

CAMDEN'S NEWS BUDGET.

A Prominent Builder Falls—His Liabilities Far Exceed His Assets.

The failure of George Matthews, one of the most prominent builders in Camden, was announced yesterday. His liabilities are figured at \$17,000. Mr. Matthews, who has been sick with typhoid fever for some time, attributes his downfall to his book-keeper. He claims that during his illness the latter has had full control of his affairs and that he misused the funds and decamped. Matthews' assets are put at \$2,000. He has confessed judgment to Lawyer Howard S. Carrow and ex-Sheriff Fredericks to the amounts of \$500 and \$1,700 respectively. The other principal creditors are: Smith & Pfeiffer, \$1,500; Grant Stockham, \$1,600; Klosterman & Bros, \$1,000; J. H. Berryman, \$1,000; Charles H. Coles, \$3,000. There are also a number of small creditors.

At the time of his failure Mr. Matthews had a contract for 100 houses in Organo, N. J., and also a contract for a \$16,000 mill building.

NOTES.

Henry Cox, a married man, living at 306 Locust street, disappeared from his home last week. His friends think that he strayed away while in a state of mental aberration.

John Haines, a well known farmer of Haddonfield and a member of the Society of Friends, died on Sunday.

Henry Anderson, of the Fifth ward, was appointed a letter-carrier by Postmaster Browning yesterday.

Professor Ayres, of the Manual Training School of Philadelphia, explained the workings of his school to the Camden Board of Education last night. The members were well pleased with the professor's talk and will make an effort to establish a similar institution in Camden.

The Republicans hold their conventions to day. Frank F. Michellon and W. B. E. Miller will be nominated for City Treasurer and Councilman at large, respectively.

George Anderson, of Leipsic, Delaware, employed as a brakeman on the Atlantic City Railroad, had a leg cut off yesterday by falling under the wheels of the engine.

Harry M. Dey, a brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, living at 330 Bridge avenue, was thrown from the train at Palmyra yesterday and had a leg broken.

Camden Division, No. 14, Sons of Temperance, celebrated their twenty first anniversary at Morgan's Hall, last night.

Squire Cassidy yesterday held Ephraim Hillman and Policeman Peters in \$500 bail each on the charge of libeling Mrs. Mary Hillman. This is the outcome of the statement made by Hillman that Mrs. Hillman confessed to striking the blow which killed Herman Seideman, for which crime his son was hung.