HOW TO BEGIN AND END.—It is said that the two parts of a story which are most difficult to manage, are the beginning and the end. If the personages of a tale are not well introduced, no interest is taken in their subsequent adventures; and even if the author succeeds in this, and falls off very much at the conclusion, the book is shut in grievous disappointment.

A correspondent who seems to take an interest in the consideration of this subject, and has favored us with a communication in relation thereto, says that some authors—indeed most of the novel writers of the present day—dash at once into the middle of a conversation. But it strikes me, says he, that "No, said Anno Temple, stirring her tea" is a very odd beginning of a story, and it is not till after some thirty pages of this unknown tongue, that we arrive at the interpretation in the second chapter, which opens by informing us that "The foregoing dialogue was carried on by the beautiful Anno Temple, youngest daughter, &c., &c."

Many authors commence their stories with the accuracy of a commercial letter: "It was about a quarter past six in the evening of Tuesday, the twenty-first of May, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-two, that a young man about three and twenty years of age, wearing a blue coat with brass buttons, black cassimere pantaloons, and patent leather shoes, &c., &c." This is a very good sort of introduction, for if, at any time, the hero is missing, you have the consolation to reflect that an advertisement will be sure to find him.

Others, in their introductions, are exceedingly genealogical: "My family came originally to England in the train of William the Conqueror. Otho de Fiddleburg, who fought a single combat with a lion at the court of Charlemagne, was one of the caccts of our family. For upwards of five centuries the title and estates descended in uninterrupted succession from father to son. Of my more immediate ancestors, my great grandfather's great great grandfather was an illustrious worthy in the councils of Henry the Seventh, &c." This impresses the reader at once with a conviction of the hero's distinguished birth; his beauty and other accomplishments he must be contented to take on credit.

I have known very good novels to begin with a soliloquy: "What a wretch am I! said Charles Fitz Altamont, resting his forehead on his hand, and sitting dejectedly on his sofa, &c."

But of all the commencements I have yet mentioned, I am inclined to prefer the descriptive. There are two kinds—the painter's and the upholsterer's:

"In one of those delicious valleys which give such a sweet variety to the county of ——, there is one particular point from which the finest view in the world presents itself to the eye of the delighted spectator. On the extreme ridge of the acclivity there is a large blue stone, by mounting which you are elevated considerably above the hollow from which you have ascended, and take in at one glance an extensive prospect consisting of hill and dale, trees, rivers, heights, hollows, hillocks, brambles, oziers, and romantic cottages in the very heart of an umbrageous wood. In one of those cottages, &c."

The upholsterer's however, is still more minute, and comes closer home to our "business and bosoms:"

"The argand lamp cast forth a flame of surpassing brightness, which was beautifully reflected from the polished sides of a pair of buhl cabinets, tastefully fitted up with fantastic figures on the lids, on each side of the door. Large mahogany chairs, with hair bottoms and brass nails, stood around the room, with their straight uncarved backs corresponding with their strong, unadorned legs. The fender, of the brightest steel, contained poker, tongs and shovel, of the same material, and of the common knob pattern. A round table of mahogany stood in the centre of the room, and on it were placed two doylies with four wine glasses, and two richly-cut decanters. Seated at this table, in familiar conclave, an old gentleman applied himself assiduously to the beverage before him, pushing the bottle occasionally to his young companion, who seemed deeply immersed in thought. The younger of the two, &c."

In fact, it is extremely difficult to hit upon a beginning which has not been hit upon before. Perhaps it would be the most original place to go back at once to the style of our nursery stories—"There was once a man." But it is be difficult to find a commencement unlike any body else, how is it possible to infuse any variety into a conclusion? I never met with a novel that did not disappoint me in the end. After having my curiosity excited for a length of time, and expecting at every page, something wonderful to take place, it is rather hard to have the hero and heroine sink down into ordinary people, and go to church and be married like an honest shopkeeper and his bride. There is generally, also, in every novel, some character who is sure to disappoint you. He is introduced under very mysterious circumstances—he finds his way, nobody knows how, into the most secret places, and exercises such fearful influence over the personages of the story, that, as yod approach the catastrcsmeent your hair begins to stand on end in dread of his mysterious power—when lo! you discover that he is a retired tobacconist, much given to eavesdropping and pumping for secrets, who finds his way into the private bowers, where the lovers have fled for solitude, by the ingenious plan of having a false key to the garden door.

I was making profound remarks of this nature to my cousins the other night. The girls all agreed in what I had been saying, but their brother Joseph kept a very serious countenance. At last he said; "Well, a more extraordinary thing happened to me lately, than any adventure I have ever seen in a novel. It haunted me for a long time; day and night it was never absent from my thoughts." "What was it?" we all asked in a breath.

"You shall year. You know my belief in preternatural appearances. You have often laughed at me for it, but I find it impossible to divest myself of the conviction that such things are occasionally permitted, perhaps for wise purposes, though beyond our comprehension. When Tom Mullins was confined to bed with his broken leg, I went and sat with him every night. Our conversation was, of course, not so lively as if he had been in perfect health; and it is possible, I admit, that my depression of spirits might have something to do with what I am about to tell you. One night, returning from ——street, just at the darkest part of my way, I saw a strange, shadowy, indistinct figure loaning against a high wall. It struck me as strange, but I passed on, and forgot it before the following day. Next night, however, in the very identical spot, and in the same listless attitude, was the figure again. Tall, thin, dimly visible, with no rational object that I could divine, it struck me as unaccountable. I gazed on it for some time. It never moved. The distant lamp served only to give me an indistinct view of the object, but was sufficient to show that the countenance was deadly pale, and the eyes fixed upon me with the glare of a demon. I walked on, and marvelled exceedingly what could be the cause of the apparition. Was it sent to me for some especial purpose—to warn me of some fearful approaching calamity—and did it wait to declare its mission only till I had broken the spell by addressing it first? All these thoughts perplexed me to such a degree, that I was at last almost afraid to pass the spot.. But poor Tom could not be comfortable without me, and I went as before. There, however, in the exact position as at first, the same gaunt figure confronted me. Its eyes followed me with the same demoniacal expression; and, at last, when I found my nightly rest destroyed, my appetite going, and my spirits entirely subdued by my apprehensions, I resolved, come what might, to speak to it. I went as usual to ——street, conversed with my invalid friend till twelve or one, and betook myself to my homeward way, resolved to put an end to the mystery at once. And there the figure was in the same dim, appalling, fearful indistinctness! My heart throbbed, my breathing grew difficult, as I approached it; but I had summoned all my courage to the occasion, and said—"I adjure you, whatever you are, to tell me what is the object of presenting yourself to me? If there is upon your conscience the weight of unrepented sin, and you have burst the cerements of the grave, tell me what may be done to give you satisfaction; and if my services can be of use, command them." The figure changed not a single muscle as I spoke, but when I had finished, he said—"!"

"What did he say?" cried all my cousins, quite breathless with anticipation.

"He told me to move out and be ——, and not pester there, or he would take me to the police office."

"It was a WATCHMAN!"

## Annie Trevor's Thoughts—No. 5.

### A LEAF FOR "MASCULINES."

[For The Press.]

Men are continually talking about women's dress, ridiculing women's fashions, and having a good time of it to themselves. You don't hear women making such a noise about men's styles; they manage to mind their own business generally, on such matters as those anyhow. I break through the forest, and give you an idea or two that are in my head just now.

Men talked about hoops, unblushingly and ridiculously, when they first became "the rage." Ministers in the pulpit, orators on the rostrum, editors through the papers, fops in the parlor, and boys in the street, seemed to think it a necessary duty to cry down hoops; they do it yet, and I'll wager, if crinoline were entirely discarded, not a man lives who wouldn't laugh at the long shrouded figures women would appear in the streets. To be sure, I have met some few sensible men who are willing to acknowledge that hoops are a wonderful improvement, that they wouldn't like to see ladies without them, but the number is very small compared with the other side. Even while the men do make such a fuss, I want to know if any one of the sex wears a pair of pantaloons without some kind of stiffening around the hem of said articles. At any rate, I see some men who would look a deal better if they wore hoops in their pantaloons.

When ladies wore coats, tight to the form, and buttoned to the throat *a la militaire*, men indignantly declared that their styles were being appropriated by the other sex, and, at that very same time, every second man you met was wrapped in a monstrous shawl. I wonder if that wasn't appropriating with a vengeance.

Then they talk about padding, and there isn't a vest worn that the bosom isn't stuffed with cotton until it weighs more than any dress-body that was ever made. Padding, indeed! I wonder if you think we women are ignorantuses, because we have the good sense to say nothing. I wonder if you think we keep our eyes shut as well as our mouths Not a bit of it. Don't I know that if the old style of knee-breches and silk stockings should be revived, the demand for "false calves" would be alarming? To be sure I do.

And don't I know that there are plenty of men who lace themselves in stays just as tight as any woman ever did, and for the very same reason that women do that thing I don't know anything about it, do I? Oh, no, of course, I don't.

I don't know that men dye their hair and whiskers when the natural color doesn't exactly suit them, do I?

I never see men with tow-heads and jetty moustaches, do I?

I don't know that old, grey-haired men are daily making efforts to rejuvenate themselves in appearance by turning their gray hairs into "glossy black," wearing false teeth, &c., do I?

Maybe I don't.

Ladies wear tight shoes to make their feet look small, do they? Gentlemen never do such things, I suppose. They are never seen limping along the street in bran new patent-leathers. Of course not. They never resort to artificial means to improve their beauty. They never wear woollen mittens all night to make their hands white. Of course not. I don't know anything about it, do I?

"What a quantity of stuff it takes to cut ladies' sleeves now-a-days!" said a masculine in my hearing. Ten minutes afterwards I saw him with a coat on, the sleeves of which looked like enormous balloons, legs of mutton, or some other monstrosity. There is consistency for you.

Now, I advise you, men, to keep silence on matters you know nothing about. We will have our own way; we mean to wear hoops until we choose to take them off; we mean to wear coats *a la militaire* just when we please—aye, and pantaloons too, if it suits us. (They are worn by some unrefined women now, are they not?) And you, men, had as well hold your tongues, and not be wasting your time and talents, talking about what you can't prevent.

Hurrah for our side!

ANNIE TREVOR.

MELANCHOLY SUICIDE.—A young lad named Wm. B. Carter, aged between 15 and 16 years, in the employ of Benedict, Hall, & Co., shoe merchants, 21 Park Row, committed suicide by hanging himself on Wednesday evening. It appears that young Carter's duties were to run of errands, string shoes, and close the shutters of the store at eight nights; but on Wednesday evening he *neglected* the last-named portion of his duty, a circumstance so unusual as to call forth some remark. He went home to the residence of his parents, 100 Duane street, to dinner as usual, and his mother directed him to get back as early as he could in order to go to the M. E. Church. He replied that he did not wish to go to church on that evening, but would go on Friday. The last seen of him in life was by a young girl—also employed in the shoe-stringing department—who saw him before the hour of closing go back to where he was found hanging, on the fifth story, with a roller-towel in his hand

This (Thursday) morning, when the hands came to work it was observed that no fire was made up. (this being also a part of his duties.) and it was supposed that he had not yet arrived. On looking around, however, his clothes were seen in the usual place, and one of the men going into the L found the body quite stiff, where it had hung all night, with the feet within an inch or two of the floor.

The manner in which the deed was done shows determination on the part of deceased. A number of boxes were piled up on each side—a stick was put across—the roller towel hung to it, and made fast to his neck; he then kicked away a box on which he stood, and hung until he was found this morning. Mr. Hall, one of the firm, represents him as a boy who had gained the affection of all in the store. He never had to be reproved, and was uniformly cheerful; and the foreman had just recommended that his wages be raised. He was usually pale, and—as Mr. Hall says—looked so much like a piece of wax-work that he often asked if he was sick. He was a constant attendant at the Duane-street M. E Sunday School. There was no hereditary insanity in the family, and no cause whatever is assigned for the act.—*New York Express, last night.*

# CITY ITEMS.

[From the Christian Intelligencer, New York, July 14, 1859.]

SPALDING'S PREPARED GLUE.—Housekeepers will be glad to learn that no mishaps to furniture, articles of crockery, etc., so prevalent about May-day, can hereafter be remedied, at a trifling expense, by using Spalding's Prepared Glue. This glue is put up in convenient bottle, and is chemically held in solution, retains all the desirable qualities of the old prepared cabinet maker's glue, and is used cold. A small brush accompanies each bottle, the whole costing but twenty-fifty cents, and furnishing an ever-ready and efficient means for repairing all kinds of broken household wares. It will be found exceedingly convenient for cone and shell work, piano turners, and for all purposes requiring a strong mucilage. No housekeeper can afford to be without it. jan30-3t&W

THE WASHINGTON STATUE.—The inauguration of the bronze equestrian statue of Washington, which was some years ago ordered by Congress, is to take place on the 22d February. The statue is a splendid work of art. It represents the Father of his Country in Continental uniform, and not in a full suit of clothes of modern garments, such as are made at the Brown Stone Clothing Hall of Rockhill & Wilson, Nos. 603 and 605 Chestnut street, above Sixth. Good taste might have justified such an innovation, but it would have been an unpardonable anachronism.

NO SPEAKER.—The announcement of the election of Mr. Smith, as Speaker of the House, was somewhat premature. He lacked three votes, and was, per consequence, set aside. On Saturday and yesterday the Republicans, &c., met in caucus to no result, however as was obtained. It is now understood that there will be another trial to-day, and the question will mainly be on the important fact, whether or no the nominee is in favor of protection to home industry, and buys his clothing at the palatial store of Granville Stokes, No. 607 Chestnut street.

## Philadelphia Markets.

JANUARY 30th—Evening.

There is no quotable change in Flour, and the market is quiet to day. The only sale we heard of is 1,100 bbls W. B. Thomas' superfine at a price kept private, and common priced brands are selling to the trade at $5 50, good superfine at $5 62½, extra $5 75@6, fancy $6 25@6 50, and fancy lots at $6 75@7 per bbl as in quality. Rye Flour and Corn Meal are dull, quiet, and prices nearly nominal, at $5 25 for the former and $3 for the latter. Wheat—There is very little coming. A few small lots of fair to prime Southern red, and Pennsylvania red, the latter for choice, sold at 140@145c for fair and good white. Rye is more abundant and Pennsylvania is selling at 82c. Corn is in good request for and about 2,000 bus Pennsylvania and Jersey yellow sold at 72c in store and afloat. 1,500 bus Jersey also sold 71c. Oats are quite dull at 41@42c for Pennsylvania and 42c for Delaware. Rye is nominally unchanged. Barley—There is no Quercitron offering, and we quote No 1 at 82c per bus. Provisions—The market is quite inactive, but holders are firm in their views, and about 100 bbls have been taken at full prices. Groceries are firm, and the movements small, and prices about the same. Seeds—There is a fair demand for prime Cloverseed, but other kinds are neglected, and about 600 bus have been taken at $4 62½ for prime, and go 12½c per bus for good lots, including 100 bus choice, for export. Whiskey is steady, and in unchanged condition. Sales in small lots at 23½c. Western 23@24½c, drudge 22½c, and hhds at 23c per gallon.

### NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE—JAN. 28.

| SECOND BOARD | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1000 Tenn 6s '90 | 87 | 10 N Y Central R | 73¾ |
| 2000 Missouri 6s | 72¾ | 50 do | 73⅞ |
| 1000 Brooklyn cw | 99½ | 100 Erie R | 24 |
| 200 City 6s '70 | 98 | 70 Chic & Rock I R | 65¾ |
| 100 Ill Cen R bds | 87½ | 200 Hudson Riv R | 21¾ |
| 200 Ocean Bank | 94 | 100 do | 21¾ |
| 200 Gal & Chic R cpn | 86¾ | 100 Mich Cen R | 53¾ |
| 100 do | 86¾ | 100 do | 53¾ |
| 17 Bank of Com | 93½ | 10 M S & N I R | 8 |
| 55 Chatham Bank | 99 | 100 do | 8 |
| 200 Phenix Bank | 100¾ | 100 Pacific R | 93¾ |
| 100 N Y Central R | 73½ | 100 do | 93¾ |
| 200 do | 73½ | 50 Ill Cen R | 67¾ |

THE MARKETS.

FLOUR has been in slack demand, at a shade easier prices. Sales 1,000 bbls State and Western, 1,000 do Southern, and 500 on Canals

WHEAT has been very quiet, and prices for large lots are altogether in abeyance.

CORN—Sales have been reported of 12,000 bushels Jersey and Southern white and yellow, at 80@82½c.

RYE is saleable at 90c@92c.

BARLEY is in request, at unchanged figures.

OATS dull and drooping.

COTTON.—Sales 3,000 bales, 2,500 *in transitu*. Prices the same.

ASHES are quiet at old quotations. *Stock*, 1,587 bbls.

PROVISIONS.—Pork was firmer and more active.

WHISKEY is selling, in lots at 23½c. 42 gallon.

REV. OWEN.—John McNaulty, son of a policeman in the Fifteenth ward, was run over by a cart at Fourteenth and Wood streets, and badly hurt. He was taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital.

## IMPORTATIONS.

[Reported for the Press.]

BOSTON—Steamship Palmyra, Sprague, Matthews—313 cases boots and shoes Hadnock, Read & Co; 125 do Levick, Raisin & Co; 118 do Monroe, Stifel & Smith; 189 do J H Thompson & Co; 128 do Whelan & Co; 63 do B F Williams & Co; 80 do S & W Saunders; 83 do Myers, Hagborg & Co; 100 do various consignees; 137 bales wool B Bullock & Son; 79 do R Cooper; 63 pkgs rubber H W Gesse & Son; 78 do Farnham, Herbison & Co; 158 do Prentiss Ham & Wells; 231 do Smith, Williams & Co; 67 do A Slade & Co; 109 boxes *oranges* to B Chambers; 150 bags furniture Continental Hotel; 10 bales sent skins H Decker; 11 cases hats Hooper & Davis; 75 bbls oil Z Cooke & Co; 10 do J W Patton & Son; 12 *cases mules* J B Spencer; 116 do Wale, Lawrence & Co; 15 do Tom & Tilton; 200 do Leach & Co; 300 do; 15 bbls *sonp* so do fish order.

PASSENGERS SAILED.

In steamship State of Georgia, for Savannah—Mr and Miss J Donoher, Mrs L P Gleason, Jas Rutherford, Dr H B Nuttz, W A Barrett, Mrs L S Aylesford, John Gardner, J K McCalmont, G B Corrance, G Berkley, Wm Dunlap, E Bartha, Jos Neher, John Weptbough, Jas Silver, Mrs S Salesbury, F S Thomas, Thos R Gulliver, R M and Miss M Charlton, Mrs A Isaworth, B F Graves, R Allen, Mrs Lambeth, E Burns, B Berry, White, Shipley, and twenty-five in the steerage.

## MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

SEE FOURTH PAGE.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Kennebec, Hand, 24 hours from N York, with mules and passengers to Jas Alldredge.

Steamship Boston, Sellers, 19 hours from New York, with mules and passengers to J Alldredge. Passed ship Grey Eagle and bark Martin, both for Rio, off Bombay Hook.

Schr Geo W Kreig, Emerson, 5 days from Baltimore, with mdse to Tees Wetherill.

Schr Pandora, Kennedy, 5 days from Vienna, Md, with ship timber to J W Bacon.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Correspondence of the Philadelphia Exchange.)

CAPE ISLAND, NJ, Jan 29—2 P M.

A full-rigged brig went out to-day. Nothing going in. Wind S by W.

Yours, &c. THOS B. HUGHES.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Correspondence of The Press.)

NEW YORK, Jan 29.

Arrived, ship Pampero, from Shanghae.

ALEXANDRIA, Va, Jan 29.

Arrived, brig Crawford, from Gonaives.

WILMINGTON, NC, Jan 29.

Arrived, brig John Hathaway, from Havana, with a cargo of new molasses.

MEMORANDA.

Steamship Kensington, Baker, hence, arrived at Boston 27th inst.

Steamship Fulton, Wotton, from Havre, arrived at N York 28th inst. 3d inst. lat 45 03, long 46 47, passed a bark mixed propeller bo ind S.

Ship Susan G Owen, Norton, for Charleston, sailed from Liverpool 24th inst.

Bark Dawn, Chase, from Buenos Ayres, via Montevideo 20th ult, arrived at New York 28th inst

Bark Selah, Clifford, for Philadelphia, sailed from Boston 28th inst.

Bark Robert Pennoll, Huxford, hence, arrived at N Bedford 26th inst.

Brig Resolute, Hill, from Saco for Philadelphia, sailed from Hole as Hole 25th inst.

Brig Oliver Stevens, hence for Portsmouth, was at Holes s Hole 27th inst.

Schr Carthagena, Crapo, hence, arrived at New Bedford 25th inst.

Schr S A Hammond, Paine, cleared at Boston 28th inst, for Philadelphia.

Schr Alert, Champion, hence, arrived at Charleston 27th inst.

Schr Mary E Smith, Smith, for Providence, cleared at Charleston 26th inst

Schr W A Hammond, Powell, cleared at Boston 27th inst, for Philadelphia.

Schrs Mary Ann Mason, Mason, and Frank Herbert, Parker, for New York, cleared at Boston 27th inst.

Schrs J Goodspeed Merriam from Wareham and Marshall Perrin, Gibbs, from Cohasset, Narrows for Philadelphia, arrived at New Bedford 27th inst.

Schr Amelia, Marble, for Philadelphia, sailed from N Bedford 27th inst.

## ARRIVALS AT THE PRINCIPAL HOTELS,

UP TO TWELVE O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.

GIRARD HOUSE—Chestnut st., below Ninth.

D A Finney, Pa — Alex Barton, NY
J Coffin, Harrisburg — G W Alexander, Memphis
W Newbold, Pa — H Hunter, Cincinnati
J Dutton, NY — H Lindsay, Conway
T Tittell, Lancaster, Pa — J M Cooper, NY
Geo Dashill, Memphis — Thos D Robbins, Memphis
L Crane, Charleston, SC — Mr Hasson, NY
Mr Butterfield, NY — Mr Simmons, NY
Mr Adams, NY — Mr Simmons & la, Mass
J De Narigi, Balt — Gen Worth, NY
Rev A Scott, Pa — Col Webb, Wash, DC
A Bergmann, NY — R Stevens, Lancaster
J Gardner, Charleston, SC — H Hunter, Cincinnati
Gardner F Colby & la, N Y — Gen H Wilbridge, NY
J T Hatfield & la, N Y — J W Stevens, NY
W Hawkins, Wis — G D Robinson, Pa
W L Jocelin, Va — A Kerr, St Louis
E A Lawrence, Lancaster, Pa — Mr Wm Stewart's, Pa
H Robbins, Wis — W Talbot, Ky
J Dunham, Pa — A Gumper, Pa
W P Woodward, SC — Leopold Eudlets, NY
H Leland, NY — J Watson, NY
W F Harwood & la, Va — John Gates, Cin, O
H A Muller, St Louis — R Hammond, Albany
W Ward, Chicago — Jas Newcomb, Pa
Geo H Merritt, NY — Mr Mills, Nebraska
Rent Stewart, N Y — Chas Neely, Wayne co, Pa
R M Pace, N Y — Jas Sergeant, Pa
John Dixon, NY — W R Stewart, New York
R A Don Jas, N Y — J H Florence, Cleveland
H C Lanchlin, Phila — J B Finnegan, Phila
J Herschhorn, N Y — R Rockport, Md
Mrs Lumberington, NY — Gen Worth, NY
John Graves, NY — W J Wood, Phila
Lyr Schroeder, NY — Mr Rockport, Md
Lt Smoot, Kansas — Col H S Mott, Pa
D A Peterson, NY — R Smith, Mass
D H Brown, NY — S Gross, NY
A J Dent, Balt — S T Shearer, Washington
E Cook & wf, NY — T Lentin, Phila
Rev R K Austin & la, Pa

MERCHANTS' HOTEL—Fourth street, below Arch.

S W Morris & la, Pa — Jas Hutchinson, Pa
Col P Johnson, Easton, Pa — W J Wood, Phila
C W Wood, Penn — S Gross, Rockport, Md
F Green, Del — Col H S Mott, Pa
R R Roberts, Cincinnati — G R Smith, Mass
S B Barford, NY — S Gross, NY
S H Handy, Mass — S T Shearer, Washington
Silas Hodson, San Francisco — T Lentin, Phila
D W Moore, Pa — Rev R K Austin & la, Pa
P R Story, Indiana

AMERICAN HOTEL—Chestnut st., above Fifth.

H Archer, NY — M Rice, Washington
G T Boyce, Washington — J Wyman, Boston
D J Justice, St Paul — Jas M Hoime, Mo Holly
Dr Powell, NC — Dr Powell, NC
G A Powell & la, NC — J A Cuthbert, Balt
W H Brown, NC — P S Bernie, Boston
Mr Carrollton, Miss — J K Bishop, NY
Lt W Wenge, Ier City — J Bradley, Allentown
H K V Jas, Milton, Pa — Jas Jones, NY
H P Bryce, Boston — J O Wallin, Cincinnati
E Bradley, Columbus, O — Gen Worth, NY
Aug W Sumner — Mr Simmons, Washington
W A Bates & lady, NY — Gen Kennedy, Pittsburg
Thos G Hanson, Balt — E T Thompson, NY
J O Wales, Pa — M H Bacon, Conn
Rev Jas Wilson, Mass — Jas Jones, NY
Warren Goshen, Conn — Mr Simmons, NY
John Verdick, NJ — C M Stokes, Pa
Thos Latham, Ark — W Wright & la, NY
Chas Wise, Balt — Jas Gross, NY
J P Hill, NY — D Robinson, NY
H Jones, NY — Mr Cummins, Washington
H Somers, NY — Gen Kennedy, Pittsburg
Robt Reinhard, Pittsburg — E T Thompson, NY
H Weaver, Pa — M H Bacon, Conn
A R Williar, Balt — J M Mott et al, Richm'd, Va

ST. LOUIS HOTEL—Chestnut st., 4th Third.

T W Conley, NJ — C D Mount, Phila
I Speier, Rochester, NY — J W Murphy, Phila
Jas R McSamant, Pottsville — H Pine, Lancaster, Pa
Chas Pierce, Paris — Wm Wright, NY
Hildenbrandt, St Louis — W Cadon, Charleston, SC
H M McKenzie, SC

FOUNTAIN HOTEL—Second street, above Market.

J O Gunning, Revere, NJ — Robt Hamer, Emerat, Del
A H Crocker, Smyrna, Del — Jas Kimmey, Phila, Pa
W B Stubbs, Phila — Wm Lauden, Richm'd, Va
H P Smith, Lehmont, Va — Jas Johnson, Richm'd, Va
A A Parvis & la, NY — F R Haynes & la, Del
R R Cumings, Smyrna, Del

STATES UNION HOTEL—Market st., above Sixth.

Thos G Fox, NY — Albert Boone, Allentown
P A Hutton, Pa — Barry J Wyman, Va
M Crossland, Pottsville — H Thompson, Philadelphia
I H Burnside, Chicago — Albert Mason, Mass
Silas White, Mass — Philip Morris, Pa
Jas Hawkins, Va — William Carr, Pa
Jas Hawkins, Pa — A Taylor, Easton
Geo L Pike, NY — Geo L Pike, NY
Jas Jones, Pittsburg — Solomon Hankinson, Pa
Thos Conner, Pa — Jas Jones, NY
Thos Jones, Pa — John Thompson, Mercer

MOUNT VERNON HOTEL—Second street, above Arch.

H Sayers, Boston — W T Conchack, NO
R B Smith, NO — Jas Strong, Md
Reel Clark, NY — H Dunlap, Harrisburg
W P Ayers, Boston — Jas Clark, NY
Jas Kline, Reb — SS Corbin, Phila
Mr Wm Cornell & wf, Wash

NATIONAL HOTEL—Race street, above Third.

H Hull, Lancaster — R C Johnson, Allentown
Miss M Child, Catasauqua — P L Hirsing, Reading
Jas McMullen — Col C Dittman, Pa
J P Ayers, Pottsville — W Sickle, Pottsville
M Work, Pottsville — W S Fisher, Reading

BARLEY SHEAF HOTEL—Second st. below Vine.

J S Paul, Bucks co — M Paul, Phila
J Kiser, NJ — J A Kiser, NJ
I Farrell, Bucks co — J Taylor, Bucks co
J H Fair Harmanyan — Jas Jones, Chelten ham
P W Stevens, Scranton — Dr W Livingston, Phila
E Fritz, Bucks co

EAGLE HOTEL—Third street, above Race.

S P Lewis, Del co, Pa — Joel Posey, Md
J Hoffman, Phila — W McCauley, Md
M Jarrish, Newport, Pa — Jas Jacoby, Pa
Miss C McWhin, Nebraska — Jas McMinn, Nebraska
Jos Reeves, Phila — Chas Neely, Wayne co, Pa
John Chase, Pa — Jas Sergeant, Pa
O Smith, Schuylkill Haven — W R Stewart, New York
E Wood, Hentown — J H Florence, Cleveland
Geo D Ivey, Bethlehem — D Jones, Bethlehem
Geo Montgomery, Cal

THE UNION HOTEL—Arch street, above Third.

L H Baker, Cin O — John Gates, Cin, O
Wm P Thomas, Cin, O — G M Hammond, Albany
Miss Hammond, Albany — C B Marsh, Newark, NJ
Thos H Jewell, Newark, NJ

COMMERCIAL HOTEL—Sixth st., above Chestnut.

M Brown, Newark, Del — James Blundin, Pa
W S Marshall & la, Pa — M A Barrickt, Reading
J Smit, Alabama — I J Pearce, Antrim, N H
J Trainer Chester co, Pa — Truman Coates, Lane co, P
James Scott, Chester co, Pa

BLACK BEAR HOTEL—Third st., above Callowhill.

Frank Tomlinson, Byberry — S Morris, Phila
D W Davis, Phila — Frank Hodgson, Germantown
John S Vanderslout, Phila — E B Bossler, York, Pa

MERCHANTS' HOUSE—Third st., above Callowhill.

O P Dunlap, Minersville — Gen W Wolf, Mt Airy
H J H Raynor, Cincinnati — Jas Gwynne, Pa
John Martin, NY — S W Wood, Louisville, Ky
John S McCalley, NY

BALD EAGLE HOTEL—Third st., above Callowhill.

John Klemm, Richmond, Va — Henry S Pistor, Pittsburg
Josiah Riegel, Ill — Jas P Freeze, Bloomsburg

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

THE FIRE IN CHESTNUT STREET.

LETTER FROM THEO. H. PETERS & CO.

PHILADELPHIA, January 19, 1860.

MESSRS. FARREL, HERRING & CO.,
629 CHESTNUT STREET.

GENTLEMEN: We have received the Herring's Patent Champion Safe, of your make, which we bought from you nearly five years ago from the ruins of our building, No. 715 Chestnut street, which was entirely destroyed by fire on the morning of the 17th inst.

We cannot speak too highly of the safe, for before we could reach the store the whole interior was one mass of fire. The safe being in the back part of the store, and surrounded by the most combustible materials, was exposed to great heat. It fell with the wall of that part of the building into the cellar, and remained imbedded in the ruins for more than thirty hours.

The Safe was opened this morning in the presence of a number of gentlemen, and the contents, comprising our books, bills receivable, money, and a large amount of valuable papers, are all safe; not a thing was touched by fire. Respectfully yours,

THEO. H. PETERS & CO.

The above Safe can be seen at our store, where the public are invited to call and examine it.

FARREL, HERRING, & CO.,
629 Chestnut street, (Jayne's Hall.)

THE HUMAN HAIR.—How many persons abuse this delicate and beautiful ornament, by burning it with *alcoholic washes*, and plastering it with grease, which has no affinity for the skin, and is not absorbed! *Burnett's Cocoaine*, a compound of Cocoa-nut Oil, &c., is unrivalled as a dressing for the hair, is readily absorbed, and is peculiarly adapted to its various conditions, preventing its falling off, and promoting its healthy growth. See advertisement. c24-s3m

SHAMEN'S SAVING FUND—NORTHWEST CORNER SECOND AND WALNUT Streets.—Deposits received in small and large amounts, from all classes of the community, and allows interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum.

Money may be drawn by checks without loss of interest.

Office open daily, from 8 until 6 o'clock, and on Monday and Saturday until 9 in the evening. President FRANKLIN PELL; Treasurer and Secretary, CHAS M. MORRIS.

SAVING FUND—NATIONAL SAFETY TRUST COMPANY—Chartered by the State of Pennsylvania.

RULES.

1. Money is received every day, and in any amount, state or small.

2. FIVE PER CENT. interest is paid for money from the day it is put in.

3. The money is always paid back in GOLD whenever it is called for, and without notice.

4. Money is received from *Executors, Administrators, Guardians*, and other Trustees, in large or small sums, to remain a long or short period.

5. The money received from Depositors is invested in *Real Estate, Mortgages, Ground Rents*, and other first-class securities.

6. Office open every day—WALNUT Street, southwest corner Third street, Philadelphia. ap18

SALAMANDER FIRE-PROOF SAFES.—A very large assortment of SALAMANDERS for sale at reasonable prices, No. 801 CHESTNUT Street, Philadelphia. ap18 tf

EVANS & WATSON

## INSURANCE COMPANIES.

OFFICE OF THE RELIANCE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, JANUARY 17th, 1860.

The following statement of the affairs of this Company, on the 31st of December, 1859, is published in pursuance of the charter, viz:

| | | |
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| To Capital Stock, paid in | $150,100 00 | |
| Certificates of Profits, convertible into Stock | 2,621 00 | $127,722 00 |
| Continent account for premiums on Fire Risks, outstanding Dec. 31, 1859 | $42,720 59 | |
| Do. do received in 1860 | 41,719 14 | |
| Interest account, net, received in 1860 | $10,569 26 | 81,439 73 |
| Policies, transfers, and other profits | 849 31 | |
| Profits and Loss, December 31st, 1859 | 48,826 84 | 58,745 41 |
| | | $344,906 14 |
| By Dividend Account, paid for the year 1858 | $18,637 00 | |
| Profit and Loss for amount charged | 3,707 13 | |
| Return Premiums, Commissions, &c | 1,067 83 | |
| Losses by Fire in 1859 | 4 901 35 | |
| Expenses, including agencies and Taxes | 2,701 51 | 44,134 82 |
| Remaining with the Company. | | $300 771 32 |

Which is invested as follows, viz.:

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| In First Mortgages on City Property, worth double the amount | $155,600 00 | |
| Ground rent, first class | 2,472 00 | |
| City of Philadelphia 6 per cent. Loan ($30 000) | 29 973 75 | |
| Pennsylvania Railroad Company's 6 per cent. 2d Mortgage Loan ($20 000) | 21,900 00 | |
| Allegheny County 6 per cent. Loan | 10 000 00 | |
| Collateral Loans, well secured | 2,000 00 | |
| Huntingdon and Broad Top Mountain Railroad Company 6 per cent. Loan | 4,000 00 | |
| The Wellsville M. Ins. Company Stock | 21,150 00 | |
| The Conti Fire do do | 1,000 00 | |
| The Delaware M. S. do do | 100 00 | |
| Pennsylvania Railroad do do | 4,000 00 | |
| Commercial Bank Stock | 8 50 01 | |
| Mechanics' Bank Stock | 2 812 50 | |
| *Union M. Ins Company Scrip* | 360 00 | |
| Bills Receivable | 16,825 64 | |
| Book Accounts, Accrued Interest, &c | 6 218 12 | |
| Cash on hand | 10,9 2 30 | |
| | | $300 771 32 |

The Directors have this day declared a Dividend of SIX PER CENT. on the Capital Stock of the Company, and on the Certificates of Profits outstanding, for the year ending December 31, 1859, without deduction for State tax, payable in cash, on and after the 10 h inst.

Also, a Dividend of FIFTEEN PER CENT., payable *in scrip* on the Capital Stock and Premiums earned, out of the profits of the Company, for the year ending December 31st, 1859, for which Certificates of Profits, bearing interest, will be delivered to the Stockholders and to the insured entitled to receive the same, under the provisions of the Charter, on and after the 10 h inst.

No certificate will be issued for any less sum than ten dollars, nor for any fractional part of one dollar. Sums less than ten dollars, and not less than one dollar, are credited to the insured on the books of the Company, and if within any period of five years they shall amount to ten dollars, certificates therefor will be issued.

Certificates of Profit are liable, *equally* with the Capital Stock, for the losses and liabilities of the Company, and may be converted into Capital Stock at any time, at the option of the holder.

DIRECTORS.

Clem Tingley, Samuel Bispham,
William R. Thompson, Robert Steen,
Frederick Brown, William Musser,
Corne ius Stevenson, Benj. W. Tingley,
John F Worrell, Nicholas Hill,
H. L. Carson, J. Lothrop,
Robert Toland, Charles Leland,
Frederick Lennig, Jacob T. Bunting,
Charles S. Wood, Smith Rowan,
James S. Woodward, Jacob Schandelmeier, Pittsburg

CLEM TINGLEY, President.
B. M. HINCHMAN, Secretary. ja13-fm&w 12t

## COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

THE SUBSCRIBER HAVING relinquished his Retail business to MR. JAS. BURK, SR., Has this day formed a COPARTNERSHIP with JOHN MARSTON, Jr., under the firm of

BELROSE & MARSTON,

For the Manufacture, exclusively to the Trade, of the finer sorts of

PAPER HANGINGS, DECORATIONS, &c.

Office, with salesroom, No. 807 CHESTNUT ST., SECOND STORY, FRONT.

Jan. 28, 1860-ja30-6t*

NOTICE.—The special partnership existing between Joshua T. Hunt, general partner, deceased, and William Richardson, special partner, expired by limitation, on the 23d inst. All persons who have claims against the estate and those indebted to it are asked to call on the undersigned.

O. THOMPSON, Secretary.

## LITTLE & STOKES.

Have this day associated with them

JOHN F. BODINE,

AND

THEODORE A. MEHL,

And will continue the

IMPORTING AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

As heretofore, at No. 277 CHESTNUT street, under the style and title of

LITTLE, STOKES, & CO.

Referring to the above, we respectf