

CAMDEN AND VICINITY.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The public schools of Camden, in pursuance with usual custom, will close to-morrow for the summer vacation, until the first Monday in September. During the present year the number of children registered as eligible to admission into the schools of the different cities and townships of the county has been as follows.—Camden city, 6880; Gloucester City, 1288; Stockton township, 708; Delaware township, 209; Haddon, 544; Centre, 829; Gloucester, 736; Waterford, 734; Winslow, 644, making a total of 12,523.

The total amount of moneys received from the State appropriation—two mills tax and surplus revenue—is as follows.—Camden city, \$32,453.16; Gloucester City, \$1244.92; Stockton township, \$3408.63; Delaware, \$1308; Haddon, \$2637.23; Centre, \$2575.17; Gloucester, \$3744.56; Waterford, \$3779.34; Winslow, \$3339.14. Total, \$50,449.51. During the vacation such improvements as are necessary will be made to the various school buildings, and additional accommodations will be furnished.

FOR TRENTON.

John Kelley, Jr., for assault and battery on an officer, and also a highway assault, and Thomas Gallagher, for assault and battery on an officer, will be taken to the State's Prison at Trenton to-day, the first for one year, and the latter for six months, sentence having been passed on them on Saturday. John Kelley, br, for the same offense, has to pay \$50 and costs, and stands committed until paid.

ROBBERY.

On Friday Rev. William Stauleup, of the M. E. Union Church, on Broadway, Mr. Edward Butcher and Ephraim Hillman, while fishing in Hatch's meadow ditch with a net, and having placed their coats and vests on the bank, sustained a considerable loss. A small lad swam across Cooper's creek and stole Mr. Stauleup's watch and \$14 in money, and \$10.75 from Mr. Butcher. Mr. Hillman also had some small change and other things stolen.

ORGANIZED.

The Trustees of the Charitable Fund for Disabled Firemen, in Camden, met on Saturday evening and organized their new board. William Maguire and William Thompson, two members recently elected by the Council, took their seats. James W. Ayers was elected president; Frank Holt, secretary; Samuel Huffy, treasurer. There are about \$2000 in the fund at the present time.

REDUCING THE POLICE FORCE.

In pursuance of the ordinance passed at the last meeting of Camden City Council, reducing the police force from twenty five to sixteen, Mayor Gaul will, to-day, notify such officers as he deems proper to dispense with, and their retirement will take effect at once. One or two have already sent in their resignations.

THE NEW CITY HALL.

There are so many sources to absorb the public moneys the present year that there is not much probability the new city hall will be commenced very soon. Two additional rooms have been built to the old station house at a cost of some five hundred dollars, to accommodate lodgers, &c.

HELD TO ANSWER.

On Saturday, Officer J. L. Mason arrested Charles Verga on a charge of committing an assault and battery on John Smith, (colored.) Mayor Gaul held him in \$300 to answer. George Alloways was also held in \$100 for an assault and battery on Charles Verga.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

A barn in the vicinity of Haddonfield, belonging to a Mr. Horner, was struck by lightning on Saturday afternoon during the shower, but not much damage was sustained. A number of persons were in it at the time, and two of them were knocked down by the flash, but not much hurt.

FUNDING THE CITY DEBT.

Seventy five thousand dollars of the floating debt of Camden are again to be funded the present year. This is the full extent allowed by the charter in any one year. Last year there were also \$75,000 funded.

COMMITTED.

Henry Garner, for assault and battery on Lewis Saunders, has been committed by Mayor Gaul in default of \$300 to answer at the October term of court.

TAXATION.

The Commissioners of Appeal in cases of unjust assessments meet in the various wards and precincts of Camden to-day.

SENTENCES.

A number of sentences were passed in the Special Court of Camden on Saturday, and several in the Oyer and Terminer.