

Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, JULY 26, 1880.

Cox's Case.

It is a most remarkable story that the Philadelphia Times gets from its New York correspondent about Chastine Cox, and it is still more remarkable if, as he says, this story was known to and concealed by Cox's counsel and a number of newspaper men before he was swung off for the accidental killing of old Mrs. Hull in the commission of an alleged felony. It is remarkable that such a state of things could exist; it is more remarkable if his counsel knowing them would not avail himself of his knowledge to set up what would have certainly been a successful technical defense for his client; it is most remarkable of all that any New York newspaper reporter knowing these facts should have hid them in his bosom for any sentimental reason.

Cox was convicted of murder and hanged for it, not because he had killed his victim with malice prepense of killing, but because he accidentally caused her death while he was engaged in the perpetration of another felony. If there was no other felony there was no murder, and the burden of proving the felony fell upon the commonwealth. Such proof as it had rested largely on Cox's confession, and if such part of his confession as would have relieved him from the felonious imputation was withheld by his counsel, it does not seem to have been wisely or properly so withheld.

At the same time it will be well to remember that the Times's correspondent is not infallible in his statement of facts nor unerring in the resources of his imagination. In this case he is probably simply testing the gullibility of the public. A more improbable story it would be difficult to conceive.

Some of the Republican journals having intimated that Geo. Bullock, the wealthy Republican manufacturer of Montgomery county, who has declared for Hancock, was a man without influence, the Times sent a reporter up there to see about it. He returns the information that Bullock generally gives about four times as much to the campaign fund as any other Republican in the district. When he goes into a campaign with interest he affects local results about thirty-three per cent., that is strikingly popular with the three hundred voters who work for him, that he is earnestly for Hancock and would give him a thousand votes if he had them, and that among the Montgomery county Republicans who are going with him this trip may be counted "such citizens as Gen. Wm. J. Bolton, a battle-scarred veteran, who, after doing good service for the Union flag, has since devoted much of his time to the interests of the National Guard; Dr. L. W. Read, surgeon general of Gov. Hoyt's staff, who served as surgeon in the Crimean war and also throughout the late civil contest; B. E. Chain, a prominent attorney, who was one of Hancock's playmates, and other citizens of high standing in the community. Besides these are many men of less prominence, who decline to "come out" for fear of offending employers or for other reasons, but who will vote for Hancock while supporting the Republican state and local tickets."

When the rogues fall out the truth may be disclosed. The Examiner's editor, late the political partner of Levi Sensenig, tells editorially of the trick at the Republican primary election of 1879, by which a fraud of 147 votes was perpetrated at the Second ward in this city, in behalf of the Examiner's and Sensenig's candidate for recorder. If such things are done in the city, where an extra number of "watchers" are provided, what is done in the country where in some districts the friends of one faction or the other often have it all their own way. It seems that the latest device of the ballot-box stuffers and return tinkers is to pack a fraudulent ballot box during the day and when the polls close they exchange it for the real one. An "honest count" and "true return" can then safely be made of the packed box. This is the trick, the Examiner and New Era tell us, that is played by their party friends upon each other at primary elections conducted under the general election law and with the officers duly sworn and responsible in law.

In certain districts of this county the Republicans have all the election officers. If they cheat each other in the manner described what would they not do against the Democracy when they have the chance?

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It looks as if there was something rotten in the letting of the contract to build the poor-house barn. Competitive bidders have a right to complain if some bids were handed in after others had been opened and announced, and if the plans were altered to scale down a favorite bid, while the others were not given a chance to reduce their bids correspondingly.

It is the German vote that controls the situation in Ohio. With the Cleveland Wecker an Erie abandoning the Republican party and supporting Hancock, it looks as if Garfield was "over the Rhine" on the wrong side and couldn't get back.

Garfield's Embarrassment.

It has been pretty effectually demonstrated that it was not Justice Swayne of the supreme court who said that Gen. Garfield's acceptance of the \$5,000 DeGolyer fee was "a sale of official influence which no veil can cover, against the plainest principles of public policy," and that "no counsellor-at-law, while holding that high office, has a right to put himself in a position of temptation, and, under pretext of making a legal argument, exert his official influence upon public officers dependent upon his future action." But by recklessly plunging into a controversy over the identity of the person who made these judicious remarks the Republicans have directed general attention to their fitting application to Gen. Garfield and his connection with the DeGolyer case. It is painfully manifest that they properly describe his embarrassing relations with that case, nor is it at all plain that the judicial determination of the case does not carry with it exactly that condemnation of Garfield. In the case of Trist vs. Child, 21st Wallace, 441, Judge Swayne pointed out the distinction between purely professional services and the sale of personal and official influence. And when the Chittenden vs. McClellan & Jenkins (formerly McClellan & DeGolyer) case came to be argued, Judge Swayne's opinion was successfully cited in the argument against the recovery of the money, *inter alia* alleged by Chittenden to have been paid to Garfield. The defendants in their brief maintained:

"That the plaintiff Chittenden well knew and intended that the influence of General Garfield as a member of Congress was to be used in procuring the contract rather than his arguments as a counsellor-at-law is evident from his letter to the defendants set out in their special plea, in which he says: 'The influence of General Garfield has been secured by yesterday night and to-day's labors. He carries the purse of the United States—the chairman of the committee of appropriations—and is the strongest man in Congress and with our friends. My demand to-day not less than one hundred thousand more—two hundred in all. Everything is in the best shape, the connections complete, and I have reason to believe satisfactory.' I can hardly realize that we have General Garfield with us. It is a great and gratifying. All the appropriations of the District come from him. Upon this the court decided that the contract was void as against public policy and it was guided to that conclusion by the broad distinction which Justice Swayne had made between professional services such as might be rendered by a lawyer in a lawyer-like way, and 'the personal solicitation and official influence' of a congressman, such as Chittenden manifested secured when he paid \$5,000 to the man who carried the 'purse of the United States.'"

MINOR TOPICS.
Among the postoffices recently established were "Baby Mine," "Blow Horn," "No Go," "Buss" and "Necessity."

MR. HAYES will not take the stump for Garfield on the Pacific slope. Garfield's friends on there say that it would do more harm than good. The reported greatest consternation among them.

RICHARD HENRY DANA, in "A Sketch of American Diplomacy," in the *Middletown Scribner*, speaking of Franklin says: "But whatever else failed, Franklin triumphed. His reputation as a philosopher put him very high in France, and his dress and manners made him a great favorite with those ladies of the court who were wearied with stars and ribbons, with pomatum and perfume. Besides his reputation among men of letters, that of that hour when, amid the court beauties, the most beautiful of three hundred was selected to place a crown of laurels on his head, and to implant two kisses on his cheeks!"

The Democratic national committee has appointed two committees—one to have charge of the distribution of documents and newspaper and the other to arrange for speakers. On the former committee are Senator William A. Wallace, of Pennsylvania, the chairman of the national congressional committee; Orestes Cleveland, of New Jersey, and Bradley B. Smalley, of Vermont. The committee on speakers consists of Abram S. Hewitt, of New York; William Pinckney Whyte, of Maryland, of the congressional committee, B. M. Boyer, of Pennsylvania. General Duncan S. Walker, of Washington, D. C., was made secretary of the committee.

In the meeting of the New Jersey state dental society the damaging and sometimes fatal results attending the use of anesthetics in unskillful hands were discussed. It was urged that in view of the injury done the profession, as well as its patrons, all reputable dentists should use their best efforts to discourage the use of anesthetics except where it cannot be avoided, and then when used its administration should in all cases be preceded by a careful examination of the subject to whom it is proposed to administer it. The point was suggested that the person proposing an anesthetic should not in all cases be relied upon, and that therefore every dentist should understand enough of the physician's trade to decide upon the propriety of its administration.

At a meeting of the Washington City Republican club, Mr. Sypher, ex-member of Congress from Louisiana, made a long speech, in which he criticized Grant, dug up the bloody shirt, called Garfield as weak as water, and said that the Republican party had dropped out. He read Whitlaw Reid out of the party, and said "Marat Haleside was the greatest and most corrupt political Ishmael in the country," and that he had told him so; and remarked that Joe Medill came down to visit him in Louisiana, and then, going back to St. Louis, made the most beastly attack on the South possible. Hayes, he said, was merely the supe in the great fight of 1876; that he only came on the stage to turn the light out and lower the curtain.

We are in receipt of the initial number of the *Hancock Campaign Banner*, published at Carlisle, Pa., and designed to aid the present aggressive Democratic canvass of this state. Cumberland county is a Gibraltar of Democracy, and the sturdy political principles of the people of that region are reflected in every line of the *Banner*, which is brimful of information concerning the latest phases of the campaign,

together with virile editorial utterances that have the ring of the true metal. The *Banner* being intended for general circulation, the scope of its news columns extends over the length and breadth of the land, besides keeping the reader thoroughly posted on the local campaign, which is led by Congressman Beltzhoover. The editor of the *Campaign Banner*, Mr. W. P. Campbell, is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall college, a gentleman of fine intellectual attainments and a thorough-going and consistent young Democrat, and his entrance into the field of journalism bids fair to prove a creditable and successful venture. The Democracy of Pennsylvania will look for a big majority from the Cumberland valley, and the *Banner's* predictions justify the confidence.

PHILADELPHIA.
Gen. GRANT is coming to New York to preside over a ratification meeting, at which Roscoe Conkling will make "the greatest effort of his life."

The betrothal of Prince ALEXANDER, of Bulgaria, and the Princess ZORKA, of Montenegro, is officially announced.

There is a story telegraphed from Pittsburgh, involving Josie Jones York, a noted singer of Cincinnati and now of Carl Rosa's London opera company, in a love scrape with Dr. McLean, a married man of Baltimore. Her friends are very indignant, and threaten to inundate the whole newspaper world with a deluge of libel suits.

On a certain occasion FORREST, the great actor, said to a supe. "Why don't you say your lines thus?" and gave them out in his deepest bass voice, like the roar of a distant thunder. The supe said, "Mr. Forrest, if I could say that way I should not be asking for three dollars a week."

"Is that all you get?" asked the great Ned. "Indeed, it is," said the supe, and Forrest immediately responded, "—it is; say it any way you please."

About 500 guests accepted invitations to the dinner and reception to Gen. HAWLEY, the newly-chosen president of the American exchange, in London, which took place on Saturday night at the Westminster Palace hotel. Madame Osgood and Madame Marie Rose, and Miss Emma Thursby, Miss Nevada, and Miss Van Zandt promised to sing on the occasion. Sir Julius Benedict (musical composer, who accompanied Jenny Lind on her tour in America), and Lady Benedict accepted invitations to be present.

The death is announced of Rev. JAMES A. BONNAR, rector of All Hallows parish, at Davidsonville, in Anne Arundel county, Md. He had been in ill health for some time past, suffering from a paralytic stroke, from which he never entirely recovered. He was a native of England, graduated with high honors at Oxford university and was greatly beloved by his late parishioners. At the organization of St. Mark's parish in Philadelphia, the Rev. Mr. Bonnar was elected an assistant to the then rector, the late Bishop Wilmer.

The Countess of ANTRIM has effected a diversion. The cards for her last afternoon "At Home" in Lowndes Square were marked: "Dipping at 4:30 precisely," and as may be imagined, this created considerable excitement. What could be about to happen? Was the countess bent on a bathing party? Was it some American surprise? What could it be? It was simply that each visitor dipped his or her hand into a vast receptacle and drew forth some small and elegant present. The idea proved a great success and, with no doubt, be frequently adopted at fashionable receptions. It adds considerably to the opportunities for display; it will enable people to show off their wealth in an undeniable manner, and this seems the great ambition of society!

MR. TILDEN is described by his private secretary as one of the most companionable men he knows. Mr. Tilden "rises at 7 in the morning, eats his breakfast and goes to work. He generally retires at half past 10 or 11. When he goes to his room he takes an armful of books and papers with him and reads lying in bed until he gets sleepy. The great part of his reading, and he reads a great deal, is done after the mass of humanity are asleep."

He has an elegant library and an especially fine selection of political and historical works. His collection of books on political economy is complete. It contains everything, I suppose, that has been written on the subject. The governor is deeply interested in all such topics, and much of his reading is devoted to them." Mr. Tilden is also reported by his secretary as receiving large number of proposals of marriage from ladies in all parts of the country.

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL.
Frank Hart, the pedestrian, is dangerously ill in Boston of congestion of the brain.

Baseball: At Boston—Boston, 4; Buffalo, 1. At Worcester—Worcester, 4; Chicago, 3.

The college and Methodist church in Harrison, Ark., were destroyed by an incendiary fire on Wednesday night.

A threshing machine exploded near Modesto, California, on Friday, killing the fireman and injuring eight others, one, it is thought, fatally.

The total loss of life by the earthquake at Manila is estimated at 320, including 200 Chinamen. Almost every family is houseless.

The Russian government has again prohibited the press from publishing information in regard to its armaments against Japan.

Miles Morris, of Sag Harbor, L. I., was shot and killed. John Higgins, a deck hand on the steamer Sunshine, has been arrested on suspicion of being the murderer.

was interrupted in various directions by dogs, by grass and growing crops were greatly benefited.

On Slate creek, in Washington territory, a few days ago, a tree fell on the cabin of Andrew Erskin, and across-cut saw hanging on a beam in the cabin fell on Erskin, cutting him in two.

A sea lion was caught in the lower lock of the canal at New Brunswick, N. J., by Richard Welsh, the harbor master. It was shot in captivity but not killed. The lion was eight feet long and is supposed to be one of eight that escaped from Coney island on Friday night.

While mowing on a farm in Saratoga county, N. Y., on Friday, William Frazer stumbled over a vine and fell upon the blade of his scythe with such force that one of his legs was nearly severed at the knee. The leg was subsequently amputated above the knee, but he died on Saturday morning.

At Chicago, on Saturday, the track was in the best possible shape, and all conditions were favorable for a fast time, of which Mante S. took advantage to score 2:14 in the trot with Trinket. She won the race in three straight heats, as follows: 2:18, 2:21, 2:19.

Charles W. Wallace, son of Dr. A. Wallace of the *Oregon Free Record*, who was arrested while boarding the steamer Plymouth Rock on Sunday, the 11th inst., for stealing the gold watch and chain of the housekeeper, Mrs. Lloyd, at the Arcadia hotel (the property of the late Dr. Wallace), on the charge before Judge Wallace, who sentenced him to the Trenton state prison for one year at hard labor.

The friends of Judge Mayo, the banker, of Olney, Ill., who disappeared mysteriously at Holly depot over a year ago, have been searching for him in a secret hole at Louis, Ill., with a view of identifying a body found by workmen who were excavating for a railroad. It was much decomposed and in a long pine box. It is a clear case of murder, the right arm being bitten, the throat cut and the head wounded.

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and desired for Hancock. H. E. Packer was elected permanent president of the club and Robert Klotz, treasurer. Senator Craig and Hon. George R. Barrett, of Clearfield, made telling speeches. The indications are that there will be important Democratic changes in this region.

John Neigam, a boy in the employ of Wilman & Lorall, dealers in truck, was seriously wounded in Pottstown by Wm. Hartenstein. A double barrel breech loading shot gun was lying on the counter, and with the muzzle towards Neigam, who was fifteen feet away. Hartenstein was handling the gun about the trigger and the next moment the load was discharged. The greater part entered the boy's side below the ribs. The physicians are uncertain as to where the shot lodged, but fear they entered the boy's bowels, in which case death would follow.

Col. Charles Glanz, a German-born citizen of Easton, has died in his 57th year. He was the well-known colonel of the One Hundred and fifty-third regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, who served so severely in the fights at Chancellorsville, Gettysburg and other points. Col. Glanz had the honor of offering to the government the first uniformed militia company in the war and served as major of the Ninth regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, until he was commissioned to raise the One Hundred and fifty-third regiment. This regiment was recruited in Northampton county and numbered 791 men, raised in less than a month.

CHASTINE COX.
A REMARKABLE STORY.
The True Inwardness of His Crime.
John Heston's New York Letter to Philadelphia Times.

An elderly woman, married many years to a very weak-minded and most impetuous New Yorker, made her husband the inner circle of a strong-minded set of women and adopted the worst ideas of the extreme of them all. They confined themselves to talk, but our elderly friend put their prattle into practice. One thing led to another. Poverty overtook her husband and she, in a moment of folly, of a woman, opened a boarding house. Her husband was sent to sleep in a small attic room, but she, for her own purposes and comfort, utilized the extension room on the parlor floor. Behold the scene of the drama.

Enter now the third of the dramatic persons in the smoky guise of a comely colored waiter, who in a brief period passed through the stages of servant, friend and admirer, until he became a really loyal friend of the old lady. Her visits were frequent, and in her infatuation the mistress of the house broke down all social barriers, and so far as she and hers were concerned, he became absolute in every wish.

Well, it wasn't very long months ago the favored darkey became insolent and wanted money, more money, and then all the old lady had. With his pass-key he found always unimpeded access to the house and, in a moment of opportunity, he carried off the old lady's watch and chain, the throat cut and the head wounded.

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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

LEAF TOBACCO.

The New York Market: The Local Prospect, U. S. Tobacco Journal.
Sampling of '79 tobacco has been going on at a lively rate this week. It almost seems as if holders are on the tip toe of expectation, and cannot patiently await the time to see whether what was green six months ago is now looking brown, red or yellow. We shall absolutely refrain from making any direct remarks regarding the condition of any of the '79 tobaccos as shown by the inspectors' samples. While we are strictly independent in our views as to future business prospects or better selling prospects of this or that crop, any direct intimation of the good or bad condition of this or that particular crop at a period like this, in our estimation, outside of the pale of honest trade journalism. Our so often expressed views of the '79 Pennsylvania crop, find more confirmation daily. A great deal of it has been sampled, a great many manufacturers and jobbers have looked at it, have asked the price and bought nothing. Now why didn't they buy? The packers hold that the market is full of old tobacco, that the '79 Pennsylvania crop is perfectly bewildering in magnitude of leaf, dazzling in brilliancy of color, that its touch is soft as the zephyrs from Africa's coast and that if they ask but 18 or 20 cents for their packings, it is absolutely cheap when compared with the price people have been paying for '77 and '78 Pennsylvania. But notwithstanding these assurances manufacturers and jobbers stubbornly refuse to invest in these bargains just now. We venture the opinion that they will, later on, when all the African coast notion and zephyr business have evaporated from their fanciful brains have come to the conclusion that if they paid too much for their tobacco, it does not necessarily follow manufacturers and jobbers must do the same. There has been a little stir in the export trade, this week, and some 600 or 700 cases of '79 Ohio found takers at, it is reported, 7 1/2 to 8 cents. We do not vouch for the correctness of these figures. Other-wise a very oppressive stillness characterized the home market. The sales sum up about 600 cases of various old crops, without change in prices. In Havana fields, business is beginning to be very lively and sales of '79 are easy at advancing figures.

Sales of leaf tobacco reported by J. S. Gans's Son & Co., tobacco brokers, Nos. 84 and 86 Wall street, New York, for the week ending July 25, 1880: 1,200 cases, 1879, Ohio, 7 1/2 to 8 cents; 200 cases, 1879, Wisconsin, 7 to 14; 200 cases, 1879, New England, 10 1/2 to 20; 200 cases, Pennsylvania, private trade; 125 cases, 1878, New England wrappers, 13 to 21. Total, 1,925 cases.

Local Tobacco Market.
During the past week trade has been quiet. We hear of sales of only about 150 cases of the crop of 1879, sold on private terms, but said to be at "satisfactory" figures. No sales of 1878 are reported. Some few crops of 1879 have been sampled and open very well, having cured nicely and with very trifling damage. General sampling will not take place before next month.

From all parts of the county come favorable reports of the growing crop. The late heavy, soaking rains have been of immense advantage, and under the benign influence of the warm sunshine we are now having it growing very rapidly. Much of the crop has been topped, and some farmers are already cutting off their more advanced plantings.

In some places the rain did a good deal of damage by washing out plants on sloping grounds, and flooding them in very low grounds; but the harm done by the rain is far more than counterbalanced by the good. There is some little "foginess" in some low places caused by the long continued wet weather, but on the whole the crop may at present be reported in a very excellent condition.

Large Tobacco.
Abraham G. Sheibley, of Upper Leacock township, showed us this morning two leaves of tobacco, raised from Glessner seed, that are the finest we have seen this season. They are each 45 inches in length and 22 in width. Mr. Sheibley has about four acres of the Glessner seed leaf tobacco and he is certain some of it is larger than the specimens shown us, but the plants stand so close together it is impossible to get out all until it is cut off. Mr. Sheibley set out his first plants on May 22, the day of the primary election, and some of this is ready for cutting.

TAKING A TEAM.
Dr. Herr's Ostrer Arrested—Excitement on Sunday Evening.
Quite an excitement was created in the vicinity of Centre square, Sunday evening, by the arrest of a man supposed at the time to be a horse thief, but who turned out to be William Kering, Dr. M. L. Herr's ostler. It appears that Dr. Herr sent Kering in haste to Dr. McCleary's drug store for a prescription. Kering, to save himself from a rather long walk, went into the yard connected with the Swan hotel, next door to Dr. Herr's, and seeing a team hitched there took possession of it and started for the drug store. On his way there he encountered J. G. Himmerdecker, of Oreville, the owner of the team, who, supposing that Kering had stolen it, notified an officer who went hot foot after Kering and arrested him on West King street. While the officer was taking him off to the station-house Alderman Spurrer put in an appearance and admitted Kering to bail for a hearing of the case to-morrow. Kering says he asked and obtained permission from the hotel ostler to use the team—but what right had the ostler to grant such permission?

AN HONEST CONFESSION.
Lancaster Examiner of Saturday.
The vote for recorder in the Second ward, Lancaster, in 1879, between Good and Longenecker, was returned for Benjamin Longenecker..... 305
John P. Good..... 149

Majority for Longenecker..... 56
The box into which the tickets of the voters was put (but exchanged for the stuffed one counted as above given) was afterwards counted out of curiosity, and instead of Longenecker having 149 majority John P. Good had an majority.

Another Rifle Club.
On Friday evening last a rifle club was organized at the Shiffer house on South Queen street. Officers were elected as follows: President, William Anderson; Secretary, John Zecher; Treasurer, George Weitzel; Captain, Thomas Anderson. The club will use the long range Remington rifle, and is said to be composed of a number of the best shots in the southern section of the city.

Riot Still Retrying Cases.
Subpoena have been issued in Harrisburg for witnesses in the case of George S. Smith, of Philadelphia, and Christian Long and E. E. McLaughlin, of Pottsville, charged with conspiracy of riotousness, before the Legislature. The district attorney is determined, it is said, to have their cases tried in October, and the remainder at the November term of court.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT.

Quarrel Among Tramps—One of Them Narrowly Escapes Being Murdered.

About 5 o'clock on Saturday evening a tramp named James Watson, was taken for treatment to Dr. Westhaefer's office, East King street. He was covered with blood, and an examination of his person showed that he had been fearfully injured. Across the left side of his neck was a great gash cut with a razor, and seven inches in length, commencing under his chin and reaching the back of his head, and so deep that it barely escaped severing the jugular vein. Another razor cut, eight or ten inches in length, extending diagonally across his right side below the arm, and cutting clear through to the ribs. Besides these terrible wounds there were two or three smaller gashes out in his head with stones. Dr. Westhaefer dressed his wounds and had him sent to the hospital.

Watson it appears is one of a party of tramps who were stopping in Landis's woods, a short distance east of the city. Another of the party is Jack Ryan, who also is known as "Jack the Rover." These men have women with them—presumably their wives. Saturday afternoon the whole party were drunk; Watson and Jack got into a quarrel; Watson knocked Jack down; the latter then drew his razor and attacked Watson, hacking him as has been above shown, and while he was using the razor his wife assisted him by pounding Watson on the head with a heavy stone.

As soon as the fracas was known in this city Officers Holman, Sween, Stormfetz and Merringer were detailed to visit the woods and make arrests. They found there a gang of men and women all drunk, and took them into custody. They gave their names as Jack Ryan, alias Jack the Rover, and his wife Mary Ryan; James Gibson and his wife Rose Gibson; Samuel Craig and his wife Mary Craig. They were a hard-looking lot. Jack Ryan was almost as badly covered with blood as his victim, and he had a bad cut across the hand which seemed to have been made by the closing of a razor upon it. Jack declared that Watson attacked him with a razor, and that was what started the row. Both Jack and his wife were so drunk that the police had to get a butcher wagon to haul them to town. The others were able to walk. They were all taken before Alderman Barr and by him committed to jail to await the result of Watson's injuries.

Watson and his wife are at the county hospital, and at 10 o'clock this morning the wounded man was getting along very well. He will probably be able to appear before a magistrate and testify against his assailants in a day or two. He alleges that he was robbed of \$46 and charged Jack and his wife with taking it. On the other hand Jack's wife says that Jack was a robber of all the money he had by some of the crowd, and that that led to the fight. Others of the party say the fight was the result of jealousy between Jack and Watson, and they further say the real name of the latter is McGinness.

THE POORHOUSE BARN.
Contract for Its Erection Awarded, and the Crew Set to the Lowest Bidder.
On Saturday morning the board of poor directors held a meeting to open the proposals for the erection of a new county barn on the site of the one recently destroyed by fire. The bids were opened in the presence of the bidders and were as follows:
A. Carpenter, East Lampeter, proposed to erect the building for \$1,655, or do the carpenter work for \$632.
Jacob Sneath proposed to erect the building for \$4,300, or do the carpenter work for \$447.
Israel P. Mayer's bid to erect the barn was \$4,385, or \$500 for the carpenter work.
J. M. Bachman, of Willow Street, proposed to put up the barn for \$4,120.
E. N. Smith, Columbia, proposed to build the barn for \$3,851.57, or to do the carpenter work for \$329.
J. A. Burger bid \$4,650 for the erection of the barn, or \$750 for the carpenter work.
John Evans proposed to build the barn for \$4,860.