A Proper Rebuke.

To the Editor of The Press:

SIR: On Friday morning last, as David Paul Brown, Esq., rose to address the jury on behalf of the defendant, in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Kerscher, charged with murder, he perceived that two of the jurymen had their legs stretched out somewhat higher than their bodies, with their dirty boots resting upon the railing that separated the jury box from the Bar. Mr. Brown, before commencing his speech, addressing these two jurymen, said, "Take down your feet, sirs. I come here to speak to men's *heads*, or their hearts, but not to their *feet*; and will submit to no such indignity in a court of justice, when the life of an individual is at stake, for decency is part of the law." The feet, of course, dropped at once, and an apology was made. This was a merited rebuke from the counsel, and a bold one, too, as it was directed to two of the very body who were to decide the prisoner's fate. Mr. Brown, throughout his career, has always endeavored to sustain the respect due to the profession and the dignity belonging to judicial proceedings, and we are sure that his action on this occasion would not only meet with the fullest approbation of the Bar and the Bench, but of the entire community.

I am, sir, truly yours, P.

MAY 22, 1864.

FLOWERS FOR THE PARLOR AND GARDEN.—Now that the spring sun is moving into life and blossom the newcomers in another floral campaign, we cannot in justice omit to call the attention of our lady readers to a very beautiful volume which was published in the dead of winter for their especial benefit. This book itself is a flower—a gem of typographical beauty. Certainly no handsome guide-book for the cultivation of flowers has ever been published in this country. It is as fresh and pleasant to look upon as are the arbutus blossoms which are now putting forth their white and pink bells in token of spring. Mr. Edward Rand, Jr., could not have put his name upon a more memorable page than upon the title-page of this exquisite book upon the culture of flowers. No space is occupied with useless poetical quotations and rhapsodies, but everything is plain, practical, and valuable. It is just what it professes to be—a guide-book for the garden. Every lady can own it, and feel assured that she is, for once, having no nonsense, fictitious, war, or sensation literature. She has that which can make every one happier and the world brighter. Of course, these ladies who are to be benefited by the flowers, will not care for its instructions, but every true woman who would make home pleasanter, more genial and cheerful, and herself more refined in the highest sense of the word, will welcome any help in the culture of her flowers.—*The Round Table.*

THE CITY.

The Thermometer.

MAY 21, 1864.			MAY 22, 1864.		
6 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.	6 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.
65	85	88½	67	81	83½
WIND.			WIND.		
SW	SW	W by S	SW	W by S	WSW
MAY 22, 1863.			MAY 23, 1861.		
6 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.	6 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.
70	80	90	67	76	77
WIND.			WIND.		
NW	NW	WNW	NW	N	NNE

General Conference of the M. E. Church of the United States.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

The Conference opened at the usual hour. Bishop Morris in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Townsley, of the Baltimore Conference.

The journal was then read, and after several corrections approved.

The invitation was read from the Academy of Fine Arts asking the Conference to visit the annual exhibition, which is now open.

RESIDENCES OF BISHOPS.

The Committee on Episcopacy presented their report relative to the Ninth Chapter, Cincinnati, and other matters. They reported a resolution requesting the bishops to distribute their residences over the territories of the Church.

Rev. Dr. Peck strongly advocated the adoption of the report. He alluded to the difficulty of organizing the work on the Pacific coast without a guide.

Rev. Dr. Pearne could not find language to illustrate the magnitude of their interests on the Pacific coast. We need efficient supervision. Some of the bishops spent weeks in the Oregon Conference, but what we need is some one to have authority to lay out large plans and arrange the work. He hoped the report would receive upon the rise and spread of the Roman Church on these shores. He thought not one of the two secretaries that had just been elected should spend at least twelve months in that field.

Rev. Dr. Tuttle also favored the report, and thought they should have all the help the Conference could give.

Rev. Dr. Pearne offered a resolution that one of the bishops, if practicable, should reside on the Pacific coast.

Rev. J. R. Miller thought this Conference had a right to say to their bishops they should distribute their labors and influence all over the world, but that asking was too much. It is the duty of this Conference to take such action, and they should do so, and leave the bishops, servants of the Church, and they should reside where its interests should be attended to, and properly.

A motion was made to postpone indefinitely the amendment

Rev. Dr. Spahn, of Ohio, thought that, if the report was adopted, one of the bishops would reside on the Pacific coast. He did not agree with the amendment, as it looked too much like compelling their bishops to one locality.

Rev. Dr. Peck, of California, said the original report, without amendment, was satisfactory to him. He did not wish their usefulness taken out of the general work in any way whatever.

The amendment was withdrawn, and the report passed finally.

Some discussion here ensued in regard to going into an election to fill the positions of the three gentlemen first elected Bishops, and to the propriety of editing papers belonging to the Church. The election of two of the offices was postponed.

ELECTION OF EDITORS.

The orders of the day were then suspended in order to proceed with the election.

Bishop Ames in the chair.

A motion was made that the election for editor of the *Christian Advocate* be postponed until Tuesday morning next. It was seconded that the time for canvassing had not been sufficient.

The election was delayed of the new bishops have made it necessary or the General Conference to select editors for three of the most popular periodicals of the Church, which have been vacated by their elevation, namely: the *Christian Advocate and Journal*, the *Ladies' Repository*, and the *Western Christian Advocate*.

After some debate the previous question being called, the election for the *Christian Advocate* was postponed until Tuesday.

Rev. J. Morrison Reed, of East Tennessee, was then nominated for editor of the *Ladies' Repository*. Upon balloting no other candidate, was named, unanimously elected by acclamation.

Rev. J. B. Wyan, of Western Conference, was elected to the editorship of the *Pacific Christian Advocate*.

Rev. Dr. Wiley, of Newark, was also elected editor of the *Ladies' Repository* at Cincinnati.

The election of the editor of the *Northern Christian Advocate* was postponed until Tuesday.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A committee of five was asked for and granted, to consider certain propositions from the Associated Choirs of New York, in reference to church music.

The Committee on Appeals of the General Conference asked that twenty-one of their members might constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Agreed to.

The Committee on Book Concern reported a resolution prohibiting patent medicines from advertisements, unless the same is really a beneficial medicine.

The same committee also reported a resolution that the various publishing houses shall dispose of their books at such prices as will leave no profits, but merely pay expenses.

These profits have formerly been donated toward the support of superannuated and circuit ministers. It is now contended that each Conference should raise the necessary funds to support their own ministers who are disqualified from performing the duties of their office.

After some discussion the whole report was laid on the table.

The Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts made a lengthy report, recommending that Sunday-school superintendents be, in all cases, members of the Church, and giving the Quarterly Conference of each church authority to remove him whenever deemed practicable.

Various other alterations to the discipline were recommended, all of which were laid over to be printed.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Work among the Colored People, which will be considered next week, contains the following resolution:

1. *Resolved*, By the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Conference assembling, that it is the duty of our Church to encourage *colored preachers for colored people* wherever practicable, and to contribute to their efficiency by every means in our power.

Resolved, That the efficiency of said pastorate can be best promoted by distinct Conference organizations, and that therefore the bishops be, and they are hereby authorized to organize such conferences as circumstances for the benefit of our colored members and population, Mission Conferences—one or more—where in their godly judgment the exigencies of the work may demand it, and should more than one be organized, to determine their boundaries until the meeting of the next General Conference; said Conference or Conferences to possess all the powers usual to Annual Conferences, with the following exceptions, namely: The right to send delegates to the General Conference; the right to draw from the proceeds of the Book Concern; the right to change appointments, or to vote on constitutional changes. *Provided*, That nothing in this resolution be construed so as to impair the existing constitutional rights of our colored members on the one hand, or to forbid, on the other, the transfer of white ministers to said Conference or Conferences, where it may be practicable and deemed necessary.

3. *Resolved*, That our General Missionary Society be requested to take into careful consideration the condition of our colored people, and should Conferences be organized among them, make up appropriations to them out of other demands upon its funds—such appropriations as may be deemed expedient to success.

On motion, the Committee on Slavery were discharged.

The Committee on Appeals, in the case of W. H. Sheet, of Indiana, who was tried by his Conference and acquitted, but was deprived of his character, reported, and from whose decision the gentleman appealed, as being irregular, reported that the action of that Conference be reversed. Agreed to.

The Committee on Temporal Economy made a report, which was laid over.

DEPARTURE OF DELEGATES.

Rev. W. L. Thornton, delegate from England, and Rev. Robinson Scott, delegate from Ireland, then bid farewell in the following eloquent and feeling words. They alluded to the kindness, both public and private, which had been manifested toward them, and expressed their pleasure at their entertainment return by the next steamer to their far-off homes.

A motion to have afternoon sessions on and after Monday, was laid on the table.

The Committee on Correspondence made a report of an address which they have prepared to the Methodist Church of England. It was read by the Rev. Dr. Thompson, Bishop elect. It expressed in the strongest terms the affection of the M. E. Church for the Mother Body, and closes with nominating the Rev. Bishop James, and Rev. Dr. Thomson, now Bishop elect, of the United States Senate, as representatives to the Wesleyan body. The address was adopted.

THE UNION VOLUNTEER REFRESHMENT SALOON.

An invitation was then read from the committee attached to the Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, asking the delegates to visit and inspect the saloon. This kind invitation was accepted.

LAY DELEGATION.

Rev. W. H. Richards, of Providence, offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Lay Delegation to consider the propriety of changing the Discipline, page 48, section 5, question 1, answer 1, by adding "also three laymen from each district, who shall be elected annually by the District Stewards at their fourth quarterly meeting, and who shall be allowed to speak and vote on all questions not affecting the character of travelling preachers."

To conform to the above change, append to section 3 the following: "1 shall be the lay of the District Stewards to elect three suitable laymen for such district to attend the annual conference next ensuing, as provided in the Discipline." Referred to the Committee on Lay Delegates.

An invitation for the General Conference to hold its next session in Chicago was presented. A motion to adjourn was then made and carried.

After singing the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Thompson.

A. M. E. General Conference.

VISIT TO THE MINT—HYMN-BOOK FOR SOLDIERS.

Conference met, pursuant to adjournment, on Saturday, Bishop Payne in the chair. Devotional exercises by Rev.

Roll called and minutes read and approved.

Bishop Payne announced that it was half past nine o'clock.

The order of the day was called.

VISIT TO THE MINT.

The chairman stated that, by request, this hour was set apart as the hour for visiting the United States Mint.

A motion prevailed that Conference, under the lead of the Bishops, proceed to the Mint, and return for the next order of business.

The marshals then formed the Conference in line of procession, and at once proceeded on their visit, which was highly appreciated by the members.

Rev. Henry Davis rose to a privileged question in regard to a disappointment with which he had been charged as being connected. He said he had been misinformed in regard to the time he was requested to preach the funeral sermon, and besides, he had at the time especially stated that he could not fill the appointment.

UNION MOVEMENT.

Rev. W. R. Revels moved that the Conference at once proceed to the consideration of the union movement between the A. M. E. and the A. M. E. Zion Church.

Rev. Mr. Revels withdrew his motion to defer the organization of the Parent Missionary Society; that being the order of the day for this hour.

Bishop Payne then proceeded to name the officers necessary under the constitution for the government of the society.

A committee retired to consider the matter of organizing the Parent Missionary Society.

The Conference purchased a set of maps for the guidance of the Committee on Boundaries.

Rev. Philip Jollyer moved to detach West Virginia and East Tennessee and Kentucky East from the Mission Conference and attach them to Ohio.

A debate ensued upon the expediency of the motion under consideration, and the motion on being put to vote was adopted.

The Committee on Sabbath-schools made their report. They presented a plan for the organization of a Sunday-School Union, with a constitution, etc.

The report received several amendments and was finally adopted.

Committee on Parent Missionary Society reported the officers of said organization, for the ensuing year, as follows: President, ——; vice presidents, ——; secretaries, John M. Brown and Page Fyler; treasurer, J. W. Beckett; executive committee, to consist of the ministers of the Baltimore, Washington, Alexandria, and Georgetown stations; board of managers, to consist of three members from each annual Conference district.

The report was then adopted as amended.

Rev. John Turner called up the report of Rev. T. M. D. Ward, and said that no general notice of the report had been taken by the Conference. He thought Conference should have this report noticed in the minutes of the Conference. A motion to this effect was adopted.

Rev. Ward desired that part of the business of yesterday, which relates to California, be now taken up.

Rev. Charles Pitman contended that this was out of order, as the committee on that subject had not reported.

HYMN BOOK FOR COLORED SOLDIERS.

Rev. J. P. Campbell moved a suspension of the rules, in order to hear from the Rev. A. Manship, of the Hedding M. E. Church, who presented a hymn book compiled to suit the army, and desired the Conference to take some action for its circulation among our colored soldiers. Seventy of the very popular army hymns found in this collection were sung, and a collection of twenty seven dollars ($27) was taken on the spot to assist in sending this little book among our soldiers, who so much desire it.

Rev. Thomas M. D. Ward addressed the Conference for a few moments; and after wishing many blessings to attend their deliberations, touchingly bid the Conference and Bishops an affectionate farewell. It is expected that Elder Ward will deliver his last address, before leaving for the Pacific coast, on next Wednesday evening.

Conference adjourned with the benediction.

MILITARY.

DEATH OF A SOLDIER.—The following death was reported at the Medical Director's office on Saturday:

Haddington U. S. Army Hospital, Sixty-fifth and Vine streets.—Corporal Henry M. Kissell, company M, 5th Regiment, Pennsylvania Reserves, of phthisis pulmonalis.

OFFICERS FOR COLORED REGIMENTS.—The following pupils of the Free Military School in this city passed an examination at Washington, last week, before the board of examiners. They were recommended for the positions named below:

For First Lieutenants.—William H. Cox, corporal, Co. A, 21st Pennsylvania Regiment; William E. Palmer, private, Co. G, 146th New York Regiment; Alexander Duncan, private, 6th Pennsylvania Reserves; Charles H. Barnard, private, 21st Connecticut Regiment; Thomas Dewees, civilian, of Chester, Pa.; George W. Bosworth, civilian, of New Hampshire.

For Second Lieutenants.—William R. Targee, corporal, 21st Connecticut Regiment; Joseph E. Stone, civilian, of Maine; Morritt S. Harding, civilian, of Pennsylvania; Rev. Wm. A. Burrows, corporal, Co. H, 16th Regiment Veteran Reserve Corps.

THE PROVOST GUARD REGIMENT.—Major J. S. Schultze, at present upon the staff of Major Gen. Couch, commanding this department, has been commissioned colonel of the Provost Guard Regiment, recently organized in this State, and now numbering upwards of one thousand men.

NEW HOSPITAL ARRANGEMENT.—The army hospital at Chester, which has been used for several months past as a barracks for returning veterans, has been relinquished by Col. Gregory, and will in the future be used as before, for sick and wounded soldiers. Surgeon T. E. Bache will have charge of the hospital.

RECRUITING.—The Mayor issued warrants on Saturday for the payment of the bounty to seamen, making a total of forty-six for the whole week. From the passage of the ordinance, in December last, to Saturday, the city bounty has been paid to 14,800 men.

ARRIVAL OF MORE WOUNDED.—Aran early hour in the morning about six hundred men from the late battle-fields arrived at the Baltimore depot. They were taken to the Citizens' Volunteer Hospital, (directly opposite,) where every kindness and attention was bestowed on them by those in charge. They were removed by the ambulances of our firemen to the general hospitals. Among them were the following from Pennsylvania and New Jersey regiments:

PENNSYLVANIA.

J Moore, D, 84	G McMiller, F, 61
Oliver Conklin, C, 5 Res	Adam Walter, F, 98
B B Duncan, A, 8 Res	Lewis Smith, E, 48
Sergt S T Bailey, K, 10 Res	Frank Kreiger, E, 49
Michael Gilian, A, 12 Res	Danl Dekamp, F, 50
J W Green, G, 11	Josh H George, D, 62
J Clark, B, 11	John Henderson, G, 63
Alex Pliel, E, 11	Chas Hedding, A, 91
Jas C Bonsall, G, 11	Sergt J Bloomghausen, B, 98
Wm H Platt, C, 14	John Jones, D, 14
B Bowman, D, 116	John McGuire, B, 138
Wm Parker, K, 140	Jas O Parker, A, 149
Wm Stratton, D, 155	John M Hagar, M
Thos Wilson, K, 3d Res	Alex Karr, B, 5th Res
Sergt Geo W Ryan, B, 12th Res	Sergt Geo W Ryan, B, 12th Res
John Hope, F, 26	Richard E Findley, D, 11
Henry S Frantz, H, 50	Jos K Goss, A, 110
Jas Setzler, H, 50	Wm O Gaugler, F 105
Edwin B Hewitt, D, 50	Samuel Cadsdillar, K, 140
Sergt Hugh Mitchell, R, 50	Geo W Walker, Hosp, D, 148
Sergt Henry Conwey, R, 71	S W Miller, I, 149
Geo Wetzell, D, 62	Geo W Barrett, F, 149
John G Avery, E, 88	Jas T Reed, H, 149
John P Goodhart, F, 88	Lafayette Derby, H, 150
Corp Elias D Kerst, H, 88	Jas W Weldon, G, 153
Sergt Wm H Morris, I, 90	Samuel Hendricks, A, 183
J B Conner, D, 93	John Minsen, A, 183
Chas J Black, D, 110	Thos J Black, D, 110
John McIlhargue, C, 90	John McIlhargue, C, 90
Sergt Geo Hoover, K, 98	Wm Fortimyr, B, 57
Sergt Jas Bell, K, 98	W G Turney, A, 62
Corp R C Richardson, C, 8	John Wodsworth, A, 8
John Bennett, C, 8	John McGuire, I, 98
John Saylor, A, 95	Sergt Geo W Mears, A, 8
Walter Barrett, I, 8	J W Welsh, G, 61
Joseph Pilly, G, 91	W Dunbaugh, C, 71
J M Heller, E, 49	G W Thompson, G, 143
Samuel H Squier, B, 45	John G Bricker, A, 43
Jerome Seymour, H, 47	Oliver Pearson, A, 95
Jas W Young, D, 100	Corp Isaac Gorgas, I, 1
Henry Woodring, B, 96	John M Bailey, F, 105
Wm Speer, C, 110	Corp H C Richardson, C, 8
J E Robinson, I, 81	John Bennett, C, 8
Henry Reoth, C, 1 Res	Jas Tall, K, 11
John Smith, C, 13	John Giles, corp, E, 55
Henry Fisher, A, 69	John Harman, D, 100
H McCurdy, B, 105	Geo West, G, 51
Corp C W Hoover, D, 49	Abram Boring, G, 71
J Wright, H, 13	J E Reckor, I, 149
J Williams, G, 49	W Munnimer, A, 61
Jas Reid, E, 10	Abram Boring, G, 71
S H Ewing, B, 110	W J Edmond, A, 20
John Elkic, K, 119	T J Knowles, B, 56
	Chas Widger, D, 51
	A Gingerich, I, 149
	J M Haycock, G, 141
	I Purdy, H, 140
	G J Wilkins, K, 81
	W E Wagner, A, 106
	J H Clark, A, 3 Cav
	J Gloseger, B, 50
	Capt Robt Stewart, D, 72

NEW JERSEY.

Louis Beall, 1 Cav	J B Voorhees, E, 8
Wm Black, E, 16	J N Shipman, D, 13
Alphus Decker, D, 15	G H Saunders, C, 12
Wm Flanagan, K, 15	J Banman, I, 3 —

The following belonging to Pennsylvania and New Jersey were arrived on Friday morning on board the transport George Leary, from Fortress Monroe:

W M McGee, E, 55	Saul Lapotin, B, 76
Richd Shelly, F, 55	August Kiesling, B, 5 Cav
J W Sherry, A, 55	Conrad Young, H, 76
Geo Dunbar, A, 55	Phil Somers, D, 5 Cav
Jas H Wright, H, 55	J H Rissling, H, 56
J S Eckland, K, 112	H Hemer, A, 55
Jesse S Morris, G, 55	Saml Stimmer, I, 5 Cav
W B Mathews, Jr, M, 162	Homer Gaffin, Jr, B, 5 Cav
Watson S King, C, 76	Mathias Fish, L, 5 Cav
Philander Mooney, D, 76	Jos H Lile, F, 5 Cav
Daller Shultz, F, 76	Mathew Garland, I, 55
Jos Mason, D, 3 Art	Saml Pierson, K, 97
Chas Jones, K, 76	Jas A Allen, D, 55
Benj F Foit, G, 76	Isaac Holler, C, 76
J Hippert, D, 76	Geo M Rose, E, 5 Cav
Sidney W Thomas, I, 76	David Miller, H, 183
Alex Mayer, E, 76	Wm Zimmerman, B, 8 Cav
Jacob Stanton, F, 76	Wm H Less, M, 16
Wesley Murkin, H, 76	Jos P Love, B, 16
John Green, H, 55	Geo Gapps, H, 183
Jas W Gapps, H, 183	Jas W Gapps, H, 183
R D Dowes, C, 5 Cav	G O Brian, C, 5 Cav
John D Jenning, B, 9	John W Gliger, L, 4 Cav
Patrick Finch, F, 97	Geo W Cook, B, 8
Thos Kicklam, E, 97	Sergt Ant P Wilace, A, 76
John Meffert, B, 76	J Bachmann, G, 55
B H Godfrey, F, 76	John A Colo, B, 138
Abrm S Corp, F, 55	John Madden, E, 55
Frank Vielman, H, 97	Jas Connelly, I, 76
John Barker, G, 97	John Jones, E, 55
D L Benner, H, 3 Art	John M Semple, C, 3 Art
Thos Schedley, A, 97	S J Campbell, G, 5 Art
John Linder, K, 138	Dennis Murphy, F, 5 Cav
Sergt J Bloomghausen, F, 5 Cav	Mich Burnell, B, 3 Cav
John P Dickey, I, 11	Jas B Work, F, 55
Chas Lee, I, 55	Jeremiah Sogers, A, 55
Wm Wilson, H, 57	Robt William, F, 55
Napoleon Jackson, D, 97	Geo O Brown, M, 17 Cav
Francis Mitchell, D, 97	H W McMillen, M, 17 Cav
H Howard, G, 55	Geo Benton, F, 76
Geo Collin, B, 55	J Baker, A, 55
Danl Brose, B, 4 Cav	Jacob B Wright, I, 11 Cav
Wm Linton, B, 4 Cav	Serg Peter Wolf, B, 55
Andrew Lee, E, 55	Geo B Hays, E, 4 Cav
Calvin J Coulter, H, 55	Geo Bardenbaut, E, 55
G C Beaman, A, 55	Jas S Campbell, E,55
Jas S Campbell, E,55	

NEW JERSEY.

S Garton, K, 9	John J Jenning, E, 9
J D Doode, E, 9	Thos P Wood, D, 1
Geo Seaton, G, 1	Absalom Hooper, K, 9
John Hamond, K, 9	J H Edwards, F, 9
A D Brown, F, 9	W H Bendy, A, 9

NAVAL.

OUR NAVAL STATION.—Work at the navy yard is progressing rapidly. A number of vessels are undergoing construction and repairing. The large steamer Neshannony, now building at the upper ship house, is rapidly assuming a finished condition. She has received her planking, and workmen are now engaged at laying the deck. The monitor Tecumseh is attached to one of the wharves. Workmen are engaged at the interior. The deck will soon be planked. The steamers Yantic, Shenandoah, James Adger, and Saratoga, will be ready for action, and will sail by the end of this month.

The Juniata is lying at Kaighn's Point, receiving her machinery.

The monitor Camden, which is being built at the ship house at Kaighn's Point will be ready for launching in a few weeks.

DEPARTURE OF A WAR VESSEL.—The U. S. steamer Iroquois, carrying nine guns, which has been thoroughly repaired at the navy yard, left here on Friday evening for Fort Mifflin, where she received her complement of powder, and sailed on Saturday for a foreign station.

FROM THE BLOCKADING SQUADRON.—The U. S. supply steamer Massachusetts, Lieut. West commanding, arrived at the navy yard on an early hour on Saturday morning, from the South Atlantic blockading squadron. She reports no fighting going on at Charleston, which she left, which was on the evening of the 17th. The only attack that had been made was by two monitors going up and shelling Fort Sumpter. The New Ironsides had not been in action. The Massachusetts brought up 400 passengers, comprising officers, invalids, and discharged men.

She also brought up two monitor smoke-stacks, and some deck-plates, one torpedo from St. Johns, Fla., broken shot from the decks of iron-clads, and a number of contrabands. The contrabands are military Fair. The smoke-stacks have been performed in every part, by the rebels.

The following is a list of officers that came up in her from the South:

Commander A. H. Hughes, Lieut. Commander Edward Simpson, Lieut. Commander L. L. Davis, Lieut. Commander F. A. Bunce, Lieut. J. T. Hazleton, Acting Master W. H. Garfield, Acting Master W. H. D. Wolf, Acting Master Joseph W. Tuck, Acting Master L. G. Emerson, Acting Master C. Rockwell, Acting Master G. W. Dorsett, A. A. Paymaster E. Litteli, A. A. Surgeon J. W. Hamilton, A. A. Surgeon J. R. May, Acting Ensign George D. Thomas, Acting Ensign E. Hitch, Jr., Acting Ensign F. M. Banks, First Assistant Engineer Henry Mason, Second Assistant Engineer George D. Emmons, Acting Second Assistant Engineer George Dennis, Acting Second Assistant Engineer S. Warren, Acting Third Assistant Engineer John Grimes, Acting Third Assistant Engineer J. S. Roake, Captains' Clerks, J. H. Chamberlain and W. D. Manderville, Paymasters' Clerks S. F. Aiken and A. Davis, Carpenter S. N. Whitehouse, Acting Master's Mates John S. Carpenter, John S. Manning, W. R. Pease; Mr. L. A. Sengfeller, U. S. C. Survey; A. A. Surgeon W. H. Campbell.

ARRIVAL OF REBEL PRISONERS.—The U. S. steamer S. R. Spaulding arrived off the city on Saturday morning from Fortress Monroe. She brought a number of rebel prisoners, most of whom were officers, who were taken from the Libby prison ware on her way up, and landed the prisoners, where they were confined with their rebellious companions.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.—The twenty-seventh anniversary of this society was held on Saturday morning last, in the Tabernacle Baptist Church, on Chestnut street, above Eighteenth. The proceedings were opened by the singing of the 552d hymn, reading of the Scriptures by Rev. Dr. Gudewoods, and prayer by Rev. E. J. Johnson.

The president, Rev. B. T. Welch, then delivered the opening address. The following appointments were made for the ensuing year:

Officers of the Society—Rev. W. S. Mikels, of New York; Rev. C. T. Walker, of Mississchusetts; Rev. N. E. Reed, of Ohio; Rev. P. S. Henson, of Pennsylvania; Rev. Wm. Arthur, of New York, and P. Mason, Esq., of New Jersey.

Committee on Enrolment—Rev. H. S. Smith, New Jersey; Samuel Raynor, Esq., New York.

Committee of Arrangements—Rev. D. C. Eddy, of Penna.; Rev. J. Fletcher, of Conn.; P. P. Runyon, Esq., New Jersey.

Committee on Obituaries—Rev. E. Lathrop, New York; Rev. J. R. Stoner, Ohio; Rev. R. Atkinson, New Jersey.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read by George Gault, Esq.

The report of the Board of Managers was read by the corresponding secretary, W. D. Ward, Esq.

It shows the society to be in a flourishing condition.

THE BALL-PLAYERS' TRIBUTE TO THE SANITARY FAIR.—The series of contests at base ball that have been arranged for the benefit of the Sanitary Commission not only excite unusual interest in ball-playing circles, but will doubtless attract a larger concourse of spectators to the new ball grounds on Twenty-fifth and Jefferson streets than ever been collected at a ball match in the city before. Not only does the programme include a grand match between selected contestants of the prominent clubs of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, State *vs.* State, but also exciting club contests between the leading organizations of our city and those of Princeton, Newark, New York, and Brooklyn. Besides the interest naturally attached to such matches, there is this about those now the first games played under the new rules of base ball, imparts a degree of interest to them likely to attract hundreds of ball-players from the country to witness and be informed with the proper definition of the amended rules of the game. That this is a feature of the series of games is shown by the fact that the noted ball-player and umpire, Mr. P. O'Brien, of the Atlantic Club, of Brooklyn, has been invited to act as umpire in these games, and he will officiate in the position on Wednesday. Aside from these considerations, however, there is the one great attraction that should induce a crowded assemblage on each day's play, viz: the proceeds are to go to aid our gallant soldiers. Let this fact be borne in mind by all.

ADMISSION TO THE SANITARY FAIR.—It will be seen by an advertisement from the Executive Committee of the Great Central Fair that it is to be opened on Tuesday, June 7th, and that the price of single admissions will be only fifty cents. We call attention to the fact, as therefrom been some misapprehension on the subject. In New York they charged $1, and we venture to say their exhibition was not near as attractive as ours will be.

SUN POST OFFICE.—The sub post office for the reception and delivery of letters, and for the better accommodation of the inhabitants of the Southern section of the city, will be opened this morning for business. It is located one door from the southwest corner of Fifteenth and Washington avenue. Mr. John Savery has charge of the department.

FLAG RAISING.—A large and beautiful flag was hauled to the top of a pole in Franklin Square on Saturday afternoon. This flag was presented to the city by the residents of the neighborhood. The square was well filled with old and young, who participated in the cheers that rent the air as the flag was hoisted to its place, breeze.

ARRIVAL OF EMIGRANTS.—The ship Village Belle, Captain Little, arrived at this port on Saturday evening, from Londonderry, with 245 emigrants. The vessel remained at anchor off her dock during yesterday with the emigrants on board, and their friends visited them in boats.

ORDERED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI.—Surgeon George Rex, U. S. Vols., has been relieved from duty at the Christian-street U. S. Army Hospital, and ordered to the Department of Missouri.

CORONER'S DEPARTMENT.

Verdict Relative to the Steam-Boiler Explosion at Messrs. Cornelius & Baker's Manufactory.

In accordance with your (Coroner Taylor's) instructions we, your jurymen, have examined carefully the premises of Messrs. Cornelius & Baker, on Cherry street, the scene of the late disastrous explosion; have heard the testimony of the witnesses brought before us, and, have carefully and thoroughly made an examination of the case, are now prepared to render our verdict, preferring it in a manner and in the facts as presented to us, and detailing our deductions from the evidence various accumulated.

The boilers which exploded were designed and built by Messrs. Morgan & Orr, of Philadelphia, and had been in use about two and a half years. There were two of these boilers set side by side, but working independently of each other: of these the one towards the south was built and put in operation a few weeks before the other, which we may call the north boiler. Each of these boilers consisted of three cylinders, three cylindrical boilers, placed horizontally one above the other, called, in the order of their superposition, the mud-drum, at the lowest point, the tube-drum, and the steam-drum. The mud-drum was back of the grate bars, and was 34 inches in diameter and 8 feet long. The tube-drum extended over the fire, and was 36 inches in diameter and 10 feet long. The steam-drum, 32 inches in diameter and 14 feet long. The water was at the middle of the steam-drum, which part was therefore half full of water; the tube-drum and mud-drum being this very time, filled with water. The mud-drum was connected with the tube-drum by one hundred 12 inches in diameter tubes, and the tube-drum was connected with the steam-drum by four necks each 12 inches in diameter and 5 inches long.

The tube-drum contained 104 tubes, of seven feet each 3 inches internal diameter, running from end to end through these the fire passed, the water surrounding them. There were tubes 1½ inch in diameter between the tubes themselves and between the outer row of tubes and the outer shell of the tube-drum, to carry off the fire from the furnace was made to pass under the tube-drum and over the mud-drum to the back end of the boiler, then passing through the tubes of the tube-drum to the front of the boiler, and then passing through half of the tube-drum and under the steam-drum to the chimney.

Water was supplied to the boilers by a No. 5 Gifford injector, which passing through the side of the boiler to the back of the mud-drums, which they entered at the lower part. Water was supplied to each boiler separately, and cocks were arranged between the tubes themselves and between the outer row of tubes and the outer shell of the tube-drum, to clean out the tubes.

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