

Lancaster Intelligencer.

FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 19, 1881.

Put Us to the Test.

The Examiner recommends the council committee, to which has been referred the question of a paid fire department, to examine the working of the paid system in neighboring cities of Lancaster's size, before making up its report.

The suppression of fires is a business; and one that requires business-like attention and skill. Good apparatus is needed, always in good order, with good men to use it, under the intelligent direction of a competent chief.

There is an old and true adage that what is worth doing at all is worth doing well. Lancaster has certainly not observed this injunction in its fire arrangements.

The Chinese Students. The Chinese government makes a singular movement in ordering back to China the students that are now studying in our American colleges.

The New York Independent, with that perspicacious fairness for which it is eminent, seems to think the educational test for suffrage ought to be applied in the North, where the uneducated class are mostly Democrats.

The Chambersburg Valley Spirit and Shippensburg Chronicle are exceptions to the party press of the state generally.

Every baseball club has its rules, and the Democracy of every district. The present apportionment of state conventions, the constitution of the state committee, the temporary organization of the convention of and many kindred matters are already regulated by rules.

We do not agree with our esteemed contemporary, the New Era, that the paying of delinquent voters' taxes is the chief source of corruption in our local politics.

ONE hundred and four men own 10,439,432 acres of land in the British Isles. The Duke of Sutherland controls 1,200,546 acres.

A WEALTHY manufacturer of Maryland, who died recently, set aside \$100,000 to defend the provisions of his will. The person who would contest the will against such odds would have very great faith in the courts.

A COMPLAINING friend of the negro who objects that "professionally the structure of society is against him" in the South, might find the same conditions in Northern communities which give large Republican majorities.

The will of Mr. Tilton, of New Hampshire, proved about fifteen years ago, read thus: "I give and bequeath to the Bible society, the Foreign Missionary society, the Home Mission society, and the Tract society \$500 each."

board, the State Missionary society and the American Tract society, of Boston, then came forward for the money. Proof was made that the church of which Mr. Tilton was a member took periodical collections for these four societies and he was accustomed to contribute.

In London on Wednesday a banquet was given to Hon. WILLIAM M. EVARTS by Mr. Puleston, M. P., at the Conservative Club.

Mr. JOHN BRIGHT is said to be very charitable in an unobtrusive way. The most conspicuous thing in his modest home by the family mill is the library of 1,200 volumes which was presented to him by his admirers after the passage of the corn laws.

The CZAR of Russia has a curious ornament on his writing table. It is nothing less than a piece of the food bread—a mixture of uninviting and unwholesome refuse—on which the peasants have been trying to live in one portion of his dominions.

Dr. VAUGHAN exclaimed, with impassioned fervor: "Oh! what a wanton waste it were if such an intellect as Arthur Stansley's were destroyed!"

Dr. Boynton says he does not want to be understood as criticizing the treatment of the case in any way. Indeed he does not think it could have been more wisely handled; but the fact is the patient was overfed.

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had proceeded a short distance the wire snapped within seven feet of it. Johnston, the elevator and the cracker all landed in a heap on the first floor, the young man so injured that he died.

THE PRESIDENT. STILL IN A CRITICAL STATE. Slight improvement but continuing anxiety. The president is slowly improving.

Will the doctors allow supposition to take a course before opening the abscess? Of course they will not open it until it is in proper condition to be cut.

"What does the president think of this unexpected trouble?" "He mentioned it a few moments ago—that it was too bad that this new complication arose. I assured him that it was a case of simple indigestion, the discomfort arising from it. I told him further that there was nothing alarming in it."

"What is the president's condition tonight?" "His whole condition has improved today. The stomach is beginning to retain food, which is a very good sign."

THE PRESIDENT'S STOMACH TROUBLES. Ever Since the Shooting. The better action of the president's stomach gives renewed hope for his ultimate recovery.

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lead a 4-year-old bull to water, when the animal became fractious and uncontrollable. Goaded to fury by his attempts to subdue it, the beast charged upon and tossed the unfortunate and helpless man into the air, and as he struck the earth, it placed his heels on his chest, and he died.

A bald-headed eagle hovering over St. John's Island, in the St. Lawrence, suddenly swooped down and attempted to carry off a two-year-old child of Mr. John Clancy's that was playing in a field alone.

How the Abuse may be Stopped. There is no doubt that the practice which has grown up of paying delinquent taxes by the party organizations has had more to do with the corruption of our local politics than any other single cause.

"Who discovered this trouble with the gland?" "I noticed it last night when bathing the president. I discovered a fullness near the neck, as if a lump were there. By this morning it had assumed quite large proportions."

A DUEL TO THE DEATH. An Indian Chief and a Prominent White Man. Details have been received of the duel a few days ago at Pine Creek, Indian territory.

"Your blood alone can pay for this!" "My blood is yours when you are man enough to take it," exclaimed the colonel, standing back and assuming a threatening attitude.

And Afraid of Being Governed too Much. Shippensburg Chronicle. For Messrs. Dill, Wallace, Randall, Hensel, Barr, Barger and Whitman personally to entertain the highest respect.

turn affairs have taken. There seems to be no man able, strong and bold enough to take the helm, and hold up the reins. The chief of the party, given to it by Thomas Jefferson as the shibboleth of our faith.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE. NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS. Near and Across the County Lines. The history of Chester county, edited by Hon. J. Smith Fudge and Gilbert Cope, has finally been completed and published.

A young lady of Chambersburg lost a finger ring seven long years ago, the ring being highly valued as a memento of a gift, and a gentleman found and returned it the other day.

The corn crop is going to be a short one this year, in Eastern Pennsylvania, on account of the drought. In the lowlands there are some good fields, but in the uplands the stalks are stunted, and will not yield anything like a full crop.

Reports of the law committee, finance and mileage committees, and of the grand chancellor were debated and adopted in the Grand Council of the Knights of Pythias yesterday.

Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. From the journal of the 10th annual convention of the Episcopal diocese of Central Pennsylvania, in charge of Bishop Howe we gather the following summary of statistics:

Excursion to Letitz. It is proposed to run an excursion from Coatesville and points on the Pennsylvania railroad to Letitz, via Reading, the affair to take place some time in September.

Thursday Afternoon. Wm. Walker, who was convicted of the larceny of J. S. Snyder's shoes was sentenced to six months imprisonment.

Morris Dickinson, a young man who is respectably connected, plead guilty to stealing a horse and harness from his uncle, John Dickinson, and a sleigh from John Kessler, of Shippensburg. The court sentenced him to one year and six months imprisonment.

Elmer Holsinger, who has been cleared on two charges this week, was released after furnishing bail to answer at court the charge of felonious assault and battery.

Com'th vs. George Bingenstein, felonious injury. The defendant was charged with entering the house of Henry K. Kaufman, who lives four miles west of Mt. Joy, and stealing a gold ring, bottle of wine and a lot of cigars.

Com'th vs. Charles Myers, assault and battery, with intent to commit a rape. Mrs. Catherine E. Francis (wife of John Francis, the well known colored preacher) was the prosecutrix.

Com'th vs. Israel Marshall, colored, malicious mischief and assault and battery. Abraham Harris, colored, testified that on a Sunday in January last Israel Marshall and his brother came to his house.

A Good Idea. It is said the Pennsylvania railroad company is about introducing a neat arrangement for notifying passengers as to what station they are approaching.