If the Major General deems it necessary to remind the officers and men of his division that their duty to themselves, to their State, and their country, in the present emergency, requires the adoption of a rigid system of military instruction, and he relies on their loyal fidelity for its enforcement.

III. The brigadier generals will give orders for special attention to the instruction of members of companies in the school of the soldier, and adopt the most efficient means for putting their brigades in condition for immediate service.

By command of Major General Patterson.

R. Butler Price, Assistant Adjutant General.

On Monday night a large number of young men met at the Kensington Water Works, at the foot of Wood street, when preliminary arrangements for the perfecting of an effective military organization were made, and the meeting then adjourned, to meet this evening at the Northern Military Hall, when the officers of the corps will probably be elected, and the muster roll receive a large addition of names. The company will embrace young men whose ages will vary from eighteen to twenty-one years, and will probably be called the "Union Cadets."

The headquarters of the Washington Brigade, at Third and Green streets, was crowded yesterday morning with men who desire to enroll themselves, and with squads who were drilling. General William F. Small, who commands the brigade, was an active and efficient officer in the Mexican campaign. The officers of company A of the brigade have been chosen. They are as follows: Captain Henry A. Young, First Lieutenant A. H. Tippen, Second Lieutenant F. W. Thomas, 2d Second Lieutenant Wm C. Haines. Captain Young is a son of Lieutenant Montgomery P. Young, who died in Mexico, and Lieutenants Tippen and Haines were with the Eleventh Regiment in Mexico.

The brigade is ready to march on short notice.

Col. D. B. Birney, of the First Regiment of Artillery, has received the following telegraphic despatch from Harrisburg:

Your tender of the services of your command is accepted, to march on short notice. Answer, stating number of men. Eli Slifer,

Secretary of State.

The regiment will be uniformed in blue blouses.

Captain Max Einstein has offered his services to raise a Light Artillery regiment for the war. His offer was accepted yesterday morning, by telegraph, from Harrisburg. He has a battalion of one hundred equipped men to start with, and he feels confident of filling his ranks in a very short time.

The first and second companies of Washington Blues, under the command of Lieut. Battis and Captain John M. Gosline, received a despatch from Harrisburg, yesterday morning, stating that their services are accepted. They number two hundred gallant fellows, and they are ready to march at short notice.

SUBURBAN TROOPS.

The Roxborough Troop, Capt. Chas. Thomson Jones commanding, have offered their services to Gen. Cameron, the Secretary of War. The tender was at once accepted, and we learn that they are to report to the Commander-in-Chief, at Washington, on Friday next.

At a large meeting of the Washington Grays, of Camden, N. J., held on Monday evening, Capt. E. Price Hunt proposed opening a roll immediately, for the purpose of enlisting a volunteer in said company, until its complement of men was full, and to hold themselves in readiness at the first call. The resolution was unanimously adopted. The armory, Bridge avenue, below Second street, will be open day and evening, to receive recruits. R. H. Lee was unanimously elected first lieutenant.

The Stockton Cadets, of Camden, are also ready to march.

Col. Henry Mather, of the old Richmond district, is engaged in raising a new troop of dragoons, the services of which are immediately to be offered to the Government. The design of Col. Mather is to connect his troops with the command of Major Charles Thomson Jones. Persons who desire to join the service can do so on application to Col. Mather.

The navy station is also besieged by scores of men. John C. Righter is the shipping master.

OTHER OCCURRENCES.

Yesterday morning, upon the opening of the Quarter Sessions Court-room, it was discovered that some patriotic officer of the court had liberally bedecked it with flags, and small-sized specimens of the stars and stripes were stuck in all available places about the apartment. There was a peculiar fitness in this display, for it was in that very room that the American Congress held its sessions after the adoption of the Federal Constitution and before the removal of the seat of Government to the city of Washington.

Yesterday morning Mr. Henry Budd and a committee of merchants had a conference with Mayor Henry in regard to the navy yard, the arsenals, and Fort Delaware, and the inadequacy of the force now in possession of these places for their protection, should any formidable effort be made to seize them. The Mayor said he had no fears of any such effort, and if there was, his entire force of policemen would be brought into requisition to protect them. The Mayor also stated his opinion that the commanding officers of the different military companies, *with a single exception*, were true to the Government, and would not be found disloyal when their services were required.

An extensively-signed memorial has been sent to Mr. Lincoln by many of our principal citizens, responding to his proclamation, declaring their determination to sustain the Government, and pledging "all we have or can command to the vindication of the Constitution, the maintenance of the laws, and the defence of the flag of our country."

The address of the citizens of Philadelphia to the President of the United States is receiving thousands of signers among all classes of citizens. It is understood to have been written by the venerable Hon. Horace Binney. Persons wishing to procure copies to have signatures affixed to them, can be supplied by applying to King & Baird, Sansom street, above Sixth. We are requested to ask persons who have copies that have been signed to leave them either at the Mayor's office, the Sheriff's office, or at King & Baird's. It is desired that they shall be put together as specidily as possible to be forwarded to Washington.

Mayor Henry's proclamation will be found elsewhere.

The Drug Exchange men of this city intend raising the stars and stripes on Friday next, at their building, on Third street below Market. It is to be a large and handsome flag.

At the first session of the Board of Stock Brokers, yesterday morning, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the members of the Philadelphia Board of Stock Brokers, as an organized body, hereby declare their devotion to the Federal Union, to the Constitution, and to the Government acting under it, and accord their hearty sympathies and co-operation with whatever legal measures are necessary to maintain the territory, the power, and the honor of the Republic.

Resolved, That a National flag be forthwith procured, and be kept displayed from the windows of the board room.

YET HER FROM THE FRANKFORD ARSENAL.

From a sketch of the Frankford Arsenal recently made by Stephen N. Winslow, Esq., of the *Commercial List*, we find that Captain George Lately in command, and who recently resigned to take a position in the army of the traitors, is a native of Pennsylvania, and was appointed from New York. He for some time withstood the inducements held out by his wife's family, residents of Alabama; but, in a moment of anger produced by some misunderstanding with the Department, resigned, and united his fortunes with those of his Southern friends. The removal of his furniture from the Arsenal, on Thursday last, boxed as it was, and addressed to Charleston, induced some of the knowing ones to circulate a rumor that arms were being forwarded to the Secessionists from the Arsenal, and Lieutenant Treadwell was compelled to swear to the contents of the boxes before they were shipped.

On Thursday and Friday of last week 200 boxes, containing 4,000 muskets, which had been altered from the flint lock and improved by the Maynard primer, were sent from this post to the arsenal at Pittsburg. These, with the 2,000 sent to Washington in January last, comprise all that has been shipped since the opening of the year.

At this arsenal old-style muskets are changed in appearance and power by the substitution of a percussion for the flint lock, and by the addition of the Minie sight, enabling them to carry with accuracy a distance of one thousand yards, where formerly they would not hit a mark more than two hundred and fifty yards distant. An immense amount of work is here turned out each week. Heretofore 75,000 metallic cartridges for the Maynard carbine have been made each week, but the work upon them has now been suspended, and the attention of the employés has been directed to the manufacture of those of the Burnside and Morse patent. In one week, also, 125,000 musket and pistol caps are made, and 40,000 friction tubes, a novel invention, intended to supply the necessity of using caps upon pieces of artillery.

In the magazine are stored about 50,000 pounds of powder, about four-fifths of which is musket and rifle powder; and in the Nitre storehouse are stored about 3,000,000 pounds of saltpetre, the greater portion of which has been carefully fused. No less than 500,000 pounds of sulphur are usually kept on hand in the different buildings.

At present there are thirty-four non-commissioned officers and privates of the ordnance corps on duty at the arsenal. The commander of the post is Captain Wm. Maynadier, and the second in command, Lieutenant T. J. Treadwell

The "East Arsenal" is used for the reception of small arms, of which there are at present about 15,000, and in the "West" are preserved the miscellaneous military stores. The buildings are kept in excellent order, and the arms, by the aid of an application of a superior quality of sperm oil, are preserved for years in their pristine brightness

The following constitute the field and staff of the First regiment infantry, First brigade, First division:

Colonel—Wm. D Lewis, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel—Chas. Wilhelm.
Major—Alex. E Newbold.
Adjutant—Thos. F. G. Cooper.
Surgeon—Sam. B. Wylie Mitchell, M. D.
Quartermaster—J. T Marshall.
Paymaster—W. A. Delaney.
Commissary—Chas. H. T. Collis.

THE SCOTT LEGION'S VISIT TO POTTSVILLE.—Since the commencement of hostilities and the call upon Pennsylvania for troops, the Scott Legion, which made some time ago an engagement to visit Pottsville and become the guests of the Wynkoop Legion at that place, has had serious doubts as to the pertinency of any such visit at this exciting juncture. The arrangements at Pottsville, being made, however, we understand that the Legion will go. The occasion will be the anniversary of the Battle of Cerro Gordo. The principal inducement for the visit of the Legion is the organization of the Wynkoop Legion of Schuylkill county. A peculiar interest attaches to the Scott Legion, from the fact that it was the first organization of the returned Mexican Volunteers into a single company, elected. Member after member has dropped from the ranks into the grave; but the Legion is still strong; and it is anticipated that it will take at least thirty-two muskets on the occasion of its approaching visit A fine band will accompany the corps

The military participating in the reception will march to the Pottsville depot, at noon on Thursday Upon the arrival of the Legion, it will be escorted through the principal streets of the borough, to the armory of the Washington Artillerists, where a collation will be served by the Wynkoop Legion, after which the visitors will be escorted to their quarters at Pennsylvania Hall. While the troops are en route, they will be reviewed by Major General Wynkoop and Brigadier General Reifsnyder in passing their respective residences

In the evening the Legion will be entertained at the armory of the Washington Artillerists, by the corps, and will attend a ball to be given at the Town Hall, in its honor, by the Citizens' Cornet Band.

The following morning the National Light Infantry will take the Legion in charge, and escort it up the valley to visit some coal operations

At two P. M., on Friday, the Legion will leave for Reading, where it will remain until Saturday.

KANSAS RELIEF FUND.—E. W. Clark & Co. acknowledge the receipt of the following contributions for the Kansas sufferers since March 6, which have been duly forwarded to Dr. T. H. Webb, treasurer of the N. E. Kansas Relief Committee:

From Media, additional, $8 38; C. F. M., $2; Corn Ex Bank box, 51c; A. C. B., $5; E. H. B., $2 90; Two Ladies of N. J., $30; K. P. G., $5; Berwick Columbia county, Pa., per Mr. Woodin, $54 33; Donations from Brownback Church, Chester county, $55.25; S. Chapman, $3; R. Jones, $5; through E. P. Grant, $13.35—amounting to $187 32

All other contributions handed in will be forwarded as above.

DEATH OF JOHN H. FOSTER.—We are pained to record the decease of John H. Foster, which occurred yesterday afternoon, at his residence on Wood street, near Fourth. Mr. Foster was the efficient and gentlemanly clerk of the late coroner, and won the esteem and admiration of the reporters of the public press of this city by his many noble qualities of mind and heart, as well as a large portion of our community with whom he came in contact in the performance of his official duties Deceased was unmarried, and shut out thirty years of age.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—An unfortunate young woman was brought on Monday night to the Central police station in a state of stupor. The policeman who discovered her discerned the effect of laudanum He removed her to a cell, and procured the aid of Mr. Hansel, at Brown's drug store. Mr. Hansel administered a powerful emetic. The unfortunate girl was restored after about two hours. The girl is a degraded creature, who has made frequent attempts upon her own life.

MURDEROUS ASSAULTS.—Yesterday morning a colored man, named Thomas Price, was before Alderman Patchel, charged with the murderous assault on his wife, at Seventh and Lombard streets. The poor woman was beaten with a slung-shot, and received serious injuries. The husband was committed to await a trial at court.

Wm. Magee was arrested at Eighth and Bedford streets, for assaulting his wife with a razor. He also struck her with a bottle, inflicting several severe gashes. He was committed by Alderman Dallas.

A YOUNG BEGINNER.—On last Sunday night a man, while passing Twenty-second and Arch streets, was knocked down and robbed of a watch. The act was committed by four lads, aged 18 years each. One of the young offenders was taken into custody on Monday, and gave the name of John Tagart. He was committed for court by Alderman Hibbard.

A DANGEROUS WEAPON.—A man giving the name of John Smith was taken into custody in Munroe street, on Monday, with a gun in his possession, heavily loaded with slugs and small buttons. He had been discharging the gun previous to his arrest, but for what purpose is unknown. He was taken before Alderman Dallas, who held him to answer.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The usual monthly exhibition of this society was given last evening at Concert Hall. The display of early vegetables and plants was unusually fine. The attendance was very slim on account of the inclemency of the weather.

ACCIDENT.—Yesterday afternoon a man named John Mullin, aged forty-five years, had his left leg fractured by being kicked by a horse he was shoeing in the lower part of the city. He was taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital.

PRESENTATION.—The operatives of John Dickey, Star Mills, Kensington, have presented him with a handsome testimonial for having kept them constantly employed, and at full wages, during the past winter.

AN IMPROVEMENT.—A large and handsome factory building has been erected at the corner of Frontand Richmond streets, Kensington, for Mr. John Naulty, tanner and currier, who employs upwards of one hundred hands. The factory will be an improvement and a benefit to the neighborhood.

RAIN.—We understand the orthodox Society of Friends are holding their annual meeting in this city, and, as usual, the never-failing weekly storm of rain is also in attendance.

FIRE.—An alarm of fire was caused at nine o'clock last evening by the burning of a chimney at a house on Reed street, above Second Damage trifling.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE, STOCKS, &c.—The following real estate and stocks were sold, yesterday, at the Philadelphia Exchange, by M. Thomas & Sons:

$1 700 Philadelphia and Baltimore Central Railroad Company, 32 per cent.

23 shares Philadelphia Mutual Real Estate Association, $30 per share.

1 do. Philadelphia Library Co., $27 per share.

1 do. Philadelphia Athenæum, $3 per share.

1 do Mercantile Library Co., $8 per share.

6 burial lots, Mount Moriah Cemetery, $10 each, $60.

Two-story brick dwelling, No 1034 Frankford avenue, 15 by 100 feet, subject to a ground rent of $37 58 a year, $1,450.

Valuable lot, 12 acres, Twenty third ward, $510 per acre, $6,120.

Modern residence, Tulpehocken street, Germantown, lot 150 feet front, 378 in depth, $13 000.

Three-story brick dwelling, No. 1067 Brown street, lot 17 by 59 feet, $2,000

Store and dwelling, No. 1320 Race street, lot 20 by 120 feet, $3,000.

A Secession Flag Hauled Down at Boston.

BOSTON, April 16.—A crowd has compelled the captain of the bark *Manhattan*, which arrived from Savannah this morning, to haul down a secession flag and hoist the Stars and Stripes.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

HARRISBURG, April 16, 1861.

SENATE

The Senate was called to order at 10 o'clock by Mr PENNY, Speaker *pro tem.*

A remonstrance from the Councils of Philadelphia against the passage of the bill for the appointment of Commissioners of Highways was presented.

On motion of Mr. LAWRENCE, all the committees, except Finance, Accounts and to Compare Bills, were discharged.

On motion of Mr. IMBRIE, joint resolution to pay the expenses incurred on the 22d of February was taken up and passed. The amount is $678.95.

Mr. BENSON moved that the Senate take up the joint resolution to pay the expenses of the reception and entertainment of the President, which was agreed to, and the resolution passed. The amount is $1,350.50.

ON THIRD READING.

An act relative to the collection of taxes on foreign insurance companies. Passed.

BILLS CONSIDERED.

Mr. CONNELL called up an act for the relief of George Jordan, for injuries received on the Columbia Railroad, while in the employ of the State. Compensation proposed $2 000. Not agreed to—yeas 12, nays 18.

Mr. HESTAND moved to reconsider. Agreed to.

Mr. HESTAND moved to amend, and make it $1,000. Agreed to; and the bill as amended, was passed—yeas 18, nays 3.

Mr. CRAWFORD, a supplement to the act incorporating the borough of Patterson, county of Juniata. Passed.

Mr. FULLER, an act relative to the estate of Prudence Christy, deceased. Passed.

Mr. MOTT, an act to fix the place of holding the elections in the township of Texas, Wayne county. Passed.

Mr. HESTAND, a supplement to the Pittsburg, Titusville, and Lancaster Turnpike or Plank Road Company. Passed.

Mr. SMITH, a further supplement to the act for the greater certainty of title, and more secure enjoyment of real estate. Negatived—yeas 6, nays 22.

Mr. MOTT, a supplement to the several acts relative to the sale of unseated lands. Passed.

Mr. IMBRIE, an act to authorize the Erie Canal Company to perfect a certain contract. Passed.

Mr. IRISH, an act to repeal the second section of an act entitled an act to increase the width of Diamond street, in Pittsburg. Passed.

Mr. HAMILTON, an act to incorporate the Lancaster Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Passed.

Mr. WELSH, an act to change the boundaries of the borough of Gettysburg, in York county. Passed.

Mr. PITCHAM, an act to erect a poorhouse for Hazle borough and Hazleton township, Luzerne county. Passed.

Mr. LANDON, an act relative to lunatics in Wyoming county. Passed.

Mr. LAWRENCE, an act to incorporate the Washington Library Company. Passed.

Mr. MEREDITH, an act to incorporate the Euresoo Oil Company. Passed.

Mr. GREGG, an act to authorize the trustees of Union Seminary, New Berlin, to borrow money. Passed.

Mr. PARKER, an act to authorize the trustees of the First Presbyterian Church, in Kensington, to sell and convey certain real estate. Passed.

Mr. PARKER, an act to incorporate the Loan Association of the city of Philadelphia. Passed—yeas 17, nays 7.

Mr. ROBINSON, an act relative to the school directors of the borough of Franklin. Passed.

The Senate then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A large number of bills were considered and passed finally, and among them the following:

Mr. SERRILL, a supplement to the act incorporating the Union Market Company.

Mr. SERRILL, a bill incorporating the Wetherill Zinc Company.

Mr. SMITH, a supplement to the act relating to references and arbitrations in Philadelphia; also, a bill regulating appeals from the judgments of aldermen in Philadelphia.

Mr. CONNELL, a supplement to the act incorporating the Philadelphia and Delaware Railroad Company; also, a bill to confirm the title of George C. Barker to certain lands.

The Senate then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The bill amendatory of the free banking law passed without amendment—yeas 20, nays 9

Several private bills passed. Adjourned

HOUSE.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock by Speaker DAVIS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the report of the Schuylkill Navigation Commission.

The House took up the bill to incorporate the People's Railway Company of Philadelphia, with Senate amendments.

Mr. RANDALL moved that the House non-concur in the Senate amendments, and that a committee of conference be appointed. Agreed to.

BILLS PASSED.

The following bills were taken up and passed:

A further supplement to an act incorporating the Donaldson Improvement and Railroad Company, formerly the East Iron Company, with the several supplements thereto, with the Senate amendments.

An act supplementary to an act relative to the claim of Thomas Morley.

An act incorporating the Lombard and Fourth streets Passenger Railway—yeas 64, nays 21.

PRIVATE BANKERS.

Mr. BARNSLEY made a motion that the House suspend the orders of the day for the purpose of considering an act relating to brokers and private bankers, which was not agreed to.

PRIVATE CALENDAR.

The following bills on the private calendar were taken up and passed:

An act to prevent the spreading and introduction of the Canada thistle in Lancaster and Washington counties.

An act fixing the places of holding elections in the Second and Third wards in the city of Harrisburg.

Supplement to an act to incorporate the McCauley Mountain Railroad Company.

Supplement to an act of 1856 relating to corporations.

An act to legalize certain elections for military officers in Montour county.

An act for the re-examination of the claim of James J. Dull.

An act for the relief of the bondholders of the Susquehanna Canal Company.

An act relating to the collection of taxes in Marietta, Lancaster county.

Supplement to an act extending Pennsylvania avenue, in the city of Pittsburg.

Supplement to an act incorporating the Pittsburg and Birmingham Passenger Railroad Company.

Joint resolution providing for the payment of Samuel M. Fox, as clerk to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. FRESTON called up the supplement to the act of 1841, incorporating a company to build a road from the intersection of Vine and Tenth streets to Fairmen bridge, in Montgomery county, which passed second reading, but the House refused to suspend the rules for its final passage.

UNION RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. BALL, from the Select Committee of Five, reported the following resolutions, to maintain inviolate the Constitution and sovereignty of the United States:

Resolved, That the States of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Florida, and Texas, are in armed and treasonable rebellion against the sovereign authority and Government of the United States, and have constituted and are endeavoring to maintain a reasonable and rebellious government, pretended to subvert the Constitution and laws of the United States, and to dissolve the Union of States, and have seized the forts, revenues, ports, arsenals, navy yards, and such other exclusive property of the National Government as they have been able to seize, of seizure, and have coerced loyal citizens within their force, into unwilling submission to their authority, and have raised officers, equipped and assembled large armies and navies, and have waged a crowned purpose to make aggressive warfare against the Constitution and lawful authorities of the Union, and against the liberties of the people, and have besieged, attacked, and captured a fort in the actual and peaceable possession of the United States, by force, and have made the garrison prisoners of war whilst under the protection of the National flag and the Federal laws:

Resolved, That the faith, credit, and resources of the State, in both men and money, are hereby pledged to any amount and to every extent which the Federal Government may demand to subdue the rebellious, to punish the treason; to enforce the laws; to protect the lives, the liberties, and the property of the people; and to maintain inviolate the Constitution and the sovereignty of the nation.

Resolved, That the Governor be, and is hereby, directed to forward a certified copy of the preamble and resolution to the President of the United States.

Mr. HILL offered the following as an amendment:

Whereas, Actual hostilities have commenced against the Government, laws, and property of the United States: *And whereas*, The President has, by proclamation, appealed to all loyal citizens to favor, facilitate, and aid an effort to sustain the honor, integrity, and existence of our National Union, and the perpetuity of popular Government, and has thought fit to call for the militia of the several States: therefore,

Be it unanimously resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, That the faith, credit, and support of this Commonwealth, to any amount and to any extent, is hereby pledged to the Government of the United States to enforce its laws, protect its property, and to preserve its peace.

Resolved, That the Governor of this Commonwealth be, and is hereby, directed to forward a certified copy of this preamble and resolutions to the President of the United States.

The yeas and nays were taken on the amendment, and it was lost—yeas 31, nays 56.

Messrs. Smith, of Philadelphia, and Eilenberger were the only two Democrats who voted against the amendment.

Mr. SMITH stated that he would vote for the resolutions of Mr. Ball, because he thought they were strongerthan those of Mr. Hill.

The yeas and nays were called on the resolutions of Mr. Ball, and they were passed unanimously.

Loud applause from all parts of the House, during which

Mr. BALL arose and said the Rubicon is passed—Pennsylvania is true to the Union.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Lichtenwalner did not change his vote on the militia bill yesterday. He voted against the bill.

Messrs. Schaffer and Blair, who were absent, had leave to-day to record their votes in favor of the militia bill.

The House took up the bill incorporating the Nesquehoning Railroad Company.

Mr. BURKE, of Carbon, spoke at some length in favor of the bill.

Mr. HUBS made an earnest speech against it.

The bill then passed—yeas 67, nays 23.

Mr. HILL arose and stated that a most patriotic feeling existed in Montgomery county, which would send a regiment of troops to Harrisburg in less than forty-eight hours. There were six Montgomery county companies already fully equipped, and they would be at Harrisburg by Tuesday. (Applause.) The Montgomery County Bank had sent word that it would take $200,000 of the war loan. (Applause in all parts of the House.)

The House then resumed the consideration of the private calendar, and some forty bills were passed finally, and among them the following: A supplement to the act incorporating the Andalusia and Bustleville Turnpike-road Company; an act relative to the Belmont-avenue Plank-road Company; A supplement to the act incorporating the Connecticut Coal and Iron Company; an act to incorporate the Hahnemann University of Medicine in Philadelphia; a supplement to the act incorporating the Barclay Railroad and Coal Company; a supplement to the act incorporating the Middle Coal Field Railroad Company; an act to incorporate the Tuscarora and Rockville Railroad Company; a supplement to the act incorporating the Union Railroad Company; a supplement to the act incorporating the Wampum Coal and Iron Company; an act to confirm a report of the survey of the private location of the survey of Blockley, Philadelphia; a supplement to the act for the speedy and easy recovery of damages on the North Branch and Wyoming Canals.

The House then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Mr. SELTZER read a despatch from Reading, stating that the Ringgold Artillery company had left that city, this evening, for Harrisburg, 100 strong.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the amendments of the Senate to the general appropriation bill, and refused to concur in the amendment reducing the appropriation for the contingent expenses of the Training School at Media from $10,000 to $5,000.

Nearly all the amendments of the Senate to the bill were concurred in, and the bill then passed.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill for the revocation of special charters, when

The pending amendment of Mr. Barnsley, fixing the first of June next for a resumption, was negatived—yeas 35, nays 64.

The following Philadelphia members voted in the negative: Messrs. Buffield, Kelper, Smith, Stanton, and Thomas—two Democrats and three Republicans.

Mr. COLLINS moved to amend, by providing for a resumption on the second Tuesday of October next, which was agreed to.

The bill was still under consideration at 11 o'clock.

The Democratic Members of the Legislature.

HARRISBURG, April 16.—Mr. Welsh, for himself and his Democratic colleagues, this morning presented reasons for voting against the bill entitled an act "for the better organization of the militia of the Commonwealth." The reasons take exception to the character of the bill, not the object, it placing the whole matter in the hands of an unknown military commission, and containing no discretionary powers on the part of the accounting officer of the Government in the allowance and settlement of the accounts. The reasons firmly sustain the Executive in his requisition upon the militia of the State, and in all his constitutional efforts to protect the Government, to enforce the laws, and to defend the national flag from insult and dishonor. They are drawn in strong but respectful language, and were entered upon the journal, and ordered to be printed. The reasons are signed by the members of both houses.

Senatorial Caucus

HARRISBURG, April 16.—The Republican members of the Senate met in caucus to-night, and unanimously nominated Lewis W. Hall for Speaker during the recess. The election will take place to-morrow. The Democrats will vote for Dr. Crawford.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Money Market.

PHILADELPHIA, April 16, 1861.

A little more spirit prevailed at the Stock Board to-day, and the losses of yesterday were recovered.

The Money market is quiescent. The banks are full of money for good paper, but on the street there is little or no lending done. Southern bank notes have gone down to a discount of fifty per cent. for notes issued in seceded States, and ten to twenty per cent. for Virginia and Kentucky money.

The Board of Brokers passed the following resolutions at the meeting to day:

Resolved, That the members of the Philadelphia Board of Stock Brokers, as an organized body, hereby declare their devotion to the Federal Union, to the Constitution, and to the Government acting under it; and accord their hearty sympathies and co-operation with whatever legal measures are necessary to maintain the territory, the power, and the honor of the republic.

Resolved, That a national flag be forthwith procured, and be kept displayed from the windows of the Board room.

The New York banks report an increase of loans to the amount of about one million of dollars, understood to be based upon treasury notes. The deposits have increased a million and three-quarters, while the specie has increased but one-quarter, the payments to Government, in somewhat in excess of the amount reported last week.

The following is the tonnage of the Shamokin Valley and Pottsville Railroad,

	Week.	Year.
For the week ending April 16, 1861	4,712 08	43,437 05
Same time last year	3,468 16	29,426 15
Increase	1,233 10	14,002 00

Philadelphia Stock Exchange Sales,

April 16, 1861.

REPORTED BY S. E. STAVELEY, Merchants' Exchange.

FIRST BOARD

100 City 5s	96¾	100 Read'ng R.	16⅞
500 do	96¾	200 do	16⅞
500 do	96¾	100 do	16⅞
122 Lehigh Scrip	83⅝	10 N Bk Mont'ry	58.10
100 Reading 6s	87½		

BETWEEN BOARDS.

200 Reading R.	16¾	50 Reading R.	16⅞
100 do	16¾	50 do	16⅞

SECOND BOARD

350 (sbt) Penna 5s	86¾	1 Penna R G & P	39
500 Read'g 6s	97	100 Reading R.	16⅞
500 City 6 R 5s	97	10 Lehigh	58
13 Penna R C & P	39	50 Arch-street R	19½
37 do	39		

CLOSING PRICES—UNSETTLED.

	Bid.	Asked		Bid.	Asked
Philadelphia 6s	99½	87½	Sch Nav Stk		8
Phila 6s new	95½	97½	Sch Nav Pref		17
Phila 5s new	93¾		Elmira 7s '73		95
Read R.	16⅞	17	Long Island	10¾	11
Read R. 6s	87		Leh Cl & N	50½	51½
Penna R.	39	39¼	Leh Cl & N Scrip		83¾
Penna 5s	85	87	North Penna R	7½	8½
Penna Loan 6s		61½	N Pa R & Bn Loan	65	
Morris Can Pfd	105	110	N Penna R loan		22½
Reh N 6s	62	63	Read & Pot'l dividend		44½
Sch Nav Imp 6s	75	78	Read & Pot'l R	11	
			West Phila a		60

Philadelphia Markets.

APRIL 16—Evening.

The storm to-day has interrupted out-door operations. There is very little export demand for Flour, and the sales are only in a small way, to supply the retailers and bakers, at $5.31¼@5 50 ⅌ bbl for mixed and choice brands of superfine; $5 56¼@5 75 for extras; $6 81¼@6 25 for extra family; and $6 37½@7.50 ⅌ bbl for fancy brands, as in quality. Rye Flour is held at $3.87½@3 50 ⅌ bbl, and Pennsylvania Corn Meal at $2.75.

WHEAT.—There is less demand, but the offerings are very limited, sales of 2,500 bus prime Pennsylvania red, at 132c afloat, and white at 135@140c ⅌ bu. Rye is held at 65c for Pennsylvania. Corn is rather dull—sales of 2,000 bus prime dry new yellow at 60@60½c in store from the cars, and 6,000 bus at 62c afloat. Oats are rather scarce, Pennsylvania selling at 33@33½c ⅌ bu.

BARK.—1st No. 1 Quercitron is held at $21.50 ⅌ ton.

RICE has advanced, in consequence of our Southern troubles, with small sales, at 4¾c cash, but this price is now refused.

PROVISIONS.—There is very little doing, and we hear of no sale worthy of notice.

SEEDS.—Cloverseed continues quiet, with small sales, at $4.75@5 ⅌ 64 lbs. Timothy is held at $2 62½, and Flaxseed at $1.50@1 62½ ⅌ bu.

WHISKY sells as wanted, at 18c for Ohio bbls, 17½c for Pennsylvania do, 16c for hhds, and 16½c per gallon for drudge.

New York Stock Exchange—April 16.

SECOND BOARD

5000 U S 6s '81 reg	99½	100 Chi & R I R	46½
12000 do	99½	100 Erie Railroad	20 22½
2000 U S 6s '81 coup	99½	350 do	23
5000 Tenn 6s 6s '90	65	100 do	23½
2000 Virginia St 6s	60	100 do	23
1000 do	60¼	100 do	s10 22¾
2000 do	58	100 do	22¾
2000 do	57½	100 do	22¾
5000 Missouri 6s	s10 51	100 do	b30 23
15000 do	51½	50 Harlem R	13
2000 do	51	200 Harem R pfd	34
2000 Cal St 7s	80	100 Reading R	24
500 Ill Cen bds	90	100 do	s10 23
10 do	93	100 Ill Cen R Sc	s30 66
13 Del & Hud Ca	98¾	100 do	66¼
50 N Y Central	s10 72¾	200 do	s30 66¾
550 do	73	50 Galena & Chi R	64¾
500 Clev & Tol R	36¾	100 do	Chw 66¾
200 do	36¾	200 do	66
300 do	36	100 do	s30 67¼
50 do	s30 35		

THE MARKETS

ASHES are quiet and steady, at $5.50 for pots, and $5.56¼ for pearls.

BREADSTUFFS.—The market for State and Western Flour is heavy, and prices have further declined 5c per bbl. The demand continues light, and the business is quite moderate, even at the reduced rates. The sales are 4,600 bbls at $5.10@5 15 for superfine State; $5.20@5.30 for extra State; $5.10@5.15 for superfine Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Iowa, &c., and $5.20@5.50 for extra do., including shipping brands of round-hoop Ohio at $5.20@5.50, for sale brands of not at $5 70@7.

Southern Flour is quiet, and the market is heavy, with sales of 1 100 bbls at $5.25@5.50 for superfine, Baltimore; $5.56¼@6 50 for extra do; $6 for Brandywine; $5.75@6.75 for Georgetown; $6.25@7.50 for Petersburg city; $8.10@7 40 for Richmond city.

Canadian Flour is dull and drooping, with sales of 500 bbls at $5 25@5 75 for the range of extra brands.

Rye Flour is dull, and selling slowly at $3.40@4.10 for the range of fine and superfine.

Corn Meal is dull and nominal; we quote Jersey at $2.80; Brandywine, $3 15@3.25; puncheons $16. Wheat is dull, heavy, and about one cent lower, with sales of 1,500 bushels at $1 32@1.35 for Milwaukee Club delivered.

Rye is quiet at 63@65c.

Barley is dull and nominal at 62@70c.

Oats are less active, and the market is quiet at 30@33c for Southern, 31@33c for Jersey, Delaware, and Pennsylvania, 33½@35c for State, and 34½@36½c for Western and Canadian.

Corn is heavy and in favor of the buyers, with only a moderate demand; sales 10,000 bus at 60c for old Western mixed, delivered, and 62c for new do, delivered.

WHISKY is steady, with sales of 100 bbls at 18½c.

Ship News.

BOSTON, April 16.—Arrived, barks S. Burgess, from Cienfuegos; E. Dwyght, from Cardenas; Palmetto, from Gibraltar, Brigs M. A. Jones, from Mirasonas; R. W. Packer, from Cape Haytien; Tempest, from Cardenas; China, from Cardenas; Flight, from Cienfuegos; Model, from Matanzas; Rover, from Aimeira; Rookinham, from Port au Prince.

CITY ITEMS.

A TRIUMPH IN DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.—In another part of our paper, to-day, will be found an advertisement of Whitney Brown and Bleached Satin Table Damask, manufactured by Mr. Jas. Pollock, of Germantown, which we think will interest the public in general, and Dry Goods merchants in particular. Mr. Clendenning offers to forfeit either the sum of two hundred dollars or a case of the goods in question, to any firm who can produce a fabric equal to his, in quality, and shall prove the fact. We did this, of course, more with a view of satisfying curiosity, than with the hope of receiving a forfeit, although Mr. C. is not the man to retract a proposition. To effect our object, we visited three well-known firms in this city, Messrs. Wm. Watson & Co., Bangs & Maxwell, and Stuart & Brother, and found that the offer of the American manufacturer is an exceedingly "safe" one. At each of these houses we examined a splendid line of patterns, of Mr. Clendenning's goods, and had an opportunity of comparing them with the *imported* article. In point of style and finish the latter appear at a decided disadvantage, whilst the difference in *price* in favor of the former is so decisive, that it must "tell upon our cents" claimed in the advertisement. We were shown pieces of the Foreign Damask, 10-4, that cost 55 cents, which were not in any respect superior to Clendenning's of the same width, which are sold at 32 cents per yard, a difference in favor of the latter of more than *thirty per cent.* Mr. C. has been for several years engaged in manufacturing these goods, and gradually improving them, until he has attained a degree of perfection in the fabrication which we believe will very soon exclude his foreign competitors from the market. In achieving this triumph he has had to contend with the too common prejudices of our people in favor of foreign productions, but the fact that some very good judges have actually had his Damasks in *use* for more than three years without knowing that they were American goods, is strong evidence of their excellence. They are now rapidly coming into popular favor Messrs. Wm. Watson & Co. informed us that they had sold about one hundred thousand dollars' worth of these goods within the last three years. We think they are manufactured entirely from American materials, and in durability are said to surpass the foreign article, whilst their patterns are much more beautiful. So far as their finish and general appearance are concerned, there can be but few persons in the trade who, unless they were told, could distinguish one from the other. It is gratifying in these times of general prostration to find that the reputation of our city for her manufacturing enterprise and ability is thus sustained.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SPRING GARDEN INSTITUTE.—The neatest specimen, typographical and otherwise, of paper-covered literature that we have seen for many a day is the Annual Report of the Board of Managers of the Spring Garden Institute, which has been laid upon our counter, from the press of Messrs. Ringwalt & Brown, No. 34 North Third street. The book is embellished with an excellent wood-cut illustration of the Institute building, at the northeast corner of Broad and Sp