

By Commissioner Le Due, of the Department of Agriculture, has received a pound of coffee from a lady, grown on her plantation on the Indian river, Florida...

In reference to the proceedings of the Democratic State convention which met at Harrisburg on Wednesday last, we are only able to state, before going to press this (Thursday) afternoon, that the Philadelphia difficulty, as well as all the other contested cases, were satisfactorily adjusted by a committee with Hon. R. Milton Spear at its head...

In the Dauphin county court, on Monday last, Judge Pearson sentenced Wm. H. Kunkle, Charles E. Suller, Emil J. Petroff, Wm. F. Rumbarger, and Jesse R. Crawford, the riot bill strikers, each to pay a fine of \$1,000 and to undergo an imprisonment of one year at hard labor in the Eastern Penitentiary...

A son of the Rev. Isaac M. Kallchof, Mayor of San Francisco, entered the counting-room of the Chronicle newspaper office in that city, on last Friday evening, shortly before 8 o'clock, and drawing a pistol began firing at Charles De Young, one of the proprietors, who was conversing with some friends...

At the convention of School Superintendents last week in Harrisburg, a committee was appointed to wait on State Treasurer Noyes with the request that he would appear before the convention and explain why the school approprations for 1878 and 1879 had not been paid...

The third term programme is not being as successfully carried out in the South as the managers of the Grant machine predicted and promised that it would be. In order to make Grant's nomination at Chicago a sure thing, it is absolutely necessary, as we explained last week, that he should carry the delegates in nearly all the Southern States...

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NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS. A lamb without a head was born on the farm of Mr. Levi Wehler, in Hamilton township, Adams county, a few days ago. It had a perfect body and limbs; an ear started from the neck...

—A cyclone struck the north line of the balloon, and the party on board were killed and wounded. —Edward Nugent and Henry J. Redemier, were hanged at St. Louis, Friday. Nugent killed his wife on August 20, 1876. Redemier killed Frank Kasse, a builder, on August 19, 1878.

—A fire in the city of Ottawa, Ontario, Wednesday afternoon, destroyed 700 houses, comprising half the town, and rendered over 4,000 people homeless. The fire, fanned by a strong wind, broke out at 10 o'clock until seven, when the wind changed and the conflagration was got under control.

—A heavy storm passed over Macon, Miss., on Sunday night, totally destroying twenty-two houses, sixteen cars were blown from the Mobile and Great Northern Railroad track, and several persons killed and twenty-two wounded. A child of Mr. and Mrs. James Horton, two years of age, was blown away from the beach of a mile away from the scene of destruction.

—A life-saving party of seven persons who had gone to the rescue of an unknown vessel which had struck a reef four miles below Horn city, Mich., on Friday last, were all drowned but one, their surf boat swamping when it struck a quarter of a mile of the fouring reef. —A Bradford, Pa., special says that on Tuesday night John Tully and Luke Kunkle, wife Mary, new settlers, Smith, three miles from town, and beat him terribly. Smith's son, a lad of thirteen, thereupon shot Kane dead.

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—Two young men, accompanied by two women, were killed in Wyanotte, Kansas, before daylight the other morning and hit their horses in front of the Court House. The party kept their seats in the carriages until out from the court house ruins at Marshfield, Mo. Many of them were not recognizable, and by Tuesday morning of last week seventy-one burials had taken place in the city.

—The Mount Sterling (Ky.) Democrat says there is in Hart county, that State, what is known as the "Iron Spring." It is said that the water of this spring flows incessantly during the day in a stream the size of a man's arm, but as the sun heats the western horizon it grows perceptibly less, making a beautiful sound, heard at a distance of fifty feet, and then, just to the minute, the sun sets, stops running. This phenomenon occurs daily.

Judge Pearson in passing sentence on Kemble and others in Harrisburg, on Monday last, said: Charles H. Salter, William H. Kemble, John E. Crawford, William F. Rumbarger and Emil J. Petroff, who were indicted for "inciting and abetting" members of the General Assembly to vote in favor of a particular bill...

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