Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, MAY SO, 1881.

Reform by Immoral Methods. The New Era being convicted of fighting for " reform" with allies whom it at different times denounced as the enemies of reform, undertakes to furnish the "distinction between our (its) first and last battle with the bosses," and declares that it has "lived and labored in vain" if it is not a very gratifying distinction to the public as well as to itself.

The public generally has long inclined to the opinion that the New relentless war on the abuses which have ren who dispense justice in our county Era has lived and labored in vain- crept into that state government, as they for reform and it is not surprised creep into all governments, especially greatly to find that this is so plainly where one party is strongly and continumanifested now as to be self-confess by the journal itself. We publish in full elsewhere what it has to say, and surely hereafter no question can be raised as to to put his party on the defensive and right on living. The professor does not the standing of the New Era as an organ almost threaten its supremacy. It met take any stock in the conventional angel of genuine reform.

it went in with the other dog, Boss Sen- him : senig; and its distinction, as nearly as we can make it out, is that this is a good dog now, since the tail has so prevailed over him as to make him support only the best and most plous candidates for offices, who wouldn't take an illegal fee or do an illegal thing to save their lives. What a stunner! or rather what a

Whistler! That editor does whistle with so be nign an air that you would almost give state, or person holding property therein, nign an air that you would almost give ought to contribute his proportion of public taxes for the support of the governfound him in your chicken coop. Just ment, according to his actual worth in real think how prettily he says that if the men he supported ever cheat anybody, he will be prompt to withdraw their certificates of good character !" Yes! he does.

But he wasn't very prompt when Boss McMellen and the other candidates he favored in the "first; victory" charged illegal fees and were very naughty as he now says they were. They were naughty for nearly two years, out of their term of three, before the New Era got in its prompt withdrawal of their certificates.

And then, how very pleasant it is to see, in this very hot weather, this frigid editor sitting on his rolling iceberg and holding forth upon his promptitude in withdrawing certificates of character from evil doers when he admits that he was in alliance with the two head devils, and never once while the union lasted did he breathe a word against the fame of his partner! He couldn't, you know, he was so busy exposing theother fellow! It is not too late for its readers to remember how calmly unconscious the New Era has been of any wrong-doing in the election or in the count on the part of Levi and his friends, but every man in the county knows that his methods were chuck full of guile, and his practices every whit as

bad as those of the castaway Elias. The frigidity of this polar navigator of the New Era craft enables him to say that there were two objections to his plan of uniting himself with one enemy of reform to beat another; one being the liability to be cheated and the other that " in morals it might not pass current;" but it was good generalship!

See I this leader in a battle for reform admits that his methods might not pass current in morals! Did we not accordingly truly say that the reform for which he was fighting was not reform? Who needs to have this further demonstra-

Or that this leader was a poor general as well as an immoral one, who admits being cheated once by his evil ally, and with whose second wicked associate true reform stands as much chance as a cat in a celebrated place without means of

Its Benedicite.

The Philadelphia Press has waked up to the fact that Senator Mahone still lives, but evidently concludes that it is the Republicans of Virginia will take still in doubt, says the Press, and so it is in doubt. Garfield doubts, the Press doubts. We fear, as Garfield is famous as a doubter, that our esteemed contemporary will have a heavy time keeping up with his doubtings. It went sadly astray on the Mahone shoot; which was very promising to follow at first to a journal which "welcomes the overthrow of Bourbonism no matter which party or what man is the lever."

In other words, the Press proclaims itself for the Republican administration, which dipenses the offices, no themselves and for it to join in with matter by what man or on what ground that administration is assailed. If that is not a hot declaration of devotion to Garfield then one could not be framed-" No matter which party or what man is the lever." It is for him against every and any lever. Whatever he does it is for the Republican president. Whatever his principles, it is for him. When he is uncertain, it is in doubt. When he strikes, it is ready to tumble to the work. Its speedy desertion of Conkling, after so valiantly bearing his lance even so lately as in the tilt against Senator Bayard, looked as though the administration label was very necessary to make any political man or thing look lovely to the Press, but we hardly ex- ble distinction " as to take " Christ " pected it to avow so broadly and plainly Coble and leave " Ike " Bushong? Has as it now does its thick and thin partisanship of the president. No wonder valuation on the latter? Why did the that poor Billy Mahone. its idol of a New Era in its account of the primary month ago, is let so coldly slide by a elections and the return judges' meeting iournal having such a test for determin. make such " a palpable distinction " being the virtue of standing by its friends.

gle with those of Virginia. The Readjuster convention will meet at Richmond next Thursday, and the campaign will then open, but the issues upon which it will be fought are still undetermined. The Bourbons show a disposition to steal the senator's thunder in his previous control of Sensenig's saloon in 1878 and in 1881? Why does the New Era make such a "palpable distinction" between the sense and ment did not adopt it. Gen. Armstrong, an Englishman, obtained the Cook plans, and made a fortune abroad.

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The house of Samuel Matthews, of Cam bria county, was entered in day light by thieves who stole \$3,000. gle with those of Virginia. The Readius-

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tests by assuming the position he has so vigorously maintained on the debt question, while the course the Republicans will take is still in doubt. One thing, however, is certain. The country will welcome the overthrow of Bourbonism in Virginia, as well as in the rest of the South, no matter which party or what man is the lever.

An Honest Governor.

We cannot see any justice or consistency in the failure of so many of our onsly entrenched in power. When Gov. Hamilton was a candidate for office those "boss" to defeat the other; that in its telligent and honest, who embodied in having wings." first union with Boss McMellen, it his character the principles of the platthought it was a strong enough tail to form then adopted, and who repeated, on wag the dog; that it found its mistake every stump in every county where he when the dog would have its own way spoke, his adherence to these pledges of and do all manner of bad things. Then the convention which had nominated

It will be the duty of the next General Assembly to lighten the burden of taxation in this state by abolishing all offices not necessary for the public service , by reducing all salaries and fees subject to its control to the limit of the compensation of persons engaged in similar employment in private life; by compelling the prac-tice of economy in every detail of state, county and municipal expenditures, and by enforcing the observance of the constitutional rule that every person in the public advantage. The perversion of their use to any other purpose is injurious to good morals and to good government. The maintenance of free institutions in this state and the essential interests of its people require that all elections should be free and pure. The General Assembly ought, at its next session, to provide further security for fairness in such elections by providing for a correct and accurate registration of the names of all persons entitled to vote in this state, to be made by competent officers at certain fixed successive periods of time, and by direct ing the first of said new registrations to be made at the earliest practical period. Gov. Hamilton had not been long in

office before he discovered that an elemert of the politicians in his party, who found their profit elsewhere, meant that these pledges should be kept only to the. ear and broken to the hope. He formulated them into propositions for legislative enactment, but his party failed to l effect the necessary legislation. The de- House at Harrisburg, that hotels, restausired and possible retrenchment in ex- rants and boarding houses using oleomarpenses and sinecure offices was not effect- garine must make conspicuous announceed; salaries and fees were not duly re- ment of the fact by placards on their dinduced; instead of "economy in every ing room walls! It is not intended that detail" being enforced, there was ex- they shall do this, but it is expected that pended in the first session of the Legis- such legislation by a great commonwealth tionery, mileage and per diem of senators margarine. If people like it, let them eat and delegates, the sum of \$57,767, and it. If people cat it and don't know it they for officers' and employees' pay, including are not hurt; and at any rate clean oleoshamed by an enormously false registration in Baltimore: taxation was not of the Legislature take their meals. But lightened nor made equitable, and plain it such placards are to be posted in dining constitutional directions regarding the diversion of certain revenues to the sinking fund were ignored. The newspapers are richly patronized with legislative advertising, and are thus narcotized into silent submission to a neglect of the state assembly's highest duties.

Under these circumstances Gov. Hamilton appeals to the rank and file of his party and the people of his whole state. to agitate by popular discussion the questions which he deems himself obligated by his own and his party's pledges to press to the forefront, and "to take such action as will most likely promote the common object and most certainly secure to the people of the state a correction of admitted abuses, the abolition of sinecures or unnecessary offices, the enforcement of a rigid economy in a very feeble life and so lets the late great every branch of the public service, and regenerator slide back home with some the establishment upon a fixed basis, in a very cold words of dismissal. The course reorganization of the treasury department, of an absolute observance of every in regard to an alliance with Mahone is requirement of the constitution and the

to the payment of the public debt." There is nothing in his position to warrant aspersions upon his character as a publicist or a Democrat. He is right in holding his party to its pledges and in carrying them out himself. He may have in view a purpose to aggrandize his own interests, though our knowledge of the man leads us to believe he is above that. But, whatever his motive, his position is impregnable and the politicians of his party would do much better for him. The Democracy of Maryland are strong enough to command the situation and reap every party advantage from carrying out Gov. Hamilton's ideas work injury to the commonwealth and ruin to their party. They may delay and even defeat Gov. Hamilton and may hand him bound and captive to the enemy, but they will save no credit nor advantage to themselves. They may pull down the pillars of the Democracy in their state, but they will be mangled and mashed in the ruins.

Mercantile Appraiser Groff not put a tween the disgraceful conduct of Sense- | \$150,000. His library of 3,000 volumes, nig's hired heelers at the polls and in the principally scientific, cost upwards of \$10,-This is its Benedicite:

Senator Mahone, having vanquished the hall, and McMellen's mercenary train

The most notable one was the celebrated Senator Mahone, having vanquisnes the Bourbons in the Senate, goes home to-day to prepare for a life and-death strug- "palpable distinction" between its de- "Cook auger." The Armstrong cannon was his invention in 1822, but this govern-

MINOR TOPIOS. THE Suez canal takes in about \$30.000 a day.

ONE applicant for the position of United States consul had the personal indorse ments of Longfellow and Holmes, Aldrich and Whittier. He must have been a superliterary feller.

THE United Brethren general conference earnestly protests against legislative, ju-Democratic contemporaries in Maryland dicial or clerical allowance of divorce for to make common cause withtheir excel- any other than the single and scriptural lent and practical (Democratic) Governor | cause. In view of the heavy grists brought Hamilton, in his determination to wage to our local divorce mill the united breth court will please take notice.

REV. PROPESSOR SWIKE in his last Sun day's sermon embraced the theory that when we die here we are in some way abuses had assumed such dimensions as transferred to some other planet, and go the crisis and recommended itself to pub- of the old masters. "There is little prob-Its claim, briefly stated, is that it ac- lic confidence anew by nominating a ability," he told the astonished grain cepted the alfiance of each disreputable man like Gov. Hamilton, who was in operators, "that there are intelligent beings

> WE have been reading the Legislative Record of the proceedings on the night Hewit, Hazlett. Rice & Co. were abusing McClure. It would be interesting, if it wasn't so old. After two weeks is almost the earliest that one can get an official report of legislative proceedings. It is a blunder-a crime. And since somebody has discovered that the Record contractor is bound to furnish it the next day after the proceedings it reports have happened, and that so far in the 1,700 or 1,800 pages published, he has failed to meet his obligations, let the money be forthwith stopped on him for his fatal breach of con-

> STATE SUPERINTENDENT HIGBER being present at a Sunday school convention up in the Cumberland valley, where the re lation of the Sunday schools and public schools was under discussion, made a ringing speech declaring there was no antagonism whatever. A local paper reports that he said : "Many teachers in our public schools were unfit to teach children. They were lacking in character. The directors should see to it that such persons are not employed. The teacher should be good, honest, upright, and should possess brains sufficient to teach what he knows. As between characters and brains, he would prefer character. The remarks of Superintendent Higbee were listened to with attention, and where he closed he was greeted with a hearty round of applause. The audience felt that he had the courage and firmness to meet and battle with every difficulty in the way and that the youth of our state would be well cared for by him."

What more senseless law was ever en acted than the bill which has lature under his administration for sta- will blackmail them into not using oleoone newspaper correspondent, the sum margarine is better than the nasty, stale of \$59,194.26; the Democracy were and dirty butter that is served at some of the hotels and restaurants where members rooms, why not make the protection of guests complete by compelling the dining room walls to be plastered all over with guarantees of "No Hair in the Hash :" 'No Bootlegs Served as Beefsteak : Eggs Warranted Laid Within a Month; None but Clean Cooks Employed!" There might as well-better-be a law against frying steaks as using oleomargarine, if people like the bogus butter.

WE are in receipt from Representatives Landis and Snyder of the report of a committee of the Legislature, appointed by the governor, to inquire into the expe diency of establishing a state industrial reformatory; and more especially of diverting the proposed Huntingdon penitentiary to that end. It is generally admitted now that the middle penitentiary scheme and the beginning made of that job were only intended to make capital for H. G. Fisher's election to Congress. It served its end and not being needed as a penitentiary, probably it will be as well to establish the laws in the application of the loan taxes | proposed reformatory there. It unanimous ly strikes this committee so, at any rate: and Governor Hoyt who has made close study of the New York institution at Elmira is much interested in such an experiment for Pennsylvania. The idea is that many incipient criminals, between say 16 and 30 years old, the primary object of whose punishment should be their reform, might be placed in position to be come useful citizens instead of permanent dangers and charges to the state, and the idea of vengeauce is entirely discarded in the reformation plan. Judges are to have discretion in sending criminals to these institutions, their managers being empowered to release a prisoner when it appears that there is a strong or reasonable of reform. Failing to do it they will probability that he will live and remain at liberty without violating the law, and that his release is not incompatible with the welfare of society. The New York statistics show that, as to the three hundred and seven released, society has to-day good pro tection against all but twelve, namely, nine who ceased their correspondence and three who absconded. In Maryland a charitable society, having for its end the reformation of convicts, has provided hon-"PALPABLE DISTINCTIONS."-Why orable position for and made useful men does the New Era make such a "palpa- of many ex-convicts. There cannot be too much of this sort of good work done.

An Inventor Dies Rich. Ransom Cook, inventor, has died at Saratoga, aged 87 years. He was a native of Wallingford, Conn., and came to Saratoga when seven years old. He leaves a widow and two sons. His estate is valued at

PERSONAL HAYES has been nominated for re-elecstitution which graduated him. JOHN B. Good, of this city, and F. G. PENNEL, of Mount Joy, are recently ap-

pointed notaries public.

At the late annual commencement of

delivered an address.

senatorial complication eventuate in dignity, by larger and larger breadth of nothing better it will at least have made view, to reach the highest summits of Mr. CONKLING much "more sociable"the dear man!

EDWIN BOOTH, now in London, re-visits America next month, taking home his wife, whose condition is hopeless. He returns to England in August to fulfill provincial engagements.

Mr. STANTON, the son of the late secre tary of war, has lately married the daughter of the Mrs. Phillips who was sent to Ship Island by General Butler for insulting Union soldiers in New Orleans. The vestry of St. Stephen's Protestant

that church. JAMES GORDON BENNETT is again re-

ported engaged to be married. The young the tally list. lady mentioned this time is Mile. Bonaparte, daughter of Pierre Bonaparte, who has resided nearly all his life retirement in the south of France. Congressman W. D. KELLEY is said to

have lost \$20,000 of borrowed money : \$17,000 of his daughter's, and \$8,000 of his own by the failure of the Herdie coach enterprise in Philadelphia. They were too poorly built.

Queen VICTORIA has taken possession of the pet peacocks which Lord Beaconsfield kept at Hughenden. When the gorgeous birds arrived at Windsor, the queen, her daughter Beatrice and her son Leopold drove to the aviary to give them courteous den of New York city, sitting on the track. He has four ribs broken and is bad-

The statement that ex-Speaker RANDALL had visited Albany to take a hand in the senatorial contest, was a sheer invention. Mr. Randall has not been in New York since the resignation of Conkling and Platt. He is now greatly enjoying the country air out at his summer residence erty. near Berwyn.

was a slender, blonde-haired girl, but is now described as fat, fair and forty, the mother of grown daughters.

Carolina. The county is named for United States Senator Z. B. VANCE. It is said there are several thousand children in the old North State named after the same genial and eloquent senator.

Mr. Watterson kindly explains that Mr. TILDEN and Mr. BAYARD have never taken to one another. They are too much alike. It is sentimental accordance joined to difference of opinion which produces friendships. Mr. Bayard thinks Mr. Tilden a cold, crafty calculator. Mr. Tilden thinks Mr. Bayard an unappreciative, unobservant and self-opinionated and self-contained young gentleman. Both are wrong. Each, in his way, is an

Private Secretary Nichol went to GAR-FIELD one morning recently, and said : "Conkling says he wants a chance to look you in the eye and tell you you are a liar. to stand this sort of thing ?" And he reports Garfield as replying in those deep guttural tones that he uses when most excited : "He wants to look me in the eye, does he? Let him come into this room, and I will look him in the eye when he comes in and give him my boot when he ly a man's head found on the beach near

In the investigation of the Mahone-Carmichael-" damn-dog "-postal-card case at Alexandria it was brought out of the postal authorities that "abusive postal cards are almost daily received against Mr. Garfield, but they never reach him ; we burn them up." Senator Morgan pertinently asked: "What right have you to keep the president from knowing what some of the people think of him? The president has the same rights as any other man to obtain the popular senti-

ment. We are not living in a despotism." To Roscoe Conkling in his present political distress may profitably come the reflection that he missed the golden opportunity to make the "Greatest Effort" of his life when he failed to follow his instincts and his conscience and declare against the electoral fraud. The voice of the siren lured him from his better intentions, and such a tide when not taken at its flood never returns. Had Conkling declared for the Right then he might have saved himself if not his party, and had he his day his rank in his own party would have been undisputed

JOHN CESSNA, of Bedford, Pa., gives candidates and set up no newspaper against Judge Hall's re-election; but, to and adds: "I have lived here nearly sixty bestow upon me the honorable position their line fence. of president judge I will esteem it a great favor, trusting that it may be the last one I shall ever ask at their hands, and will endeavor to discharge the important and M. Dezendorf in a fit of passion resulting responsible duties of the position to the very best of my skill and ability."

posterity will acknowledge that each fought for what he deemed right in the cause of England's empire and of England's commonwealth. Moderation where modation was possible and necessary, the tion as trustee of Kenyon college, the in- cause of England's empire and of England's genius that knew when to give way and) with the movement, and that "he and the when to resist, the unconquerable strength McMellen leaders were trained in the same The late THOS. A. Scott never voted at of will, and the passonate love of the honor The late Thos. A. Scott never voted at of will, and the passonate love of the honor their methods," concluding with the rear presidential election from 1860 until and greatness of England—these were virmark that "the New Era having been 1880, when he cast his ballot for Han- tues which belonged to no party, and were in partnership with both, can in themselves wholly independent of whatever lines divided one party from another. the Maryland state normal school Hon. J. The name of Lord Beaconsfield would be P. WICKERSHAM, LL. D., of this city, remembered by posterity as that of one feated them both by dividing and taking who had an extraordinary career, which Inadvertently the date of Drs. WEBB led the alien in race the despised in debate and UNDERWOOD's proposed visit to Eu- the eccentric in demeanor, the romantic rope was given as the middle of June. It should have been printed July 16.

It adventurer, the flerce assailant, by unflaging be done by dividing the hitherto invulnerable lines of the bosses, it was All reports agree that if the New York shaken fidelity, by constantly increasing fame and splendor.

That Settles It.

Eds. Examiner: In your paper of Sat urday you leave it for the Republicans of the Seventh ward to decide whether or not I voted at their lets misses election (The I voted at their late primary election. The morale of your army. report that I did is utterly false; it is a lie cut from the whole cloth. You undertake to excuse the report by the statement that my father voted and "it is claimed that he had a right to vote," and, then you some what ambiguously conclude with the statement : "Mr. Kitch's vote was counted, &c Episconal church, on Tenth street, above My father lives in the Fourth ward. He Roy, COURTLAND WHITEHEAD, of South Seventh ward primary. There is no Kitch Bethlemen, to the vacant rectorship of except myself in the Seventh ward, and all the election officers of that ward positively deny that any of that name voted or is on

DAVIS KITCH, Supt. of Water Works. LATEST NEWS BY MAIL.

New York's governor has signed the bills to prohibit discrimination against any person on account of race, creed or color intended to prevent the anti-Jewish hotel

In Marquez, Texas, Mr. Frank, a druggist, through mistake, administered morphine to his three children, aged four, six and eight years, in lieu of quinine. The youngest is dead and the others are in a Hence (and here we "point out a disprecarious condition.

At Woodbury, N. J., an extra train from Atlantic City struck and probably fatally ly cut about the head.

In Skowhegan, Me., a fire starting in the Turner house and stables swept them, burned twenty horses and adjoining shops and houses, loss \$50,000. In Kenton, Ohio, fire destroyed the depot, two hotels, two to the character of the men we supported to prove our good faith in this

Frederick Boodie, aged four, and his Mrs. Millais, whose beautiful face has become familiar throught the picture of the "Huguenot Lovers." was one of the the "Huguenot Lovers," was one of the Grey sisters of Perth, who were commonly gived so badly that they died in a few strength of the reform movement com-

A Chattanooga dispatch describes boiler explosion which killed a man half a mile distant with a nine-pound piece of Vance is the name for a new county just erected by a vote of the people of Granville and Warren counties, North the corner of a house, after the fireman had with than the majority of the present

There are now at the treasury some seven millions of 5 per-cent, bonds waiting advice from the owners as to what shall be done with them, as they have started too late for continuance and cannot be re-ceived and stamped. There is one lot belonging to a single individual amounting to two million dollars.

Wifliam McCaffrey, one of the trustees of the Roman Catholic church of Our Lady of Mercy, of Brooklyn, went to church in good health and assisted at early mass. He helped take up the collection and went into the vestry to count the money. While speaking to Rev. Father McNamara he gasped, fell forward on the floor and died instantly.

And now it happens that in Darke county, in the Republican state of Garfield and Hayes, a gang of Ku Klux shot down two men in their doorways at night. have given Mr. Timmans, a farmer near Palestine. Proble county, notice to leave, on penalty of death, after having broken down his door and destroyed his household How much longer, general, are you going goods, and served a similar notice on Mr.

Emerick, living near the same place. The half-decomposed remains of a man were discovered in the woods at a point a mile north of Wineika, Ill. The head had been severed from the trunk as if by an axe and the body was jammed in the thicket and covered with underbrush. Late the spot where the headless body was discovered, was supposed to be that of a shipwrecked man.

Dr. John F. Dunphy, of New York, age thirty, cut his throat in the Aston Place hotel. The police took him to Bellevue hospital, where he has a fair chance of recovery. The weapons used were a pocket knife and lancet. Troubles growing out of his marriage caused it. He comes of a highly respected family, and his widowed mother lives in Newburg. One of his brothers is assistant pastor of the Church of the Nativity and two others are priests.

CRIME AND MISPORTUNE.

In New Mexico a prisoner in charge of James Bell, struck and killed him with his hand cuffs. - A baby locked in an Alexandria, Va., house, was burned to death in a general conflagration, ensuing when its parents were away. - Collier white lead mill, St. Louis, has burned, loss \$120,000. The clothiers, Mackey, Johnson, Turner & Co., Chesnut street below Tenth Philadelphia, have made an assignment. Liabilities, \$130,000. — Abdallah Jr., brother of Goldsmith Maid, has died from poison.—Beecher failed of not become the foremost public man of an audience in Nashville, -Jersey City collected \$10 each, fine, from forty corner loungers who insulted ladies.—U. S. Marshall Martin and his twelve-year old boy each shot dead a robber resisting arrest,notice through the public prints up that A drunken ruffian, named Neusen, oraged colored Baptist minister of Ar-kansas, to kneel and pray; he wouldn't Neusen shot relieve all possible misunderstandings and Liberty Nelson, aged 50, in Upton, Massa correct misrepresentations, John modestly chusetts, and George Whitman, aged 56, adds . "I have lived here nearly sixty in the Chicago poor house hanged themyears; have earned and expended my solves in despair.—Mrs. John Hacker, sit-ting on her doorstep at Elma, N. Y., was means among the people of the county, seized by John Hochmeir, a neighbor, who and if my fellow citizens have sufficient confidence in my capacity and integrity to kicked her into insensibility, because he confidence in my capacity and integrity to had quarreled with her husband about

Jealousy and Crime At 164 Prince street, Brooklyn, Edward from jealousy shot his wife, inflicting wound which will probably prove fatal, and then sent a bullet through his own Dean Stanley, preaching recenty in heart, killing himself instantly. Husband Westminster Abby, described Gladstone and wife were each thirty-one years of age and the late Beaconslield as the great twin brethren of the day, each supplying what the other needed for the public weal. Though they differed so widely in opinious,

A Palpable "Distinction."

school," that it can "see no difference in sibly point out a distin we have not discovered." True, this journal has had the co-operation of both, has won a victory with both, and de them in detail. But the difference the INTELLIGENCER ignores and which we would point out is this: In order to make the first breach in the machine which could necessary for us to consent to tactics which can be justified only by the laws of war. If your enemy is starving and you can win some of his lieutenants to fight on your side by sharing your commissary stores with them, and thus gain a victory you could no otherwise achieve, the act will be applauded as good generalship. This was the character of our first fight with the bosses. Bosses McMellen and

They were ready to desert their fellow-bosses, Hiestand, Sensonig & Co., but only on condition that they should be fed? from the public commissary. Mentzer would naturally help his son-in-law to the quartermaster's stores. As the New Era Chestnut. Philadelphia, have chosen the is a Republican, but he did not vote at the wasn't hungry it didn't care a continental who got the plunder if the old gang was broken up. So it consented to take enough of its old enemies into its camp to divide their forces and thus be able in two campaigns to lick them in detail. The mistake we made was in supposing these hungry chaps would be satisfied with their lawful share on the commissary stores, and that they would be true to their profession of loyaly to the people. Once safely on the victorious side they began to rob and to plot treason. Then the New Era threw them overboard and resolved to not only drive them out of the public commissary department, but never again to attempt to strengthen its lines by offering the commissary to any boss as the condition or reward of desert-

Groff and Coble were starving for office.

tinction") in planning this campaign we laid it down as a fundemental pris that none of the old firm of Hiests senig, McMellen, Mentzer, Groff, Fred Smith & Co., should be put upon the ticket, which should be irreproachable, with no candidate upon it who had a smirched record, who would not pledge himself to take nothing but legal fees when in office, and use none but honorable methods to secure his election. We appeal matter. If a life-long character for integrity and honor means anything there is no fear of a McMellen, a Tom Davis, a Sammy Groff or a Christ Coble being developed among any of the candidates-elect hwom we supported or those whom the after prayer and the singing of "America," than they usually "like to see rewarded." board. Professional bridge contractors will not be allowed to ignore their ported have pledged themselves to the public to do, the New Era will be prompt to recall their certificates of good charac-

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STATE ITEMS. Francis Murphy, the temperance man,

will shortly tackle Oil City. George P. Rogers, an Erie clerk, com nitted suicide by shooting himself twice in the head.

John O. Deshong, aged 74, an influen tial, wealthy and widely-known citlzen has died at his residence in Chester after a ingering illness.

Williamsport is now to issue, in place of its outstanding obligations, refunding bonds. They are to be 10-20 4 per cents, exchangeable for the old bonds and unpaid at par.

A stranger believed to be Alexander Metice, was knocked down, killed and terriby mangled by a Pennsylvania railroad freight train on Powelton avenue,

Lieut, Col. Henry S. Smith, clerk of the courts of Montgomery county, died on Saturday morning at 3 o'clock, at his resileuce in Norristown. He had been seriously ill but a short time. William Daubert and Thomas McLaugh-

lin were blasting einder in a stack at Macungie furnace, when a premature explosion occurred, tearing away a portion of Dauber'ts face and destroying the eyesight of McLaughlin. Miss Mary Mathers, a beautiful and accomplished young lady of Woodbury, Md., aged 20 visiting friends in Philadel-

phia, went yachting on Saturday, was struck by the boom of a colliding craft, knocked overboard and her body has not vet been found It was Dr. Cattell, of Lafayette college, Easton, who declined for his institution a bequest of some thousands left to it by a graduate, who had most unjustly, in mal-lee over a quarrel with them, disinherited his son and wife. The college accordingly

gave up the property to them. The German singing societies of Philadelphia will celebrate the bi-centennial anniversary of that city by a great musical festival, to be held June, 1882, and last one week. Thirty-one societies have combined for this purpose, and in order to raise the funds necessary to make the af-fair a success a social musical festival will be held in Rising Sun park on the 21st and 22d of August next. At the grand festival societies from New York, Boston Baltimore and other cities are expected to participate.

Brotherly Love. Yesterday was observed as Union Decoration day in New Orleans, the graves at Chalmette being decorated under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic. J. R. Beckwith delivered the oration. The ex-Confederate associations took part in the ceremonies.

A Cool State A correspondent of a West Chester paper writes us from Port Deposit: It may make an interesting item for your readers to know that there yet remains a

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DECORATION DAY, 1881.

Unto our dend these hours belong We grace their shrines with bud and leaf, And with the eestasy of grief The voice of triumph swells in sone

Through lustrous years these heroes sleep 'Mid homes their spirits still possess; But who will crown, what chast will ble The breeze-blown graves of outer deep?

No wreathe for them, no rhythmicst While dimmed eyes wait on lonely shore
For ghostly ships that come no more
To lives made dumb with unsolved pain.

No foam-flags thrill before the prows, Nor wistful wind the course endows, Of brothers lost to mid-deep halls, What time they sailed our youth knew best :

The hot world pulsed with sailors' cheers,

Though in the rain of women's tears We bade them go, though pale lips thrilled Through all the various range of song, Nor dreamed our peans would prolong Their echoes till a requiem stilled.

ome steered for ports of far Cathay ; Some to the sun-kissed islands sailed, And some to guiff where no man hailed, For half their year was changeless day. and tropic cape and weed-lapped sho

Through seas of amber and of blue, Their shining keels our lost ones drew with vain inquest for promised goal. Oh, none return, or ever will Though better loved for being late, And dearer held that time and fate

Have wed their lives and ours to ill. We cannot grasp Divine designs Which give a purpose to our loss;

But we can feel with dust and dross f selfish pain some gold combines. and from the failure and the pain With earth-freed aims our souls outre

And claim the chastened right to teach The lessons learned through loss and gain. We hear this burden of our youth With greater patience that we know The hidden paths we tread below

Grow luminous 'neath amblimed truth Not vain our dead who tearless sailed; Unshrined, we hold them in our heart;

Unsung, they wake the nobler part of what their lives essayed and failed. In peace we guard these graves, and we Will glorify their hallowed field;

But till the waves our martyrs yield, Our noblest dead bless every sea. -J. D. J. Kelley, in United Service Mag

DECORATION DAY SERMON

"Boy Orator" Prosches to the Grand Salem Church of God presented an animated appearance last evening. A large congregation was drawn there by the an-

ouncement that Rev. John C. St. John, "the boy orator," as he is called, of Brooklyn, N. Y., would preach a nermon to Geo. H. Thomas post, G. A. R. Promptly at the appointed hour the post, numbering between fifty and sixty men, filed into the church.

The services began with an anthom, 'Walk in the light," by the choir, and

thanks be unto God, who victory through our Lord Jesus Christ," There will be no mob evoked by them to in 1st Cor., xv.:57. There are two great interefere with the auditors when their victories which ever confront us: one accounts are to be investigated, or if found on the pages of history; the other on the pages of prophecy. One tells us of the struggle for liberty for a time; the other for eternity; one mortal, the other immortal. It is twenty years since this nation was awakened from her slumbers will not be allowed to ignore their obligations because they own the commissioners, and if the robbery of illegal fees is not stopped, as the candidates we supais not stopped. man's heart. In '61 the ship of Liberty was boarded by traitors, her masts were torn from the vard arms and her sails shriveled and rent, and attempts made to sink her in the deep. But to-day she sails on the high sea of prosperity with more power than ever. The speaker then gave an eloquit and vivid recital of the combardment and evacuation of Fort Sumter; of the arrival of the Massachusetts 6th in Baltimore, where it was attacked by a mob; of the gallant heroism of General Geo. H. Thomas at Chickaman ga; the four years of carnage and blood-shed, and the subsequent surrender of the confederate armies to Grant at Appo-mattox. This is a nation of patriots. The mattox. This is a nation of patriots. The ink on the presidential call for aid had not yet dried ere thousands of America's noblest sons left those they loved and answered, "Here am I." The soldier's trials were then dwelt at length; the tedious marches, doing sentinel duty in the hail and rain, the monotonous camp life, etc.; the expectation of the loyal North as they watched the progress of the march of the Union armies, one marching to the head of the Confederacy the other to its heart. Results follow causes, and to-day we see as the result of those four years of civil strife-the emancipation of three million bondmen and the showing to the world that ours is indeed the "Home of the brave and the free." He spoke of the beautiful custom of decorating the graves. Decorate them with the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley, prognestic of the resurrection. Here followed a fine peroration on the resurrection of Christ and what it teaches us-that we too shall

rise. The exercises closed with the singing of "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" Rev. St. John is scarcely over 21 years of age and is of a very youthful appearance. His sermon, as a whole, was a good one, and abounded in many eloquent utterances, He has a good voice which is heard to advantage. His manner on the pulpit tends to the tragical. It was evident that he was laboring from illness, as he stopped during his sermon from sick headache.

The Postal Swindler. The right name of the postal swindles whose operations withforged money orders, under the name of A. B. Coles, and his arrest, have been described in this paper, is Linton, Jefferson county, Ohio, when he also had a little job printing office. Linton, Jefferson county, Onio, where he also had a little job printing office. According to the statement which he made to E. L. Tidball, special agent of the post-office department, he first conceived the idea of counterfeiting and passing money orders in April, 1881. He procured the paper to print them on at a Philadelphian home, and then set to work in his own office to prepare the cotton and advices, of which a large number were forged.

First in the Plate The ladies of the Moravian church, famous for their hospitality and good cheer, are first to invite the public to a straw-berry festival which will be held under their auspices on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week, in Robert's hall, North Prince street, opposite Fulton opera house. Generous entertainment and cortoous treatment are sure to greet the visi tor here, and the ladies promise the ripest, the reddest and most lus that the most exacting admirer of this kind of the small fruits could desire.

Wm. Witman, of Wrightedale, writes us as follows: "I noticed in the columns