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Meeting of the Union Republican County Committee.

The members of the Union Republican County Committee will meet in the Orphans' Court Room in the City of Lancaster, on MONDAY, MAY 10th, at 11 1/2 o'clock.

MISTAKEN!

The editors of the Lancaster Intelligencer say that they "used to think that the negro was not as good as we (the said editors) are." How very much mistaken people are sometimes.

MORMONISM.

The Lebanon Courier says that "it is about time Brigham Young's immoral and disgraceful policy was squelched." That's so. The Republican party, at its first National Convention, declared itself opposed to those "twin relics of barbarism, polygamy and slavery."

IMPORTANT.

On Tuesday next, May 4th, the School Directors of Lancaster county, will meet in Convention in the Court House, to elect a County Superintendent for three years.

INDIANA COMES!

The Spring elections in Indiana show large Republican gains in all parts of the State. Some townships which went Democratic last year by large majorities are now either Republican, or have been carried by the Democrats by very reduced majorities.

THE DEMOCRACY.

We notice that Asa Packer has authorized the statement that he has not withdrawn as a candidate for the copperhead nomination for Governor.

TRAITORS IN CAMP!

Some rascally traitor belonging to the G. A. R.; it appears, has disclosed the great secret of the organization, to the editors of the Lancaster Intelligencer!

TIMELY WARNING.

The necessity for great care in making nominations for the Legislature next fall is becoming every day more apparent. The success of the Republican State ticket depends greatly on the character of the nominations made for members of the Legislature in the Republican counties of the State.

We sincerely believe that the Republican organization is capable of redressing every wrong under which the community labors, and we urge the people to see to it that none but wholly reliable men are placed in nomination.

SHARP AND DECISIVE.

The Lockhaven Democrat, edited by a Simon-pure, out and out Ku-Klux "Democrat," named Dittenbaugh, speaks in plain English about Representative McMiller, a fellow-copperhead from Montgomery county.

JUSTICE SURE!

Without making much noise, the taking of testimony in the Philadelphia contested election cases has been going on for several months before two examiners appointed by the Court of Common Pleas, showing the most scandalous and disgraceful frauds on the part of the Democrats.

THE ODD FELLOWS of the United States celebrated their semi-centennial anniversary in Philadelphia, on Monday, by impressive exercises at the Academy of Music and a procession through the streets.

A fire at Altoona, Pa., on the 18th inst., destroyed seventeen houses and several stables. Loss \$40,000.

HEAVY!

The Express is after our distinguished (!) ex-representative, Dr. Gatchell with a hot poker. Read! "It may be proper to mention, as a rare specimen of unequalled effrontery, that Dr. Gatchell, who was the special champion of the pasting and folding swindle, who introduced the bill got up by our court house ring in regard to forfeited recognizances, which would have taken thousands of the District Attorney and a few other grasping speculators; who dodged the vote upon the proposition to increase the pay of the members of the Legislature from \$1000 to \$1500 for their three months services; who voted in favor of the new tax bill to relieve railroad companies of their taxes and make up the deficiency by a tax upon spirits, coal and petroleum, to be collected by a fresh army of tax-gatherers all over the State; who, as far as we are aware, voted for every scandalous and corrupt scheme, without exception, that was launched upon the Legislature—this man has again announced himself as a candidate for re-election.

Father Abraham's Chips.

SARAH SNYDER, living near Slatington, slept three days and three nights recently, without waking.

ONE of the churches of Reading, is getting up an excursion to Central Park, New York.

A Cincinnati Judge has decided that an umbrella cannot be stolen, and that possession is sufficient evidence of ownership.

THE vote upon the nomination of Ebenezer D. Bassett, colored, of Philadelphia, who was confirmed by the Senate as Minister to Hayti, was 48 yeas to 5 nays.

ASA PACKER, contrary to what has been stated, has not withdrawn from the contest for the copperhead gubernatorial nomination.

It is said that Hon. Winthrop W. Ketchum has at last consented to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor.

THE rumors of Cabinet changes are pronounced false, as neither Mr. Fish or Mr. Borie have signified any intention of resigning.

No less than fourteen railway locomotives have exploded within the past seven months in the United States, killing 29 persons outright, and severely wounding a much larger number.

A Philadelphia merchant got drunk one night last week, and found himself, in the morning, in a dissecting room, having been taken by a party of drunken students for a stiff.

EASTON supports eighteen milk wagons, and uses daily between three and four thousand gallons of milk and well, we don't know how many hogheads of water.

DR. BENJAMIN AYER, member of the Georgia Legislature, was found dead on Friday, on the roadside near Louisville, Georgia, having been shot through the head, by "Democratic" kukluxers.

ILLINOIS sends cheering accounts of the wheat crop. "More promising than ever before known," are emphatic words, and will have their effect upon prices in due season.

DESPATCHES from cities in Indiana and Illinois report a terrible storm of hail and rain as passing over those States on Monday week, causing considerable damage to life and property.

LEGAL fees in Vincennes are not munificent. A young advocate received two pounds of feathers for his services in one case, and a jug of peach brandy for his defense of another.

STRAWBERRIES have been selling in New York for some weeks at \$10 a quart, and some of the luxurious citizens, blessed with palates that relish the taste of silvery, have been enjoying them, literally regardless of expense.

ON Sunday west Illinois was visited with a most destructive tornado, doing great damage throughout the State. Several lives were lost, and a number of buildings were blown down and totally destroyed.

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WASHINGTON NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Before the Senate went into private session on Thursday, Mr. Nye made a personal explanation in reply to some recent strictures of Senator Sprague, and sharply criticised Sprague's course. Mr. Sprague replied, and the debate was participated in by other Senators.

The decapitating axe is swinging with terrible rapidity in the various departments. There is to be a thorough revision of the credentials and antecedents of the employees. Those who have always shifted with the wind, suddenly see squalls ahead.

On the 16th the colored people turned out en masse to celebrate the day of their emancipation in this District. They delight in parade and show, and especially the few who act as officers see their names in print with great satisfaction.

A party composed of the elite of the Salt Lake harems are in Washington. No single man has two wives in the expedition. Brigham Young has contributed his favorite, whilst both of his two sons, who help compose the party, have confined themselves to one apiece.

THE party is stopping near the corner of Fourteenth and D streets, under the protecting care of Mr. Hooper, the Delegate from Utah Territory. Just at the magic hour when the light and darkness were quarrelling for supremacy we might have found in the presence of one of our own countrywomen, a woman born in the great State of New York, educated, beautiful, elegantly attired.

It was Lucy Zobeide, the seventieth double of Brigham Young. What did it matter? Though she is a ruddy cheek may crowd her aside to-morrow. Woman, she is living, breathing, poised on the edge of such a frightful precipice? Was not a woman with the fire of life smouldering in the ashes—no rollicking flame. A woman who would leave a room colder for having passed through it.

It appears that of the twenty-one Senators who signed Mr. Pile's paper of recommendation for the Brazilian mission, five voted for his rejection when President Grant sent his nomination to the Senate.

THE vigorous efforts which have been made for some days to get up a personal encounter between Senators Sprague and Abbott have all failed, owing to the intervention of several Senators, who considered that the honor and dignity of the Senate was being impaired by this wrangle.

THE President is greatly worn down with the labors of the past two months, and says he means to take things just as easy as he can through the summer. He talks about a visit North by and by, but no arrangements have yet been made.

THE President has learned of so many cases in which he has been imposed upon, and persuaded to make appointments of persons either unfitted for the positions obtained or having no claim to them, that he has determined to cause all such cases to be reviewed and corrected.

THE President Grant himself bears his duties well, and wears his honors with manly modesty. In appearance and manner there is a marked improvement. He looks better and moves with more ease as President, than he did formerly when receiving as General and hero of the war.

IN dress, President Grant appears with scrupulous neatness. He receives visitors sitting at a desk and when they approach him he turns in his chair so as to have the light behind him and in your face, into which he looks while you are talking, with a quiet steadiness that you must notice while yet it does not specially embarrass you.

Colored clerks are now an established feature of department life in Washington. The Caucasian Democracy of the Nasby type, however hungry or dirty, will henceforth, we presume, avoid the public crib rather than pull at the national hay with black cattle.

THE Chicago Post is responsible for the following: "It is malignantly charged that Robert Johnson, son of the ex-President, owed his death to his own intemperance. It was more likely the result of an accident. The devil came for the old man, and not finding him at home, took the son."

STATE NEWS.

CHESTER COUNTY.—William Wheeler has been elected Superintendent of the West Chester and Philadelphia Railroad. The body of a daughter of Mrs. Hauck, twelve years old, was found in a mill dam near Moorestown, on Friday last week.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.—Many improvements going on at Sunbury, says the American. The people of Shamokin have been considerably excited over a poisoning case in that town. A young girl, aged fourteen, died on the 17th inst. from the effects of poison which it is supposed, was administered on the 27th ult.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.—The hotel at Potstown, belonging to the estate of Daniel S. Daub, was considerably damaged by fire on Monday last week. John Yocum, residing opposite the hotel discovered the fire and ran out to give the alarm, and whilst doing so fell down in a fit of apoplexy, was carried home and died in a few minutes.

LUZERNE COUNTY.—On Saturday before last, Arthur McNeill was shot and dangerously wounded by a man named McIntire, at Pittston. Both drunk at the time. Wm. Loftus, employed on the Railroad near Olyphant, was run over by a train and had his right leg cut off.

BERKS COUNTY.—Elizabeth Quinn was picked up in 8th street, Reading, a few days ago, dead drunk. A little child was aside of her when found, which added very much to the beauty of the scene.

DAUPHIN COUNTY.—A Methodist Episcopal Camp Meeting will be held at Lykenstown, to commence on the 12th of August next. Jacob Moyer, a prominent citizen of Washington township, aged 64 years, died suddenly on Friday last week while sitting in a chair.

YORK COUNTY.—The regular April term of the Court of Quarter Sessions, commenced on Monday last, with a large number of cases to be disposed of.

On Monday morning last, Mr. Abraham Taylor was found dead, lying upon a settee in the parlor of a hotel at York Furnace. Cause—rum.—Wm. F. Stair, a sound Republican, who was removed from the Hanover Post Office by the Johnson administration, has just been appointed and confirmed by the Senate.

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Local News.

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