

THE TRIAL OF THE WATER WORKS.

The trial of the water works of this city is described in another column. The Board of Water Commissioners have accepted the works. There was no doubt of the result of the trial.

The fine display that was made yesterday, during the test, must have attracted the attention of all people. The heavy streams of water were sent into the air by the power applied in the business parts of the city, but so far, though the power applied was sufficient to carry them to twice that height. At a point opposite the mouth, where the wind is unbroken force met the columns of water, these were deflected and carried away, in masses of vapor. It was in appearance like the explosion of a rocket. The phenomenon was exceedingly curious.

The power applied to the water—sixty pounds to the square inch—will scarcely be appreciated by persons accustomed only to the pressure obtained by the use of hand engines, or of ordinary steam fire engines. The streams turned upon the ground plowed the earth into deep ruts; and a heavy barrel placed before one of the streams was instantly carried a hundred feet. Our readers will remember in a former test of the works, minutely placed himself under one of the streams. He was bent forward, his head and body inclining in the direction the stream took. It was unfortunate for his official and personal dignity. He was mixed up, and for a moment was suspended in the air, like the marble that dances over a common fountain. When he recovered control of himself, he lay sprawling several feet from the place where he had begun his ludicrous ride on the water.

The excellence of our water works system has several times been proved. Fires have been extinguished without aid of the fire engine companies; and the advantage of a graduated pressure, a way to be relied on, is too obvious to need more than a reference to the fact. In respect to the sanitary interests of the community, the plan that has been adopted is far superior to the old reservoir system. The water, taken from the reservoir wells, that are fed from the Schoharie river through the filter of its bank, is as pure as the finest spring water. The possibility of obtaining such water, for any city which has a river, or a lake near it, seems to be demonstrated. This is really the most important and far the most interesting feature of the achievement which our citizens having charge of the construction of the water works, are entitled to the credit of.

News Paragraphs.

The Danish Minister, Mr. DeBelle, was married yesterday to the daughter of Charles Zabriskie, of Jersey City.

or as they would have been "asked in" to "take something" for about this time the Mayor had been informed of the outrage and had sent officers to disperse the company. "The company" dispersed themselves though, and were waiting their way homeward, carrying their orchestras with them, when some of the were seen coming silent on the "double quick." Our readers were now on the Cassville bridge, crossing a deep ravine. They could not escape their loved instrument fall into the hands of the "Phylloxera," they lifted it over the railing of the bridge and sent it bounding down the rocks into the torrent below, where the "bow" soon followed. The "club" thereupon beat a hasty retreat to the woods on the opposite side, and then to the University and their rooms. This ended one of the most alarming episodes of Cornell.

Musical.

Miss Kellogg commands higher prices for her services than has been paid to any singer in this country since Leony Lind.

Thomas's opera of "Hamlet" has met with a triumphant success at Leipzig, and is in preparation at Prague, Vienna, Berlin, Hamburg and Cologne.

A street preacher in London has been fined for singing a hymn to the tune of "Tommy Dodd," in which the refrain is irreverently paraphrased so as to include a sacred name.

The subscribers to the Paris Grand Opera are grumbling because they have too many grand operas and too little ballet. The public seem to prefer the capers of ballet girls to the finest strains of Gounod or of Meyerbeer.

The choristers of the Cathedral of Armagh, Ireland, have petitioned Parliament for compensation in case of the disestablishment of the Irish Church. They say that some of them have been singing for thirty years, and they expect to be provided for like stipendiary curates.

Luther, in his writings, is frequently and fervently thankful for being enriched with a love of music. He says: "It is one of the fairest and most glorious gifts of God, to which Satan is a bitter enemy, for it removes from the heart the weight of sorrow and the fascination of evil thoughts. Music is a kind and gentle discipline; it refines the passions and improves the understanding. Those who love music are honest and gentle in their tempers."

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

AGGREGATE CIRCULATION TWICE THAT OF ANY OTHER NEWSPAPER OF THIS CITY AND COUNTY, AND GREATER THAN ANY IN THE STATE AS TO THE NUMBER OF READERS AND THE CITIES OF NEW YORK, ALBANY, SYRACUSE AND BUFFALO.

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