#### Lancaster Intelligencer.

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The New York Herald informs the public of the belief of Messrs. Vanderbilt and Gould that the president's death would cause no financial panic. These men are not very good authorities on this matter, since the interests of both incline to make their wish father ing say, nine sub-districts, remains to be to their thought. Judge Hilton, who administers the A. T. Stewart business. gives an opinion to the same effect. which is more disinterested since his dealings are in merchandise rather than in stocks. But nobody gravely supposes that the mercantile interests of the country will be affected seriously by the president's life or death. It is stocks, which have been booming while merchandise has been quiet, that the holders are nervous about. As we have said we do not see much more reason than Vanderbilt and Gould do, why Mr. Garfield's death should knock the bottom out of the stock market; still stocks have been going up without reason, and so may come down with as little. If people get to thinking that the president's death will make a panic in stocks, a panic may be very likely to occur. There has been nothing to send stocks up but credulity, and credulity ought to be as as efficient in sending them down. The people who have been buying stocks at prices that are not ruled by their intrinsic value, are not very wise people and may sell them as unreasonably as they buy them. No one can safely predict the course of stock prices, because the value of the property they represent does not govern them. Mr. Vanderbilt, who now tells us there will be no panic because there is no reason for it, a year or so ago sold out a large part of his holding in the New York Central railroad; and people took it, and have sent the price up a good deal higher since, although there was no reason for it, and one would think that there was a good deal of reason, on the contrary, why the public should consider that the price at which Mr. Vanderbilt was willing to sell was a top price; since he certainly knew all about the property and would be little likely to sell it for less than it was worth; especially when he had no use for the money but to invest it in United States bonds, bearing four per cent. interest, while his railroad stock paid eight per cent. dividends. Mr. Vanderbilt's opin ion of the value of his stock was not very good opinion; and his view of the effect of the president's death on the stock market may not be taken now, though we coneider it a very logical one. If we did not know that there was no logic in stock prices we could comfort-

the Ledger money article that the value of a stock is its market price. It was a very excellent way to get rid of the importunate inquiries addressed to him as a financial authority to declare the real value of a security. It really would be useless to inform the anxious inquirer what the actual value is, if it could be ascertained. It certainly would not be the market value, and he would not believe you if you gave him any other. The real value could not well be demonstrated. That value depends upon the question of the income which the property represented by the stock will earn throughout the future. If anyone would undertake to do with all corporation properties what Mr. Harris undertook to do with the lands of the Reading coal and iron com pany-namely, to determine their intrin- protests against the custom, as the placing sic value by estimating their yield through of the stamp in any other than the orthodox the coming century-it is very certain that he would not get, as a result, the present quoted value of a single stock on the market. His way, it is true, was not a very good one, as his arithmetic brought out the present value of some lands as less than nothing; which is not likely; for, though a great many people would be a great deal better off if they had not, some things they have, yet nothing can be said to be valueless, since everything can be sold.

Our old friend Sailer has often said in

ably accept it.

If stock prices were the result of the judgment of men as to the intrinsic value of the property it would be true, as the Ledger is so fond of saying, that the market rate is the best attainable criterion of value. But dealers do not put their judgment to the endeavor to discover the real values of stock, being more interested in divining what they are likely to sell for, which is a very different thing; and as they have no solid ground to tread on in their speculations they are often very sadly erroneous. Every one admits that the president's death affords no good reason for a change of a cent in stock values, yet every one knows that the threat of it has affected the market, and the apprehension is general that the re- It turns out, first, that Guiteau is not an alization of the fear may have a more decided influence; and the apprehension may be strong enough to effect it; though we greatly doubt whether people will show themselves to be so silly.

OUR Democratic contemporaries continue to discuss, in excellent temper and from different standpoints, the reorganization of the party in this state and the kind of rules it ought to adopt to secure better government and more efficient organization. The Pittsburgh Post and Harrisburg Patriot make contributions position of the chief Southwestern city. to the subject, of which we publish the By January 1st, a new cotton mill will be salient parts, and without committing in operation in Memphis. At Randleman, ourselves to the support of their views N. C., a mill is now producing 5,000 yards we find much therein to commend, and of plaid per day, and other cotton mil's in all that they say can profitably be con sidered by the whole party and digested time, and have more orders than they can by its committee on rules and the state committee and Williamsport convention. The Patriot makes excellent and forci- terial interests will be greatly quickened ble suggestions concerning the necessity by the great cotton exposition in Atlanta for a more permanent organization, for better work upon voters in times when they are not carried away by political excitement and against the silly, expensive and demoralizing system of Chinese gong campaigns, which always serve to session of the Senate, in order that by the strengthen and intensify the opposition election of a presiding officer of that body in this state and to waste our little cam- due provision may be made for securing a paign fund. The Post argues for a larger state convention, its membership to be chosen on a different plan of representation or the disability of President Garfield.

tation, for and against which much may be said, and some modification of which may be found practicable. Upon a different plan of selecting the central state organization, and upon a per- Providence, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. HENSEL Harrisburg Patriot. manent salaried secretary, we believe the and Mr. and Mrs. G. J. P. RAUB, of Quarentire party in the state is agreed. ryville, are on a trip up the Hudson. Whether Col. Barr's plan of a committee of five is better than a conference committee, made up of the county chairmen, and an executive committee representconsidered. It is well, however, to have all the plans brought out and freely dis- convention in Pittsburgh and J. HARRY is the sublimity of folly to attempt cussed.

THE Philadelphia Times needs to soon publish another letter from its statesman correspondent abroad, the Honorable Samuel Josephs, or the anxious public will find out which member of its able editorial staff is off duty. What Josephs saw at the Mabille, and what he taught Gambetta and Grevy about politics, will be more interesting than the Times' controversy with Dr. Agnew or Kemble's project of endless wire-pulling for five cent fare passenger railway cars.

#### MINOR TOPICS.

THE anti-monopolists of New York have a convention meeting at Utica. It is said ex-Gov. Seymour will take part in its proceedings, and possibly Mr. Conkling.

S. M. LEWIS, a colored "straight out" Virginia Republican, openly declares for Daniel, and in a letter to the Washington Post urges his friends to follow his ex-

TEXAS people do not throw themselves on epitaphs no matter how much display they make at funerals. Down on the Rio Grande a plain board at the head of a mound tells the public "thirteen of them Mexican Greasers ar' planted here."

Col. Forney's Progress was astonished at the successful preservation in ice of about antediluvian elephants kept ten thousand years imbedded in frozen gravel

The Clearfield Republican approves the idea of a code of rules for the govern ment of the Democratic party in this state, is pleased with the composition of the committee having the same in charge, and looks for satisfactory results from their

ing in Georgia, and in one county they have to their royal highnesses he astonished taken then, though doubtless it was a a church with a hundred members. The every one-even those who knew his innewspapers have, however, taken the mat- dependence of social prejudices-by apter in hand, and the apostles of "the true pearing in a white linen suit of clothes, faith" are finding their work so difficult better adapted to the weather than to the that it is likely they will soon retire from formal social requirements of the occa-

> News is received from Rugby, Tenn., the English colony founded by Mr. Thomas Hughes, that over one-twentieth of the colony is suffering from typhoid fever, two deaths having occurred and several persons being in very precarious condition. A foul cistern and imperfect drainage tell the whole story of stupidity and neglect in a community whose habitation was chosen for its sanitary advantages and one leading principle of which was to be special care of the health of its mem-

THE latest popular mania-confined as yet to sentimental writers of billet douxis the practice of sticking postage stamps upon unusual and out-of-the-way parts of envelopes. There is, it seems, a "postage code" of flirtation, and each position of a stamp expresses some particular sentiment. Postoffice clerks are loud in their position, the upper right hand corner of the envelope, puts them to no small inconvenience and annoyance in the work of

THE population of Scotland has grown more in the last ten years than in any decennial period since 1821 31. It has 3,734,-441 people, the females outnumbering the males 140,000. Its cities have varied in their increase in the last decade. Glasgow has increased from 491,646 in 1871 to 511. 532 in 1881, or 4 per cent.; Edinburgh from 197,593 to 228,190, or 15.48 per cent.; Dundee from 120,724 to 142,454, or 18 per cent. : Aberdeen from 88,181 to 105,054, 19.13 per cent.; Greenock from 59,794 to 68,897, or 15.22 per cent.; Leith from 46,434 to 61,168, or 31.73 per cent.; and Paisley from 48,257 to 55,642 or 15,3

PEOPLE who do not sympathize with Bob Ingersoll on general principles can assent to all he says about Parson Newman's logic, who tells us that the crime of Gutteau shows three things: First, that ignorant men should not be allowed to vote; second that foreigners should not be | \$500 that he had and was shot by one of the allowed to vote; and, third, that there should not be so much religious liberty. ignorant man; second, that he is not a foreigner; and third, that he is a Christian. Now, because an intelligent American Christian tries to murder the presipent, the parson says we ought to do something with the ignorant foreigners Buck lake in a punt with herself and their and infidels.

WITHIN the next eighteen months a railroad will connect Kansas City with Memphis, and then, says the Avalanche. Memphis will be waked up all over, and will run a race with Kansas City for the the old North state are running on full fill. Altogether there is a very hopeful outlook for the "new South" and its mafrom October to Christmas

## Preparing for an Emergency.

A special to the World intimates that the secretary of state is about to issue in the name of the president a call for an extra

PERSONAL Rev. Dr. J. H. A. BOMBERGER, of Ursinus college, was in town yesterday. Dr. W. C. WENTZ and wife, of New

Hon. T. M. Pomerov is acting presi dent of the American express company, and it is thought that he will be elected to

succeed Mr. Fargo in that office. The Delta Tau Delta college frateruity has been holding its twenty-third annual college, was the poet of the occasion. Cardinal Manning is spare almost to

emaciatiou, and bald as it shorn; his appearance severely monastic. His voice and manner, however, are pleasant, and his speech is full of kindness. BOOKWALTER invited FOSTER to be pres

ent at the opening o his new opera house in Springfield, Ohio, but Charles is just now devoting himself to camp meetings and beer halls on alternate days. By the American Bar association,

session at Saratoga, Hon. Thos. E. the Pennsylvania member of the executive council.

John Amweg's admirer. Miss NELLIE springs. A correspondent writes to the Wheeling Register: "A dozen ladies said beautiful, do you.""

Rev. O. B. FROTHINGHAM, who has spent two years in the south of Europe, is health. In September he will sail for New York, where he will engage in much money. The objection is not well-literary work heginning with a hiography founded. The money misspent in the literary work, beginning with a biography | founded. of George Rippley.

PATTI and her sister Carlotta are en ter was lying at the point of death in a hospital of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Adeline was all the time in the neighborhood, fresh shad caught in the Delaware, until and sent not a single word of inquiry asked to attend the administration of the sacrament she refused, saying that she

The Duke of SUTHERLAND, who can drive a locomotive or command a fire department, is no slave to tyranny in dress. There was a garden party a fortnight ago cess of Wales, and among the bidden guest was the duke. The weather was MORMON missionaries have been preach- extremely warm, and in paying his respects

> LATEST NEWS BY MAIL. Dennis McMahon, aged nine years, o Hoboken, drank a pint of whisky and

died almost immediately afterward. Anson Eldred's large saw mill at Oconto, Wis., with a quantity of lumber, was burned yesterday. Loss, \$100,000. building, was burned yesterday. Loss about \$15,000.

Albert Elsele, aged twenty, was carried past Elizabeth, on a Central railroad train from New York, and attempted to walk back on the track. He fell from the bridge and was killed.

James Wilson and Miss Davidson were rowing a small boat on the bay at Hamilton, Ont., when the boat was run down by the steamer Algerian. Wilson was drowned and Miss Davidson was rescued in an insensible condition.

An unknown man, about fifty years of age, was found hanging from the fence on Seventh avenue, between One-hundred-andthirty-third and One-hundred-and-thirtyfourth streets, New York. He was dead. and had apparently committeed suicide. The body was sent to the morgue.

Out in the state of the late Mr. R. B. Hayes a young ruffian, named Jourdan Reed, beat John Jones, a man eighty years old almost to death at Marietta, and his step daughter and second wife finished the murder by kicking him in the stomach so that he died.

Mill run bridge on the Panhandle railroad, was not Massrush, but Thomas Hays, and he lived at Burgettstown, Pa. He was a layer and nays in our conventions; they brick moulder and worked at Midway. He are not wanted as a permanent record, but came to the circus and got drunk, and is it is the only way, as the conventions are supposed to have been killed where he was constituted, an exact vote can be reached. found. The deceased was fifty-five years old and leaves a widow.

A farmer named D. Drue, living about eight miles from Nashville, Ill., while Monday night by the discharge of a gun, and as he raised up in bed he received a the top part of his skull off, killing him

A gang of train robbers boarded the smoking car just after dark, at Granada Col. They blew out the lights and com menced going through the passengers for their money. A colored United States soldier in the rear car refused to give up outlaws. In turn the soldier shot one of the latter and killed him. This frightened the others and they left without any booty.

Vankoughnet, of Bedford Mills, Conn. suspected of the shooting and killing of Farmer Richardson, is missing. His wife alleges that "in anguish of soul at being continually accused of all the crimes committed in the vicinity," he went out on child, and when midway in the lake plunged into the water and never rose again. The story is supposed to have been concocted for the purpose of allowing Vankoughnet to escape.

## A PANIC AT SEA.

And Men Act the Coward as Usual. The steamer Plymouth Rock on her the iron piers, burst a steam flue, from which an immense volume of steam escaped. A scene of terrible confusion ensued-the passengers being madly panic stricken. In the struggle for life preservers head first. As soon as the panic subsided the band struck up and helped to reassure REORGANIZATION.

RULES FOR THE STATE DEMOCRACY. The Necessity for an Efficient Organization

This movement is not only entirely

proper, but one that should have been made long ago. The state organization of the party is without any code for its government and when in active operation guided simply by usage which sometimes gives place to the interest of faction or the whim of an excited majority. \* \* A permanent working state organization of the party should be maintained. It GEISSINGER, late of Franklin and Marshall to organize a half million of voters in a three months' canvass. It is utterly ridiculous to think of adding proselytes to the ranks of the party by distributing decuments and holding mass meetings in the heat of a campaign. It is a continuous, never ending labor to build up a party. Not only must the central organization be constantly familiar with every detail of party work throughout the state, but it must be ready at any and every moment to take advantage of any weakness of the enemy of which it may be advised. In the winter months when the average voter has more leisure to read and on account of the absence of political excitement is more inclined to think for him FRANKLIN, of this city, has been elected | self than at any other time of the year, the state committee should make its principal effort at proselyting through the circulation of sound and instructive political lit. erature. Indeed this kind of work should HAZELTINE, "the belle of St. Louis," has be kept up the whole year round. But in arrived at the Greenbrier White Sulphur order to accomplish such a task the chairman of the state committee and his clerks must be constantly employed. The party head-quarters to me to-night, 'I don't think she is so must be kept open and busy year in and year out without any intermission. The "machine," as the vulgar independents would say, must run with a perpetual motion. It may be objected that now in Scotland. He has recovered his the idea is visionary and impracticable because it involves the expenditure of too ordinary Chinese gong campaigns to which we are accustomed will fice to carry on all practical and senemies. The story goes that while the lat- sible operations of a state organization in permanent activity. Besides one year's trial of the plan would so commend it to the party that there would be no difficulty afterward in raising the necessary sinews of war. The chairman of the state coma friend sent him some facts and drawings about her sister. It is said that when mittee and his clerks should, however, be paid annual salaries sufficient to enable them to devote their whole sacrament she refused, saying that she time and attention to the party did not care whether Carlotta lived or work. They should be men who are separated entirely from the interests of faction and who have no ambitious aims of their own. Indeed the work of the state committee should be performed as systematically as that of a government bureau and the functionaries selected to at Marlborough house, given by the Prin- perform it should hold their places during good behavior subject to removal only by he full committee.

SOME MORE RECOMMMENDATIONS.

By a Member of the Committee on New James P. Barr, in Pittsburgh Post.

We propose to briefly note some of the changes we have heard discussed in our methods of political work, in the line of liscussion of the subject, so that when the next month the delegates may be prepared mitted by the state committee. The State Concention .- As now consti-

members, and is based not on the Demogive Republican counties unfair advan- try to make them out such. tages. Thus, Berks with 17,000 Democratic votes and 7,700 majority, has only seven delegates in our state convention, while Lancaster, with 10,700 Democratic votes and 8,700 Republican majority, has eight delegates. Such comparisons might be extended, but this indicates the line of argument of those who claim the state convention, as in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and in most of the states, should be based on the Democratic vote, one delegate being allowed say for every 500 votes. This would largely increase the membership, but with no inconvenience, for the vote of the convention on candidates or other questions would be taken by counties, and not by a call of the roll and an aye and nay vote. In Ohio conventions we have attended with 700 delegates, representing eighty-eight counties, the sense of the convention was taken on a given ques tion, by a call of counties in less than onethird the time it takes in our State Conventions to call the roll of 251 delegates. Each county delegation elects a chairman, who announces its vote as in the national conventions the chairman of the delega-The man who was killed at the Saw tion gives the vote of his state. It not only saves time, but is a more orderly and satisfactory method. There is no use in the But if this is too sweeping a change, it

is suggested senatorial delegates dropped, and representation confined to representative delegates. As no county in sleeping in a bed near the door of his the state is divided in electing representahouse, was awakened at 10 o'clock on tives, if this is done the convention could readily reach a vote on any question by a call of counties. The senatorial delegates charge in the head which blew nearly all are a surplusage. They merely represent Republican ingenuity in a cheating apportionment. For instance, Delaware and Lebanon, with 7,000 Democratic votes have two senatorial delegates, while York with 11,600 Domocratic votes has only one. If the senatorial delegates are dropped committees would naturally be constituted of one from each congressional district and thus reduced from the unwieldy number of fifty to twenty

To avoid the weary and profitless contest over a temporary chairman-for it really decides nothing-that officer should be selected by the state committee from the list of uncontested delegates. Thus the convention would at once be equipped for its preliminary work, when called to order. The congressional district delegates having previously met and elected their committeemen, they would be announced, and the convention brought face to face with its important duties without a that often provoke scenes of turbulence and bad feeling. The fewer points of col-

lision the better. The State Committee, It is here rather than in the state convention that greater efficiency is requisite. Briefly we think morning trip to Long Branch with 1,000 it should be changed in this direction: 1. passengers, when about twenty miles from | Constituted of one member from each conchairman of the state committee) and treasurer, which committee shall be chargmen were seen to seize them even from ed with the conduct of the campaign; 3. women. For about half an hour there The executive committee to appoint a perescape the windows were broken | committees, its list of names, etc., shall out and the passengers passed through be preserved and transferred as the property of the committee and not carted off as the property of individuals; 4. The full the passengers. The tug Germania took state committee to fix the time and place the Plymouth Rock in tow. Other boats for holding state conventious and to meet came up and towed the disabled steam | the day before the state convention and boat to smooth water where the passen- select its temporary chairman and secregers were transferred and brought to this taries, and also issue tickets to delegates city. In the panic a number of women who have the prima facie right to a seat,

His Condition Last Night.

The dispatch from the White House last

night at 11 p. m. said : To day has been much more favorable than yesterday and a general feeling of reassurance has been gradually growing. The interest of the day centered upon the condition of the president's stomach and great encouragehas been derived from the fact that the nourishment taken naturally has been retained. When it was decided to give him cooled infusion of beef Dr. Bliss informed him of the purpose and he seemed perfectly willing to take it. After the first quantity was taken the president showed signs of improvement, and his pulse became more firm and regular while it was considerably less frequent, low as 116 at one This improvement continued 12:40, when the first teaspoonful was taken, until 1:45 p. m., when the second teaspoonful was taken. After taking nourishment the patient slept calmly on both occasions. He awoke after the first nap without expression any annoyance from irritability of the stomach, but when he awoke the second time he remarked to the surgeons that he tasted the liquid, and at this time barely escaped being nauseated. The symptoms showed that the stomach would not bear any further nourishment to-day. One of the nurses explained the situation by saying: "I sponged the president quietly, and told him not to think of his stomach and he would be all right." This suggestion, it appears, was complied with and the disturbance passed away and no vemiting occurred Dr. Bliss says it was then determined that it would be best not to attempt the administering of any further nourishment, except by means of enemata for the present. The hope of the night is founded the action of the tient's stomach, and as it gains strength the confidence of his recovery increases, and vice versa. Marshall Jewell called a the mansion last evening and requested to see Mrs. Garfield, and the request was granted. Afterward he said that he had informed that lady of his intention of leaving and before starting felt as if he would like to hear some encouraging news as the condition of the patient. Mrs. Garfield, in response to the question if she thought he was better said: "Indeed I do; I know it." This reply, the general says, was emphasized and carried reassurance with it The Queen Inquires about the President

The following were exchanged yesterday. OSBORNE, August 17 .- Mrs. Garfield, Washington: I am most anxious to know how the president is to day and to express

my deep sympathy with you both.

[Signed] The Answer. Her Majesty the Queen, Osborne : Yourmajesty's kind inquiry finds the president's condition changed for the better. In the judgment of medical advisers there is strong hope of recovery. His mind is entirely clear and your majesty's kind expressions of sympathy are most grateful

as they are gratefully acknowledged. LUCRETIA R. GARFIELD. [Signed] Dr. Rliss and the Newspaper Correspon

The Ecening Journal prints the following extract from a letter written to a Washington: "Don't believe any of the state convention meets at Williamsport pretended interviews with me that are sent out by newspaper correspondents to act more intelligently on any plan sub- here. I hold no interviews with newspaper correspondents, but they insist upon inventing false and foolish convertuted. it is equal in numbers to both sations with me. I can't help this. Agbranches of the Legislature-that is 251 new and the other surgeons have the same trouble. Don't think that the pres-The chair factory of Nichols Brothers at cratic vote, but on an iniquitous Re- ident's surgeons and physicians are shal-Westminster, Mass., a large three-story publican apportionment, designed to low fools because the 'press gang' here

## NEWS SENSATIONS.

Curlosities of Crime and Calamity. In a dispute at cards in St. Louis on negro, Henry Wise, plunged a knife into and cut him to death .- Mrs. Liberty Ratcliff, living three miles south of Great Bend, Kan., committed suicide with strychnine, because though 20 years old and married she could not complete a novel which she had been writing for eight years, and the manuscript of which, in disgust, her husband poked into the fire.—Mamie Harris, a white girl, on trial for murder in cutting the throat of Ruth Gwin, a negro woman at Dry Bridge, near Danville, Ky., has been cleared.—Dr. E. L. Pattin gill, a prominent physician at Hancock, N. Y., committed suicide by running a stiletto through his throat, though he was only 28 and had a good practice.-Catha rine Lynch, the mother of three children, the oldest only eight years of age, having been dispossessed is sleeping on the streets with all of her family-Mrs. Jane Pierson, divorced wife of Dr. Wm. Pierson, of Goshen, N. Y., worth \$10,000, poisoned herself with strychnine, out of fear of impoverishment. - Joseph Kohn, of Memphis, got beyond his depth while bathing, and when his father's partner, Morris Feiburg, tried to save him, both were drowned. - Charles Wesley Ayers, of New York, whose wife left him mysteriously in their late honeymoon, has died at Fire Island. The young widow heard it without tears. -Seven members of a murder jury in New York state, on Tuesday evening, at tended the Baptist church in Pulaski, and listened to a sermon in which the preacher discussed the murder freely and used it to point a moral.-Edward B. Gridley, who was married on Tuesday in Baltimore to Miss Ora Walton, has been sued for breach of promise of marriage by Miss Vina Farley, daughter of a retired physician. Gridley is a son of the late Gen. Gridley, who was well known in New York and the East Miss Farley wears a delicate plain gold bracelet, permanently secured by a diminutive padlock, and claims that Gridley turned the key with the remark that it should not be unlocked until their wedding. Another girl wears a similar bracelet, and still another threatens suit for breach of promise.

# Revising Their Opinions,

A Northern clergyman, stationed at Raleigh, North Carolina, and engaged earnestly in the movement for probibition in that state, predicted its deteat before weary wrangle over unimportant matters, the event, in a letter to the Boston Advertiser, a leading Republican paper. Upon this letter the journal comments as fol-

The writer echoes the charge of Southern Democrats, that the representatives of the government in the South are morally bad. He asserts, what we have otherwise learned from perfectly trustworthy augressional district; 2. To elect its own thority from the same state of North Carochairman, with an executive committee of lina, that the colored people are intemperfive with a chairman (not necessarily the ate and becoming more so. The emphatic declaration of the good intentions of the white people of the state, of their acceptance of the results of the war, and of their hearty co-operation in measures was a scene of dire confusion. In the manent secretary (at a moderate salary) for the rescue of the colored race from upper deck cabin a struggling mass was and establish permanent quarters at the the evil habit of drunkenness, is the more wedged, doors being blocked up and to state capital, where the records of the remarkable when the authorship of it is The Lucky Finder of the Wanas considered. The author is no weak Northern "doughface" wheedled by unexpected hostility, but a Northern Republi expecting to contend against "rebel" opand children were knocked down and trampled on, but to what extent they were injured has not been ascertained.

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STATE ITEMS The family of George Wall, of Philadel-hia, whose dead body was found in a small tributary of the Delaware and Chesapeake canal, are firm in the belief that the deceased was the victim of foul

play. By a stray shot which may prove fatal Emma Minger, was shot in the breast while among the excursionistsof the Leiderkranz society last Sunday on the steamer Edwin Forrest, down the Dela-

Luzerne county has elected a delegation to the Republican state convention favorable to the nomination of Senator Davies, of Bradford, for state senator. Among the delegates is Allan H. Dickson, Governor Hoyt's law partner. It is thought that Attorney General Palmer will be elected enatorial delegate.

The lands of the Alliance coal company Famaqua, Schuylkill ccunty, belonging to Cooper, Hewitt & Co., have been sold to New York capitalists for \$1,100,000. The original cost was \$300,000. A new company has been formed, with a capital of \$2,000,000. The lands will be developed at once, and the coal will be carried upon the New Jersey Central road.

Union county is a notch ahead in the matter of insurance companies, having in addition to its life insurance and marriage insurance organization, just started "Mutual Assessment Birth Association," located at Laurelton. It provides, that egitimately married members, who have been connected with the company one year, can have their infants (born after one year's marriage) insured. That is, they can secure from \$1,000 to \$3,000 when their infant is born, after one year of married life. A policy of \$500 costs \$4.50, and for \$3,000, \$24. All members are taxed \$4 per annum payable semiannually.

Eccentric Suicide, Down in Shelby, N. C., William Droohes attempted to shoot his wife, with whom he had quarrelled, saying, "I am doome for eternity, but you shall go there first." The pistol failed to go off. He then told his family that when they heard a gun fire at 12 o'clock it would be a sign that he was about to hang himself. He borrowed a gun and started from home with a well rope. Promptly at 12 o'clock the report of a gun was heard. Some neighbors at once ran to the spot, hoping to frustrate the suicidal design. He was perched in the top of a tall oak tree, and as they got in sight he sprang down. The rope was round his neck, and the fall broke his

## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Neur and Across the County Line. The Chester county corn looks very unromising, and the failure is so general that not more than half a crop is expected. An incendiary attempt was made to fire the new stables of the United States hotel at Myerstown, a few nights ago. It is but a few years ago that a barn was burned

down on the same sight. Rev. Dr. M. Meigs, of Pottstown, and his two sons, Mr. William G. Meigs, resident engineer of the Lebanon Valley railroad, and Rev. George D. Meigs, pastor of Tioga county, Pa., are about to make a

The large tobacco shed of Josiah Hoffer, on his farm about half a mile west of Highspire, was discovered to be on fire, and before proper means or men could be taken and had to suppress the flames, the structure, with its contents of straw, was entirely destroyed. A tramp named Julius Ulwig is under arrest on suspicion.

George Yocom, an aged and well-known citizen of Sinking Spring, died yesterday morning after an illness of ten days. was engaged in farming for a number of years, but he retired, and his farm was occupied by his son Amos. He was about 70 years of age, and leaves eight children.

all grown up. In a little over one year nearly the en-tire family of William W. Balthaser, esq., of Upper Bern township, Berks county, have died. On the 27th of May, 1880, one child died; in September, 1880, another child died; on the 18th of April, 1881. Mr. Balthaser died ; on the 15th of July another child died, and on the 19th of July Mrs. Balthaser and another child died, in all six persons. There is but one member of the family left, a little girl six

years of age.

The Reading school board, notorious over the whole country for its turmoils, is in boiling hot water because it supplanted the old and favorite high school principal, Prof. John A. Stewart. There is talk of an indignation mass meeting against the ring," " who legislate simply and solely in the interests of the favorites," and who are "panoplied with that peculiar kind of power which in some eyes attaches to bodies clothed in ermine, pockets filled with filthy lucre, fingers ablaze with diamonds, and hands gloved with the skin of th kid.

Charles E. Bogle, of Milton, after a fishing trip, on which he caught more than twenty pounds of bass, besides a great number of other fish, made examination in the presence of quite a number of witnesses, and found that all the bass he caught were alive with worms. In size they are as large as a grain of wheat and in shape like a fish bladder. They are plainly to be seen by the naked eye imbedded in all the fleshy parts of the fish, but by the aid of a glass, such as the examination was made with, they are a disgusting thing to look at.

In York Mrs. John L. Henry has lived unhappily with her husband for some time. It is stated there is another woman in the case, which has excited the jealousy of Mrs. Henry. They have long indulged in family fights, and the neighbors have frequently been dis turbed by their actions and loud talk. Tuesday night the fight grew worse and Henry was obliged to quit the house. He returned yesterday afternoon and his wife procured cayenne pepper and threw it into his face before he was aware of her intentions, blinding him. He is suffering intensely. The woman will be arrested.

West Mission Festival. A fair and festival under the auspices of

the West Mission of the M. E. church, and for the purpose of paying off the debt of that worthy institution, is elsewhere advertised to be held at Fulton hall in September, to continue for one week. The following list of valuable articles will be disposed of by vote, and the attention of persons intending to compete for them is invited to the call for a meeting to be held at the mission, corner of Lemon and Charlotte streets, on Wednesday evening next at 8 o'clock. The list neludes an organ, one gold watch, two silver watches, reclining chair, sewing machine, breech-loading gun, Knights of Pythias badge, Knights of Pythias uniform, cook stove, scroll saw, wax doll. student's lamp, velocipede, cigar marker's

Yesterday the enterprising Philadelphia clothing firm, Wanamaker & Brown, sent can Methodist preacher, who went South up another balloon from the roof of the Keystone house, Reading. The air ship, No. ponents, and who is surprised to find he is 13, contained the usual order for a \$10 suit supported by his presumed foes, and op-posed by those in whom he hoped to find Walsh, of Philadelphia, had charge of the active and energetic friends. Such testi-mony as this is valuable, and it suggests the balloon in a corn field about one mile

THE AUGUST COURT. Wednesday Afternoon. - The mmonwealth vs. Michael Mack, Michael Fitzpatrick, George W. Grawley, William Mowery and Isaiah Shinton, charged with disturbing a performance at the opera-house in Columbia, was resumed. A number of witnesses were called by the defense; they stated that they did not see Fitzpat. rick or Mack do anything before they were arrested and taken out by Constables Fisher and Lyle, They had done nothing to disturb the play. As far as the other defendants were concerned, they had only at-tempted to go out of the opera house, when they were met by a lot of "special' officers, who attacked them, beating them severely. A number of witnesses testified to the good character of the defendants. for peace and good behavior previous to

this charge. John Myers plead guilty to the charges of stealing a set of harness from D. S. Detwiler, and a bridle from George A. Rebman. He was sentenced to six months and three weeks imprisonment.

Com'th vs. Wm. Walker, larceny, and carrying coacealed weapons. One night in February last the store of J. S. Snyder, in Columbia, was entered and a lot of shoes were stolen. The defendant with another man was seen near the store be fore it was "cracked." ward Private Watchman Rodenhouser saw defendant near the store; he started to run and and dropped a lot of shoes which were afterwards identified by Mr. Smith. A revolver and a razor were also found on him. Corson Devan, a colored man, testified that defendant told him upon this night that he was going to break into the store. He was arrested some time afterward.

The defense was that Walker did not commit the offense, and was not in Columbia on this night; Rodenhouser was mistaken in the man. Defendent carried the razor to protect himself as another man had threatened to kill him, and the razor was used for shaving purposes. Witnesses were called on both sides to show that Carson Devan is crazy and sane.

Charles Wolf plead guilty to the charges of larceny and carrying concealed weapons. he being the man who on last Sunday night stole a lot of clothing from an employee of Lawrence Knapp, and afterwards attempted to cut Chief of Police Deichler with a knife. He was sentenced to undergo an imprisonment of eight

Frank Gray, a sailor from Nova Scotia, plead guilty to the larceny of one dozen of stockings, the property of Henry Bechtold, of this city. He was sentenced to two months and fifteen days imprisonment. The prisoner stated that he stole the goods in order to get to prison, as he was sick and needed proper medical atten-

In the case of Cornelius Lanaghan, charged with assault and battery, on complaint of Anna Green, a verdict of not guilty was taken for want of the prose cutrix who had failed to appear, although notified several times. The court told the jury that they could put the costs on the prosecutrix or the county. They put them on Anna. The grand jury returned the following

True Bills : John Myers, larceny ; Samuel E. Myers, Frederick Koch, Joseph Groff, Israel Shrencker and John W. Keis, neglect of duty ; Frederick Struck, forcile entry ; J es Gurran, j Curran, sr., false pretense ; Lydia J. Herr

malicious mischief. Ignored: M. L. Hammond, carrying concealed weapons, with Peter Martin for costs ; Herman Ehrhart, larceny as bailee; Martin Derr, false pretense, with Abram

Wenger for costs. Henry Hart plead guilty to fornication and bastardy, and received the usual sen-

Thursday Morning .-- In the case of Commonwealth vs. Isaiah Shinton, George W. Grawley, Michael Fitzpatrick, Michael Mack and William Mowery, charged with making a noise in the Columbia opera house, the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty, with county for

In the case of commonwealth vs. Wm. Walker, the jury found him guilty of larceny, and not guilty of carrying concealed

weapons, but to pay the costs. In the case of Henry Rogers, charged with keeping a bawdy house, a verdict of not guilty was taken for want of evidence. Rogers was indicted with Elizabeth Donnelly, better known as "Mammy," since the suit was brought, has died.

Wm. Jefferson, a colored man who resides in Columbia, was charged with having committed a rape. The female was Eva Baker, a colored girl, aged 11 years, who resides in the same town. She testified that the defendant called her into his parber shop and there committed the offense. The girl admitted that she did not tell any one of the affair until eight days afterward. Dr. Taylor testified that he examined the girl, but found no evidences of a rape having committed. The com-monwealth abandoned the case and a ver. dict of not guilty was rendered.

Verdicts of not guilty were rendered in the following old cases of ex-District Attorney Brubaker, the defendants having never been arrested; Jacob G. Hacker, David S. Martin, Abraham Myers and Jacob Stormfeltz, fornication and bastardy, George H. Welsh and Theodore Hansen. false pretense.

Com'th vs. Elmer Hulsinger, robbery The evidence for the commonwealth showed that on the night of June 25. Ann Richardson was on Middle street, when she was met by the defendant, who endeavored to take her handkerchief from her which contained \$1.50. In order to save the money the woman threw it to Ellen Stewart, from whom defendant took it and then ran away escaping from the poice officers who were looking for him

The defense was that Ann had been drinking on this night and Elmer only took the money from her in order to prevent her from obtaining more liquor; he took the money in the presence of witnesses. Several persons testified to the defendant's good character. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty.

Com'th. vs. Frank Pfits, malicious mischief. The prosecutor was Peter B. Ford-ney, who testified that the defendant tore down a chicken coop and took away the boards of a stable floor on a property which he had bought from Isaac Ryan in July, 1880, but did not get possession of until April 1st, 1881. The alleged malicious mischief was committed on March 15th. The court said that there could be no conviction because the prosecutor did not have possession at the time of the commission of the offence. The jury was was sent out to make disposition of the costs. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty with county for costs.

A verdict of not guilty was taken in the case of com'th vs. Lydia Jane Harris, charged with malicious mischief. The prosecutrix was the girl's mother, who desired that this disposition be made of the case in order to send her to some relatives in Maryland.

Charles Racougle plead guilty to fornication and bastardy with Louisa Lowery and received the usual sentence. Divorced.

George Adams, ot Akron, was divorced from his wife Elizabeth Adams, on the grounds of adultery.

Flushing Gutters and Sewers. Superintendent Kitch has a force of men at work to-day opening the plugs and flushing the gutters and sewers in various parts of the city, to clean them of accumulated filth. The superintendent says he has plenty of water in the reservoirs, the pumps are working admirably, and it is his intention to open the plugs from the county prison to the watch factory.