

Lancaster Intelligencer.

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 30, 1881.

The Philadelphia Democracy.

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POLITICAL STRATEGY.

THE STRUGGLE FOR CONTROL.

THE REPUBLICAN SITUATION DIAGNOSED.

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"AD INTERIM" President is good. The phrase is the New York Tribune's invention.

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COAL AND IRON.

PENNSYLVANIA'S PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS.

PROSPECTS OF THE READING RAILROAD.

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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—The statement of the business of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad and coal and iron company for the month of November and year ending November 30th was made public this afternoon.

THE QUESTION OF APPOINTING A MASTER TO CONDUCT IT. Judges Allison and Peirce held court yesterday for a hearing upon the bill in regard to the appointment of a master to conduct the Philadelphia & Reading railroad company, praying for the appointment of a master to take supervision and control of the election next January.

PERSONAL. MISS MARY A. LIVERMORE was sixty years old the 16th of December.

W. W. CONCORDIA, the Washington philanthropist, on Christmas celebrated his eighty-third birthday at the Louise Home which he founded for gentlemanly and reduced circumstances.

THE BEST INFORMED POLITICIANS no longer entertain any doubt as to the appointment of Senator Sargent to the interior department.

NEWS OF THE DAY. A Glance Over the Wicked World. Bordeaux is convulsed with financial failures.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

ZION'S CONCERT.

Notwithstanding the rainy weather and mud streets, Zion Lutheran church was well filled last evening by a highly cultivated audience assembled to hear the grand organ recital by Prof. H. W. Nicoll.

THE WASHINGTON FIRE STEAMER, of this city, was sent for, and being loaded on a truck, started for the scene of the fire with one thousand feet of hose; but it was delayed on the road for some time.

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RAILROAD WRECKS.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER LAST NIGHT.

WRECKED AT A DANGEROUS PLACE.

Lives Lost, Locomotives Destroyed and Cars Wrecked.

Last night about half past 11 o'clock a terrible railroad wreck occurred at North Bend, a short distance east of Christiansburg, by which two locomotives and a number of cars were destroyed and two men, if not more, were killed.

The facts as given to us have been able to gather them are that at North Bend there is a very steep cut through a hill, and a sharp curve in the road, which prevents the engineer of one train from seeing the train in front of him until he is almost upon it.

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COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE.

Rain ceased falling at 8 o'clock last night, and then another change was made by the wind striking and blowing cold.

Following is the programme for the E. E. Lutheran cantata this evening:verture, orchestra; Vocal duet, "I heard a voice which said, 'Tranquil night, Misses Vache and Welsh; Vocal solo, 'I am king over the land and the sea.' Mr. W. U. Barr; Overture, Fairy Grotto; Vocal solo, 'Dear little heart.' H. C. Misses Vache and Welsh and Messrs. Barr and Schabaly.

All express trains passed through Columbia yesterday on account of a wreck on the main line near Mount Joy.—Mud is two inches deep in the street.—Father Pursel humorously entertained last evening the judges who attended in that capacity at the fair in Market street, 1880, and the one recently held here.—1881 has one day yet to live.—Some talk of a masquerade.—Mr. James Harsh is visiting in Philadelphia.

The Columbia Herald proposes a new attraction for our little town in the shape of a park, the public ground and that now used by the high and grammar schools to be appropriated for that purpose. Our citizens want it so to do we think that the question is not whether or not it is possible. The park will not be a large one, but can be made a very handsome affair, as the ground is very level. On Jan. 7, 1882, an election for trustees for the public grounds will be held. The Herald advises to elect men, who are in favor of a park, and who will devote some of their time to the project. Half of these grounds are used as a playground for the pupils of the advanced schools. Now, if a park, can those who want it see the school children under a tree reading? They want more athletic sports, baseball, etc. If their grounds be taken let those who take them secure another place for their games? If the question is not a serious one, certainly have a park, providing the school board allows their grounds to be taken, as they have a lease on them for sixteen years. We put a query to the Herald, and would like to know what kind of a park we are to have, and what the school board will do, everything that will make it attractive and an honor to our Columbia? Election of officers.

On Wednesday evening last the following officers were elected at the Presbyterian church for the Sunday school: Superintendent, Rev. Jas. Taylor; Assistant, Messrs. H. B. Essick and W. H. Moore; Treasurer, H. A. Fouldersmith; Secretary, J. L. Pinkerton; Librarian, C. C. Kauffmann; Assistants, Ed. Becker, W. H. Fendrich and Miss Smith. Infant department, Superintendent, W. H. Moore; Librarian, Kauffmann; Chorister, Miss Ray Belter. Borough Societies.

Rev. Jackson's lecture good but not well attended.—Officer Fisher put two traps in the lockup last night an Old English and a 250 worth of new books ordered by the library committee. Another tree has been washed away from Big Island.—Diphtheria is gradually dying out in Columbia.—Boom logs are still coming down the river in great numbers; a runaway horse from Young's brewery was caught before any damage was done.—A boy fell into the river at the foot of Walnut street, but could swim and thus escaped Deputy Coroner Frank.—Mr. Herr, of Harrisburg, visited to-day and to-morrow and had his right ankle treated for a sprain suffered in a runaway; his horse was caught in town.—Miss Annie L. Dean returned home last evening from spending her holidays in Hamburg.—A wife of Harrisburg to-day fat and jolly.—Shop windows becoming dilapidated since Christmas.—Citizens band engaged to play for the "Colonel" next Wednesday evening.

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