CITY AND SUBURBAN.

The salaries of the various city officers for the month of November amounted to $1,566,63.

Improving.—Agnes Owens, the young woman who attempted to commit suicide at the Union Depot on Wednesday afternoon, was much better yesterday. She is still at Mercy Hospital.

Plans Prepared.—The City Regulator, under instruction from the Committee of Councils, has prepared plans of the railroad changes and improvements proposed by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Keystone Rink.—The floor of the Keystone Skating Rink is being raised twenty inches, in order to have a better ventilation, which will make the ice form sooner, and be more solid than heretofore.

Break Down.—A wagon loaded with straw broke down on Penn street, opposite the stables of the Citizens Passenger Railwry, yesterday afternoon. The running of the cars was interrupted for about half an hour by the accident.

The Fair now in progress at City Hall, for the benefit of the Home for Destitute Women, will close Saturday evening, the 5th inst., at nine o'clock. Let no one allow the opportunity to pass without contributing something to this noble charity.

Recovering.—Mr. William Barnes, who was injured on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad a few days since, the particulars of which we published, is slowly improving, and his physician, Dr. Hall, is now of the opinion that he will recover.

Mr. Bonner, of the New York *Ledger*, has succeeded in making even a Prospectus that is readable. It is one of the most interesting of the new advertisements in our present number. From it we learn that Rev. Dr. Tyng is writing a long story for the *Ledger*.

Owner Wanted.—Officer Boyd Rook, at the Union Depot, has in his possession a safe key which he picked up in one of the trains which arrived at the depot on Wednesday morning. The owner can have the article by calling on the officer any time during the day and proving property.

The Police Overcoats.—The Police Committee, at a meeting held on Tuesday evening, awarded contracts for the making of one hundred new overcoats for the police, as follows: J. Burnell thirty-eight; Urling, Follansbee & Co., twenty-five; —— Williams, thirty-seven. The price to be paid for the making of each coat, including the trimmings, is $16.

Temperanceville Fair and Festival.—Arrangements are in progress for a Fair and Festival, to be held at Odd Fellows' Hall, in Temperanceville, commencing on the 23d inst., for the benefit of the First Presbyterian Church in that borough. It is designed to make the affair as attractive as possible, and we trust the most sanguine hopes of those concerned may be realized in the way of securing funds.

Literary and Musical Entertainment.—To-night the closing of the Fall term of the Pittsburgh Female College will be appropriately observed by a literary and musical entertainment in the College Chapel, to which the the public generally, and the friends of the institution especially, are invited to be present. The programme embraces rare musical offerings, gems of song, select reading and essays. The Winter term will commence under most favorable auspices on Monday next.

A Strange Case.—Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Leonard, wife of Patrick Leonard, who resides on the Greensburg pike, near East Liberty, came to the Mayor's office and requested an officer to be sent to her residence to see if her husband was dead. She stated that she knew he had been murdered, but she was afraid to go and see him. She said she left him at home Tuesday night because she knew he would be killed that night. The woman is evidently insane on that subject, although she appears rational on all others.

Cleared Out.

One day this week a new conductor was placed in charge of a car on the Citizens' Passenger Railway, having been previously furnished with three dollars, the amount allowed to each conductor to make change. The new employe, after making a couple of trips, suddenly disappeared, taking with him the proceeds of the last trip, together with the amount given him at first. A careful search for the delinquent failed to develope his whereabouts, and the officers of the Company were at length compelled to give up the search, content that he had not stolen a larger amount.

Verified.

The report maliciously circulated by Walter Brown's enemies, that instead of starting for Cincinnati in his shell he had departed for the East by railroad, is without foundation. He did start at twelve o'clock M. Tuesday, as stated in the GAZETTE of Wednesday, and is making good time, as will be seen from the following dispatch received from Wheeling yesterday:

"Brown, the champion oarsman, in his match against time, reached this city yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon in his shell, making the trip from Pittsburgh in twenty-four hours. He started for Cincinnati at three o'clock this (Thursday) morning."

A Sensation.

Considerable excitement was created among "ye locals" last evening by the appearance at the Mayor's office of two well dressed females of lady like appearance, who were conducted to the Mayor's private office, and there held a consultation in secret with the Mayor, his Clerk and Chief of Police. The ladies being strangers, and evidently, from their appearance, not of that class of women who have occasion to visit such places, and the apparent air of mystery in which the affair was shrouded, indicated that there was a first class sensation afloat. An investigation of the facts, however, proved the contrary. The ladies were Mrs. Eliza Bevins and Mrs. Ada Lynch, of New York, who alleged they had been swindled out of some money and jewelry by members of a traveling dramatic company, and they came here to recover it. That and nothing more.

The Lecture.

One of the largest and most intelligent audiences which has greeted any lecturer, during the present season, assembled last evening in Lafayette Hall to hear, what proved to be, one of the best and most instructive lecture thus far of the course. The story of "Sherman's March to the Sea," as told by the brave and gallant General Kilpatrick, abounds in historical reminiscences, stirring eloquence, vivid description, and flashing wit and humor, and is, withal, surrounded with a halo of romance and reality which makes it one of the most fascinating interest. The speaker's style of delivery was rapid, but generally clear and distinct, and very forcible. He was frequently interrupted by applause, which testified better than anything else the appreciation with which his remarks were received, judging from which, we feel confident that none in the audience went away unsatisfied with the entertainment afforded.

The next lecture of the course will be delivered in the Academy of Music on Tuesday evening next, by R. Stockett Matthews, who has chosen for his subject "The Romance of American Progress."

Widows' Home Association, of Allegheny City.

The annual meeting of this Association was held on Monday, November 30th, 1868, and a resolution ordering the publication of the reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer was passed. The following officers and managers for the ensuing year were elected:

President—Mrs. F. R. Brunot.
Vice President—Mrs. Dr. Treyer.
Secretary—Miss J. M. Smith.
Treasurer—Mrs. R. D. Thompson.
Managers—Mrs. Sands, Mrs. Gorman, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. James Hoag, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. M. Whitten.

ANNUAL REPORT.

Time, the great revealer of intents and purposes, has given to the Widows' Home Association the experience that the Home has been a blessing to those who have been taken under its roof.

This Association is composed of the Relief Society, of Allegheny City, they being the incorporators and holders of the property.

We have sheltered twenty-five families during the past year, four having moved out and two dismissed, leaving nineteen families at present in the Home. These comprise widows with small children, very aged widows, and some who are younger, but are very much afflicted. Many of them have been in the Home since it was established, and others who have been admitted during the year found it impossible to secure rooms elsewhere, the rents being beyond their means. Here they found a refuge, for the object of the Association was to provide a home at a mere nominal rent, it being enough to pay contingent expenses, to such persons of the Protestant faith who are unable to pay an ordinary rent, giving the preference to widows with small children.

Some of the very old people have lived for three quarters of a century, a few beyond that, and one has celebrated her centennial birth-day. The expressions of gratitude, and the heppy faces of these aged Christian people, convince us the Home has been a blessing to them.

One, who is sixty-eight years old, has been afflicted for twenty years with an incurable disease in her ankle, her foot being almost severed from the limb. She is fast hastening, with Christian resignation, to her release from pain and trouble.

Another mourns the death of a much loved husband. When the Home was first established an aged couple made application for admittance, (it not being the intention of the association to admit men into the Home) but this couple was very poor and feeble, and living in a damp cellar, he not being able to earn one cent, crippled in his feet with rheumatism. They were received, and we found, as months passed, this old man was a very great blessing indeed, to the inmates. As long as he was able he led the prayer meeting in the room of an invalid, who has been confined to her bed for many years. All loved the good old man; his child-like faith and simplicity, together with his many virtues, made us think of him, as a true Israelite, indeed, in whom there is no guile. In early spring he was stricken down with paralysis; he had several attacks; his mind was very much impaired, but, all through his sickness, in speaking to him of his Saviour, his countenance was radiant with that settled peace. Not having full control of his tongue, he would lisp the swellings of a soul full of bright hopes of a future inheritance. He was always alive to this great subject, but death claimed him and he was ready. His wife is sad and lonely, but she, like him, is a christian, and is calmly waiting the summons to join her companion.

Another one we shall speak of is quite a young woman; her worthless husband left her without provocation to struggle with overwhelming trouble, two children sickened and died with scarlet fever; not being able to pay so much rent, she was obliged to leave her miserable and unhealthy rooms, and was admitted to the Home; she not knowing how or where she could provide the next meal for herself and two beautiful children, kind friends came to her relief, supplied her wants, and she was made comfortable; she had been in the Home but a short time, when God in his wise providence carried her infant babe in the arms of His love to heaven; she had desertion, death and sickness, but in the acknowledged strength of her blessed master, she is trying to struggle through these trobles, and make a living by her needle for herself and two children.

Other cases might be added, but may these be sufficient to prove to the kind contributors the Home that their money has not been spent in vain.

The daily school has been held at the Home by a worthy widow with four children as during the preceding year.

The inmates go to their respective churches during Lord's day, and in the evening they hold an hour of prayer. May the Divine blessing rest on the ladies and gentlemen who contributed so much to the meeting of this hour, and also to the young gentlemen who visited the rooms of the sick during last winter and spring. If they have returned to the city, may they renew their efforts with the same zeal, and let the songs of Zion reverberate the halls of the Home, and their prayers ascend to the Giver of all good.

May Dr. O. Miller, to whom we feel indebted, receive the sincere thanks of the Managers for his skilful and voluntary services to the inmates of the Home.

It is the intention of the Association that this shall be a self sustaining enterprise, but it cannot be done until we have suitable buildings and the necessary improvements complete. We are obliged to curtail expenses, for our resources are very limited, but we trust that we may yet be able, through a generous public, to see every foot of ground occupied with comfortable tenements and the present amount of good done increased.

We present this plea, hoping the work will commend itself to the consideration and sympathies of its many friends in this city.

J. M. SMITH, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

MRS. R. D. THOMPSON, in account with the Widow's Home Association, of Allegheny City:

1867.	DR.	
Nov. 30.	To balance in Treasury	$1,217 42
Nov. 30, 1868.	To cash received for rents	538 75
"	Cash—Mrs. Swift	5 00
"	" Donation—Whiston & Aiken	5 50
		$1,764 74
1868.	CR.	
Nov. 30.	By cash paid for paving Davis alley	$15 28
"	By cash paid Bradshaw & Anderson	15 00
"	By cash paid Insurance	75 00
"	By cash paid cleaning out house	65 00
"	By cash paid Wm. Parr, bill	122 20
"	By cash paid Geo. W. Hubley	11 00
"	By cash paid R. Stuart	2 55
"	By cash paid A. King for paving	18 75
"	By cash paid for mending lock	50
"	By donation Wilston & Aiken	5 50
"	By balance in Treasury	1,035 53
		$1,764 7

MARY C. THOMPSON.

Expenditures of Road and Street Commissioners.

The following is a statement, compiled from the pay roll of the Road and Street Commissioners of Pittsburgh, of the expenditures for street and road improvements during the month of November:

STREETS.

First District—John F. Hunter, Com	$1,654 45
Second District—J. D. McFaden, Com	1,7 9 45
Third District—Lewis List, Com	940 04
Total	$4,383 94

ROAD

First District—O. A. Anderson, Com	$217 02
Second District—J. Vandegrift, Com	444 57
Third District—James Woodrow, Com	360 07
Total	$1,022 76
Total streets and roads	$5,406 70

The street expenditures are chargeable to appropriation No. 7, and that of roads to No. 22. The Street Committee approved the Commissioners' pay bills, but as there were only $646.90 remaining of the fund appropriated, and none from which a transfer could be made, no warrants were drawn. Appropriation No. 22 was drawn on for payment of the road bills. The first road district is composed of the Thirteenth and Fourteenth wards; second, Nineteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-first wards, and third, Twenty-second and Twenty-third wards.

Another Arrival of "Confidence Men"—Sharpers Sold.

Yesterday afternoon another party of sharpers, or confidence men, arrived in our city from the West, *via* of the Panhandle route. They are supposed to belong to the same party whose operations in this locality were so unkindly nipped in the bud by the watchful vigilance of the Union Depot officials, as we noted yesterday. The sharpers tried their game on an innocent looking passenger, with whom one of them made himself acquainted on board the train, but unfortunately for their success, the passenger was not as "green" as he looked to be. It seems that at Steubenville sharper No. 1 got on the train and took a seat beside the intended victim. In a few minutes he managed to strike up a conversation, which was kept up until the Union Depot was reached. The sharper, who appeared to be about twenty-two years of age, and had lost one arm, represented that he was in partnership with his father in the wholesale dry goods business at No. 508 Market street, Philadelphia. He had been out West collecting bills, and was then on his way home. He had been in the army and had there lost his arm. While recalling his army experiences he exhibited a box, the making of which he said had occupied his leisure hours in the service. The box was a small round article, and aside from being a souvenir, it had the additional merit of being a puzzle—none but the initiated being able to open it, which mystery was explained by the owner to his friend. When the couple got off the train, sharper suggested that they take a drink, and apparently with this design in view he prevailed upon his friend to accompany him to a saloon about two squares below the depot. While they were drinking in the saloon sharper No. 2 stepped in and called for something. By some means he made the acquaintance of sharper No. 1 and his friend, and after some talk asked for some tobacco. Sharper No. 1 pulled out the mysterious box and handed it over; sharper No. 2 couldn't open it, but finally becoming angry swore that if a few minutes were given him he would get at the inside. He had never seen any puzzle that was too much for him, and he was willing to stake twenty dollars on his abilities. Sharper No. 1 took him up, but on looking at his pocketbook discovered that he was short of the money. He however suggested to his friend with a significant twinkle, that here was a chance to make money without any trouble. The game had progressed thus far very satisfactorily, and promised favorable results. Just at this juncture, however, the supposed "greeny" unexpectedly exhibited signs of intelligence and common sense. Taking up his carpet bag, which he had carried with him all the time, he quietly remarked, "It wont do, gentlemen; I understand you; twenty-three years ago I paid three dollars to learn that game, and I am perfectly satisfied with my present knowledge of it; you'd better try some other customer; good day gentlemen," and the disappointed and chagrined sharpers saw the door close after the retreating figure of their supposed victim.

The gentleman, who hails from Philadelphia, and gave his name as John A. Sheets, immediately proceeded to the depot and informed the officers there of the circumstances, giving them a description of the sharpers.

Sharper No. 1 is of small stature, fair complexion, smooth face, has only one arm and was dressed in a suit of black, with overcoat and slouch hat.

Sharper No. 2 was similarly dressed, but is a much larger man, standing nearly six feet in height, dark complexion, smooth face and bright, piercing eye. Neither of them made their appearance after the occurrence at the depot, doubtless fearing detection; and the most diligent search on the part of the officers failed to discover them. They undoubtedly belong to the same gang as that which we exposed yesterday morning, and it is altogether probable that all have left the city. It would be well, however, for all persons who have no desire to be victimized to avoid sociable, affable strangers, and we will thereby have fewer confidence games to record.

Millvale Borough Council.

Regular meeting, Wednesday, December 2d, 1868. Present—Messrs. Coates, Brown, Dempsey, Johnston, McConnell, Seabrook, Burgess Williams in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Committee on Streets, through Mr. McElroy, Street Commissioner, made a detailed report of the progress of the Work on Stanton avenue, announcing its complete opening to the northwestern line of the borough limits. The pay roll for work on streets was presented, viz:

G. Hickler, 6 days (with team) at $5	$30,00
T. McElroy, 13½ days, at $2	27,00
T. McElroy, for lumber furnished	4.50
W. Hamilton, 4½ days, at $1,50	6,75

On motion of Mr. Johnston, warrants for the above amounts were ordered to be drawn.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the Street Commissioner was instructed so repair Bank Lane, near Miller's Oil Refinery.

The crossing over W. P. R. R., at Millers, was again brought up, and after considerable discussion, the motion to instruct the Street Commissioper to make the crossing passable, upon vote being taken, was declared lost.

Mr. Coates moved that Mr. Brown and Mr. Johnston be a committee to confer with the W. P. R. R. in the matter of the crossing at Miller's. Carried.

The following bills were presented and warrants for the respective amounts ordered to be drawn:

Peter Kniess, for making wood work of scraper	$5,00
Thos. Kleiber, constable, for election services	1,75

A map of the borough, showing the lines and names of streets, present owners of property, &c., was laid before the Council by the Burgess for consideration, after which the map was referred back to the Engineer for certain alterations in the lines and names of streets, under the supervision of the Burgess.

Changes in names of streets were made as follows:

Bank Lane to	Beaver Avenue.
Arch street to	Grant Street.
Mill street to	Lincoln street.
Race street to	Hooker street.
High street to	Mary street.
Vine street to	Sedgwick street.
Alms street to	Butler street.
Gou'd street to	Sherman street.
Boisel street to	Meridian street.
Quarry street to	Fremont street.
Girty street to	Farragut street.
R dge street to	Logan street.
Spring street to	Howard street.
Sherman Alley to	Lyon Alley.
Fornoff Alley to	Stewart Alley.

[The two latter changes are made in honor of Mr. Addison Lyon and Mr. Wilson Stewart, citizens of the borough, who gallantly served and died in the army of the Potomac during the rebellion.]

On motion of Mr. Brown, warrants to the amount of $90 were ordered on account of Messrs. Owens & Sons, for surveying and drawing the map.

On motion adjourned.

Disorderly Conduct.

John Hildebrand made information, before Mayor Drum, on Wednesday evening, against Mr. and Mrs. McCrue, for keeping a disorderly house. The prosecutor and the accused occupy jointly a house, located on the corner of East Lane and Green street, Third ward, and it is alleged by Hildebrand that the McCrue's, with their crew of visitors, made considerable noise in their part of the house, much to the annoyance of the other occupants. After a hearing the accused, Mr. and Mrs. McCrue, were each fined five dollars and costs, which they paid and were discharged. Subsequently the McCrue's made information against Hildebrand, before Alderman Nellile, for trespass, the offence consisting in nailing up the gate through which defendants gained access to the premises. Hildebrand was arrested and gave bail for a hearing.

Pittsburgh Teachers' Institute.

The fourth session of the Pittsburgh Teachers' Institute was held last evening, in the hall of the Third Ward School House. A large number of teachers and others inteeested in the public schools were present.

The meeting was called to order by Prof. Geo. Lucky, City Superintendent, and opened with prayer by H. H. Patterson.

The Allegheny Quartette Club was then introduced, and sang in their usual excellent style "We Come with Songs to Greet You."

Prof. Lucky, in a few remarks, complimented the teachers on the success of the Institute, which he attributed to the energy and interest they had manifested in it. A considerable sum of money, he said, had been paid in, and when one man was delegated to handle and disburse the money of others, it was but right that the contributors should know how that money had been used. He would therefore ask that an auditing committee be appointed to examine and report to the Institute how the funds had been disposed of.

A committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Patterson, Harrison and Bowlby, was appointed to audit the accounts.

Prof. Lucky, in a brief and appropriate address, introduced Mr. A. H. Chase, Statistical Clerk of the School Department of the State, who delivered a lecture before the Institute. The subject selected by the lecturer was "Character," and by the way it was a most excellent and appropriate selection, as there is no subject, a thorough knowledge of which is more essential to the teacher, than the one selected. The lecturer, in the preparation of his discourse, evinced a thorough knowledge and intimacy with every phase of character, as well as a large fund of general information. The lecture was one of the most able and interesting we have listened to during the present season. The versatility of style, and the elegance of the composition, rendered it highly interesting to all present. The lecturer, as all good lecturers should do, loses entirely his identity in his subject, and treats each phase of character in the style best adapted. While in the descriptions of some characters his lecture was full of pathos and sentiment, in others wit and humor predominates. His portait of the Queer Man is a most excellent one, and is so finely painted that the hearer almost imagines himself in the presence of the queer individual so faithfully portrayed. And the same might be said of his descriptions of the Politician. The gem of his lecture, however, is his picture of the Good Man, which he very judiciously left for the last. Following, as it does, immediately after the description of the Politician, in which he indulges in both wit and sarcasm to a considerable extent, the sublime eloquence with which he portrays the character is in striking contrast, and renders it the more interesting and entertaining.

The Allegheny Quartette Club was then introduced, and sang a comic song, entitled "Call John," after which the Institute took a recess of ten minutes, at the conclusion of which the Quartette Club favored the audience with a sacred quartette entitled "I am waiting by the River," Miss Essie McCreary presiding at the instrument.

Miss Ellen Seaver was next introduced and proceeded to address the Institute on the subject of Physical Geography, after which she gave an illustration of map drawing.

Prof. Lucky announced that Mr. Wickersham would address the Institute this evening, commencing at seven o'clock, and cordially invited School Directors and Teachers to be present.

Prof. Horner then sang the "Year of Jubilee," after which Mr. Darling sang a comic song entitled "My Father's Half-bushel." Prof. Slack followed with a song entitled "Help a Brother," after which the Quartette sang "Twenty Years Ago."

The Institute then adjourned.

The Paving of Second Avenue.

EDITORS GAZETTE: In an article of Wednesday morning's edition of the GAZETTE, headed "An Oversight," you have made several errors, to which you will allow me to call your attention. In the first place you say an error has been committed, *but not in the paving of the street, as that was well done.* As a tax payer, I protest against the assertion, for so badly was the paving done that the attention of the Street Commissioner was called to it frequently, and an opposition will yet be made to the payment of the contractors, Hastings & O'Neil. Not only were huge boulders from the gutters of Fifth avenue placed all over this street, but it was very imperfectly rammed, (which will appear in the evidence against the contractors) there being not more than one stone out of five struck with the rammer. Again, you say the land is of a spouty nature, *and several springs arise under the road bed.* This is not the fact, as any one acquainted with the locality will tell you. There is but one spring, and that is ten feet above the road way. The foundation of that road is as solid as rock, and dry as a cellar. Now, sirs, let the contrators and Street Commissioners know that the citizens will not allow them to slight a job like that, and we will soon have better paving done. And, in view of the fact of there going to be opposition to payment for this job, we, as interested tax payers, ask you to inform yourself better, or from a less interested point, before you give your decision in favor of any one who intends to defraud the city. We therefore ask you to investigate the facts and make a correction of the article headed as above.

A TAX PAYER.

With the approval of several other tax payers, all subscribers of the GAZETTE.

An Amazon.

Max Cole made information before Mayor Drum, yesterday morning, against Mrs. Cole, his brother's wife, for assault and battery. The defendant states that some time ago he sold his brother goods to the amount of $62,50, which were to be paid for the day after their dealings, but the promise of the brother was not fulfilled, he leaving the city and making no provision for the payment of the bill. A day or two ago Max heard that the delinquent had come back to the city and was keeping a saloon in the Third ward. Thither he repaired on Wednesday evening, and found his brother, who invited him into the house to talk the matter over. During the interview Max alleges that his brother was called out, and during his absence Mrs. Cole picked up a poker and threatened to break his head if he did not immediately leave. Being the stronger of the two, however, he succeeded in wresting the poker from the grasp of the Amazon, and kept it as a trophy of his conquest. Still feeling aggrieved at the insult which he had received, he called at the Mayor's office and made the information, as stated, upon which there was a warrant issued.

A Dangerous Place.

Inattention to or neglect of sewerage by private individuals often gives the public much trouble. Whether this is the trouble or not in the place to which we would call attention, we cannot determine, but on Smithfield street an alley runs under an archway in the stone building formerly occupied by Kunz's confectionary, now occupied, we believe, by a large restaurant. The water running through the gutter in this alley freezes every winter, and piles up until a wide space on the Smithfield street sidewalk is covered thickly with ice, making it very dangerous for pedestrians on that side of the street. We may be wrong, but it seems to us that the property drained by that gutter should be drained by a sewer instead; at any rate the gutter as it is, is not suitable, and some cure for this annually occurring and dangerous nuisance should be found and applied.

The Popular Allegheny Dry Goods Mart.

If we wanted to encourage merchants to advertise to the world the merits and advantages of their establishments in order to secure for themselves a fair share of patronage, we could select no better example than that daily presented by William Semple's dry goods store, Nos. 180 and 182 Federal street, Allegheny City. Here hundreds, and for aught we know to the contrary, thousands, of purchasers daily gather to embrace themselves of the advantages offered in cheap bargains and wide selections. Mr. Semple has never advertised cheap or closing out sales, but depending on an universal system of great bargains, has drawn a full share of patronage to his doors. He has adopted a system of business which must prove popular with all patrons. He keeps both in his wholesale and retail departments a very fine and extensive assortment of dry goods, which are offered at prices most inducing and liberal, completely setting aside all competition.

Very few can form any fair estimate of the stock of desirable dry goods to be found in this large establishment, and by a visit is the only way the wealth of this house can be properly realized. The stock on hand at the present time is immensely large and full, and was purchased with a view to the anticipated rise in the price of of all kinds of goods of domestic and foreign manufacture, and for the purpose of thoroughly supplying the heavy demand for choice dresses on and before the holidays. From one end of the mammoth establishment of Mr. Semple to the other the shelves and counters are filled completely with material for the decoration of man, woman and the household. One of the greatest novelties in the way of dress is Scotch plaids, which appear to be in the ascendency with the ladies at the present time. In the eye of a connoisseur they are the very *ultima thule* of beauty and good taste. A choice assortment of this material can be found at this house, and as it is just fresh from the mills, of course it is of the most fashionable pattern. A specialty of this house is the large, complete and well selected assortment of blankets, which comprises all the qualities and grades used, and are sold at astonishly low prices, consequently at the terms they are offered none can be deprived of this great luxury of the winter months.

Flannels of every color, texture and price can be found in abundance, and cassimeres from standard manufacturers, and consequently of great excellence, can be seen in their proper department. Silks and velvets, whose equal for fineness can be found but in a few places in this city, have come fresh from abroad, and they are beautiful, to say the least. Then the store is fairly crammed with sheetings, of all prices, linens, embroideries, woolens, laces, gentlemen's furnishing goods and hosiery, linings, calicoes, gloves, and notions of all kinds. Mr. Semple desires to call especial attention to his supply of dress goods for the holidays, which will be found complete as far as shades, qualities and prices are concerned, and also to the extensive assortment of shawls, which include the finest manufactured. Persons who contemplate purchasing dry goods of any description whatever for holiday presents, should call at Semple's before they buy.

Amusements.

OPERA HOUSE.—The audience at the Opera House last night was larger than that of the evening previous, and we presume it will be still larger to-night. The tragedy from the German, entitled "Narcisse the Vagrant," will be presented, with Mr. Adams in the title role. This being the occasion of Mr. A's. benefit, every arrangement has been made for an excellent entertainment, and we hope the public will show their appropriation of genuine dramatic talent by filling the house to-night.

PITTSBURGH THEATRE.—Miss Kate Fisher continues to draw good houses at the Old Theatre. There is an attraction in the character of pieces she plays that will draw. To-night she appears in "The Child of the Sun," and also in the after piece.

VARIETIES.—The company at the Varieties Theatre is the largest and best that has ever been engaged there, and the entertainments are of the most satisfactory character. They have full houses every night.

THE BELL RINGERS.—The Bell Ringers made their second appearance before a large and fashionable audience at the Academy of Music last evening. The performances were similar to that of the preceding evening—of a first-class order. No better evidence of the character of these entertainments and of their popularity could be given than is made manifest by the large and intelligent audiences from among the best portion of our community, which always greet them whenever they appear in the city. Their engagement for the present season will terminate to-morrow evening, and we would advise those wishing to attend one of the most agreeable and meritorious of entertainments to call at the Academy of Music this or to-morrow evenings, or to-morrow afternoon at the matinee. It would be better, however, not to wait till the last minute, as then the crowd will be so great that it might be impossible to get a seat. Act wisely and attend at the earliest convenient time.

THE MUSEUM.—Major Burnell is adding new attractions to his Museum almost every day, and the establishment is now one of the most interesting places to visit in the city. To children it is especially so, and many important and useful lessons may be installed into their minds by a few hours spent in viewing the collection there. From eight o'clock in the morning until ten at night the Museum is open to visitors.

ST. BRIDGETS FAIR.—If any of our readers are like the "Cheeryble Brothers," we know they will thank us for calling their attention to the Fair, now being held in St. Bridgets Church, on Green street, Eleventh ward. The Wylie street cars run past the street every few minutes, thus affording easy and cheap transportation to the place. The object is very worthy, and the Fair is just as good, as the large numbers who have attended heretofore will testify. Then let the fair be patronized, and the hearts of the Fair managers be thereby made to rejoice at the success of their efforts.

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The Fair.

EDITORS OF THE GAZETTE—*Sirs*: Your readers are respectfully informed that the Managers, at the City Hall Fair, would like some cooked turkeys, or almost anything else that is particularly good to eat, for it does appear as if a whole army of hungry folks come there daily, to be fed. The ladies expect to realize $10,000, enough to build a house at Wilkinsburg. J. G. S.

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