#### Lancaster Entelligencer.

TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 24, 1881.

The Railroad War. The news of to-day is that the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio rail- gard! road managers have determined to double the present passenger rates between the East and the West, under the expectation that the New York Central railroad will follow their lead, since Mr. Vanderbilt has said that the railroad war was not inaugurated at his instance. This so-called war is one of which the newspapers have had a good deal to say and which seems to have been evidenced by the very low rates of fare that have prevailed; but just how much of a war it has in reality been, it would not be safe to say. It may be assumed that railroad managers are all the time guided by their considerations of self-interest, and if they indulge in expeasive wars, it is because they think them profitable; if not immediately, then remotely. Mr. Vanderbilt has been freely charged with being the cause of the long continuance of the present unproductive rates, and if there is anyone in the world whom the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio people are publicly supposed to feel sore against it be sure as to what they are really doing, detests. the only safe conclusion from our experience being that the interests of the gen. eral public are always preyed upon, and

MR. SIMONTON, the Dauphin Republican candidate for judge, has concluded war. The bishop was captured by the to announce that he will obey the law English near Norfolk and confined on which would require him, if elected, to board a man-of-war, until the close of the reside in Lebanon. It certainly is very struggle, when he was released and reright in a candidate for judge to express turned home, when after several years' a willingness to obey the law, and Mr. sleep in Virginia's soil the old piano was Simonton has been very unfortunate in unearthed and treasured highly by the taking so long a time to make up his family, who handed it down from generamind about so plain a proposition. Ap- tion to generation. parently the prospect of a life in Lebanon is not enchanting to him; but the bench seems to be very much so. He does want to be judge very badly; so ing sensibly the graceful courtesy at Yorkbadly, we fear, that he may be willing to town in saluting the banner of St. George. suppress a little of the truth to get to be In the matter of the Republican judicial one. The people of Lebanon will hardly nomination for Lebanon and Dauphin, trust Mr. Simonton's declaration that Simonton has so far receded from his he will reside in Lebanon during all the original position as to agree to reside in time of his judgeship, when he evidently Lebanon. considers it an exile; they will conclude not to exile him.

those of the individual stockholders very

the traveling public seem to have made

something at the stockholders' expense:

but it was not designed to benefit them:

it only happened so, and the proposed

the public and spare the stockholders.

little regarded. In this existing "war'

Senate, albeit they claim to be in a ma. retary. Let not their continence be attributed to modesty or virtue. They are, to employ an expressive phrase, in a split stick. Their caucus nominee is Gorham, and he sticks upon their shoulders like an old man of the sea. Mahone is of the Republican senators will never vote for Gorham, owing to his brutal assaults on Garfield and his administration. No new candidate can be chosen and Gorham cannot be elected. Hence the Republicans vote to allow the chief | majority.' " clerk, Shober, to act as secretary; and the Democrats make the best of it by assenting to this programme.

WE cheerfully print what a volunteer fireman has to say in behalf of the system of which he is an exponent, because he addresses himself to the consideration of the subject temperately and intelligently. His argument for the volunteer Potomac. These admirable articles (besystem will probably not weigh much against the experience of our citizens with it, which has led them to the determination for a change. The objections to the call system seem to be that it has neither the advantages of the volunteer or paid departments, but the drawbacks of both. Probably the best that can be said for it is that it is a step toward the paid system. There will be no steps backward taken in this matter.

HAVING no hopes whatever of getting a majority in this state for Baily from the voters of their own party, the Republican managers have resorted to the desperate device of sending packages of Baily tickets to prominent Democrats battlefield these recollections have not been throughout the state. Several such have been received in this city and the insult to the receiver's intelligence or integrity has been promptly resented by tossing the tickets into the fire. At this season such matter comes handy for kindling purposes, but we assure Cooper's committee that Lancaster county Democrats have no the Camp-fire-etc., etc." other use for it.

THE Philadelphia Democracy are steadily getting into line for efficient work on election day, and the alleged He killed one horse and escaped. lack of organization there is righting itself under direction of Chairman Bogert. It behooves party workers every where to bestir themselves to get out the vote. That is the only essential to secure Noble's election. Let the good work be done.

From the way that Sherman's employees stole the contingent fund and squandered the appropriations on lemonade lunches, one might think they had been graduated from the Pennsylvania state service.

Congress meets.

SCHWEBEL, like chickens, comes home to roost.

LET no Democrat forget that on Tueslay, November 8, occurs the election for near what is known as the "Old Fort ful, pleasing and delightful gift. state tree surer. It is his business to get out the full vote of the Democracy choked It has been ascertained that he in his district for Orange Noble. Look was at a "dance," got into a difficulty, after the doubtful and spur up the lag-

THE publisher of the New Era now knows how it is himself to have a kicker in the family.

WHILE one biographer of Ingersoll tells of his drunkenness, licentiousness and blasphemy, another critic and commentator opens fire upon him as a plagiarist, and by a reprint of extracts in parallel columns shows most conclusively that one of his most famous bursts of eloquence is to be found almost verbatim in Dr. Gunn's "New Domestic Physician," published by Moore, Wilstach & Keyes, of Cincinnati, in 1857. The same authority accuses Ingersoll of abstracting large quantities of matter from Colenso, Hobbs, Voltaire, Volney and Paine, and plainly avows its belief that he is "the greatest plagiarist living."

According to the correspondence of James Jackson Jarves, who is good authority on art and poesy in Italy, our stalwart poet, Walt. Whitman, is held up as a model to Italian poets. In a recent is this same Mr. Vanderbilt, who, never- number of the Fanfulla, of Rome, the theless, we find to have been the guest of critic, Enrico Nencioni, under the heading the Pennsylvania officers at Altoona on of "New Poetical Horizons," devotes Friday last, where he came in a gorgeous several columns to a culogium of him, private car attended by the private car with comments and translations of some of one of the chief officers and a retinue of his most striking pieces, illustrative of of a dozen or two railway officials of his style. He recommends Whitman high degree. There was not any war at strongly to his readers as an antidote to Altoona, and we doubt very much the minute, emasculated dilettanti poesy whether there has been any real war at and literature of modern Italy and Europe any time anywhere. These railroad in general, the forced, diffuse, descriptive people have so many axes of various and style of which, with its piddling realism diverse kinds to grind that you can never and hot-house sensationalism, he heartily

A PIANO making firm in New England, has recently traded one of its new instruments for an art relic, supposed to be the oldest piano in the United States. Made in London over 140 years ago, it was was sent as a rare gift by a celebrated Euglish barrister to his brother, then bishop of Virginia, residing in Nottaway county. shoe house and three other small build beneficiaries having played out their The bishop being a strong Federalist durgame and pocketed its profit are now ing the Revolution, a bounty was offered seemingly willing to set to work to fleece for his head and he was compelled to fly for his life. He buried the piano with other valuable furniture in the bank of a creek, where it remained until after the

#### PERSONAL.

Queen VICTORIA is represented as feel-

Our former fellow citizen, JAMES E. Anderson, who made a national reputation in Louisana during the presidential THE Republicans of the United States troubles of 1876, and who has lately been editing the Leader, in Eureka, Nev , has fority, have not attempted to elect a sec- | been assaulted by W. J. Pedrose and | beaten over the head with a revolver. His injuries may prove fatal.

A neat and classical mot is credited to a distinguished member of the Republican party and of the New York bar. The company had been discussing Mr. David devoted to him and cannot be trans | DAVIS's turning his coat and face toward ferred to a new nominee. Four or five the morning, when one speaker observed that the senator from Illinois had committed suicide politically. "No," replied the distinguished Republican, "he is not dead, but, as the Romans used to say, abiit ad plures-he has 'gone over to the

The November number of St. Nicholas

has the first chapters of Rev. H.-M. KIEF-FER's serial, which justifies all its publishers say of it when they announce: "A series of articles is already in hand, entitled 'Recollections of a Drummer-Boy,' by Harry M. Kieffer, a Pennsylvania volunteer, who, in early youth, went through all the important campaigns of the army of the gun in the present number) contain nothing that would awaken or foster a sectional spirit among young or old in any part of visitors. the country, but are simply an accurate, sincere and interesting review of three years of actual service in the field. The work, however, is pervaded by the spirit of the army to which the writer belonged, and has a simplicity and directness of style which will at once commend it to young readers. Altogether these records will have permanent historic value as a faithful and remarkably graphic portrayal of what was done, felt, and seen by a private soldier in the course of a great war. Many of the descriptions are exceedingly vivid, and as a picture of the realities of camp and surpassed. Some idea of the interest of the narrative may be gained from a view of the chapter headings: Off to the War -A Grand Review-On Picket along the Rappahannock-How we got a Shelling-In the Woods at Chancellorsville-The First Day at Gettysburg-After the Bat-

LATEST NEWS BY MAIL. A Mexican lion attacked three farmers near Dallas, Tex., mortally wounding one.

tle-In the Front at Petersburg-Around

Miss Melinda T. Jacobus, of Peru, N. ., has been accidentally shot and mortally wounded by her suitor, John W.

In Galveston, Texas, George Wilford was shot and killed by his cousin Jim Ivy | kind letter of the 19th inst., tendering the buggy. A remark by Wilford reflecting caster, a Wilcox & White chapel organ, In London Dr. Carver shot a pigeon match at Herndon against Mr. W. Cras-

The official result of the late election in Ohio has been declared. Foster's plural-It is a good enough Morgan until after ity is 24,407, but it is the smallest given any candidate on the Republican ticket, the candidate for state treasurer having 29,641.

The body of the mate of the British

steamer Imbros was found in Savannah. House." His throat was cut, and it was evident that he had been previously and was set upon and killed. Twenty-four persons, including several sailors and three or four colored women, have been arrested for complicity in the affair.

### STATE ITEMS.

David Tees, of Pittsburgh, of the 14th regiment N. G., was stricken with paraly-

sis on the voyage home from Yorktown. A woman taken with a fit in York, was mistaken for drunk, wheeled to the county jail, died a miserable death, and is now

the subject of great popular attention. The pink-eye disease made its appear ance among the horses in Pittsburgh last week, and within 48 hours 34 horses became affected. Four of them died. Wm. Ehrenfelt, a fireman on the Pitts

burgh division of the Pennsylvania railroad while running over the top of the cars, about ten miles above Altoona, fell off, the train passing over his left shoulder. The arm was amputated.

The Democratic executive committee of the Allegheny county committee has decided to print the name of Daniel McWilliams as a candidate for county commisioner of Joseph Stokely and William McGee on the posters as candidates.

The popularity of Orange Noble at his home is attested by the fact that the Erie Lighthouse, a German independent paper, and the Erie Graphic, an English paper, also independent, both give him a vigorous support. He is at least a thousand votes stronger than his party in Erie county.

It is really a comfort to know that the persons who threw vitriol from the gallery of the Centennial building the other stuff for water and whose act was a piece They should not be actuated by partisan of juvenile mischief and not a new device of fiendish deviltry.

Judge Hagenman, of the Berks court, has shut down on the marriage insurance business, and refuses to grant any nore charters to associations of this class. He says the matter has gone farther years. The mayor, as the city executive than was expected. Hitherto the business has gone forward boomingly in our ad joining county.

A fire at Rew City, McKean county, destroyed J. M. Frances' drug store, Smith & Rouse's hotel, J. H. Pauling's wagon house, J. W. Brown's two-story frame building, Hock's hotel, H. B. Miles The total loss is put at \$4,500, ings. mostly held in New York companies.

The Presbyterian synod of Erie occupied two days over the appea! of Heber Donaldson, expelled from Emlenton church for daucing. After a heated discussion of every phase of the case the vote given an opportunity to act thereon.

Our neighboring city of Reading is just opera company gave two fine performances there on Saturday; and she has a right to be, Incidental expenses. too, for it was a big day for Reading, as was the day preceding for Lancaster. Reading's morning paper, the Times has a long same sort, declaring that the best culture annual appropriation of \$10,000. of the city demands it, and promising substantial encouragement if it is afforded. On behalf of the people of our own good city we may fairly echo "us too."

One of Baron von Steuben's heirs turns ip as an Allentown Dutchman, bent on eclaiming the ancestral estates. The exhumed will shows that the old baron made devises to his servants on the followconditions, which were never carried out That on my decease they do not permit they wrap me up in my old military cloak, to the same. and in twenty-four hours after my decease bury me in such spot as I shall before my decease point out to them, and they never acquaint any person with the spot where shall be buried."

# Loss by Fire.

The farm house, barns and their conents, of Uzzill Whitcomb, at Richmond, Vt., have been burned. The loss is estimated at \$15,000, on which there was an insurance of \$2,000. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

George C. Montague's partly finished house at Granby, Mass., with his farm buildings and a quantity of hay, was burned Sunday night by an incendiary. The loss is \$6,000; insurance, \$4,500. He was burned out in the same way last

Justice William H. Schmid's fine house in Guttenburg, N. Y., or West New The loss is \$2,000. A flying spark set fire to the clothing of a woman who was busy in a neighboring yard and she was badly

### Entertaining the Foreigners.

The Cincinnati board of trade and transportation has appointed a committee to provide proper reception and entertainment for the von Steubens, who are to be there Thursday. A dinner at the Queen City club will be tendered to the distinguished

At Fortress Monroe the officers of the fleet and the army combined with the guests at the hotel in getting up a grand ball last night, to wind up the Yorktown

## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

ORGAN PRESENTATION.

A Timely Gift to a Worthy Object. The following correspondence, which to great extent explains itself, was accompanied by the presentation to the Y. M. C. sounding instrument:

To D. C. Haversick, President Y. M. C. A. and Gentlemer of the Association. My DEAR SIRS: Being desirous of ad ding my mite to the progress of your excellent association, and firmly believing

that a good organ will be, or may be an incentive to a more thorough musical basis; and being a necessary and delightful accession to that most beautiful portion of God's worship-songs of His praises -I hereby respectfully tender for your acceptance, a Wilcox & White chapel organ. Awaiting your early reply, I remain, gentlemen,

Respectfully, MRS. CLARA L. KING, Gen. Agent W. & W. Organs. 156 East King street, Lancaster, Pa.

LANCASTER, Oct. 21, 1881. Mrs. Clara L. King, General Agent Wilcox & DEAR MADAM : Referring to your very

as they were riding to town together in a Young Men's Christian association of Lanon Ivy's wife was the cause of the killing. permit me in accepting your generous gift J. O. to convey to you, in the name of the Y. M. C. A., an expression of the deep gratitude hay, 100 birds each, thirty yards rise, for £200. Dr. Carver made the unprecedented score of 93 killed, his opponent killing association prompted you to present.

It gives us great encouragement and pleasure to have the assurance which such a gift implies, of the existence in the community of a sentiment so highly favorable to the aims and methods of the organiza-

Please accept the association's assurance of the high respect and appreciation which

they entertain for the donor of such a use

Yours most respectfully, D. C. HAVERSTICK, President Y. M. C. A.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. Some Views on the Call System.

EDITORS INTELLIGENCER: Much discus sion has been held over the reorganization of the fire department. As yet no conclusion has been arrived at that has satisfied our citizens and firemen. As a volunteer fireman, of thirty years active service, I think I am able to suggest some features that years of experience have impressed upon me. I would advocate the continuance of the volunteer system as the cheapest and most efficient department, not in its present form, but in a remodeled one. There is no difficulty attending a reorganization; indeed, it is the most feasible and attended with the least labor. A call or paid system would become in the hands of politicians quite a political factor in municipal affairs, and above all things the de. partments of city government should be free from political spoil and aspiration.

An overseer in every work and branch of service is essential. Without a head on the ticket, but will also print the names the body is uncontrollable. Hence a chief engineer should be invested with prerogatives and powers to direct and control his subordinates; his whole time should be given to his offic, for his province of work is greater than any other city officer, more manifold and more arduous. A fair competency should be given, not less than \$600 a year. This will secure a good man and an able one, full of experience and intellegence. He should be elected by the direct vote of every active fireman, for night and burned some forty people, were they alone know the calibre of the man mischievous boys who mistook the fiery and the qualifications needed for the office motives, as would councilmen, who by virtue of their election are in honor bound to vote for one of their own political complexion, regardless of fitness for the position. His term of office should be five officer, should be invested with authority over him, such as he exercises over the police. If he is incompetent or dishonors his position, the mayor can report him to councils, they remove him, and order the fireman to elect to fill the vacancy. Two assistant engineers should receive \$150 each, elected in the same manner as the chief. The companies should receive from the city appropriation sufficient to defray all their expenses, and a stop put to all balls, picnics and fairs to make up the deficiency of expenses over appropriation. Firemen are tired of such measures-much more so stood: For sustaining, 20; against sus. than they who are constantly called upon taining, 73. Three voted for sustaining in to contribute. Each company would re-The General Assembly will be quire \$1,400 to cover their entire expenses,

as follows : Our neighboring city of Reading is just tickled to death because the Emma Abbott opera company gave two fine performances Contingent fund for renewal of appa-

\$1,410 00 Seven steamers, one hook and ladder. editorial leader calling for more of the with engineers' salary, would entail an Contrast this for a moment with the

cost of a " call system." Interest or debts at 4 per cent...... \$ 1,912 00 Contingent fund for renewal of appa-

or \$5,000 more than a well sustained volunteer department. To rent the apparatus any person to touch my body, not even to at eight per cent of their valuation, the change the shirt in which I die, but that rate that would be charged, would amount

A well sustained volunteer system guarintees to the city a larger working force than the "call system," and if councils would adopt the suggestion of the Firemen's Umon and create a volunteer fire police brigade, the disorder and contention among members of the several companies. so incident to fires, would be quelled, and the outside public, who crowd on the firemen and hinder their work, would be kept from the vicinity of the fires; and a system of fire duty, perfect in every detail, would be inaugurated. The better elements of the department, who are largely in the majority, will co-operate with the authorities in making the department efficient

and controllable. Ordinances should be passed that would eliminate the disreputable members of the York, was destroyed by fire yesterday. department, and with a proper executive officer in the person of a chief engineer, the rules would be enforced, if their viola-

tion were attended with heavy penalties. A reorganization of the department is feasible, and if the special council committee would have conferred with representative firemen, instead of ignoring them, we would ere this have had this mooted question settled. Other cities have the volunteer department under perfect control, and there is no good reason why Lancaster should not have. I offer this for suggestion, in the hope that they may have some influence in directing the authorities out of the apparent dilemma they are now in, and conduce to a well ordered department. J. G. G.

Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 24, 1881.

The American Fire Company Recuse to L. Their Property to the City. At a very largely attended meeting of the American fire company held last evening, a communication from the committee of city councils on the reorganization of A., of this city of a beautiful and perfect the Lancaster fire department was read, wherein the company is asked to consider a proposition from councils to lease their hall and apparatus, for the use of the city,

under "call" system recently adopted by councils. The matter was discussed at some length and finally a resolution, offered by Joel L. Hains, was adopted, to the effect that the company will not lease either their engine house or apparatus to the city; but that if the city wish to purchase them they will sell out at a fair price, satisfactory alike

to the city and company. In the discussion preceding the adoption of this resolution there was no factious opposition to the "call" system recently adopted by councils; but the speakers argued that if the property were leased out of the owners' control it would be injured by necessary wear and tear and perhaps otherwise, so that the company could not afterwards sell it advantageously.

At a meeting yesterday of the Baptist ministers in the hall of the American Bap- during our present session."

tist publication society, Philadelphia, Rev. Bosses, are just as bad as they used to be, and we ought to show our power by crush-Friday Morning .- The first thing claiming the attention of the synod during its ing out the corruption which exists among them." Rev. P. S. Henson, D. D., closed the discussion by denouncing machine politics and adding that "the bosses should be placed behind prison bars."

board of regents of Mercersburg college. It spoke of the financial embarrasment in which the college at present finds itself, Kicked by a Mule.

Charles Landis, aged 14 years, a son of face by a mule on Saturday, by which the bones of the face were badly crushed, and the boys condition is considered critical.

THE CHURCHES.

THE SYNODS IN SESSION.

keformed Synod at Danville, Pa. There was a large audience present on Friday evening, who listened to addresses n the interest of Sunday schools by Revs. Mille, Hoover, Sechler, Derr, Zinkhan, Dietrick and Nissley.

Saturday Morning, Oct. 22.-Synod was called to order by the president at nine clock and was opened with prayer by Rev. L. J. Mayer. The report of the committee on publications was again taken up. The debate on it was of a very interesting character and took a wide range, embracing the whole workings of the publication nterest.

The following delegates appeared and took their seats: Revs. H. Mosser, of Lebanon classis; Sydney S. Kohler, of West Susquehanna classis; Z. A. Yearick, of East Susquehanna, and Elder R. Kreider,

Pending the consideration of the report of the committee on publication the hour of adjournment arrived and synod adjourned with prayer by Dr. Klopp.

Saturday Afternoon.—Opened with singing and prayer by Rev. Millet.

The report of the committee on publieation was laid on the table in order to take up the report of the committee on nominations, which was read and adopted and the election of members of the various boards was made the order of the day for Monday at 10 o'clock a. m. The final re port of the committee on religious services was adopted, after which the main question was again taken up.
The presence of Rev. M. S. Shindle,

of the Lutheran church, was announced, and welcomed to a seat by the president. The final action of the report of the committee on publication was as follows: 1. That they approve of the appointment of Rev. Chas. G. Fisher as treas.

urer and superintendent. 2. That synod has heard with pleasure from the board of the provision made in Dr. Fisher's will, whereby if desired they have the use of \$15,000 subject to certain

conditions. 3. That in addition to the amount already provided for in the sinking fund, the sum of \$1,500, this synod's portion of \$2,900 due the estate of N. Fisher, deceased, be included in the fund, and the committee on finance be instructed to apportion the sum at the present session.

4. The board was authorized to select a suitable person to prepare Sunday-school lesson papers. 5. That synod accepts with thankfulness

the stereotyped plates willed it by the late Dr. Fisher. 6. Recommends its publications to the support of the church, and the co-operation of its ministers with H. K. Binkley,

the general agent of the board, in his efforts secure subscriptions to the Messenger and other publications. The report of the committee on missions was read, considered item by item and

adopted. The hour of adjournment having arrived, synod adjourned to meet on Monday morning at 9 o'clock, with prayer by Rev.

The Sunday Services. Preparatory services were held on Saturday evening; the sermon was preached had better not depart from the spirit of the cause the prices demanded by packers are

and Isaiah xlv., 16. The other services were conducted by tures, or any representation of spiritual for 1880 leaf considerably in advance of Revs. S. B. Shaeffer, and N. Z. Snyder. The communion services on Sunday, morning, were of a very interesting being fully attended by synod and the congregation. The sermon, a very able one, was delivered by Rev. J. A. Peters, of Lancaster, from Romans, vi., 23: "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." The

other services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Steinmetz and John H. Sechler. Monday Morning-Synod met at 9 o'clock and opened with prayer by Rev. S. H.

The presence of Rev. Theo. Appel, D. D., superintendent of missions, was announced. Revs. D. O. Shoemaker, E. J. Hacker of East Susquehanna classis.

Dr. Porter, from the committee to draft a minute on the death of the late Dr. Fisher, reported the following, which was adopted by a rising vote:

" Resolved, That we hereby express our profound regret for the loss of our venerable brother, Samuel R. Fisher, D. D., who for the period of more than forty years discharged, with eminent ability and fidelity, the difficult duties of the office of stated clerk of this, the mother synod of the Reformed church in the United

"Resolved, That we hereby bear testimony to his high Christian character, his sterling moral integrity in his busines relations and his devoted zeal to to the best interests of the church of his fathers." Rev. Hornberger, of the Evangelical church, was welcomed to a seat by the

The report of the committee on minutes of classis was taken up. Pending its consideration, the order of the day, for the election of members of the different boards, having arrived, it was laid on the table and the election was proceeded with, which resulted as follows: Trustees of Synod-J F. Orth.

Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary-From synod of United States, Rev. D. M. Wolff; from synod of Pittsburgh, Rev. J. H. Appel, D. D., Rev. A. E. Board of Trustees of F. & M. College-

Geo. W. Hensel. Board of Publication-James T. Reber. Board of Home Missions—Rev. Samuel G. Wagoner, D. D., Rev. W. H. II. Snyder, Rev. John O. Johnson, Rev. J. K Loos, Rev. Thomas J. Barkley, Elder

John Heilman, Hon. J. B. Livingston,

George W. Hensel, Elder William H. Sunday School Board-Rev. A. C. Whit-

Superintendent of Missions-Rev. Henry Mosser.

Synodical Editor of Messenger-Rev. John H. Sechler. The presence of Mr. Torrence, secretary

of the Pennsylvania Bible society, was an nounced, who addressed the synod. He stated that the society had taken no action in regard to the new edition of the Bible, they having no present authority to do so, He spoke of the destitution of the Bible n many portions of our own state, and urged the importance of proper effort to supply the want. In speaking of the work of the society he stated that the society placed placards in three different languages in the depots when emigrants land, directing them where Bibles can be obtained. At the conclusion of the address the following resolution was adopted. " Resolved. That the synod has heard

with pleasure the remarks of Rev. H. Torrence, agent of the Pennsylvania Bible so-"Resolved, That the subject of the Bible cause, and the documents presented by him, be referred to a special committee of three, to report a minute on the subject

Synod adjourned with prayer by Dr. Synod of the Potomac.

afternoon session was the report of the which the college at present finds itself, an account of which, after the last meeting of the board, the college exercises were suspended to save the institution from great Levi Landis, machinist was kicked in the er indebtedness, which was increasing at

the sheriff's hammer. The first mortgage which was about to be closed is now held ways, and, that there is at present an in come through rents and interest on bonds of three hundred dollars, The board also reported that the school has again been opened by Rev. Geo. Aughinbaugh, D. D., as an academy for young ladies and Springs, bail in the sum of \$1,000 was young gentlemen. There are eighteen or furnished by defendants. twenty students in attendance with the prospect of further additions in the future. Dr. A. is assisted in his work by two ef

ficient lady teachers. The discussion of the subject matter of this report was made the order of the day for to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The Sunday-school question was then according to former appointment, taken up. The first speaker was Rev. John Titzel, who made a strong appeal in favor of a series of lessons based on the order of the church years, as against the present arrangement or the adoption of the inter national series. He showed that the aim of the Sunday-school lesson should not be to teach geography, history or archæology, but spiritual truths, and therefore the great fundamental truths of Christianity He also criticized the notes printed in the Guardian as explanations of the weekly lessons, the same being marked by errors, both in philology and in theology.

Key. Moses Kieffer followed in a plea for our own church symbols, our history and denominational life, which does not necessarially bring us inte antagonism with other denominations or in opposition to the international series. Rev. Wm. Rupp, after giving an account of the management of the Sunday-school board and the many difficulties in the way of the committee preparing the lesson papers as now in use, offered the following resolution: Resolved that the order of the church year should be followed in our Sunday-

school lessons. Rev. C. Clever then took the floor and spoke strongly in favor of adopting the International series of lessons in full. He made it of primary importance that this be done, for, according to his thinking, we will be forced into line with other Protestant denominations sooner or later.

Rev. Spangler Kieffer then closed the debate of the afternoon. Though in favor of a series of lessons based on the order of the church year, yet he did not consider the adoption of any particular order as a matter of life or death. Too much stress is laid on the machinery and apparatus of teaching. What is more important is the Christian character of those teaching.

Friday Ecening .- A Sunday school meet ing was held at Trinity Reformed church at which there was present a large audience. The first speaker of the evening Rev. John Titzel, of Altoona, spoke in substance as follows: The necessary qualifications for a Sunday-school teacher are that he be a living member of the Church of Christ: that he be properly acquainted with the truths to be imparted, and that he have an aptness for teaching -this qualification being a gift rather than an acquirement. The best preparation consists in studying the lesson, using all helps to knowledge, and above all, in prayer. As to the best methods of teach- and only a few sales of old tobacco have ing, each man must, to some extent, con- been made. The reason of this is not besult his own peculiar qualifications. We cause the tobacco is not sought, but beby Rev. J. O. Johnson, Habakkuk iii., Heidelberg catechism in this respect. It considered too high by the manufacturers forbids the use of all such things as pie- and jobbers, who are now making offers ideas in material forms. This tends to those the packers were willing to sell it lead to rationalism, if not consciously, un for in August and September. But now consciously. The ordained way of God is to the packers refuse to sell except at a furproclaim and teach his word by the voice

of living men. Rev. Carnahan, after dwelling on the great importance of teaching the young, urged the necessity of a preparation not only of the mind, but, which is of greater importance, of the heart also,

A. H. Kremer, D. D., Mickley, Clever and Geo. Adams. Saturday Morning-After the opening the Sunday school question, which engaged the attention of synod at the hour of ad journment yesterday. By an action of

G. F. Hoffmeier, synod resumed its business session. By previous arrangement, secure good crops, and that most of the the Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Glessner, a former crops are good though many of them pastor of Trinity congregation of this place, was invited to deliver an address on his pastoral work in this charge, 50 years ago. He was listened to with pleasure as he related the trials and labors of his early

life in this field. At the close of this address the synod again went into committee of the whole for further discussing the report of the regents of Mercersburg college. After some remarks by different members of synod, Rev. Wm. Goodman offered the following resolutions, which elicited some

debate and were finally adopted : "Resolved, That if possible the property of Mercersburg 'shall be saved to the Amo Reformed church for educational purposes. recommended to make the best possible 3; No. 3, 27, 12, 8 and 3. terms with creditors of Mercersberg college, and refund the debt at a rate not to Skiles & Frey at 33 through. exceeding five per cent.

"Resolved, That this synod guarantee the annual payment of three hundred dollars (\$300) for the term of five years to help meet the interest of the funded debt. " Resolved, That synod is gratified to learn that Mercersburg college has again been opened under the efficient and encouraging management of Rev. Geo. W. Aughinbaugh, D. D., and synod heartily commends the institution to the confidence

and patronage of our people. The Synod of Pennsylvania. At the fourth and closing session of the Presbyterian synod of Philadelphia, a vote was taken upon the question of the dissolution of the synods and was carried. On Jan. 1, next their union into one body will take effect and will be the synod of Pennsylvania.

### COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Before Judge Patterson an action of ejectment to recover possesdefendant, with the understanding that the deeds were to be in his name When he got possession of the deeds he found and it was granted by the court. Counsel for plaintiff asked for and was granted a rule to show cause why the non-suit should not be stricken off. Before Judge Livingston.

The case of Peter J. Delzeit vs. Lewis Sylvester was attached for trial in the ower court room. This was an action to recover wages due as foreman and packer of cigars by plaintiff in defendant's manufactory. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$11.20.

Rales Grented and Refused The court granted rules to show cause

why new trials should not be had in the suits of Robert Mooney vs. Jacob Groff by friends of the college. The debt has and Mary A. Bartholomew vs. the Lanbeen reduced almost a thousand dollars caster & Reading narrow gauge railroad, during the present year through various and refused the rule asked for in the suit

of Aaron Teller vs. E. H. Kauffman. Slander Suit In a slander suit of Priscilla Cooper and husband against Kate McDermott and James McDermott, her husband, of Silver

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

Hon. J. B. Warfel Dropped and D. G. Baker, Esq., Nominated for President of the School Board.

A caucus of the Republican members of the board of directors of Lancaster city school district was held last night for the purpose of nominating candidates for president, secretary, treasurer and janitor, to be voted for at the reorganization of the board which takes place at the meeting on the first Monday in November.

The caucus was regarded as a very important one, as the board, when it organizes will stand 17 Democrats, 18 Republi cans and one vacancy, caused by the death of Mr. Hartman. A majority of the Republican members are and have been favorable to the re-election of Hon. J. B. Warfel, as president; but there is a very respectable minority opposed to him; and one of their number, Charles Schwebel, of the Seventh ward, has repeatedly declared that he would not, under any circum stances vote for Mr. Warfel; that rather than do so, he would vote for the Democratic nominee, and if the friends of Warfel insisted on his nomination, knowing the fact, he (Schwebel) might possibly

vote for all the Democratic candidates. This threat created no little consternation in the Republican ranks, as Schwebel's defection would give the Democrats a majority, and not only deprive the Republicans of the honor of the presidency and the fixing of the standing committees, but take from the Republican secretary and treasurer the nice little pickings at-

tached to those offices. These threatened losses stired up the Republicans to unnusual activity. All sorts of appeals were made to Schwebel to let up on Warfel, but he was inexorable. Committees and commissions were sent to him in vain. Feelers were thrown out by the Warfel men, in hopes of catching a Democrat or two to make up for Schwebel's loss, but nothing came of it.

After much outside caucusing it was resolved to make a Jonah of Warfel and throw him overboard to gratify the appetite of the Schwebel whale, and renominate the other officers. This being agreed to, the caucus was held last night to ratify the agreement. We have not the details of the balloting but the result was the nomi

nation of the following officers: President-Daniel G. Baker, esq. Secretary-Charles F. Eberman. Treasurer-Wm. O. Marshall. Janitor-John Laucks.

THE LEAF. Local Tobacco Matters. ther advance, and so confident are they that they will secure it, that some of them refuse to even show their packings to pros pective buyers. They argue that every pound of their goods will be wanted be-

fore the crop of 1881 is lit for market, and that even when it comes into market there This speaker was followed by the Revs. will be no decline in prices, owing to the shortness of the new crop. The 1881 crop is still sought after by dealers, who buy a good lot wherever they services the synoil resumed the topic on can find one; but as stated in the INTEL-LIGENCER a week ago, few farmers care to sell just now. Their tobacco is on the poles ; they know, or think they know. the synod yesterday, the consideration of pretty near what it is worth, and decline the report of the regents of Mercersburg to sell below a price they have fixed. The college was made order of the day for ten would-be buyer is here at a disadvantage; o'clock this morning; that hour having he does not know, and cannot well find arrived the synod resolved itself in a com- out, what the quality and condition of the mittee of the whole with Rev. J. M. Titzel leaf is, so long as it hangs on the poles, in the chair. The report was read and land hence he is a little careful in accepting discussed at length, when at the close of crops at high figures, which may turn out the hours of the morning session the com- to be only medium or indifferent, when mittee rose and reported progress to the they come to be stripped. Hence comparatively little is doing just now, though the Saturday Afternoon .- After the conclu- local packers are in the field and most of sion of the service preparatory to the holy | the New York and Philadelphia firms have ommunion, the sermon being preached by their agents here watching for every favorable opportunity that may occur to are short, is conceded by all parties. The following recent sales are reported

> prices now ruling in this county: Abraham Tout, East Lampeter, to Mr. Veidman, 31 acres at 26, 11 and 4. John Hoover, Paradise, to Dan Mayer acre at 24, 8 and 3. Peter E. Hershey, Leacock, to Fatman,

and the prices paid are a fair index to the

acres at 281, 12 and 3. C. S. Lapp, Leacock, to A. Shirk, 4 acres at 30, 18, 8 and 3. Geo. Welk, Manor, to Mr. Levy, 4 acres at 22, 8 and 3, and for ? of an acre 30

Amos Bradley, Fulton township, to Sener & Weidler the following lots : "Resolved, That the board of regents be 1 at 26, 12, 8 and 3; No. 2, 27, 15, 8 and - Snavely, Leacock, sold his crop

### CROMWELL.

His Visual Entertainments This Week. Prof. Geo. R. Cromwell, the distinguished traveler and art student, gave our people a foretaste of what they may expect this week during the course of his visual entertainments, which are to occupy the opera house every evening with the exception of to-morrow (Wednesday), by presenting a preliminary exhibition before a large and cultured audience. The affair was complimentary in its character, the professor having early last week extended invitations to leading representative citizens and their families, who almost completely filled the there being no paid admissions. predicted in these columns and confidently anticipated by those familiar with the nature of the entertainment, either from experience or Prof. Cromwell's reputation, the evening was a most delightful as well The case Jacob B. Miller vs. Barbara as instructive one. Prof. Cromwell literally Bealer and John Bealer was attached for led his audience through Northern Italy, trial in the upper court room. This was by presenting before their eager gaze the most accurate and realistic representations sion of a house and two lots of ground in of famous things in art and architecture the borough of Manheim. The evidence ever witnessed here, or indeed in any city of plaintiff was that he advanced \$1,635 to apart from the scenes so graphically shown. Beginning at Venice the visual tour extended as far south as Florence, with contant stoppages to look at some wouderful they were in Mrs Bealer's name. On design of sculptor or builder and to listen cross examination plaintiff admitted that to Professor Cromwell's highly entertainhe loaned the money and that he expected | ing and explanatory remarks bearing upon it would be paid back to him. After the subjects shown. The occasional musiplaintiff had offered all his testimony, de- cal interludes (for the exhibitor is an apt fendant's counsel moved for a non-suit performer on the organ and the possessor. moreover, of a pleasing baritone voice) gave added interest to the entertainment. which may be said to combine all the best features of a book of travel with those of the most edifying and instructive lecture upon kindred subjects, and to enjoy large advantages over both in scope and magnitude. It is not proposed to attempt here anything like a descriptive review of the subjects presented. It would be well-nigh impracticable in a newspaper article of or-dinary proportions and discrimination is out of the question, where the merit of the representations is so uniform. Suffice it