Public Printer Clapp to Stump Erie County --- Reduction of Wages in the | the Frolic and ordered to the Supply. Navy Yard --- Pennsylvanians in Washington Returning Home to Vote---Prize Fighting in Virginia---General of Arrest Issued for the Latter ---Changes in the Pennsylvania Post Ohio. Office ... The Cuban Privateer "Hor net"--- She is Seized at Wilmington, N. C ... B. Butler at the Capital.

[Special Despatches to the Philadelphia Inquirer.] WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.

A. M. Clapp, Congressional Printer, Left to-day for Northwestern Pennsylvania, to accept an invitation extended by the Republican Committee of Erie to stump the county. He is a | nance officer of that department. telling speaker, and universally liked throughout

the country, and always does good work. Reduction of Wages.

The wages of second-class painters at the Washington Navy Yard were reduced on Saturday from \$3 to \$2.75 per day; wheelwrights from \$2.75 to \$2.50, and second-class laborers from \$1.75 to \$1.50 by order of the Secretary of the Navy.

Rear-Admiral Dahlgren, Commander of Washington Navy Yard, on Saturday issued a circular amount of manufactured tobacco shipped out of granting leave of absence to all voters belonging to Pennsylvania, to enable them to go home to

Leave of Absence.

The Prize Fight

Between Sam. Collyer, of Baltimore, and Charles Doherty, of Richmond, Va., is expected to take place to-morrow morning, at some point in Eastern who expect to see the "mill" left in the steamer The Coit took about 150 passengers, including 25 who are going to the fight, among them Mike Can, alias English, and "Dublin Tricks." These parties expect to reach the fighting ground | Board of naval officers, appointed by Rear-Admiearly to-morrow morning.

Philadelphians Going to the Fight.

A number of Philadelphians and New Yorkers arrived this morning, but failed to make a connection with the Coit, on account of the delay of the train. Barney Aaron, who arrived in Richmond on Saturday, and Carr, who left in the boat, will second Doherty.

Warrant Issued for the Arrest of Doherty.

A Richmond paper of Saturday says:-"A war rant was issued, this morning, by instruction of General Canby, for the arrest of Charles Doherty, for the purpose of preventing the fight, but Doherty bad left the city with several of his friends some hours before it was placed in the hands of an of-

The Repairs to the Executive Mansion,

Now rapidly approaching completion, add greatly to the appearance of the interior of the building. besides making it more comfortable for the President and his household. The fresco work in the President's office has been completed, and the new in the modern style of Renaissance and Italian | sixty officers, for the Cuban expedition, now rencombined, the scroll border being of the latter. | dezvousing in the Gulf coast. The men were imme-Four medallions, representing "Industry," "Commerce," "Agriculture" and "Peace" are neatly executed, and attract much attention.

A new marble mantel has been placed in the on Saturday night, supposed to be a portion of the apartment, elaborately carved and highly ornamented. The carpet is of Wilton crimson underground, and Italian arabesque border. The furniture is of French and American walnut combined. and upholstered in French tapestry reps, The table for the Cabinet, in the centre ef the floor, is of French and American walnut, with compartments for each member of the Cabinet, and a large arm chair for each place.

The curtains are of French tapestry reps, with heavy walnut cornices and gold decorations, the the Engineer and Purser to the city to secure a supnational escutcheon and laurel wreath, in bas relief, being carved in the centre. A targe mirror in walnut and gold frame, being soon aroused, the officers, after engaging a carved similar to the window cornices, occupies a place over the mantel. A sofa and a num- | making arrangements to get the coal aboard. They ber of small chairs fill up the spaces around the | left this city last night, about twelve o'clock, for room, which is now a very comfortable and plea- | Smithville, thirty-five miles below the city, in small | high enough to cary it off. sant-looking office. The fresco painters are at row-boats. work upon the ceiling of the large hall, at the entrance leading to the parlors, east room, &c., which is being embellished in handsome style, and will present a very pleasing appearance when | States Marshal a warrant issued by the United completed.

Personal.

Deputy Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Don- the privateer until further orders. glass, left on Saturday for New York, and will be absent until Friday next.

The Privateer "Hornet" Heard from. Information was received by the government intelligence will be telegraphed immediately on nut streets, dealers in cement drain pipe, have su officials, to-day, that the Cuban privateer Hornet had put into Wilmington, North Carolina, on account of severe weather, and had been detained by the United States authorities there, who asked for instructions. Attorney-General Hoar, and Secretaries Fish and Robeson were in consultation with the President, during the day, upon the subject, when it was found that the law permitted a vessel, of the character of the Hornet, to enter any of our ports and remain twenty-four hours | text under which she can be detained by the auwithout detention, and a telegram was sent to the United States Marshal inquiring when she ar rived there, but up to a late hour this evening no reply had been received.

General Butler

Arrived to-day, on business with the Navy Depart ment, and will remain two or three days.

Detention of Trains.

None of the mail trains which left New York and Philadelphia, this morning, reached here to night, and it is announced they will not be dell vered till to-morrow morning.

Post Office Changes. The following changes of Postmasters in Penn-

sylvania were approved to-day:-Montgomeryville, Montgomery county, Thomas Rogers, vice E. Shearer, superseded by change of

Pine Grove Mills, Centre county, John L. Musser, vice C. Musser, resigned.

South Warren, Bradford county, Jacob Aide, vice N. C. Wheaton, removed.

Roland, Centre county, J. B. Curtin, vice H. Baker, resigned. Glen Rock, York county, Benjamin Geiss, vice | The State Fair Disaster -- List of the Killed. E. Shæffer, removed.

Jacksonville, Lehigh county, Levy Kistler, vice E. F. Lutz, removed. Re-established, Flourtown, Montgomery county,

Pa., and Amos Dungan appointed Postmaster. Discontinued, Speersville, Fulton county; mails to Wells' Tannery.

[Despatches to the Associated Press.]

Naval Orders.

District.

Captain James H. Spotts is ordered to duty in the Twelfth District. tor Thomas Davidson, Jr., and Assistant Naval | ville, Ind-

Constructor John W. Easby, are ordered to report to the Secretary of the Treasury, on the 20th inst., as members of a board to exame revenue cutters. Lieutenant-Commander Frederick Pearson is ordered to duty on board the Frolic.

Lieutenant Charles M. Thomas is detached from Surgeon E. M. Stein is ordered to duty at the Marine Rendezvous at Washington.

Army Orders.

The following changes in the stations and duties Canby and Dougherty ... A Warrant of ordance officers in the army have been made:-Brevet Colonel J. McNutt, from Leavenworth Arsenal, takes command of the Columbus Arsenal,

Brevet Major J. M. Whittemore, from Watertown Arsenal, Mass., to command the Kennebec Arsenal, Me Brevet Major T. C. Bradford, from Columbus

Arsenal, Ohio, to command the San Antonio Arsenal, Texas.

Captain Isaac Arnold, from San Antonio Arsenal, Texas, to Springfield Armory, Mass. Brevet Captain F. H. Parker, from Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois, to command the Detroit Arsenal,

Brevet Major J. R. McGinness, from Springfield Armory, Mass., to report to the commanding general of the Department of the Platte as general ord-

Brevet Captain O. E. Michael is ordered from Detroit Arsenal to Watertown Arsenal. First Lieutenant J. M. Macloy, from the Depart

ment of the Platte, to Watervliet, N. Y. Virginia Tobacco Tax.

Commissioner Delano has received a letter from Supervisor Presbury of Virginia, announcing that the collections on manufactured tobacco in that State from March to September, 1868, were \$280, 247.41, and between the same months of the present year they amounted to \$1.846.678.16, being an exless of this year over last of \$1,566,430 75. The the State in bond during the six months of 1868 above referred to, was 7,400,875 pounds, and in the corresponding period of the present year 9,492,863 pounds, or 2,091,088 pounds in excess of shipments of last year. A very large proportion of the tobacco shipped in bond to Northern cities, to export through bonded warehouses, is there withdrawn and the taxes paid. The revenue from tobacco in the State, for one year, from March 1, 1869, it is esprevious year.

Life Boat Detachment.

By order of Vice-Admiral Porter, there will be to-morrow, at Washington Navy Yard, before a ral Dahlgren.

The Schurman Case.

In the Criminal Court, the closing argument wa made on the motion for arrest of judgment, in th case of Schurman, convicted of purloining United States national currency from the Treasury Department. Judge Fisher reserved his decision.

Supreme [Court.

An adjourned session of the December term the Supreme Court of the United States com- course no human agency could resist. menced to-day. Present-Chief Justice Chase and Associate Justices Clifford, Davis and Swayne, and there not being a quorum, an adjournment until to-morrow took place. The order is:-The argument of the cases pending at the close of the former session; next, those for which no days were assigned, and then the regular docket, the Court adjourning over from Friday until Monday.

THE NEW "ALABAMA." Her Arrival at Fernandina.

SAVANNAH, Oct. 4 .- The Morning News has a re diately put aboard the cars and sent to Cedar | that their services were not needed. Keys, where steamers await them. Two hundred men arrived at Baldwin, Florida, from Savannah,

command now organizing in Middle Georgia. Her Seizure.

WILMINGTON, Oct. 4.-The privateer Hornet. alias Cuba, appeared off Smithville, on Saturday evening, flying the Cuban colors. It has been definitely ascertained that she has 200 men and 30 officers aboard, the majority of the latter being ex-Confederates. Her armament consists of eight

heavy guns. Yesterday she anchored inside the bar, and sent ply of coal, that taken aboard off New York not being adapted to quick movements. Suspicions supply of coal, returned to the vessel without

steam-tug Alpha, this morning, at four o'clock, and having placed in the hands of the Deputy United States Commissioner, placed him on board with | Parker, McIlvain & Bunter, Coombs & Slack, and

with the Deputy Marshal, and with force, if neces- | wood her arrival. The officers who visited the city were | fered great injury to their stock. process by which the privateer can be legally de- fourth and Chestnut streets, suffers heavily as h tained. The event creates much excitement and

The Cuba was seized by the Deputy United States Marshal at Smithville at twelve o'clock to-day. brought up to this city, and anchored half a mile below. The officers are now in the city, and are positive in their declarations that there is no pre thorities any longer than necessary to have investigation of the armament and crew. The Cuba is a formidable vessel, and represented to have great speed. She is short of coal and provisions now. and her machinery is considerably deranged. The following is a complete list of her officers:-

Edward Higgins, Commodore; Thomas L. Dorner, Lieutenaut-Commander; David Navigating Officer and Lieutenant; C. W. Rea, Lientenant: Dr. Fred. J. McNulty, Surgeon Eugene Valicente, Paymaster: Prentiss Ingram, Captain of Marines and Private Secretary to the Commodore; Dr. E. W. Dubols, Assistant Surgeon: D. D. Munro. First Lieutenant of Marines Nicholas Esting, Master; K. Jimmers, Ensign Henry S. Cooke, Ensign: A. M. Mason, Ensign: H. Gibson, Ensign; William D. Phillips, Midshipman: Antonio Munez, Midshipman: Louis French, Chief Engineer: Robert Graham, First Assistant Engineer; John Lynch, First Assistant Engineer; William H. Robinson, First Assistant Engineer: Dennison, Second Assistant Stephen Kearney, Second Assistant Engineer Joaquim Agwar, Second Assistant Engineer : John Mulley, Paymaster's Clerk; W. J. Faherty, Mas-

INDIANA.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 4 .- One of the bodies at the undertaker's office has been recognized as that of John R. Bailey, of Skeneateles, N. Y. The following is a corrected list of the killed: P. L. Davis, John Gali, John Willson, Jerome Spriggs, (colored.) Gustave Didler, Peter Kreitz, Ignatius Rossiter, all of this city; M. B. McVey, John McVey, river, the water is many feet deep, and the occu-Clara Davis, of Marion county, Ind.; Reed Beverly, of Paragon, Ind.; A. P. Jackson, of Mem-Commander George G. Blake has been detached | phis, Ind. : P. M. Benham, of Fort Wayne, Ind. from duty as light-house inspector of the Second D. Long, of Vienna, Ind.; John Labour, of Frank-Light-house District, and placed on waiting orders.

He will be relieved by Commodore T. O. Selfridge.

Commodore Joseph B. Hull relieves Commodore

John Slack, of Rob Roy, Ind. Two bodies not cer-John Pope from duty as Inspector of the First tainly identified. The following additional wound. down the blacksmith shop and a portion of the ed are reported: James Chance, of Rockville, river wall of the depot. Ind.; Richard Mattesy, of Lima, Ohio; R. Butler, Chief Engineer W. W. Dungan, Naval Construc. of Indianapolis; Miss Maggie Bettie, of Conners-

A Fearful Scene on the Schuylkill... The Greatest Flood on Record---Bridges Carried Away---Factories and Dwellings Inundated---Immense Destruction of Property --- Railroad Tracks Submerged ... Serious Detention of Trains...The Delaware Front of the City Inundated --- Cellars and Ferry Houses Overflowed --- Full Particulars of the Disaster ... Observations of our Reporters.

The river Schuylkill has been either one extreme or the other recently. First, we have an unparelleled drought of so serious a character that the water supply of the city is greatly diminished, and, but for active measures taken to meet the emergency we would, for many weeks past, been without water entirely in some sections of the city; and following close upon the drought comes a freshet of unprecedented violence, so great a one, in fact. that bridges are carried away, factories, dwelling houses, ice houses, &c., are submerged, boats are swamped, and the river is swollen to three times its usual size, and to such an extent that Fairmount, Flat Rock, and other dams, which a few days ago were high and dry, have been completely | yunk bridges and the debris of canal boats and hidden from view by the Niagara of waters that dashed and surged over them with terrific violence.

The water spread to such an extent over the shores of the Schuylkill that travel was totally suspended, for many hours, over the two railroads that run along the bank of that river, the tracks for many miles being submerged in water to the depth of several feet, a thing that never happened during any former freshets.

The great freshet was caused by the rain that Virginia, and this morning those from this city | timated will be six times as large as that of the | fell during Saturday and Sunday, and until an early hour on Monday morning. The rain had, as it were, determined to make up for lost time, for during the brief period mentioned, the amount trial of the "Let Go," or life-boat detaching device, that fell was one-tenth as much as has fallen for one year past, or 4 7-10 inches, according to mea-

Hundreds of thousands-possibly millions-of dollars' worth of property has been destroyed, and a large number of operatives have not only been thrown out of employment, but many entire families have been rendered houseless and homeless and a considerable amount of their property is well on the way to the sea, being suddenly swept away by the torrents of water, whose onward

Appended will be found a full account of the disaster from Market Street Bridge, Philadelphia as far up as Phœnixville, from actual observations made by the Reportorial Staff of THE INQUIRER and also the condition of the Schuylkill below Gray's Ferry Bridge.

The Gas Works.

The water began to rise at the Market Street Gas Works early in the morning, and fearful that an explosion would occur, the employes were se to work to extinguish the fires. Before this was pert from Florida of the arrival of the steamship | done, however, the water was in the works, and Alabama, at Fernandina, on Friday night, from | coming in contact with the fires, produced a dense furniture placed therein. The ceiling is frescoed New York, with four hundred men, including volume of smoke, which led to the impression that the works were on fire. Several fire compa nies in the vicinity turned out, but were informed

> All the clay retorts are Fretrievably injured, and cannot be used again. The iron retorts are not damaged. The loss will amount to nearly \$30,000 There is not much fear that the supply of gas will fail, as a large quantity is in the receiver.

The Point Breeze Works are intact, and twenty four additional benches were put into operation yesterday noon.

The West Side.

Railroad, above Market street, were overflowed. and sixteen caboose bodies were lifted off the trucks and washed away. Seven men, who had been sleeping in them, climbed out and were rescued by means of a boat, just before the cars floated away. The Company also had some thousands of dollars of lumber for the new elevator stored on the flats. but as soon as it was apparent that there was danger of its floating away, a large force of men wa employed and it was removed before the water wa

The trestle-work bridge of the company, near Collector of Customs Reemly chartered the Gray's Ferry, had about 200 feet carried away by rushing down the stream with such immense force

The following firms at Thirtieth and Chestnu streets have lost large quantities of lumber. by their loss cannot even be estimated:-Trucks part of the customs force, with orders to detain | Sloan & Good. The saw-mill of Keen & Co., near by, is overflowed, but the loss is not known.

Colonel Frank, commanding the United States J. W. Jones & Co., cord-wood dealers at Thir troops at Smithville, was expected to co-operate Lieth and Chestnut, have lost a large quantity of sary. The Alpha has not yet returned. Further | Edward Morgan & Sons, at Thirtieth and Chest

very bold and confident, insisting that there is no John D. Ward, coal and wood dealer, at Twenty whote place is under water.

The City Mills are flooded out and suffer much The soap works of G. Cook & Sons and the o

works of W. D. Hubbard are completely saturated Naylor & Brothers, lumber dealers, lose part of their stock. The coal yard of John Kennedy, oil works of Laird & Co., soap works of Van Haagen, McKeone

& Co. are all more or less damaged. The oil works of Wallace, Curtis & Co., on This tieth street, below Chestnut, are all under water Their loss cannot be ascertained definitely, as they

have two tanks full of oil, and it will depend on whether the pipes are broken or not whether it has escaped. About 50 barrels of oil and 200 empty barrels floated off. The engine-room connected with the Pennsy

vania Railroad machine shop is almost hidden from sight by the raging waters. The lamp-black factory of Wilson & Co., below the Wire Bridge, is submerged in the lower part

and the loss will be heavy. The extensive oil works of Remshard & Street below the Wire Bridge, is overflowed, and will suffer great damage. About fifty barrels of o

and one hundred empty barrels floated down th stream. There is a large quantity of valuable machinery in the works, which will be badly dam-Sharp's fire-arm factory, at the west end of th

Wire Bridge, is damaged somewhat in the lower Above the bridge, several lumber yards and taverns are completely surrounded, but the los

will not be very heavy. East Side.

The American Metre Company, at Twenty-third and Arch streets, is filled with water in the cellar. which contains stock. The tannery of J. Hadney, on Cherry street, above

Twenty-second, is full to the second floor. The factory of E. & G. W. Alden, manufactures of patent fan blowers, is in the same condition, as is also the machine shop of J. E. Packer & Co.

On Vine street, from Twenty-third street to the pants of houses are obliged to live in the upper stories, whence they can only be reached by boats The Keystone Mills, on Callowhill street, above Twenty-fifth, was flooded in the first story. A coal yard next to it was almost invisible by the water, or are floating about within reach.

The depot of the Arch Street Passenger Railway Company has its stables completely under water.
A canal boat floated against its rear, and pushed

Fairmount.

Here the scene was indescribably grand. The street with Maxon's mill, became filled with water, rater flowed at the rate of about fifteen miles an i driving away the division canvassers, who were in

The Wire Bridge was filled with persons gazing at the scene, and the police found it necessary to keep the crowd moving on to prevent an accident. The turbine wheels in the water works and the forebay were completely overflowed, and no pumps could run after ten A. M.

The reservoir hill was crowded with spectators, as it was a place where a wide and comprehensive view could be had.

The Park.

The space leading from the old to the new park. at Landing avenue, was about five feet under water. The Robert Morris House and the Rialto House had about three feet of water on the first the boat-houses along the river bank were submerged to the tops of the windows, and have no doubt, suffered great injury to the boats, &c. stored in them. The red boat-house, where boats to hire were kept, floated off, and would have been lost, had not ropes been taken to it from the shore. The carriage drive on the river bank of the park,

was about eight feet under the water. The dam could only be recognized by the tumbling and seething of the water. A number of boats went down above it, and these served to throw up the water in great waves.

So rapidly did the water rise that fears were entertained that the Wire Bridge would be swept away. At this time a number of canal boats were perceived coming down, and as it was plainly evi dent that they could not clear the bridge men were sent out to scuttle them, and nearly a dozen wreck lie on the bottom below the dam. About half-pas eleven o'clock A. M. a carriage with two drowned horses attached floated down, and it has been feared that some persons have been drowned. It is almost a miracle that the remains of the Mana houses did not carry away the Wire Bridge.

An Unwonted Spectacle.

On the east side of the river, Filbert, Arch Cherry, Race and Vine streets, were overflowed nearly to Twenty-second street, and men could be seen everywhere paddling around with boats others were wading to the armpits, bringing in wood, which will fill the cellar of many a poor per son with fuel for the coming winter. Children were also in the water, and their parents were kept busy endeavoring to keep them out, as many of them might have easily been drowned.

Of course all business was suspended, as no vehicle could pass. Some adventurous drivers did occasionally try to make a short cut, but they seldom succeeded. Large crowds of persons lined Twenty-seconed street, and the different lines of cars leading to the river front were crowded to to their utmost capacity.

Manayank.

The loss occasioned by the freshet was greater and more general than at any of the other places in the "Valley of the Schuylkill," and it is gene rally estimated that not less than a million of dol lars will pay for the damage done in that vicinity. All the mills and manufacturing establishments in the place suffered considerably, and, in many instances, dye houses, sheds and bleaching tanks were washed away, and the small residences ad joining them, and occupied by laboring men, com pletely submerged.

The first and second floors of the several mills were under water, and at an early hour yesterday morning the Schuylkill presented the appearance of an immense floating raft, though disconnected and composed of different material, of sundry make, quality and grade. Small houses, furniture timber, factory material, and articles of miscella necus kind, while the neighbors (who had been called from their beds at twelve o'clock at night by the factory bells and whistles of the town assisted in removing whatever could be rescue from the rapidly rising water. It is estimated that the Schuylkill rose eleven feet above its average. and lifteen feet over its height during the summer. Trepidation and feverish excitement seized upon the entire population of the thrifty locality, and during all the morning it both continued and in creased, until about twelve o'clock at noon, after which hour a change took place, and the water from that hour commenced going down, much to the gratification of the Manayunk population By this terrible vis tation whole families have been

left without a home or even wherewith to lay their heads, and the general grief and distress prevail ing can be better imagined than described Women and children standing in some spot of se curity, would watch the movements of the flood as it grasped and carried off the most valuable of the rearthly possessions, and the scene presented was really heartrending.

The subsiding of the freshet, therefore, caused an expression of thankfulness from every heart, The flats on the property of the Pennsylvania and each one set about inquiring to what extent his neighbor had been damaged. This could not be ascertained in dollars and cents in specific cases, nor cannot possibly be until the flood subsides, as the damage has been in the first and second stories, many of which were last night still in

a state of inundation. While we regret to have to record the drowning of a young lad, who was thrown from a canal boat under peculiar circumstances, it is, nevertheless, a source of congratulation, that considering that the water commenced rising to its unusual and unnatural height at an hour when the greater part of the population were enjoying night's repose, that a number of lives were not lost.

The water yesterday at twelve o'clock came and volume, that, in conjunction with a loaded canal boat carried along at impetnous speed, the large covered county bridge was struck, and carried away as if a pipe-stem. The boy above referred to fell off the boat into the gliding stream. and up to a late hour last night his body had not

been recovered. The material of this large bridge added stil greater weight and power to the flowing element, and, coming in contact with the other bridge. known as the "Tow," or "Horse-shoe" bridge, it was also carried away, journeying down the river in companionship with the other floating material The other small bridges in the vicinity were also carried away, including that at Domino lane, near Flat Rock dam, which spans the canal at that point, and, therefore, a bridge of considerable importance. The wagon road from the Ridge avenue to Manayunk, via Domino lone, is useless, in consequence of its loss. The stone bridge on Ridge avenue, crossing the Wissahickon, was also swep

Canal boats were floating about loose in large numbers during the day, and the loss of the Schuyl kill Navigation Company is considerable, both in this respect and in the banks of their canal being washed away. The canal, vesterday, had as rapid a current as the river ordinarily has, while be tween the river and the canal the water was on

The railroad track was under water between Manayunk and Conshohocken, the station at the latter place being completely Booded. Not out was travel thus interrupted, but as the tele graph wires were blown down, telegraphic com munication was interrupted, and the good prople residing at Conshohocken and Norristown could

neither be seen or heard from The present flood exceeds any of its predeces sors, both in extent and actual damage, and wi be long remembered by the residents of the neigh borhoods affected by it. In 1889 there was a flood of both ice and rain, and in August and September of 1850 the old County Bridge was washed away and although they both approximate to the present freshet in the character of the disaster, the amount of damage then done is by no means equa

to the present instance. The damage was heavier above than below Mana yunk, but to give our readers a proper knowledge as to the parties whose establishments were dam aged, we refer to them in rotation, according to the order of their location.

Commencing at Sutton's mill, in lower Manayunk, we found the lower portions completely flooded, and considerable damage sustained in consequence

ment from being interrupted. Maxon's mill, just above the gas works, and the ristown were overflowed. Heebner's flour mill tenement houses on the opposite side of the street, among others, containing water almost up to the were completely surrounded the water being nearly | second story. Mr. Bentz's lumber yard, at the six feet deep on the first floors. Carts, wagons, and | mouth of Stony creek, was inundated, and a great other articles floated about, and the men were all quantity of lumber was carried down stream. out at their respective places of employment, doing | About half-past three o'clock yesterday afternoon

logs and other matter which went surging along in the flood, not only past this particular establishment, but generally. The Fountain Hotel, on the same side of the

No boat could have lived for a moment amid the

hour, bearing in its course everything that would | session there, and causing them to take refuge 1 the house of Mr. Daniel Donnelly, several squares off. A portion of the verandah fell with a crash and Mr. William McLaughlin, aged 29, was so badly injured, both in the back and spine, that but little hope is entertained of his recovery. Next we have the mill of Mr. David Wallace, the

dye-house, engine-room and lower portion of which were completely flooded. Heft's mill shared the same fate, and the loss in

both instances must be heavy. Just above, and along the banks of the canal, are rows of mills stretching out about a mile, each one of which has its walls extending down to the level of the river at low water. As a natural consequence, the lower stories of these establishments floor. The steamboat wharf was invisible. All were filled with water, in some places as high as the second story. First comes McFadden's, at present leased as a sheddy factory, suffered conside-

rably in this respect

At the mill of Mr. Seville Schofield, its whole under portion, with back buildings, were submerged, causing considerable loss. At Messrs. A. Campbell & Co.'s, the loss was also

great, the engine-room being covered with water. while the dye-house and weaving room, containing some three hundred looms, were in much the same

At THE INQUIRER paper mill, the two lower stories were flooded, damaging some of the material, and the water rose clear up to the bottom of the boiler, and would have extinguished the fires, if the establishment had been in operation.

General Robert Patterson's mill, now known as

the "Ripka Mill," had two of the lower stories flooded and some of the back buildings damaged. Steele's mill, known as Arbuckler Mill, was flooded to the second story, and the establishme its of James Winpenny and Bolton Winpenny adjoining, Sohn's mill, the Shirt-knitting Company's, Whittaker's, Preston's, the American Wood-pulp Company, and other establishments were in like condition. All of the above-mentioned establishments were filled with water, and those of Messrs Whittaker and Preston were surrounded on all sides. From what is called the Yellow Bridge, at the upper end of the town, to Flat Rock, the river extended itself until it was almost one unbroken sheet of water from the Norristown Railroad on one side to the Reading Railroad on the other. The people who resided in the vicinity removed as much of their goods as was possible during the night and early yesterday morning, using boats as the mode of conveyance.

The roofing felting establishment of Mr. Joseph Steelwagon sustained some loss, while at the northern mill of Messrs. A. Campbell, the dye house and factory were pretty well flooded. At the Whittaker mili the loss was heavy, the dye house, engine-room, and lower part of the mill

being submerged, and the yarns, warps, &c., much damaged by water and mud. The loss at Mr. James Preston's establishment was very heavy, the dye-house being swept away, while the wool sheds, vats, dyeing material, yarns, warps, &c., were ruined in large quantities. A heavy loss was also sustained at Nixon's Paper

Works, but that of the American Pulp Company far exceeded that of any establishment at Manayunk, and is estimated at an immense amount The paper mill of S. A. Rudolph, on the Montgomery county side of the river, also suffered severely, and the adjoining dwellings were almost swept from view, and their inmates making a nar-

The adjoining establishment of Mr. John Campbell was pretty well flooded, but escaped with but comparatively little loss.

Mr. Campbell distinguished himself by the amount of energy and zeal he manifested in endeavoring to soothe the distressed and afflicted of his neighbors, and, as far as possible, making a personal effort to save property, and prove of

general usefulness and service The Pencoyd Iron Works sustained some loss, but most of their sunken material will likely be re-

covered when the freshet subsides. There are a number of small dwellings near to Mr. John Campbell's establishment, which, with one exception, were situated on the high bluff and on the south side of the river road, and until about eight o'clock in the morning were believed to be out of danger. About that hour the water had swept up the banks, and was in danger of carrying off the gasometer of Campbell & Co., and workmen set about securing it. The tank was torn from its foundation and moored to the dye house, where it remained in comparative safety. Just above was a frame tenant-house, with the water running through it as though it were a sieve. The people were taken out of the house at an early hour. Most of the furniture was also secured

The lowest houses on the Montgomery county side were those adjoining Rudolph's mill, and they were almost obscured from sight. The day and its consequences will prove a memorable one in the history of Manayunk.

Wissahickon.

At Wissahickon the meadow lands, between the turnpike and the Schuylkill, were inundated, and the water from the Schuylkill, backing up against that of the Wissahickon, made its way through the meadows, left nothing to mark the beautiful spot save the high ground on the banks of the river and the tops of the fences which skirt the turnpike at the junction of School lane. Dobson's mill, on the banks of the creek, beneath the railbridge, was completely surrounded and filled up to the first floor with water, and the people residing on the pike opposite the mill, removed their goods and chattels to safer localities. The barn-yard and barn of Mr. James Dobson were in danger of being washed away at any moment, and

the horses and other stock were removed. Some idea of the condition of things may be formed when we state that the water forced its way over the banks in the rear of Dobson's Mill tearing a channel down the Wissabickon turnpike. rendering the creek an almost unbroken sheet of water from the high banks along the turnpike to the woods on the opposite wood. The damage sustained by Mr. Dobson will probably amount to

The house and grounds of Mr. Bancroft, which have recently been put in most beautiful condition, were surrounded by water, and the dwelling formerly used by the steamboat company as a passenger depot was submerged At the board-yard of Mr. Nathan Jones, piles of

considerable.

timber went floating off down the river despite the efforts of Mr. Jones and his gang of workmen to stop them. The current at this point has a terrific sweep, and cords and cables which fastened the piles of lumber to some friendly trees parted like so many webs. The damage at Wissakickon, therefore, was in the aggregate considerable.

Schuylkill Fall

The inhabitants at the Fails were considerably frightened, as they had good reason to be, some ten or twelve houses being completely submerged. At the Columbia Bridge the water was four feet above the top of the piers, and the ice-house and tow-path were both under water. The base of the Mount Pleasant Hotel was also under water, and the Odd Fellows' Hall also suffered material damage. A man fell into the water at the Railroad Bridge and was rescued with great difficulty. The debris of the broken bridges at Manayunk. above referred to, came down the river with tremendous force, colliding with the Falls' Bridge, which, fortunately, however, withstood the shock.

At least one hundred houses are submerged between Manayunk and Schuylkill Falls. The Reading Railroad.

Through the courtesy of Franklin B. Gowan, Esq., President of the Reading Railroad Company, one of the reportorial staff of THE INQUIRER was enabled to make an inspection trip over the Reading Railroad, in a special car, as far as it could proceed, yesterday afternoon. The furthest point reached was a short distance below Conshocken. the railroad from that point to Norristown being completely submerged, and consequently impassible. The trip developed the following condition

Norristown.

At Conshocken our reporter learned that the The gas works adjoining this mill are some ten | freshet was so great at Norristown that many of or twelve feet above the level of the street, and a the houses nearest the river were under water. strong force of workmen was put to work at an | The bridge at Norristown escaped destruction, but early hour to prevent the work at the establish- | the water was well up towards the top of the piers. A number of the factories in the vicinity of Northeir best to save such articles as have been spared | the water was subsiding at Norristown, and no

further damage was apprehended. Conshohoeken.

The damage at Conshohocken was very serious. The greatly swollen river dashes with uncontrolable fury past this place. The bridge was at one time in considerable danger, the water reaching

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