Lancaster Intelligencer.

Phillips to Gibson.

MONDAY EVENING, NOV. 28, 1881.

The star route prosecutions have been a disjointed and poorly managed affair throughout. Even were it conceded that an honesty of purpose inspired all who are formally on record on the side of the government in these suits, they seem to be divided by jealousies and their councils distracted by an utter lack of the harmony necessary to success. Mr. MacVeagh and Mr. James no doubt started with a common purpose and good understanding, and apparently had full authority to proceed to the uttermost and to employ all the agencies necessary to effect the punishment of nor iron bars a cage." The romantic the offenders. Long since it has been story of his attempted escape reads like apparent that there has been some dis- a page from a novel, but, unlike Victor cord among these various agencies, if Hugo's fleeing convict, when this Lannot some misunderstanding between the caster jail breaker was confronted with postal department and that of justice, iron gratings in his subterranean avenues and between both and the department of of escape he removed the bars and made criminal prosecutions in the District. them implements to facilitate his For the failure of the indictments within flight. the proper time to escape the operation of the limitations statute, resulting in the miscarriage of the information proceedings, there was a divided responsibility, by the force of which Corkhill was able to escape accountability to public opinion, in a measure at least, by plainly showing that he had been so far distrusted by the government's counsel as to have no control of the cases and no responsibility for their failure. Mr. MacVeagh quits the cabinet in a manner which very plainly shows his lack of confidence in those who should have co-operated with him; the counsel seem to be working on different lines or not working at all; and now when Gibson puts his report and compilation of the case into print, apparently trying to clear his skirts of anticipated failure of the prosecution, he is discredited by the present head of the department of justice, and made to appear as an irresponsible and impertinent meddler in business in which he has no concern. Mr. Gibson's peculiar detective skill, his long service in unearthing just such frauds as these in Washington, and the notoriety of his his report, which the public need. But Porkopolis fears a freeze-out. the present acting attorney general, finding no record of his appointment or of his legal qualification, cannot recognize him or his work, under the statutes, as he has presented his report. For this failure to have Mr. Gibson duly qualified the responsibility seems to rest with

by the department and therefore this the worth of his or her money. report was either an impertinence by him or a forgery by some one else, to be rejected for informality and they blasphemy. are correspondingly happy. Mr. Gibson can no doubt make his report as a "detective," or "agent." if he chooses not to stand on punctiliousness. Or he can make it over the name of "Assistant Attorney" Bliss, who, he says, approved it. But in securing what seems to be an official snub of Gibson, the men whom he is gunning for congratulate them. selves upon having helped their case. Doubtless even this advantage will aid to convince the people that there is to be no punishment for the men who were the "best workers" of the Republican party, who when personally appealed to by Mr. Garfield opened their purses filled with government plunder and gave freely to corruptly carry Indiana, and who, after the battle, were honored by the Dorsey dinner in New York, whereat the present president sat the most distinguished member of the party and unblushingly commended the vile means by which the guest of the occasion had contributed to Republican success.

miscarried indictments.

In the Wrong Place.

Perhaps the prison-keepers would do a wise thing if they would ask the governor to pardon Frankford and appoint him keeper of the jail. A man who is so successful in detecting the weak and turn his attention to an honest selves," &c. industry. He has given the prison inspecters so many demonstrations of the weakness of their jail that they may feel inclined to despair of their ability to make it tight. Perhaps they may be able to secure Frankford's services as architect, if he is not inclined to so permanently hold their employ. It does not seem to be exactly the right way of distributing the work of men to make gaoler of stupid men and jail birds of sharp ones; but that is the way Providence orders these things. It is cer- Thrice-Holiness, of folly against Infinite tainly advisable to consider whether it Wisdom. Lawlessness is manlessness and is not good policy to put a thief to holding a thief, as well as to catching him : which last is a well approved expedi- of the Virginia elections, he declares that ency. But if reports have been true we the Republican party has been "for the have sometimes not had occasion to reproach ourselve; with the excessive honesty of our prison inspectors and keepers, so that it is not dishonesty that is the quality that would convert a thief like Frankford into a good gaoler. It is his Patterson, a butcher, walking along Morintelligence that we want. It is man- gantown street saw Ellis Peters in Jac ifest that men who undertake to keep within iron walls, pris- ned in so public a manner and retorted Bucks county; \$6,000. F. O. Norton's oners who break out of brick walls, and who put together their chilled iron plates, that the file will not cut, with soft iron bolts, are not the men provided by nature for the positions they occupy.

Feters select a slove in and deal l'atter fine works in Cleveland; \$75,000. Loran, ing him senseless and escaped. Patterson was taken to his home in a buggy, where burg. Va., and sumae leaf storehouse; They don't rise up to the measure of he has since remained in a critical condi- \$11,500. Peter Ward's residence, New their responsibilities. They have the tion, suffering from concussion of the burg, N. Y.; \$9,000. W. L. Green's intelligence of babes. Frankford no

doubt was really ashamed of his keepers. He would have contentedly remained in his cell if he had not felt-the indignity put upon him by such childish guardianship. We are ashamed of them ourselves. They fire shot-guns at prisoners when they see their heads sticking out else. the chimneys; but the picture presented to the world of these gaolers wandering about the prison during the hours of the night unable to find whence the mysterious noise came that disturbed their slumbers, while a prisoner was making lecture. The latter suggestion will reconhis way out of his iron cell to liberty, is cile the public to his conviction. not one calculated to inspire anyone with a high idea of their acuteness.

FRANKFORD seems determined to prove that "strong walls do not a prison make

It is officially reported that last year twenty-two ports of entry did not collect a dollar in duties and that thirty-two other ports did not collect enough to pay expenses. If collection does not collect. it, at least, costs.

THE Guiteau jurymen are said to be all professing Christians. This may or may not be good for Guiteau.

As good men-Christiaus if you please -as Garfield have enjoyed whist and delighted in cribbage.

THE star route thieves have got along so far that they have MacVeagh and Gibsontheir late prosecutors-on trial now.

ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL PHILLIPS seems to be of the opinion that Brady and Dorsey have retained him to prosecute

WHEN Joe Huber " iron clads" the next the job and show him how to make it

By reason of "corners" in coal and employment by MacVeagh, are ample to | whisky those commodities have advanced give all the credibility and authority to in Cincinnati and without a mild winter

THE New York Sun, which used to shine for all, does not seem to beam very warmly upon its former Washington correspondent, A. M. Gibson.

THE young ladies have a perfect right to wear those big hats to places of public MacVeaga, who has not yet cleared himamusement, but in order to prevent an Raymond was pretty good. Jim Bennett eclipse of the stage for those sitting behind is better than his old dad. Jim Blaine self of expelessness in the matter of the it is their bounden duty to take along to When it was hinted in the New the hall a worsted "fascinator," to re-York Herald the other day that place the hat with it as soon as they get Gibson's authority was not recognized seated and give everybody a chance to see

THE Appletons are about to discontinue these outgivings were regarded simply their Journal because it does not pay, and as a part of the desperate devices let somebody else publish Rice's North of the thieves, embeddened by the restor. American Review for him, because, since it that he never intended to appoint Gibson ation of Stalwartism in the person of Mr. printed so much Ingersollism they found an "assistant attorney": Arthur, who gave celat to the New York | that unscrupulous competitors were going dinner to Star Router Dorsey. But now about the South and West and horrifying that the attorney general pro tem. rules the deeply religious school committees by Mr. Gibson out and there are cited Mr. reading to them passages from Ingersoll's trict of Columbia to aid in the prosecu-MacVeagh's letter to Bliss, and the stat- essays in the North American, and then nte directing assistant attorneys to take dwelling on the wickedness of baying the oath-which Gibson did not-the school books for innocent children from a strongest arraignment of the thieves has house which could put its name on such to be determined by the attorney general ped for some purpose, and before it could

> Dr. Bliss in a magazine article, recounting the incidents of the president's illness, bears testimony to the fact that cards were a frequent social diversion with Mr. Garfield, that his mind ran to that re creation during his illness, and that in his shall hereafter be allowed to any person in the car and caused the greatest alarm very last stages he made a motion as if shuffling carls. These facts were well United States or to any branch or departknown to all who knew Mr. Garfield's ment of the government thereof, except and after lying there unclaimed for an habits of life, and the Examiner very properly recalls an editorial published some time ago in the New Era, sconting the idea that a Christian like Garfield would have anything to do with "gambling tools," The Era is called upon to admit that Garfield played cards, or that he was no Christian, or that in saying what it did on this subject it made a goose of itself.

THE Press asks editorially whether case in which the government is interested Guiteau is insane and then discusses the therein shall receive a commission from question, concluding first that "the evident dullness of his moral perceptions, his apparent inability to appreciate the gravity nature of the appointment may require, of the charge against him, and the satis and shall take the outh required by law to faction which he seems to find in the trial and the importance and publicity it gives him, are not the characteristics of a man of sound mind. If the evidence fully es tablishes the fact of his insanity, the jury have no choice but to acquit him." At the same time "that Guiteau's mental points of the prison ought to make a unsoundness is of such a degree as to rengood gaoler; and if a sufficiently large der him irresponsible we are not thus far salary was offered him he might be in- convinced." It certainly "will be hard duced to abandon his profession as thief for some good people to reconcile them-

> THERE ought to be no doubt about it in the public mind, after this lucid definition in the New York Independent : " Law. lessness is the heart of the fool. It is the shrill chatter that would drown the solemn choic of nature and the eternal undertone on which its harmonious chorus lad, was badly wounded. rests, the ceaseless swell of the Trisagion, which ever beats sweet and low and loud and solemn from the seraph-circled throne of God. It is the rebellion of weakness against All Might, of Wickedness against godlessness." And yet this editorial slasher is just as clear when in full view preservation of the public faith against all schemes of repudiation."

settling With a Creditor.

In Uniontown, Fayette county, John quet's stove shop and asked him to pay a meat bill. Peters objected to being dun shop and residence in Falls township,

THE STAR ROUTE CASES.

Mr. Gowen has sailed from London for New York with 50,000 proxies to contest the presidency of the Reading railroad. Mr. TALMAGE remarked in his Thanks giving sermon, that prayer has less effect upen the weather than upon anything

ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS, at the weight of 94 pounds, is writing a history of the country from its earliest establishment down to the present.

GUITEAU says if convicted he will die fearlessly; if acquitted he will marry and CYRUS W. FIELD'S consolidated New

obsequious organ of Arthur's administration. That is just about the acreage of

BEATRICE has given \$20,000 out of the better than this scion of royalty.

Miss Bessie Norris, of Wilkesbarre, whose lover, James Weller, ran away the route cases; that Mr. Woodward day they were to have been married and and the postmaster-general had recthen came back to marry her. has become ommended my employment to the a raving maniac. a raving maniac.

letters from all parts of the country begging for money. So many come every told the attorney-general that if my emanswer them.

VICTORIA WOODHULL, with her sister, daughter and mother, is back from a five years' trip to and sojourn in England, full of praise for the English. She goes upon the lecture platform, and her accomplished daughter will take to the stage.

Rev. Dr. S. D. C. JACKSON, of the Church of God of Decatur, Ill., who will soon lecture in this city, is a Yorkshire Englishman and has the broad English accent. He is an eloquent and fluent speaker, and is traveling on a lecture tour through Pennsylvania.

Rev. Dr. MANN, of Packenham, Ont. wouldn't let the hired girl's beau come be cause he "wasn't satisfied of his character." To satisfy him the cook mixed order of the postmaster-general, to be Paris green with his porridge, and the printed as a part of his annual report; reverend censor of kitchen morals came that Col. George Bliss read the unrevised near being a dead Mann.

JOHN ANDERSON, millionaire, proprietor of the "Solace" fine cut, has died lately in New York. He was a liberal befactor of Garibaldi and free Italy, of Agassiz and natural science, and a friend of Gen. Scott, cell he should have Frankford superintend for whose Mexican campaigns he first wrapped fine cut in tin foil,

EZRA FREEBORN, aged 67 and never took a drink, deserves notice as the father of the tramps. He has been going up and down the country for 36 years and never paid a cent for ride or food. He will work if necessary, and always travels alone. He complains that wicked men, outraging decency, have brought tramping into undeservedly bad repute. He thinks he has traveled 208,000 miles on foot, cars, boats and wagons and never paid a cent; and is willing to bet that no man ever saw as much. He says: "I once asked Gon Grant for help. He glared at me as if I partment and both are necessary to the crewas a snake. Sherman is freer. Horace ation of an assistant attorney of the United Greelev never looked at what he gave me. never gives a tramp a cent.'

GIBSON'S APPOINTMENT.

MacVeagh's Neglect to Have him Qualified Mr. MacVeagh did not know how there came to be no record or notice of Gibson's appointment to assist in prosecuting the FIRE ENGINE HORSES RUN AWAY. star route eases. It seems, however, that following letter, from which it is argued

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, } WASHINGTON, June 1, 1881. You are hereby appointed special assistant United States attornery for the Disconcerned in frauds on the United States, when the suits are ended. You will take and transmit the same to this department.

Very respectfully, WAYNE MACVEAGH, Attorney General.

The revised statutes of the United States in cases specially authorized by law, and hour and half were taken to the morgue, then only on the certificate of the attorney Up to midnight they had not been identigeneral that such services were actually performed by the attorney general or so- the police. licitor general or the officers of the department of justice or by the district

Section 366 also provides: "Every attorney or counsellor who is specially retained under the authority of the department of justice to assist in the trial of any the head of such department as a special assistant to the attorney-general or to some one of the district attorneys, as the be taken by the district attorneys, and shall be subject to all liabilities imposed upon them by law."

Items of Interest.

Hartford, Coun., will put up a \$60,000 coldiers' monument with city money. The American book exchange has made an assignment for the benefit of its credi-

Mayor Grace, of New York, has appoint ed Joseph W. Drexel, the banker, to be a commissioner of education, in place of Henry E. Pellew, resigned.

David McConaghy, who had served a term in the penitentiary for horse stealing, was stabbed to death by one Scatterwhite, near Warrensburg, Missouri, who escaped. While standing in a Troy, N. Y., shooting gallery and allowing the proprietor, 'Arizona Charlie," to shoot glass balls from his head, Thomas Barnes, a young

J. H. Devereux, president of the reorranized Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati of all of the Vanderbilt railroads west of made public at Christmas, Buffalo, to be Vanderbilt's first lieutenant. Geo. Maddox, aged 15, killed in couping cars at Paterson, N. J.; Geo Mattice, of Windsor, Mass., drunk, killed by runaway horse; Conductor E. A. Batchelor crushed to death between cars on the Raleigh & Augusta air line.

The dead body of an unknown, middleaged man, well dressed, with a twenty pound paving stone attached to his neck, was found near Winthrop's Cove, Conn., tonio, Texas, to M. A. Adams and a little money in the pockets.

Losses by Fire.

Jacob Watson's wheelwright shop, paint grist mill, East Aurora, N. Y.; \$6,500.

A Lively Controversy Over Mr. Gibson Authority to Assist in the Investigation. Mr. A. M. Gibson, whose authority to act as special attorney in the star route prosecution was questioned, has written a letter to Samuel J. Phillips, acting attorney-general, reciting the circumstances under which he sent his report of the result of his inquiries into the case to the department of justice. Mr. Gibson adds : "I have to state that on April 22, 1881,

I was employed by the attorney-general as a special assistant attorney to represent the department of justice and to assist in the investigation and prosecution of the star route cases. It is proper for me to York evening papers will aim to be the by myself. The first interview I ever had with the attorney-general or the post-master-general on the Subject of the investigation of the star route frauds was at the residence of the attorney-general, the day Book' to a child's hospital in LonThe attorney-general informed me that my don. Few ignoble girls of the period do services as the representative of the department of justice were desired in the investigation and prosecution of the star Mrs. Garrield is overwhelmed with he had caused me to be telegraphed to at New York, asking me to come here. I told the attorney-general that if my emand I could be retained as a special attorney, I would accept. The next day at the request of the attorney-general I called at the office of the attorney-general, and was informed by him that, agreeably to the request of Mr. Woodward, and the recommendation of the postmaster-general and the approval of the president, I was retained in the cases. I supposed, of course, that the fact that I had been retained was made of record in the department of justice. I learned subsequently that such was not the ease, although the attorney general was positive that he had directed the customary formal communication to

be addressed to me." Referring again to the report, Mr. Gib son says that it was put in type by the order of the postmaster-general, to be proof sheet of it and told him (Gibson) that some one had given an unrevised proof sheet to Mr. Phillips, and that Phillips had suggested changes in the language. All the corrections that Col. Bliss suggested were made. That Col. B!iss then informed Gibson "that he not only endorsed the report, but would stand behind it, and that I should transmit to your slips of the revised proof, which you would, in accordance with an understanding he had with you, transmit formally to the postmaster general, in order that the report might come to him through the regular official channel and regularly appear as part of his annual report.'

In reply the acting attorney-general says that the title assumed by Mr. Gibson is justified by nothing upon the records. "There is," he says, "neither commission nor oath of office upon the files of this de-States. Upon this state of facts I must assume that you have misunderstood the character of the agency which you have received from Attorney-General Mac-Veagh. As for the contents of the papers referred to by the chief clerk of this department, it will be time enough for me to consider them when a report shall have been made to this department, which has not yet been done."

MacVeagh did officially notify Bliss in the | The Engine Pole Crashes Into a Street Car and Kills Two Young Men. In Philadelphia about 7:30 o'clock last evening, a fire engine stationed near Norris and Germantown avenue, started out in response to an alarm, but had scarcely got under headway when the strap which holds the driver in his seat broke, and the driver was thrown off. The frightened tion of certain persons charged with being horses dashed down Germantown avenue which crosses Fourth street above in connection with what is known as the star route investigation, at a compensation junction, a Fourth street car had stopbe started again the pole of the engine was the oath prescribed for district attorneys thrust through the rear platform and into the ear, which was full of passengers. A number of men were standing on the platform and two young men were struck by the pole, one of them on the head and the other on the chest. Both were instantly section 6,365 provide no compensation killed. The shock put out all the lights besides the respective district attorneys for among the passengers, but no one else was services as attorney or counsellor to the injured. The bodies of the young men were taken to the nearest police station, Up to midnight they had not been identified. The driver of the engine, who was rendered and that the same could not be only slightly hurt, surrendered himself to

STATE ITEMS.

Pleasure lake steamers laid up for the winter at Erie. The Pennsylvania State Grange will as semble in Williamsport, December 13th, to remain in session at least four days. O'Conner talked in Seranton, and an

Irish Land League. Two boys, aged respectively five and nine years, sons of James Sartin while skating at Yatasville, near Pittston, broke through the ice and were drowned.

overflowing meeting raised \$1,000 for the

Anderson's store at Youngstown, about six miles east of Greensburg, was broken into and \$15,000 in money, bonds and other securities stolen. There is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime.

Assistant Treasurer Hillhouse, of New York, has resigned, to take effect when his successor qualifies. It is understood that the position has been offered to "a gentleman of high standing in commercial circles" in New York.

Considerable excitement prevails in Sus quehanna county, along the state line be tween New York and Pennsylvania, in consequence of the discovery of gold in considerable quanties in a ledge of rocks on a farm, the rock assaying \$23 in gold and \$12 in silver to the ton. Wayne county is excited over oil discoveries.

Walter II. Backus, a tobacco traveling salesman of Jersey City, died suddenly of cold in his eye, resulting in erysipelas, in Altoona the other day. In the same paper very tired. He did not complain much, which published his death appeared a but seemed to be suffering some pain. notice of his marriage, which had occurred While Mr. Weise was explaining how he & Indianapolis road, is to be given charge a few weeks ago and was to have been

Died Recently. Distinguished necrology: Abijah Gil-

Gilbertville, Otsego county, New York— with heavy striped pants and shirt. The his native place; aged 75; eldest of 18 latter was open at the neck and the sleeves children; formerly a New York merchant. rolled up, exposing a heavy-set breast and Samuel S. Rollins, aged 66, for over twenty years cashier of the Somersworth national bank of Great Falls, New Hamps shire, on returning from the funeral of an and a bill from H. Wagner, of San An. old friend. Sarah E. Pressler, known as "Old Aunt Sally," at her son's residence in Plattskill, New York, aged 100 years, 7 months and 21 days; born in Newburg, time may yet come when he can again Orange county, New York.

A Drunken Fight.

Orange street near North Queen on Saturday night, one of their number being too much intoxicated to walk without assistance. The results were a dirty sidewalk, a broken whisky bottle, and a policeman on the spot after the fighte:s had escaped policeman was sent for is a mystery.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

BOLD JAIL BREAKER.

The Wonderful Story of a Wonderful At-tempt to Escape from Jail.

Early this morning John Frankford, the notorious horse thief, confined in the

FRANKFORD SHOT IN THE CHEEK.

county prison, attempted to make his escape, and he was so far successful that he would probably have been a free man now had he not been discovered when he was on the wall and promptly shot by Capt. J. P. Weise, the prison keeper. It was one of the best planned attempts to break jail that has ever been known here, and the amount of work done by the pris oner was simply wonderful. Such ingenuity and courage displayed in a good cause would be worthy of high commendation. About ten minutes before two o'clock this morning, Night Watchman Reed was walking around the north side of the prison when he heard a noise which ounded as though some one was working at the wall. He thought they were digging from the outside, and at once went and alarmed Capt. Weise, who, with his son Charlie, arose. They went down the lot into Franklin street and thence into Orange. They made a thorough examination of the wall, but saw nothing wrong. Mr. Weise stationed Charlie at the corner of the garden, telling him to shoot if anyone attempted to get away, and he himself went into the stable yard. Nothing was found to be wrong as yet, and a lantern was procured and another look was noise was heard was where the cellar to the outside wall and where there is a sort of a chimney on the inside leading from the flue under the ground to the top of the wall. Mr. Weise sent his son down to Mr. Fred. Brock's house, near by, and he and Mr. Reed stationed themselves at the above point. They were there but a short time when the head of a man appeared at the top of the wall, he having crawled up the chimney. When the head was first seen, on account of the shadows of several lights, it looked as though there were several men. Mr. Weise was standing in Orange street, armed with a breechloading gun, and just as the man came up he fired, being afraid that there were a number of them. As soon as the weapon wa; discharged the man, who was then

that; it was his duty to keep him there a prisoner, and he intended to do it as long as he could. Frankford then asked what the gun was loaded with and he was told that it contained bird shot; he said that his face had been badly torn. A ladder was at once procured and the man was taken down and removed to his cell, where he was attended by Dr. Compton, who came in a short time. It found that eight or ten shot had struck him in different parts of the face and forehead, one of them entering near the eye. Several grains were taken out, but some still remain. The wounds although quite pain ful are not at all serious.

After the escape of the man had been

prevented an examination of the prison was made to ascertain how he made his escape from his cell. Frankfo into the jail in September, 1877, and as he was known to be a desperate character and had several times attempted to escape, and which had been continued for several his sentence for nineteen years was disposed to make him desperate, a cell was made especially for him. It is No. 8 on the west side of the lower tier. This cell for five months. The court made an order is iron clad, the iron being chilled, making that he pay her \$4 per week and give bail it impossible for anyone to cut through it. The iron plates are fastened with bolts, which have round heads. Frankford, by means of some instrument, filed little niches across the heads of several of these bolts, in order that a serew driver, or like instrument, could be inserted in them, when they could be turned. After doing this he in some way procured a screw driver, or a heavy instrument which he could use for that purpose, and took out several of the bolts in the eastern end of the cell. It was then an easy matter for him to remove the plates and by digging away the bricks to make his way into the cellar. At the northern end of the cellar is the air flue. It runs under the ground from the cellar to the chimney on the outside through an arch. This flue is under the cellar floor from which a trap door leads to it. Across the entrance to this due from the cellar there is a heavy door r gate of iron rods, which was built into heavy stone wall. After going through the trap door of the cellar floor Frankford made his way to this arch door. He there began operations by tearing away the wall with a heavy poker, and piling the stones on either side of him. He worked there for several hours, and the noise made by this handling of the stones was what attracted Watchman Reed's attention. After tearing away the wall until he reached the bottom of this gate, the prisoner dug enough earth away to allow him to pass his body through. He then crawled under the arch to the chimney, across which about five feet from the top are iron rods which are close together and crossed. Owing to the effects of the weather on the stone wall these rods have become loose and it was an easy matter for Frankford to remove enough of them to pass through. He then got up on the rods and there he was standing when he was discovered and shot. He had done his work well and had tried hard to gain his liberty, only to find that he had again been foiled.

Besides the wounds made by the shot in | ready. Frankford's face his arms are covered with ugly cuts and bruises, made while he was doing his work without the aid of a candle or any tools except these which he picked up by chance.

Upon being interviewed this morning by an INTELLIGENCER representative, the prisoner stated that for a long time he has been at work filing the notches on the bolts in order to remove them. He says that he left his cell about 9 o'clock last night and after getting to the cellar spent the rest of the time at work at the stone wall and iron gate. When seen this morning the injured

convict was still lying in his cell on his bed; he had his head tied up and looked had made his escape from the cell he lay quiet and listened, but said nothing. When asked regarding his injuries on his head he answered, but seemed to be rather backward about it. He bert, ex U. S. senator from Florida, at was arrayed in a full prison suit thick arms which were covered with cuts from the shoulders to the wrists. The man bore up wel!, although he wore a dis appointed look. He seemed to be meditating plans for the future, and his looks plainly said that although unsuccessful this time he was not discouraged and the breathe the outside air.

John Frankford is a man between 45 and 50 years of age and is a resident of Five or six men had a fight on West this city, where he was born and raised. He has been in jails in different parts of the country and nearly always for stealing horses. The last time he was arrested Captain Sprecher caught him at Coatesville, Chester county. He was tried and convicted of stealing three horses and one in the darkness. How they managed to set of harness, and on the 22d of drag along their almost helplessly drunk September Judge Patterson sentenced him companion so speedily after they knew a to 19 years' imprisonment at hard labor in the Lancaster county prison. Since that

time he has made several attempts to escape, but has always been unsuccessful During his life he escaped from a number of jails throughout the country and he is considered an expert at jail-breaking.

Charles Gibson, his son in-law, who i now at large made his escape through the archway leading to the flue. Since that time the iron gate was put on it and that was the only obstacle in Frankford's way, but he was equal to it.

OBITUARY.

Death of David Shultz. David Shultz, hatter and ex-county treasurer, died at his residence No. 20 West Orange street, yesterday afternoon about three o'clock, from the effects of paralysis. Mr. Shultz was first stricken with paralysis about five years ago, and was confined to his room nearly a year. He never wholly recovered, but for three or four years past was able to take short walks through the streets. Two weeks ago he received the second attack, which coa-

fined him to his bed, and resulted in his death as above stated. Mr. Shuitz was born in Dauphin county May 28, 1805; he learned the trade of a hatter, and in the year 1824 removed to New Holland, where after working as a journeyman for a few years, he married Miss Rebecca Miller, of that village, and started the hatting business on his own account, and continued to carry it on until 1852, when he was elected county treasurer by the Whig party, of which he had long been an active member, often representing the party in county conventions, and being from time to time appointed to minor offices, holding for three terms the office of mertaken at the wall. The place where the cantile appraiser. About 1845, in connection with his New Holland store, he tlue runs from the prison opened one in Lancaster, which, in a short time, became the leading hat store in the city. In 1852 he removed to Lancaster and associated with him in business his oldest son, John; and afterwards sold his interest in the business to his second son, Henry. After quitting the hatting trade, about 1856, he entered into partnership in the banking business with Hiester, Henderson and Reed, the firm name being John K. Reed & Co. Having bought land in Wayne county, Ohio, he removed thither in 1862, and settled down to farming near Orrville. He sold his farms and returned to Lancaster in 1866. For several years, afterward he was engaged in the leaf tobacco trade, and speculations in land and stocks. As stated above, he was stricken with paralysis some five years ago, which disabled him from continuing found to be John Frankford, cried out, in active business, and compelled him to "My God, Jack, you've shot me." Mr. live in retirement. Weise told him that he could not help

Mr. Shultz was the father of fifteen children-eight sons and seven daughters. Ten of his children survive him : Henry, William and Charles, the well-known hatters of North Queen street; David, of Altoona, Blair county, Pa., and Joseph, of Orrville, Ohio. The surviving daughters are Kate, wife of Solon Boydson, Orrville, Ohio; Mary, wife of James Calmont, Cass county, Mo.; Annie, wife of Col. Russell, Kansas City, Mo.; Rebecca, widow of the late Edward Welchans, and Ellen, who is single.

Mr. Shultz possessed great business talent and was an enterprising and successful business man, and until disabled by disease was an active and influential politician. His funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Saturday Afternoon .- The case of com'th vs. John Steiger, charged with desertion, times was called. The defendant was not present, and the wife testified that her husband had done nothing for her support

for the faithful performance.

The case of John Huber, charged with desertion, was dismissed with the county for office costs, as the parties are now

living together.

Com'th vs. Samuel C. Kendig, desertion. In this case both the defendant and his wife said they were willing to live with each other, and he would procure a house. The case was continued until December in order that the parties may have an opportunity of going together.

Com'th vs. Benjamin Jackson and Frank Yellets, colored, surety of the peace. E. S. Carmany, who keeps a store at Spring Garden, testified that the two defendants came to his store and amoyed his customers, and made a noise. He told them to stop and Jackson made threats saying that he would have revenue. Yellets made no threats, Jackson's defense was that Carmany hit him with a whip and he then threatened "to peel his eye."

The court dismissed the case against Yellets, with county for costs, and ordered Jackson to give bail in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace and to pay costs.

The last bills returne I by the grand jury were as follows:

True Bills-Martin K. Hacker, fornica-Ignored-Andrew Kane, selling liquor on Sunday and to minors, with J. P. Col-

lins, the prosecutor, for costs; S. P. Heilich selling liquor on Sunday, with county for costs; Philip Rogers, murder. The Grand Jary. The grand jury met this morning at 10

o'clock, and at once left in omnibuses to visit the county institutions. It is quite probable that they will not complete their abors before to morrow afternoon.

Court of Common Pleas.

This morning the first week of November common pleas court began with Judge Patterson presiding. When the list was called it was found

that 23 out of 30 cases on the list were

The case of Lederman & Brothers vs. Simon W. Rupp, was marked settled. In the case of C. Herdeman et al. citi zens of Washington borough, vs. the borough authorities, in which a bill of equity was filed and a preliminary injunction was granted to restrain the defen-

dants from taking the lands of the former

for street purposes, D G. Eshleman, esq.,

was this morning appointed examiner and master. In the case of Mary Ann Westman et al. vs. the Pennsylvania railroad for damages, Penrose Shirk, of Lebanon, was appointed a viewer in place of C. II. Kil linger, formerly of Annville, but now of

List of Uncinimed Letters. The following is a list of unclaimed let-

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ters remaining in the postoffice for the week ending November 28, 1881 : Ladies' List .- Mrs. Christana Anderson

Miss L. E. Grove, Lydia Jay, Miss Mary Kreider, Mrs. Miles, Miss Susan Monbach Miss Josephine Matt, Miss Bell, M. Neel, Mrs. Liley Palmer, Miss Randolph, Miss Cad Smith, Miss Annie Scheetz, Mrs. Mary Yeager.

Gents' List .- John Anthony, Samuel P. Bailey, Capt. Juo. N. Blount, Sam'l. P. Brodis, Ashwell Browne, L. Campbell, James Delaney, William Dierolf (for), Martin Fry, George Fehl, Gilmore & Stcphens, F. R. Hitchcock, Peter Hoffer, C. W. Kyle, Jacob Kiser, A. Sismann, W. H. Steward, Isaac Seldomridge, Emile Sommer (for), Amos B. Stark.

Mayor's Court.

The mayor this morning sent one drunk to jail for 20 days, one for 10 days, and a third for five. Two other drunks were made to pay costs and fine and two a fine. Seven lodgers were discharged.

Jarors Being Drawn. This atternoon the jury commissioners, judge and sheriff are drawing jurous for the January and February courts.

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE The Wrecked Engine Successfully Raised.

left here yesterday morning at 7:25 for the

The Columbia wreck car and wreckers

wrecked engine on the Port Deposit railroad, and arrived there at 7:55. The York wreckers did not arrive until 8:06. Considerable time was spent in unloading the necessary implements. A large bar of iron was laid crosswise in the fire box and to this a rope, nearly as thick as a common piece of stovepipe, sent from Phila-delphia, was fastened, and was then stretched up the hill and wound around several large upright irons, that had been drilled and soldered into rocks. It was also fastened to a tree. Thence it was attached to an engine standing on the main track, and which was to be used in pulling the disabled locomotive up to the track. Several other ropes were so arranged and fastened that the strain on the large rope would not be so great. At this time the engine was covered with water above the coweatcher, but some time during the past week the water had been as high as the smoke stack. A new inclined track was then laid from the engine to the main track. At last all was ready and the order given to begin pulling. The men scattered in all directions, as they did not care to have the accident of last Sunday repeated. After a few unsuccessful attempts the engine moved, and exactly two minutes after the order had been given to start pulling, or at 12:15, the engine was on the main track, but laying crosswise on the rails. Part of the ropes were then detached, and the jacks and block and tackle used instead. After jacking it on a level with the track, a rope was fastened to the back part of the engine to another engine standing on the main track below, and another rope to the front part and thence to another engine above. The center had been fixed on a sort of a pivot. Both engines pulling at the same time, replaced the disabled one on the main track at 2:20 p. m. After three or four unsuccessful trials the wrecked engine had been placed once again upon a solid basis. The tools were then packed into the wreek ear, and after fastening the wrecked engine to the other, all started for home, reaching Columbia at 4:20 p. m. The engine was then placed in the round house, and after being some what repaired will probably be sent to Aitoons to receive a thorough overhauling.

Some Points. Mr. Masters, of the York wreckers, assisted by two sailors from Philadelphia, attended to the working of the different ropes, and some of the knots they tied were simply wonderful.

To Mr. James Daily, who was boss over all the workmen, thanks are due for his excellent propositions.

The telegraph wires near the wreck had to be cut and grounded, as they interfered with the ropes. No telegrams could be sent to points south of the wreck, as con nection could not be made, but Columbia and York were "open." Mr. Ben Lichty attended to the telegraph wreck station.

Not near so large a number of sight seers were present as on the previous Chief Detectivo Wm. Brady was present and was busy keeping persons from inter

fering with the workmen. Borough Budget. The real estate sales on Saturday night, at the Franklin house, were postponed on account of the scarcity of bidders. The fair for the benefit of St. Peter's

convent cleared between three and four thousand dollars. It is hoped that a full attendance of the

members of Co. C will be present this evening at drill. The E. E. Lutheran church festival closed on Saturday evening, and was in every way a grand success. About \$150 was cleared. Mrs. Harry Young and Miss Ella Filbert's table made the largest

amount of mouey, \$21.50. All religious services yesterday were

well attended. One gold watch was given away on Saturday evening at Lovering's book store. The C S. Maltby, shifter on the R. & C. railroad, jumped the track yesterday morning in going over the "frogs" of the P. R. R. at the crossing of those roads in front of Filbert's coal yard. After two hours of labor, it was replaced. Several

parts of the engine were badly broken. More drunken men and boys were to be seen on our streets on Saturday evening. than there had been for a number of years. Why it was cannot be told, but it is a true bill. No arrests have as yet been made, but one young man who was insulting ladies near the postoflice, will be " pulled in" to-day. Squire Grier heard him and immediately issued a warrant for his arrest, but in the meantime the in-

sulter "skipped."

Some Brevities. F. A. Bennet recovering.—Big Island gradually washing away.—Wm. McCaulay interred in Wrightsville to-day .- Wm. B. Given bought the Front street property for \$1,200 .- Misses Mary Bowman and Mame Patterson canvassing Columbians to patronize the Marietta lecture course, to commence pext Friday evening .- Geo. Rathvon, J.A. Meyers and Assistant Manager Kaiser, of the Shawnee furnace, spent yesterday afternoon at Round Top, opposite Marietta: could see to Laneas-

ter .- "Led Astray," December 2 .- Geo. Crane bagged eleven red head ducks.— Two ladies and their escorts took a pleasure ride last evening in the double seated carriage of a gentleman attending church; they did not get back in time ; report of stokn team drew big crowd and the silly young people looked very sheepish when they returned and dismounted in dis grace; no arrests.

MOUNT JOY.

News from the Borough and Vicinity. The funeral of John A. Snyder, who met death on the railroad last Tuesday, was the most largely attended that took place in this community. It occurred on Saturday forenoon. Rev. Kohr, of near Lancaster, conducted the services in English in the large room of the United Brethren church. In the basement of the church Rev. Abraham Horst, of Mount Joy, preached a sermon in German. Both rooms were insufficient to accommodate the attendants and many were turned away. He was buried in the Mount Joy

Simon R. Snyder, the victim's oldest son, who was off on his wedding trip, was summoned home and arrived there on Thursday morning. He has suffered of nervous prostration. The family has the sympathy of the whole community. From the evidence presented the coroner's jury attaches no blame to the railroad company or its employees. The scene of the late accident is daily visited by large numbers of persons. There are many conflicting theories of how Mr. Snyder was killed, but no one knows the exact circumstances

connected with his death. On Saturday afternoon the Liberty cornet band took a trip to Maytown. They stopped off on their way home, took supper at the Red Lion and serenaded a

number of citizens. A mule attached to a buggy ran off from in front of Stauffer's hardware store, on Andrew Alssiev's hired man, of Rapho township, had driven to town with the team, which sustained

Ralph Bingham, the boy orator, gave an entertainment in the M. E. church on Saturday night.

Martin Kreider, of Rapho township, sold his raising of 1881 tobacco, except a half

interest in a five acre lot, to Michael Hoff man, of Maytown. Christmas being nearly here the atten-