Lancaster Intelligencer.

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The Virginia Democracy.

The Virginia Democracy are causing a good deal of disquietude among their national brethren because of their failure to unite in the support of one electoral ticket. There is a strange faction in the Democratic party of that state called "Readjusters," and it is claimed that nearly half of the party is of this spotted kind. To persons outside the state it seems the absurdest possible organization with the most ridiculous name and the most foolish aim that can be conceived of. The "readjustment" demanded is of the state debt, which has already been "adjusted" several times during the war and has thus imposed upon the people who want it fixed once more the necessity of putting that iterating "re" as a prefix to their political name and a party designation of their principles. It is positively true that this is all the platform the readjusters have to stand on; and when one considers that it ought never to be a question of doubt with a state that it should pay its debt in full, principal and interest, it does seem that, after it has once conferred with its creditors and obtained their consent to an abatement and has arranged a basis of settlement, it should certainly then have exhausted every chance that it could have to raise a political party within its borders with no other demand to make than for a readjustment of the debt.

Virginia, when she came out of the war, threw off one-third of the state debt upon West Virginia, which state has never assumed it; because it claimed that the state improvements which the money had been expended for had nearly all been made in the old state; and this we believe was true. That third of the debt practically therefore has been repudiated. The remaining two-thirds has been arranged and rearranged and appears in so many forms of consol and "peeler" and other bonds that it would quite make your head ache to hear all about them and try to understand them. It suffices for an intelligent apprehension of the idiotic "readjuster" movement to say that it follows along after the last settlement of the debt made by the Legislature, approved by the governor and accepted by the creditors. Nothing is or can be urged against its legal finality. It has been sustained by the constitution and is the law of Virginia.

But these people seem naturally to be political fighters. They are so fond of arguing that they were reduced to dire extremity when the war ended, and they had to be unanimously Democratic; the feeble Republican element not being strong enough to kick nor decent enough to join. There was nothing left for them but to get up a row in the Democratic family, and this agitation about the state debt seemed to be about the only available thing to base it on. Men howl themselves hoarse and heat themselves into a frenzy to show how the bloated bondholders should not have the money of Virginia, when there is no present possibility, and the smallest future chance, that the state will ever, with its most stringent legislation, be able to reach many dollars of these indignant patriots' cash; because they haven't many. Pennsylvania would never have got anything from such citizens; and to raise a cent by way of taxation from these propertyless Virginians seemed about as possible as to squeeze blood from a turnip. But an ingenious legislator in Virginia devised a plan to take the toll off every drink of liquor sold across a bar, and the Moffett bell punch did secure many a readjuster's dime to the state treasury.

This may be a main cause why the party got so virulent against paying the debt and why it has grown so strong. In any other state the majority of the voters, being without property, would very cheerfully vote that their rich neighbors should be taxed to maintain the state credit. But there was another influence at work to give vitality to the organization; and that was the ambition of aspiring politicians. General Mahone having been put out of the presidency of a railroad which he had managed to ruin, was out of business and badly in need of a grindstone for his axes. Among hands they have managed to secure one that has worked pretty well for them so far, having given them, with Republican coalition, the command of the state officers elected by the Legislature, and put Mahone himself into the United States Senate.

But now it is not obvious how the apparatus can work any longer with profit independently of the Democratic party, which has but one ticket for president and which can be sustained only by one electoral ticket in each state. If Virginia Democrats run two tickets for Hancock, the irresistible conclusion will be that they are crazy or false; there is plenty of craziness in the "readjusting" movement, but there is a method in the madness which shows that knaves are working it. A failure to unite on one ticket will prove an inclination to take the state from Hancock. It is too clear for argument that sensible men who favor his election will not keep two electoral tickets in the field. As the interest of every Democrat in Virginia demands Hancock's election, we do not fear that the vote of the state will be endangered. The popular sentiment at least is right and that will compel a union.

We commend the president of common council to a careful reading of the veto message which the mayor recently sent to his body. He will find therein ample demonstration that the loan which he undertakes to write about was not "legally contracted." He will also find that the finance committee has officially reported that this loan will carry the city debt beyond the constitutional limit, and the contrary has not yet been satisfactorily shown. If it is difficult, as Dr. Levergood says, to determine what the city debt is, and how nearly its constitutional limit has been reached, we suggest that the leisure of councilmen cannot be better employed than in investigating and determining this important question. We presume that Dr. Levergood does not feel himself "legally" or "morally" bound to pay debts contracted on his behalf, without his authority and in the face of his positive prohibition. Does he?

MINOR TOPICS.

Weaver now starts out to carry Arkansas. He claimed Alabama first and is taking them alphabetically.

Dr. Cream, of Chicago, is charged with most heinous malpractice. Though a loudly professing Christian, he seems to have been but skim milk.

A touching story is told of how a Texas man married a North Carolina girl and walked 1,600 miles with her to his Western home.

CRUEL DREAMS.

I fall asleep:
Then he arrives and whispers in my ear,
"The past is not. He whom you love is here;
No longer weep!"

"I am not dead,"
He says, and takes me gently by the hands.
And leads to those pleasant yellow sands
We used to tread.

He softly talks
Of all the things we talked of long ago;
And I am happy, pacing to and fro
Those well-loved walks!

But when I try
To tell of what has happened since the day
He went, ah me, he slowly fades away!
I wake—and cry.

—*London World.*

The editor of Conkling's home organ, the Utica *Herald*, was in Congress with Garfield, and his private judgment publicly expressed was that Garfield had been bribed by Ames, and henceforth must be "a dead cock in a pit." Not long ago the Democrats of Utica endeavored to procure the republication in the *Herald* of Mr. Roberts's remarks on Garfield in 1873 by paying for their insertion as an advertisement at the usual rates. Mr. Roberts, in his counting room, was forced to decline the paragraphs which he had written as editor, on the ground that they were improper matter to print in the Utica *Herald*, even as an advertisement!

Lucy H. Hooper writes from Paris that the cab horses of that city are the hardest worked and the most whipped in the world. Usually, a cabman will lash his horse unceasingly from the time that he starts on his trip, whether it be by the course or by the hour, till he is discharged. If the lash prove ineffectual, he will often reverse his whip and pound the poor bony, half-starved animal with the handle. There is no use in remonstrating with these Jehus; he will only turn on you with a storm of abuse. Cut, slash, thump—cut, slash, thump—the process goes on till the carriage is discharged. The police never interfere, and no French person ever seems to think of remonstrating.

PERSONAL.

Gout is not always to the worldling.

Spurgeon has it bad.

General Albert J. Myer, chief of the signal service, remains in a precarious condition at Buffalo. His death was momentarily expected last night.

Burdett-Couts denies that she is going to marry. The alleged bridegroom is her protege, aged twenty-eight. She is seventy and her annual income is $2,000,000.

General Grant has a Japanese body-servant. His name is Yiseddo, and he dresses like an American and carries a cane. He said that Japan regards the United States as a model nation and is imitating many of the ways and customs of this country.

Rev. W. H. H. Murray is home from Europe full of ideas. He thinks our millers could enlarge their trade in England by sending an agent there to push the sale of American flour in small packages. He thinks too our pork should be cured here and not sent there green.

While General Woodford was going through the railroad shops at St. Albans, Vt., the other day he said: "I never had a boy to give my name to; I wonder if I shall ever see it on a locomotive." Governor Smith then at once gave directions to have a new locomotive named General Stewart L. Woodford. A hint in time is worth nine.

Miss Irish, a clerk in the interior department at Washington, who rumor says is to marry Secretary Schurz, is an accomplished performer on the piano, and will therefore, find the secretary companionable in this respect if in no other. The Irish family is well known in Erie county, and its total yearly income from the United States government in salaries is said to be about $10,000.

At the Chicago meeting of Knights Templar E. P. G. C. James H. Hopkins was presented with a splendid bronze equestrian figure of Richard Cœur de Leon, this selection being made by those who desried to honor him, as "an object that would at once convey the sentiment involved and be a household adornment, expressing to the honored recipient and his family the fact of his exalted official position, and the great love of the brethren."

A FEROCIOUS MADMAN.

Confined for Twenty-seven Years Amid Filth and Squalor.

Details of the discovery and capture of Benjamin Sechler, the maniac, by officers of the Berks county almshouse, present the most distressing features. In a wild and desolate region, surrounded with plenty of woods and dense undergrowth, the insane man was kept by his brother, Jacob Sechler, a highly respected citizen of Albany township, in a small house purposely constructed for him. The apartment is about 8 feet square, boarded on the inside, and was in a most disgusting and filthy condition. Near the centre of the room was a chain about three feet long, one end of which was fastened to the floor and the other end to one of the legs of the nude maniac. In this state he has been kept for 27 years, during which time he was neither, washed combed nor shaved. His beard reached to a little above the waist and his hair was one thick, bushy mass, which had not been combed for all these years. He was captured by James W. Sallade. John H. Bower and John B. Knorr, of the Berks county insane hospital, and has been removed to that institution and properly cared for. Sechler is a German, 55 years old, His father was once a prosperous farmer of Berks county, and his brother has kept him confined all these years, furnishing him with plenty of food, and the maniac's physical condition as far as health and strength are concerned is excellent. It is said that he became insane by reason of exposing himself to the sudden reaction of cold water over a heated body. He is a stone mason by trade. One day he worked in the harvest field, and in the evening took a bath in a cool spring water. This it is said, produced his insanity.

THE CITY DEBT.

Dr. Levergood Wants to Know.

Mr. Editor: In speaking of the action of common council, you said in Saturday's issue of the Intelligencer 'that there is an evident intention on the part of that body to "saddle" upon the city an additional debt of some $17,000. I wish to say just a word or two in reference to this subject.

As the city has incurred this debt through the action of former councils; as the work has been done and admittedly well done; and as we are enjoying the result of the expenditure of this money, don't you think, as honest men, as men who are sworn to perform their duty in a conscientious, faithful manner, that we should make provision to liquidate a debt legally contracted. An honest man will pay his honest debts. Almost every member of common council and two thirds of those of select council believe that this debt is an honest one and that it should be paid. Why should not the ordinance creating this permanent loan be passed? It certainly cannot be because the constitutional debt limit has been reached. For my part I would sooner undertake to find a needle in a haystack than to undertake to find the man who can tell me what the exact constitutional debt limit of Lancaster is and when it was reached. If this can be done, if it can be shown, beyond doubt or question, that our city debt cannot be increased constitutionally beyond what it is at present, I, for one, would decline to support the proposed ordinance. Unless this is done, I think the permanent loan should be effected, and the debt, for which the city is morally and legally responsible, should be paid. John Levergood.

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL.

The three days' Saengerfest at Rondout, N. Y., began yesterday. Ten singing societies are participating.

The Memphis board of health are just now engaged in a wrangle with a like organization at New Orleans, on account of an order issued by the former, forbidding the entry by steamboat of second-hand clothing and old junk.

J. C. Miller, proprietor of the Washington *Daily Critic*, whilst adjusting the sash of a third-story window, lost his balance and fell to the ground, a distance of forty-five feet. He is badly injured and is not expected to recover.

Professor Shelden, of the Royal Agricultural college, and other representatives of English tenants, arrived at Quebec in the steamer Peruvian, last Saturday. They intend to visit Manitoba, and report upon its suitableness for immigration.

While Charles Austin was sailing on the bay, near Babylon, L. I., on Sunday afternoon, two strangers boarded his boat, threw him overboard and sailed away with the vessel. Austin managed to reach the shore in an exhausted condition, and the boat was afterwards found at Amityville.

James Thorp, a workman in the Missouri Pacific railroad machine shop, at Kansas City, had an altercation with Alfred Terry, colored, and after the latter had made, or attempted to make, an assault on him, killed the negro almost instantly. Thorp was arrested.

Painful anxiety prevails throughout Cuba. Rumors of disturbances of the peace continue to circulate, although no new complications are known. Unfavorable news has been received of the government troops engaged in quarrelling riots in Simaloa; mails are delayed and disorder generally prevails.

Large numbers of Knights of Pythias have arrived in St. Louis to attend the ceremonies of the opening of the Supreme Lodge of the World, but the arrivals of uniformed divisions are few. The Preux Chevalier division, of Cleveland, Ohio, and fifty members of New Orleans lodges are among the arrivals.

STATE ITEMS.

The Schuylkill county Democratic convention met yesterday and nominated the following ticket: for congressman, John W. Ryon; district attorney, A. W. Schalk; sheriff, William Beck.

Alfred Lynn, aged thirteen years, fell from the Valley bridge, at Venango, Franklin county, a distance of thirty feet to the river-bed. He alighted with such force as to crush his skull, resulting in death.

Philadelphia mourns the recent deaths of Howard Tilden, broker; Chas. H. Abbott, hardware merchant and Mrs. Mary A. Wright, widow of Peter Wright, the founder of the firm of Peter Wright and & Sons.

At the Montour county Democratic convention Robert Klotz was nominated for Congress, with second choice for Antrim. For the Senate Wm. H. Bortz was nominated; for Representative, P. C. Newbaker; Treasurer, Geo. W. Piper; Register, Wm. C. Johnston.

A serious "cave" is reported at Planes, near Wilkesbarre, over the surface of the Delaware & Hudson canal company's mines. About three acres of ground have sunk from six inches to five feet, several buildings have been damaged at the mine, and five houses are threatened with demolition.

David Smith, of Franklin, died in that place on Friday in the 99th year of his age. He was the oldest resident of Venango county. By strict attention to business Mr. Smith had accumulated a large fortune, which he recently divided among his children, as he was firm in the belief that he would die suddenly.

Col. Hendrick B. Wright was nominated by the anti-Beamish wing of the Democratic party of Lackawanna for Congress. The *Times* reporter called upon the venerable gentleman and asked him if he would accept the place on the ticket. He responded that to all inquiries he had said no, but really did not know what he should do, as he had not yet made up his mind.

The Juniata county Democratic convention nominated by acclamation the following ticket: Congress, Hon. R. Milton Spear; Senate, Thomas McCulloch; Representative, John D. Milliken; Surveyor, Joseph Middagh. Dr. G. D. Arnold, of Mexico, was chosen by acclamation as chairman of the county committee. The convention was harmonious. The ticket is a very strong one.

WESTERN WOES.

One Day's Shooting.

Alfred Terry, colored, was shot dead by James Thorp in a quarrel, at Kansas City, Mo., on Sunday.

John Smithwrite, fireman of the propeller Canistor, was fatally shot by Francis Trainor, in Buffalo, last night. Trainor escaped.

Frank Stillwater was shot dead by George Glass on Saturday night while attempting to force an entrance into the latter's house, a disreputable place, in Urbana, Ill. Stillwell had been drinking. He leaves a wife and child.

Thomas Smith and Wesley Thomas, negroes, quarreled in Burlingame, Kansas, on Sunday night, and Thomas was killed. A second shot, fired by Smith, passed through the window of a a saloon and mortally wounded a man named Baker.

At Pleasant Hill, Mo., on Saturday night, William and Robert Van Holtz, brothers, while buying provisions in the store of Henry Stock, were ordered out by Stock, who, at the same moment, fired a pistol at them. They returned the fire, killing Stock and severely wounding another man, named Alexander, and then surrendered themselves to the police.

A fire at St. Paul, Minn., early yesterday morning, destroyed the paper warehouse of Averill, Russell & Carpenter, occupying two buildings, and the wholesale grocery of P. H. Kelly & Co., adjoining. The store of Beaupre, Allen & Keogh was damaged. The losses aggregate $640,000. It is feared that a man was killed by the fall of a wall of Kelly's store.

The fast newspaper train from New York for long Branch collided with a train of empty passenger cars near the Long Branch station yesterday morning. The side of one car of the news train was torn away and two other cars were wrecked. Three young men were severely injured, one of whom, Jeremiah Culliland, is in a critical condition. The disaster is ascribed to the carelessness of John Erickson, engineer of the empty passenger train.

"FAMILY JARS."

Tragic Ending of Some of Them.

Mrs. Myles, aged 50 years, was found hanging to a tree near Wheeling, W. Va., on Saturday night. It is supposed she committed suicide to escape "family jars."

Joseph Willner, aged 55 years, committed suicide in Troy, N. Y., on Sunday morning. He had been suffering from sickness, which, it was supposed, had affected his mind.

Simon Zimmerman, an employee of the Western electrical works, in Chicago, killed his wife and then committed suicide yesterday morning. It is supposed he quarreled with her on rising, and, after shooting her in a sudden fit of rage, was impelled by remorse to suicide. The couple leave two children.

The house of Martin Weinrich, on the line between Dane and Columbia counties, in Wisconsin, was discovered on fire last Sunday night. The door being forced, the bodies of Weinrich and his wife, bearing fatal shot wounds, were found within. The couple had lived unhappily, and it is supposed Weinrich shot his wife and then committed suicide.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

DRIVING ACCIDENT.

In Town and in the Country.

On Sunday while two sons of Jacob W. Heisey, of West Donegal township, were driving near Mount Joy, on their return from the colored campmeeting, one of the bolts which connect the shafts with the running gears of the carriage came out and let the cross-piece of the shafts fall against the horse's legs. The horse kicked furiously, breaking the front portion of the vehicle, throwing the boys out, breaking the arm of one of them and badly bruising the other about the head. Having kicked himself loose from the carriage, the horse made no further demonstration—not even attempting to run off. The boys, aged respectively 11 and 13 years, were taken home and their injuries were attended to by Dr. John K. Bowers.

Yesterday afternoon about four o'clock as the four-horse team of Martin D. Funk was passing the corner of West King and Prince streets, one of the horses fell and being entangled in the harness could not regain his feet. He was unhitched, and while the wagon was being pushed away from him he commenced kicking and striking a tremendous blow with his iron-clad hoof, he broke off the tongue of the wagon close to the hounds. No other damage was done.

This morning about half past ten o'clock as Casper Weber, baker, who was serving customers in East King street, attempted to get into his wagon, his horse started suddenly and Mr. Weber was thrown to the ground between the horse and the wagon and was dragged for a short distance, receiving some cuts and bruises on legs and arms.

EAST END ITEMS.

From Our Intercourse Correspondent.

The tobacco fields of Leacock look well and a large part of the crop is housed. John Senger and R. C. Himes have notably good patches.

Miss Emma Brubaker, of Salisbury, an estimable young lady, died recently, and a large concourse of sorrowing friends followed her remains to their last resting place in Roland's graveyard.

Cases of scandal in this vicinity are alarmingly common. Petty larceny, too, is prevalent.

The Garfield meeting at Jac. Warfel's hotel in Intercourse, on Saturday evening, was not a success, owing to the superior attractions of a five-cent shooting gallery set up not far off.

Bird-in-Hand Items.

Mrs. Wm. Kacy was unfortunate enough to fracture her knee cap, which is the third time it was broken inside of fifteen months, Dr. A. M. Miller reduced the fracture and she is getting along well as can be expected.

The M. E. Sunday school held their annual picnic on last Saturday in Gibbon's Grove. The children, both large and small, enjoyed themselves hugely.

Sigl & Morrin, tobacco packers, had their whole packing of '79 tobacco sampled last week by C. Finke & Co., of New York. The wrappers turned out fine, of a nice color and silky texture.

S. Wisser, cigar manufacturer, has two acres of fine tobacco on the farm of J. S. Shirk. Some leaves are 46 inches long.

New Style Signal.

A new signal for communication between the conductor and engineer, to take the place of the bell rope, is being tested on the Pennsylvania railroad. It is connected with the automatic air-brakes. A light cord runs along one side of each car, a slight pull on which operates an air whistle on the engine, while a slight escape of air in the car attachment assures the conductor that his signal has been heard, thus avoiding the necessity of the engineer responding by the steam whistle. It also saves the trouble of connecting and disconnecting the bell rope in shifting cars, the connection with one car to another being made through the hose couplings of the air-brakes.

A Mean Trick.

It was republished from the York *Daily* that George Miller, a boy from Paradise township, this county, had been arrested over there for stealing cakes from the Rescue festival. Master George Miller, of Paradise township, a manly little fellow, comes into town to-day and tells us that the real culprit was Harry Palmer, a boy from Paradise township, who leads a tramp life and who when arrested at York this time, gave his name as Miller, which was a mean trick in Palmer and a gross injustice to Miller.

Accident to a Lancasterian.

At Washington, D. C., yesterday, J Carpenter Miller, one of the proprietors of the *Daily Critic*, whilst adjusting the sash of a third-story window yesterday afternoon, lost his balance and fell to the ground, a distance of forty-five feet. He was badly injured, and is not expected to recover. Mr. Miller was well known in this vicinity, which was his birthplace. He was the youngest son of General David Miller and had been quite successful in Washington, in amassing a comfortable fortune of $50,000 or $60,000 in his newspaper enterprise. He is married and has one child two or three years old.

Eden Township Club.

The friends of Hancock and English will meet at James K. Alexander's hotel, Quarryville, for the purpose of forming a club, on Friday evening next.

THAT "RALLY" IN FULTON.

Slightly Different From the Examiner's Account—Truthful Report By a Veracious Chronicler.

The Fulton township people had a "Republican mass meeting" at Wakefield, on Saturday evening, the 21st inst., for the purpose of forming a club. The list of club members didn't lengthen out very rapidly, as they had to pay Mr. Jacob Brown ten cents a head before he would enroll their names among the faithful. Finding soon, however, that they were not going to get enough names even for the "Copperheads to laugh at," Henry Carter took the stand and proclaimed to the multitude that "whosoever will, may come" and join the club, free of charge, as they wanted the names now and could collect the money again. This had the desired effect, for the Fulton Republican don't invest in a doubtful venture; but jumps, like a bass at a toad, at the idea of getting anything on "tick." So they succeeded in getting about half a gross of white men's and "colored gentlemen's" names, and were happy.

Henry Carter opened the ball and played first fiddle all the way through. The speakers stood on a store-box on the porch of the hotel, and the taller ones had to duck their heads to keep from bumping them against the ceiling. Mr. Carter assured his brethren, white and otherwise, that it was right and proper to organize thus early in the campaign, and begin to stick their thumbs in the ribs of the giant Democracy, and that he was pretty certain Fulton would give Garfield a majority that would tickle him. Fulton never elects anything Democratic except an inspector. He said that the census lately taken was a fraud and a Democratic institution, and was sure to make another rebellion; that Hancock was a gentleman all over; that Garfield had picked tobacco worms and Paris greened potato-bugs; driven a mule on the Erie canal; got an education somehow; the nomination some other how; and would have to be elected some how or other. "Now," said he, "friends and fellow citizens, let us give three rousing cheers for our gallant standard-bearer, Gen. James A. Garfield! "Hip! hip! hurrah!" cried Jim Collins, Levi K. Brown, Uriah Millburn and Henry Carter. "Hurrah?" shouted Jim Collins and Henry Carter, and waved their hats. "Hurrah!" said Henry Carter who called for music and left the store-box.

After some very good music by the "Independent Cornet band," Chas I. Landis, esq., was introduced. After assuring them all that it gave him so much pleasure to be with them that he didn't think he would get over it soon, he said that even now "me thinks I hear a rebel yell on the evening breeze float up from the solid south." Mr. Landis was mistaken in the sound, though, for it was only a Democratic katydid over in the field on a forty-four inch leaf of Hancock tobacco. But Mr. Landis thought it was a yell, all the same, and it made him so weak at the stomach that after avowing that he honestly considered Mr. Hancock a perfect gentleman and a good man, and found he could keep the attention of but six men and a boy at a time, he quit the rostrum, and the katy-did fairly sang itself away with delight at the "famous victory."

James Collins was next led forward—he needed no introduction—everybody knows Auctioneer Jim, and when he began to speak all the old men who could not hear very well commenced to nod, and nod toward him, thinking he was going to sell out his party cheap. He soon undeceived them, as he wildly flung his arms and cried the Republicans were in earnest and were going to hold the fort; that Garfield would be elected "as sure as I see that moon," and a "colored gentleman" said, "That's so, Jim," Drumore looked for the moon and found it hid by a cloud. He told them how the Republicans clothed and cared for the soldiers' orphans, and added "if you don't believe me, go to the devil;" that the Republicans "read for themselves and vote as they read;" that "the Republicans have more money than they want," as he said that, the dozen faces of his audience brightened as the thought flashed through their heads that Collins was "going back" on his record, and "set 'em up;" but the bright faces became eclipsed as he told how some Republican son had asked his "dad" for his permission to vote for Hancock, "and dad said, "vote as you please," and Collins sat down.

Following came Hugh R. Fulton, esq., who spoke like a gentleman, but his speech would have been better if it had had a little revision by a good Democrat. If Mr. Fulton is a close observer, the next time he speaks in Fulton and wishes to be appreciated by Fulton, he will leave argument and good sense at home and confine himself to "giving the Democrats h—l."

Their several efforts to get a good cheer for Garfield failing, Mr. Fulton came forward and said: "Now, my good friends, I know you are just boiling over with enthusiasm, and are all impatient for an opportunity to let it steam out, so I propose three good old cheers for Garfield. Off came fourteen hats, open went fourteen mouths, out came fumes of ten cent beer and forty-two tame hurrahs for Garfield: Tom Stubbs's horse choked, fell down, and got up all right, the band played the "Rogue's March," and it was over.

About 150 people were present, of which number one fourth were Democrats, and one fourth darkey women and boys; one fourth got drunk before they went home, and the other fourth went home thoughtful. It is impossible for our Republicans to cultivate much enthusiasm with so many Democratic straws blowing in their faces.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Before Judge Livingston.

Monday Afternoon. In the suit of Christian Weidman, assignee for Henry Kurtz and wife vs. Henry N. Brenneman, sheriff, a verdict by consent was rendered in favor of plaintiff for $75 and costs of suit.

In the divorce suit of John W. Groff vs. Elizabeth Groff, an amendment to the petition was filed, also a replication by defendant. A special plea was filed to which defendant plead surprise and the case was continued at the cost of plaintiff. The defendant then asked for and was granted a rule to show cause why the amendment to the replication should not be stricken off.

In the suits of A. E. Messman & Co., vs. Joel Hutton, appeals from the judgment of Alderman Wiley, judgments by consent were entered in favor of plaintiffs for $104.79 and $104.55 respectively with costs of suit.

Before Judge Patterson.

The first case attached for jury trial in the lower court was that of Edward Thomas vs. William and Barbara Livingston, appeal by defendants from the judgment of Esquire T. L. Thompson, given in favor of plaintiff for $43.78 with costs of suit. The defense was that Mrs. Livingston never contracted any part of the bill and was not responsible out of her separate estate.

The jury returned a verdict in favor of plaintiff for $55.60. James M. Walker esq., for plaintiff, and J. W. F. Swift, esq. for defendant.

John B. Dennis, who was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Charles Strine, on process issued by the court on Monday morning, was brought before Judge Patterson for sentence. The judge said that this was the first case tried in this court, prosecuted for the offense of which the defendant has been convicted, and it is important that an example be made. It has been stated to the court that the prisoner's wife was in and has been in delicate health for months back, and for that reason the court would make the imprisonment lighter than they otherwise would. The court then sentenced Dennis to pay a fine of $200, costs of prosecution and undergo an imprisonment in the Lancaster county prison for two months. The prisoner wept while sentence was being passed upon him, and it was with difficulty that he was able to walk from the court room in the custody of the deputy sheriff.

Tuesday Morning.—The remainder of the cases set down for trial were continued for various reasons. The jurors were discharged and court adjourned until Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

VIEWERS APPOINTED.

Roads to Be Located—Highways Laid Out and Bridges Built.

Before the adjournment of Quarter Sessions court viewers were appointed on various petitions for roads, reports were confirmed absolutely and others received as follows:

Winfield S. Kennedy, Robert Baldwin and John Mason of Salisbury township, were appointed re-viewers of a road in Sadsbury and Bart townships, to begin at a point of the new road recently laid out on the line of lands of B. H. Pennall and others to run to some point on the public road leading from Smyrna to Bart meeting house.

C. J. Hiestand, miller, Charles S. Nissley and Henry L. Diffenbach to view and lay out an alley, in Mount Joy borough from a point opposite Apple Tree alley to a point opposite Chestnut street.

Stephen Grissinger, David B. Brandt and Daniel F. Hamaker, to view and vacate a road recently laid out but not opened in Rapho township, beginning at a point on the Manheim and Colebrook road and ending on the road leading from Manheim to Lebanon.

Christian Erisman, Stephen Grissinger and John M. Engle, to view and lay out a private road to lead from a point on Centre Square in the village of Newtown in Rapho township, near the property of Samuel E. Myers.

Michael L. Hoover, Milton E. Hershey, and Adam E. Ranck, of Lancaster township, to view and lay out a public road from a point on the Manor turnpike road to a point leading from the Wabank lane to Lancaster city.

A. F. Slaymaker, James Buyers and B. J. Lechler to view and vacate part of a road leading from Seldomridge's mill to Buena Vista, in Salisbury township.

The viewers appointed to lay out a road in Rapho and Penn townships, from the Mount Joy and Mount Hope road to the Manheim and Lebanon road reported adversely to the road.

John C. Caldwell, Jonathan B. Rutter and Moses Eaby, of Leacock township, to view and vacate a part of the road in Leacock township from a point on the road leading from New Holland to Hess' mill to a point on the old Philadelphia and Lancaster road, and lay out another in lieu thereof.

John M. Greider, Martin N. Brubaker and Jacob C. Kready to view and vacate a part of a road in Manor and West Hempfield township, leading from the road from Millersville to the Susquehanna to a point on the road leading to the Lancaster and Columbia turnpike.

The viewers appointed by the court to assess damages for the opening of Juniata street, from Rockland street to the city limits, having made their report, the property owners interested presented a petition praying for the opening of the street at once.

The viewers appointed to assess damages for the opening of Market street to the Pennsylvania railroad, having made their report of the amount of damages sustained by the property owners, the court, on petition of interested parties appointed to review the same and report to court the following viewers: Nathaniel E. Slaymaker, of Paradise; Abram Kline, Manheim borough; C. J. Rhoads, Safe Harbor; A. R. Witmer, Paradise, and Henry Copenhoffer, West Hempfield township.

Reports Confirmed Absolutely.

The report of viewers for a road in West Lampeter township, from a point on the public road leading from Stoner's saw mill to the Beaver Valley pike, to a point on the public road on lands of John E. Mylin.

For a public road to commence at a point on the public road leading from Reamstown station to Shenk's mill, and ending on the road leading from Union station to Reamstown, in East Cocalico township.

Adverse to the vacation of a road in Sadsbury and Salisbury townships, beginning at or near Ashbury meeting house and ending at the old Philadelphia and Lancaster turnpike.

Vacating a road beginning at a point on the public road near Nissley's mills to a point on the Colebrook road, at the head of said Nissley's mill dam, in Mount Joy township.

For a road in Manor township, commencing at Charlotte street, in Millersville, and ending on the Manor turnpike.

Vacating a part of the road leading from Willow street to Harnish's station, on the Quarryville railroad.

Bridge Inspected.

William McComsey, James C. Carpenter, Samuel Sprecher, Emanuel P. Keller and William M. Slaymaker, viewers appointed to inspect the bridge over the Big Chickies creek, where the public road leading from Salunga to the Marietta pike crosses the said creek, at or near John H. Moore's mill, in West Hempfield township, report that the bridge is constructed of good material and in a workmanlike manner, and in every respect according to the specifications required, as exhibited by the Commissioners of Lancaster county.

PUBLIC FAIRS.

Exhibition of the Lancaster Agricultural Society and Fair—Fair of the Oxford Agricultural Society—Bi-Centennial Exhibition.

The annual exhibition of the Lancaster county agricultural and horticultural society will be held in the Northern market house this city, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 29th, 30th and October 1st. Premiums are offered for all kinds of fruits, melons, flowers, vegetables, cereals, domestic productions, including bread, butter, cakes, jellies, preserves, pickles and canned fruits; for bees, honey, tobacco, all kinds of domestic manufactures, embroidery and crochet work, fancy goods, cabinet ware, saddlery and a hundred other articles. Competition is open to all and exhibitors have the right to sell their exhibits during the fair, but not to remove them until it closes. Entries will be received up to noon on the 29th of September, but not afterwards. Further information regarding the fair and a printed list of the premiums may be had on application to the president, Joseph F. Witmer, Paradise; the secretary, M. D. Kendig, Cresswell, or the corresponding secretary, John H. Landis, Millersville.

The Oxford Fair.

The fall fair of the Oxford agricultural society is to be held in the borough of Oxford, Chester county, at the same time the Lancaster fair is to be held (September 29th and 30th, and October 1st). In addition to the display of agricultural, horticultural and domestic productions, usual at public exhibitions, and for which liberal premiums are offered, the society offers premiums of several hundred dollars for trials of speed of trotting horses of the 2:40, 2:50, 3:00 and 3:10 classes. National trotting association rules will be enforced. Entries close Thursday, September 9th, at 11 o'clock p. m.

The Bi-Centennial of Pennsylvania.

The Bi-centennial association of Pennsylvania, organized for the purpose of properly celebrating the completion of the second century since the founding of Pennsylvania, has issued an address, recounting the circumstances attending the completion of the first century, the wonderful growth of the state since that time, and proposing to give a grand exhibition in Philadelphia in 1882.

The plan of the celebration will embrace, among other interesting matters, the gathering and recital of interesting historical data and statistics, not the least of which will be the interesting story of the early life of Wm. Penn, in England, his comparatively brief residence in this vicinity and the romatic events of his career before he died. The aim of the Bi-centennial society is to make known to the people of the whole country what Pennsylvana and Philadelphia really are, and the progress which they have made during the two centuries of their existence. Terms of membership of the society are an entrance fee of one dollar and an annual contribution of two dollars. A payment of five dollars constitutes one a permanent member and no further payments will be required. It is expected that public-spirited citizens will not want to be urged to take part in the movement. Address J. T. Stavely, treasurer, or J. W. Burns, corresponding secretary, Nos. 237 and 239 Dock street Philadelphia.

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE.

An Unmuzzled Dog—Temperance Lecture—Company H.—Fire Matters.

A large dog belonging to Joseph Desch, of Walnut street, above Third, had things its own way on Locust street, below the opera house, early yesterday afternoon. In spite of the late proclamation the dog was running about the streets unmuzzled and to all appearances having a first-rate time of it, being the only dog to be seen without a "penned-up mouth." Near Pfahler's hardware store the dog flew at Rolly Roberts. Rolly pulled off his hat and battled it as best he knew how. The dog was finally driven from him, but directed its attack on the clerk in J. Roths child's shoe store, who was busily engaged in sprinkling the street with water. The clerk dropped the hose and ran into the store, closing the door after him, with the dog in swift and near pursuit. The baffled animal came to the pavement again and took a good look at a couple of gentlemen sitting in front of Kramer's jewelry store, but deciding, as we suppose, that he had enough for one day, he scampered off and was not again seen.

Lieutenant Sample, commander-in-chief of the Third ward Hancock club, rushed into our office all out of breath yesterday afternoon and asked for his copy of Upton's tactics left here a couple of days ago. The book was handed him, when the question "What is the matter?" was put. "Oh," he replied, "I'm going to get the boys down fine on the marching movements and I'm going to put them at it immediately." Then he disappeared. The club has a good drill master if that is what they want.

Miss Callie Hamilton has returned from a visit of several weeks to Atlantic City.

Two members of Company H accidentally got one another's guns yesterday afternoon, and gave them a thorough scouring. The mistake was not noticed until the guns were cleaned when an exchange was made.

A shower of rain lasting about half an hour fell yesterday afternoon, and another lasting about ten minutes fell at about ten o'clock this morning. There was a fall early this morning—before many people were out of bed.

John Fullerton, who died at his residence, No. 234 Walnut street, a couple of days ago, will be buried this afternoon.

Burglars last night effected an entrance into Hummel's saloon on South Front street below Union and made off with about seven dollars in cash, a cheap watch, clothing, cigars, whisky, etc. There is no suspicion as to who the thieves are.

A committee of the Shawnee fire company waited on a Lancaster fire company yesterday to secure the attendance of the engine of the latter at Columbia on the three days in October on which the Shawnee company with their engine will be at Hagerstown, Md., participating in the silver exhibition at the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Washington county agricultural and mechanical association, beginning on October 20th. The committee were successful and the Lancaster engine will be stationed here during the time specified. The Vigilant fire company of this place will also attend the exhibition.

A meeting of the Garfield and Arthur campaign club will be held to-morrow evening in Odd Fellows hall. The meeting is called by the president.

At the weekly drill of company "H" held last evening, four rifle teams of thirteen members each were appointed to shoot at target, on dates to be decided by the teams. A team of six will be selected from the fifty-two members of the four teams to represent the company at Creedmoor, provided they shoot well enough to warrant sending them there. One or two of the teams will shoot this week.

Mrs. Mary Clayton lectured on "The National Curse" in the M. E. church last evening to rather a good sized audience in whom she found many temperance adherents. The lecture is pronounced to have been pointed and ably delivered. A collection was taken up in the church for the benefit of the lecturer.

The mercury yesterday jumped above ninety degrees in the shade. At twelve o'clock to-day at Black's hotel it points to 85 degrees.

A fishing party of four or five gentlemen with jointed rods and all the latest paraphernalia came to town from the east on the mail train at 11:40 a. m.

All the Columbia M. D's who can get away will attend the doctors' picnic to be held on Thursday.

Cutting Out Work For them.

Philadelphia Times.

Thomas E. Franklin, L.L. D., of Lancaster, represents the Pennsylvania bar in the executive council of the American bar association, and Hugh M. North, also a member of the Lancaster bar, is announced as one of the "local council" for this state. Unless their official positions are purely ornamental, they will promptly summon the bar of Lancaster to the dispassionate and exhaustive examination of the public charges made against Mr. Davis, a prominent candidate for district attorney in that county. It is not a question of politics, but it is a question of moment to the bar, if it would command public respect for the legal profession. So far as party interests are involved, an impartial decision of the case of Mr. Davis would be a great kindness to the party that has nominated him. If he is innocent he and his party would be fully vindicated, and if he is guilty the party would be justly relieved of the shame of such a candidate. As the accusations are of the gravest character—charges which, if sustained, the law would punish with dismiss