

FAIR OF THE EMPIRE HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.—The Fair held in Rheon's Hall last week, for the benefit of this company, was certainly one of the best conducted enterprises of the kind, that we have seen in Carlisle; and, we are much pleased to learn that in a pecuniary point of view the receipts were quite equal to the expectations of the members. During the fair the Hall was elegantly decorated with greenery and flags, the tables were covered with a variety of fancy articles, and the ladies who attended them, peculiarly attractive—especially in the way of displaying the *grisailles* from the pockets of the garrison. An evening meeting of a large number of round-peaks was dedicated to the Company, by ladies of the borough, and one of them, a pyramid cake prepared by Mr. F. C. Parker, attracted much attention. It was appropriately ornamented with Firman's emblem, and was enhanced off at *steal-brown*.

Toward the close of the Fair, the great point of interest was the contest for the Silver Fire-Horn, presented by the *Empire*, to that Fire-Company which should purchase the largest number of tickets. As the *Empire* declined to make an effort, and directed their interest between the *Lions* and *Great West*, the contest was narrowed down to the two latter companies. At 9 o'clock on Saturday evening the bell was struck, and the tickets counted in the presence of a committee from each of the Companies; the count being 121 for the *Great West*, 61 for the *Lions*, and 2 for the *Cambodians*; so the *Empire* carried off the trophy by a majority of 16 to 5. The most perfect order prevailed throughout the Fair, and the visitors were entertained each evening with choice fare by the Garrison Band, under their accomplished leader, Sergeant Box.

The gross receipts from the Fair including the amount realized on account of the contest for the Horn, amounted to about 2,000 dollars; and the expense 500 dollars; thus leaving a net profit to the Company of 1,100 dollars. The *Empire* boys may congratulate themselves on this result, as evident that their efficiency and worthiness are duly appreciated by the citizens of the borough.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.—At a meeting of the Empire Hook and Ladder Company, held at the Court House on Wednesday May 21st 1865, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved. That the friends of the Company are hereby tendered to the citizens of Carlisle, for the generous patronage during our recent Fair, with the assurance that it will be the constant aim of the company to merit a continuance of the same.

Resolved. That our thanks are due to the ladies who so kindly and efficiently aided in the several departments of the Fair, as well as to those who by their liberal donations contributed so much to the general success of the company.

Resolved. That our thanks are also due to our brother firmmen of the *Union, Cambodian, and Great West*, for the interest they manifested in the success of our enterprise. Their kindness is fully appreciated, and we shall take pleasure in reciprocating it whenever an opportunity is offered.

J. S. STERETT,
President.

John Sheaffer, Secretary.

FALL IN THE PRICE OF BREADSTUFFS.—Within the last few days, there has been a considerable decline in the price of Wheat and Flour, and the probability is that these articles will fall to a still lower figure. In our report of the Markets for May 12, we perceive that Wheat was quoted at \$6.50 per bushel, and that the price of Red Wheat at \$17. On May 19, our information for the same article was Super Fine Flour, \$6.00 per bushel, White Wheat, \$6.00 per bushel, Red Wheat, \$17. This shows a decline of 50 cents from Super Fine Flour, and of \$1.25 on Red Wheat. On White Wheat, of 40 cents, and upon Red Wheat, of 50 cents. Farmers and others having large stocks, and should therefore be disposed to put the market on a level.

Now that Grains and Flours have had a fall, we hope there will be an increase in the size and weight of the older leaves. For

two or three years past, their leaves have been so small, that hungry men frequently mistook the low-pungent rolls for the old-fashioned pony rusk.

NEW AND POPULAR MUSIC.—We have received from Oliver Ditson & Co., 277 Washington street Boston, the following pieces of music, especially adapted to the times:

A Funeral March, to the memory of Abraham Lincoln.—“Danzetta,” a vocal dirge on the death of Abraham Lincoln, by J. W. Turner.

When Sherman marched down to the sea.” A song written by Adjutant Byers, of the 4th Iowa, and composed by J. W. Turner.

“A Nation Weeps,” a vocal dirge on the death of Abraham Lincoln, by W. O. Piske.

“The British Chamber,” an essay of warning and instruction for Young Men published by Robert A. Smith, No. 234 SKILLIN'S Row, New Haven, Conn.

“The Patriotic Girl,” a poem by C. H. Groves, from “The Patriot—A Quaker Poem” from Troost, by C. H. Groves.

Sent to Ditson for everything new and good in the musical line.

HISTORY OF PENNSYLVANIA RESERVE CORPS.—By R. S. STEPHENS, Esq.—We are indebted to Mr. J. E. Barr, agent of the publishers, for a copy of this splendid volume of seven hundred and twenty-three pages octavo. It is a full and complete narrative of the long and arduous services of this honored corps, in which so many families of Pennsylvania were represented. It was made up of men who rushed to the defense of their country at the first turbulent assault, without bounty, and with no motive but patriotism and a sense of duty; to thousands of them, we may apply this sad quotation:

“Nor will they die in vain, but be bold.”

An appendix of two hundred pages contains complete muster-rolls of all the companies.

DEATH OF “OLD HANNIBAL.”—The world-renowned performing-elephant, “Old Hannibal,” who, for almost half a century, has been the greatest wonder of the animal kingdom, died in Bedford county, Pa., on the 7th inst. He was attached to the combined menagerie and circus which exhibited in Carlisle in April last. The Bedford *Advertiser* says:

“Hannibal was the largest animal ever exhibited on this continent. His height was 10 feet, his weight was approximately to be 15,000 pounds, or seven and one-half tons. He consumed 300 pounds of hay, 3 bushels of oats, and 46 gallons of water per day. He would walk 10 miles a day, and at the time of his death, for 36 years, he traversed this continent, at an average of 3,000 miles per year, the greatest curiosity ever exhibited to the wonder and admiration of the world.”

STATE NOTICE.—Letters of Administration on the estate of John Morris, deceased, late of the residence of Miss M. F. of Penns. Hospital, by Rev. Stephen W. Noyes, Esq., of Philadelphia, to Mrs. ANNA M. MORRIS, widow of the deceased.

NOTICE.—The *Carlsbad*, a mattock and picket fence, will be sold at public auction on May 25th, at 10 A.M., at the residence of Mr. J. E. Barr, agent of the publishers, at 277 Washington street, Boston, Mass.

For further information, apply to Mr. CATHARINE BROWN, *Advertiser*.

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