THE CITY.

MILITARY.

THE ARMY HOSPITALS.

The following report of the army hospitals, in the Department of the Susquehanna, for the week ending May 21st, 1864, was received at the Medical Director's Office yesterday:

HOSPITALS.	No. admitted.	No. returned to duty.	No. died.	No. remaining.
South-street	73	1	1	231
Haddington, Sixty-fifth and Vine	70	6	1	151
Chestnut Hill	725	85	2	2,138
Summit House	17	1	1	305
Sixteenth and Filbert	16	6	...	238
Cliveden, Germantown	7	1	...	49
Satterlee	956	9	...	2,510
Broad and Cherry	20	...	...	71
Officers'—Camden's Woods	1	...	...	6
Chester, Pa	126	5	...	110
Turner's-lane	140	11	...	240
York, Pa	34	14	...	243
Christian-street	72	9	...	156
Gorgas-town, Pa	276	10	...	501
McClellan	640	17	...	1,065
Islington-lane	3	2	...	17
Total	2853	226	6	8,170

THE EVISTON BATTERY.

This battery will be held, during Thursday, on the grounds of the St. John's Orphan Asylum, West Philadelphia, on behalf of the orphans of that institution. It will no doubt be a pleasant affair, and a large attendance is anticipated.

AN EXAMPLE WORTH FOLLOWING.

Messrs. Stone, Quigley & Burton, of this city, who contracted to put up the sheds on the south avenue of the buildings for the Great Central Fair at Logan Square, finding, after their work was done and paid for, that the amount received by them exceeded the *actual cost*, returned the excess—*two hundred and thirty dollars*—to the Superintendent of the buildings.

CASUALTIES.

A lad named Henry Evans, aged 12 years, was seriously injured yesterday morning by falling from the roof of a house at Sixteenth and Callowhill sts. He was taken to his parents' residence in Carlton street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth, and is not expected to recover.

A little girl, named Emma Gunkle, was injured internally on Sunday afternoon by falling down the steps at the Fairmount basin. She was conveyed to the residence of her parents, No. 731 Race street.

PUBLIC SCHOOL DEDICATION.

The public school house located at the corner of Catharine and Twentieth streets, will be dedicated at four o'clock this afternoon. The building is named Andrew G. Curtin, in honor of the Governor of the State. His Excellency has been invited, and may be present on the occasion.

DIED FROM INJURIES RECEIVED.

Douglas Knorr, aged six years, who was run over by a Lombard and Southstreet passenger railroad car, at Thirteenth and South, about five weeks ago, and had both ankles crused, died from his injuries on Saturday night.

CORONER'S INQUESTS.

VERDICT IN A RAILROAD CASE.

The coroner's jury in the case of Wm. Costello, who was run over and killed by one of the Manayunk Passenger Railroad cars, rendered the following verdict: "Said Wm. Costello was killed by injuries received by falling off car No. 4 of the Manayunk Passenger Railway Company on Sunday, May 22d, 1864."

FATAL ACCIDENT.

A man named John Mahoney, aged 28 years, while carrying a ladder on his shoulder, at Twelfth and Market streets, yesterday, missed his hold and fell to the ground, killing himself instantly. An inquest was held on the body and a verdict of accidentally killed rendered.

CHURCH CONVENTIONS.

GENERAL BONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH OF THE UNITED STATES.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.

The meeting was called to order at the usual time, Bishop Janes in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Dustan, of New Hampshire.

The journal of Saturday's proceedings was read and approved.

PLAN OF TRUSTEESHIP.

The Committee on Temporal Economy presented their report, it provides for the better security of donations, bequests, grants, &c., made for benevolent purposes to the Methodist Episcopal Church. In order to do this, a board of trustees, composed of ministers and laymen, invested with corporate powers, is instituted by the General Conference to receive and hold in trust for the benefit of the Church any and all donations, grants, bequests, &c., not specially directed, but simply made to the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

It makes it the duty of the preacher in the bounds of whose charge it occurs to give such notice thereof to the Board, who shall proceed without delay to take possession of the same. The Board is to make a faithful report of their receipts at each Conference, and said body shall dispose of the funds according to its last judgment.

The committee further recommend to the General Conference the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the foregoing Board shall be located at Cincinnati, in the State of Ohio.

Resolved, That the Board so appointed are hereby instructed early to take steps to secure corporate powers under the laws of the State of Ohio, under the name and style of "The Board of Trustees of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States," to enable them legally to execute the prescribed trusts.

The report was adopted. The following persons constitute the Board: Rev. Messrs. Bowman, Durbin, Grimble, Dr. Nast, Dr. Poe, W. Young, and A. N. Bishop, Esqs. H. B. Hagans, T. H. Whetstine, and John Fudge, Esqs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Itinerancy reported having carefully considered the propriety of making the directions or exceptions to the two years limitation of the discipline the editors of such papers as may be elected by at least two Annual Conferences, as referred to them.

They recommend that the discipline be amended by inserting after the words "Sau Francisco," the words "the editor of *Zion's Herald*."

The report of the committee was adopted.

On motion the report of the Committee on German Work was taken up. The report is very long, and closes with the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the German work be organized into three Annual Conferences, each containing about seventy-five preachers.

Resolved, That the German work at present connected with the Illinois Conference and Missouri Conference, and the Galena German districts, of the Upper Iowa Conference, be formed into a Conference, to be called the Northwestern German Conference.

Resolved, That the German work at present connected with the Illinois, Southern Illinois, and Kansas Conferences, and the Burlington German district of the Upper Iowa Conference, be formed into a Conference, to be called the Southwestern G-rman Conference.

Resolved, That the German work at present connected with the Cincinnati, North Ohio, and Southeastern Indiana Conferences be formed into a Conference, to be called the Central German Conference.

The report further states that there is now a German-speaking population of nearly five millions souls in this country, a language unlike any other employed by men of different, with well-defined systems of rationalism and organized societies.

They must be met, if saved from sin, with the Gospel of Peace, proclaimed in their own language, which language will be continued in use as the medium of thought, while Germany continues to send its teeming thousands to our Western world.

The report was debated at length by Rev. Col. Moody, Dr. Nast, J. V. R. Miller, and others.

The previous question was then ordered and the report adopted, item by item.

The following were also adopted:

Resolved, That the German work in the New York Conference remain for the present as it is; but that the bishop, with the concurrence of the New York Conference at its next session, shall have power to form the same into a German Annual Conference.

They also recommend the following with regard to the German work in California:

Resolved, That the German work in California remain in its present form.

Resolved, That the agents of the Western Book Concern are requested to publish the manuscript hymn book prepared for the use of the German members of the M. E. Church.

Resolved, That the same parties be requested to have a tune book, adapted to the hymn book, prepared for the use of our German members, under the supervision of a committee of three German, to be appointed by the agents, and to publish the same as soon as possible after the preparation of the hymn book.

Resolved, That the bishops be requested to appoint a committee of three members of this General Conference to visit the next General Conference of the Evangelical Association, and to correspond with the authorities of that Church, should the way be opened in the order of Providence, for a closer union between the Churches.

The Committee on Missions reported a resolution in favor of amending the 12th article of the Constitution of the Missionary Society, so that the Annual Conferences shall be divided into as many missionary districts as there are effective superintendents, and there shall be a committee consisting of one from each mission district, to be appointed by the Bishops, and to be called the General Missionary Committee.

The Committee will meet annually in New York, to act jointly with the Board of Managers, &c., in fixing the amount which may be drawn for during the ensuing year, and to divide the said amount among the foreign missions, domestic missions, and missions in the United States and Territories not included in the boundary of any of the Annual Conferences. The committee shall determine what fields shall be occupied as foreign missions, &c.

The report also proposes to change the name of the Rocky Mountain Conference to Colorado Conference, and that the Board of Bishops be requested to make a correspondence in the Liberia Mission and the African M. E. Church, with a view of ascertaining the feasibility of transferring the former to the care of the latter; and that, if in their judgment such transfer can be advantageously made, the Bishops be and are hereby empowered to consummate it.

Rev. J. Mail Riley, of Baltimore, was not willing that the Liberian Mission Annual Conference should be invited to seek a home elsewhere.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Durbin, the item was laid upon the table.

The following was offered by him: That in the judgment of this General Conference one of the bishops should visit each Foreign Mission Conference at least once in four years; which was adopted.

An amendment was adopted to the discipline that all contributions to the Missionary Society be published in the annual report.

The balance of the report was adopted.

DEPARTURE OF A DELEGATE.

Rev. Dr. Neille, a delegate from the Wesleyan body of Canada, then made a farewell speech, he being about to return to his home.

A resolution reciprocating the kind feelings of the body with the Wesleyan body in Canada, and pledging hearty co-operation with them, was offered by Rev. Dr. Hibbord and unanimously agreed to.

THE WORD "DISLOYAL."

The Committee on Itinerancy reported having examined the journals of the various Annual Conferences, which they found generally in good order, and kept according to the Methodist discipline and usages. They further state that the journal of the Baltimore Conference, for 1861, was not before them, the same having been stolen by a disloyal member of that Conference.

Objections were made to the word disloyal.

A motion was made that the report be amended so as to read, "been withdrawn by the Secretary of the Conference."

Rev. Mr. Lanahan, of the Baltimore Conference, favored the amendment, because the language was more becoming a calm deliberative body of Christian ministers.

Rev. Col. Moody was in favor of calling things by their right names. When the spirit of disloyalty crawls into a man everything good goes out of him, and if the journal was stolen by a disloyal secretary or anybody else the body ought to say so.

The amendment was adopted.

A question of privilege being admitted, the Rev. Mr. Lanahan, of Baltimore, rose for an explanation. He understood the Rev. Col. Moody to accuse him indirectly of being a sympathizer with the rebellion, and wanted to know if this was really the gentleman's opinion of him?

Col. Moody said he believed that Mr. Lanahan had said and did sympathize with the rebellion. That was his opinion, openly expressed.

Rev. Mr. Peck, of California, defended Mr. Lanahan. He said that any man who resided on the border, and had stood up so nobly as Mr. Lanahan had, was far above any such remark as had been applied to him. This remark was highly applauded by the Conference.

Rev. Mr. Lanahan also replied. He had but one record, and that a clear and stood without a blot. He recorded every and all charges of disloyalty, and had unlocked every and all closets of the Department in his pockets-to-buy records from the War Department at Washington, thinking to aid him for the services he had rendered the Government.

The Rev. Colonel rose to reply, but a motion to adjourn was made and carried.

The Doxology was then sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Dr. J. T. Peck.

A. M. E. GENERAL CONFERENCE.

ORDINATION OF BISHOPS—DETACHMENT OF STATES —VISITS WERE ORDERED TO BE MADE—DISSENTERS ON EXTRA VAGANT BONNETS AND DRESS.

Conf-rence met pursuant to adjournment.

Devotional exercises by senior Bishop, Right Rev. William Paul Quinn, assisted by Revs. Bishops Narrey and Payne.

The order was entered upon by reading and singing the hymn—

"Come, let us use the grace divine.
And all with one accord
In a sacred covenant join
Ourselves to Christ the Lord."

Rev. Jordan W. Early moved that the motion which declares East Tennessee and Kentucky from the Missouri Conference, and attaches them to the Ohio Conference, be reconsidered. Adopted.

Rev. Bishop Quinn moved that Illinois State or Michigan be detached from the Indianan Conferences and united with the Illinois and Central Conference.

Rev. Charles Burch moved the Conference adjourn to meet immediately after the ordination of the Bishops. Carried.

ORDINATION OF BISHOPS.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, viz: the ordination of Revs. Alexander W. Wayman, of Baltimore Conference, and Jabez P. Campbell, of the Philadelphia Conference, to the office of Bishops of the A. M. E. Church.

Bishop Narrey commenced the exercises by reading and singing the hymn—

"Head of the church triumphant,
We joyfully adore thee," &c.

Bishop Nazrey then proceeded to preach the ordination sermon, from Acts, 20th chapter and 28th verse: "Take heed, therefore, unto yourselves, and to the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers."

The Bishop proceeded in a clear and concise manner to elucidate on the text and apply his subject to the occasion. He considered not the passages in favor of strength in the hours of trial and difficulties, and in order that those things might be attained to which were required to add to their faith, virtue, knowledge, godliness, &c. He said these brethren now to be ordained had much to learn; they had learning to unlearn. He commended them to the studies to acquire a knowledge of the early languages in which the Scriptures were originally written. He recommended them to counsel with *their colleagues* in all great and important matters, for in the multitude of counsel there is safety. He prayed that the Holy Ghost might consecrate the great and holy work they were now to enter upon.

Rev. Bishop Quinn read the form, John 21, ch. 15, 17 verses.

Rev. E. D. Davis presented the candidates.

Rev. Bishop Payne interrogated them as per discipline, and continued the exercises with silent prayer.

The "Veni; Creator Spiritus" was recited, after which the administration of the Lord's Supper was performed, and the whole service of the ordination gone through with as laid down in the formula of the A. M. E. Church, in such cases subject. The certificates were then properly signed and certified, and handed the newly-ordained bishops.

Also, a *similar* paper was presented to Rev. T. M. D. Ward, of California, authorizing him to exercise the rights of superintendency of the Church in said district in the absence of the bishop.

Conference here took a recess, and afterwards proceeded to business, as follows:

THE DETACHMENT OF STATES.

Rev. W. R. Revels called up the motion of Rev. Jordan W. Early in regard to the detachment of East Tennessee and Kentucky from the Missouri Conference. A long debate ensued on a motion to divide this territory between the Ohio Conference and Missouri Conference, and finally terminated by attaching East Kentucky to Ohio and West Kentucky and a part of Tennessee to the Missouri Conference district.

The newly-ordained Bishops Campbell and Wayman *made their addresses*, and were introduced to the chair as associate bishops.

A VISIT TO ENGLAND.

Rev. Bishop Payne made a statement in regard to his being desired to visit England in behalf of the Wilberforce University.

A paper was read by Rev. B. T. Turner, of the Baltimore Conference, setting forth the object of said visit, and requesting the Bishop to do the friendly consideration of the people of Great Britain.

Rev. E. Weaver offered the following:

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Rev. Charles Burch moved that the whole matter of reconsidering boundaries be expunged from the minutes. Carried.

The report of the committee on this subject was then adopted by the Conference.

Rev. Charles Burch offered a series of resolutions in reference to the generous efforts of Bishop Payne in raising funds for the Wilberforce University, and making suggestions in favor of making ample provision for the Bishop's support during the time he shall so devote his energies to the above-named object.

The Committee on Revision of the Discipline continued their report from page 231, canon 29, on dress, which was taken up and considered at length.

DISSERTATION ON EXTRAVAGANT BONNETS AND DRESS.

Rev. Charles Burch offered an amendment to the report on this subject as *strong* testimony against superfluous ornaments and costly dressing. He did not desire to see another "Vanity Fair" existing in our Church, and, if possible, expelling our congregations back to ancient Methodism. If he stood alone, he would give his voice in this case in favor.

Rev. William R. Revels said it was just as necessary to order our ministers to come back to Methodism as to order their flocks back to these ancient landmarks. He said that to pass a resolution here to be incorporated into the Discipline without any kind of penalty annexed, Methodist ladies should wear, was equivalent to sending out committees to order blocks on which to make bonnets for our Methodist ladies.

He contended that in many districts it was impossible to get Methodist preachers to make up circuits on account of the taste of some of our over strenuous ministers; it was unjust to drive away from us members who, but for this, would be active and effective laborers in the Church and its lawns.

The amendment of Rev. C. Burch was then withdrawn and the report of the committee was adopted.

The committee then continued their report on the revision of the discipline.

A great missionary meeting was ordered for the evening at the Bethel church, and after announcing the appointments for the order churches of the city, the Conference adjourned till nine o'clock this morning.

THE PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church (Old School) holds its annual meeting, this evening, in Rev. Dr. Coyle's Church, Seventeenth street, near Race. The opening sermon will be delivered by Rev. A. Mitchell Hall, of Newburgh, New York. The Synod consists of eight presbyteries, viz: The New York, Philadelphia, Rochester, Pittsburg, Ohio, Lakes, Illinois, and Iowa. This Synod has been divided by about ninety delegates. The present officers of this Synod are:

Moderator—Rev. A. M. Milligan, of Pennsylvania.
Clerk—Rev. Samuel Bowden, of New York.
Stated Clerk—Rev. Prof. Thomas Sproull, of Penna.
Treasurer—Mr. Benjamin Jennings, Esq., of Philadelphia.

The Synod will begin its regular business—ascertaining its members, electing new officers for the ensuing year, hearing reports, &c.—to-day morning, and will continue its sessions for seven or eight days.

AMERICAN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

Yesterday the fortieth anniversary of the American Baptist Publication Society was held in the Spruce-street Baptist Church.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Wm. Phelps, Esq., of New York. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Dowling, of New Jersey.

The annual report of the society was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Lucius Bolles, D. D. It set forth that the progress of this society has never been rapid, but always steady and sure. It has met with no reverses, but each year it gains a little ground upon the appreciation of the denomination. The work of the society is divided into two departments—business and publication.

The receipts of both departments are kept as distinct and separate as if they were under the direction of two boards. The receipts in the business department were $77,878, which exceed the like receipts of last year $26,000. The receipts of the publication department for 1864, until the 1st February and August, were $85,002.22.

The profits have not been large, but they have been sufficient to meet the yearly appropriations, including the salary of the secretary and of all the clerks in the rooms.

The receipts in the benevolent department, which centre in the money contributed by churches and individuals, amounted to $31,100.77.

Of this sum, however, $10,000 was from a special donation. Now that the receipts in this department, from the ordinary sources, were $21,100.77, which are $1,851.46 less than the receipts of the preceding year by $85,002.22. The profits have not been large, but they have been sufficient to meet all