

Lancaster Intelligencer.

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Methods of Government. We believe that once before now, in the Langan matter, we had occasion to criticize and condemn the conduct of Dr. Brooks. That was his individual act and it is not now defended by him or his friends.

Our esteemed local Republican contemporaries continue to preserve their funeral silence in regard to the sudden abandonment of the proposed investigation of the frauds at the late primaries, which twenty-five citizens, on behalf of either side, swore sufficient to change the declared result.

Our cotemporary, the New Era, is astonished at the course of the INTELLIGENCER in the Millersville affair, and finds that this journal invariably sides with the students of that institution and against the authorities.

The bid of the Lancaster gas company for lighting the city is not a bid under the invitation of the committee for proposals and probably was not intended to be. The company thinks it has the city in a pinch and proposes to pinch it.

MINOR TOPICS. We had a Legislature once in which we took no pride. It lasted for only fifty days. And then, thank God, it died. Gone but not forgotten.

To day is the centenary of the birth of George Stephenson, whose name is deservedly more closely associated than any other with the successful application of steam power to locomotion on land.

Blaine is starting to build a \$50,000 house, 54x80, in Washington. It is to be hoped he will not fall into John Sherman's tortuous ways and have it furnished out of the contingent funds of his department.

Jefferson Davis is reported by the Toronto Mail as saying on Sunday that he thought the South was morally, politically and financially in a far worse condition than before the war, but this was owing to its present transition state, which he likened to a forest, healthy in its primeval form, unhealthy while the clearing up process is being carried on, and healthier than ever when thoroughly cleared and under cultivation.

Two Murders for Fifteen Cents. Near Doubly Springs, Texas, Jefferson Lee, a wealthy farmer, keeps a liquor saloon, which is patronized by a considerable extent by colored people.

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2. The tariffs will be 15, 10 and 7 cents per ton of 2,000 English pounds, and per each mile for merchandise of first, second and third class respectively, and 1, 6 and 5 cents per mile for each passenger by first, second and third class.

3. The road is to be the property of the company, which will manage it in its own way, beginning the work at any point, and extending it in any direction, as it may see fit, and not to be bound by any other interference than that required by the general railroad laws of Mexico.

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THE ST. GOUDARD. Meaning Trains Through the Tunnel by Electricity. It is intended, if possible, to run trains on the railway through the St. Gothard by electricity, which is to be produced by the machinery now employed in pumping air into the workings and for other purposes. In the summer of 1879, at the Berlin exhibition the model of an electricity railway was shown which is at present working in the London Crystal Palace.

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were adopted endorsing of the late Morton Michael, Henry C. Carter, A. E. Borie and Thomas A. Scott. Addresses on the importance of education and the necessity of an endowment fund for the university were made by Senator Jones, of Florida; Hon. Benj. A. Willis, of New York; Rev. Dr. Everett, and Mr. John W. Forney.

Washington National Republican, Stewart Organ. The railroad monopolists will never be strong enough to resist General Garfield. The fate of Mr. Blaine ought to have warned him against the present alliance with them. The New York Tribune failed to make Mr. Greeley president in 1872, Mr. Blaine in 1876 and in 1880, and his advocacy of General Garfield for 1880 would alone be sufficient to insure his defeat.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE. "I AM NOT MAD." AN EXCITING SCENE IN LITZ. A Woman Foretold Taken to the Lunatic Asylum. About a week ago there came to the Lititz Springs hotel a woman of medium stature, fine features, delicately formed and refined in manner. She looked feeble, worn and haggard. Her face wore a troubled look, like one used to long suffering. She asked for work, and out of pure sympathy the proprietor's wife gave her some light employment. There was something mysterious about her, inasmuch as her language was good grammar, her knowledge of books proved her to be a woman of more than ordinary culture.

The poor woman protested most piteously against returning to "that prison" as she called it, and appealed to all around her to assist her in some way to have her case investigated. "I am not insane," she said, "you all know I have the right use of all my faculties, and I do not intend to consign me again to a lunatic! Oh, friends, think how you prize your own liberty! Then think of me shut up for three years as a lunatic, and all the time as sensible as you are, as sane as I am now. Oh, is it not enough to make any one insane? I wonder I did not hang myself long ago! Is there not justice for me! How long, Oh, Lord, how long?"

She argued her case most forcibly, eloquently, and left with her captor perfectly heart-broken. As this woman now appears to be sane, and asks for investigation, she should be granted. And if, as she alleges, her husband, Mr. Fogg, of Philadelphia, has placed her there to get rid of her, the imposition should be exposed and the woman set at liberty.

Free Press in Mt. Joy. The Mt. Joy Star and News, whose editor was excluded from the meetings of the school board, at the instance of Secretary Patterson, smarting under some of its strictures, thus exultingly points out that time at last makes all things even.

As was predicted by a large number of our citizens at the outcome of the victory gained at the last borough election for school directors, a change has been made in the secretary of the board. Secretary Patterson only saved himself from an awful defeat, when he fully realized his situation, by withdrawing his name as a candidate. The director who was elected, the doorman of the director who voted for the unlawful and contemptible secret resolution of Secretary Patterson, was met at the spring election by an overwhelming defeat, and the same fate is surely awaiting the "Boss" when his term for re-election is coming. The director who alone of the members present had the heart and nerve to vote against that abominable and unjust resolution, has now been made the secretary of the board. With C. M. Martin as secretary, we can assure our taxpayers and others interested in the management of our school affairs, that we will cheerfully at any time show his minute book to any person.

With the present board of directors, our citizens can cheerfully go to any of their meetings, and they will be welcomed. If they will not attend the meetings, they can call upon the secretary who will cheerfully make known to them the whole proceedings. This is quite a change from the late ex-secretary whose chief boast it was that he would not show the minute book. Let us have liberty and open meetings of the school board, liberty of press and speech in a liberty-loving and free country.

PROPOSALS FOR LIGHTING. The Gas Company Wants \$1.70 Per Thousand. Last evening the lamp committee of city council opened proposals for lighting the city for the period of one year, beginning July 1, next.

The Lancaster gaslight and fuel company bid to furnish the city with all the gas that may be needed for the mayor's office, treasurer's office and other buildings, and also the street lamps, at the rate of \$1.70 per thousand cubic feet, the amount of gas consumed by each street lamp to be estimated from an average of not less than twelve lamps with meters attached, which meter lamps shall be placed in such positions as the lamp committee and the company may designate. The company agrees to keep all lamps in repair, but the city to provide for their lighting, extinguishing and cleaning. The company bid to erect lamps and posts at \$18. Under the existing contract with the same company the city pays \$1.10 per thousand cubic feet for the gas, and the city purchases outright, at the price of \$4.65, all lamps erected.

The Maloney gas company, of Pittsburgh, bid to light and extinguish all the street lamps, or any portion of them, not less than 175, at \$23.50 per year for each lamp.

The Automatic gas lamp and lighting company, of New York, propose to light the city throughout with the Automatic gas lamp for twenty-one dollars per lamp per year.

The committee considered the bid of the Pennsylvania Globe company, the present contractors, to be the most satisfactory and more nearly in conformity with the specifications of the advertisement. None of the other bidders make any reference to lamps and posts, nor to the power of the light proposed to be furnished, and it was resolved to recommend favorably to council the proposal of the company named. With regard to the furnishing of the city with gas the committee determined to submit the matter to council without recommendation. Mr. Sneych, of the committee, was strongly in favor of recommending in favor of the Pennsylvania Globe company for lighting the entire city. The bid of the gas company on the terms indicated, he thought, was not to be considered. The matter was discussed as some length. Mr. W. H. Jones, who was opposed to any specific recommendation in the matter. He felt confident that council would reject the gas company's bid, but thought the subject should be permitted to go to that body for disposition. Mr. White, who is now far in pressing his views on the committee that it was decided to refer the question to council unaccompanied by recommendation, though Mr. Sneych stoutly protested and asserted that it was the duty of the committee to strike back at this company, who had bid in such a manner.

It will be noted that the gas company's bid is in direct contravention of the terms of city ordinance and of the specifications of the committee's advertisement, which state specifically that the street lamps shall be supported by posts per lamp, while the company's bid proposes to charge the city by the thousand feet.

It is expected that a special meeting of council will be called shortly to dispose of the matter.

FAIRIES AND FETTERALS. The Progress of the Strawberry Campaign. A strawberry festival given by the Fulton House, B. U. (H. of Pa.), was opened in the lower room of Odd-Fellows hall last evening. The room is very tastefully decorated with flags, flowers, pictures, notices, &c., and tables are supplied with an abundance of strawberries, cream, ice cream, flowers, &c., per lamp, and ice-cold lemonade is supplied by "Rebecca at the well." The attendance was quite large, and the proceeds from sales encouraging. The festival will be continued until Saturday evening.

Mail Agent Sentenced. George W. Hubley, the mail route agent convicted of stealing from the mails under his charge, was refused a new trial yesterday morning and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100, the costs of prosecution, and to undergo an imprisonment of one year in the penitentiary.

In passing sentence upon Hubley Judge Butler spoke as follows: "I am sorry so severe a sentence should be inflicted on such a young man of apparently so good a character and my mind is not clear from the idea that you may not be guilty of this offense, but the evidence against you is conclusive."

The "Old Commander" on Deck. Ex-Senate Supt. Wickerman's School Journal. "This will be a good time to move on the normal school," says the (Doyler-town) Democrat, and crossing voices echo the same sentiment in all directions. A good time, because there has been a change in the office of state superintendent. But when the battle comes on, there will be no want of leaders, and the "Old Commander" himself may take a hand as in the days gone by.

Hales of Tobacco. Wm. Ramsay, of Fawn Grove, York county, sold 1 acre to Frangley at 8 and 2; Fanny Jordan, of Chesapeake, 2 acres to Shindle at 9 forks; B. F. Manifold, of Muddy Creek Forks, 2 acres to Stelman at 9 and 3; R. K. Boyd to same, 2 acres at 8, 3, 2.

Measur Book and Jacobs, of Maytown, bought from Henry Smyser & Son, of York county, 40,000 pounds at fair prices.

Old Bangor Church. Old Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster county, having been thoroughly repaired and renovated, will be opened for divine service on Thursday, June 23, at 10:30 a. m. Divine service also on Sunday, June 29, at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.—continuation of reopening services.

The offertory or collection at each service will be applied toward the payment of the debt remaining upon the church edifice.

Patent Granted. A. Lake, of this city, has obtained letters patent for a stock car and motor.