN THE HUDson—During the last two weeks the sore throat
disease has raged in Kingston, New York, and in
that short time many children have been carried
to their graves after a short illness. It is called
there the "sore throat disease," from the fact
that it operates much like croup. A very high fever is one of the symptoms. The throat does not
feel sore until usually the second day after the
disease is upon the person. The first symptoms
are pain in the head and limbs and a slight fever.

Payments and Sourpease. Mr. Pelmer is PALMER, THE SOULPTOR.—Mr. Palmer is soon to produce a bust of the late Governor Marcy, for the family of that distinguished statesman, and also a bust of Alexander Hamilton, for the library of ex-Governor Fish. During Mr. Palmer's summer residence at Auror a he lost an interesting child, who bore the name of the soulptor's intimate friend, the painter Church. This artist has drawn, Mr. M. King, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, the leaving only one missed.

FLIGHT OF JAIL BIRDS.—A general jail delivery (occurred at Rochester (New York) prison on last Sunday aight. Fifteen prisoners, among whom was Manley Locke, recently convicted at Rochester for the murder of Benjamin Starr, made their escape by outting off five iron bars with a saw made of a watch-spring, and letting themselves down into the river. None of them have been recaptured.

An extraordinary trial has opened in the An extraordinary trial has opened in the first civil chamber in Paris. Twelve homeopathic dectors have commenced an action for fifty thousand feanes damages from an allopathic medical journal, for an attack upon their system of medicine. It is the virtues of that system which they desire to establish, and not a pecuniary claim, for they promise to give the money to the poor.

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A Petrified Russet Apple is a curiosity which, the editor of the River Falls (Wisconsin) Journal says, has been exhibited to him. It is one of several which underwent that singular change in a cellar in the State of Maryland, where they were covered up in sand, and found petrified when exhumed. Strange, if true.

A Perwan Coursen. A REWARD OFFERED .- The superintender A REWARD OFFERED.—The superintendent of the Pennsylvania Railroad has offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction of the miscreants who placed obstructions on the track of the Branch Railroad, near Marietta, in Laucaster county, on the 7th instant, for the purpose of throwing off or injuring the trains on the road. HIDDEN MONEY .- On searching the house of an old gontleman who died in a town near New Bedford, Mass., a short time since, a bag was found containing about \$1.000 in Mexican dollars and half dollars, and \$1,200 in bills of one of the New Bedford banks, being among its earliest issues, and dating back nearly thirty years. MR. EZEKIEL MILLER, an ex-minister MR. EZEKIEL MILLER, an A-minister and ex-inwyer, but more recently a farmer of South Hadley Palls, Massachusetts, eloped a few days ago with his Irish servant girl, taking with him also two of his children. An estrangement had existed between Mr. Miller and his wife for a year

oast. Gold's new steam carriage, which is con-GOLD'S NEW SECULI CERTIAGO, WHICH IS COn-structed for use on common ronds, was exhibited in the streets of New Haven, Connecticut, on Sat-urday last. It is six by sixteen feet, and its weight is two and a half tons. Its performance was satisfactory. THE MONUMENT which the State of Louisians

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THE CITY.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.
WHEATLEY & OLLER'S ANCH-STREET THEATER.
OUT American Cougin?"..."Still Waters Run Deep?" NATIONAL CIRCUS.—"Lent's Circus Company."—
(Equestrian, Gymnastie, and Acrobatic feats)"—"The

Coopers.

NASS. D. P. Bowers, walked for Theatre.

"(The Czarins"—"Popping the Question."

ASSEMBLY BUILDINGS.—Signor Bitts.

EARPORD'S OPERA HOUSE.—Ethiopian Entertain. BOARD OF CONTROLLERS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BOARD OF CONTROLLERS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

—This board held their regular stated meeting yester-day afternoon; at their chamber, in Fifth street, below Walnut.

The following communications were received and referred to the appropriate committées: From the Third section, a request that a partition might be putup in the female grammar school at the Mount Verson school house. One from the Sixth section, asking for the establishment of a secondary school in that district, the present building in Lagrange place not being suitable. One from the Twelfth section, relative to the expenditure of appropriation. One from the Twelfth section, relative to the expenditure of appropriation. One from the Fiftenuth and Mineteenth sections, an nouncing the election of sundry teachers. One from the Twenty-fourth section, announcing the appointment of a sommittee to confer with a similar committee of the applied to the leasing of a suitable building for a public school. A communication was received announcing that Washington-street school was opened on Wednesday, December Ist. One from the Twenty-librad school, in The Singley also, one protesting against the school at Bridasburg laiso, one protesting against the action of the controllers relative to the Wheathheat school, in which two teachers were employed, at \$500 and \$200 salaries, to teach a comparatively small, number of scholars. The Committee on Accounts reported thills to the amount of \$4104,442.30.

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Mr. Duffield, as obsimman of the Committee on Normal School, made a statement relative to the insecure condition of the building in which the Normal School was held. He was featful that a fatal casualty might coccur there. He hoped, however, that the temporary repairs, which have recently been made, will be the means of averting so decading a calamity.

Mr. Jackson, from the Cemmittee on High School, offered a resolution for Cemmittee on Frofessorahip of "Morea, Kental, and Political Science," Several communications copressed to the position of professorahip of "Morea, Kental, and Political Science, Several communications copressed to the position of professor here. communications were presented relative to the subject detailing the facts and circumstances, and saking an increase of salary, &c.

Air. Booth thought it would be advisable to postpore any action on the subject at the present time. He

of the persons recommending them. There were a number of applicants. Among the applicants were several teachers of the gramma schools, miorisers, doctors, and teachers all over the country. They were all highly recommended. One sanguine applicant offered a letter from Hon. Thomas R. Florence, which, upon being read, oracted a great deal of merriment.

The balloting then commenced, and resulted as follows: ows:

Yor Professor N. H. Magnire—Messrs Barton, Booth,
lonry, Duffield, Fry, Houston, Hunsworth, Jackson,
esch, Marchment; Robbins, Trinick, Watson, Reed
Prantlenth_14 President) -- 14
For Professor James McClure -- Messrs Allison, Angey, Buum, Dusenbery, Farrand.
For Professor James Rhoads -- Messrs. Davis, Himmel-

, Ivius. Professor Thompson—Mr. Hollingsworth. essor Maquire was declared elected. motion of Mr. Jones, the election was made unanimous. The resignation of F. N. Bregy, professor of French and Spanish, was received and accepted. He has been spaged there for the last fourtern years. The board then adjourned until Monday next, when they will meet to revise the list of books used in the ushouls. schools.

MAYOR HERRY AND THE GAMBLERS.—We stated yesterday that Mayor Henry had received an order from Judge Allison, directing him to restore the articles used for gambling to the parties from whom they had been taken. Yesterday morning Hayor Henry sent the following letter to Judge Allison, on the subject, which will doubtless be perused with a great deal of interest:

Hon. Jos. Alligon,

Jeen made of no avail. (also maps uses the character of the articles seized, and refers to the fact that, in the face of the most positive evidence, the Grand Jury ignored the bill.) He then states:

Complaints are continually received at this office the property of the continual of the continu Sury ignorest the Dill. J. He then states:

Compliants are continually received at this office
from wives parents, and others, of the misery brought
upon them by the gambling-houses in this city. However discoursging may be the result of an evil deemed
by the Legislature of such enormity as to require their
enactments against it to be specially given in charge to
grand juries, whenever such complaints shall be legally
austained the police department will be prompt to exert
its power.

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The hope may be reasonably indu'ged that the grand interester after to be selected under the provisions of the recent law will not leave any one unpresented for fear, favor, or affection, for fucre or gain, or any hope thereof.

Very respectfully, dec.

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LARCENIES.—Alderman Shoemaker, yesterday morning, held a man named William Bleakley to answer the charge of the larceny of some railroad iron from an establishment at Manayunk.

Alderman Williams held a young girl to answer at court the charge of the larceny of a number of valuable books, the property of Dr. Macherbacker, of the Seventeenth ward. A colored thief, named Alsen Purnsley, was arrested about five o'clock yesterday morning by Officer Phy. o' the Twenty-fourth ward, at Hestonville, having in his possession eight pair of stelen chickens. In default o' vive hundred dollars ball, the fowl dealer was sent to doyamensing by Alderman Warren, before whom the

ifoyamensing by Alderman Warren, perore whom the lase was heard.

Ocnellus Smith was sent below, by Alderman Johnow, on the charge of stealing a quantity of rope. ABREST OF A ROBBER.—Early yesterday morning Officer Lewis, of the North ward, discovered a very suspicious-looking oustomer in the neighborhood of Mr. John Lane's coach factory, in Market street, west of Ninsteenth. He watched him cheely for some times and saw him set over the fence of the coach yard. RESIGNATION AND ELECTION OF TEACHERS OF

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FIRE.—A slight fire was discovered about
six o'clock yesterday morning by Officer Cooper, at the
rear end of the stair-rod manufactory of Messrs. Witer
& Moss, in Fifth street, below Walnut. The Good
Intent Hose company were soon on the ground and
extinguished the flaves before they had gained much
headway. The damage, which was slight, is fully
covered by insurance in the Royal Company. It was
assertained by Fire Detective Blackburn that the fire
originated in a box of sawdust, which was lying near a
forge. It is presumed that a spark from the forge
smouldered in the saw dust during the night. More Counterfeits .- Yesterday morning MORE COUNTERFEITS.—Yesterday morning two young men, named Joshua Higgins and John Quinn, were arrangued before Alderman Fatchel, of the Seventh ward, on the charge of passing counterfeit notes. The prisoners were arrested on Monday night, at the corner of Beech and South streets while in the act of passing several counterfeit ten dollar notes on the Wilmington and Brandywine Back. A large quantity of the spurious article was found in their possession. In default of the requisite bail they were sent below.

MONUMENT TO RUFUS WELOH.—The great benefit for the purpose of raising funds to aid in the erection of a monument to the late General Rufus Welch, will come off to-morrow evening, when a splendid entertainment will be given. Manager Lent has generously placed the National theatre, with its unequalled company, at the disposal of the committee. A great treat may be expected, and we hope there will be a fine turn out. FRIGHTENED OFF BY A RATTLE .- The family

of Mr. Samuel Bick, who lives in Arch street. above Nineteenth, were awakened early yeaterday morning, by an attempt to enter the dwelling, by forcing a shut-ter. A rattle was pyrung from the windows, whereupon the racale left so hastily, that they left their imple-SHARP PRACTIOE.—A young man named James Lamey had a hearing before Record Eneu, yesterday afternoon, on a charge of obtaining good under false pretences. According to the testimony, he went to Jeremiah Cadmue' shoe store, at 450 billaying most to Jeremiah Cadmue' shoe store, at 450 billaying the store of the store o

CORRECTION -- We learn that we were in CORRECTION.—WE lEAFT LIME WE WERE IN error in stating, yesterday, in an account of the late attest of the robber of Dr. Wetherill's house, that Officer Lonsdale, of Norristown, had arrested him. We have since been informed that his arrest was mainly owing to the exertions of Detective Officer Joshua Tag-A PETTY THIEF .- An unknown man went

To FIREMEN.-A portion of a committee

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