SAMUEL J. TILDEN reached the 79th year of his age on last Tuesday Were it not for that his name would be hoisted for President of the United States in 1888.

I. A. SHAFFER, Secretary.

ADAM HOY. Chairman

GENERAL GRANT'S widow has ready received \$250,000 from the publishers of 'Grant's history of the War" as her share of the proceeds. No danger that the lady will suffer.

DAKOTA has been admitted into the Union as a state. That is part of Dakota. The bill separates the territory into a northern and southern part -the latter part now being the state of "Dakota," while the northern part will continue as a territory called "Lincoln."

EXPERIMENTS have been successfully made of sending and receiving teleghaphic messages on a railway train under full headway. This is truly an age of invention and things that would have been thought impossibilities a quarter century ago are unquestionable realities now.

THE ELECTION in this state this fall will be for Governor, Lieutenant Govorner, Auditor Conoval, Secretary of Internal Affairs, 27 congressmen, and one at large, 25 State Senators. Already both parties are advancing the names of their best men for governor, Gen. James A. Beaver, of Bellefonte, being the one most prominently mentioned on the Republican side. Many of the newspapers, wise and otherwise, present their choice of candidates through their editorial columns. But as speculations prove but wasted work at this stage we propose to lay low until time will develope the battle more fully.

STILL BETTER.—An error occurred in the notice of our County Commissioners to bondholders to present their ed in the field. bonds at their office for payment on April 1st, 1887. It should be April 1886 and this makes the outlook for the complete liquidation of the county debt still better. Their annual finan cial statement, which will appear in the JournaL in supplement form for several weeks, is so explicit that all can understand and every taxpayer should give it a close perusal. This document gives clear information about the financial part of our county administration, and a repetition of figures and facts in this column would consequently be superfluous.

DEATH called away another here of this country in the person of General W. S. Hancock, on Tuesday, Feb. 9th. For several days the General had been confined to his bed with a malignant carbunkle on the back of his neck, which finally caused his death. Gen. Hancock was almost 62 years of age and his heroic and conspicuous career as a soldier, particularly during the late war, have made his unexpected demise a case of universal sorrow and sincere regret. He is a native of Norristown, Pa., where his remains will probably be interred. The body lying at the residence of the family; at Governor's Island, N. Y., is being embalmed by members of the post, The General leaves his widow and three grandchilden, and shortly after the sad news had been wired abroad, messages of condolence began to come

THE President upon being informed of Gen. Hancock's death issued the following executive order:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHING ron, Feb. 9-4 P. R.-Tidings of the leath of Winfield Scott Hancock, Maor-General of the Army of the United States, have just been received. A valiant defender of his country; an able and heroic soldier; a spotless and accomplished gentleman, crowned alike with laurels of military renown and the highest tribute of his fellow countrymen as to his worth, it is fitting that every mark of public respect should be paid to his memory. Therefore, it is now ordered by the President that the National flag be displayed at half-mast upon all the buildings of the Executive Departments in this city until after his funeral shall have taken

DANIEL S. LAMONT, Private Secre-The President also sent the following

telegram to Mrs. Hancock: EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGcock, Governor's Island, N. Y: Accept my heartfelt sympathy and condolence in your terrible bereavement. husband have gathered to your side, in this hour of your affliction, a nation of nourners. GROVER CLEVELAND.

LAND FOR THE PEOPLE.

A very important bill was the one passed by the Senate the other day, opening to settlement 11,000,000 acres of the Sioux reservation in Dakota. Settlers upon this land will have the benefit of the Homestead law, but the small sum of fifty cents an acre must be paid, the proceeds to be used for the 28,000 Indians on the

There is no doubt that this magnifient domain, four times as large as the State of Massachusetts and consisting of as good agricultural land as can be found on the continent, will be rapidly taken up by hardy settlers. It is of the highest importance that it should be rescued from the grasp of the land speculators, rich corporations and alien landlords who have been allowed to get possession of so large a portion of the public lands.

Of the original public domain, so vast in its extent, but a small area yet remains for settlement. It is the first duty of the Government to exercise a care that it should be reserved for those who wish to establish homesteads. The abuses that have pre vailed in the management of the lands have been of the most culpable character, and although it is too late to undo much that has been done in es tablishing great landed estates which in the future will be the source of oppression, yet it is not too late to give the people the fullest and most equal the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad advantage of that which has not been monopolized by corporations and by 5.45 P. M. passed over it, but when alien as well as native land barons .--

Miscellaneous News.

Typhoid fever, in a most virulent form, prevails within a few miles of Reading.

The Philadelphia branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Church raised \$157,000 ence of oil in this district. Thomas

make an effort to have a bill passed by yellowish clay, with a gassy smell the next Legislature authorizing the payment of a local bounty, either by the State or county, to all old soldiers which blew out the plug and frightened who received none when they re-enlist- the people of the neighborhood. A

township, Chester county, accidentally slipped and fell against a low bed-post recently, and her collar catching upon at once to continue the boring. the same she was strangled to death before assistance could reach her.

An Arm Broken with a Snowball.

At Harmony School, in Providence townsnip, Lancaster County, while the children were snowballing, an elevenvear-old son of Mrs. Rutter, widow, was struck on the arm with a sno wball, breaking the arm.

Lancaster Will Put on Airs.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.-The Senate Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds to-day ordered favorable reports upon bills providing for the construction of public buildings as follows: Houston, Texas, \$75,000; Pawtucket, R. I., \$100,000; Newport, Ky, \$100,000; Opelousas, La., \$50,000; Lancaster. Pa., \$100,000; Fort Scott, Kan. f or completion), \$50,000, and Wichita, Kan. (for completion), \$50 000.

A Family of Eight Frozen to Death. OBERLIN, Kan., Feb. 5.-The bodies of a man, woman and six children were found frozen stiff on the prairie near here, yesterday. They are supposed to be a man named Lemmen and his family, who started in an emigrant wagon for this place just before the recent blizzard, and have not been heard from since. A brother of Lemmon has gone to Oberlin from Geneva to identify the bod ies.

\$1,00 Worth of Garden Seed Free.

A good many people make gardens, and those who do should try Northern to Governor's Island. The people at Norristown, his old home, received the shocking news with prefound sorrow, and the whole country mourns and manifests its feelings by halfmasting flags and tolling of bells. And thus the ranks of great men and soldiers are being thinned by the common enemy—death.

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STRIKERS MASSING.

Preparing to March in a Body to the Works-Letters of Death.

MT. PLEASANT, Pa., Feb. 7.-The strikers held meetings at different places throughout the coke regions to-day and decided to march in a body to Scottdale to-morrow to attend a mass meeting.

The week closed yesterday with several occurrences of a character which show the determination of the desparation of the strikers. A number of the men who have been working in the pits received letters bearing the insigni of death with coffins and daggers rampant, while inscriptions warned them to stop work immediately under penalty of death. The missives were spotted with blood and presented a yery sanguinary appearance. At noon yesron, Feb. 9. 1886.—Mrs. W. S. Han- terday about forty strikers discovered three men at work loading stock coke at Boyle's Bridgeport Works. The The heroism and worth of your late workmen started to run when the strikers gave chase, firing at the fugitives, and abandoning the pursuit when they were satisfied that the men would not attempt to return to work. The night previous, when the cars were run into the Boyle Works, a band of strik ers armed with guns and revolvers lay behind the ovens nearly the entire night to prevent any attempt at the resumption of work. The men are thoroughly posted on every movement of the operators, being in constant communication with friends in Pittsburg.

A Victim of Treacherous Ice.

WILLIAMSPORT, Feb. 6 - Jacob Det. tling was accidentally drowned here this morning. He was an unmarried man about 27 years old, the only support of his widow mother, with whom lived, at 137 Second street. Detling was employed at the Luppert & Kline furniture factory, on the South For several days the employes on this side of the river have been crossing on the ice. A channel had been cut under the Maynard street bridge by workmen who were getting out ice. Friday night this channel froze over, but the ice was only about half an inch thick. This morning as J. W. A. Kelly and a Mr. Koons, both employes at the Luppert factory, were crossing the river on their way to work Dettling was seen to disappear through the thin ice. The men called for help and ran towards the drowning man, but could not reach him in time. Dettling went down just as he stepped from the heavy ice to the thin surface, and although he was at the edge of the channel, he seemed to have become bewildered. One arm was found frozen to the solid ice, while his head hung submerged in the water. He was taken from the water and removed to the engine room of the factory, but all efforts to resuscitate him proved futile.

Another Cave-in Near Shenandoah.

serious cave-in, which will necessitate a suspension of traffic for several days, occurred on the Shenandoah branch of this morning. The road was intact when the passenger train due here at half an hour later another train was approaching the point fully 400 feet of the track had gone down, and the train was compelled to return to Shenandoah. The ground is still caying in, and the extent of the damage or the time required to put the road in repair cannot now be estimated.

Oil at Lewisburg.

LEWISBURG, Pa., Feb. 5. - There is considerable interest manifested here over the discovery of what is considered unmistakable evidence of the exist-Springer, in search of water, bored a hole 80 feet deep. The ground through The old soldiers of this State will which the well was bored was a greasy The boring was stopped, and the hole plugged. The night afterwards there was a terrific explosion in the well second report of the same character was afterwards heard, and a gassy Mrs. Carrie Piece, of New London smell came from the well. A pump has been inserted, but the water cannot be used on account of its greasy character. A company is to be organized

Awful Accident to a Little Babe

HUNTINGDON, Pa., Feb. 8.-An inant daughter of John Hensey, at Barre Iron Works, this county, was yesterday burned to a crisp through unfortunate action of its mother. She seated the child on a high chair near the cooking-stove, and leaving it there went to visit a neighbor. On returning an hour or two later she found that it had fallen against the stove and that its clothing was burned from its body. It lingered several hours in intense pain, when it died.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.—We hereby give notice to all sons helding notes or bonds against. Cen tre County, to present them at the Commission er's offlice for payment on the 1st day of April 1886. After that date the payment of interest 1886. After that will be stopped.

J. C. HEN ERSON.
Feb. 3d, 1886. A. J. GRIEST,

STRAY CATTLE.—Came to the residence of Em'l. Swartz, in Penn township, about 3 months ago, two head of cattle, one a steer, the other a heifer, both about two years old, red without any visible mark. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take them away, otherwise they will be disposed of according to law. EM'L. SWARTZ,

A UDITOR'S NOTICE.—IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CENTRE CO., IN THE MATTER OF THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF JACOB MCCOOL. The undersigned auditor appointed by said Court to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the assignee of Jacob McCool, will meet the parties in interest for the purpose of his appointment, at his office in Bellefonte, on Friday, Feb. 26th, 1886, at 10 o'clock, a. m. when and where those in interest can attend.

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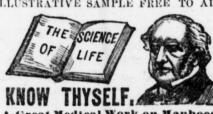
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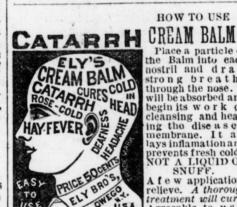
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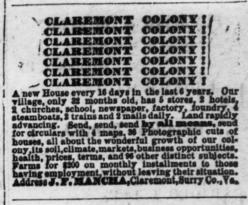
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