COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Before Judge Livingston.

David W. Patterson, assignee in bankruptcy of Bernard Short, vs. the Mutual fire insurance company of Chester county. This was an action for damages. The testimony for the plaintiff showed that in 1874 Bernard Short owned a farm in Martic when he insured his buildings in the defendant's company, as follows: $1,000 on dwelling house, $2,050 on the barn and $35 on the hog-pen. In the year 1875 Short became bankrupt and D. W. Patterson, esq., became his assignee. In that year $500 of an additional insurance was effected on the barn and $390 on the stock. On August 31, 1878, the barn burned. The policy stipulated that the insurance company could either pay the amount of the insurance or rebuild the building destroyed. Some time after the fire, when the assignee had effected arrangements to build a new barn, the company contracted to erect a new barn in place of the one destroyed. In May, 1879, the plaintiff was notified that the barn had been rebuilt by the company. The plaintiff refused to accept the building as he claimed that it was defective and inferior to the old one. The old walls were used in the erection of the new barn and they were claimed to be unsafe. The plaintiff also claimed that there was a great deal of delay in the erection of the new barn by the company, which was not finished until March, 1879. On account of the delay several of plaintiff's cattle died as there was no place to keep them but a temporary shed on the premises.

The plaintiff offered in evidence the policy to show the nature of the covenant to rebuild. This was objected to as the action was one of trespass in the case to recover damages and not breach of any covenant of the policy. The court sustained the objection. The plaintiff then asked leave to amend the action by making it one of covenant instead of trespass in the case and to substitute a narr in covenant and change all the pleadings in the action. This was allowed and the cause was continued.

The jury in the case of Mary Ann Kreider, by her next friend David Cramer, vs. Amos Kreider, rendered a verdict in favor of the defendant.

Before Judge Patterson.

In the case of David F. Herr vs. Isaac Baer, the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for $313.92. Reasons for a new trial were filed and a rule was granted.

Writ of Estrepement.

A writ of estrepement was granted to Edward K. Seibert, *et al.*, council of the Evangelical church of Brickerville, to prevent Mr. Fernsler *et al.*, from cutting timber from a piece of land in Elizabeth township. This land is in dispute between the parties.

Slander Suit.

James B. Good has entered a suit for slander against Andrew Good in the prothonotary's office.

Sale of Tobacco.

Mr. L. T. Hensel, of Quarryville, has purchased the following lots of tobacco of 1880, most of them being grown in the vicinity of Quarryville:

From Rudolph Ressler, 1 acre at 19, 10 and 5; Emery Barr, 1 acre at 15, 5 and 3; Daniel Eberly, 1½ acre at 20, 10, 5 and 3; Jacob Fritz, 2 acres at 12½, 5 and 3; Ross C. Collins, 1½ acre at 19, 7 and 3; John Stanton, 1 acre at 13, 5 and 3; Wilson Walker, ½ acre at 8 and 3; Cyrus G. Barr, 1 acre at 12, 6 and 3; Wm. H. Rinier, 2 acres at 12, 6 and 3; Benjamin Rissel, 4 acres, part at 12, 5 and 3; part at 10, 5 and 3, and part at 14, 5 and 3; Isaac Woltman, 1 acre at 8, 4 and 3; Jacob Neff, 2 acres at 14½, 6 and 3.

C. R. Herr, of West Lampeter, has sold 4 acres at 22, 7 and 3; David Harnish, of Manheim, has sold his crop to Bair, for 20, 7, 3; Wm. Weiss, of Manheim, sold to Bair at 18, 6, 3; Mr. Hostetter, of Paradise, sold his crop of 3 acres to Burdman at 18, 8, 3; Benj. G. Herr, of Colerain, has sold his crop to Oppenheimer at 20, 17, 8, 5; H. Witmer, of Manheim township, sold 3½ acres to Benson at 22½, 10, 5; Jacob Hess, of Manheim township, sold 5 acres at 21, 6, 3; Mr. Ressel, of Chester county, sold his crop to Shirk for 20, 6, 3; John Gotshall, of Paradise, sold to Smith 3 acres at 20, 12, 8; Daniel D. Hess sold to Fry & Weidler 3 acres at 17, 6½, and 3 acres at 16, 6½.

Open the Gutters.

Yesterday a thaw set in and it has continued during to-day and is likely to continue if any faith may be put in Prof. Vennor and "Old Probabilities." In many parts of the city the sidewalks are in very bad condition. They might be much improved and the walking made much better if householders would open the public gutters in front of their properties and the private gutters running from their premises. Considerate people have already done so, less considerate people are doing so to-day, and the careless and indifferent should at once be compelled to do so or fined for a violation of the city ordinance which directs that the water courses shall be kept open. A word to the police will no doubt be sufficient to abate the nuisance complained of.

Appeal Day.

To-day is the first appointed day of appeal from assessments levied against taxpayers by the district assessors. The districts on the list for to-day are the boroughs of Adamstown, Washington, Strasburg, Marietta and Elizabethtown. The assessors and county commissioners are on hand at the commissioners' office to hear appeals, but only a few, thus far, have appealed from the assessment. Appeals from the other districts of the county will be heard on the days set down and heretofore published.

Officers Elected.

Inland City division No. 7 Uniformed Rank K. of P. have elected the following officers for the ensuing year.

Sir Knight Commander—M. M. Barton.
Sir Knight Lieutenant Commander—Julius Levy.
Sir Knight Herald—J. B. Markley.
Sir Knight Guard—D. H. Markley.
Sir Knight Sentinel—Albert Suter.
Sir Knight Recorder—Jeremiah Rife.
Sir Knight Trustee—D. H. Markley.
Installing Officer—Daniel Aucamp.

Sale of Real Estate.

Allan A. Herr & Co., real estate and insurance agents, sold to Henry Lively, at private sale, yesterday, a three-story brick dwelling, No. 136 North Prince street, belonging to Samuel Vandersaal, for $3,400.

Also, for John C. Hager, on the same day, 60 feet of building lots fronting on Park avenue, to Messrs. Fraim & Co.

Who Is He?

The Harrisburg *Telegraph* of last evening says: "A boy named Conrad Camp applied at the mayor's office last night for lodging. He said his father could not keep him, and he was trying to make a living for himself. The lad supposed to have run away, and was held until the Lancaster people can be heard from."

Stabbing Affair at a Dancing Party.

A sleighing party of twelve couples went from Reading to Sinking Spring. At the Centennial hotel in that village they had a dance, and while the same was in progress one of the party named Quinn drew a knife, and severely cut a young man named Stoudt above the left eye. The quarrel is said to have orignated through jealousy.

Mayor's Court.

His honor had five unfortunates before him this morning, two of whom were committed to the workhouse and three discharged.

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

Sheriff Strine is at Columbia to-day.

The Madam Rentz female minstrel company came here from Middletown to-day They are booked here for the 18th and 19th, but we cannot learn what they are doing here to-day.

The snow is melting fast and sleighing is about played out in town.

The school board will meet to-morrow night and council on Friday night.

It is said that a race will take place this afternoon on the river between a York county pacer and a trotter from near Mount Joy. The latter, it is said, has a record of below 2:40.

Chickens were the cause of a suit yesterday at the office of Justice Frank. Several colored individuals made their appearance under compulsion to explain where and how they got hold of a number of fowls in which they were trafficking. Their explanation was not satisfactory to the justice and he bound them over to appear at court—two of the party to answer the charge of larceny and the third for receiving stolen property. The tergiversations which the suit developed were huge.

The fair for the benefit of the A. M. E. church begins this evening in the church lecture rooms.

The arm of the Pennsylvania railroad round-house turn-table has been repaired and now the heavy engines are being placed in and taken from there as usual.

In this city on Monday a Philadelphia detective arrested a man who was wanted by Justice Frank to answer the charge of the larceny of an overcoat valued at $15 and a watch worth $12. The man was brought to Columbia and taken before the justice yesterday, but he had pawned the stolen articles. There will be more of this.

The Republicans of the First and Second wards will nominate their candidates for borough offices this evening. Both wards it is thought will have warm meetings, as the factions are more than ever at loggerheads. The regulars and irregulars of the First ward are making their fight on justice of the peace and the latter will try every expedient to get rid of the plurality rule. There will probably be a strong fight for temporary chairman.

Carson Devan, a somewhat notorious colored individual, at about four o'clock this morning, informed Special Officer Michael Dysinger that another colored man with whom he (Devan) had been drinking during the night purposed breaking into some store on Locust street before morning, and had invited Devan to assist him in the job and share the spoils. Devan said that he declined and he warned Dysinger to keep a sharp look out. Dysinger informed Special Officer Henry Rodenhouser of what Devan had said, and the two officers concluded they had better be on the alert until daylight. Some time after this Rodenhouser passed a colored man on the street. He thought, at first, that the man had a bag of coal, but when he had passed, the officer was convinced that his actions were suspicious and he called to him to "hold up." The man did not "hold up," but lengthened his step. Rodenhouser again called, but the man started to run and the officer fired at him with his pistol. A pursuit took place but the thief eluded his pursuer and escaped, dropping most of his booty, however, which was recovered. It was learned that he had broken into Snyder's shoe store at the corner of Front and Locust streets, and had made off with an arm full of shoes. He got off with two or three pairs of good quality shoes, but the rest were picked up where he had dropped them. Devan, the informer, was arrested, as it is thought he is in possession of information which may lead to the arrest of the guilty party.

The break in the main water pipe, of which we spoke in the INTELLIGENCER of Tuesday, was found at about three or four o'clock yesterday afternoon within a couple of feet of where the pipe is joined to the plug at the corner of Third and Locust streets. A corps of the water company attaches are now employed in repairing the break and it is thought the main will again be in working order in a few hours. This break has given more trouble than any other accident of the kind within a couple of years. The ground has been found to be frozen to the depth of a couple of feet and the workmen experience great difficulty in digging through it.

A BREAK AT THE RESERVOIR.

Its Timely Discovered and Prompt Remedy.

Supt. Cox of the almshouse brought the news to town this afternoon that a break had occurred in the south bank of the west reservoir of the city water-works, near the point at which the 24-inch main enters the reservoir, and a stream of water about as thick a man's leg was rushing down over the wall of the basin and into the road below. Chief of Police Deichler, Superintendent of the Water Works Kitch, Mayor MacGonigle and the newspaper men were on the ground in a hurry. The stream was found to be issuing from the bank about ten feet below the top of it, and to be about such as would flow from a four or five inch pipe. The signal was promptly given to the engineer of the water works to stop pumping and Mr. Kitch speedily determined the source of the difficulty. The location of the outbreak indicated it. When the new receiving main was put in and there was some difficulty about the cementing an almost similar break occurred. It is evident now that the frost coming out of the ground has lifted the supply pipe some inches above its usual resting place, and the water is running out under it, finding its way down in a slanting course to the place where it issues from the bank. As soon as the water is lowered below the point at which the reservoir is now fed it is expected that this will be seen and can be remedied. The water can then be kept there until the necessary repairs are made.

The Union Fair.

The fair of the Union equipment association still goes on swimmingly in Roberts's hall. The attendance last night was good and the amount of sales encouraging to the managers. The following named articles were chanced off and won by the persons named: A fruit cake by Miss Zillah Cummings; a pair of slippers by J. R. Waters; a silk tidy by J. L. Lyte. The fair will be open every evening this week.

Big Sleighing Party.

Last evening a grand sociable, composed of 40 couples, managed by Mrs. Hambright and Mr. Horace L. Martin, assembled at the residence of Wm. K. Martin, Willowdale, East Hempfield township, and to the music of Miller's orchestra, had an enjoyable dancing party.

Rooney vs. Miner.

Pat Rooney consulted a lawyer before leaving for New York yesterday. It is also reported that he desired to restrain the troupe from playing here, but was unable to do so by reason of his contract with Miner.

Unlit Lamps.

The police report the following number of lamps unlit in the several wards last night: First ward 10, Second 10, Third 9, Fourth 5, Fifth 15, Sixth 10, Seventh 14, Eighth 18, Ninth 14. Total 105.

Arrested on Account of the "Owl."

The Scranton agent of the Lancaster *Owl* has been held for trial in default of $1,000 bail to answer charges of libel and circulating obscene literature.

A Third-Termer.

Joshua L. Lyte, of the *Examiner*, has been reappointed notary public by Governor Hoyt. This is Mr. Lyte's third term.

Thumb Crushed.

John Doyle, of this city, a brakeman on engine 155, local extra freight east, had one of his thumbs badly crushed while he was engaged this morning in shifting cars at the W. and N. railroad junction, a short distance west of Coatesville. The nail was torn from the thumb and the flesh badly lacerated.

Important For Tobacco Buyers.

Tobacco buyers in search of good Pennsylvania leaf of the '79 crop will find two packings of Lancaster and Lebanon county crop—aggregating 600 cases—at Lebanon, Pa., waiting for a purchaser. 3td

Amusements.

"*Photos.*"—This eccentric musical comedy by the author of "The Mighty Dollar" will be produced at the opera house on Saturday; the town has been extensively and beautifully billed in announcement of the coming attraction. A contemporary pays this tribute to the entertainment: "For two hours and a half Harrison's 'Photos' kept the audience in a roar, at the Academy last night. The appearance of Miss Alice Harrison drew many to the house who were there on the former visit of the company, when that lady was too ill to appear. Miss Harrison's every movement was one of grace, and but a short time elapsed before she had won the plaudits of those present. Three times she appeared upon the stage in answer to the wild applause. Clara Harleigh executed a difficult guitar solo and sang 'Genevieve' with pleasing effect. Miss Therese Wood created a favorable impression by her specialities, and Messrs. Louis Harrison and R. E. Graham caused a perfect storm of laughter in their impersonation of 'Otto,' a German reporter, and 'Sarah Bernhardt.'"

"*Deacon Crankett.*"—When this charming New England idyl, written by the man whose name and fame are inseparably associated with the story of "Helen's Babies," was presented in this city early in the present season, everybody who saw it was delighted, and they will learn with pleasure that Manager Mishler proposes to reproduce the piece with the same cast next Tuesday evening.

The queen of medicinal and toilet soaps, the fragrant Cuticura.

Democratic Nominations.

The Democratic voters of the Fifth ward will meet at Philip Wall's Green Tree Hotel from 6 to 8 this evening to nominate a ward ticket.

Prevent weakness and degeneration of the kidneys and urinary organs—Malt Bitters.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

SAMPLE NOTICE.

It is impossible for a woman after a faithful course of treatment with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to continue to suffer with a weakness of the uterus. Enclose a stamp to Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, 233 Western avenue, Lynn, Mass., for pamphlets. ly29-lydeod&w

Mothers! Mothers!! Mothers!!!

Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately—depend upon it; there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it, who will not tell you at once that it will regulate the bowels, and give rest to the mother, and relief and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Sold everywhere; 25 cents a bottle. feb8-d&wM,W&F

Be Ye Like Foolish.

"For ten years my wife was confined to her bed with such a complication of ailments that no doctor could tell what was the matter or cure her, and I used up a small fortune in humbug stuff. Six months ago I saw a U. S. flag with Hop Bitters on it, and I thought I would be a fool once more. I tried it, but my folly proved to be wisdom. Two bottles cured her, she is now as well and strong as any man's wife, and it cost me only two dollars. Be ye likewise foolish."—H. W., Detroit, Mich feb1-2wd&w

Daily Items.

Never a day passes but we hear of some accident through the careless use of kerosene. Heads of families should caution their domestics about using it to start a fire with, and at the same time always keep a supply of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil on hand; best cure for burns, cuts, wounds, etc.

For sale by H. B. Cochran, druggist, 137 and 139 North Queen street, Lancaster, Pa.

Wine.

The unprecedented success of Speer's Wine in North and South America and Europe, has gained for it among the medical faculty a standing reputation. Chemists and scientific men have visited his cellar in New Jersey, and analyzed his Wine, and pronounced it the most healthy and beneficial in the market. The following letter was received by Mr. Speer from Dr. A. D. Wilson, one of the oldest and most celebrated physicians of New York city: "I have been in the habit of using Speer's Port Grape Wine, and I have found it an excellent stomachic, a gentle stimulant and tonic. It is especially useful in cases of great nervous debility and stomach weakness."

The disposition of unprincipled dealers to adulterate wines has compelled Mr. Speer to bottle all his productions, and place his signature over the cork so as to insure to the public its purity. It is being used in churches for communion purposes.

This wine is endorsed by Drs. Atlee and Davis, and sold by H. E. Slaymaker, Lancaster Pa. feb1-2wd&w

What Ails You?

Is it a disordered liver giving you a yellow skin or costive bowels; which have resulted in distressing piles or do your kidneys refuse to perform their functions? If so, your system will soon be clogged with poisons. Take a few doses of Kidney Wort and you'll feel like a new man—nature will throw off every impediment and each organ will be ready for duty. Druggists sell both the Dry and Liquid.—*New York Atlas.* f7-1wd&w

DR. BROWNING, 1117 Arch street, Philadelphia, has made a wonderful discovery, not by chance, but by patient, persistent research in medicine and chemistry. His C. & C. Cordial, for Coughs, Colds, Consumption, and all troubles of the same nature, is the happy result of his work, and is destined to make his fortune. He has already been offered a small fortune to part with his secret, but he wisely concludes that if others can make money out of it he can. All druggists sell it. 50c. per bottle. If not at your druggist's, tell him you wish to give it a trial.

Shakspeare Revived.

To Ache, or not to Ache, that's the question. This cheerful conundrum, ye rheumatic sufferers, is by no means as difficult as a proposition in Euclid. Try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil on hand; and you will find it just as easy not to ache as to ache.

For sale by H. B. Cochran, druggist, 137 and 139 North Queen street, Lancaster, Pa.

MARRIAGES.

FREEDMAN—WEB.—On Tuesday, February 8, 1881, by the Rev. E. Meister, Mr. Louis Freedman to Miss Christian Web, both of Lancaster. 1t*

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CIGARMAKERS WANTED BY D. G. HIRSH, 227 North Prince street. 18-2td

WANTED—AT THE LANCASTER BOLT Works a few active, industrious boys from twelve to fifteen years old. 18-3td

TWO STORE ROOMS AND DWELLING for rent, No. 8 and 10 South Queen street. Apply at the INTELLIGENCER Office.

FOR RENT.—THE STORE ROOM NOW occupied by A. D. Cauffman, 134 North Queen street. Apply at 1td BUCHMILLER'S.

JUST RECEIVED—A LARGE AND WELL assorted stock of Seeley's Hard Rubber Trusses, which are guaranteed to be the best in the market, at BUCHMILLER'S. 19-1td&2tw 132 North Queen Street.

WANTED—A GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. Must come well recommended. If service is satisfactory, a permanent place. Apply at No. 534 North Duke street. 1td*

FOR RENT.—A TWO-STORY BRICK HOUSE, with two-story Brick Back Building attached, situate at No. 520 East Orange street, with gas in every room and just newly papered. Will be sold at private sale on cheap and easy terms. Apply to JOHN HIEMENZ, 1td No. 21 North Queen Street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUCTION. AUCTION.
Auction of Boots, Shoes and Rubbers tonight and continue every night this week until the entire stock is disposed of.
1td No. 26½ East King Street.

FOR RENT.—THE STORE ROOM NO. 41 West King street, now occupied by John Falck, Tailor. Possession given APRIL 1 1881. Apply to WILLIAM J. COOPER, jan3-M,W&S1td West King Street.

STORE ROOM FOR RENT.—THE STORE room now occupied by J. W. Keller (tinner), No. 17 West King street, from April 1, next. Apply to f7-1wdR ALDERMAN McCONOMY.

AUCTION! AUCTION!!
On THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING will be sold at Burkholder's store, corner of Chestnut and Plum streets, No. 259, Dry Goods, Notions, etc. Sale at 7 o'clock.
H. K. BURKHOLDER, feb8-1tdTu,W,F&S Agent.

WANTED—AT THIS OFFICE COPIES of the DAILY INTELLIGENCER of JANUARY 24, 1880. d30-1td

WANTED—WASHING EITHER AT home or out. Apply at 476 Lafayette street. 1td

WANTED.—A GERMAN BOY WANTS A situation as errand boy or something at which he can make himself useful. Apply at 504 West King street. 1td

SHERIFF'S SALE.—THE CONTENTS OF store lately occupied by Mrs. Brimmer & Bell, No. 6 East King street, comprising a large assortment of Fancy and Trimming Goods, Also Ladies' Wear, &c., will be sold by the undersigned on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1881, at 10 o'clock a. m.
J. S. STRINE, Sheriff.
HESS & SON, Auctioneers. 18-2td*

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, as KLEISS & GERHART, in the grocery business and in the chain manufacturing business is, by mutual agreement, dissolved. Paul Gerhart will settle the affairs of the chain business, and John Henry Kleiss of the grocery business. All persons indebted will please make immediate payment.
J. H. KLEISS,
PAUL GERHART.

Mr. Paul Gerhart will continue in the chain manufacturing business at the old stand, Cherry alley, as heretofore. 17-3td

INSURE WITH THE OLD AND WELL Established Agency of the

Girard Fire Insurance Co.,

OF PHILADELPHIA.

ASSETS OVER

Eleven Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Invested in Safe and Solid Securities.

RIFE & KAUFMAN,

No. 19 EAST KING STREET,

d11-6md M,W,S R Second Floor.

RETURN VISIT—OPERA HOUSE.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

MR. JOHN D. MISHLER in compliance with numerous urgent requests has the honor of reproducing the beautiful play,

"DEACON CRANKETT,"

A NEW ENGLAND IDYL.

Mr. Ben Maginley as Deacon Crankett,

Supported by MR. JOSEPH WHEELOCK and THE SAME COMPANY which last November afforded such genuine satisfaction.

PRICES.....35, 50 & 75 Cts.

Diagram at Yecker's Office. [19-6td

NOTICE!

As we have made decided changes in the interior of our store, we are now prepared to show and display goods much better than heretofore. We have added Centre Counters and display on them Elegant Assortment of HAMBURG EDGINGS and INSERTINGS, LACES, RUFFLINGS, &c., all in the Latest Patterns. We have also enlarged our Dress Goods Department and display many Elegant and Choice Dress Goods at very low prices. In BLACK SILKS and BLACK CASHMERES we are now offering very great bargains. We have also changed the Flannel and Domestic Goods Departments, which gives us more room to display our goods. In these departments persons will find very low prices in all the best makes of BLEACHED and UNBLEACHED SHEETING, SHIRTING and PILLOW CASE MUSLINS, TABLE LINENS, TICKINGS, SHIRTING STRIPES, &c. We cordially invite all to give us a call to see the decided improvement in our room, and also see the many choice goods that we are offering in each department at very low prices.

NOTE.—We offer to-day a choice assortment of Ball and Chenille Worsted Dress Fringes at 5 cents per yard.

Givler, Bowers & Hurst,

25 East King Street.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

AT YE TRINITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL, Ye Olde Folkes will come to sing again on THURSDAYE, ye 10th of FEBRUARIE [Eve]. Growne Personnes paye 15 pence. Children are admitted for 10 pence. f8-2td

FULTON OPERA HOUSE.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

HARRISON'S COMEDY COMPANY.

An original eccentric comedy by B. E. Woolf, esq., author of "Mighty Dollar," &c., entitled

"PHOTOS,"

replete with comic situations, sparkling music and laughable effects.

TWO AND A-HALF HOURS OF FUN.

MR. JOHN D. MISHLER says: "The company is composed of good dramatic and musical talent, and the play is a kaleidoscope of fun, an epitome of mirth and melody. It is one of those peculiar productions, which, while it gives both Miss Alice and Louis Harrison an opportunity to display their dramatic talent and versatility, yet withal brings each member of the company prominently forward, keeping an audience interested and amused throughout from the rise to the fall of the curtain. There is none of that drag so palpably manifest in most plays similarly constructed, and which during the momentary absence of the principals, wearies the house with mediocre acting and worse 'business' from the lesser lights of the company."

No Advance in Prices.

35, 50 & 75 Cents.

Reserved Seats at Yecker's Office. 18-3td

THIRD EDITION.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 9, 1881.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—For the Middle and Southern Atlantic states, warmer, cloudy, rainy weather, easterly winds veering to southerly, falling barometer.

ELECTORAL COUNT DAY.

The Two Houses of Congress in Joint Convention.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—This being electoral count day, about noon William A. Waeeler and the Senate entered the House. Mr. Wheeler was seated at Speaker Randall's right hand and the senators were accommodated with chairs in the front rows of desks. Mr. Wheeler, after stating that he was there in accordance with the constitution to perform a specific duty, proceeded to open the certificates of election of the several states of the Union.

The votes of each state were counted in accordance with the published result of the election until Georgia was reached. Mr. Springer demanded the reading of the certificate in full. Mr. Wheeler said that as it appeared that Georgia's electoral vote was cast on a day other than that fixed by an act of Congress, it could not be recorded until afterwards. The count then went on. At 1:35 the count was concluded and Garfield and Arthur declared elected president and vice president of the United States.

The senators then returned to the Senate. The matter of counting the Georgia vote remains in abeyance.

READING RAILROAD.

Testimony on the McCalmont Petition.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.—The special masters in the case of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad, who were ordered by Judge McKennan last January to take testimony under the petition of the McCalmonts concerning the deferred income bonds, filed in the United States court this afternoon a printed report covering two hundred and fifty pages of testimony. It is prefaced by a statement showing that upon the closing of the evidence it was stated by the respective counsel that it had been agreed by them, with the approval of the court, that the masters should make no report upon the petition other than return of the evidence as taken.

BEATEN BOERS.

Defeated by Gen. Colley.

DURBAN, Feb. 9.—Gen. Colley's force yesterday defeated the Boers with a loss of one hundred and fifty men. The Boers lost heavily.

Anxiety Concerning Orange Free State.

DURBAN, Feb. 9.—Much anxiety is manifested here as to the action of the Orange Free State Volksraad which will meet on the 17th inst. Independence day occurs on the 23d, and a large party is likely to propose to give help to the Boers.

Telegraph Litigation Suspended.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.—At a conference held to-day at the office of the Pennsylvania railroad company in which Jay Gould, Gen. Thos. T. Eckert and D. H. Bates, representing the consolidated telegraph companies, and the officers of the Pennsylvania railroad company, with their counsel, participated, it was decided to suspend all operations in the telegraphic litigation for the present. This action is intended to hold the present proceedings in obeyance until new terms can be agreed upon.

A WOLFE BOOM.

Twelve Democrats Vote for Him—The Grow Strength Intact.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 9.—The twenty-first ballot for United States senator today resulted as follows: Oliver 79, Wallace 72, Grow 55, Wolfe 12, MacVeagh 4, Phillips 3, Shiras 2, Beaver 2, Hewit, 2, Curtin 1, Agnew 1. The Grow forces remained intact; the votes for Wolfe came from the Democrats, while the scattering votes were from Oliver. The convention adjourned until to-morrow.

Escape of Prisoners.

SUNBURY, Pa., Feb. 9—Five prisoners in the Northumberland county prison attacked the keeper this morning, beat him badly and effected their escape. Their names are John Morris, James Keenan, Wm. Duffy, Thos. Johnson and George Hunt, and they were all in for burglary. A large force is in pursuit. A reward of $125 is offered for their arrest.

Fire in New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Fire broke out this morning in the six-story iron front buildings 62 to 68, New Church street, originating among a lot of waste in the cellar which is occupied by the Western Electric manfacturing company. The fire rapidly gained headway and it was with great difficulty that the employes escaped. The total loss is about $30,000.

PENNSYLVANIA'S POPULATION.

Our Grand Total Nearly Five Millions.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The Census bureau returns the population of Pennsylvania as follows: Males 2,136,635, females 2,146,151. Native 3,695,253, foreign 587,533, white 4,197,106, colored 85,680. Total, 4,282,786.

THE IRISH SUFFERERS.

Sympathetic Resolution From Colorado.

CARSON, Nevada, Feb. 9.—A concurrent resolution sympathizing with the Irish sufferers has passed both houses of the Legislature.

Fall of a Roof.

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 9.—The roof of the Canadian Pacific railroad freight sheds fell the entire length of over 200 feet today from the weight of snow. No one was injured.

ESTATE OF SARAH MONTGOMERY late of the city of Lancaster, deceased. Letters of administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them for settlement to the undersigned, residing in said city.
ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY Administratrix.
H. B. SWARR, Attorney. jan25-6tdaw*

ESTATE OF THOMAS D KELLY, LATE of Lancaster city, deceased. Letters of administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make immediate settlement, and those having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, to make them known to the undersigned without delay, residing in Lancaster.
jan13-6tdaw* W. U. HENSEL.

"BAD" DENT.

ONE OF THE MOST DRAMATIC TRAGEDIES ON RECORD.

Retribution for Murder Committed Before the War—An Old Colored Man's Promise to His Dying Master.

Several years before the war there occured a tragedy in the eastern part of Tennessee, near the present site of Rugby that aroused the indignation of the entire community. Several days ago the concluding chapter was enacted. In the neighborhood mentioned there lived a young man named Abraham Dent, a man of fine education, usually kind in disposition, but of so violent a nature when aroused that he was known as "Bad" Dent. He was tall and handsome, possessing remarkable physical strength and an activity that had made him a favorite on the school-house play-ground. He was wealthy, to which influence he owed his escape from imprisonment, for he had killed a man, and was only cleared after the best legal talent had been employed in his defense. He was not addicted to the use of liquors, but would, as his companions termed it, get on a spree of ill-humor. On such occasions he was morose, quarrelsome and dangerous. His freaks were strange and unaccountable. He would help a friend out of an altercation and immediately turn and knock him down. Among his companions was a young man named Louis Guill—a noble fellow. He was as brave as a lion—intelligent, kind-hearted and faithful to every obligation. His father and mother were dead, having willed him a farm and several "black folks." The friendship between Guill and Dent was a subject of remark, for where Dent was violent Guill was genial; where Dent was "in for a fight" Guill favored an adjustment and hearty laugh. Yet the two young men were friends. It seemed that they had been born friends—their fathers were friends. Their mothers insisted upon having the same kind of coffee; the same kind of cooking; had the same ideas regarding children, and, of course, were friends.

One day at a picnic the two friends engaged in a quarrel.

"You told me that you were not going to dance with that girl," exclaimed Dent.

"I know I did, Abe, but I couldn't well get out of it. The boys arranged the set and assigned the partners."

"It wouldn't make any difference to me what the boys did, I wouldn't acknowledge that I had told a d——d lie."

"If a man tells a lie it is better to acknowledge it. I hope I have not offended you."

"But you have. When a man tells me a d——d lie I hold him accountable for it."

"Abe you are on one of your sprees today. Let the matter drop."

"I am not in an ill humor and you utter a d——d lie when you say so."

"Abe, this has gone far enough."

"It shall go just as far as I want it. I meant what I said."

"Are you in earnest?"

"I am."

"Go away then. Don't call me a liar again. If you do, I'll knock you down."

Several friends rushed up, among them a colored man owned by Guill. He was his master's friend as well as servant, and would have risked his life for the man who could make his existence miserable or pleasant, and who nobly chose the latter.

"Mars Louis," said the darkey. "doan hab no truck wid dat man. He doan kere no moah fur blood den he do fur water," and he put his hand gently on his master's arm.

"Get away, Buck," said Guill, "he has insulted me and must pay the penalty.

"Let him alone," coolly remarked Dent and the next instant he lay full length on the ground. Blood flowed from his mouth and for a time he seemed to be insensible. Recovering suddenly, he drew a barlow knife, and as Guill stooped over to raise him he uttered an oath and plunged his knife-blade into Guills breast. Such a stampede followed that Dent escaped. Guill lay on the bosom of his faithful slave.

"Buck I'm dying," he said. "It was a murder. Buck are you here."

"Yes, Mars Louis, I's heah."

"If Dent is not hung by law I want you to kill him."

"Yes, Mars Louis."

"But don't take advantage of him. Fight him with a knife. Do you promise?"

"Yes, Mars Louis. I'll follow him ter de end of de earth! I'll—oh, my master is dead!"

The tragedy sent a thrill of horror through everyone. Old men shed tears when they saw poor Gull lying on the ground, with his hands full of grass, pulled up with the grasp of death.

Guill was buried in a little orchard near the old farm house. Buck delivered the funeral oration. Several ministers offered their services, but the colored man claimed the right and as no one could doubt the friendship which existed between master and servant, no one disputed the right of the faithful man to conduct the ceremonies On a Sunday afternoon, when the sun shone bright on the apple blossoms; when the blue jay flitted and the "sap-sucker" pounded the old black trees, Buck stood at the head of his master's grave. Friends and neighbors gathered around, and children peeped over the red mound into the deep cavity, shuddered, and drew back. For full five minutes Buck stood without uttering a word.

"I doan know how ter peach a funeral, Lord," he said, "but I knows what hit iz ter feel de fullin' ob de heartstrings. Ez a smile can change ter a tremblin' ob de lip so does sorrow set heaviest on de heart what wuz once filled wid joy. My marster had a heart ez big ez de magination ob a chile, and ez de heart is de birthplace ob de soul my marster is on de right hand ob God, close up to de throne. May we all meet death wid as little fear, and may de angels be ez glad to see us all ez I knows da hez been ter make de heabenly quaintance ob Mars Louis Guill. Amen."

Dent fled to Texas, but was brought back, and by some technicality acquitted. He left Tennessee immediately after the trial and went, no one knew or cared where.

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Several weeks ago a tall man stood on Superior street in Cleveland. His hair was almost as white as the snow at his feet. His face wore a sad expression and his eyes wandered as though tired of every object. An old colored man came walking along. Seeing the white-haired man he stopped, gazed intently for a moment, approached the stranger and said:

"Is yer name Mr. Dent?"

"Yes, that's my name."

"Did da uster call yer Mr. Bad Dent?"

"Yes; do you know me?"

"I does. My name is Buck Guill. I uster 'long ter Mars Louis Guill. Don't yer recollect me?"

"Why yes, Buck; how is your health?" extending his hand.

"No, sar, yer doesn't touch my han in de grasp of friendship. I was at de picnic, yer recolleck, when yer stabbed Mars Louis. He died in my arms. Fore he died he made me promise dat I'd kill yer in a far fight cassen de law didn't hang yer. Now I 'poses to fight yer wid barlow knives."

"Did Louis make you promise this?"

"Yes, sah."

"Then you must keep your promise. Whatever Louis Guill said must be done shall be done. I have never refused to fight any living man. Where shall the encounter take place?"

"In de little orchard near de ole farm house."

"When?"

"Jes ez soon ez we ken go dar."

The two men boarded the next train and went to Nashville. Engaging a private conveyance, they went up into East Tennessee, and stopped at a roadside inn near the old Guill farmhouse. It was agreed that there should be one witness to the encounter, and after engaging a man, Dent wrote an explanatory letter and gave it to the innkeeper. It was Sunday afternoon. The three went through an old orchard—orchard only in memory, for nothing but the decaying trunks of the trees remained. Buck led the way. He stopped at the sunken grave. "Dis is Mars Louis grabe," he said. "Stan' on the udder side. Doan step ober hit."

Dent, without uttering a word, took position as directed. The witness stood a few yards away, and was to count three when all was ready. The two men, old men, drew their knives, "One, two, three."

They grappled in a deadly embrace. A desperate struggle for old men. Dent wrested his right arm from the grasp of Buck, and with a sweeping stroke almost severed the black man's head from his body. Buck still held Dent around the waist, and as he fell backward plunged his knife into the murderer's heart.

When the coroner came, the two men lay dead across the grave locked in a tight embrace. A strange sight; the pale face of death and the ashened hue of earthly dissolution.

MARKETS.

Philadelphia Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., February 9.—Flour dull but steady; superfine $2 75@3 50; extra $3 50@4 25; Ohio and Indiana family $5 25@5 75; Pa. do $4 75@5 00; St. Louis family $5 50@6 00; Minnesota Extra $5 00@5 75; straight, $5 75@6 25; winter patent $6 25@7 50; spring do $6 50@7 50.

Rye flour firm at $5 00.

Wheat strong and tending upward; No. 2 Western Red $1 14½@1 15; Penn'a. Red, and Amber, $1 13@1 14.

Corn firm but quiet; steamer 52@52½c; yellow 53c; mixed 53c.

Oats firmer, with more inquiry; No. 1 White 43½c; No. 2 do 41½c; No. 3 do 43c; No. 2 Mixed 42½c.

Rye firm at 95c.

Provisions firm; mess pork, $13 75@