

Lancaster Intelligencer.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 27, 1881.

A Question of Access.

A good many innocent Republicans in Lancaster county, hearing that the Reformers have triumphed at the recent election of party candidates for the offices of the court house, are inclined to be very much gratified thereat, but find a stumbling block in the way in recollecting that the Reformers of today have changed places with the Reformers of a year or two ago; and they don't quite see how their accomplished chief, Mr. Levi Sensenig, can be the honest champion of Reform to-day, contending with that other valiant chief, Mr. Elias McMellen, who leads the men and things that need to be reformed, while on the last occasion on which the innocent Republicans aforesaid were called upon to array themselves under the banner of these leaders by the respective invocations of the New Era and Examiner, Elias was the Reformer battling by the side of the New Era and Geist, while Levi was to be reformed along with Jack Hiestand and the Examiner fellows.

One distinct fact, however, forces itself upon the Republicans aforesaid; which is that Geist and the New Era are always with the Reformers. That at first sight seems to prove their virtue. Yet on further reflection on the subject by the innocent and contemplative Republicans they remember that they only have the New Era's word for it that its allies and itself are Reformers, and remembering that the same authority declared, a year or two ago, that its present allies were not Reformers they reason that, perhaps, since it was so much mistaken about its allies, it may be mistaken about itself, and that therefore its word that it is always for Reform is not entitled to much weight. And in this connection the recollection arises of various political performances of both the editor and the publisher of the New Era in their active acrobatic careers, well calculated to still further confuse the ideas of the innocent Republican upon a reform which has such apostles.

But the whole matter is very simple. It is purely an error of accentuation into which the innocent Republicans have fallen. The New Era's reform has the accent placed upon the "e," and the syllables of which the word is compounded should be pronounced separately as though written reform-meaning to form again. The reform which the innocent Republicans have in their mind is made up of the same syllables and originally meant the same—simply to form anew. But as good and sensible people, when they form a thing anew, seek to improve it, the word reform has come to mean this and to signify a change for the better, not simply a change.

But very often it is a delusion and a snare. Very often to reform is not to reform. The kind of reformation to which the Lancaster county Republicans are invited by their reformers is the re-forming and not the re-forming kind. If you put the accent right you will get the idea. There is no difference in the appearance of the words and we can't print them differently. The New Era, being conducted by eminently worthy members of the church, don't lie when it says it is for reform now with Levi Sensenig, who is the model reformer, and didn't lie when it said it was for reform when it was with Elias McMellen who was the model reformer, although Levi and Elias all the time were on different sides. Its readers simply didn't read it aright. They were simply innocent; perhaps stupid.

We take pity on them and enlighten them. But what an awful task it is to inform these Republicans! and how hopeless is reform among them. The New Era style of reformers have possession of the party everywhere. The outs want to "form anew" to get in; and they are the reformers. They will reform anything for the loaves and fishes. There is that man, Mahone, for instance, who has just got into the Republican party for bread; he is a reformer; he wants to reform the debt of Virginia—re-adjust is his word—to cheat its creditors. Mr. Mahone is a model reformer of the ragging Republican type, and so are Garfield and Conkling and Blaine, and all the other spoils seekers who are reforming things so viciously and bidding fair to smash their party in the undertaking; which would be reform indeed. Our local reformers may achieve the same result after awhile, when their innocent constituents come to fully comprehend the nature and extent of their reform principles.

Banging at Blaine.

Ever since the existing difficulties between Conkling and the administration began, and more especially in the present canvass at Albany, the New York stalwarts have given out that their quarrel is more with Blaine than Garfield; and the apparent duplicity of the latter, Robertson's appointment, and other sources of difficulty, they lay to Blaine's charge. As a consequence of this and of Blaine's opposition to the plans for Conkling's and Platt's re-election, his visit to New York and other signs of interference, there have been numerous outpourings of an aggressive fight on the secretary of state, one of these is made public yesterday in the newspaper called Truth, which does not enjoy a monopoly of truth, but which is just such a medium as would be employed by the friends of Conkling to give Blaine a stab under the fifth rib. The manner in which the story is fathered gives deeper color to this suspicion. It purports to be told by Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, who heard it while on a lecturing tour in Michigan, from that James F. Joy, who nominated Blaine at Chicago, and at whose house Beecher was a guest when Joy told him the story. Truth says it had heretofore hinted at this and on the intimation Blaine sent for Beecher and wanted him to contradict it, but H. W. B. declined to do so, though he said he would not circulate it. Even if not true the publication is interesting as showing the

mode of warfare which Blaine may look for from his New York antagonists.

In substance it is that Joy was president of a railroad running through the Cherokee reservation in Kansas, which had government land grants on both sides of the track; many settlers took possession of their lands under the homestead law, built houses, tilled the soil and made such settlement that it was a hardship and very unpopular to expel them. Joy had to do it and went to Washington to get legislation authorizing the military to dispossess the trespassers. He failed for a long time and was urged to secure Blaine's influence. He found him cold and unwilling. Upon further recommendation he bluntly gave Blaine \$40,000 of bonds in the road, secured his assistance and the legislation he wanted, the settlers were dispossessed, the railroad company got its rights and Blaine kept the bonds.

This is the story which Truth says Beecher says Joy himself told him. It will be interesting to see how Mr. Blaine's friends receive the new assault upon his battered reputation for integrity. Nor is it likely this is the last shot in Conkling's locker.

THE NEW ERA complains that "the INTELLIGENCER, always prating about Democratic honesty, has been at special pains to paint our reform movement as black as possible." THE INTELLIGENCER has been quite willing to accord to the New Era's faction all the credit it deserves for its pretended "reform" character, and we have set it down, in explanation of the results of the late election, that "the larger portion of better citizens lingered with the New Era faction, trusting somewhat to its pledges of reform, and to the character of its candidates, among whom there were few political hacks and candidates in whom the roosters had so large a speculative interest as on the other side." But we are not willing to suppress the fact, which the New Era seeks so assiduously to hide, that the backbone of its faction was Levi Sensenig's practical method of buying votes, as he buys cattle, capturing ballot boxes by sending gangs of hired shoulder-hitters to take them, leading in returns and return tinkers, and bribing election judges. He could not do otherwise, since the Ethiopian cannot change his skin—even when he fights under the "reform" standard—and we could not paint his methods blacker than they are. That would be a hopeless task to undertake. He and the Mentzer-McMellen leaders were trained in the same school and we see no difference in their methods. The New Era, having been in partnership with both, can possibly point out a distinction that we have not discovered.

MINOR TOPICS.

WHEN Harve meets Leve then comes the tug of war. "Diamond cut diamond" so to speak and the knave in each hand high.

THE United States corn crop averages nearly or about 1,500,000,000 bushels, or 47,000,000 tons, enough to load 5,000,000 rail cars, making 30,000 trains each a mile long; or enough to fill two continuous lines of box cars from Baffin's Bay to Cape Horn, and require at least 60,000 locomotives to draw them.

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NOTWITHSTANDING the Central Pacific railroad company declares a semi-annual dividend of three per cent., its managers own and refuse to pay the government over \$20,000,000 interest due on its bonds. This sum is stated as a liability by Commissioner French in his reports on the financial condition of the company, and the government will insist that provision must be made to secure the United States against loss on account of that liability before dividends can be distributed to stockholders. The sinking fund act requires that there shall be paid annually to the treasury of the United States by the Central Pacific company \$1,200,000. For the two and one-half years ending December 31, 1880, there was due by the company to the sinking fund \$3,000,000, but they have only paid \$775,000, leaving a balance still due for the period above named of \$2,225,000. In consequence the secretary of the interior, in a communication to the House of Representatives in February, recommended that the act, so far as relates to the amount required from the Central Pacific company, be amended, so that 50 per cent. of the net earnings of that company may be applied to the payment of the debt, instead of 25 per cent. as the law now stands.

PERSONAL.

MAX STRAKOSKI, theatrical manager has made an assignment.

West Chester is feeling its oats on account of a visit by Attorney General WAYNE MACVEAUGH.

Hon. JOHN W. FORNEY will deliver his lecture on Thomas Jefferson, before the American club of Reading, Thursday, June 9th.

United States Marshal DUDLEY, of Indiana, will be appointed commissioner of pensions in place of Bentley, to be removed.

Mr. SIDNEY LANTIER, whose health is extremely delicate, has left Baltimore for North Carolina, and is going to try camp-life in the pine woods near Asheville, during the summer.

Alderman J. B. GOON, of the Fifth ward, this city, having resigned an office which he seldom exercised, the governor has appointed ex-Sheriff Benj. F. Rowe, who will put it where it does the most good.

The Portland Press says that Rev. JOSEPH COOK is "a species of theological Jules Verne, embroidering a small piece of truth with elaborate and effective misrepresentations—pardonable and charming in the novelist."

Miss MURRAY, the young woman who recently obtained a verdict of \$5,000 damages against the postmaster of Baltimore, has been given an appointment in the government printing office in Washington.

Rev. DR. STEPHEN H. TRING, Jr., having quit the pulpit, will act as the European agent of one of the large life insurance companies. His library, which contains three thousand volumes of special value to clergymen and students of theology, was sold in New York to-day.

That pretty and accomplished little actress, Miss ERNIE ELSLER, who has been seen upon several occasions in this city, and as recently as February last in a miles long, or enough to fill two continuous lines of box cars from Baffin's Bay to Cape Horn, and require at least 60,000 locomotives to draw them.

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The Cincinnati Gazette insists that in a military sense there was a surprise at Shiloh. The whole dispute has been raised by ignorance of the military art and of military terms. When brought back to the regular standards of our military institute, there is no question left. The way in which all the hub-bub has been raised is by its being taken up by ignorant volunteers who never can learn the art of war and don't know what a surprise is in the military sense, who honestly but absurdly think that in order to constitute a surprise the enemy must catch the army in its abject sleep in its tents. But military men, such as Grant, Sherman and ourselves, who apply the military standards as taught at West Point, know that in a military sense there is no question of a surprise at Shiloh—a surprise so willful, so contrived, so strange, so seemingly pre-meditated that it has never been explained, and can never be explained, and that the much lying of the two responsible

STATE ITEMS.

Owing to the strike of its printers the Pittsburgh Dispatch could not get out a full paper yesterday.

Williamsport puts in an early application for this year's Democratic state convention.

Mrs. Wallace Pool, of Towanda, had been washing all Wednesday morning, apparently in good health. At noon she went to the house, took her baby in her arms and dropped dead.

The schools and stores in Allentown were closed yesterday and Ascension day observed as a holiday, as is done each year because of the great fire which nearly destroyed that city on Ascension day, 1849.

A Poland, Anthony Lemart, employed as a laborer in a coal mine in the Laurel Hill slope, near Hazleton, was struck by a large mass of falling rock and died in a few moments from the injuries received.

The Clinton Democrat, published at Lock Haven, makes its appearance in a new suit of type, and presents a very neat appearance. Under the able editorial direction of Mr. Dieffenbach the Democrat has manifested a decided advance, and it is a pleasure to note also this evidence of increasing business prosperity.

In Pittsburgh yesterday Mrs. Egler was fatally burned; her child scarred to a cinder; her husband so frightfully scorched as to become a maniac; seven small houses and as many poor families burned out and little Maggie Logan went to the shades—all because the coal oil can was used to kindle the kitchen fire.

George P. Rogers, of Philadelphia, who came to Erie with his father to take charge of Stearns manufacturing company's foundry, blew out his brains last night. He proposed to a young lady at 6 o'clock, was rejected and went home and killed himself. Until about a year ago Rogers was employed as book-keeper at 114 North Third street, Philadelphia, and resided with his father at 737 Moore street.

During a thunder storm a few miles north of Williamsport, two small boys, sons of John Fry, sought shelter under a large tree. They had been there but a few minutes when a bolt of lightning struck the tree, and the elder, aged about eleven years, was killed. The other boy was knocked senseless and remained in that condition for some time, when he recovered. They had been herding cattle.

Nathan Harris who was discharged from the military service at Williamsport after a thirty days' term, was arrested the same evening on a charge of assault and battery on a woman and held to answer at court and cut his throat about one o'clock yesterday, making the incision just below the chin. He had professed to be the minister for the purpose of shaving himself. His injuries are not fatal.

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL.

A wind storm wrecked a raft of deals off St. Lawrence, off St. Antoine. Loss \$10,000.

At Beaumont, Texas, John Gamelin fell against the flywheel in a saw mill and was killed.

Judge Keith, of Alexandria, Va., has decided that it is not against the law to sell newspapers on Sunday.

Louis Glockner, a florist, was killed at Albany by the accidental discharge of a pistol.

The Congregational church at West Steubenville, Mass., was burned by an incendiary fire. Loss, \$5,000.

Dr. Hamilton, of Sutton, Quebec, fell from a train Wednesday night at Ebercorn, Quebec, and received fatal injuries.

In the city elections at Alexandria, Va., the entire Democratic ticket was successful by majorities ranging from 400 to 600.

Atlanta, Ga., is reported as wholly free from contagious or pestilential diseases, and an exceptionally favorable sanitary condition.

David Davidson, aged seventy years, was killed by a train of the Naugatuck railroad at Ansonia, Conn. He was lying on the track.

In the Michigan Assembly a bill restoring capital punishment in that state passed. There is no likelihood that it will become a law.

Base ball: At Chicago—Chicago, 12; Philadelphia, 6. Cleveland—Cleveland, 5; Worcester, 3. Buffalo—Troy, 6; Buffalo, 3.

At St. Catharines, Ont., a young girl named Sarah Jane Potter; while walking on the railroad track was waylaid by six ruffians, bound with ropes and outraged. She died in the hospital.

While endeavoring to break a jam of logs in the Lievre river, near Buckingham, Ottawa, F. Kierman was instantly killed and a companion, named La Tour, was fatally injured.

The city attorney of Elizabeth N. J., has decided that members of the city council are entitled to a salary of five hundred dollars each, although it has heretofore been held that they were not entitled to pay.

Eli Rice, an old resident of Jersey City, arose, leaving his wife in bed, and taking a revolver from beneath his pillow, placed it behind his ear and discharged it. The top of his head was almost entirely blown off.

Some one has discovered that English farmers would do well to plant hollyhocks. There is royal edict, more than two centuries old, in the way at present, but this would hardly be allowed to offer a permanent obstacle.

At Mount Pleasant Ferry, Md., Edward Parker and Joseph Mahew had an altercation in a skiff, in which Mahew was killed. The "Parker" struck Mahew in the head with a weight, inflicting a severe wound, from the effects of which Mahew died shortly afterward.

At the meeting of the International Grand Lodge of Good Templars, in Topeka, the order was reported to be in a prosperous condition. The lodge had seventy eight members and \$310,145 members. It was decided to hold the next session at Charleston, C. S.

At Niagara Falls, Ont., Samuel Davis, an aged colored man, fell from his wagon breaking his neck. His body was found in the middle of the road near the Loretta convent, resting on his knees, his face turned heavenward, in a praying position. He leaves a second wife and five children.

Two coal trains collided on the Lehigh Valley railroad, three miles west of Bound Brook, N. J. Both were running at a high rate of speed. The locomotives and tenders were completely wrecked. The engineers and train hands jumped in time so that no lives were lost. The loss is \$15,000.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE CHURCH COUNCILS.

The Reformed General Synod. The subject of establishing the order of decency was disposed of by the postponement of the matter for three years, and the publication and distribution of the valuable report of Rev. J. B. Kniesut on the subject.

Dr. Thomas G. Apple reported on his mission recommending that the cause be specially commended to the district synods.

Steps were taken to establish an emigrant mission in New York harbor.

A committee to prepare a deliverance on the subject of intemperance was appointed. Rev. F. C. Bausman as chairman.

The request of the Iowa classes to amend the constitution so as to allow the participation of German hymn books, liturgies, etc., by the German classes and vice versa, English hymn books by English classes, was not granted.

Action was taken providing for the creation of a new German district synod out of the classes of Erie, Heidelberg, St. John's and Cincinnati.

Rev. Dr. F. S. Childs appeared as corresponding delegate of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, now convened in Buffalo, N. Y., and conveyed the cordial greetings of the highest judiciary of his church to the general synod of the Reformed church, and requested a renewal of correspondence.

Dr. Good responded, reciprocating the friendly sentiments expressed by Dr. Childs, and expressing the hope that these relations might ultimately assume an organic form.

It was resolved to renew correspondence with the Presbyterian church, and on motion of Rev. C. W. Wolf, J. Dahman, J. O. Miller, J. M. Kending and P. Pilgram, Elders—C. Santee, W. D. Gross, A. Moyer and C. M. Bousch.

Board of foreign mission—Revs. J. W. Santee, T. S. Johnston, B. Bausman, N. Gehr, J. H. A. Bomberger, C. H. Leininger, J. H. A. Bomberger, C. H. Leininger, Elders—G. S. Griffith, R. F. Kelker, W. H. Seibert and G. Gelbach.

Orphan Home Board—Dr. F. C. McCaskey.

Delegates: General Synod Reformed German Church—Dr. Van Horne. Moravian church—Dr. Gehr. Synod North America—Dr. P. Greding.

The Presbyterian General Assembly. The Women's foreign missionary society held their annual meeting yesterday morning, in the North church. There were large attendance, and auxiliary societies in various parts of the United States being represented. The report was highly encouraging; there are 47 presbytery societies and 1,068 auxiliaries.

The mission work in India, under the direction of the Women's society, comprises 30 missionaries, 32 native teachers, Bible readers, who attend to 53 schools. The scholars number 125. In Siam, 4 missionaries and 1 Bible reader; in China, 16 missionaries, and 38 Bible readers and native teachers; there are 17 schools in Japan, 6 missionaries, 3 native teachers and 1 school; in Persia, 5 missionaries; in Syria, 9 missionaries, 44 native teachers and 36 schools; in Africa, 10 missionaries, 4 native teachers, 3 schools; in South America, 10 missionaries, 2 schools; in Mexico, 2 missionaries and one school; in North America, 9 missionaries, 9 missionaries and 2 schools; 2 teachers, 2 Bible readers and 1 school.

The receipts during the year amounted to \$99,423, nearly all of which was expended in the propagation of the gospel. During the past twelve months nine new leaflets have been issued, besides reprinting old ones, making in all 40,000 copies.

In the general assembly a resolution was passed against the opinion traffic; the proposition for triennial sessions of the assembly was reported adversely; on the communion wine question it was resolved that "the essential elements in the Lord's Supper are bread and wine, the general assembly has always held the rights of the church session to determine what is bread and what is wine, in the judgment of this assembly no more new legislation is necessary on the subject"; a strong denunciation of polygamy was adopted; the education of the ministry was discussed and the duplication of the publication question was discussed and last evening the historical society had a successful meeting.

The U. R. Assembly. At Pittsburgh, Dr. D. W. Wilson, of Burgetstown, Pa., was the moderator for the evening. Dr. Wilson was in favor of the repeal of the old church music rule, and the election is considered a victory for the conservatives. Various reports and overtures were read and considered. Reports show that while the church is at a standstill she is still holding her own. Monmouth, Ill., was selected as the place for the next meeting. The paper on the observance of the Sabbath under Congress to abolish internal postal service on the Sabbath and enforce a stricter observance of the Lord's Day. At the night session a memorial was read for the continuation of the celebration of the organization of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, and a committee was appointed for the purpose of making the arrangements.

Reformed Episcopal. In New York yesterday anti-polygamy resolutions were adopted. A resolution inviting clergymen of all denominations to act as associate members, if they so desired, was adopted without a dissenting voice. Rev. Dr. Blauville, of the College Dutch church, Harlem, stopped upon the platform, and was warmly welcomed by the presiding bishop, Rev. Dr. Cooper, of Chicago, in moving for a committee to devise church extension ways and means, said there were several congregations, both in the United States and Canada, who were struggling to maintain an existence, while other had plenty of money for themselves and to spare. In view of this fact he

thought it advisable for the general council to set apart a fund for the churches in need of assistance. Dr. Cooper's motion was carried, and the presiding bishop said that the members of the committee would be named later. The chair said that the reports were in order. Bishop Cheney said that the Reformed Episcopal church in Chicago had reason to feel gratified at the success of their church in Illinois. The representatives from Philadelphia and Newark made similar reports.

At the session of the Presbyterian general assembly Dr. Mullaly, of Lexington, Va., presented a formal protest, charging the assembly in sending a fraternal greeting to the Northern assembly. The protest insisted that the Northern assembly should have taken the initiative, inasmuch as that body had wronged the Southern church and that wrong was as yet unatoned for. Also the signers proposed any tendency to surrender the distinctive independence of the Southern church. The protest signed by Dr. Mullaly, Patterson Fletcher, D. S. Young and George White, was admitted to record. The moderator appointed a committee to prepare a reply.

REPORT OF VIEWERS. Damages Assessed for Opening Poplar and St. Joseph Streets.

The report of the viewers appointed by court to view the premises and assess the damages sustained by property owners by the opening of Poplar street, was filed in the office of the clerk of quarter sessions yesterday. The viewers award to the parties named the sums stated below:

To Michael Lump, no damages; to Mr. Genricher \$10; to the city \$12.50; to be paid by the county; to Mrs. John Lichty \$25; to be paid by the county; to Henry Hood \$12.50; to be paid by the county; to Philip D. Baker \$17; to be paid by the county; to George Walters \$300; to be paid by the city; to John E. Hershey \$100; to be paid by the county.

The viewers state that from the evidence before them there seems to be no necessity for extending Poplar street beyond Love Lane, and they recommend the court so to order.

The damages assessed to property owners on St. Joseph street, as follows: To Barbara Gaselle, \$250; to be paid by the county. On the east side of St. Joseph street, commencing at Strawberry street, for a distance of 250 feet, no damages are awarded to any of the property holders. To Anthony Lump is awarded \$1,000 to be paid by the county, and \$600 to be paid by the city. To John E. Hershey \$1,000 to be paid by the county. To Thaddeus Roth, no damages.

From this evidence before the viewers it is their opinion that there is no present necessity for extending said street beyond Love Lane, and commend the same to the consideration of the court.

All murtal in buildings destroyed is to go to the owners of the property.

The report is signed by Samuel Evans, A. N. Cassel, Wm. Ellmaker, Henry Eckert, M. S. Metzger.

TIT FOR TAT.

The Coroner and His Deputies. Coroner Miessler announces his intention of reconstructing his list of deputies, reducing their number, and endeavoring to increase their efficiency. He has expressed not pleased with the "announced result" of the late Republican primary election. He had reason to expect a much heavier vote than was returned for him. He holds that no man ought to accept a position as deputy coroner from a chief deemed unworthy of re-election, and as he has a mandate for re-election, and in some of the districts in which his deputies reside received very few votes, it appears evident to him that his deputies deem him unfit for coroner, or are themselves very poor sticks in not being able to secure more votes than were returned. If the latter proposition is true, then they are inefficient and ought to be displaced; if the former is true they should as honorable men return their commissions, and if they don't he will recall them himself. He has expressed his confidence in him. The coroner's argument appears to be "solid," and as an evidence that he intends to hold to it, he has already removed several of his deputies. He has also removed one of his assistants, succeeds Henry Kutz at Mount Joy and his jurisdiction will be extended to embrace adjoining territory. Squire Frank's domain will also be extended so as to include not only Columbia but Washington and Marietta boroughs—deputies Seiple and Windolph will be removed. On Democratic friend Captain Isaac Hull, will probably succeed the present inefficient appointee at New Holland. The coroner promises us a full list of his re-appointments at an early day.

TONY PASTOR.

An Excellent Show at Fulton Opera House. Tony Pastor's variety combination attracted a large audience to the opera house last evening, despite the condition of the temperature, which rendered the entertainment rather trying. Among the features of the long and excellent bill presented was the act of Frank McVish and the Leland sisters, the grotesque dancing of the former being extremely comical.

The French twin sisters are very skillful dancers, and appeared in elegant and to great advantage. The personal resemblance the two young ladies bear to each other is very striking. Tony Pastor sang a number of comic and sentimental songs in his well known style, while the musical act of Dan Collyer, Western, in which she displayed her skill in the handling of nearly a dozen different instruments, was capital. William Lester and Paul Allen performed a very funny burlesque act, while Miss Ella Wesmer's impersonation of a young swell was up to the hilt. M. C. Lester and H. L. Williams did a good act, and Ferguson and Mack, Irish comedians, are one of the best teams in their peculiar line that have ever visited this city. All the above named actors were complimented with the heartiest recalls, and double and triple encores for the order of the evening.

There were three amusing sketches, in the first of which, entitled "Jealousy," Harry McAvoy and Emma Rogers thoroughly pleased the audience; a laughable interlude, entitled "A Venetian Subject," by Dan Collyer; Frank Girard, Harry McAvoy and Emma Rogers were seen, afforded lots of merriment, and in the concluding piece, "Our School Girls," the entire company appeared; it was very funny and rounded out a programme that was excellent in every respect.

The Young Botanists.

The pupils of the high school accompanied by their teachers will make an excursion to Chickies to-morrow, with a view of collecting botanical specimens, classifying them and enlarging their collections. The excursionists will leave Lancaster at 10:25 a. m. and return in the evening. No more delightful place than Chickies could have been selected for the excursion, nor one better suited to the purpose of the excursion.

A Legal Holiday.

Decorations day, a legal holiday, the banks and public offices will be closed on Monday. Persons having legal business on hand should attend to it to-day or to-morrow, and thus avoid expense and inconvenience.

Mayor's Court.

The mayor this morning had but one case. That was a drunk who was picked up at the court house yesterday afternoon by Officer Leaman. He paid his costs and was discharged.

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. C. E. Gumbill, of the banking firm of E. K. Smith & Co., is indisposed and confined to his residence.

The river is now neither falling or rising but is about six inches higher than it was a week ago.

Owing to the inability of the Rev. Dr. Baum, of Philadelphia, to officiate, there will be no services in the E. E. Lutheran church on Sunday next.

Mr. J. L. ... about giving his boat the finishing touches of a complete overhauling. It will be launched soon.

The funeral of the late Richard C. Enny took place at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and not at two o'clock in the afternoon as we erroneously stated. Our mis-information was received from the undertaking establishment having the remains in charge, and we felt sure there could be no mistake. The funeral was largely attended and the interment was made in Mount Bethel cemetery.

The board of school directors, with the members of the incoming board, are at the high school room this morning in attendance at the exercises of the graduating class. Admission to the room was obtained to the general public only by special invitation, the room being too small to accommodate an unlimited number.

Col. Samuel Shoeb, president of the Columbia national bank, who has been seriously ill for the past month, paid a visit to the banking house this morning and was then driven home. It was his first appearance on the street since he was compelled to take to his bed. The colonel is yet very weak and had to be assisted from and to his carriage.

At the Chestnut Hill iron company's furnaces last evening a plank upon which three men were standing suddenly slipped and all three fell to the ground between two hot ovens. Mr. Edwin Thomas, one of the three and the superintendent of the furnaces had both ankles sprained. The others escaped with slight injuries.

At a special meeting of the school board held last evening in the law office of W. B. Given, Esq., it was decided to continue the building committee. On the recommendation of Superintendent Ames, graduates dipl