Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 4, 1881.

Tennessee's State Debt. Tennessee has, like Virginia, been agitated ever since the war by the question of the payment of her state debt. She issued new bonds for the unpaid interest a few years ago, but since then has only paid one coupon. She redeemed the debt, however, largely by selling her interest in the railroads, and now she owes tier campaign than the British soldier. but about twenty-five millions, which is Man to man the Boers can whip the best a bagatelle to a state of her resources. At the last election the Democratic party was divided into a "low credit" ment at a very low figure. The Republican party took the high credit side, and by the Democratic division elected its governor. The Legisla- takes the other track. ture has a "high credit" majority in both branches, and for a month past has been wrestling with the debt question. The bondholders agreed to fund the principal and interest of the debt in a three per cent. bond running ninety years. and the governor strongly recommended the acceptance of the proposition to the demi-toilette. "Well," she said, "if I'd legislature. The lower House passed the measure by a two-thirds majority, but it was defeated in the Senate by one majority, owing to the reluctance of one or two "high credit" Senators to vote B. Mann, a warm friend of Mr. Blaine's for one of the features, which permitted the coupons of the funds to be paid in the stock market of New York, has been days, as the views of settlement by the Legislature waxed and waned. The body adjourns on Wednesday, and is still considering the debt matter on a reconsideration had of the vote; and it is vet uncertain what the outcome will be.

It seems very silly for such a question to be permitted to divide a party in a state so rich in resources as Tennessee. One would think that any honest legislator would be willing to vote for the payment of the state's obligations in full and would be very reluctant to claim that so great a state would be embarrassed by a twenty-five million debt. But there are so many men with unsound

No result was at all probable out of the canvass within the Democratic party for city officers that would have riage of the Austrian Crown Prince Rubeen discreditable to the party or preju- DOLPH and the Princess STEPHANIE, of dicial to the best interests of the city. Belgium, is fixed for the 10th of May. honorable manner, without intrigue, F. Barger, resigned. ciation that they had faithfully dis- gold medal to Joseph L. Caven in token Fayetteville, on the Fourth National bank charged their duties in the past. The of his eminent services as a municipal re- of New York, and has since been forging gentlemen who were candidates for the former. F. B. Reeves presided, and Col. years the Democracy have been able to press. All parties were represented among as loyal and deserving members of the form with a big "R." party, and as honest men, from the election of no one of whom would the party suffer in public estimation. Under such cir- phis district. He brushes his hair a la cumstances it was quite natural that the Pompadour, wears white gaiters and alcanvass should be close and considera- ways sits conspicuously at the middle entions of personal popularity possibly tip trance door of the Senate, occasionally the evenly balanced scale. While success- calling to him a Republican senator to give ful ones have a right to congratulate him advice. He has called on every mem themselves, the defeated have no cause | ber of his party in the city and has begun to be ashamed. Those who lost the offices his career of political leadership by writing at least lost nothing else.

THE New York world's fair has a very serious time getting fairly on its feet and | through the yellow fever enoch. it can hardly be expected that the people of Philadelphia will warm up to any ologist, recently coined a word to express enthusiastic interest in its success. For the common defect of using, in conversathe New Yorkers gave the centennial a tion, a different word from that which the very cold shoulder in its inception and speaker intended to use and thought he scant recognition even after the was using. Mr. White calls it hetergreatness of that century exhibit ophemy, an appropriate compound of two was an established fact. The sen- Greek words. The New York Ecening timent of the country was with Post calls attention to the fact that the the celebration of the hundredth anni. like defect occurs as frequently in writing crally convalescing. versary of the Declaration. The recol- as in speaking, and asks for a word exlection of that event, beyond all other of pressive of it. The word is easily foundour historical reminiscences, warms the national heart; and there was a local fitness about the place of its celebration, besides the superior advantages of Philadelphia's princely park, which made the Centennial celebration a greater success than any event of that kind can hope to be until at least after another half century of material progress. New York may | Froude's admission ; that Carlyle forgot get up a world's fair, a bazaar of trade. but no such combination of the material, moral and political development of his wife, and had some occasion for rerial, moral and political development of the nation as the Centennial will be witnessed in this century.

city has advanced to the control of the city government against the disadvantage of an infamous gerrymander, devised to keep it out, because it has steadfastly advocated economy, honesty men to office pledged to this policy. in an emphatic reindorsement. Mr. Steintrust in a manner acceptable to his con. eyes and health-tinted cheeks, coupled who were lodged in jail on Friday. They

which are the necessary qualifications of foot." a city treasurer.

MINOR TOPICS. ENGLAND has declined to attend the monetary conference because the conference is practically pleeged to bi metalism.

THE Boer is a better shot, a braver man and incomparably better fitted for a fron-British regiment into a panic.

THE Sunday question enters largely into and "high credit" party, the latter the municipal election to-day in Cincinwanting to settle the debt on the best nati. Of the two leading Republican terms the bond-holder would offer, and papers the Gazette opposes Jacobs, the the former wishing to coerce a settle- present mayor, elected and renominated by the Republicans, and supports Means, the Democratic candidate, while the Commercial, conducted by Murat Halstead,

THE American girl has got abroad again. In one of the hotels at Nice is one who lately went to an "at home" in full dress, low-necked satin, diamonds, etc. On arriving and looking round the room she perceived the other guests to be in known that it was only a sit-round I'd not ing in the oil regions who was recently have put my clothes on."

"In anticipation of Mr. MacVeagh's retirement at an early day, Colonel William favors the selection of Judge Briggs, one of our common pleas judges, and it is said for taxes. The value of the bonds on that, in the event of Mr. MacVeagh's resignation, the twelve delegates to the fluctuating widely within the last few Chicago convention from this city will call upon the president in a body to urge the appointment of Judge Briggs." Briggs in the cabinet? Give us air.

> WASHINGTON TERRITORY. A land that man has newly trod A land that only God has known, Through all the soundless eyeles flown. Yet perfect blossoms bless the sod, And perfect birds illume the trees, And perfect unheard harmonics Pour out eternally to God.

A thousand miles of mighty wood,
Where thunder storms stride fire shod;
A thousand plants at every rod
A stately tree at every rood; Ten thousand leaves to every tree, And each a miracle to me; Yet there be men who doubt of God!

LORD BACON, in his essay on death, ideas on money matters and so many most truly says : "It is worthy the oblegislators who have no judgment of serving that there is no passion in the their own, superior to popular clamor, mind of man so weak but it mates and that it is found to be possible to find masters the fear of death; and, therefore, legislators personally honest who will | death is no such terrible enemy when masdeliberately put the stigma of total has so many attendants about him that or partial repudiation on their state can win the combat of him. Revenge and to proclaim a state of poverty in it, triumphs over death; love slights it; though it does not exist and though such | honor aspireth to it; grief fleeth to it; a repute must be both disadvantageous fear occupieth it; nay, we read that after to its welfare and damaging to its fame. Otho, the emperor, had slain himself, pity The irresistible conclusion of strangers | which is the tenderest of affections, proto Tennessee must be, if her people find so voked many to die out of mere compassmall a debt too burthensome, to assume | sion to their sovereign, and as the truest that their prosperity is not of such a and best of followers. It is no less worthy fatal. kind as to invite immigration; and yet to observe how little alteration in good immigration is what the state needs, as spirits the approaches of death make, for its legislators wellknow, to develop its they appear to be the same men till the last instant."

> PERSONAL. It is officially announced that the mar-

The canvass for all the offices was con- At a meeting of the directors of the fined to gentlemen fit to fill them, and it | Western Union telegraph company Con was conducted, so far as we have any NELIUS VANDERBILT resigned as a director knowledge of its methods, from the be- and General ECKERT was made a member ginning to the end in an upright and of the executive committee, in place of S.

combination or reproach. The incum- About a hundred leading citizens of bents who were re-elected were thus Philadelphia united on Saturday night in honored doubtless because of an appre- a grand banquet and the presentation of a offices which for the first time in many McClure responded for the independent They are of a light green tint, without fill, were all recognized as well qualified, the guests, and the company spelled Re-

There is a new member of Congress recently elected from Casey Young's Memletters. He has qualified himself for his arduous duties by selling dry goods in Memphis and in successfully passing

Mr. RICHARD GRANT WHITE, the philtaking heterophemy as a guide. It is het-

erography .- Washington Republic. Mrs. Oliphant, an old friend of both the CARLYLES, has an article in the current number of Macmilian's on the "Reminiscences," which attracts much attention. She maintains that Carlyle never intended their publication, as proved by Mr. all about the sketch of Edward Irving. Mrs. Oliphant insinuates that he neglected all his invitations to grand houses, and rounds on Saturday morning found Zimshe used to make bitter remarks there- mer's body langing to the cell door where THE Democratic party of Lancaster upon. She spoke of his "Frederick, the Great" as "the valley of the shadow of Frederick," and looked upon his weaknesses with a sort of affectionate contempt.

Carlyle died worth £40,000. Miss Louise Montague, a member of and a proper return for outlays made the variety-theatre profession born in New Moses Conway and Luke Whitchurst (coland a proper return for cuttays made York, aged 21, has been selected by Mr. ored) were scalded to death instantly; Messrs. Trewitz, Kitch and Carpenter \$10,000 for the handsomest woman in the were so badly scalded that they cannot re have done their duty and get their reward country. In complexion she is a semibrunette. Her lips are cherry, teeth regumetz, the new city solicitor is well-known, lar and pearly, and visible at every smile well qualified, a successful and energetic through a large but not disproportionate member of the bar, who will give prompt | mouth; has large expressive brown eyes, attention to the city's business; and Mr. a symmetrical nose and an intelligent cast of countenance. In conversation—and she one of our best known citizens, who has is possessed of a fund of sparkling talk— hauged to a tree in the court house yard. always discharged positions of public every feature is animated, and her flashing McDonald was one of sixteen desperadoes

and spirit of public accommodation medium height and figure and has a little

STATE ITEMS.

J. C. Young, a prominent citizen of Harrisburg died of pneumonia on Friday. John Jennings, cannon ball tosser, and Charles Schroyer tumbler, of Reading, have joined Batcheller and Dorris show. Only 978 persons were arrested in the so called "wicked" city of Bradford, in

the last year. Peter Garman, aged about 60 years, was found dead in an out-house at his residence in Englesville, Montgomery county . Bristol, Bucks county, claims "in conidence" to have furnished the \$10,000 handsomest woman for Forepaughs cir-

When Jack Haverly's show caused a runaway in Wilkesbarre he gave bonds to meet the suit for damages. His lawyer appeared and won it.

Webb's jewelry store, at Catasauqua, was robbed of six hundred and fifty dollars worth of watches and jewelry Friday night. Many of our eigar makers are removing

to Marietta, Lancaster county, where they have secured employment at higher wages than prevail here.—Hanoter Herald. Jonathan C. Walker, aged 58 years, of Norristown, attempted to commit suicide on Friday. He cut his throat from ear to

ear, but he may recover. Harry English, a notorious man, residacquitted of murder has been sentenced to four years in the Western penetentiary for forgery.

The young men of Big Beaver township, Lawrence county, again go to see the girls after night, since old Davy Musser shot the wild cat with blazing eyeballs which lately crossed their path.

By the verdict in the Lovett malpractise case, on trial for twelve days in Erie, Dr. Lovett has to pay \$2,500 for alleged improper treatment of Wendell Farland's broken arm. \$10,000 was asked.

John McClelland, a raftsman from Potter township, Jefferson county, was instantly killed by his raft colliding with another, at the mouth of Pine creek. The snub bing post broke striking him over the head, breaking his skull.

The Lancaster New Era says Chester county people are "nosey." That's natural enough for it to say since it learns that the average Chester county farmer "nose" as much about raising tobacco as does his brother across the Octoraro creek. West Chester Villags Record.

In Erie a week ago a young child of Major Crine was found insensible. Its brothers, with whom it had been playing. said it had fallen against a trunk. Saturday night it died and it was shot by one of the children with the father's revolver. Fear deterred an earlier confession. .

Schuylkill Falls is excited over the elopement of Miss Mamie, 18 year old daughter of James Dolson, the great carpet-maker, with Thomas Jeffries, a worthy young man of Philadelphia. The angry father overhauled them in New York, and all's well that ends well.

ance, and her clothing was also ignited. Both mother and daughter were severely now only to repeat to you, in general, my burned, and but for the timely assistance | solemn assurance that my habits are as far of neighbors the results would have been removed from intemperance as the day

A troupe, traveling under the name of 'The world famous Holloway and Allen's Minstrels," have been playing to bad business in different parts of the state. Accompanied by the chief of police of Ashland they visited Sunbury on Friday. The officer was after money, but the house was bad there also. The Daily cannot tell how they got out of town. Fred. Weaver, of Elizabethville, wrote

to Recorder Louis Wagner, of Philadelphia, that he has "for sale certificates or policies on lives of persons between the ages of 70 and 90 years, for sale as a very noderate price to some party who will handle them for me." General Wagner publishes the letter with the announcement : " I don't deal in that kind of insurance, and think people who do ought to be in the penitentiary.

G. W. Watson, about two weeks ago stele from a Syracuse lithographer a lot of blank drafts of the National bank of them in Pennsylvania and elsewhere. printed numbers and bear the name of the lithograph company. The bank uses a

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL. Joe Roderick, who left a Rangely, Me.,

camp to hunt a deer, was found dead a few days ago, one snow shoe was missing and with the gun was found near by. He had broken his leg and perished in the snow. Elizabeth Smith, who lived at Union Hill N. J., and owned a number of cows, went to the brewery with a wheelbarrow to get some grain for her cows. On her way home she fell over the wheelbarrow and broke her neck.

In addition to the entries already made in the stallion race for a purse of \$10,000 offered by W. P. Balch, the stallion Monroe Chief, of Chicago, and the stallion Benesetter have been entered. The latter, which has a record of 2.19, is entered

by H. V. Bemis, of Chicago. Around Selbyville, Del., the small-pox scare is subsiding and the disease has been got under such control that no fears of its further spread are entertained. There are about twenty cases scattered over a district of five miles square, but the new cases are light and the old ones gen-

Near San Dieguito, Cal., while two mares were staked out by the stage road with their colts, a panther sprang upon the latter, killing one. The panther had carried off one colt in addition to the one he killed and his trail was followed easily, as blood spots were scattered along the track. The colt was covered with brush. The boys set strychnine and Mr. Panther was found dead next day near the colt.

inion Hill, being infatuated with a young German girl of Jersey City, who refused his death, which occurred about two years his attentions, went one day to her house after his recovery of speech. and began throwing stones into the window. For this offence he was arrested and he had evidently been some time suspen ed as the body was cold.

While nine workmen were assembled in the furnace room of Booth, Carman & Co.'s steam saw mill, at Berkley, a suburb of Norfolk, Va., an explosion occur red, with the following terrible result cover, and Lee Mingo, Lorenzo Backus and Edward Morton (colored) were seri-ously, but not necessarily fatally scalded.

A Murderous Musician Reddy McDonald, the head musician of dance house and a noted cut throat, was taken from the Sidney, Neb., county jail at an early hour by the vigilantes and

stituents, and who brings to his new po- with a vivacious manner, lend an addi- had held the town in terror for severa sition that uprightness, clerical ability tional charm to her demeanor. She is of years, and the citizens were resolved to and spirit of public accommodation medium height and figure and have little clean them out. McDonald was discovered assigning plans for breaking jail, and hence the lynching. Ex-Deputy Sheriff Ryan, who stabbed Attorney Michael, has not yet been captured. He will be lynched when caught. It is hinted that two more prisoners who have committed foul murders and escaped punishment will be taken out and lynched.

> POE'S DEFENSE OF HIMSELF. A Letter, Jast Come to Light, in Which the Poet Deules Drinking.

In the Baltimore American appears : letter written by Egdar Allen Poe to Dr. J. E. Snodgrass, formerly editor of the Baltimore Satarday Visitor, in which Poe defends himself from the charge of intemperance which has so long prevailed against him. The letter was found by the widow of Dr. Snodgrass

a few days ago and was written while Poe was on the staff of Graham's Magazine, in Philadelphia. The Mr. Burton referred to in the letter was the editor of the Gentleman's Magazine. The letter is dated Philadelphia, April 1, 1841, and and is in reference to charges of intempermade against Poe by Burton. Poe writes to Dr. Snodgrass : "I have to thank you for your defense

of myself. You are a physician, and I presume no physician can have difficulty in detecting a drunkard at a glance. You are, moreover a literary man, well-read in morals. You will never be brought to believe that I could write what I daily write. as I write it, were I as this villian would induce those who know me not to believe. In fine, I pledge you before God the word of a gentleman that am temperate even to rigor. From the hour in which I first saw this basest of calumniators to the hour in which I retired from his office in uncontrollable disgust at his chicanery, arrogance, ignor ance and brutality, nothing stronger than water ever passed my lips. It is, however, due to candor that I inform you upon what foundation he has erected his slanders. At no period of my life was I ever what men call intemperate. I never was in the habit of intoxication. I never drank drams, etc. But, for a brief period, while I resided in Richmond and edited the Messenger, I certainly did give way, at long all sides by the spirit of Southern convivaliality. My sensitive temperament could not stand any excitement which was an every day matter to my companions In short, it sometimes happened that I was completely intoxicated. For some days after each excess I was invariably confined to bed. But it is now quite fou years since I have abandoned every kind of alcoholic drink-four years, with the exception of a single deviation, which occured shortly after my leaving Burton, and when I was induced to resort to the occasional use of with the hope of relieving a nervous attack. You will thus see, frankly stated, the whole amount of my sin. You will also see the blackness of that heart which could revive a slander of this nature Neither can you fail to preserve how desperate the malignity of the slanderer must be-how resolute he must be to slander and how slight the ground upon which he would build up a defamation-since he can Katie Reilly's dress took fire from a find nothing better with which to charge cooking stove at her home in South Beth- me than an accusation which can be dis-I am in habit of daily intercourse. I have

> from the night. My sole drink is water.' Fresh Water Spring in the Atlantic.

Savannah News. One of the most remarkable displays nature may be seen on the Atlantic coast, eighteen miles south of St. Augustine. Off Matanzas Inlet, and three miles from shore a mammoth fresh water spring gurgles up from the depth of the ocean with such force and volume as to attract the attention of all who come in its immediate vicinity. This fountain is large, bold, and turbulent. It is noticeable to fishermen and others passing in small boats along near the shore. For many years this wonderful and mysterious freak of nature has been known to the people of St. Augustine and those living along the shore, and been taught to regard it a kind of reverential awe.

some of the superstitious ones have holy horror, as the abode of supernatural influences. When the waters of the ocean in its vicinity are otherwise calm and tranquil, the upheaving and troubled appearance of the water shows unmistak. able evidences of internal commotions. An area of about half an acre shows this troubled appearance-something similar to the boiling of a washerwoman's kettle. blank of a different color and of New York | Six or eight years ago Commodore Hitchcock of the United States coast survey was passing this place, and his attention was directed to the spring by the upheavings of the water, which threw his ship from her course as she entered the spring. His curiosity becoming excited by this circumstance, he set to work to examine its surroundings, and found six fathoms of water everywhere in the vicinity, while the spring itself was almost fathomless.

> Finding His Speech Where He Lost It. Biddeford Times,

About six years ago Mr. Libby, of Bux ton, went down to the Pool and went out fishing with a party. Soon after they started he began to grow hoarse and to be slightly pressed for breath, but he thought it was caused by dampness and fog that was rising from the water. He steadily grew worse until he could hardly whisper. About noon the party landed on one of the islands to cook their fish and eat their dinner, and Mr. Libby who was standing beside the fire, found himself unable to articulate a word. The party went home the next day, deeply deploring the condition of their friend, who showed no signs of improvement. For three years Mr. Libby remained in a mute state, communicating to his friends by the use of a slate. Mr. Libby was prevailed upon to go down to the Pool again to go fishing, and the party with him landed on the island where three years before he had lost his speech. They built a fire and proceeded to dinner, and as Mr. Libby was walk. ing around after dinner he slipped on a small stone and fell on his side. When he arose he found himself able to speak as Courad Zimmer, a shoemaker, living at | well as ever he could, and he continued to speak and have full power of speech until

A Noble Red Man. Fort Smith New Era.

John Chupco chief of the Seminoles. one of the five civilized tribes of the Indian territory, died on the 17th of February at Wewoka, the capital of the Seminoles, of pneumonia, in his sixtieth year. John Chupco, or Long John, as his fellow soldiers in the Union army used to call him, was born in Florida and came West after father to his people, wise in the council, the friend of the widow and the fatherless, and earnest in the worship of God. When the rebellion broke out he wisely and patriotically joined the Union forces and served all during the war amid great suf-fering to his people, who were driven from their country by the confederate forces.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Grade of Pupils.

The following is the percentage of the pupils of the girls' high school for the month of March, 1881: FIRST CLASS Sadie Shindle 100 S. C. Ellmaker Minnie Raub 100 Minnie Brown Lizzie Heleina 100 Ella Dubbs Carrie Myers 100 Mary Royer Lulu Long 100 Sallie McCoruick

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BREAD AND WATER.

97 Amanda Pfeiffer.

97 Hattie Hartman... 96 Flora Frick.....

Life at Bummer's Hall. The prison inspectors at their last meeting decided that the prisoners who are held in Bummers' Hall, which is "Cell 81," shall be fed upon bread and water, with soup twice a week. The INTELLIGENCER contained a true account of the sufferings of these men some time ago when this same rule was in force. Shortly after that were f.d upon

the same food as that given to the other prisoners. This it appears became too expensive, as the inspectors claim, and they resolved to put the men who are iu jail for nothing more than being drunk, back to their old food. The cell contains about forty prisoners, many of whom are really desperate men, while some are inoffensive people who have been born and raised in this city, but have been unfortunate enough to get drunk.

The noise made by the prisoners is very great and the keepers are afraid that before long they will make a bold attempt to escape. It would not be much wonder it they did for it is certainly enough punishment for drunkeness, to keep the prisoners locked up without atempting to starve them. The prison-keepers are down on the bread and water system, and they claim that of the "bums" were better fed there would be little to fear from them, and the county would not be put to a

much greater expense. Confirmation by Bishop Howe. Rt. Rev. M. A. DeWolf Howe made his

annual episcopal visitation to the Epis copal churches of this city yesterday preaching at St. James, the older parish in the morning and in St. John's Free church in the evening, and confirming the candidates for membership in each, respec

In St. James the bishop preached to a large congregation taking his text from the gospel of the day. He administered the rite of confirmation to eighteen persons-8 males and 10 females.

In St. John's in the evening a very large congregation assembled. The bishop preached an able sermon, and after con firming sixteen candidates delivered an appropriate address to them.

During his stay in Lancaster Bishop Howe was the guest of Mr. Isaac Diller. He left town this morning.

Unclaimed Letters. The following is a list of unclaimed let-

ters remaining in the postoffice, Monday April 4, 1881 tie Evans, Miss Barbara Funk, Miss Mag-

gie Febrinaer, Miss Libbie M. Hall, Miss Annie Henry, Miss Mamie Johnson, Mrs. Lucy E. Leman, Miss Mollie Hoofman, Miss Jennie Rickets, Nancy Stamm, Miss Annie M. Yost. Gents' List .- Messrs. F. F. Abel F. Benj. Bierman, Geo. Beiler, M. C. Bartels

(for.), M. C. Brenson, A W. Coble, Chas. Drake, Michael Gnaw, Daniel Gallager, Jacob Hearnaly, C. D. Kidder, James J. Kelly (3), Dr. L. E. Libhart, J. C. Lynds, Fred. Lechner. R. M. McCallum, Henry G. Miller, Robt. Micerg, James Mone, Joseph M. Orr, Henri Rhodi (for), Riley Shepler, Samuel Shank, N. T. Scott, Jac. Sweigart.

An Unlucky Jump. On Saturday, a tramp giving his name as John Williams, aged about 34 years, appeared at the poorhouse and asked for lodging, with which he was accommodated. Under the rules tramps are not discharged on Sunday, and as Williams wanted to get off, he broke out of the work house and scaled the wall. Supposing the wall to be no higher on the outside than it is on the inside he let himself drop, and landed upon the rocks in the quarry 35 or 40 feet below, breaking one of his legs and his collar bone. After lying in the quarry for some time he was discovered by some boys, who notified the poorhouse authorities and the unfortunate tramp was removed to the hospital, where his broken bones were set by Dr. Bolenius,

Pretty Easter Eggs.

Abe Miller has shown us several handsomely "scratched" Easter eggs which he has ornamented and intends sending to Philadelphia. One of them contains the coat of arms of the state of Pennsylvania one one side and the Lancaster court house on the Another contains a good picture of the Penneylvania railroad depot in this city on one side and a Modoc engine on the other. the surrender of the Seminoles under A third contains three groups of figures-Billy Bowlegs, John Jumper and other a boy on a hobby horse, a girl playing noted chiefs in the early part of 1850. He with a dog, and a boy with a wheel-barwas principal chief of the Seminole nation row. All of them contain besides the year continually during the last fifteen years, "1881" and are ornamented with scrolls

> Poultry Association, The Poultry association was to have met

this morning at 10:30 in the room of the Agricultural association in city hall, but there was no quorum present, the follow

DR. HIGBER, GREETING

hiscences of a Year in the Lan High School by Mr. McCaskey. Pennsylvania School Journal for April. Among the few old letters which the junior editor of the Journal has cared to preserve from the passing years—some written by friends now "gone over to the majority," others by those in whom the touchstone of time has been but a revealer of genuine qualities-is one hastily penned in acknowledgment of a holiday gift more than twenty-seven years ago :

LANCASTER, January 3, 1854. Mr. John P. Mc Caskey : DEAR SIR : Through you I would tender my warmest thanks to the scholars who have honored me with the Christmas present which I have received this day from the hands of Mr. Shober. I shall ever cherish this mark of friendship and esteem with feelings of gratitude, the more so because the friendship of the young I especially prize. Hoping that our intercourse with each other may be beneficial and pleasant, and that the memory of it may be a source of delight in after years, I remain,

The sincere friend of you all, E. E. HIGBER. This gentleman, who is the newly-appointed state superintendent of public nstruction, was then in charge of the nathematical department of the Boys' igh school of Lancaster city, where we oys all knew him as "Mr. Higbee," and hat with abiding respect and effection. The writer of this article, whom Mr. H. may have quite forgotten, was not a very hiligent student of text-books, but he was hen unconsciously learning to listen to oices, to look into faces, and to gather lefinite impressions of people, less from what they said than from what they were So that a man of forceful character or of generous soul, met for a year in the daily ontact of the class-room, could never be orgotten; and the impressions we carried

Of the several instructors then employed n the school he was the man who reached us with a grip of power, and apparently without thought or effort on his part to do this. To us boys he was a sort of "admirable Crichton," able to do almost any-thing, from fencing, skating, sparring and playing the flute, up to Latin, Creek and Hebrew, and—what we had more respect for yet-all the mathematics! He helped us select books for our society library, organized at that time, and was always ready to answer our hard questions. His affabilily of manner, quick gesture, rapid movement, ready wit, constant disposition to oblige, and his utter lack of that dig-

nified reserve which teachers sometimes affect, even more than his rare scholarship made him an "authority" with us all and when he left us, there was no teacher to whom we would not rather have said good-bye. . A single class-room incident of this year, which we often recall with a pleas

ant sense of obligation-for it introduced us to the delightful study of the significance the history, and the hidden meanings of words-will illustrate his method of teaching language. He had the mathematical room, as has been said, but on one occasion, in the absence of the principal of the school, he heard the Latin classes recite. We were reading Casar's commentaries. The defence of the Helvetians at of the lesson. He heard our dull rendering of the text, with a running fire of comments upon it, and then read for us. As he went into the precise meanings of the words in their derivation and use, tearing them to pieces, and-"suiting the action to the word," for, of course, he was standing-showed us how graphic was Cæsar's

felt the stuuborn defence of the doomed One word in the lesson, subjiciebant, as with quick gesture he put meaning and derivation before us, .gave us, with the vividness of the lightning flash, a realizing sense of what is meant by etymology—a branch of study that like the rich "lead" of the gold deposits, rewards the miner in proportion to the diligence with which he bots. We have since worked this 'lead" to some purpose and with much enjoyment-thanks, in great part, to the impulse given by Mr. Higbee in those old days-until able to feel with Dr. Holmes that "the poetry of words is quite as beautiful as that of sentences."

From first to last the session was a good one, and to the now gray-haired man who contributed very much to make it so-his hair black enough when the note of "January, '54" was written-many of the old boys are ready to say that it is as he had hoped; "The memory of it has been a

source of delight in after years." We regard the state superintendent who has just left the office as the Common school man of Pennsylvania-in this work head and shoulders above all other men: as, indeed, the one man most worthy, by right of eminent fitness, to stand at the head of the great department of public instruction. But change like death, will come; and coming. there is no man in the college work at whose good fortune we are personally more glad than that of Dr. Higbee, our old-time teacher to whom we have long felt so keen a sense of personal gratitude. May his administration be characterized by wisdom, energy, and discretion, and the ever-present purpose of "the greatest good to the greatest number." He stands at the threshold of the grandest work he has over been called upon to perform or direct—the most far-reaching in its iuluence for the general good. We believe that he will do it as in the Master's eye and may the guidance and the blessing of that Master whom he serves be with him through it all.

A Golden Wedding of old Lancaster Coun

Harrisburg Patriot. At Littlestown, Adams county, this state, the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. Christian Rahter and Charlotte Wehmeier, is to-day duly celebrated. The parties named were married in Minden. Westphalia, Germany, on the 4th of April, 1831. They came to America in 1852, locating at Conestoga Centre, Lancaster county, and five years later in Adams county. What is remarkable is that their family of eight children, six boys and two girls are all living and in excellent health as may be said of the parents. Five of their children were born in Germany, the remaining ones in Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Rahter have reached a ripe old age, and have the great pleasure and satisfac-tion of having with them to day all their children. The occasion is one of joyful congratulations, and this golden anniversary is an event long to be remembered by the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Rahter. In the twilight of their long and virtuous lives they have the good wishes of all who know them. Dr. Charles A. Rahter of this city is one of their children.

Miss Brown Not Coming. Mr. Elias Barr received the following elegram this morning:

BOSTON, Mass., April 8, 1881. Elias Barr-Miss Brown, compelled to Lyceum Bureau.

In Town. D. B. Driggs, business agent of the Mc-

Gibeny family was in town on Saturday. He was on his way to visit the mother of Mrs. McGibeny, who resides in Bart townand courteous bearing. In him the people have lost one of their best friends, a wise counsellor and most prominent man.

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After waiting until 11:15 those present ship. He reports the family as doing a big business. They are in New York state at present.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT

ORGANIZED FOR THE NEW YEAR

Democratic City Officers Elected for the First Time 1 nder the New Charter. The meeting and organization of the new councils this morning was notable from the fact that, for the first time since the new city charter was adopted and the present gerrymandering districting was effected, the Democrats had a clear majority on joint ballot and were thes able to secure the city officers, of whom they got a part last year only by some Republican defections. For some time a spirited, but good natured and highly honorable canvass has been conducted for these within the party lines, and although the caucus on Saturday night "settled it," the members pledged themselves to secreey and kept their own counsels so well that even until this morning contradictory reports were atloat as to who had really been chosen.

The hour for the assembling of the councils, however, found few spectators present, and scarcely anybody except the members of the upper body were present at the organization of

Select Council. Mr. Geo. W. Zeeher acted as president pro. tem . and J. K. Barr, as temporary clerk. The result of the muni ipal elections was read, showing that Mr. C. A. Bituer had been elected from the Fifth ward, to succeed A. J. Eberly, that Mr. George Borger succeed Wm. Sales from the Seventh, and Mr. Philip Zecher took the place made va-cant by the expiration of John A. Boring's term. The holding over members are : Mr, Doerr (R.), First ward ; Mr. Evans (R.), Second ward ; Mr. Barr (R.), Third ward; Mr. Geo. M. Franklin (R.), through all these years of Mr. Higbee are such as any teacher might be glad to leave The political complexion of the body is thus changed from six Republicans and three Democrats to five Republicans and four Democrats.

The returns were approved and Messrs. Bitner, Borger and Zecher were qualified

and subscribed. On the nomination of Mr. Barr, select council unanimously re-elected R. A. Evans, president, and upon Mr. Evans's nomination J. K. Barr, esq., was re-elect-ed clerk without opposition. Each of the officers made brief speeches of thanks and promises to perform their duties with fidelity and impartiality.

The mayor's message, announcing the re-appointment of the present police force, &c., was received and ordered to be referred to the committee on executive ap pointments when appointed.

Messrs. Zecher and Franklin were appointed a committee to notify common council that select council was organized and ready to go into joint convention to elect city officers. Common Council

At ten o'clock precisely Mr. Herbert

Johnston, clerk of the last common coun-

cil, took the chair, and announced that

agreeably to the provisions of the act of assembly the body would now proceed to effect an organization for the ensuing year and called for nominations for a temporary presiding officer.

Dr. Davis, of the First ward, was named and by a viva roce vote was called to the Clerk Johnston read the returns of the recent municipal election, as declared by the judges of the court and attested by the prothonotary, from which it appeared

that the gentlemen whose names were published in the INTELLIGENCER on Wednesday last had been duly elected members of common council. description of the fight, we were at fever-On motion council then proceeded to heat of interest. We saw the hurtling nominate candidates for president. Ir. javelins fly, and the fierce thrust of darts Smeych, of the Seventh ward, nominated and spears between the wagon wheels, and

Dr. Levergood, president of the last com-mon council. Mr. Franklin, of the Fifth ward, nominated Dr. Davis, of the First ward. The clerk called the roll and the Democratics voted for Dr. Levergood, the Republicans and Hays (Ind.) for Dr. Davis. Mr. Middleton (Rep., Second ward) voted for Dr. Levergood, but subsequently announced that he had voted under a misapprehension, and desired his vote to be recorded for Dr. Davis, the Republican candidate. Mr. Leib cy (Rep., Fourth ward) who was not present at the first roll call, nor when the vote was taken, anpeared later, and by consent his vote was recorded in favor of Dr. Davis; the vote thus standing, Levergood 15, Davis 12.

Dr. Levergood was declared elected, and Messrs. Johnson and Hays were appointed a committee to escort him to the chair. On resuming the gavel which he has wielded during the past year, President Levergood returned his thanks to the members of council for the compliment and the testimonial of their good will implied in his re-election. As in the past he had endeavored to discharge the duties of the chair with entire impartiality he would in the future pursue the same course. There is an old adage, said the doctor, that "tixes go up but never go down. He hoped that the present councils would make it their business to endeavor to disprove the truth of this saving. During the year that is just past the exigencies of the occasion had necessitated an increase of the tax rate from seven to nine mills. By prudence and common sense he hoped and expected to see that rate reduced to the old figure of seven or even six mills on the dollar He did not propose to detain the attention of council by any extended remarks, and concluded by a complimentary allusion to the industry and capacity of the young and efficient secretary (Mr. Johnston) seated on his right, whom he supposed would feel constrained to say a few words to council at this time.

"Make your bow," said the president to the clerk, as he finished speaking, whereupon Mr. Johnston blushed a rosy red, and nudging the worthy doctor with is left elbow doubtless suggested that the time had as yet hardly arrived for him to speak.

"True enough," ejaculated the president, audibly; "the clerk thinks he should wait until he is re-elected before attempting to address the council." this a smile spread over the body. Whereupon a motion was made and carried to go into an election for clerk.

Mr. Johnson, of the Sixth ward, nominated Mr. Herbert Johnston, clerk of the last council. Dr. Davis nominated Mr. E. E. Snyder. The roll was called and all the Democrats-15-voted for Mr. Johnston, and all the Republicans-11-and one Independent [Hays] voted for Mr. Snyder. Mr. Johnston was thereupon declared

elected and was duly qualified by the president to faithfully perform the duties of his office. Clerk Johnston briefly thanked council for the honor bestowed upon him : he was sensible of the compliment, and hoped to prove himself worthy to wear it. As in the past his discharge of the duties of the position of clerk had been guided by a purpose to serve the city to the best of his

ability, he ented upon this new lease with a renewed intention of meeting all the requirements put upon, and hoped that he might be able to confer on council the benefit of the experience he had gained during his incumbency.

There was some applause from the rear of the room as the clerk resumed his seat. postpone through sickness, will give new of the room as the clerk resumed his seat, dates soon as possible, letter, Redpath and then all the member came forward, and were duly sworn or affirmed to well and faithfully execute their offices, and affixed their names to the test book pro-

vided for the purpose. Mr. Leibley. member-elect from the Fourth ward, came in during the process, and was qualified along with the rest

In language highly eulogistic of the faithful and competent manner in which President! Levergood and Clerk Johnston