

Lancaster Intelligencer.

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 15, 1881.

A Defense of the Faith. It is very true, as is being observed in several quarters, that the Christian religion needs no special defense from the assaults of that "stalwart of stalwarts" infidel Col. Robert Ingersoll. They are by no means the most dangerous attacks which are being made on the faith of the fathers. He has a boldness of blasphemy and a fluency of ribald wit which few who sympathize with him have attained, but his influence is mostly in the way of entertaining those agreeing with him in advance, rather than in shaking the faith of the orthodox or in broadening the honest doubts of those whose sincere questionings may have more faith than "half the creeds."

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He Will Settle It. The discussion as to what Mrs. Garfield will do with the purse being raised for her, may as well terminate with the confident assurance of her husband's physicians that he will recover. The gift, it is not claimed, had in its inception any except two motives: the one was to ease the president's mind as to the future comfort of his family, and the other to actually provide for a condition of need resulting from their sudden deprivation of a protector and support. Both these reasons vanish with the president's convalescence, and the position of his wife and children with relation to this fund and its subscribers, becomes exactly such as it would have been had he never been stricken down. There will be no occasion to relieve Mr. Garfield's mind of anxiety for their support, nor to specially provide for it, since his salary of \$50,000 per year will take care of both these considerations. In no other event is it contended that such a fund would have been raised or could have been accepted with propriety. For, however admirable Mrs. Garfield is as a wife, mother and woman, the fact that she is the wife of the chief executive, and of the dispenser of places of honor and power and profit, would have precluded the millionaire from proffering her his \$5,000 check or the widow her mite. It would have been promptly refused in accordance with the proper instincts which have led all decent-minded presidents to decline to receive gifts of any material intrinsic value, when there was the least possibility of construing the donor's motives into those which usually influence favors to people in high place.

It may be that the persons who are getting up this fund will not see their way clear to abandon it now, without exposing themselves to a charge of insincerity, but we are certain that the president will speak with no uncertain sound if they persevere in presenting it to his wife. We trust this much alone to his instincts as a gentleman, but to his openly expressed convictions on the subject of gift-taking by public men. Even were he willing to expose his wife to the benediction of a "passing round of the hat," he would not embarrass his own future official conduct by letting her take large gifts of money from men, some of whose claims in all probability would come at some time before his favor for recognition. He surely can see, if they cannot, that he could not even do them justice without exposing himself to the suspicion, however unfair, of being influenced by their generosity to his family.

Dennis Dealy's Decorum. When the tail of the comet whisked over the office and dazed the editor of the Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, a small portion of it seems to have also touched the editor of the Evening Chronicle-Herald and given him a dash of idioy. The Chronicle-Herald is a paper which has attracted public attention during the recent excitement mainly by its use of a patent medicine wood-cut as a portrait of Mrs. Garfield, and of another old Molly Maguire cut on the next as the great and good Doctor Willard Bliss. Ordinarily the Chronicle-Herald relapses into a depository for second-hand snake stories, ravishments and Bowery litera-

sure. Very naturally therefore our more or less esteemed contemporary is shocked at our editorial suggestions that the presidential physicians might dispense with some of the offensive details with which they have adorned their "bulletins." The Chronicle has a nose for them. Quite as naturally, however, the INTELLIGENCER declines to recognize in the Chronicle-Herald a fit censor of morals or manners, much less its authority to speak for "the Democracy of the state," even if in their opinion this controversy was an issue in it. An opinion, however, which may command even its respect, is that of Mr. Garfield himself, who, the other day, upon being shown one of the bulletins sent out about him, sensibly said: "I should think the people would be tired of having me dished up for them in this way." The Ledger, too, in discussing the "great clinic" holding by the doctors over the president, in sight of all the nation, forcibly recalls this extract from Sir Henry Hallford in reference to a serious illness of George IV., "which is very pertinent to some of the imprudences at Washington and elsewhere at this time." "The family of the patient and the government have a claim to fuller information than can, with propriety or even common humanity, be imparted to the public at large."

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BERNHARDT will have charge of an American photographic tent at a charity fete to be given in the Tuileries gardens. Colonel JOHN S. MOSBY, consul general at Hong Kong, has no intention of returning home at an early date as reported, but will remain at his post for the present. Few like him die and none resign.

Mr. DAVITT, now in custody under his "ticket-of-leave," intends to employ his time in prison in writing a political and historical work, to be published simultaneously in the United States and Ireland.

Mrs. JOHN JACOB ASTOR through the agency of Children's Aid society has just sent a party of 100 children to comfortable homes in the West. Thus far Mrs. Astor has provided for 813 little ones, at a cost of more than \$1,500.

The half-breed organs do not seem to be at all satisfied with Mr. CONKLIN's interest in Garfield and the American of Philadelphia institutes this dreadful comparison: "Even Mr. Jefferson Davis has spoken words which Mr. Toseoo Conkling might copy."

In his North American Review article on "the color line," Fred. Douglass, referring to the prejudices on this subject has the following reference to an old Lancaster county abolitionist: "Good Old THOMAS WHITSON—a noble old Quaker—a man of rather odd appearance—used to say that even he would be handsome if he could change public opinion."

THE PATRIOT is coming to be sure, to sing in concert for us in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis and New Orleans. She may also indulge in a little opera. Seats will be \$20, \$10 and \$5, no little ones for a cent. She is being advertised as "handsomer than ever" and "in the plenitude of her powers." Her Nicolaï tenor comes with her.

BRADLAUGH has served a formal notice upon the speaker and the other members of the House of Commons, protesting against his previous exclusion from the house as illegal, and giving notice that on or before August 3 he will present himself at the table of the house; that any one who endeavors to prevent him will be acting illegally, and that he will resist physical force and endeavor to overcome it.

DALHOUSIE COLLEGE, Nova Scotia, is the second university in the Dominion of Canada to concede all its privileges to women, Queen's university at Kingston having already done so.

The long-sought secret of how to make the camellia combine fragrance with its beauty is claimed to have been found at last by a Naples gardener. The flower propagated is of a pale rose color.

THINGS have come to such a pass in Georgia that when a pretty girl wants a new silk dress for the picnic she raises the cocoon, spins the silk, coils, weaves and sews it. Miss Bettie Green, of Forsyth county, has thus taken the rag off the bush, as it were.

It will be noticed that in the White House doctors' bulletins the "alarming symptoms," "febrile rises," etc., are always things of the past. A little more frankness or a little less display would be more creditable to those who send out the news.

A LONDON journalist who vainly offered a prize for new notions in advertising had to bestow it upon himself for such suggestions as these, which the respondents had overlooked: "Take, for instance, the use of illuminated mural inscriptions in tunnels. On the Underground Railway there is an unlimited field for the display in phosphorescent characters of startling appeals to the passengers. What could be more impressive than the sudden flashing by means of letters of fire shining in the darkness of curt but incisive messages. Take again the leaves of bread and the penny buns baked and circulated every day. What a wide publicity would be assured for any pithy notice stamped upon them. Think, too, of what might be done, Scotland Yard having been precipitated, by the introduction of illuminated advertising helmets for our police. Just fancy for what an enormous sum the back of the penny-piece, or the half-penny, issued by the Royal mint, might be let to an enterprising firm; or on what

remunerative terms the outside of the knapsacks of our soldiers might be devoted to a similar purpose. The promulgation of a new pill in all parts of the world at the point of the bayonet, so to speak, would be quite an imperial operation, worthy of the princes of commerce."

The liquor question in Kingston, N. Y., has led to a knock-down among sober men. The city council were summoned to elect an alms-house commissioner—one of the men vested with the execution of the excise law—a vice a temperance man, resigned. The tellers appointed by the mayor reported the whisky candidate elected; a temperance man declared that the mayor appointed the tellers to make a false report; the mayor called him a liar; Coldwater slapped him in the face; the mayor had his assailant arrested. Friends intervened and that the matter was amicably settled was shown by the parties riding through the village in the same wagon. Mayor Bray was formerly a trustee of the Presbyterian church, but when he opposed the use of the church for a woman's temperance lecture in force and defeated him at the next election. His assailant, Alderman McEntee, is one of the firm of McEntee & Dillon, iron founders. He was a colonel in the army during the war and is a member and an officer of the Episcopal church. Both men seem to be heartily ashamed of the rencontre, and have been the butts of a good deal of joking. As Alderman McEntee has heretofore been a quiet and peaceful citizen, his unwonted pugacity excited some surprise. It was urged in his behalf that he was "aggravated" by a bad toothache and by the mayor simultaneously.

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Sylvester Mills, a practical miner, was crushed beneath a mass of coal at the Diamond mines. Wilkesbarre and died shortly afterward.

By the aid of the pawn ticket of Chas. Laverty's stolen watch, the police are said to have a certain clue to the Clugston murderer, who some say is Little Johnny Spielman, others E. A. Abbott, and others Billy Forrester—all famous rogues.

NEWS NOVELTIES.

STRIKING, SENSATIONAL AND SOMEWHAT BOLD. Facts from the Maine which are Stranger than Fiction. Michael Britney, an old farmer at Shrewsbury, N. J., has died from the effects of Paris green that he inhaled while sprinkling his plants.

The wife of George W. Grant, postmaster at Reading, Pa., died from grief for her husband, charging him with ill-treatment and neglect to provide for her.

In Menominee, Wis., Professor Warner was fatally shot by his insane daughter. He was lying in his room when she appeared with a revolver, which she leveled at him, firing three shots into his abdomen.

Dr. Charles Rowell, of Stamford, Conn., recently nursed his brother, Dr. Edward Rowell, through an attack of small-pox, and is now himself down with the disease, and is being attended by his brother with the same devotion.

The dead woman found below Niagara Falls has been identified as Mrs. S. Stewart, wife of Theodore Stewart, of Silver Creek, N. Y. She was 37 years of age and committed suicide for shame at the discovery of her infidelity.

In Spartansburg, S. C., Mrs. W. R. Ravan and her daughter, Miss Ruth, were killed by lightning, and other children of Mrs. Ravan and a little daughter of Mrs. Fritz, who had come to Mrs. Ravan's house through terror, were badly burned and bruised.

Mrs. Garfield says the kind words she has had from Democrats "all the same" are like "the same old story." She has an opinion as to what she would do were women permitted to vote as well as men. She would get two tickets, fold them so as to look like one, and drop them in the ballot-box.

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structure was shaken to its foundation. A scene of consternation at once ensued. There were about 200 persons present, and a simultaneous rush was made for the door, while the building resounded with the shrieks of women and children. There were a sufficient number of cool-headed persons present to intercept the crowd at the door and prevent the loss of life which must have ensued had the vestibule and steps been reached. While this excitement was going on a number of old ladies who were present fell upon their knees and prayed aloud and earnestly. Several of the knights who sat on the side where the lightning struck were attracted by the shock, there swores attracting the electricity. The minister exhorted the people to remain quiet, saying: "It is the lightning of God, which purifies all hearts." The excitement lasted half an hour. While these scenes were going on in the church another bolt struck the pole of the coaches which were standing in the street, shattering it and prostrating the horses. The horses attached to the other coaches took fright and ran in all directions. They were finally gathered together and the funeral proceeded.

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL. The Japanese Mikado is to be built entirely of wood and will cost \$5,000,000.

William Langham, a mason, was drowned while bathing at Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Arkansas and Kentucky observed yesterday with thanksgiving services for the president's convalescence.

A \$20,000 saw mill has been burned at Lindsay, Ont., and a \$10,000 print works store house in East Greenwich, L. I.

Baseball: At New York—Quicksteps 7, Metropolitans 6. At Detroit—Detroit 6, Browns 3. At Albany—Albany 2, Providence 6.

An astronomical congress will be held at Strasburg in September. The leading astronomers of Europe and America are to be represented.

Maud S. will trot again in Pittsburgh and in Chicago against her own time. 350 hours she established at Saratoga promise a great turf meeting there.

Cadet Engineer John Leeds Worthington, U. S. N., and Jared Parkhurst, a leading merchant, died in Baltimore yesterday.

A severe tornado swept over Fairfield, Minn., on Wednesday, destroying several buildings, killing two persons and severely injuring many others.

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TRAMP LIFE.

The several conventions of the Democratic party in Philadelphia were held yesterday. There was good order in all of them and the proceedings were of a harmonious character. Judge James T. Mitchell was endorsed for re-election to the bench; Major Moses M. Veale was nominated for recorder of deeds, and David Haggerty and John C. McMenamin for city commissioners. The ticket is one of unusual strength.

Another Editorial "Heart Bowed Down." Dennis Dealy's Philadelphia Chronicle-Herald.

"We are sure that in no other part of Pennsylvania, and indeed, in no other part of the entire country, has there proceeded from any newspaper such a coarse and brutal editorial on the president's condition as that which appeared a day or two ago in the columns of the Lancaster INTELLIGENCER. It was with pain that we read such a production in a Democratic journal published in one of the most enlightened communities of the state, and it is simply because we would not disgust or enrage our readers that we abstain from quoting it. The mean and degraded spirit in which it is couched will, however, really save its author from the general reproach and contumely to which he might have been subjected had the article been veiled in more guarded language. It was an entirely inoffensive and unmanly production, and however much the INTELLIGENCER may desire to represent, and to sustain the Democracy of this state, it has given the opponents of the party a handle to attack it. For ourselves, we disclaim any sympathy with such an article, and the Democracy of the state, we are confident, are of the same opinion."

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

MT. JOY SOLDIERS' ORPHANS.

Examination Day at Their School. Yesterday was examination day at the soldiers' orphan school at Mount Joy. There a profound meaning in the answer the little boy pupil in the language class gave Deputy Superintendent Houck when he told him to write examination with a big E. It was a big event for the pupils, and the school was crowded with spectators. The boys did not object either. For more than two successive months they have labored. How well, the deputy superintendent tried to find out yesterday in the main room of the building. The room was nicely embellished with evergreens and mottoes of evergreens, teaching lessons in themselves, such as "A little knowledge every day." "But brevity is the soul of wit." "Deeds are fruits, but words are leaves."

Shortly before 9 o'clock devotional exercises were commenced by Rev. Rhoads, of the M. E. church, who read the 3d chapter of Proverbs and offered prayer. After a trio, with organ accompaniment, the first grade, the primary pupils, were examined. The boys did not object either. For more than two successive months they have labored. How well, the deputy superintendent tried to find out yesterday in the main room of the building. The room was nicely embellished with evergreens and mottoes of evergreens, teaching lessons in themselves, such as "A little knowledge every day." "But brevity is the soul of wit." "Deeds are fruits, but words are leaves."

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COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE. The school board met in regular session last evening at 8 o'clock. Messrs. H. B. Slade, Stair, Stevenson and Zeamer. Mr. Kahn was elected president pro tem. Minutes of regular and adjourned meetings read and approved.

The finance committee submitted the following report: Balance on hand at last report, \$116 66; Rents on hand at last report, 6 00; J. G. Hess, tax collector for 1880, 31 20; T. B. Dunbar tax collector for 1880, 122 50. Total receipts, \$276 36. Balance on hand, \$75 11. The finance committee reported on the condition of tax delinquents for 1878, 1879 and 1880, and recommended some exonerations. The recommendations were approved by the board, and they will form the basis of settlements with the collectors. Mr. C. W. Stevenson reported the tax duplicates prepared by the collector, and the figures are as follows: 1st ward, 2nd ward, 3rd ward, Total. Real Estate, \$10,245; \$1,181; \$1,181; \$12,607. Single houses, 114; 114; 114; 342. Total, 332; 332; 332; 1,000. Total, 4,580; 3,770; 2,980; 11,330. Proposals were received for collecting the tax for 1881-82, but they were not opened and the collector was not elected, owing to the small amount of the members of the board. The matter was deferred until the next meeting.

A number of bills were passed and orders drawn in payment thereof. The board adjourned to meet at the call of the president.

Mr. Charles McCullough left this afternoon for the Chester Heights campmeeting, which began yesterday.

Mr. Charles W. Wagon returned home on Wednesday evening. He was working on the surveying corps. He will go back again in three or four weeks.

Last evening Charles Wright, "for being wrong and attempting to carry too much of a load," was arrested and placed in the lockup. He was taken "down" for 15 days.

R. O. Young, engineer on the Columbia local No. 106, was suddenly taken down by cramp. He was taken home where he now lies in a critical condition.

On Wednesday evening the heavy storm plugging furnace No. 12, in the Susquehanna rolling mill was struck by lightning and partially destroyed. Mr. John Hillier, who was working at the furnace at the time, had the iron rod in his hand, which was used for the furnace. He was stunned for a few moments, but nothing serious resulted from the stroke.

Rev. W. P. Evans, on Sunday, will be installed in the E. L. Lutheran church as pastor. The sermon to the pastor will be delivered by Rev. F. W. Combs, D. D., of Philadelphia, in the morning, and the charge to the congregation will be delivered by Rev. E. A. Hay, D. D., of Gettysburg in the evening. Both of the services will be of an interesting character and the entire community are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Harry B. Schweitzer, who for nearly a year was a clerk in Mr. David Hanauer's clothing store on Second street, and who left to take a position in a store in Salt Lake City, Utah, was recently married. From the Salt Lake City Tribune we clip the following: "On Thursday, July 7, 1881, our young friend, Mr. Harry B. Schweitzer has taken that step in life commended by St. Paul, and in so doing he was assisted by Miss Kate Young, of this city. Our congratulations are tendered the youthful couple."

G. Loest and Fifth street, last evening, some little boys playing in the street, found a tin can partly filled with paper, which was taken out. Beneath the paper the can contained some money and an advertisement for a new paper, which, after being unwrapped, was found to con-

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The board of directors of the Soldiers' Orphan School, at Mount Joy, Pa., have decided to accept of the offer of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to transport the orphans to Philadelphia for the purpose of attending the annual convention of the National Association of Soldiers' Orphan Schools, to be held in that city on the 15th inst.

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