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Put Us to the Fore.

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 Lanport. This is good advice, and the money and time expended for such purpose will be judiciously employed. Knowledge is what the committee and the citizens want; and no better way of getting it could be suggested than the towns where about the same conditions prevail. What we desire in our department is efficiency and economy. We must expend whatever money is needed from fire as can be afforded it; but we want to get value for it. We are expending, directly or indirectly, a great desi of money now for such protection without getting it.

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; and the question for the committee is whether these needs will not be better supplied in a paid system. But their inquiry will not end here. They will want to see what appliances we need to make our fire system properly protective. They will find politics. It is not the worst thing, nor that other cities, even with volunteer nearly so bad as the "poll committee" fire service, are very far ahead of Lancaster in their apparatus. In Reading, for instance, the engines are on the road to a fire in less than five minutes after an alarm. At the beginning of the confla gration, the moment that it is most easily managed, it is most important that the the New Era seems to approve. All parfiremen should be on hand; and there ties suffer from the wrongs, and all are where my death, like that of a barren tree. can be no system worthy of name where, tainted with the wrong-doing. Reat all hours of the day and night, some one does not stand by a telegraphic in- though their agreement and the fidelity strument, ready to be advised the moment that a fire breaks out and able to instantly summon the force to suppress it. There must be electrical connection between parts of the city and the central time than in this off year to devise and station, and between that and the engine houses, where the men and the and it ought to be done in advance of horses are ready for duty at a moment's

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. They were out of date long ago. It is astonishing that we should have been so long content with a system in which we consider ourselves prompt when we get water on a fire within an hour after its breaking out-a length of time which is generally sufficient for the building fired to comfortably burn down.

We rejoice that the city authorities have now appointed a committee to take our fire affairs into consideration, and we join our contemporary in urging them to make their examination thorough, to the end that they may be able to enlighten the councils as to the progress of neighboring towns, and enable it to know what measures may best be certainly enable us to take.

The Chinese Students.

The Chinese government makes a sin gular movement in ordering back to China the students that are now studying in our American colleges. Some years ago Yung Wing, who graduated at Yale college in 1853, and subsequently married a Yankee girl in Hartfordwhere he now lives in elegant style-persuaded his government to permit the education of other Celestials in our colleges, just as he had been, and Yale college has had a good many Chinese students since, and some have been studying at Lafayette college, in our Pennsylvania town of Easton. But now they relations of the races there. He found the have all been ordered home. Yung blacks much more prosperous than he ex-Wing having lately been made one of the Chinese ambassadors here—we believe there are two-his functions as overseer of the students have devolved on another Chinaman; and he, it is said, does not approve of the education of his fellowcitizens in our colleges and has secured their recall. If so, he must want to go home himself, as his occupation will be gone when they go. And it may be only the homesickness of this Celestial that causes the flitting. Still, the explanation is not satisfactory. We fail to understand why he should be homesick for China, and chop-sticks and rice, and hari-kari, and all the other Chinese delights that we don't appreciate; but then they say a man may be homesick for any home, however homely. But has this particular sufferer been able to contemplate the bliss of Yung Wing, with a nice Yankee wife, and a well-to-do father-in-law, and a cottage in the beautifully shaded town of Hartford, without longing himself for a anyway; we hope the Chinese emperor will kindly reconsider. Some of us obiect to having the Chinese come among us as cheap laborers, for they take away our work and our cash and don't take away any wives to enjoy it with them around their tea plants; but students, who come and spend their money here

THE Chambersburg Valley Spirit and Shippensburg Chronicle are exceptions to the party press of the state generally, in their opposition to the movement for rules for the Democratic organization of the state. The former proceeds, we believe, on the erroneous idea that it

are not written. Every baseball club board, the State Missionary society and had proce has its rules, and the Democracy of the American Tract society, of Boston, every district. The present apportion- then came forward for the money. Proof ment of state conventions, the constitu- was made that the church of which Mr. a heap on the nest not injured that he died. tion of the state committee, the temporary organization of the convention of and many kindred matters are already accustomed to contribute. The court said regulated by rules, the operation of which | that these were probably the societies he in the past has not resulted to the party's intended to benefit and ordered the legaadvantage. Surely there is fair reason cies paid to them. caster's size, before making up its re- to assuume that it might be profitably considered whether or not these rules can be wisely amended. Again, other matters, for which there is no rule and which must be determined by shifting precedents, are now left to the "caprice" of faction. observation of the experience of other or the power of "bossism," to be deterinterests of the majority. Surely such matters had better be settled on principle and permanently by authority. It is not to give our property such protection intended to usurp the functions of succeeding conventions. That cannot be done, of course, but there are certain questions continually arising to plague determined, and which could be avoided, by a few permanent rules regulating them. The very evils of which the Chronicle complains have resulted from the lack of such rules, and the settlement of these matters by an body rests in peace and his fame liveth for appeal to factional or personal interest. evermore." Beside Macaulay lie Camp-

> 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 determine the relative magnitude of the evils from which we suffer. They are all bad enough, and they can all be eradicated in no better way, we believe, than that which we have indicated, and which form can come and can only come of those who agree. No party nor facthe situation. There never was a better inaugurate the operation of some reform, the mayor's and governor's elections of next year. Let us stamp out the payment of taxes, the hiring of " poll committees" and all that they imply, the assessment of candidates or officeholders, and let us have an earnest, honest, nonpartisan committee of a hundred to do to live in one portion of his dominions. it effectually.

MINOR TOPICS.

ONE hundred and four men own 10,439,-432 acres of land in the British isles. The Duke of Sutherland controls 1,2,209,546 his knowledge. acres. 2,114 of Queen Victoria's subjects ontrol over 38,000,000 aeres

A WEALTHY manufacturer of Maryland, who died recently, set aside \$100,000 to the courts.

A COMPLAINING friend of the negro who taken to put us in the forefront in guar- objects that "professionally the structure anteeing safety to our property; a posi- of society is against him" in the South, tion which our wealth and prosperity might find the same conditions in Northern communities which give large Republican majorities. He could see it in the Lancaster quarter sessions.

> over the Ohio state temperance convention, made up of clergymen and laymen from every county, believes that its ticket will also be endorsed by the regular Proh .- he cutitled "A History of Federal Governbition party of the state, with some 6,000 ment from the Foundation of the Achaean votes, and that the defection of regular League to the Disruption of the United Republicans on this issue will be so great States." The Philadelphia Telegraph as to make Foster's defeat certain.

J. MILTON TURNER, another colored man who has been traveling in the South has had his eyes opened to the persistent and malignant Radical misrepresentation of the pected, and the whites far more patriotic and liberal to his race. In Nashville twenty-five negroes are worth over \$20,-000, largely owing it to white patronage. By all means he thinks the negro should stay South where his realfriends are.

"CHRISTOPHER NORTH" harshly reviewed Tennyson's first volume in Blackwood, and the future poet-laureate replied in a copy of verses which Mr. Jennings cautiously qualifies as "curious." They are, us the reader can see :

" You did late review my lays, Crusty Christopher; You did mingle blame and praise, When I learnt from whom it came, I forgave you all the blame,
Musty Christopher;
I could not forgive the praise, Fusty Christopher.

THE New York Independent, with that perspicuous 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 girl and house and Yankee father-in-law? mostly Democrats, but in the South, It is sad to think that he cannot thus be where they are vastly Republican, it accomplishment of the purpose and the tempted; and sadder to know that a would be just too terrible to make reading effecting of a strong organization. score or more of bright Celestial youths and writing a test for the voter. Likewise. are taken out of the way of Yung the Independent is reconciled to the stories Wing's luck-sad for the Yankee girls, of life insurance frauds and murders in this state, because they are confined chiefly bitten by a rattlesnake, and that in runto "immigrants."

In addition to the views which we printed yesterday from the Pittsburgh Post, regarding a plan of reorganization for the state Democracy, its editor recommends that "there should be a declaration against ble, but when reason returned told the old the election of delegates to the state conand marry our girls, we rather take to; vention by any county prior to the issue of walk, went to a dance, met more friends tation of the physicians. the call for such convention. In some counties the delegates are elected a year in advance. This is hardly live politics." the effects of the beating. And he thinks it would also be well to have all delegates appointed by county or district conventions, and not chosen by county committees, as the custom is in some counties.

is proposed to make state rules to The will of a Mr. Tilton, of New Hamp. and bruised, and their horse cut the sinews govern the local Democracy in their shire, proved about fifteen years ago, of his hind legs so badly that he will have local affairs, which is not the idea; read thus: "I give and bequeath to the to be killed. the latter seems to fancy that the Bible society, the Foreign Missionary sothe latter seems to fancy that the movement looks toward "bossism" ciety, the Home Mission society, and the employed in the cracker bakery of Walter

Tilton was a member took periodical col-lections for these four societies and he was

PERSONAL.

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

Congressman S. S. Cox and wife have mined each convention according to the their way to Syria. They are the guests of the United States consul general.

Powers, the sculptor, began work on bust of President Garfield, at his studio in and in a perfectly satisfactory manner. Florence, Italy, on the very day of the attempted assassination.

Dr. HILL and his wife, of the Protestant Episcopal church, who have worked fifty said the public should beware of the the organization which ought to be years in Athens for female education, have press gang, He says the story is a cruel received a letter from the king of Greece. expressing kindly wishes and appreciation of the results obtained.

In Westminster abbey the tomb of Lord MACAULAY, has the inscription: "His bell and Dickens, and upon them looks down the statue of Shakespeare.

Mr. John Bright is said to be 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 in your opinion?' business. But it is not necessary to his admirers after the passage of the corn laws. The library cost \$25,000.

MIDHAT PASHA refuses to be banished from Turkish soil. "I prefer," he says, "to gland." die here, in sight of the world, as a specimen of the flagrant injustice of your judgments, than to perish in a remote corner. would cast no gloom and teach no lesson.'

A committee of journalists, composed of prominent editors, one from each of the thirteen colonies, has been selected to tion can be expected to sacrifice its in- take charge of the interests of the press at putting on a combination of iodoform and terests while another takes advantage of the Yorktown celebration. A. K. Mc-CLURE has been chosen chairman of the committee. He will deliver an address upon the power and development of the press from the days of Franklin to the gland?" present time.

The CZAR of Russia has a curious ornaless than a piece of the foul bread-a mixture of uninviting and unnutritious refuse -on which the peasants have been trying He was ignorant of the distress in the district until a newspaper published the facts. and now keeps the bread before him on a lecter-weight, that he may see what his day?" people have been obliged to eat without

In preaching Dean Stanley's funeral sertality, Dr. VAUGHAN exclaimed, with imwaste it were if such an intellect as Arthur defend the provisions of his will. The Stanley's were destroyed!" The discourse When it was ready I gave it to the presiwas heard with deep emotion, and when dent. He swallowed about an ounce and such odds would have very great faith in it was through many of the audience, doubtless, said to themselves : "There stands the man to be the next Dean of Westminster." Probably he or Canon Farrar will be appointed.

Hon, Andrew D. White, president of Cornell university, and late United States minister to Berlin, announces that he has secured Dr. EDWARD AUGUSTUS FREEMAN as a non-resident professor for Cornell, R. L. STANTON, D. D., who presided the Freeman who in 1862, in a moment of jubilation over what he supposed was the break-down of the American Union, published the first volume of a work which students the second volume of his work.

STATE ITEMS.

Foxburg, a small village near St. Petersourg, Clarion county, was almost entirely destroyed by fire yesterday morning.

While a large force of men were demolshing an old brewery on Duquesne avenue, Pittsburgh, the floor of the third story gave way, burying four men in the debris, aud killing John Feeney instantly. Others were seriously but not fatally injured,

The Harrisburg Patriot observes that since the Democratic state convention is to meet at Williamsport the Republican organ at that place has kindly taken charge of the affairs of the party. It is now actvely engaged in electing a chairman of the Democratic state committee.'

W. H. Durham, fourteen years old, and Sylvalia Durham, nine years old, both colored, residing on Shawmont avenue. above the Norristown railroad, went fishing upon the bank of the Schuylkill, and were both found drowned in the bottom of the stream

During the fire at the Grant House, ir Greensburg, John H. McCollough, a young attorney whose office was immediately opposite the burning building, became deep. ly excited by the spectacle and in that condition fell upon the floor of his office and died in a few minutes.

The movement started some time since to form an association of the medical societies in Lehigh, Bucks and Northampton counties, in this state, and Warren county, N. J., resulted yesterday in the

There is a terrible story from President. somewhere up in the oil regions, to the effect that the children of a widow while hunting eggs in a hollow log, were fatally ing to their relief, the mother upset a tea kettle and fatally scalded her other child; and that all three were buried in one

Thos. Taylor was found by Track Walker Reiley lying near the track of the Erie railroad, Bradford. He was insensithere who acted the friendly part by beating him unmercifully and relieving him of over \$80. He is in a bad condition from

While two teams were racing on Main street, Norristown, they met coming the other way a carriage, in which were two daughters of M. H. McVaugh, a well-opening market. known merchant, who were driving a valuable horse. A collision ensued, and the ladies were thrown out, painfully cut of their road, that are models of mechan-

and has no faith in it. The Chronicle seems to forget that there can be no organization without rules—even if they ciety, the Home Mission society, and the Wilson, No. 214 North Front street, Philade!phia. He tarted on the elevator with seven barrels of crackers to go from the third to the first floor. After the elevator

a heap on the first floor, the young man so

THE PRESIDENT. STILL IN A CRITICAL STATE.

light Improvement but Continuing Anxiety The president is slowly improving. The bulletins from the executive mansion are very conservative in tone, and the physicians avoid any expressions calculated to induce the belief that the patient is in better form than the state of his case war rants. The work of recovery must be necessarily gradual. The preservation of the president's life depends almost solely arrived in Constantinople from Rome on upon the ability of the stomach to absorb the nutriment required to restore the wasted and shattered system. The physicians say they have no further apprehension of danger from the wound. It is healing rapidly

> Dr. Bliss has written an open letter denying the statement published in the Chicago Evening Journal, that the interviews with him were fictitious and that he fabrication, devised by his enemies, for the fact is that there have been but few days since July 2 when Dr. Bliss has not had from one to three authorized interviews with the representatives of the evening newpapers, and many of them have been taken in shorthand. Last evening Dr. Boynton, the presi-

dent's family physician and also a cousin, said the feeling of the attending physicians as to the outlook was very hopeful. "They think the inflammation that has taken place in the right parotid gland can be overcome. But it is no trifling mat-

"Is it the result of septimemia, doctor, "Undoubtedly that-septicamia mark

you, not pyamia."
"Does the president experience much pain from this swelling of the parotid "He suffers considerably from it. It is

source of almost constant pain.

"Does he complain ?" "Never whimpers. He stands it like : Spartan.' Will the doctors allow suppuration to take its course before opening the ab-

Of course they will not open it until it is in proper condition to be cut. They are collodion and also using hot applications. These are applied very frequently-when he is awake almost constantly; when asleep we do not disturb him."

"Who discovered this trouble with the "I noticed it last night when bathing the president. I discovered a fullness near the ear and reported it. By this morning ment on his writing table. It is nothing it had assumed quite large proportions."

less than a piece of the foul bread—a mix
"What does the president think of this unexpected trouble?

"He mentioned it a few moments agothat it was too bad that this new complication arose. I assured him that it was not very serious, except the discomfort arising from it. I told him further that there was nothing alarming in it." "Did he show any desire for food to

"Well, not what you might term desire. Food was not repulsive to him to-day, as it has been for a day or two back. He took practice unlawful would have become a has been given to William Stevenson, of mon, dwelling on the certainty of immor- about noon how he would like some milk porridge, and he replied that he thought passioned fervor : "Oh! what a wanton he could take some. I spoke to Mrs. Garfiield in reference to it, and she immedia half of it. A few minutes age he partook of more, and experienced no discomfort from it. He told me that he relished it more than anything he had eaten since he took to his bed."

"What is the president's condition to night?"

"His whole condition has improved to day. The stomach is beginning to retain food, which I consider a very good sign.' Dr. Boynton says he does not want to be understood as criticising 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. There was a laudable desire on the part of the physicians to build up the strength to meet the demands of suppuration and healing of the wound. Consequently the president was too zealously plied with rich food, and it proved more than his stomach could well bear. He wants to know if he will give the Cornell was nauseated before Saturday with heavy food, and on that day he was given a dose of brandy that capped the climax, and he threw up everything and a severe fit of vomiting followed.

The total amount subscribed for President Garfield's family is \$155,381.55.

AFFECTED FOR SOME TIME.

The President's Stomach Trouble Ever Since the Sh The better action of the president's stomach gives renewed hope for his ultimate recovery. The people generally do not appreciate, however, the exceeding irritability of this organ in the president. It has been the worst one of the most serious features of the case from tho first. When he fell wounded he vomited, and though means were taken to sustain his stomach by administering small quantities of brandy and other restoratives, the nausea returned in a violent form in the afternoon, when his pulse was rising so rapidly that day, and fears were entertained that he would not survive to see his wife. The doctors gave him a little champagne and pulverized ice. This he kept down with happy results; but when about a spoonful more was given again later in the day he rejected it, the stomach showing great irritability. So it has been all along, and it is because the physicians have recognized the extreme sensitiveness of the organ that they have been particular to comment on the condition of the stomach from day to day. Ordinarily it would not be a subject of congratulation that the patient was able to retain plain food judiciously administered from one dressing of the wound to another. But it has been so in the president's case. To consider the recent prostration of the stomach as a surprise or as the result of heedless treatment s very wrong as well as unjust to the physicians. It was largely due to nausea, produced by administering ether at the second operation. The physicians were aware of the danger from this source, but, in view of certain facts, including the preference of the patient, they decided that an anæsthetic was necessary. The trouble from the stomach was an almost unavoidable consequence, and it has continued until the present time to a degree, it may story : Met a friend at a saloon, took a be said, that has disappointed the expec-

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL. Yesterday in Chester, Iowa, the thermometer marked 104 to 106—the hottest

weather ever known there. A poor oyster crop is predicted and scarce and dear bivalves will rule the The P. W. & B. railroad are building a law.

Thos. A. Matthews, aged 52, of Philadelphia, was attacked at 312 East One.

he bled to death in five minutes. John Jenkins, a wealthy farmer, residing a few miles west of Cincinnati, started to

lead a 4-year-old bull to water, when the animal became fractious and uncontrolable. 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 hoofs on his chest and gored him about

the head and shoulders until he died. A bald-headed eagle hovering over St. John's Island, in the St. Lawrence, sudden. ly swooped down and attempted to carry off a two-year-old child of Mr. John Clancy's that was playing in a field alone. Its clothes gave way with every tug of the voracious bird and were torn into ribbons. Some men working near by came up in time to save the child from injury, but the eagle refused to go away until shot at.

Thomas Marvin, who last month by false representations betraved Miss Lucie Turpin, a highly-connected young lady of Richmond, into marriage and then deserted her at Albion, N. Y., and who also obtained about eight hundred dollars from the First national bank of Richmond by means of a forged draft on a Chicago bank, is in custody at Lynn, Mass., awaiting a requisition from the governor of Virginia, which will be forwarded.

Rev. W. Bryne, president of Mount St. Mary's college, Emmettsburg, Md., reports the financial troubles of the institution now definitely settled. A basis of compromise with the creditors has been reached, which, although involving serious loss to them, is yet far more beneficial than a sale of the college would be. It will leave the college buildings intact and reserve sufficient lands for recreation grounds, farming and gardening pur-

PAYING VOTERS' TAXES. How the Abuse may be Stopped.

New Era. 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. and the bribing of impecunious politicians under the pretext of hiring them as poll committee men comes next in order. The payment of taxes has been made the pretext of the outrageous assessments imposed upon the Republican caudidates. This evil is growing every year. It is offering a premium upon the delinquency of taxables who are often as able to pay as those who are assessed. We have held that payment of taxes in this way is in violation of law. If there is any act of the cititizen which is designed by our laws and the genius of our institutions to be a strictly and exclusively personal act it is the exercise of suffrage. It cannot be done by proxy. All the safeguards thrown around it are the investiture of a direct personal responsibility. The payment of a tax is a preliminary to this personal qualification of suffrage, and should therefore, be a personal act. The ability to dodge it through a political committee is every year taken

voters who don't value the great privilege of American citizenship as worth fifty cents or even a quarter of a dollar, though many of them invest double that amount in beer or whisky on election day. The growing evil can be arrested only by the joint action of both parties. So who are "in the market" for that purpose, their opponents will feel compelled to do so in self-defense. We had hoped an act before the last Legislature making the stop be covered with slate. The contract the "practical" politicians, and therefore failed to pass. The next best thing to do is for the executive head of the two parties to get together and act upon the sugges-

advantage of by an increased number of

tion of our contemporary. To devise and put in practical operation any plan checking this fountain of growing demoralization would be a long and effective step in the direction of political reform.

A DUEL TO THE DEATH.

An Indian Chief and a Prominent White Details have been received of the duel a few days ago at Pine Creek, Indian territory. J. T. Carpenter, a Choctaw chief, and Colonel Price, a prominent citizen, became involved in a quarrel. Parties who were present at a "gathering" say that the first they knew of the origin of the quarrel the chief and Col. Price were standing a short distance from the crowd, when the chief exclaimed : "Your blood alone can pay for this !"

"My blood is yours when you are man enough to take it," exclaimed the colonel, stepping back and assuming a threatening " Not now," said the chief, when the

crowd rushed to the scene. " A brave man does not shed blood in the face of a mob. Meet me on this spot to-morrow morning.' "At what time ?"

"When the sun shines through the top of that tree "-pointing to a tail oakstand here and when the sun reaches the top—when the shade falls at your feet look around and you will see me.

The two men separated and the spectators wondered why two of the most talentno one dared investigate lest he should be considered as an intruder. On the following morning a large crowd gathered to witnesss a contest which everyone knew would terminate fatally. The colonel arrived, stepped upon the exact spot where he had stood the previous day and looked at the sun. He looked again and then looked down. Again he looked at the sun and then surveyed the field. The chief was seen advancdrew a revolver. The colonel drew his had entered his breast. Blood flowed from his mouth. The colonel was shot through the heart. The chief still lives, but his friends have no hope of his recovery.

AGAINST RULES.

And Afraid of Being Governed too Much

Shippensburg Chronicle. For Messrs. Dill, Wallace, Randall, Hensel, Barr, Barger and Whitman per sonally we entertain the highest respect, and no one more greatly admires their abilities or recognizes their services to the Democratic cause in the past. We believe they each and all hope and will earnestly work for the success of the party. But that is not the question. Neither they nor any other seven men, seventy men, seven thousand men, or seventy thousand can make rules which will bind the great mass of Pennsylvania Democrats to a certain line of policy, or which will restore our organization to a permanent ascendancy in this state; nor can they resolve what three hundred thousand Democrats shall say, do, or think to gain admission to the councils of the party. Such a thing is simply preposterous, Each state convention makes its own rules, says who are en-titled to be its members, and all such bodies are governed by parliamentary

The truth is, the Democratic party needs no rules for its government and reorganization, but it does need to return to the principles of its founders. We, or rather until it has become nothing but a wild hunt for spoils and office. The grand old leaders of other days are either dead or have become sick and disgusted with the

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

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Near and Across the County Line. The history of Chester county, edited by Hon J. Smith Futhey and Gilbert Cope, has finally been completed and published Rev. Cornelius Hudson, of the Covenant M. E. church, Reading, was married on Tuesday to Miss Hattie Brumball, of Ger-

The Reed family had their annual fes tival on the old farm above Harrisburg yesterday, and some sixty of them took their green corn. A young lady of Chambersburg lost

finger ring seven long years ago, the ring being highly valued as it was a birthday gift, and a gentleman found and returned it the other day. Mr. Elmer Williams, a son of Dr. H. R

Williams, of Hoguestown, Cumberland county, and at one time a teacher in this part of the country, has been drowned in Niobrara river, Nebraska. The convention of the alumni of the

Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb will be held in the state Senate chamber on the twenty-fourth, and continue in session not less than three days. By the ignition and explosion of some spilled powder which they were gathering up, with lamps on their caps, at the lower mines at Boyertown, worked by E. & G. Brooke, three miners, Noble, Miller and a

fellow-workman were terribly burned. A gentleman connected with the hail insurance company, returned to York, Tuesday evening from a two weeks trip in Lancaster and Chester counties and reports the damage done in these counties by hail so great as to cause a heavy assessmen

on the policy holders. On Mr. Skinner's farm, near Chambers burg, Jacob L. Snyder, while helping to thresh, had his arm caught in the cylinder of the separator and terribly mangled, it being partially torn from the socket; the separator had to be taken apart before he could be released from his terrible

situation. 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. The same prospects appears to exist in other parts of the country. The result is that the price

of corn is on the advance. In Norristown Alexander Hoover, prominent manufacturer, was aroused by some one trying to enter his house. He inquired who was there, but receiving no answer fired four shots with his revolver. The police arrived and found that a neighbor of Hoover, coming home in a befuddled condition, had got into the wrong yard, and narrowly escaped death, one o the balls fired just grazing his temple.

The school directors of Bart township decided some time ago to erect a new school house to take the place of the Harmony school house on the Valley road. long as one party pays the taxes of voters. As the old building is not central, a lot who are "in the market" for that purpose. from the farm of the Phœnix iron com-

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Kuights of Pythias at Reading.

Reports of the law committee, finance and mileage committee and of the grand chancellor were debated and adopte the Grand Council of the Knights of Pythias yesterday, and the following officers were installed for the ensuing year by Judge George W. Lindsay, Supreme Chancellor of the World : Grand Chancellor. Smith D. Cozzens, Philadelphia; Grand Vice Chancellor, A. O. Kline, Bedford Grand Prelate, Austin Long, Philadelphia; Grand Master of Arms, John H. Carr, Altoona; Grand Inner Guard, Edward V. O'Neill, of Philadelphia; Grand Outer Guard, E. B. Emory, Spring City, Chester county; Representatives to Lodge for four years, George Hawkes, Philadelphia; Grand Truestee, John W Beeb, Philadelphia; Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, George Hawkes, Philadelphia; Grand Master of Exchequer, Julius Mountney, Philadelphia. The Lancaster lodges and bands left for home last evening, and upon their arrival marched through the streets with flying colors, eliciting the admiration of crowds of spec-

tators who thronged the sidewalks, Just after the excursion train had passed Lititz, on its return, a man was seen to fall from one of the cars and roll down into the gutter. Dan. Clemmens, the leader of the ity cornet band, pulled the bell rope and notified the conductor. The train was stopped, and some of the train hands, accompanied by some of the knights, went back in search of him. He was not found, and as none of the knights were missing, ed men in the nation had quarreled, but it is supposed the man who fell was a countryman who was stealing a ride and umped off when near his home. Inquiry has been made this morning from officers of the road, in this city, and they say they have learned of no one being hurt.

Our Bands in Reading.

The Times and Dispatch' office was serenaded yesterday by the City band of Lancaster, of which Daniel Clemmens, formerly of this city, is leader. Mr. Clemmens ing. When within a distance of was leader of the City band of Reading for thirty feet from the colonel he stopped and a number of years, and is well-known to was leader of the City band of Reading for most of our citizens, He is an excellent pistol and straightened himself like a man | musician, and is acknowledged to be one who suddenly experiences a feeling of of the best cornetists in the state. The pride. Not a word was spoken. The two Keystone band of Lancaster also seronaded men leveled their weapons. They fired the Times office. Both these bands are almost simultaneously. The chief reeled. excellent musical organizations of which Again they fired. The colonel fell dead. our sister city of Lancaster may well feel The crowd rushed forward. The chief sank to the ground. The colonel's bullet this compliment.

FIGURES.

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: Clergymen including the bishop 96, parishes and missions 126, ordinations 6, f which one to the priesthood, candidates for Holy Orders 3, churches consecrated 4, families 5,214, church accommodations 27,304, baptized persons 12,098, baptisms ,130, of which 197 were adult, confirmed 615, communicants 7,064, marriages 220, burials 611, Snuday school scholars 10, 163. Bible class scholars 648, parish schools scholars 185, churches and chapels 118, rectories 42, schoolhouses 12, cemeteries 12, Value of church property \$1,115,440, offerings—parochial \$163,405.28 diocesan \$17. 100.69, extra diocesan \$9,746.32, total \$195,252.29. It ought to be noted that in many of the items of this summary the report is only an approximation of the truth, many parishes having omitted to

Excursion to Littiz.

make any return.

It is proposed to run an excursion from nia railroad to Lititz, via Reading, the engineer on leaving a station, will change affair to take place some time in September. The following committee of gentleadelphia, was attacked at 312 East One. hundred-and-thirteenth street, New York, with bleeding from the nose, from which he bled to death in five minutes.

The following committee of gentle-men were in Lititz yesterday to examine the grounds: J. C. Kauffman, editor of the Chester Valley Union, E. K. Davis, agent Panagylvania railroad E. D. Roll.

THE AUGUST COURT.

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

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 Satisbury township. The property was all recovered. The court sentenced him to one year and six months

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.

Henry Welsh, 18 years of age, was tried for entering the house of Henry K. Kauffman, who lives four miles west of Mt. Joy, and stealing a gold ring, bottle of wine and a lot of cigars. The case was a strong one and the jury convicted the defendant without leaving their seats. The court sentenced the prisoner to 14 months imprisonment.

Com'th. vs. George Bingenstein, felonious entry. The defendant was charged with entering the house of Edward Stuck. of Ephrata township. The charge was not proved, and the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty.

Com'th. vs. Henry Singerman, felonions assault and battery. W. E. Palmer, the prosecutor, testified that he was the janitor of a school house in Leacock township. On July 30, after he had scrubbed the porch, the defendant walked on it with his muddy boots. Palmer ordered him off, but he refused to go; he took held of him, when defendant pulled a large knife

and threatened to kill him. The defendant denied making any threats or drawing any knife; he was sit ting on the porch and, after being ordered off was kicked by the prosecutor. jury rendered a verdict of not guilty.

Com'th vs. Charles Myers, assault and battery, with intent to commit a rape. Mrs. Catharine E. Francis (wife of John Francis, the well known colored preacher) was the prosecutrix. She testified that on the night of June 30th, defendant, who had been drinking, came to her cabin, near Neffsville, and asked her to take a drink which she did; he went away shortly afterwards and when he returned later in the night he caught hold of her and attempted to commit an outrage upon her. She picked up an axe to defend herself and cut Myers quite severly. The witness admitted that she did not bring this suit until she had been prosecuted for felon

ions assault and battery by Myers. The defendant testified that he was a the house on this night; he had been drinking, and with the permission of Mrs. Frances lay down upon the bed : when he got up to leave the house the woman asked him to remain; she went towards him with her hand behind her back, and he, thinking that she had a pistol or a knife, put his arm around her; she then picked up a axe and cut him terribly; he did not attempt to commit rape. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty, with

county for costs. 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, and after kicking in the door and upsetting the stove they struck him on the head with

The defendant denied having upset the stove or broken anything in the house; he had heard that Harris was circulating refor an explanation; his brother forced open the door, and went in ; Harris picked up an axe, which defendant attempted to take from him, and struck him with his fist. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of assault and battery and not guilty of malicious mischief, with costs to be equally divided between the prosecutor and defendant.

The grand jury returned the following

True Bills : A. B. Potts, false pretens (three indictments); Henry Rodenh felonious assault and battery (two indietments); Cyrus Rutter, perjury; Wm. H. Richardson, felonious assault and battery; Hiram Brubaker and Jacob Landis, negleet of duty; Michael S. Groff, selling liquor on Sunday.

Ignored: Enoch Passmore, selling

liquor to minors, with county for costs. Cyrus Simon Carey, colored, was brought before the court, by a tipstaff, for talking out loud. He was fined \$1. Friday Morning. - Com. vs. Aaron Snyder, false pretense. It was charged that Snyder traded a horse to Sarah Shire-

man, of Conoy township, and made false representations in regard to the animal. There did not appear to be any false pretense in the case, and the commonwealth abandoned it. A verdict of not guilty, with county for costs, was taken. Com. vs. W. F. Trost, felonious assent and battery. The prosecutor was Albert Hock, a German boy, who testified that on the night of the 25th of May he was

walking up North Queen street, near the

Northern market house, when he was in-

sulted by a lot of young men, and the defendant struck one of them in the face, cutting his lip and breaking three or four The defense was that upon this night the defendant and another boy, who was with him, were very drunk; as they passed the market house some boys yelled at Hock, who struck Trost. He then ran and fell down breaking his teeth out and cutting his lip; no one struck him, nor in any other way injured him. The jury

rendered a verdict of not guilty, the pros-ecutor to pay one-third of the costs and

lefendant two thirds. Com'th vs. William Richardson, of this city, felonious assault and battery. The complainant was Wm. P. Worth, a prother-in-law of the who is known as "Toodler." He testified that William came to his house, on East Chestnut street, the 4th of last June. He was drunk, and was ordered to leave the premises; he refused to go, and when Worth took hold of him he drew a chisel from his pocket, and with it cut at Worth, once he struck him on the hand

with the blade, cutting it. "Toodler's" defense was that he went to visit his sister (Mrs. Worth) upon this day; he was attacked by the prosecutor, who beat him with a whip and knocked him down several times ; he did not use a chisel nor did he have one on that occasion. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of common assault and battery. sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution. The following bills were reported by the

grand jury. Ignored: Samuel Diveler and Andrew Zug, neg'ect of duty, with county for costs; Martin Groff selling liquor to minors, with county for costs.

Divorced. Mary E. Snyder was divorced from her husband, Lawrence Snyder, on the grounds of adultery, bad treatment and desertion.

A Good Idea

It is said the Pennsylvania railroad compay is about introducing a neat arrangement for notifying passengers as to what station they are approaching. At either end of the cars is to be placed a small case containing a piece of muslin or canvass on rollers, upon which is painted in legible letters the names of all the stations on the road. By a lever on the locomotive the the indicator so as to show the next stop-

ping place. It is a neat and convenient Contract Awarded. The Manheim township school board have contracted for Victor folding school