

Lancaster Intelligence.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 25, 1881.

Send the Lead Trumpet.

The Philadelphia Press does not exhibit any eagerness to discuss the present condition of Mahoneism and the proper relation to it of the Republican party, although this is a question of the hour which is engaging the immediate attention of the Republican administration, in view of the assembling of Mr. Mahone's convention in Virginia, on the second of June, and it is one upon which our cotemporary must have a very decided opinion; unless, indeed, it has suffered a change of heart since its hot championship of Mahone a month or two ago. The Press is a progressive journal and has dropped out of Conklingism with great haste and decision; and has promptly thrown Borse, too, to the dogs; and it will be in very excellent taste and judgment for it also to see the error of its ways as to Mahone; but, as yet, it has made no sign of recantation, and we have no right therefore to claim its conversion, however much we would like to do so. We invite it once more to hang its banner on the outer walls, if it continues to be the champion of Billy Mahone. He needs just now all the friends he can get, and influential leaders of Republican opinion are loudly called upon to declare what they think their party should do about him. Mr. Blaine and Mr. Garfield, it is reported, are not agreed as to what they shall do with the Virginia appointments which a short while ago Senator Mahone was supposed to have in his hands. Probably their hesitation arises from Mr. Mahone's failure to make the Senate tight and comfortable for the administration. He is not so important a man as he was. Things in the Senate are too mixed just now to enable Mr. Blaine to see that Senator Mahone is the pearl of great price that he once thought him, and prudence restrains him from being willing to pay very lavishly for him with Virginia patronage.

MINOR TOPICS.

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THE dispute of the Republicans as to who is their regular nominee for prothonotary seems to be a question between the limits of Levi Sensenig's bribery and the extent of Harve Raymond's political knavery. It will require a great deal more intelligence than their investigating committee has to determine that matter. It will be just as well for them to put both their candidates into the field on the Sensenig and Raymond platforms respectively and let the people elect an honest Democrat, backed by honest men and pledged by his character as well his promises to an honest administration of the office.

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dered to the secretary of the interior his resignation, which was promptly accepted. General Williamson states that this step is entirely voluntary on his part and that he has had it in contemplation for some time. There has been found a cipher dispatch among the war records being compiled for publication which Gen. BURMAN, then in command at Knoxville, Tenn., sent to Gen. Halleck in September, 1863, proposing that a march be made by way of Atlanta to the sea, to be undertaken without trains and the troops to be subsisted on the country.

STATE ITEMS. Governor Hoyt has appointed George Lieber Harrison, of Philadelphia, a commissioner on behalf of the state to proceed to London, England, to assist in the transportation of this country of the remains of William Penn.

The mangled body of an unknown man, commonly dressed, wearing a necktie, slouch hat, side whiskers and moustache, good-looking, was discovered in a foot of water in Bald Eagle creek, East Tyrone, by William Blair and son, while fishing. The man was aged about forty years; had on his person a comb and an empty purse.

The Kalmia breakers, operated by Phillips & Shearer, of Pottsville, were destroyed by fire last evening. The fire originated from a spark from an engine which was taking away a train of coal. The breakers were situated on the Philadelphia & Reading road and had been burned before. Loss, \$30,000, and work for 200 persons.

The resignation of J. D. Layng, general manager of the Pennsylvania railroad company's lines west of Harrisburg, is announced. It was reported that there had been some unpleasantness between the general officers, but Mr. Layng has said the reports of disagreement were untrue, and he had resigned to accept a position in a leading line with headquarters at Chicago, and which is understood to be the Chicago & Northwestern.

Seven students have been expelled from Phillips Exeter academy, and three suspended. Last Wednesday evening about twenty students visited several of the professors' houses and gave a noisy serenade, accompanying it with groans and whistles. The windows of several of the professors' houses were also broken, hence the above action of the faculty. The sentiment of the great body of the students is against the perpetrators.

A woman's leg has been found in a Pittsburg sewer; and the body of a drowned woman in the Allegheny. The body was about five feet five inches high, weighed about 130 pounds, was of dark complexion and had long black hair. She wore a black cashmere dress, barred flannel petticoat, straw bonnet, with black ribbon, and had on red striped stockings and leather shoes with brass tips on the heels, and had a rosary in her pocket.

In Allegheny county seven of the nine Republican conventions passed off quietly, nominating the following candidates: Clerk of Courts, Arch. H. Rowand; Register, Philip Hoer; Commissioners, Robert E. Mercer and Henry W. Myer; Judges of the Peace, Joseph Hoer; Recorder, W. H. Graham; Associate Judge of Orphans Court, J. W. Over; Assistant District Attorney, John O. Petty; Poor Director, W. J. Steen. The sheriff and treasurer's conventions adjourned in a row without nominations.

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL.

An incendiary fire has wiped out \$15,000 of property at Beaver Falls. Loss, \$15,000; the firemen wouldn't turn out, as the borough had refused to pay them.

During a drunken brawl last night at Palestine, Ark., James Thompson shot and instantly killed William W. Grant, both are colored. Thompson was arrested.

Farmers in Central Illinois report wheat as suffering from chinch bug and Hessian fly. Thousands of acres are being ploughed up to plant corn.

In Penna, Ills., F. F. Evans shot at Charles Humphries, and missed him, but his five foot long knife, which Evans carried, a bystander. Evans escaped.

Lizzie Borkins procured six grains of morphine and two ounces of laudanum and upon reaching her home in North Charleston, W. Va., swallowed it and died. Unrequited love.

When an anti-Conkling man offered to be \$1000 for the body of Conkling yesterday that R. C. Wadsworth got back, an altercation ensued in which the man who wouldn't put up his \$1000 got punished.

At Anna, Illinois, Robert S. Reynolds, a wealthy farmer, was killed by his son with a blow on the head with a bulldozer. The deceased was seventy years old and a year ago had himself shot and killed a Mr. Frazier.

While workmen were hoisting a large joist at the new round house of the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore railroad, the roof fell in, injuring five men. One, named Charles Jackson, of Baltimore, is reported to be believed in the hospital.

Twenty-five or thirty men went to Morgantown, Fannin county, Ga., while the superior court was in session and broke in the wall of the jail and released prisoners charged with violations of internal revenue laws and the carrying of arms.

O. B. Trewathen and Robert Monte were together crossing the Boston mountains in Arkansas, when Monte struck Trewathen with a whip and Trewathen hurled a rock which struck Monte on the head, knocking him over a cliff forty feet high. Monte was mortally hurt.

David Allen Towner, from Boston, went to Mortimer cemetery, Middletown, Conn., where his mother was buried, stood on her grave, divested himself of his coat and vest and shot himself through the heart with a revolver. He was a young wife and a \$5,000 note due on Monday.

A New York police sergeant is under arrest for calling Mrs. Frank Mordant, the actor's wife, to her door and throwing red pepper into her eyes. She was formerly his friend, but had insulted her and been dismissed, since when he has been writing threatening anonymous letters to her.

During a circus performance in Milwaukee on Monday night in an act where one Butler shoots a potato from the head of a man named Baughman, Butler missed his mark and the bullet struck Baughman on the head just above the right eyebrow. The ball penetrated the bone, but the injury is not necessarily fatal.

Mr. Deming, of Ravenna, Ohio, awoke to find a burglar in his room. The man had rifled the bureau drawers of their contents, securing Mr. Deming's wallet containing a goodly sum, and a large amount of jewelry. The gentleman raised up in bed, but was heard by the burglar, who turning, commanded him to lay down which he did. The intruder then made his escape out of the window. Mr. Deming jumped up, seized his revolver, ran out in the yard and shot the robber dead.

Violating the Treaty. Six citizens of Eagle Pass, Texas, crossed the Rio Grande on Sunday evening to see a circus performance at Piedras Negras. They had no sooner entered the town than they were arrested by fifteen soldiers, under Captain Villareal, of the Mexican garrison and taken to the jail, where they passed the night. On Monday morning a party of their friends crossed the river to find out what had become of them, and the prisoners were then taken before the alcalde, who discharged them, who were being made.

AT HARRISBURG.

In the Legislature yesterday. In the state Senate yesterday the House bill taxing commercial paper was reported favorably. Afternoon sessions were fixed for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to consider House bills on second and third readings. The protest to protect the secrecy of the ballot-box passed second reading. The bill repealing part of the act of April 18, 1873, enlarging the duties of recorders in cities of the first class was on the calendar for second reading, but no one called it up. The Senate bill for the organization of a signal corps failed on final passage of a constitutional majority. The House bill to relieve building associations from taxation was considered on second reading, and objected to by Mr. Everhart on constitutional points. The bill was committed to the Senate, but without action the whole subject was postponed for the present. The prohibition amendment to the state constitution was considered. The House bill creating a loan to redeem maturing bonds of the state was passed. The House bill to prevent pool playing for drinks, and to prevent the sale of liquors at places of amusement passed second reading. Adjourning.

In the House the Senate bill regulating the rate of pilotage was reported favorably. The mandamus bill was amended and again laid over to be printed. Bills to prevent the sale, or the use in hotels, boarding houses and restaurants, of imitation butter and cheese, without labeling the articles; to prevent food adulteration; to permit the establishment of free public libraries in cities not of the first or second class, were passed and sent to the Senate. The bills to prevent citizens from accepting tax receipts from political committees and to prevent gambling and lotteries were passed. The House bill for the organization of a constitutional majority. The judicial appointment bill was discussed. Adjourning.

An Old Engineer. Torrence McGovern, of Palo Alto, the oldest engineer in the employ of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad company, has had an immense funeral. He had been on the road for thirty-two years. On Thursday last he took his train to Philadelphia, and on Friday morning he died of bringing it back. While in the city he became possessed with a strong desire to return home. He was in good health and spirits at the time, and could not account for the sudden whim which possessed him. He remained an inpatient, and finally died. Had he gone home on his own train he probably would have died in the cab, and a serious if not fatal accident might very well have been the consequence.

A Warm Discussion. The temperance crusade in Reading has produced one very lively incident. The other evening violent speeches were made against F. Lauer, the brewer, at the conclusion of which Rev. J. N. Spear, who with his wife and children, and a family defended Lauer. He said he was a temperate, charitable man and did not merit the calumny heaped upon his head. The person in charge of the meeting, W. M. Wannemacher, excitedly arose, seized Mr. Spear by the collar and ordered him to leave the stage. Great excitement prevailed and the reverend gentleman hastily departed. He wrote a bitter letter to the press and promises to organize a new movement.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Near and Across the County Lines. The congregation of Little Britain Presbyterian church presented Rev. A. Michael who recently resigned the pastorate, a handsome gold watch as a token of their high regard for him. Mr. Michael sailed for Europe on the 20th.

On the 20th of the locomotive of the Peach Bottom railway set fire to the woods of Simpson Preston, at Point Look out and burned over 45 acres. It burned for two days and much of the young timber was ruined.

Owing to the disappointments in making sale of the product and the labor and difficulties attending the growing and curing of the crop, many of the farmers in Chester and Cecil counties who tried the production of tobacco last year will not grow any this year. Some others will cultivate on a smaller scale.

The Reading firemen are trying to raise \$5,000 among the citizens to make a success of the firemen's tournament there in September.

The select city council of Reading had a three minute session on the evening of Monday, the 23rd.

Mr. John D. Misseter, of the Reading Eagle nest, has been sued for libel and defamation of character by George Smith, Jr., of Union township, for allegations concerning him in connection with a certain insurance case.

The sensational story recently published pretending to describe the case of Miss A. Holloway, stating that she was wilfully starving herself to death, is "outrageously false and harmful." The young lady was suffering for more than a year with a very severe attack of dyspepsia.

More tobacco will be planted this year in and around Adamstown than any previous year. Henry R. Roday will put out six acres; Hon. Esias Billingsbills, four; Edgar Brothers, three; and Messrs. H. G. Mohr, Benjamin Steffy, Benjamin Landis and a number of others, from one to three acres. Much of last year's crop remains unsold, and is now being packed in boxes, and cured for next year's market.

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