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No Paper, To-morrow.

Corresponding to the usual custom on Thanksgiving Day, we shall issue no paper to-morrow.

Amusements.

THE E. L. DAVENPORT ENGAGEMENT.

The engagement of E. L. Davenport to appear at the Opera House in this city, with a good company, is definitely announced, for Friday evening of next week, December 3d. The Company supporting him is a good one — so we are assured. Mr. Edwin F. Thorne, especially engaged to support Mr. Davenport, is regarded as one of the most promising of our younger actors. Walter Lennox has been for the past two seasons the popular low comedian of Mrs. Conway's theatre, Brooklyn. Geo. Vining Bowers is a sterling actor; his performances are always satisfactory and often brilliant. Mr. Harry Langdon is an established favorite with our public. Miss E. V. Proudfoot is an actress of more than ordinary ability while Miss Grace Paynter is just entering upon a dramatic career. She has the advantage of an excellent education, social position, is young and good looking. The dramatic critics of Philadelphia predict for her a bright future. The company is under the management of Jas. Ward.

The plays to be given will be the "Merchant of Venice," with Mr. Davenport as *Shylock*, and "The Honeymoon." In the former, Miss Proudfoot plays *Portia* and Miss Paynter *Jessica*. Seats will be for sale at Boughman, Thomas & Co.'s, three days in advance.

Thanksgiving.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR SPENDING THE DAY IN WILMINGTON.

To-morrow has been appointed as a day of Thanksgiving in accordance with the usual custom. Its observance will be general in this city. Being a legal holiday the banks will be closed throughout the day, as will also the most of the business places, though some will be open as usual, in the morning. The workshops and factories will all be closed, and the observance will be that of a general holiday.

Religious worship will be held by several of the denominations, some uniting in worship. The Methodists will unite at St. Paul's, Rev. Jos. E. Smith preaching the sermon, and the Presbyterians in the First church. Rev. F. B. Duval will deliver an appropriate discourse. The choirs of the respective Presbyterian churches have been invited to be present to lead the singing.

Trinity Chapel, 5th and King streets, will have a service of its own at 10.30. The offering will be devoted to the Wilmington Dispensary.

In the evening there will be a spelling bee in the Taylor Academy, 8th and Wollaston streets.

A game of base ball will be played in the afternoon at the new grounds between the Quickstep and Fame Actives with changed pitchers and catchers.

Prominent amongst the enjoyments of Thanksgiving will be the church supper at the Union M. E. Church, commencing at 6 o'clock in the evening. Besides the well spread tables in the lecture room, a choice programme of music and short addresses has been arranged to entertain those waiting in the main audience chamber. 1000 persons are advertised for to come and eat supper.

A temperance meeting will be held in the City Hall at 3 o'clock P. M. which will be addressed by Rev. A. D. Davis, W. K. Galloway and others. The ladies having it in charge have prepared a good programme and all are invited to attend.

The ladies of the Unitarian church will prepare a thanksgiving supper in the residence, (now unoccupied,) 802 Market St., and will have the table ready at 8 o'clock. They may be relied upon, we know, to spread a bounteous and attractive board, and we hope will have a large company of appreciative guests.

Improvement of our Harbors.

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR WILMINGTON, NEW CASTLE, AND THE IRON PIER AT LEWES—IMPROVING THE DELAWARE CHANNEL.

General Humphries, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, in his annual report, recommends the following appropriations for harbor improvements in Delaware bay and river, and for improvement of the navigation of the Delaware and Schuylkill rivers: New Castle harbor, $40,000; Wilmington, $20,000; repair of piers at ice harbor, Chester, $6,000; construction of pier near Lewes, $100,000. Of this work General Humphries says: "In view of the importance of the work, and the danger that the wooden railroad pier may, during any winter, become damaged by ice to an extent to preclude its further use, it being in a weakened condition from ravages of worms, it seems important that an appropriation sufficient to finish the pier should be made at once. Should such a sum be appropriated in season, the pier could be completed by the close of 1876." During the present year the substructure has been advanced over 126 feet, and the superstructure 147 feet.

By the Act of March 3d, 1875, the unexpended balance of appropriation made by Act of March 3d 1873, for improvement of the Delaware at Horse Shoe Shoals, is to be applied to the improvement of the river at such places as the Chief of Engineers may direct, between Petty's Island and the river mouth. Portions of this amount will be used for completing the channel at Fort Mifflin bar and for improving the channel at Bulk Head Shoals below New Castle. To complete the work at Bulk Head Shoals will require an additional appropriation of $276,000. The amount asked for to improve the Delaware below Petty's Island is $100,000.

Improvements of Broadkiln river, Delaware, $30,000. No appropriation has been made for this work during the two last fiscal years. $70,500 will be required to complete the work.

Wilmington and Reading Railroad Creditors.

In answer to the inquiry of "A Bondholder" concerning the legal status of the First Mortgage Bonds of the Wilmington and Reading Railroad, and whether he will recover the full amount of his investment, the financial editor of the Philadelphia *Ledger* replies in last Saturday's issue as follows:

"Second mortgage bondholders of the company are in Court and have been for six months past, pressing their application for an order of sale of the road and appurtenances, but thus far without success. If it is sold on second mortgage the purchasers will be responsible for the full amount of the first mortgage. A second mortgage may well be doubted when we see the first mortgages quoted at 45. The prospect for even first creditors of the company is gloomy."

Active Corn Market.

The Baltimore corn market has become quite active as regards Western corn, large contracts having been made within the last day or two for December and January delivery of new mixed corn at 61 cents. Old mixed corn is becoming very scarce, and sold yesterday at 72½ cents.

Found Dead on the Mountain.

The remains of a human body, which had evidently been dead for several months, were found yesterday on the mountain, near Mt. Carbon, in Schuylkill county. Near the body lay a revolver with one empty chamber, a coat, a slouch hat and a Hebrew book.

The Light Houses.

The Light-House Board ask $8000 for a new lantern at Cape Henlopen Light; $4000 for a dyke at Mispillion Light; $25,000 for continuing the construction of the Cross Ledge Light, and $25,000 for continuing the Ship John Shoal Light House, all in Delaware Bay.

Killed by a Coal Train.

Valeria Leidy, aged 18, was killed on the Reading Railroad, at Pottstown, on Monday afternoon. She was trying to jump upon a passing coal train, for the purpose of getting a free ride to Norristown.

The official vote of Oregon gives Lane, Democratic candidate for Congress; 267 majority.

There was considerable floating ice in the canal and river at Albany, N. Y., yesterday.

FIRST EDITION.

Report of the Grand Jury.

SUBMITTAL OF ITS WORK TO THE COURT—ACTION ON INDICTMENTS—OUR OVER-CROWDED JAIL AND A REMEDY.

The Grand Jury rose, yesterday afternoon at 4.30, and descending to the Court-room presented the following report:

To the Honorable Judges of the General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery:

The Grand Inquest for the body of New Castle County respectfully make report that at the present term, they have acted on 305 bills, of which 255 were found true and 50 ignored. Of the true bills, 35 were for felonies, and 220 were for misdemeanors; of the latter 146 were for violations of the liquor laws, and 69 were for violations of the revenue laws.

The attention of the Grand Inquest was drawn by the Court at the May term to the deplorable increase of crime in this county, particularly to the alarming crimes of arson, burglary and highway robbery, and, although the calendar at the present time is very large, it is some enjoyment to good citizens to be able to state that no bills for arson, burglary nor highway robbery—and but one for housebreaking have been laid before us—which result may be ascribed to the speedy arrest and punishment of the perpetrators of these crimes.

But it is a matter of very serious regret that the Court was compelled at the present term to again call our attention to the great number of criminal charges; and that of those, a number were unprecedented in the history of the county—were of the highest grades known to the law. It is to be hoped that this state of affairs will not continue and when consideration is given to the fact that during the summer months, hundreds, perhaps thousands, of unemployed persons, not citizens of the state or county, comprising among their number a great many intemperate and depraved persons gathered from all the large cities near us were wandering over the country, the community may perhaps be thankful that a greater number of serious crimes were not committed.

In a visit to the Jail the Grand Inquest were struck with its crowded condition. They would suggest that this could be alleviated in some measure, if committing magistrates would dispose finally of small misdemeanors, instead of sending the accused person to jail, which latter course in many cases works injustice, besides considerable expense to the country and all parties concerned. Despite the crowded state of the jail it was found very clean and in excellent order; and the prisoners in very good health.

A committee of the Grand Inquest visited the Almshouse during the month of October. The committee report that the institution is excellently managed; that the inmates are healthy and well cared for in every respect and that the grounds and buildings are in good order except the apartment for colored persons, which the committee recommend should be put in proper repair at once. The inconvenient, badly lighted and ill ventilated Court House, and the cramped condition of the county officers, force themselves upon the notice of the Grand Inquest, yet they cannot recommend any expenditures whatever for the erection of the new county buildings, nor for the alteration or repair of the old ones, nor for the enlargement of the jail, while the proper location of the Court House is an agitated question with the people of the county. All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. WILLIAMS, Foreman.
CHAS. G. ASH, Clerk.

The President of the Senate.

SENATOR FERRY'S QUALIFICATIONS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS—THE PRESENT CONTINGENCY NOT IN VIEW WHEN HE WAS CHOSEN PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF THE SENATE.

Special Dispatch to the New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The organization of the Senate is assuming almost as prominent a position in the current political discussions of the capital as the organization of the House. Shall Senator Ferry be continued in the office of President of the Senate, or shall a change be made? Senator Ferry is one of the youngest members of the body. He is a good presiding officer and has a fair knowledge of parliamentary law. He was selected for President *pro tempore* on this account, particularly as it was claimed the office should be given to the West. He was not chosen with reference to the possibility of the death of the President or Vice President. He is not regarded as in accord with the Administration on the currency question, though he voted for the Resumption act of last winter. A year ago last Winter he was a rank inflationist, but he may have changed his views, and it has been reported that he has modified them to some extent. The vote was very close in the caucus that nominated him. There will undoubtedly be an effort to choose another Senator, with special reference to the new importance with which the office is invested by the death of the Vice President. Who may be chosen, or, indeed, who may be candidates, cannot yet be foretold further than this. The "courtesies of the Senate," as a kind of code of unwritten rules has come to be called, may prevent any serious movement against Mr. Ferry. There is nothing to be said against his retaining the Presidency of the body, except that he is a young Senator, not of great experience in public affairs, and would not have been selected if the consideration which must now control the Senate in its choice had then existed.

The Vice-President's Funeral.

IT IS FIXED FOR FRIDAY—THE REMAINS TO LIE IN STATE IN INDEPENDENCE HALL UNTIL SATURDAY.

The funeral of Vice President Wilson, in Washington, will take place on Friday morning. The body will reach Philadelphia on Friday evening, and will be laid in state in Independence Hall until ten or eleven o'clock on Saturday morning, when it will be taken to Massachusetts. The Common Council of Boston, at a meeting yesterday, appointed a committee to attend the funeral. The Arkansas House of Representatives adjourned yesterday in respect to the deceased Vice President. On receipt of the news of the Vice President's death at San Francisco, the flags on public and private buildings were displayed at half-mast, and the United States Courts adjourned for the day.

The funeral services will be held in the Senate chamber at 10.30 on Friday, Rev. Dr. Sunderland offering prayer, and Rev. Dr. Rankin preaching the funeral sermon, and at their close the funeral procession will form and move to the Baltimore and Potomac depot, leaving there at 1.37. Upon arriving at Baltimore, the remains will have a military escort through that city, and they will leave at 6 o'clock.

To-morrow the body will lie in state in the rotunda of the Capitol, on the same catafalque used for the bodies of President Lincoln, Senator Sumner, Chief Justice Chase and Hon. Thaddeus Stevens.

Better than Nothing.

A good old lady, very particular and very pious, once kept a boarding house in Boston. Staunch to her principles, she would take no one to board who did not hold to the eternal punishment of a large portion of the race. But the people were more intent on carnal comfort than spiritual health, so that in time her house became empty, much to her grief and alarm.

After some time a bluff old sea captain knocked at the door, and the old lady answered the call.

"Servant, ma'am. Can you give me board for two or three days? Got my ship here, and shall be off as soon as I load."

"Wa'll, I don't know;" said the old lady.

"Oh, house full, eh?"

"No, but——"

"But what, ma'am?"

"I don't take any unclean or carnal people in my house. What do you believe?"

"About what?"

"Why do you believe that any one will be condemned?"

"Oh, thunder, yes,"

"Do you?" said the good woman brightening up. "Well, how many souls do you think will be in the fire eternally?"

"Don't know ma'am, really—I never calculated that."

"Can't you guess?"

"Can't say, perhaps fifty thousand."

"Wa'al, hem," mused the good woman; "I guess I'll take you, fifty thousand is better than nothing."

William Davidson was killed by a railway train at Louisville on Monday night, just after he had saved a man from a serious injury, by stopping a runaway team.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

The police hearings for to-day amount to only one drunk.

The P. W. & B. R. R. Co. announce that freight trains will not run on that road, to-morrow.

CONCERT POSTPONED.—We again call attention to the fact that the Concert at Grace Church, announced for this evening, has been postponed.

DISCONTINUED.—The post office at Showell, in Worcester county, Md., has been discontinued All mail matter should now be addressed to Benton.

LECTURE, THIS EVENING.—Rev. Enoch Stubbs lectures at Asbury church, this evening. His theme will be "Sunshine and Shadow." There will probably be a large audience.

FAIR.—The American Rifles Fair commences this evening. All parties having donations to make will please leave them at Odd Fellows' Hall during to-day, or this evening.

A P. W. & B. OFFICIAL'S HOUSE BURGLARIZED.—On Monday night the house of S. T. Fuller, Chief Engineer of the P. W. & B. R. R. at Crum Lynne, was burglarized. An overcoat, a basket, and other articles were taken.

ANOTHER LIGHT HOUSE KEEPER APPOINTED.—Mr. Sullivan, first assistant light house keeper of Ship John Shoal light house, having resigned his position, Rayworth Weldon, the second assistant, has been promoted to fill the vacancy, and John M. Stewart of this city has been appointed by Collector Nolen to be second assistant.

THROUGH FREIGHT RATES.—Mr. Casperson, freight agent in this city of the P., W. & B. R. R. Co., gives notice that after this date contracts for through rates will be made with shippers to the West to points reached by the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and that the latter will also make through rates on freight coming over it to this city, from the West.

THE MORTONVILLE MURDER.—On Monday the body of the stranger found in the dam at Mortonville, was exhumed and a further examination made. All the vital organs were in good condition. It is stated that Dr. Palmer has received a letter from Harrisburg, stating that a man answering the description of the deceased has been missing from that city or its vicinity for about one month. Some arrests were to have been made, on Monday, but this action has been deferred for the present.

WORDS THAT NOAH WEBSTER MISSED.—One day last week a gunner going up the Wilmington & Reading road was told he would have to pay 25 cents additional for his dog. Upon receiving this information he applied for a "manifestation" for his canine companion.

A colored man who left Landenberg on Monday with two shoats, upon reaching the depot in this city found that one of them had escaped, and charged the train men to make diligent "inquiration" for the missing shoat.

SEWING MACHINE FACTORY IN DOWNINGTOWN.—The people of Downingtown, Chester county, have raised $21,000, of the $22,500 which they had agreed to furnish to secure the removal to that town of the McLean & Bonnor Sewing Machine Company's works now located at Philadelphia. The remainder of the required amount will be raised in a few days, and a committee has been appointed to procure the factory site and surrounding land of Robt. Neely for the site of the sewing machine works. It is expected that ground will be broken, this week, for the new building.

AUTOPSY ON THE BODY OF R. E. ROBINSON.—Yesterday an autopsy was held on the body of R. Emmet Robinson to determine the immediate cause of his death. Drs. Bushrod James, of Philadelphia, and J. R. Tantum, of this city performed the operation at the late residence of deceased. The liver was found to be somewhat enlarged, and the lungs diseased—the left one particularly so, while in the apex of the right lung tubercles had also formed. The immediate cause of death was the lodgment of a clot of blood in one of the valves of the heart, the formation of the clot being attributed to the exertion taken the day previously and the condition of the patient.

A RESERVOIR AT FAULKLAND.—William J. Fell is having a reservoir to hold 11,000 gallons of water, built on the rising ground back of his residence at Faulkland. The distance from the turbine wheel on Red Clay Creek from which the water is forced is about 900 feet with a rise of 81 feet in that distance. The water will be forced through a four inch iron pipe to the reservoir, the top of which will be higher than the chimneys of the Fell mansion, and many feet higher than the flag-staff on top of the four story spice mill. Several fire plugs will be placed at convenient distances around the mill to be used in case of fire, and besides this precaution a large pipe will be placed in a horizontal position in the centre of the mill, extending from basement to roof. A brass nozzle will make an outlet for the water in each story, and will be attached in such a manner that the heat of a fire will melt it off and let on a stream of water. Mr. Fell thinks it better to go to this expense, which will not exceed $2000, than to run the risk of having the mill burned down every few years.

Marriages.

GREENBAUGH—BRIFFIN.—On 23 inst. by Rev. J. W. Weston at Rising Sun, New Castle Co., Mr. Lambert R. Greenbaugh of Queen Anne Co. Md., to Miss Farah Briffin, of New Castle Co., Del.

Deaths.

TALLEY.—On November 23 Mrs. Edith S. Talley, daughter of the late James and Martha Campbell. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral to leave her late residence, Concordville, Delaware county, Pa., on Saturday the 27 inst., at 11 o'clock, a. m. Interment in the Wilmington and Brandywine Cemetery

MERRETT.—In this city, on November 23d, Carlty Merrett, in the 73d year of her age. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Annie Chambers, No. 519 West Seventh street, on Friday morning, 26th inst., at 8 o'clock. Funeral to proceed to Elkton, Md., by the 9 a. m. train.

ROBINSON.—In this city, on November 23rd, 1875, R. Emmett Robinson, in the 43rd year of his age. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, 826 Market street, on Friday, the 26th inst., at 11 o'clock.

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SECOND EDITION.

The Republican Club.

ACTION ON THE DEATH OF THE VICE PRESIDENT—RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

A special meeting of the Republican Club was held last evening, at the rooms. Upon calling it to order, President Hastings stated the object of the meeting—to take suitable action upon the death of Vice-President Wilson. On motion a committee, consisting of Howard M. Jenkins, H. F. Pickels, and Jos. K. Adams, was appointed to draft and present resolutions suitable to the occasion. The following were reported:

WHEREAS: The death of the Honorable Henry Wilson, Vice-President of the United States, and one of the most eminent representatives of the principles to which we are devoted, seems to call for an expression suitable to the event: therefore

Resolved: That we signify by these resolutions our sense of the deep bereavement which the nation has sustained in losing from its councils a statesman who had so long, so wisely, and so faithfully served it; that we express our own sorrow and regret that the principles of human liberty and equal political rights have lost one of their ablest, and most sincere, as he was one of their earliest and most earnest advocates; and that we record our appreciation of the worth and integrity which characterized the private life of the great citizen now so suddenly called away.

Resolved: That the officers of the Club be instructed to tender to the committee in charge of the funeral ceremonies the attendance of a committee of twenty citizens to meet the remains and act as escort to them through the State of Delaware.

The motion to adopt the resolutions being before the meeting, brief addresses were made by Mr. Jenkins and Mr. Pickels, both referring among other things, to the eminent services of Mr. Wilson, his kindness to all who came in contact with him, his readiness to give his time and attention when applied to, and the warm interest he had always shown in behalf of Republican principles in Delaware. The resolutions were then unanimously adopted.

The President was authorized to telegraph the tender of a funeral escort, and to appoint the committee of citizens, should the offer be accepted.

The National Grange Officers.

In the National Grange yesterday the salaries of the officers were fixed as follows, besides expenses: Master, $1200 per annum; Treasurer, $600; Secretary, $2000. The bond of the Secretary was fixed at $10,000; that of the Treasurer at $5000. The following officers were elected: Master, John T. Jones, of Arkansas; Overseer, J. J. Woodman, of Michigan; Lecturer, H. B. Smedley, of Iowa; Steward, A. J. Vaughn, of Miss.; Assistant Steward, Mortimer Whitehead, of New Jersey; Chaplain, S. H. Ellis, of Ohio; Treasurer, F. M. McDowell; Secretary, O. H. Kelly, of Kentucky; Gate Keeper, O. Dinwiddie of Indiana; Ceres, Mrs. J. T. Jones, of Arkansas.

The Market St. Bridge.

Notwithstanding the rain yesterday, large numbers of persons visited the ruins of Market street bridge, and the scene was quite a lively one. The workmen labored busily on the new bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad in the drenching rain, and several of the trestles were placed in position. The bridge is being constructed of hewn timbers one foot square, each trestle having four upright timbers morticed at each end into heavy cross pieces, the bottom being several feet wider than the top, which is about twelve feet wide. The bridge is expected to be ready for use by to-night or to-morrow.—*Philada. Ledger.*

Great Fire in New York.

The most destructive fire that has occurred in New York for a long time, took place last evening, burning an immense brewery building and malt-house, on 6th St. near Avenue C. The building was stocked with grain and hops, besides vast quantities of ale and beer, manufactured, or in course of manufacture. The fire was started by an explosion of gas from a leaky pipe. Several tenements were crushed in by the falling walls, but no person was injured. The loss on the brewery is about $350,000, and on the tenements $25,000.

The Henry Clews Bankruptcy.

In New York yesterday, on the application of Henry Clews & Co. for a final discharge in bankruptcy, Benjamin H. Cheever, who has hitherto opposed the discharge, withdrew his opposition thereto, being convinced that his suit would avail nothing from the fact that the assets of the firm are small.

The Moody and Sankey Work.

There was a large attendance at the morning revival meeting in Philadelphia yesterday, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, and a number of requests for prayers were read. Mr. Moody announced that they would next week devote themselves to the needs of the conductors and drivers of street cars.

Elizabeth McLaughlin was shot by her drunk, en husband, in New Orleans, on Monday night and died of her injuries yesterday.

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THIRD EDITION.

Weather Record.

REPORT OF THE SIGNAL SERVICE.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.

Probabilities—For the Middle States, rising barometer, fresh and brisk west to north winds, colder and generally clear weather.

Financial.

PRICE OF GOLD TO-DAY.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.

Gold opened, this morning, at $1.14¼.
[Furnished by Craige, Johnson & Co., Bankers and Brokers, 6th and Market sts.]

LONDON, 12 30 P. M., Nov. 24.

Consols for money and account, 95 5-10; U. S. 5-20s of 1865, 103¾; 1867s, 109½; 10-40's 104¼. New 5's of 81, 104⅝. Erie common shares, 14⅛. New York Central, 94. Market steady.

FRANKFORT, Nov. 24.

U. S. bonds of 1862, 99¼.

Commercial Reports.

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 24.

Flour dull at former prices; high grades $7.50 @8.50; Penna. family $6 25@6.62½. Wheat, prime in good demand, inferior dull; Penna. red $1.35@1.38; western do. $1.10@1.14; amber $1.39@1.40; white $1 43@1.50. Corn dull; old yellow 76@77c; new do. 55@60c. Oats more active; mixed 36@43c; white 43@50c. Mess pork $22.50@23.00. Lard 12¾@13¼. Whiskey, $1.16.

QUOTATIONS AT THE BRANDYWINE MILLS FOR FLOUR AND GRAIN—CORRECTED DAILY.

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Corn	73c

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FOURTH EDITION.

The Cuban Question.

SERIOUS ASPECT OF THE SPANISH COLONIAL DIFFICULTY.

Special Telegram to the New York Herald.

LONDON, Nov. 23.

Excepting the following Madrid correspondence of 18th inst., published in the *Daily News*, there is actually nothing in the English papers on the subject of the Cuban-American-Spanish question.

The correspondent of the *Daily News* says:—"The tidings with regard to Cuba are serious enough in all conscience.

"There can be little doubt," continues the writer, "but that the ultimatum of the United States to the Spaniards will be 'sell or fight.'

"Every one admits that it would cost Alfonso his throne to listen to the idea of the sale of the island of Cuba at a moment when the Spanish nation is enjoying peace."

The writer adds, in conclusion:—"The time for Spain to think of selling will be if the Crown grant of a judicious representative system, with emancipation, prove impossible for the pacification of the Cubans."

The Carlist official organ claims that Don Carlos has saved Cuba and the honor of Spain, his recent offer of a truce having caused the Americans to modify their attitude.

Murderer Convicted.

PATRICK M'DONALD FOUND GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER AT BALTIMORE.

Associated Press Special Telegram.

BALTIMORE, MD., Nov 24.

In the Criminal Court, this morning, in the case of Patrick McDonald, on trial for the last eight days for the murder of Daniel Brown, colored, in July last, the jury rendered a verdict of guilty of manslaughter.

A Youthful Criminal.

A BOY OF EIGHTEEN SENTENCED TO TWENTY YEARS CONFINEMENT.

Associated Press Special Telegram.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Nov. 24.

James Covert, age 18, pleaded guilty, to-day, of a felonious assault upon a nine year old girl, and was sentenced to 20 years imprisonment.

Wm. B. Astor.

HIS DEATH THIS MORNING.

Associated Press Special Telegram.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.

Wm. B. Astor died at his residence, in this city, this morning.

A Final act of Reconciliation.

HOW IT IS PROPOSED TO SHOW A GREAT SPECTACLE TO THE WORLD IN '76.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 23.—A movement is on foot here to assemble a large number of the soldiers of the late war in this city at some time during the Centennial year. It is proposed to have both the Northern and Southern armies represented by their leading generals and by thousands of their rank and file from every State in the Union, the purpose being to show to the world by a grand and impressive demonstration the fact that the men who were in arms against each other a few years ago are now united in celebrating the 100th birthday of their country, and are inspired by a spirit of patriotism and a feeling of common nationality. Mr. L. Edwin Dudley, Secretary of the Veterans' National Committee, is at the head of the movement.

CASES FOR THE CORONER.—Philip Gibbs, residing at 503 West street, and an employee of the Harlan & Hollingsworth Co., went ducking, yesterday, in company with a friend, who returned, but Gibbs remained out all night. This morning, the brother of Gibbs went in search of him and found his dead body in shoal water along the Delaware front, near the mouth of the Christiana. The boat which the two men went out in, yesterday, was near by partly overturned. Gibbs and his friend carried with them a quantity of whiskey, and the probabilities are that, the man was drowned. There are no marks of violence on the body. An inquest was begun at 2 o'clock.

A man named Lord died suddenly at Odessa, this morning. The circumstances are not known, as the telegram which summoned the coroner merely stated the fact of death.

CAR SHIPMENTS.—Bowers, Dure & Co. have finished ready for shipment three first-class passenger cars for the North Pennsylvania R. R.

The Jackson & Sharp Co. have ready for shipment one very handsome parlor car of the Wagner patent.

BUSINESS FAILURE.—The sheriff, yesterday, closed the place of business of Messrs. Babcock & Bro., dealers in boots and shoes. The firm has been in a suspended condition for about a fortnight, and a meeting of creditors has been held, but no further steps are yet taken.

MULES DEAD.—A pair of valuable mules belonging to Hon. Sketchley Morton, residing in Delaware county near Chester, fell dead in the streets of Media, yesterday, from eating new corn.

HAULED OUT FOR REPAIRS.—The ferry steamer *Atlantic*, plying between Philadelphia and Camden, has been hauled out on the marine railway of the Jackson & Sharp Co. for repairs.

The freight office of the Wilmington & Western R. R. will be closed to-morrow, and no local freight trains will be run. The through freight and passenger trains will be run as usual.

School No. 6 is being freshly painted a bright red color.

New Advertisements, To-day.

Trustee's sale—S M Harrington
Wanted—Quilting and sewing
Wanted—Young men
Wanted—1000 ladies and gentlemen
Notice—J H Casperson
Funeral notices
Barlow knives—Billany
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Holiday presents—G H Schwarz
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Ladies' underwear—J M Finn
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Reynolds' brevities
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Gouert's brevity
Webb's brevity
Dubell's brevity
Fullmer's brevity
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Quay's brevity
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Bargains.—Louis E. Waterman's new clothing house is stocked to overflowing with all grades and styles of clothing for Men's Youth's and Boy's wear, Overcoats, they have an immense variety and prices are guaranteed the lowest. Mr. Waterman and his clerks are always polite and attentive to the wants of their customer. The amount of goods they receive and sell daily is truly astonishing. Those in want of good goods at real bargain prices should give this establishment a call and our word for it you will be suited. N. W. corner 5th and Market (opposite Clayton House.)

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FIFTH EDITION.

The Court, To-Day,

CONTINUATION OF THE AHREN AND WEITEL MURDER TRIAL.

By Telegraph to the Commercial.

NEW CASTLE, Nov. 24.

Upon the opening of Court, this morning, the trial of Patrick Ahren and George Weitel for the murder of an unknown tramp at Townsend was resumed.

Wm. J. Bedwell cross-examined: was 15 to 20 yards from Ahren when he threw the stone; coming back from Townsend the tramp was lying in the same place; did not say before the magistrate that he was then five or six feet from where I first saw him sitting; don't know whether the tramps was drunk or asleep; did not say to Price I only saw one stone thrown by Ahren and that did not hit him; did not say to Jenifer Taylor that I might be mistaken about Ahren's throwing; did not tell Mr. McCarty that I knew nothing of the transaction; McCarty told me, yesterday, that it would not hurt my evidence to say I did not know anything about it.

Gideon E. Barlow sworn: First met Bidwell in front of my house; Bidwell and I started to Townsend, that evening; going up the road met my father, and shortly after Ahren overtook us; Ahren asked where we were going; told him and he said, he was going there; Weitel overtook us later; Bidwell and Ahren walked ahead; we came to a man sitting on the left side of the side line; Ahren went to him and asked him if he was the man that just came up the road; the man got up and said something, I don't know what; saw Ahren step out in the road and pick up one stone and threw it; I was then eight or ten yards past the man; Weitel was on the side line; I did not hear the stone strike. Witness also corroborated Bedwell as to the return and other circumstances detailed by that witness.

John Jester sworn: live in New Castle county; saw a man called Weitel early that morning; he said some one had been cursing Mr. Ahren and he said he was going to kill a man, not referring to what man; saw a stone in the man named Weitel's hand; went up to where this tramp was lying; called to man "eh!" no answer; said to companions, this man is dead; picking the man up I put two fingers in his skull; he was not cold; Mr. Townsend, constable, first went up to the body; when the man called Weitel said he was going to kill a man did not think he meant anything; can't swear that the man in the dock is the man who told me he was going to kill a man.

TRIAL OF AN ENGINE.—Locomotive No. 73, of the P. W. & B. R. R. Co., just completed at the shops in this city, went out on a trial trip to Philadelphia, this morning, where it was inspected by some of the officers of the company. This locomotive is the fourth of its class, being the largest yet built by the P. W. & B. Co. No effort at speed was made in the trial, this morning, but the trip was taken simply to limber up the machinery. The engine behaved very nicely, the machinery in all its parts doing its execution well and to the satisfaction of S. A. Hodgeman, master machinist, who was in command. The engine is very strongly built and possesses all the symmetry of form and beauty of finish which are peculiar to the engines of the P. W. & B. Co.

METHODIST MISSION APPORTIONMENT.—The Managing Committee of the Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church has concluded its labors, and made its apportionment of moneys to be raised by each conference for the year 1876, for missionary purposes, to supply the appropriations made by the committee at its recent session. The amount assessed upon the Wilmington Conference is $14,000.

WILSON MEMORIAL.—Mayor Whiteley has signified his willingness, upon the suggestion of a number of citizens, to call a special meeting of Council to take action touching the death of Vice President Wilson, and it is probable that such meeting will be held, this evening, although at this writing there is nothing definite about it.

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ON AND AFTER
THURSDAY, OCT. 21st, 1875.
Trains will run as follows:

Going Northward No. 5, p. m.	No. 3, p. m.	No. 1, a. m.	STATIONS.	Going Southward No. 2, a. m.	No. 4, a. m.	No. 6, p. m.
5.15	3.45	6.45	Wilmington,	8.20	12.00	7.35
6.03	4.36	7.30	Chadd's Ford,	7.30	11.09	6.49
7.10	5.35	8.32	Coatesville,	6.30	9 50	5.50
	6.39	9.33	Springfield,		8.47	4.42
	7.15	10.09	Birdsboro',		8.09	4 04
	7.45	10.42	Reading,		7.35	3.30

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E. COLLINGS,
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FALL ARRANGEMENT.
On and after MONDAY, OCTOBER 25TH 1875,
Trains will run as follows:

GOING NORTH. Leave	Pass. AM,	F'r't AM	GOING SOUTH Leave	F'rt P. M.	Pass A. M
Easton,	4.50	10.45	New York	11.55	9.25
Woodland,	5.00	11.00		A. M.	P M
Cordova,	5.10	11.15	Baltimore	7.00	3.00
Hillsboro'	5.25	11.30	Philadelphia	8.00	5.15
Ridgely,	5.35	11 45	Wilmington	9.30	6.40
		P M	Clayton	11.15	8.30
Greensboro',	5 50	12.05	Kenton	11.30	8.45
Goldsboro',	6 05	12.25	Slaughters	11.45	9 00
Henderson,	6.15	12.45		M	
Marydell,	6.25	1.00	Marydell	12.00	9.15
Slaughters,	6 35	1.20		P. M.	
Kenton,	6.50	1.40	Henderson	12.10	9.25
Arrive			Goldsboro'	12 25	9.35
Clayton,	7.00	2.00	Greensboro'	12.45	9.50
Wilmington,	8.52	4.05	Ridgely	1.00	10.05
Philadelphia,	10.20	5.35	Hillsborough	1.15	10.15
	P M		Cordova	1.30	10.30
Baltimore,	12 35	8.15	Woodland	1.45	10.40
New York,	5.10	10.22	Arrive		
			Easton	2.00	10.50

All freights must be at the various stations at least thirty (30) minutes before starting of trains, otherwise will lay over twenty-four (24) hours.

Freight train will have passenger car attached, and will be subject to delays incident to freight business.

Passengers using the 4.50 a. m. train from Easton will arrive in Philadelphia at 10.20 a. m., and returning will leave Philadelphia at 5.15 p. m., thus giving nearly seven hours for business purposes, in that city.

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