

HOBAK GREY, now Chief Justice of Massachusetts, was nominated by the President on Monday last to succeed the late Nathan Clifford as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

WHOEVER it was who first suggested Andrew G. Curtin as a fit person to be nominated by the next Democratic State Convention for Judge of the Supreme Court, is a dangerous man, and ought not to be permitted to run at large.

THE scramble for office at Washington during the last two weeks is represented to have been without a parallel. The frightful array of thirty patriots is made up of Arthur Republicans, Blaine Republicans, Headjuster, or Repudiation Republicans, from "Old Virginia," Greenback Republicans, and even some Republicans of the David Davis independent school.

A WEEK or two after the New York election, in November, we published a statement made by John Kelly at a meeting of the Tammany Hall Association, in which he challenged any man in New York, or elsewhere, to make good the oft-repeated charge against him, that he had ever made a coalition with the Republican leaders of that city to defeat certain portions of the Democratic ticket.

Within the past three months, with brazen effrontery, when I was in the press of a prominent Republican leader of having deliberately traded ten thousand Democratic votes for the nomination of a man to his party, he (Kelly) vehemently denies the charge and defies any one to prove it.

EVER since the iron-clad prohibitory liquor law of Kansas went into operation, Governor St. John, of that State, in various public addresses, as well as in interviews with newspaper reporters, has declared that the law was satisfactory to the people of the State—that it was fully realizing the most sanguine expectations of its friends, and specially of himself.

THOMAS J. BARGER, Esq., a leading and well-known Philadelphia Democrat, and a prominent member of the Bar of that city, died on yesterday week, in the 64th year of his age.

THE electric light on Chestnut street is fairly satisfactory now, but after awhile the illumination will be even more brilliant. It is, everybody prefers the new light to the gas light, and there is no doubt about the new system being extended throughout the city.

OUR PHILADELPHIA LETTER.

TRIBUTE COLONEL FORNEY—JOTTINGS UPON APPROPRIATE TOPICS.—AS MENTIONED IN OUR PHILADELPHIA LETTER, WE HAD A WEAKNESS OF THAT KIND—A LIVELY TIME EXPECTED.—THE GRANT AND CAMERON TRIANGLE.—THE ELECTRIC LIGHT.—DEATHS OF CENTENARIANS—FROZEN FISH.

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NEWS AND OTHER NOTICES.

THE widow of Abraham Lincoln has lost the use of her eyes. In a street quarrel in New York Sunday morning, Patrick Lynch killed James Maher, two sons of Robert Berth, in Holden, Mass., were drowned on Sunday while skating.

Fifty-four persons were drowned by the bursting of the dams on the Orin railway in Algeria. Twelve Catholic priests were ordained on Monday at Baltimore and as many more at Troy, N. Y.

—Gonick's father, a resident in New Rochelle, N. Y., and over eighty years old, was killed by a dog which had been accidentally confined at Metz fished thirty-nine days before he was released.

—Peter Zerbes, of Chicago, aged 55, who was bitten by a Spitz dog seven weeks ago, died by the effects of the bite.

—At Russellville, Mo., three prominent citizens of Jefferson City were killed on Monday by a falling tree.

—A young man rushed eagerly for a front seat in an Albany theatre gallery, fell over the rail, and was killed by a falling tree.

—Thomas Major, of Chicago, whose wife and child died Friday, took poison and followed them into the other world two days after.

—A family of seven persons at Bloomington, Ind., were badly poisoned by eating canned fruit. They will probably die.

—Edw. Barrett, an Allentown grave-digger, is down with a severe attack of smallpox, being the second attack of the malady since he was cured.

—Henry Lamar, of Muscatine, Iowa, will be 100 years old if he lives until the 20th of the month. His health is excellent and his spirits good.

—In Pittsburg, on Friday, Mary Durkin died of a fever which she contracted while she was nursing her child.

—A physician at Douds, Iowa, trusted to his sense of taste in compounding a medicine, and as a result of his error, mistaking it for cocaine.

—A son of L. A. Herrick and a son of N. M. Herrick, respectively, and 13 others, were drowned on Monday at the Point, at Poland, Me.

—James R. Rumbaugh, a Harrisburg, who a year ago was convicted of tampering with a witness, was sentenced to prison for a year.

—Mr. Charles Searing, of Burlington, Burlington, was sentenced to prison for a year for tampering with a witness.

—David Ferns and his son, Frank Kerby, of Meredith, N. H., are supposed to have been drowned by breaking through the ice on Squam Lake on Wednesday.

—Judge Ross, of Bucks county, has clearly laid down the law in a case where a pupil in violation of the rules adopted renders himself liable to prosecution for assault.

—James Emis and Wm. Williamson were struck by a train on the Reading Railroad, near Pottsville, on Monday.

—The danger of the Gullett jury going to Philadelphia is now so great that it will be necessary to send them to some other place.

—A correct list of the victims of the Ring Theatre fire, at Vienna, Austria, has been given by the police.

—Wm. F. Weid, the Boston twenty-one millionaire who died in Philadelphia the other day, was worth \$2,000,000.

—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company will, as usual, sell reduced rate round-trip tickets to the coast during the Christmas holidays.

—The components of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup are daily prescribed by the ablest physicians in the world.

—H. H. Bruns, a lumber dealer, was shot and killed by his brother-in-law, both of Covington, Ky.

The handsome situation of the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad at Washington, Sussex county, N. J., was destroyed by an explosion of dynamite.

A few days ago a very mysterious box was placed in the back yard of the house occupied by Soville, the counsel for Galtreau.

The city of Caldwell, Kansas, was the scene of a terrible shooting affray on Saturday between cowboys and the authorities.

—The Rev. Bishop McQuaid, of Rochester, N. Y., addressed the people of his diocese on the 18th inst. in strong opposition to the Irish National League.

—Mr. J. S. Weidner, of Salunga, recently laid down the law in a case where a young couple were engaged in walking and standing like the other members of the same improper matter.

—The Deer Trees says that from twenty to thirty-five miles from Denver, between Cherry Creek and Kunning creek, the Denver and Arapahoe road is blocked by an unusual obstruction.

—BUCKED ALIVE.—While James Cotter was digging a ditch from Kistler's tannery to the river through Fifth street, in Lock Haven, Pa., he was killed by a falling tree.

—YIELD NOT TO DISFORTUNE.—Give Elizabeth's Cream Balm effectually cures the neuralgic pains of the head.

—TERRIBLE EXPLOSION IN AN ENGLISH COAL MINE.—An explosion occurred about noon on Monday last in a colliery at Bolton, Lancashire.

—NEW BLOOMFIELD, Miss., Jan. 2, 1880.—I wish to say to you that I have been suffering for the last five years with a severe rheumatism.

—KENZEL FELIX, a German carpenter, of New York city, and for months a confirmed drunkard, was killed by a falling tree.

—The Business Man's Best Friend. Mr. C. L. Oades, a leading importer of Baltimore, has stated that nothing has done his business so much as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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