MASONIC NOTICE.—THE OFFICERS and members of the GRAND LODGE of Pennsylvania, and the officers and members of PHILADELPHIA LODGE, No. 72, A. Y. M., and the brethren of the Order generally, are invited to meet at the Masonic Hall, CHESTNUT Street, THIS MORNING, at 9½ o'clock, to attend the funeral of our late brother, P. M. JOSIAH ELLIS.
By order of the W. M. H. J. WHITE, Secretary. It*

THE COOPER SHOP VOLUNTEER REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE make the following acknowledgments:
One-half proceeds of Fred. Douglass' lecture......$52 50
Mutual Insurance Company......100 00
Henry Danby, New Castle......5 00
One barrel of sugar from Taylor & Gillespie. It

WHITE SLAVES FROM LOUISIANA!
REBECCA EUGE, 10 years old;
ROSA DOWNS, 7 years old;
CHARLES TAYLOR, 8 years old,
Intelligent WHITE Children, lately liberated from slavery by order of Major General Banks, and
WILSON CHINN, a Griff Negro,
Branded on the forehead with the initials of his late master's name, and wearing the Iron Collar and other instruments of torture used to tame his noble nature to the level of the Patriarchal Institutions (!) of the South, will be present on the platform at
CONCERT HALL,
At a Meeting to be held on MONDAY next, Dec. 21st, at 8 o'clock P. M.
Hon. OWEN LOVEJOY,
Col. MONTGOMERY, of Vicksburg,
And other distinguished speakers, will address the meeting.
The proceeds will be for the benefit of the FREE SCHOOLS OF LOUISIANA.
Tickets, Twenty-five Cents; for sale at No. 1210 Chestnut street; at the door during the evening; C. H. Needles', Twelfth and Race; T. B. Pugh's, Sixth and Chestnut; Anti-Slavery Rooms, No 106 N. Tenth street; Martien's, and at Reimer's Photographic Rooms. del7-4t

CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP, DEC. 15, 1863.—It is designed to treat the Soldiers at CAMP WILLIAM PENN to a Christmas Dinner.
Persons willing to contribute to this worthy purpose in Money, Vegetables, or Fruit, or in Provisions, such as Hams, Poultry, Pickles, Biscuit, Pies, Cake, &c., COOKED AND READY TO BE SERVED, will please inform either of the undersigned by MONDAY Evening, the 21st inst., as to the kind and quantity they will furnish.
The Provisions should be at the Camp, corner of COUNTY LINE and PENROSE AVENUE, on Christmas Morning, not later than ten o'clock. A Receiving Committee will be in attendance at the School Building, on the Camp Grounds, to take charge of articles as sent in.
There will be at the Camp, in the newly-erected Barracks, the 8th Regiment United States Colored Troops, complete, (EIGHT HUNDRED MEN,) and their officers, and about two hundred and forty men of the Regiment now forming.
Contributions from Philadelphia, left by or before 8 o'clock A. M., on Christmas at the rooms of the Supervisory Committee, 1210 CHESTNUT Street, in care of Mr. CORSON, will reach the Camp in season.
CHARLES BOSLER, Shoemakertown,
ISAAC SHOEMAKER, Cheltenham Township,
MARMADUKE MOORE, Abington,
MRS. SAMUEL KIMBER, Jenkintown,
MRS. ANNE D. B. MEARS, Branch Town,
GEORGE K. HELLER, Milltown,
REV. ROBERT J. PARVIN, Chelton Hills,
E. M. DAVIS, Philadelphia, or
CAPT. GEORGE E. HEATH, Post Adjutant, at the Camp. It

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY, Office No. 227 South FOURTH St.
PHILADELPHIA, December 11, 1863.
Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of this Company, that the Annual Meeting, and an Election for President, six Managers, Treasurer, and Secretary, will take place on the Second MONDAY (11th) of January next, at 12 M. WM. H. WEBB, Secretary. del8-tjall

OFFICE OF THE WESTMORELAND COAL COMPANY,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16, 1863.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at their Office, No. 230 South THIRD Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th January, 1864, at 12 o'clock M., at which time an Election will be held for eleven Directors and a Secretary and Treasurer to serve for the ensuing year.
del7-tJ6 F. H. JACKSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE WESTMORELAND COAL COMPANY, No. 230 South THIRD Street, corner of Willing's alley.
PHILADELPHIA, December 16, 1863.
At a meeting of the Directors, held this day, a DIVIDEND OF FIFTY CENTS PER SHARE on the Capital Stock was declared out of the profits for the past six months, payable on and after JANUARY 2, 1864.
The Transfer Books will be closed until January 4th next. F. H. JACKSON, Treasurer. del7-tja6

CUSTOM HOUSE, PHILADELPHIA, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, Dec 16, 1863.
Notice is hereby given to SHIPPERS and SHIP OWNERS that the restriction prohibiting the departure of vessels between sunset and sunrise is removed, during the cold season.
Captains of vessels will be required, as usual, to submit their papers to the officers of the Revenue Cutter for examination. WILLIAM B. THOMAS, Collector. del7-6t

UNION LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA.—At an ELECTION held at the LEAGUE HOUSE, December 14th, 1863, the following Officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year:
PRESIDENT. WILLIAM M. MEREDITH.
VICE PRESIDENTS. WILLIAM H. ASHHURST, HORACE BINNEY, Jr., JOHN B. MYERS, ADOLPH E. BORIE.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Morton McMichael, Charles Gibbons,
J. H. Clark Hare, George H. Boker,
Benjamin Gerhard, Joseph B. Townsend,
James L. Claghorn, George Whitney,
John B. Kenney.
TREASURER. JAMES L. CLAGHORN.
SECRETARY. GEORGE H. BOKER.
del6-3t GEORGE H. BOKER, Secretary.

ÆTNA MINING COMPANY (OF MICHIGAN.)—The first Meeting of the ÆTNA MINING COMPANY, under its Articles of Association, will be held on the Fourth of January, 1864, at 11 o'clock A. M., at No. 324 WALNUT Street, Philadelphia.
W. H. STEVENS, B. A. HOOPES,
Two of the Associates of said Corporation.
Philadelphia, December 16, 1863. del6-15t

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, (DEPARTMENT OF ARTS.)
The Examination of the College Classes, at the close of the First Term, will be held in the following order:
MONDAY, Dec. 14th. From 9 to 11, Juniors, by Prof. Kendall, (Analytical Geometry,) and Sophomores, by Prof. Frazer, (Chemistry,) written. From 11 to 1, Seniors, by Prof. Frazer, (Spherical Astronomy,) oral.
TUESDAY, 15th. From 9 to 11, Seniors, (Integral Calculus,) and Freshmen, (Algebra,) by Prof. Kendall, written. From 11 to 1, Juniors, by the Provost, (Intellectual Philosophy,) oral.
WEDNESDAY, 16th. From 9 to 11, Seniors, by Prof. Jackson, (Horace's Ars Poetica and Juvenal,) and Sophomores, by Prof. Kendall, (Geometry,) written. From 11 to 1, Juniors, by Prof. Frazer, (Statics,) oral.
THURSDAY, 17th. From 9 to 11, Juniors, by Prof. Allen, (Theocritus,) and Sophomores, by Prof. Coppée, (Clark's English Language,) written. From 11 to 1, Seniors, by the Provost, (Moral Philosophy,) oral.
FRIDAY, 18th. From 9 to 11, Seniors, by Prof. Coppée, (Mahan's Field Fortification,) oral. From 11 to 1, Juniors, by Prof. Jackson, (Cicero's Tusculan Disputations,) oral.
MONDAY, 21st. From 9 to 11, Sophomores, by Prof. Jackson, (Tacitus' Agricola,) oral. From 11 to 1, Freshmen, by Prof. Allen, (Xenophon's Hellenica,) oral.
TUESDAY, 22d. From 9 to 11, Freshmen, by Prof. Coppée, (History,) oral. From 11 to 1, Sophomores, by Prof. Allen, (Thucydides,) oral.
WEDNESDAY, 23d. From 9 to 11, Freshmen, by Prof. Jackson, (Livy,) oral.
GEORGE ALLEN,
del4-9t Secretary of the Faculty of Arts.

WESTERN MARKET HOUSE, SIXTEENTH and MARKET streets.—The public are respectfully invited to visit the Market House on the opening night of the FIFTH ANNUAL PRODUCE FAIR, TUESDAY, December 22d, at 7 o'clock. The Fair commences for the sale of Produce on Wednesday morning, the 23d inst., and continues until Saturday, January 2d, 1864. PHILIP LOWRY, Jr., Superintendent. del6-6t

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY, Office No. 227 South FOURTH Street.
PHILADELPHIA, December 2, 1863.
DIVIDEND NOTICE.—The Transfer Books of this Company will be closed on THURSDAY, 17th instant, and reopened on TUESDAY, January 12, 1864.
A Dividend of SEVEN PER CENT., clear of State tax, has been declared on the Common Stock, payable in Common Stock on and after the 31st December next to the holders thereof as they shall stand registered on the books at the close of business on the 17th inst.
A Dividend of THREE AND A HALF PER CENT., clear of State tax, has been declared on the Preferred Stock, payable in Cash or Common Stock, at the option of the holder, on and after the 31st December next, to the stockholders as they shall stand registered on the books at the close of business on the 17th inst.
Holders of certificates which have been discharged from this office, or either of the Transfer Agencies, are particularly requested to have them duly registered on the Transfer Books to which they have been transferred, prior to the 17th inst.
Stockholders whose names are registered on the New York books will be paid at the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, and those whose names are registered on the Boston books will be paid at the office of Messrs. I. E. Thayer & Brother. S. BRADFORD, Treasurer. de3-tf

MERCANTILE LIBRARY.—THE Board of Directors have just decided that Library Scrip (on which, if not converted, no tax will be charged for 1864) may be transferred into stock and duplicated at any time next year, thus giving the privilege of two shares of stock for $10. This being the par value of each share, persons are already seeking these scrip certificates as an investment. Either stock or scrip, to be subject to duplication, must be taken before January 1st, 1864. A share of this stock would constitute a most valuable Christmas Present. Price at the Library for stock or scrip, $10. del6-6t

MERCANTILE LIBRARY.
The Price of this Stock, at the Library, is only TEN DOLLARS PER SHARE.
No more useful Christmas Present could be found for either lady or gentleman.
Any one purchasing before January 1st will be entitled to an ADDITIONAL SHARE, FREE OF CHARGE.
The public are invited to visit and examine the rooms at any time before Christmas.
No library in the city can now compare with this, in the value of its importations, the number of its purchases, the stock of its Periodicals and Newspapers, or the popularity of its Chess Department. del5-9t

OFFICE OF THE RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, No. 308 WALNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, November 30th, 1863.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the "Reliance Insurance Company, of Philadelphia," will be held at their Office on MONDAY, December 21st, 1863, at 12 o'clock M., and the Annual Election of Thirteen Directors, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held on the same day, at the same place, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 o'clock P. M. THOS. C. HILL, Secretary. no30-td21

OFFICE MINEHILL AND SCHUYLKILL HAVEN RAILROAD COMPANY.
PHILADELPHIA, Twelfth Month, 14th, 1863.
A Special Meeting of the Stockholders will be held on the 28th inst., at 10 o'clock at the Hall of the Franklin Institute, No. 15 South SEVENTH Street, for the purpose of taking final action on the agreements with the Reading Railroad and Schuylkill Navigation Companies. WILLIAM BIDDLE, Secretary. del6-wfm6t

THE QUICKSILVER MINING COMPANY, No. 21 NASSAU Street, New York, December 7, 1863.—The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at the CONTINENTAL HOTEL, in the city of Philadelphia, at 11 A. M. on MONDAY, January 4, 1864.
The Annual Election of Directors will be held on the same day, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M.
The Transfer Books will be closed on Saturday, December 19, 1863, and reopened on Tuesday, January 5, 1864. By order. J. B. RANDOL, Secretary. de9-21t

OFFICE OF THE RELIANCE INSURANCE CO., OF PHILADELPHIA, No. 308 WALNUT STREET.
PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1863.
The Directors of "The Reliance Insurance Co., of Philadelphia," have this day declared a dividend of FOUR (4) per cent. on the capital stock of this Company for the past six months, payable to the stockholders or their legal representatives, free of taxes, on demand.
de8-10t THOS. C. HILL, Secretary.

ST. LUKE'S AUXILIARY TO THE SANITARY COMMISSION earnestly solicits from members of the congregation and others contributions for the benefit of SICK and WOUNDED SOLDIERS. Articles of Diet, Flannel, and other Goods, may be sent to the Society's Room, in the basement of the Church (THIRTEENTH Street, below Spruce,) every FRIDAY, between 9 and 1 o'clock, and Money to the Treasurer, CHS. W. CUSHMAN, No. 128 S. DELAWARE Avenue. se17-thf3m

CORN EXCHANGE BANK, PHILADELPHIA, November 23d, 1863.
At the Election held 16th inst. the following Stockholders were duly elected Directors of the Corn Exchange Bank:
Alexander G. Cattell,
James Steel, Christian J. Hoffman,
Robert Ervien, H. W. Catherwood,
William P. Cox, Edmund A. Souder,
Samuel T. Canby, Charles E. Wilkins,
Philip B. Mingle, David Vanderveer,
John F. Gross, Jonathan Knight.
And at the meeting of the Board this day ALEX. G. CATTELL, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President; ALEX. WHILLDIN, Esq., Vice President, and JOHN W. TORREY, Cashier. J. W. TORREY, Cashier. no24-2m

MANUFACTURERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, Office, No. 411 WALNUT Street.
PHILADELPHIA, December 4, 1863.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Manufacturers' Insurance Company will be held at the office, on MONDAY, January 4, 1864, between the hours of 4 and 6 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing Ten Directors to serve for the ensuing year.
de4-1m WM. PETTIT, Secretary.

AT A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE SECOND NATIONAL BANK OF PHILADELPHIA, held THIS DAY, the following-named gentlemen were elected Directors:
Nathan Hilles, Simon R. Snyder,
George W. Rhawn, Edward Hayes,
Benjamin Rowland, Jr., John Milnes,
Lewis Shallcross, Benjamin H. Deacon,
Charles E. Kremer.
W. H. RHAWN, Secretary.
FRANKFORD, Dec. 11, 1863.
At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Second National Bank of Philadelphia, held THIS DAY, NATHAN HILLES was unanimously elected President.
EDWARD HAYES, Sec. pro tem.
FRANKFORD, Dec. 11, 1863. del4 6t

SURGEON-ARTIST'S OFFICE, FOR MUTILATED SOLDIERS.—SOLDIERS who have lost an ARM or LEG in the service, and desire the Patent "PALMER Limbs" to be supplied by Government, should return this notice immediately to this office, stating their loss by letter, with name, company, regiment, and residence. B. FRANK PALMER,
oc22-tf 1609 CHESTNUT Street, Philadelphia.

CONCERT FOR THE BENEFIT OF SAMUEL H. PAIST, (the blind Medium) at SANSOM-STREET HALL, on SATURDAY EVENING, the 19th instant, to commence at a quarter before 8.
PROGRAMME.
1. An Original Poem.
2. Song—"Praise the Lord."......Trio.
3. "Washington's Grave"......S. H. Paist.
4. "Last Hopes" (Gottschalk)....By a Lady Amateur.
5. "The Cricket"......By Master Felix Emmanuel.
6. "Salutation to America"......Mrs. Shelling.
7. "The Cork Leg"......S. H. Paist.
8. "Home, Sweet Home, (with variations.)
PART II.
1. "Ruth and Naomi"......Mrs. Shelling.
2. "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep"....S. H. Paist.
3. "Marseilles Hymn"......Master Felix Emmanuel.
4. Duett on Harp and Piano......By Lady Amateurs.
5. "I've left the Snow-clad Hills"......Mrs. Shelling.
6. "The Old Arm Chair"......S. H. Paist.
7. "A. B. C"—A Comic Duett.
8. "Star Spangled Banner"—S. H. Paist—Chorus by the audience.
Admittance 25 cents del6-4t*

THE NORTHERN SOUP SOCIETY will open their house, situated at the corner of PETER'S Alley, FOURTH Street, above Brown, for the gratuitous distribution of Soup to the poor, on MONDAY, the 21st of December, 1863. This Society has added to its other valuable gratuities a free Bathing establishment for women and children, at which about 9,000 baths have been taken this year. Donations in money, flour, meat, vegetables, coal, &c., will be thankfully received at the house, or by either of the undersigned:
CHAS. J. SUTTER, President, No. 304 Callowhill st.,
SAM'L T. CHILD, Secretary, No. 824 North Second st.,
T. MORRIS PEROT, Treasurer, No. 621 Market st.,
SAMUEL JEANS, No. 1023 Arch street,
HORATIO C. WOOD, No. 117 Chestnut street,
JOHN O. JAMES, No. 239 North Third street,
RICHARD W. BACON, No. 309 Market street and by any of the other managers of the Society. del6-6t

A FAIR IN AID OF THE SICK AND WOUNDED SOLDIERS, and other benevolent purposes, under the direction of the Missionary Society of the Sunday Schools of the First Baptist Church, will be held in the School Room, commencing on WEDNESDAY EVENING, the 16th, and will continue every day and evening until SATURDAY, the 19th inst.
There will be a table on which Books and Albums will be for sale from the Publication Society and Sunday School Union, at their prices.
The patronage of the friends of the soldiers, and the friends of Sunday Schools, is solicited. del5-4t

MEDICAL PURVEYOR'S OFFICE, No. 7 North FIFTH Street.
PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 12, 1863.
Importers and Dealers in MEDICINES, HOSPITAL STORES, HOSPITAL FURNITURE, BEDDING, ICE, &c., are invited to submit their Price Lists from time to time to this Office. J. MURRAY,
no13-6tamtf Surgeon and Medical Purveyor.

SAFES.

LILLIE'S SAFES—IN LINE OF BATTLE READY FOR ATTACK IN FRONT, FLANK, OR REAR.
ARTICLE SECOND.
In my first article (see *Dispatch*, *Press*, and *Inquirer*, of this week), I addressed myself to the authors of the very unusual and ungentlemanly attack (to apply no harsher epithets) published in a number of papers of last week and headed "Lillie's Safes Blown Open," &c. Why this attack was made in an anonymous form, without signature, when its paternity is so palpable, I will leave the public to judge. In this article I propose to take up somewhat in detail the charges and allegations made in this attack. The first charge is "that those New York humbugs who advertise Lillie's Safes say that they are the only safes that stand fire." This is untrue. There are many sheet-iron safes of different makes that, under favorable circumstances, save the written matter, and frequently the whole contents, when the heat is not too severe. But my claim is (and I so advertise) that the chilled iron safe is the only strictly Fire and Burglar-Proof Safe combined, as usually sold for Mercantile Safes.
When I say my Chilled Iron Safe is burglar proof, I do not say they cannot be got into in any manner; but, on the contrary, I say they can be sledged, and broken. I also say they are generally and usually drill-proof, and impervious to any cutting instruments, as has been proved in any number of tests. I say, further, that any safe not drill-proof is not, nor can it be, burglar-proof, as it is practical for the burglar to use the drill or chisel, but not the sledge.
The next declaration is that there is not one of Lillie's Bank or Mercantile Safes that cannot be drilled and blown open in the same manner as the one at Wilkesbarre. This is a broad declaration, without a shadow of fact to sustain it; and that its truth or falsity may be at once understood and appreciated, I now request any of my patrons in the city of Philadelphia, having my Chilled Iron Safes, to select the best mechanic of their acquaintance, and have the Safe thoroughly tested with the best and most perfect drill or cutting instrument that can be procured; and if in any case the Safe is not pronounced thoroughly and fairly drill-proof, I will furnish a Safe that is, or refund the money if there is any other Safe that can be found to stand more resistance. As to the proposition to send a committee to Troy to see how many over twenty of Lillie's Safes were burned up, I have replied already; but I here offer one certificate signed by twelve prominent business men. This certificate speaks for itself, as to the result and the comparative merits of Lillie's and other Safes. I have also certificates from all other parties having Lillie's Safes in the Troy fire, entirely corroborating the statement made in this certificate as to the comparative merits of Lillie's Safes with others, which can be examined any time at my office:
TROY, N. Y., May 14, 1862.
The undersigned, using LILLIE'S CHILLED AND WROUGHT-IRON FIRE AND BURGLAR-PROOF SAFES, at the time of the late disastrous fire in this city, would state that our Safes were subjected to a severe test by fire, the heat varying in intensity, according to the locality and surroundings. The time they were exposed to the fiery ordeal, unprotected by water, varied from twenty-four to seventy-two hours. We would say that our money, papers, books, &c., were well preserved, and the Safes are suitable for further use. By comparison with Safes of other manufacture, equally exposed, we have no hesitancy in recommending Safes of Lillie's manufacture to the public on their demonstrated merit as entitled to unparalleled confidence as fire-proofs.
James Kenyon, McCoy & Beadle,
S. Bachelor, Denio & Fraser,
S. O. Gleason, Coon & Van Valkenburgh,
Gates H. Barnard, Walsh, Petit, & Anthony,
Percy & King, S. S. McClure,
W. D. Haight, D. H. Snyder.
As to the Wilkesbarre robbery, I now offer Mr. W. G. Sterling's statement, which I think quite as reliable as the statements of my opponents or their agents:
BANKING AND EXCHANGE OFFICE OF W. G. STERLING, WILKESBARRE, Luzerne Co., PA., Nov. 25, 1863.
LEWIS LILLIE, Esq.—*Dear Sir*: In answer to your letter making request for the particulars of the robbery in my office, I would say, that the Safe blown open was an ordinary Mercantile Safe, and not a Bank Safe, as was generally supposed. The burglars had every opportunity for operating, as the Safe was in my back office, which was of easy access from several points at the rear, and, as there were no persons sleeping within some distance of my office, and as there was no watchman or police that frequented that neighborhood, they could work without fear of detection. Persons living on the opposite side of the street report hearing two separate and distinct explosions; also, others distinctly heard the burglars at work while boring; but as there was a stable directly in the rear of my office, the noise of the drilling was attributed to the horses, and no attention was paid to it. The burglars entered my back office by prying open the window-shutters and lifting the sash, which must have given them but little trouble, as both shutters and window-sash are of the kind usually used on dwellings. Learning from your agent that the Safe I was using was not intended for bankers' use, and that it was inferior to those you manufacture for banking purposes—having no [illegible] burglar box or safe, and being of less thickness, &c.—I had some time since concluded to get one of your regular Bank Safes, with inside burglar safe, and had, in fact, written a letter to you, before the robbery, to that effect, but had not sent the letter. The Safe was one that had been used by me several years, and was not as hard or well chilled, in my opinion, as those lately sold by you in this place; also having on the old lock.
You will please send me one of your best No. 2 Burglar and Fire Bank Safes, with inside burglar safe, as, notwithstanding this occurrence, I am still of the opinion that your Safes offer greater resistance to burglars' operations than any other Safe that I am acquainted with.
This burglarious effort can hardly be called a successful one, as the burglars appear to have taken no time to examine the Safe after it was blown open, but made their escape as soon as possible, leaving $17,500 in the Safe, exposed to view. Yours, respectfully, W. G. STERLING.
And I here positively assert, and challenge my opponents to show to the contrary, that Mr. Sterling's expressed opinion as to the relative merits of Lillie's Safe, compared with other safes, is the opinion of the bankers and merchants of Wilkesbarre generally; after making a thorough test with drills, &c. The fact, also, that the robbery was unsuccessful—the burglars leaving $17,500 in the safe in open pigeon-holes—is greatly in favor of Lillie's Safe, showing the importance of strength. It would seem that the lock was held to the door with such firmness that, after the door was drilled, the ordinary charge of powder was applied but the lock was not removed; the second and greater charge was applied, and the result was that not only the safe but the entire building were shattered, and the report so loud as to raise the neighborhood and cause the burglars to leave instanter, having no time to bag the money.
Next in order is a portion of the letter written one year since by Mr. Emery (Mr. Evans' son-in-law), referring to the Lock Haven fire:
When this same letter was first published (as I recollect), Mr. Emery adds: "I enclose one certificate, and expect, or shall get, two more to-morrow;" and, although this same certificate has appeared in the papers and circulars since, I have not had the honor of ever seeing the other two certificates. I am informed, however, from good authority, that the safe for which this certificate was obtained was in a damaged state, and drawn outside of the building before the fire caught; also, that one of the three or four safes (of course, it was difficult to be precise as to number among so many), of same make, was owned by a jeweller, and that some of the watches actually melted together. Also, that another of the same was in so bad a condition, and the others so much injured, that a satisfactory certificate could not be obtained, and Messrs. Boggis & Beadle's statement fully corroborates, in general terms, the results as above stated.
I now offer Messrs. Boggis & Beedle's letter, who were Farrell, Herring, & Co.'s agents at the time; also, T. T. Abrams' letter:
To show how my Safe stood fire, compared with others, and its relative merits:
LOCK HAVEN, January 31, 1863.
LEWIS LILLIE, Esq., Troy, New York.—*Dear Sir*: In answer to your inquiries concerning the late fire in this place, we would say, that our Safe of your manufacture was in the hottest fire of any, the doors were shut and the bolts thrown. But as we had removed our books before the fire reached our Safe, we did not lock the lock of the Safe.
Moreover, as we had nothing of value in the Safe we were in no hurry to get it out of the ruins, and it remained in between three and four days. We do not doubt from what we saw of other makers' Safes, which were got out in a few hours in a damaged state, that they and any Safe of same size of any maker, would have been burnt up under these circumstances.
Yours, respectfully, BOGGIS & BEADLE.
In order to ascertain how much the Safe was injured on the inside, we forced it open with two pickaxes and a crowbar. BOGGIS & BEADLE.
LOCK HAVEN, Jan. 31, 1863.
To L. LILLIE, Esq.—DEAR SIR: The above are Agents for Farrel, Herring, & Co.'s Safe. They stated to me to-day, that from what they knew of Safes at the late fire in this place, they would as soon trust a Lillie's Safe as a Herring safe, or any other.
T. T. ABRAMS, Attorney at Law.
Perhaps I ought to here state that the above Safe was the lightest grade of safe I make, and from some cause was not as thoroughly staid by the wrought bar as is usual, and that it cracked sufficient to allow the vapor to escape, otherwise it is not probable the case would have charred even in the four days' heat, and as it was, had there been anything in it, and the Safe got out soon after the fire, the contents would, without doubt, have been preserved. I now offer Dr. Rockwell's letter, who had the charge of a large Insane Hospital at Brattleboro, Vt., a very heavy block of buildings, which burned to ashes about the time of the Lock Haven fire, to show the usual result of the Chilled Iron Safe in long fires, although it is not expected the common Safe will stand such trials.
BRATTLEBORO VT., Dec. 24th, 1862.
LEWIS LILLIE, Esq.—*Dear Sir*: Our safe has just been got out of the ruins of the Asylum, after having been in the burning remains over *three* days, unprotected by water. The most of our books were removed before the fire, but the money and letters left in the drawers are in good legible condition, and the book-case is not charred in the least. The safe will do for further use by being repaired. We shall send it to you by railroad to-day. Yours truly, W. H. ROCKWELL.
Having, as I think, in this article, satisfactorily replied to the article first alluded to, in my next I will endeavor to present some of the many important advantages the Chilled Iron Safe has over the Sheet Iron, or common Safe, both as a fire and burglar-proof, with the reasons therefor, which I trust will be found conclusive. LEWIS LILLIE.
Per M. C. SADLER, Agent and Attorney, 21 South Seventh street.
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