

Lancaster Intelligencer.

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 7, 1881.

Wanting a Tonie.

Senator Cameron wants to be supported. That a man so disposed to go his own gait should ask the Pennsylvania Legislature to approve his senatorial course is in itself remarkable enough to show that he feels his political corporation to stand in need of a tonie. Senator Cameron does not ask the endorsement of his constituents through humility, which is a feeling he is quite a stranger to; nor with any disposition to alter his course if it should not be approved, for that he was never known to do. But he is aware that he came out of a late convention in the Pennsylvania Legislature very ragged and torn and all forlorn, and he sees here a chance to be rehabilitated and to secure appointment at the hands of the very Legislature which is generally believed to have severely phibotomized his political body and done serious damage to his prestige.

Then he appears, too, with Senator Mitchell tagging at his heels, and Mitchell is the man who was supposed to represent those who branded him. No doubt it is with great satisfaction that Senator Cameron introduces Senator Mitchell to the public as his acquiescent colleague, and drags him before the Pennsylvania Legislature to receive the disapproval of the men who made him, and thought they had made something that was not shapable into a Cameron tool.

The other day, in the Senate, when Mr. Cameron was twitted by a Democratic senator with the fact that the Pennsylvania Legislature had declined to swallow Mahone, he replied, "they will though," and immediately we are greeted with a Republican caucus resolution in the Legislature approving the course of Pennsylvania's senators. The caucus adopted it, and the Legislature doubtless will; though all the members of it who are really desirous of dealing THE FAMILY a coup de grace will surely vote against it. They have a splendid opportunity to give their enemy the tomahawk, if they have blood enough to embrace it. It need not matter to them that they let out also the brains of their own Senator Mitchell; for he is not so much their own as they thought he was, and all the brains he will be able to spill will not make him of much less consequence than he is, judging at least from his senatorial performances. There may be virtue in the man, as we used to think there was, but he has such a desperately mean way of showing it that it needs very abundant faith to longer believe in it. Neither need the anti-Cameron Republicans of our state Legislature care a great deal that, in refusing to approve the course of Pennsylvania's senators, they are condemning the action of all the senators of their party. There is little doubt that the majority of the people condemn that action and that it will be hurtful to the Republican party. Advice to quit, tendered by the Republicans of the Pennsylvania Legislature to the Republican senators, would be the most wholesome service they could do their party. The people will not swallow the Mahone business, and it would be a mistake for Pennsylvania Republicans who know this to fail to give notice of it to their party body in Washington, who are so strangely blind to the injury that they do their party by their alliance with rebel brigadiers and repudiators, bought with high price and conspicuously placed in fat offices. It is a fearful dose to give to the Republican rank and file, and they will not take it down. Nevertheless, Mr. Cameron will get his resolutions. There are not enough wise men among the Republican legislators of the state to refuse their approval to him, whether they believe them wise or otherwise. But he will hear some talk before he gets them, and he and his colleagues will be notified that they are not sustained by a solid Republican sentiment. Mr. Cameron may have reason to regret his venture down into Pennsylvania on this mission, notwithstanding the trophy he will carry back. He comes with a chip on his hat, and he will find those ready to undertake to knock it off; and when he carries it back he may take a bloody nose along with it. Mr. Cameron's arrogant way of doing things will be apt to keep his political body sore as long as there is any life left in it; which won't be ever.

A NEW chapter is to be written in the romance of modern science. We have progressed so far and so rapidly beyond the limits reached by the last generations, and so far beyond the dreams of ancient fancy, that the heights reached are well calculated to make one dizzy, looking forward or backward. The steam engine and electric telegraph were the marvels of a generation before this, and the spectroscope, telephone, photophone, electric light and dawning application of electric agencies to motive power, are the wonders of a later age. Now comes the claim of Prof. Tyndall, to have invented a new scientific apparatus, by means of which beams of light falling through the slots of a revolving disk upon a flask filled with gas or vapor, in a series of alternate flashes, will produce strange musical sounds inside the flask, the pitch of the tones corresponding exactly with the speed with which the disk is made to turn, and each kind of gas, or vapor, in the flask will give a different kind of note, some soft, some loud, and some very sweet and musical. By means of this remarkable apparatus it is even hinted that we may yet be able to hear the sounds of fires raging in the sun, and yet more wonderful and unthought of relationship between light and sound may be utilized as a medium of communication.

THE NATIONAL fire insurance company, of Hartford, voted yesterday to increase its capital to \$10,000,000 by issuing \$400,000 of new stock to be paid for at par. The Orient company voted on Monday to increase from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. The six fire insurance companies of Hartford have now each a capital of the least \$1,000,000 and an aggregate capital of \$9,350,000, with assets of \$20,000,000.

MR. CAMERON'S boast on the floor of the Senate that his Legislature would yet endorse the Mahone coalition is quickly followed by an attempt in that direction which is abetted by some gentlemen whose zeal must be prompted by their keen heart for a foreign mission.

It is now proposed, as a way out of the complications in New York politics, arising from Robertson's appointment as collector, to offer the place to some other like Gov. Foster, of Ohio. Mr. Conkling would doubtless be much edified with Foster's appointment.

In sending flowers to Mahone the colored Virginians of Washington are reasonably decorating the graves of the Confederate dead.

MINOR TOPICS. THE Examiner is disgusted with "Republican newspapers with Democratic tendencies," but it is in raptures over Mahone, a Democratic repudiator and unrepentant rebel with Republican tendencies.

THE Meyersdale Commercial speaks of the veteran editor of the Somerset Herald as an "old crow, sitting in the dead trees of egotism," who cares "more for corn than for justice and principle." The Commercial also refers to the Herald as "unfurling its ears."

A BILL has been introduced into the Legislature intended to make it imperative upon mortgagors to transfer and assign the mortgages which they hold to such persons as the debtor may designate upon a lawful tender of the money due on them.

HEREAFTER the Lehigh Valley railroad company will not employ any person until he has signed a pledge, duly witnessed, to abstain entirely from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage and to refrain from visiting places where intoxicating drinks are sold, while in the service of the company.

PROFESSOR HIND has written another long letter to the governor general of Canada. It deals mainly with Mr. Whitcomb's report last before the Dominion Parliament at the last session. The professor says that Mr. Whitcomb, an implicated official, is hardly the proper person to disprove the grave charges preferred.

PERSONAL. General GRANT and party yesterday arrived at Vera Cruz, Mexico. The American club of Philadelphia, declines to depose GEORGE MCGOWAN from its presidency. After a service of twenty years the Rev. STEPHEN H. TYNG, jr., D. D., has resigned the rectorship of the Church of the Holy Trinity, New York. FREDERICK J. KIMBALL, formerly of the iron works in this city, has been elected president of the Shenandoah Valley railroad company.

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL. Confederate graves were decorated yesterday at New Orleans.

The full Republican state ticket was elected yesterday in Rhode Island. Mrs. Magdalena Mills, aged 61, died yesterday at 442 West Fifty-fourth street, New York, from starvation, voluntarily enforced, because of domestic and financial troubles.

The national telephone convention met on Wednesday at the Grand Pacific hotel, Chicago. Over 200 exchanges were represented, every principal city in the Union having one or more delegates.

A stone in Johnston's flour mill in Lawrence county, Arkansas, burst on Tuesday, killing three men and fatally injuring several others, among them Johnston, the proprietor of the mill.

An unknown disease has broken out among the cattle at East Waterbury, N. Y. The stock attacked are blooded animals and are in the very best condition. Several have died.

Judith Ferris, 65 years old and an employee of Harper & Brothers, New York, for the past thirty-five years, was yesterday killed by a train, as she was being carried in the machinery of the establishment.

The condition of Miss Hattie Deuell, Iowa City, remains unchanged in the forty-third day of her fast. Her pulse and breathing are about the same as the last two days. The local medical society expresses their disapproval.

Governor Ludlow, of New Jersey, has appointed Henry C. Kelsey secretary of state. This is the last of the nominations proposed by the Governor. Mr. Kelsey was appointed to hold the office until the next session of the Legislature.

The governor of Tennessee has signed the bill for the funding of the debt of that state at par, with 3 per cent. interest. The Tennessee Legislature has passed a bill to settle the debt of the extinct municipality of Memphis at 83 cents and interest at 4 per cent.

AT HARRISBURG. The Legislative Proceedings Yesterday. In the state Senate the bill placing the city passenger railways of Philadelphia under control of councils, and a resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution, the effects of which will be to reduce the membership of the House to 150, were reported favorably. The salary bill and the bill giving priority to mechanics' liens was passed finally and sent to the House. The bills to prevent forfeiture of life insurance policies for non-payment of premiums and to punish adulteration of drugs and beverages were also passed.

In the House, a bill giving \$10,000 to the York Hospital and Dispensary association, being objected to because it appropriated money to a private corporation, the speaker said that, as there were many bills of that class, he would reserve his decision on the point until they came up on the "General Appropriation calendar." A resolution was then agreed to postponing Thursday for the consideration of such calendar. The bill to exempt hall associations from taxation where the halls are used for lodges, and the bill to enable manufacturing and mining corporations to wind up their affairs, were reported favorably. The bill granting the liquor licenses throughout the state was considered, and a substitute, simply re-enacting the general license law of 1875, was agreed to and passed third reading. The bill, imposing a four mills tax on mortgages, loans, shares of stock, etc., passed second reading.

Indorsing Mahone. Senator McNeill, of Allegheny, yesterday morning issued a call for the assembling of the Republican members of both houses to meet in caucus in the state library at 2 o'clock p. m. A large number of the Republican members of both houses, in pursuance of that call, met in the afternoon. Senator McNeill called the meeting to order. Mr. McCreery moved that the reporters be requested to retire, but Mr. Wolfe moved to lay his motion on the table, which was carried, and they were allowed to remain. Senator Cooper offered the following resolution: "Resolved, That the Legislature of Pennsylvania regards with approval the attitude taken by the Republican members of the United States Senate in insisting upon the rights of the majority to control the organization of that body, and hopes that the unanimity which has thus far characterized their proceedings will be maintained."

Representative Wolfe spoke in opposition to the entertainment and passage of the resolution to entertain and pass the wording of the resolution, but thought it unwise and impolitic for the Legislature to place itself, by its passage, in a position that might hereafter be found to have been unwisely taken in its indorsement of the conduct of the Republican members of the United States Senate. He could not indorse a man who was a repudiator. He could not admire the man who in the late campaign pledged fealty to the national Democratic party and supported General Hancock for the presidency, and then turned his back on him, and he would not do so from such motives he despised him. A house that is not built upon the rock, but the sand, cannot stand, and the great Republican party cannot stand if it is built upon the little sand bar of repudiation. It is not a matter of good policy, therefore, to take any action in the matter but allow our senators, who should know the situation, being upon the ground, to see how they stand, and when they find that they would not remain if the action of the caucus was to be considered as more than advisory, and that if this resolution were presented before the House he would move, as an amendment, a resolution which he had in mind, and which he read to the caucus, stating that fair play and harmony in the Republican party demanded that our senators should vote for confirmation of all of the nominations of President Garfield whether they were acceptable to individual senators or not. Senator Cooper replied at considerable length saying he had prepared the resolution with great care, so as to avoid any personal indorsement of Senator Mahone. The purpose of the resolution was to indorse the unanimous Republican sentiment in the House, and he was not willing to withhold his encouragement from the man who was assailed by Senators Lamar, Brown and Hampton, and who has been ostracized both politically and socially by the Bourbon Democracy of the South because he had not joined the party of Bourbons. He expressed his surprise that Mr. Wolfe, who was such an independent among the Republicans, should seem to oppose independence among the Southern Democracy. He asserted that the regeneration of the country depended on the welfare of the colored race therein, as well as a free ballot and a fair count.

Representative B. B. Myers said that if the resolution would have indorsed Senator Mahone's political views and standing he would have voted against it, as he did not, he would vote for it. Senator Newmyer also expressed similar views. Senator Davies made a lengthy speech, presenting the affirmative side of the question, saying that he hoped that the Republicans would not only vote for it, but would also stand by it. He said that he would vote for it, and he would vote for it, and he would vote for it. Senator Newmyer also expressed similar views. Senator Davies made a lengthy speech, presenting the affirmative side of the question, saying that he hoped that the Republicans would not only vote for it, but would also stand by it. He said that he would vote for it, and he would vote for it, and he would vote for it.

Representative Law gave notice that he considered with the resolution in both houses by the several Republican members. Riddiman's committee of investigation met, but neither the state treasurer nor the auditor general having returned to the city, they adjourned until Monday.

Attorney General Palmer addressed a personal note to Mr. Riddiman denying the authority of the committee or the House to make the investigation, but announced that he will appear before the committee.

The Great Earthquake in Sicily. The superintendent of the Eastern telegraph company at Syra has telegraphed, under date of April 4, that the company's office in Sicily reported that day that continued shocks of earthquake were destroying the houses of the island, and on Monday, April 5, it is said to be utterly impossible to enter the town. The telegraph office is nearly destroyed and the operators are working temporarily from the landing place of the cable. Food and shelter are urgently needed. A steamer returned by the municipality of Syra, with medical aid, provisions and tents. It is feared that the number killed and wounded will prove to be enormous.

Occasional shocks of earthquake are still felt. All the houses are still filled with the wounded, many of whom are in a hopeless condition. There are numerous dead and wounded still under the rocks. The numbers are increasing in all directions. There are far more victims of damages in the villages than in the towns. Supplies arrive daily, but they are insufficient to cope with the destitution. The crew of the French man-of-war rendered valuable assistance.

SHOT BY HER BROTHER. A Young Girl Deliberately Killed. A Sanbury girl in a state of excitement over the deliberate murder by a young boy of his sister, Miss Lottie Hoover, was an attractive girl of 17. Her brother George is but 14. Their mother, Mrs. Hoover, is a widow. The family were seated at dinner yesterday when an altercation occurred between the mother and her daughter, and the latter, feeling very angry at her mother, he got up and took her seat at the table and, and remarking, "I'll fix you," passed into a back room, where he secured a gun, got up and locked the door. The boy secured a shot-gun and going out the back way a little later came around to the front door, which he opened, and without a word of warning deliberately shot his sister.

The house where the murder was committed is about three miles from town, on the road leading to Snyderstown and Shamokin. The tragedy was enacted in the out-kitchen. It is a small two-story building, facing the road and extending to the side of the main road. Lottie, who had finished her dinner, stood in the right hand corner, putting the dishes in a side cupboard. George entered and, without saying a word fired. Mrs. Hoover was seated near the door, while another daughter, Annie, stood at the side of the door at the sink, washing dishes. The shot took effect in the neck, tearing and lacerating it. The dying girl never spoke. She was raised by her sisters, but died in a few minutes.

The verdict of the jury was that Lottie Hoover came to her death by a shot deliberately fired from a gun by her brother, George Hoover. The scene at the house was heartrending in the extreme. Mrs. Hoover and Lottie's sisters were almost wild with grief. George was brought to town by the officers of the law and lodged in jail.

STATE ITEMS. A posse of revenue officers, detailed for a raid upon an illicit distillery in Somerset county, returned to Pittsburgh with four prisoners—John W. Miller, Wm. Miller, Samuel Pyle and Joseph Nickles—who were captured on Tuesday with two stills and 150 barrels of whisky. The captures were made in a ravine fourteen miles from Somerset.

Mrs. Charles Stewart, living with her family at Cherryville, Lehigh township, committed suicide by hanging herself to a rafter in the house. She was the daughter of Charles Beil, a farmer of Moore township and was about forty-six years old. Her family consisted of herself, her husband and seven children, all living. It is said that family troubles led her to this fatal step. She was found at five o'clock and immediately hung herself. Her feet were nearly on the floor.

The select council of the city of Erie at a dead-lock on the election of a president. Thirty-nine ballots thus far have been taken, resulting in a tie every time. The council elected a Republican for Mr. Smith, the Democratic candidate, who for years held the office of president; he is the oldest member; the city is Democratic and could have made a Democratic president in common council, if thought necessary to maintain party lines; the council elected a Republican for Mr. Smith, the Democratic candidate, who for years held the office of president; he is the oldest member; the city is Democratic and could have made a Democratic president in common council, if thought necessary to maintain party lines.

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CITY GOVERNMENT.

FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF THE NEW COUNCILS.

Committee Reports—Petitions, Ordinances and Resolutions Presented, &c., &c.

A meeting of select and common councils was held in their respective chambers in city hall last evening.

Select Council. The following members were present: Messrs. Biner, Borger, Franklin, Judth, G. W. Zecher, Philip Zecher and Evans, president.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

President Evans announced the appointment of the select council members of the standing committees. The full committees will be found below.

Mr. G. W. Zecher offered a resolution to the effect that all street work involving an expense of \$20 or upwards should, before being done, be referred to the street committee for their consideration. On the proposal, which was adopted. Common council concurred.

Mr. Zecher reported that he had received no report from the city treasurer or finance committee for the past month. He presented the monthly report of the water committee for March, which was read. The report contains an abstract of the doings of the committee for the past month and a statement from Superintendent Kitch to the effect that C. A. Biner had been granted in May last the use of the city water for the erection of some houses on College avenue outside the city limits, on condition that he would provide a meter to measure the amount used; that as the meter was not put in and the superintendent was recently informed Mr. Biner was attaching the city water for the purpose of supplying his house, he informed the committee of the fact, whereupon the committee, by a unanimous vote, directed him to cut off the water, which he did. The report also states that George Kline was refused the use of the city water for washing the flat square of East King street because he had not paid last year's rent for the use of the water.

Mr. Zecher presented a petition for a sewer on East Walnut street, between Christian and North Queen streets, and Mr. Judth a petition for a sewer on Dorward street, from West King to Manor, both of which were under the rule referred to the street committee.

Mr. Franklin presented the petition of Hon. Thos. E. Franklin for the passage by councils of a resolution or ordinance for an order, to vacate a part of a proposed street, to be known as Frederick street, between Mulberry street and Concord alley, as the opening of said street would occupy and make useless a lot of ground owned by petitioner, and be of no public use, as a bridge would be required across the Pennsylvania canal to cross said street. Referred to the street committee.

Common Council. Every member was present and the attendance of spectators was larger than usual, occupying the entire space in the rear portion of the room. The body got to work with complete promptness, and after the minutes of Monday's proceedings had been read and approved, the regular order was taken up, and the following flood of petitions poured in, and were uniformly referred to the appropriate committees:

By Mr. McMullen: For a sewer on East Orange street, from Christian to North Queen.

By Mr. Ostermayer: For a crossing on North Queen street, between James and Frederick.

By Mr. Johnson: For a crossing at North Lime street and east of Madison alley.

By Mr. Franklin: For the macadamizing of East Chestnut street, between Mulberry and Charlotte.

By Mr. Habber: For gutters on Manor street, from West King to Filbert alley.

By Mr. Albert: For the grading and guttering of Fremont street.

By Mr. Barnes: For a crossing on North Duke street opposite the centre of the court house.

By Mr. Hays: For repair of gutter on south side of West Strawberry street, from Arch alley to Water street.

By Mr. Hays: For repair of gutter on east side of South Prince street, from Conestoga street to Locher's tannery.

By Mr. Hays: For the flat repairs on Conestoga street, from Filbert alley to Water street, as may be necessary to make it available as a public highway.

By Mr. McMullen: For the grading, guttering and macadamizing of East Walnut street, from Shippen to Plum.

By Mr. Franklin: For a lam at the corner of West Grant street and North Concord alley.

At this stage of the proceedings Dr. Leverage announced the members of the joint standing committees on the part of common council. The full committees will be found below.

Mr. Cox offered an ordinance appropriating \$800 per annum (beginning with the fiscal year next ensuing) to each fire company in the city having a steam engine, and \$500 to each fire company having a hand engine, and conforming to the stipulations of the ordinance of November 7, 1859; the appropriation to be employed in the sole purpose of maintaining the apparatus of the company in proper repair; the bill contains a proviso, however, that any of said companies may be allowed to the payment of any debts contracted, or to be contracted, in the erection of engine and hook and ladder houses.

Referred to the committee on fire engine and hose companies.

Mr. McMullen presented a communication from Dr. H. Brown, secretary of the board of health, requesting the favorable consideration by councils of the drafts of several ordinances submitted, being transcripts of laws adopted and in force in other cities of the commonwealth having boards of health, such powers and regulations therein granted and prescribed, the secretary said, being of absolute necessity to enable boards of health to effectuate the purposes of their creation.

In presenting Dr. Brown's communication and the accompanying drafts Mr. McMullen did not examine them carefully and was in no wise responsible for their contents, they having merely been handed to him with the request that they be brought properly before councils. Dr. Davis thought that as the matters touching upon the above were of great importance, and as they did not seem to come within the scope of any of the standing committees, the ordinance should be referred to a special committee of three. Without being read the ordinances were referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Franklin, Dr. Davis and Mr. Lehty. The proposed ordinance were read and respectively: "To empower the board of health to cause registration to be made of all deaths and the causes thereof, and of burials of deceased persons;" "to give to the board of health additional powers for the better protection of the city against any prevailing pestilential or contagious disease;" "to require priority of claims to obtain a license from the board of health defining the time and manner in which such cleaning shall be done,