

Lancaster Intelligencer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 22, 1881.

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THE IRON TRADE.

Case of the Present Depression in Prices. Secretary Swank, of the Iron and Steel Association, does not believe there will be a panic in the iron trade. He believes that the present depression in prices is due to a mere temporary flurry. He thinks prices have settled to a low level, forced down by the competition of English iron...

WASHING.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. One of the most remarkable peculiarities of the average American is his aversion to washing his feet. As a rule, he regards his legs with profound contempt as means of locomotion. It is not an unusual thing to see a young man or woman mount a dirty, crowded street car for the sake of an eight square's ride...

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Near and Across the County Line. The closing exhibition of the Oxford academy took place at the school room, in the Washington building, on Friday evening. Sophia Pretz, the oldest woman of Harrisburg, died in that city yesterday in the 94th year of her age...

ITEMS FROM STOCKVILLE.

On Saturday last a horse driven by a lad named Tomberger ran away doing little damage. Mr. Colin Cameron, who was driving a two-horse phaeton, whipped up his ponies to avoid being run into by the runaway team, when they too ran away and broke a spring. Mr. Jefferson Jacoby, who was recently prostrated by sunstroke and lay for some time dangerously ill, has recovered sufficiently to be down stairs. His numerous friends will be glad to see him about once again...

THE BIENNIAL SESSION OF THE NATIONAL CANTONERS' ASSOCIATION.

The biennial session of the National Cantoners' Association of the State of America began yesterday in Portland, Maine. The Washington monument, in Washington, yesterday reached a height of exactly 200 feet, about 30 feet having been added to it since spring. When finished, the shaft is to be 550 feet high...

THE SECOND TRIAL OF E. B. CASH.

The second trial of E. B. Cash, for the murder of W. M. Shannon in a duel, began yesterday in Darlington, S. C. The case was given to the jury in the afternoon. The International Sunday school convention meets to-day in Toronto. Geo. Colquitt, of Georgia, president of the convention, arrived in Toronto yesterday with a delegation from several of the Southern States...

WILLIAM F. BURNHAM, ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OF THE CONTRACT BUREAU OF THE CITY OFFICE.

William F. Burnham, one of the principal officers of the contract bureau of the city office department, who for several years had charge of the star routes in most of the territories, was removed yesterday and George M. Sweeney was appointed in his place. John Grison, the Chicago faster, demonstrated his strength yesterday, by lifting 400 pounds. At noon he weighed 164 pounds, a loss of 1/4 of a pound in twenty-four hours, during which he drank 84 ounces of water. His pulse was 62, respiration 17, and temperature 98.3-5...

THE CORNER STONE OF THE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

The corner stone of the Washington University, at St. Stephens college, Schenectady, was laid yesterday. Brooks spoke for the friends of Rev. Dr. Edward A. Washburn, and Thomas W. Powers, of Philadelphia, who are associated with the gift of the rest of the edifice. A telegram was read from General Grant extolling the reason for absence, caused by the illness of his wife...

THE SAFE OF SCHROEDER, SMITH & STANSON.

The safe of Schroeder, Smith & Stanson, at Peotons, Illinois, was blown open and robbed of \$500 in cash and \$10,000 in notes, mortgages and other securities, early yesterday morning. The burglars took a horse and rode off with the loot. Two clerks slept in a storeroom above, but were too frightened to go down. Pursuant to a call of the chairman, Hon. John F. Lewis, eighteen of the twenty-seven members of the Republican state central committee of Virginia met at Richmond yesterday. Mr. Lewis having been nominated the Readjuster candidate for lieutenant governor, was declared no longer a member of the committee, and General W. C. Wickham was elected in his place. It was decided to hold a convention at the State Hotel, at Staunton, for the nomination of state officers, and the nomination of delegates to the national convention, which is just now actively working its refineries. A number of those who were active in the former fight of producers against the Standard are in the present organization...

STATE ITEMS.

The commencement exercises at Lehigh university, Bethlehem, are largely attended. The annual examination of applicants for admission took place yesterday. David Mout, ex-select councilman, for some time a fugitive from justice, appeared in Philadelphia yesterday before Judge Briggs, accompanied by G. F. Thatcher, who entered bail for his appearance. Monday afternoon, while a freight train, westward bound, was passing the depot at Tyrone, a man named James Kennedy, who has been employed on the Lewisburg & Tyrone railroad for some time past, started to cross the track and was thrown down by a sudden jerking of the train he was thrown down between the cars to the track, was run over and had both legs cut off. He died a few hours after the accident. A large meeting of oil refiners and others interested in the oil business was held at the Monongahela Hotel, at Pittsburgh. It was a secret meeting and all the ordinary methods of obtaining news in regard to the object of the meeting were used without avail. It was learned however, that a union of refiners was formed for mutual protection. It is forming to cross the oil trade and to operate the oil trade in a different way from the present company, which is just now actively working its refineries. A number of those who were active in the former fight of producers against the Standard are in the present organization...

ADAMS AND ARTHUR.

John Adams complained of the vice presidency, which he held twice, however, in spite of this, that it was the one position where a man could do nothing and must make a mere figure head of himself, to hold it, honorably. It almost put a man into contempt, from the Adams stand point, to keep up the proper dignity of the office, and he would rather be a member of the cabinet than to hold the office, and he would rather be a member of the cabinet than to hold the office, and he would rather be a member of the cabinet than to hold the office...

dent of the United States should never fail to observe the wish of the senators of his party in the appointments to office in their states. He entered into an elaborate explanation as to how he had not done this in the appointment of Simmons to the Boston collectorship, the gist of which seems to be that he did it because Senator Sumner never personally asked him not to do it, though he knew he didn't want to. "Ask and ye shall receive," is apparently Grant's idea of the attitude of the senator to the president.

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COMMISSIONERS OF THE DOMINION OF CANADA.

A commission has been appointed to inquire into the working of mills, factories and workshops in the Dominion of Canada, to ascertain how many children under the age of fourteen years are employed, what are the hours of labor, the means of escape in case of fire, the ventilation, etc.

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April 7. Levitt's Burlesque Opera Company. Good house. April 8. Harvey's New Mastodon Minstrels. Crowded house. April 11. "Hearts of Oak." Good house. April 12. "Hearts of Oak." Fair house. April 14. Hyers Sisters—"Out of Bondage." Small house. April 15. Hyers Sisters—"Out of Bondage." Small house. April 18 to 23. Herzog's World's Wonders. Crowded houses. April 23. Maggie Mitchell in "Fashionable." Large house. April 25. Gen. Weaver's Lectures. Small house. April 27. Buffalo Bill in the "Prairie Wolf." Good house. April 28. Miles' Juvenile Company in "Pinafore." Small house. April 29. Abercrombie's Ideal "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Large house. May 6. Carncross Minstrels. Crowded house. May 25. Tony Pastor's Company. Large house. June 18. Jay Rial's "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Large house.

ON THE WAY.

MAYTOWN AND MARIETTA. Items of Interest Picked up by the "Intelligencer." "Smiling Cavalier." It seems to be Landlord John Finner's (of the Hermitage Hotel, Marietta,) purpose to keep a quiet house, and so when Thomas McPherson came there with the intention of "raising a row" he was accommodated. In the future Tommy will state clearly the "Smiling Cavalier." Notice has appeared in these columns of the sale of logs which came down the river by the breaking of the Williamsport dam. They lie all along this and York county's shores. The catching of them has proved profitable work to many Mariettians. One man caught nearly 200 and several from 100 to 160. As the law allows 50 cents for each log caught, the recompense will be large. The Marietta band got their pictures taken as a whole in "fall dress" on Sunday. Elliot Haldeman and John Meyers, the two men injured by the runaway on Sunday last, are much improved. The former is suffering from loss of blood from the wounds on his head. Burglars attempted to effect an entrance into the residence of Christ Brandt, Maytown, last night, by prying open a side shutter and cutting the glass, but were heard and scared off by Mr. B. Miss Annie Henderson, of Huntingdon county and Mrs. John Henderson, of Maytown, spent the day gathering ferns around Wild Cat. Two men, one a talker the other a singer with banjo accompaniment, entertained Maytowners with a free show in the square last evening. They were selling patent medicines. The fair and festival of the Reformed Sunday school, for the benefit of that organization, closed on Saturday evening and was a grand success. The receipts were over one hundred dollars. "A ninth wonder of the world" in the shape of an antique clock, that has been exhibited in Maytown hall for the last few days. Maytown has just celebrated a social event in the marriage of Mr. Walter Hoffman, the firm of Hoffman & Switzer, to Miss Ella Longenecker of Marietta. They have gone on an extended western trip of two weeks. They were the recipients of numerous and elegant presents. The Lutheran Sunday school will have a festival on July 3 and 4. It is for the purpose of raising money for the building of a new church and should be well patronized. The Hermitage house, Marietta, that was repaired, repainted and remodeled during the summer. It will improve the well known hotel.

MAYTOWN'S PROMINENT CITIZENS.

James Henderson is at his home for a short time. This may seem a superfluous item. Had it been said some time ago, it might have passed by unnoticed, but its mention today will bring to mind not only Mr. H. himself but Dorsey, Brady, Star routes, etc. Jim is always on the go and it deserves itemization when he comes to Maytown. By the way, I heard a good thing about Henderson, from a very reliable source. A short time ago, when in Marietta, he met a young man who carries the mail from 125 to 126th street, with the pouches on his shoulder. Henderson bluntly asked him what he got a year, and the answer came "120." "That isn't enough," replied Jim; and added, "Go along with me to Washington and I will get it doubled." The man seemed inclined to doubt this assertion, as his fears were quiet by the offer that if his pay was not increased again as much, Mr. H. would pay expenses. He went; his salary was raised to \$250 and Mr. H. proved his influence in the postal branch of the government. Another thing about this man, who may figure yet more prominently in the current investigation. I believe the INTELLIGENCER's Marietta correspondent gave him a notice some time ago. Soon after its publication he returned to Maytown, he approached a well-known educator, of Marietta's high school, in a heated manner, with the remark "Don't dare to put my name in that paper again, for if you do I will have an account to settle with you which will cost you the wrong way." In a short while after he found out his mistake, and is on the hunt for the right party, but he didn't look pale when we saw him to-day.

A FAREWELL SERMON.

The religious community of Maytown, especially those connected with the Reformed church, are in an excited state at present, owing to the preaching of a plain farewell sermon last Sunday by a departing pastor. The cause of all this commotion is about as follows, and as public opinion seemed divided, a church officer was visited to hear of his pastorage. About nine months ago the Reformed church of Maytown extended a call to Rev. S. P. Brown, of Snyder county. It was accepted, his charge being that and the Marietta church, preaching in each on alternate Sundays. He is described as being a brilliant young preacher of unusual energy for and devotion to his flock. He has presided over both charges with acceptability for that period. Last week during the session of the Lancaster census at Millersville, unknown to either congregation, he was to be transferred from this charge to that of the West Susquehanna, giving "contention" as an excuse as he was about to return to his former charge. On Sunday he announced that he would preach his farewell sermon in the evening, and consequently an unusually large congregation was present. The usual introductory service he began his sermon based on the words, "Woe unto you Bethsaida." His discourse was a powerful one, but not of the ordinary farewell kind, until at its close, when he surprised all by his epistolary language! After speaking of his birth, education, etc. in the Reformed faith, in all that time, he said, he never knew of contention in that denomination until I came to this section of country. Here I have received many a hearty welcome, and I hope to receive something better of you, but the conduct of this congregation does not allow me. I am going back where all is peace and harmony, love and affection where no contentions mar God's people." That is the gist of his epistolary language used as received from an elder of the church, who at the close of the meeting, approaching him, asked the cause of it. Mr. Brown replied, "You know whom I was speaking of." But when informed that it implic-