THE CITY.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

GRAND MAMMOTH MUSICAL FESTIVAL AT SCHUYLKILL HEIGHTS, Monday and Tuesday, 12th and 13th inst.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MUSIC, Broad and Locust.—"The Black Agnes."

WALNUT-STREET THEATRE, corner Walnut and Ninth streets.—"Faust and Marguerite."

WHEATLEY & CLARKE'S ARCH-STREET THEATRE, Arch street, above Sixth.—"The Robber." "Laughing Hyena."

CONCERT HALL, Chestnut Street, above Twelfth.—Campbell Minstrels.

MR. DOCKSTADER'S ELDRIDGE, Eade Street, below Third.—Concert nightly.

SANFORD'S OPERA HOUSE, Eleventh street, above Chestnut.—Opera's delight.

FAIRMOUNT PARK.—Free Concert every afternoon and evening.

CORRESPONDENCE ON THE SUNDAY TRAVEL QUESTION.—We print the following correspondence on the Sunday Travel question as a matter of interest to our readers. Now that the singular agitation is exciting so much interest in all circles of this community, religious and political, the opinions of the distinguished gentlemen below quoted will be read with much interest. The views of the writers are frankly and fully spoken:

PHILADELPHIA, August 2, 1859.

DEAR SIR: As you have doubtless observed, by our public journals, the propriety of Sunday travel on city railroads has become a subject of grave consideration with many of our citizens—intelligent religious, and benevolent men entertaining diverse views on the subject.

Many of our best citizens believe the practice of running railroad cars on Sundays would ultimately supersede the abandonment of that day as one of rest. And that, by collecting large numbers of persons at the terminus of the road, would be promotive of disorder and breaches of the peace.

It is also contended that the churches situated on the line of the roads would be disturbed in their devotional exercises by the noise occasioned by the running of the cars.

At your city has not (I believe) some practical experience as to the effects of Sunday travel, you will greatly oblige the undersigned, as well as many other citizens of Philadelphia, who desire to promote the best interests of the people, by stating whether the running of the cars on Sunday in your city has been productive of the consequences alluded to; and also, whether religious worship has suffered by the practice of local travel in city railroadcars on Sunday.

Any facts within your knowledge as to the advantages or disadvantages, the good or evil effects of this kind of travel, will be most thankfully received.

A sincere desire to arrive at such conclusions as will best promote the physical, moral, social and religious condition of our people, is the only apology I can offer for thus obtruding myself upon your attention.

Very respectfully yours, &c. WM. B. THOMAS.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, 29th August, 1859.

To WILLIAM B. THOMAS, Esq.—Dear Sir: Yours of the 24 instant came duly to hand. I truly hope, however, you will pardon my neglect in not answering the same before this. The pressure of official business bears my excuse for so long delay in stating you my opinion in relation to the question submitted to me by you.

You state that the proprietors of Sunday travel by city passenger railroad cars in your city has become a subject of serious consideration—many of your intelligent, religious and benevolent men entertaining different views of the subject; and that many believe the practice of running such cars on Sundays would ultimately supersede a total abandonment of that day as one of rest. And that, by collecting large numbers of persons at the terminus of the road, would be promotive of disorder and breaches of the peace.

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