HE IS MAD.

AN ATTACK ON SPEAKER KEIFER BY

Washington Dispatch to the Press.

Lancaster Intelligencer.

FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 6, 1882.

Porter's Vindication. At last General Fitz John Porter has justice done him even by his accus-For nearly a score of years he has by resting under a stigma which he has been vainly and ceaselessly seeking to remove, until now the full vindication is accorded him which the simple facts have always demanded. This result is not produced by new evidence so much as by an unprejudiced consideration of the old. Grant was vainly appealed to during the eight years of his presidency to revise his judgment of General Porter's guilt, but stubbornly refused. He amend "if the Edgerley bill is paid. says now that he was deceived by an inaccurate map of the field. But he knew then that Porter claimed it to be inacsecure the accurate map which has since been made by the United States engineers. General Grant frankly admits that he has been controlled to some extent by prejudice, and in view of the facts it is easy Porter's case according to the truth. ing presidents, and even so late as last winter controlled Congress. A bill for the relief of General Porter was introduced by a member who was so stupid as to be ready to compromise with the prejudice against Porter, and to accept for him less than the fullest measure of reparation which could be made by the nation to an officer unjustly condemned. No one will deny that, under the light which now shines and convinces Porter's most prejudiced judges, he is entitled to be restored to his full rank in the army and young man. to receive full pay for the years of his drop both salary and rank to secure some less substantial acknowledgment of the belief of Congress in Porter's innocence. He vainly appealed to ignorant and prejudiced minds. The most of the congressmen were willing to take their impression of the case at second hand, and to hold Porter condemned under the judgment of Grant and his other prejudiced judges. Since then General Porter seems to have appealed directly to these judges to reconsider his case under the light of the testimony which secured for him so complete a vindication at the hands of the Schofield board of inquiry, and he has appealed do themselves great credit by their present frank confession of error, although their confession strongly illustrates the bad influence which prejudice has in

Changed Its Mind.

framing human action.

"party needs oft drive a desperate editor | work. to doubtful, or at least exaggerated statements," and therefore woke up its reporter and sent him out to hunt a statement in the cases referred to from "the parties concerned" in making a defense for those who got the money. Unhappily for the Ecaminer, even their statements corroborate in the main the IN-TELLIGENCER's account of the affair. and show plainly that after McMellen " was informed by the commissioners the year, and during the latter half of that year he discharged one of the clerks whom he had previously had in service; the only material thing denied in our information is our statement, to McMellen's credit, that he had finally paid over to the county the jury fees to make the county liable for the cost. which he had collected and had theretofore failed to pay over. Capt. McMellen's statement "that \$1,500 was not too much to charge for the work; he should have had \$500 more, and could have got- have weight with the county officials. ten it from the commissioners," is just But in such cases the order for the work such a statement as it might have been expected an Examiner reporter could get from Capt. McMellen. It is intended no doubt to make the people of the county feel thankful that he did not take and that the commissioners did not give \$2,300 when they were at it!

When the Examiner says that this journal has ever assumed "that one being a county official, Republican in politics, must necessarily be a fraud and cheat," it says what it knows is not of the judges and their recommendations true. But if the Examiner can point to for "very liberal compensation," is a usurany instance when it united with honest journals in exposing the frauds and cheats whom its party has put into office in this county it may earn for itself a It is much more calculated to place "judicredit to public confidence which no cial dignity in a false light" than anything arrived safely. One of the elephants is

As to the defense which the Examiner makes for the Urban-Barnes bill that it was for "court records" which "the court says the county should pay for," it is invited elsewhere to inspect the items of the bill and designate in what judicial opinion the court has held the county liable for these; for of course the Ecaminer does not intend to " place judicial Almon Bird, of Rockland, Me., from Wind. dignity in a false light" nor to reflect sor, N. S., for Alexandria, Va., with a upon any judge's integrity nor "bring cargo of plaster, who were picked on the down upon him an editorial sneer for the purpose of bringing him into contempt" by intimating that these "judicial decisions" or sayings were said northeast of Cape Ann. The vessel shipped a sea during a storm on Sunday night which smashed in the hatches, and, filling the hold, sunk her. The erew, paddled through the court-house corridors, . as it "sneeringly" and and one has died since. "contemptuously" intimates when it! speaks of the court usurping the func- exhausted. They were improperly clad. tions of the county solicitor and instruct- They had no water and have been on scant ing the county commissioners in their

Another "Blg Bill."

fact that another county official, the late register, Edward Edgerley, follows the

precedent of the illustrious McMellen. and modestly asks \$900 for overhauling and rearranging papers, which, though every one was handled, nobody took the trouble to count, and the number of which the register "estimates" at hundred thousand. It may be that when Edgerley was doing this enormous work, for which he asks the full year's wages of an extra clerk never employed, it never occurred to him to count the papers, and it may be that if McMellen had known Edgerley would ask \$900 for much thought in the intervening time. overhauling 100,000 papers, he would, by the simple rule of three, have asked and 'could have gotten " \$10,800 for his gallant and efficient soldier a very great extra work in the prothonotary's office. He should by all means have " leave to

Like McMellen, the register pleads that the work was done by "order of court," and he presents the recommendacurate and he had then the power to tion of the two judges that he bar very liberally compensated," accompanied with their statement that this work, which Edgerley says he did, was done by the county commissioners." whatever the judges mean by that. At least to see that prejudice alone is responsible one of the commissioners has an for his failure long since to appreciate nounced from his seat to the counsel appearing for this Edgerley bill that he pro-The same influence moved the succeed- poses to be the commissioner, and to be a judge for himself of what bills are proper to be paid by the county, and that the recommendation of the judges shall receive the same respectful consideration from him as the recommendations of other individuals and no more. in regard to the payment of bills over which the judges have no control.

> AND now Register Edgerley turns up as a to be "very liberally compensated

Ir Mr. Speaker Keifer will take the dismissal. The congressman who had floor and tell Mr. Representative Orth charge of the relief bill last winter was why he could not appoint him to the head weak enough, if we recollect aright, to of the committee on foreign relations he abate something of this demand, and will edify Orth and delight the country.

> AFTER a desperate struggle the Philadelphia councils jobbers have been again beaten, and yesterday the bond of Henry B. Tener, as collector of delinquent taxes, was approved after a vain effort to take advantage of the time allowed by the court in its mandamus order to select council to

A STATEMENT issued from the treasury department January 3, shows that the total quantity of petroleum exported during November, 1881, was 46,586,631 gallons, the value of which was \$4,399,998. For November, 1880, the total export was 22,784,359 gallons and the value successfully. Generals Grant and Terry \$2,634,062. The total for eleven months of 1881 was 467,299,847 gallons, the value of which was \$44,415,673.

Wr. print the salient features of Supt. Higbee's annual report, as it deals with the general aspects of the educational system of the state. A notable feature of Our esteemed contemporary, the E- the report is the vigorous manner in aminer, which on Wednesday sympa- which it sets forth the expansive ideas thized with the "INTELLIGENCER, in which have animated the establishment of its strictures on the midnight raid of the normal schools, and its very positive the county commissioners on the county | views that the function of these schools treasury," on Thursday realized that is professional rather than academic

MARK how plain a tide shall set down the pretense made by and for McMellen through the Examiner-local columns-Thursday-that the special services for which he claims that he merited, and could have got \$2,300-and did get \$1. 800 from the county-required two extra clerks, for a year presumably. A specific statement elsewhere shows that the time in which the prothenotary's office emthat they had closed their business," he ployed five clerks in the past year was less got \$1,800 from them for re-arranging the than three months and a half, while the papers in his office, for which he only regular force, prior to that was four employed one extra clerk part of clerks; and, including Mr Fridy himself. who is an able clerk, there are four there now engaged in the regular office work.

> It will not be pretended that the records of the register's office are in such control of the judges that they can make orders for their re-arrangement or for the purchase of supplies in such a manner as The judges are no doubt well qualified to make excellent recommendations touching the arrangement or re-arrangement of the county records, and their views hould should come from the commissioners' office if the pay for it is expected to come from there; and when any such work is to be done, of anything like the pretended magnitude of that done by McMeilen and Edgerley, the commissioners should invite proposals for it, or at least should fix the price for it in advance. For judges to order work of this kind to be done, for the officials to go ahead and do it, fix their own price and then procure the approval pation of the functions of the commissioners and an imposition upon the county, which is impertinent and demoralizing. the Examiner can say in defense of the job

TERRIBLE TALE

Loss of the Schooner Almon Bird - Canni The fishing schooner Cora Lee has acrived at Pigeon Cove bringing a small open boat and five of the crew of the schooner eastern part of Jeffrey's Bank, forty miles east northeast of Cape Ann. The vessel consisting of eight men, took to the boat, two of them were dead when picked up, largest snakes.

The five survivors are badly frozen and allowance of food since Sunday. The names of the dead men were Charles Chapless, Horace Small and a man called ard, Wm. Harriman, Allen Small, A. B. If anything were needed to show the | Henderson and Frank Hamilton. They impropriety of paying the McMellen bill, for work never ordered by the county commissioners and which was never given out by proposals and bidders, the additional argument is furnished by the The captain and one man are so badly

FITZ-JOHN PORTER.

GEN. GRANT'S FRANK LETTER.

closed his defense was brought to my at-

tention, but I read it in connection with a

sketch of the field where his offenses were

said to have been committed, which I now

What I would ask in General Porter's

behalf from you is that if you can possibly

give the time that you give the subject

the same study and thought that I have

given it, and then act as your judgment

dictates. But feeling that you will not

have the time for such an investigation

(for it would take several days' time) I

would ask that the whole matter be laid

before the attorney general for his exami-

Hoping that you will be able to do this

much for an officer who has suffered for

nineteen years a punishment that never

should be inflicted upon any but the most

PERSONAL.

HENRY S. McComb's will left his

Mrs. McComb is the sole executrix.

A. H. Bissei, lately law clerk of the

SAMUEL B. GARDINER, "the tenth here-

ditary proprietor" of Gardiner's Island

died at Easthampton, Long Island, yester

day morning, in the 67th year of his age.

transferred to the Vatican, sailed from

JOHN PHELES PUTNAM, judge of the

supreme court of Massachusetts, died in

Boston on Wednesday night. He had

been on the supreme bench twenty-three

New York yesterday for Europe

is intended for ocean tralel.

ndge has somewhat the better of it.

The Times schedule has it that the Stal-

wart Pennsylvania train will be ready to

start at an early day, under the immediate

care of Conductor Cameron, with HART-

EXXET on board ticketed for the Mexican

mission, ARTHUR G. OLMSTED, of Potter

county, for collector of the Philadelphia

port, and WM. HENRY RAWLE, of Phila-

ANIMALS FROZEN TO DEATH.

the great animal dealer of Hamburg, Ger-

humped brown camels, one white camel,

inches high, an ostrich, an emu, a hornbill

twenty feet in length, making in all a car

next North German Lloyd from Europe

will bring Mr. Forepaugh ten elephants,

eight giraffes, a hippopotamus seven feet

long and five feet high, and a large saddle-

back tapir. The animals that arrived on

Forepaugh show, Richmond and Lehigh

vere cold experienced during the journey

several monkeys and half a dozen of the

SIXTY DAVS.

Death Ends the Long Fast of an Insane

avenues, on Wednesday night. The se-

killed two of the most valuable camels

delphia, for supreme judge.

Minister Morton gave a complimentary

nation and opinion.

guilty, I am very truly yours,

employees were present.

Norwalk, Connecticut.

REPRESENTATIVE ORTH A Careful Review of the Testimony Con-vinces Him That He Mas Done a Gallant and Efficient Officer Injustice. The Indiana Statesman Makes Public His Dissatisfaction With His Committee Appointments. NEW YORK, Dec. 22, 1881.-The Presi-

dent-Dear Sir: At the request of Fitz-A most curious scene was enacted in John Porter I have recently reviewed his the House this morning, one which bids trial and the testimony furnished before fair to make the future an unquenchable the Schofield court of inquiry, held in 1879, enmity between two men who, to-day, ocgiving to this subject three full days of cupy most prominent positions in the halls careful reading and consideration, and of legislation. It has already been stated many times that much dissatisfaction had The reading of the whole of this record been found with the arrangement of comhas thoroughly convinced me that for mittees by Speaker Keifer. Among the these nineteen years I have been doing a dissatisfied members no one has more keenly felt the manner in which injustice in thought and sometimes in claims have been ignored than Mr. speech. I feel it incumbent upon me now Orth, of Indiana. An old memto do whatever lies in my power to remove from him and his family the stain upon ber of the House, he had long held a prominent position in its deliberations, his good name. and to be given two unimportant positions I feel this the more incumbent upon me and an insignificant chairmanship was rather more than he could stand. Before than I should if I had been a corps comthe congressmen had got away for the holidays there were rumors that Mr Orth mander only, or occupying any other command in the army than the one which I did; but as general I had it possibly inwould yet give the speaker a piece of his my power to have obtained for him the mind upon the subject of his appointments hearing which he only got at a later day, but it was believed a recess would cool and as president I certainly had the power hot blood and settle many complaints. to have ordered that hearing. In justifi-cation for my injustice to Gen. Porter I can There was, consequently, some surprise when Mr. Orth arose, after the reading of the only state that shortly after the war

see, since perfect maps have been made the speaker would terminate. by the engineer department of the whole All eyes turned toward Orth. He stood field, were totally incorrect as showing well in front, near Dunnell's desk, and the position of the two armies. held in his hand a few pages of manu-I have read it in connection with statescript. There was a pallor about his face ments made on the other side against Geuand a tremor about his hand which beeral Porter, and, I am afraid, possibly with some little prejudice in the case, although 'Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of General Porter was a man whom I personally knew and liked before; but I got the at an early date I shall move to change the impression with many others, that there method of appointing committees now was a half-hearted support of General Pope pursued by this House. in his campaigns, and that General Porter,

The speaker's face and neck flushed painwhile possibly not more guilty than others, fully, and he sank back into his seat with happened to be placed in a position where nervous grasp of the gavel, whose handle he could be made responsible for his indiftapped fointly on the marble before him, ference, and that the punishment was not a as if it would involuntarily call the gentle severe one for such an offense. I am now man to order. Raising his mannscript convinced that he rendered faithful, effic-Mr. Orth read: "You have appointed me, ient and intelligent service, and the fact sir, on three, committees-the second that he was retained in command of a place on foreign affairs, the second place corps for months after his offenses were on rules, and the chairmanship of the said to have been committed is in his committee on civil service. Just then a voice from the Democratic

side yelled, "Louder! We can't hear him. Advancing to the front of the speaker's

desk, Mr. Orth again read the above words, when a voice from the Republican side cried: "Now, we can't hear you here." Visibly embarrassed, Mr. Orth went up into the clerk's desk and again began to read his speech. It then occurred to him that he was not facing the speaker, and he turned to him with embarrassment. Having again been recognized, he turned to the House and read the paper, which was a protest against the injustice done his constituents by the failure of the speaker to appoint him upon the head of the job department and one some more important committee. He of the best job printers in the country, closed with a request that he be excused and Garvin, the pressman. We are always from serving on the committee on rules, which was at once granted, the speaker linner in Paris yesterday to M. Gampetta stating that while he allowed the gentleand his colleagues. Most of the French man's charges of injustice to go unchalcabinet officers and many government lenged, it must not be inferred that he acquiesced in them.

Mr. Springer then gave notice that he should also at an early day move to make tion of Mr. Gilbert's humorous conceit perty to his wife and four children in a change in the method of appointing the that gives to Mr. Burnand's comedy of equal parts. Victor DuPont, of Wilmington, and General Wilthal, of New Orleans, committees and the matter was allowed "The Colonel" the warmed up flavor that are advisory trustees for the children.

While it is generally conceded that Mr. Orth has been unjustly treated in the mat ter of appointments, even his most intipostoffice department, died yesterday at mate friends do not claim that he has helped matters any by his course of the started out to make game of the false morning. There are a number of men astheticism that has unbalanced such a who have been as unjustly treated as Mr. | considerable portion of fashionable society Orth, but any attempt to show wounded Baron Vox Schloezer, the German sympathy, that martyrdom, however ap-

nulnister at Washington, who is to be parent, does not pay.

transferred to the Vatican, sailed from Speaker Keifer said to-day that had be been upon the floor he would have replied to Mr. Orth, and would have told him plainly why he was not placed at the head of the committee on foreign relations

PANIC STRUCK

JAMES GORDON BENNETT'S new iron Terrible Scene in a Church During a Funeral steam yatch Polynia, built at Newburgh, New York, was launched yesterday. She In Quincy, Ill., during the funeral ser vices of the Rev. Simon Kuhlehenkoelter, is 246 feet long, 26 wide and 18 deep, and at the Salem Evangelical church, a fright ful panie occurred. In the rush for the The Somerset county bar gave a complistreet some forty persons were injured, six mentary supper to Judge WILLIAM H. ladies seriously. The church is one of the HALL and the retiring associate judges largest in the city, and was filled by the on Monday night. Among the distin friends of the deceased. All the seats guished guests in attendance were Judge were filled, and all the standing room in Bear, Judge J. S. Black and Colonel John P. Linton of Johnstown. Although Cess-na's friends burned Hall in effigy the exthe aisles and about the doors was occu

It is said that a seat in the gallery broke down, and the people in the vicinity thought the gallery was giving way and the rush commenced. Women, men and children poured out of the doors leading from the main floor and galleries into the hall leading to the street, all efforts to stop them being fruitless. The people were frantic and would listen to nothing. The scene that followed was indescribable The shricks of the women, combined with the shouts of the men, who seemed to be frightened out of their senses, were fear-

Animals Recently Imported by Mr. Fore paugh Succumb to the Cold. In a few minutes the doorway was Several thousand dollars' worth of wild blocked up, and, during the greater poranimals recently bought of Hagenbeck, tion of this time, half-a-dozen women were lying on the steps under the feet of many, for Forepaugh's menagerie, arrived the terror-stricken crowd. A few men in New York by the steamship Mosel on who had recovered from their fright Tuesday. Two white camels, a quagga worked heroically to rescue the unfortuand a sable antelope were lost during the nate women, and succeeded in extricating voyage, but five elephants, eight doublethem from their perilous position. As fast as taken out; they were removed to one white llama, a zebra, white yak, an houses in the vicinity and cared for. It ant-bear, a mountain antelope, twenty was found that several were seriously and small monkeys, a baboon five feet four probably fatally injured.

Mrs. Spilker, a married lady, aged about and fifteen large snakes, including three forty-five years, received internal injuries, boa constrictors, each measuring over from which it is believed she will die Maggie Meyer, a young lady, was bruised in the face by boot heels, and injured internally; Mary Meyes, Mary Ann Retter, nine feet high and was once the property Minnie Bundy and Miss Dickhut, all of the late King Victor Emanuel of Italy. young women, were seriously injured. Her disposition was so ugly, however, Mrs. Daleman, an elderly lady, Mr. and that she was sold to Hagenbeck, who on Miss Lohman and Miss Wiseman were also the same account could not fiind any one seriously injured. Rev. Dr. Hollenback willing to buy her until Adam Forepaugh, was caught in the crowd and had a rib Jr., visited Europe last summer. The broken.

Many who had been knocked down and received only slight injuries were taken ome as soon as rescued, and their names could not be ascertained. These was no cause whatever for the panic. After the the Mosel were placed on a special train of excitement which lasted for half an hour, the Pennsylvania railroad on Wednesday had subsided the funeral ceremonies were and arrived at the winter quarters of the resumed.

FATAL CARELESSNESS.

Using a Powder Magazine for a Target. In Oskaloosa, Iowa., a terrific explosion of 500 kegs of powder, the property of the American powder company, occurred. It was caused by three boys, John Phillips, son of the mayor, Gerald Joyce and John Stedman, who used the side of a powder magazine, a wooden structure, Miss Chloe Ann Violet, who began a as a target for rifle practice. fast sixty days ago in Alexandria, Va., They were instantly killed, and their

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

"OLD LANCASTER." VISITED BY AN OLD LANCASTRIAN.

Extracts From Alf. Sanderson's Letter in his

Shippensburg Chronicle.
Old Lancaster! No longer an oldfashioned town of one storied houses with gablepeaked roofs, but a city of wealth, prosperity and beauty. Like the fabled Briarens, it has stretched its hundred arms out in every direction. Verily, the magician hath waved his wand, and presto, change, a new order of things sprung up. Rows of palatial mansions, with pretty the bill is presented for assorting, re-arfront vards and other surroundings, on every street and in all quarters of the city. Street railways, huge stores, business places and manufactories. Fine churches, colleges, seminaries, schools, hospitals, and other public buildings. North Queen and East King streets, with their thus rearranged, "estimated to aggregate Belgian block pavements and towering stores, will rival any similar thoroughfares in the country. Centre Square, with its unique soldiers' monument no handsomer one anywhere, is an attractive spot to all visitors and strangers. It is doubtful whether there can be a prettier sight at night than Lancaster's hilly streets lighted up by miles of gas lights, and the bright inviting stores helping to throw their flood of light upon the scene. This has all been accomplished within the journal to day, to a question of privilege, past twenty-five years. There is nothing but there was an immediate certainty of what was in the wind. A hush came over old fogyish about the town, except the inhabitants who still retain and dispense that the new file should be adopted and the whole House, for it was a little uncerthe hospitality for which Lancaster long put in the register's office. The work tain how this rebellion against the fiat of since became noted. An historic town, fuli of Continental and Revolutionary reminescences. Once, in the days and the arrangement is complete. Cap of Thomas McKean and Simon Snyder, the capital of Pennsylvania. The old land-marks are nearly all gone, but in okened suppressed excitement as he said : their stead handsome, substantial, enduring monuments to the thrift, sagacity, privilege and I desire to give notice that enterprise and prosperity of the present generation of Lancasterians. Generous, hospitable, progressive old Lancaster, none of her sons, whether "native and to the manner born" or adopted, who do not dwell with pride upon her past history, and rejoice in her present prosperous, happy and enviable condition. # At the Intelligences, our alma mater

we met Messrs, A. J. Steinman and W. U. Hensel, the proprietors and editors. Mr. Steinman was full of business, but there was a cordial greeting notwithstand ing. With Mr. Hensel a pleasant talk on political and personal matters. The In-TELLIGENCER has always been a power in the state, and under the present able and vigorous management its reputation is kept up to the highest standard. We also exchanged greetings with Messrs, J. M. Johnston, Herbert Johnston and Harry Hensel, of the reportorial force; our old friend and partner, Morton, the business manager, and his assistant, Clark; William B. and James B. Strine, the first named for more than quarter of a century the efficient foreman; Geiter, a fellow-compositor in old state printing days of Bratton and Knabb, and "at home" among the INTELLIGENCER

THE DRAMA.

Last Night's Play at the Opera House. Perhaps it is its similarity of theme and | court has said the county should pay for identity of purpose with the latest product petition, bond and other blanks : such a large proportion of last night's goodly audience at the opera house detected to a greater or less degree in the performance by Mr. Eric Bayley's company. The funny London editor, when he across the Atlantic, and upon this side of it feelings in the House meets with so little too, failed to bring to his work that faculty | Jan. 2. of original design which is such a marked characteristic of his more acute confrere. From the musty records of the old English drama he fished out a disused play, dressed it up in transcendental dialogue with the necessary adjuncts of sun flowers and water lilies, and sent it out to the world as a satirical burlesque of a prevailing popular folly. It is unnecessary to institute a comparison to show wherein his performance pales in the light of the superior genius of the anthor of "Patience," and yet people who have witnessed both could not help mentally reinrn .. making the contrast even while laughing their merriest over the ludierous situations which last night's play undoubtedty exhibits. Burnand is grotesquely funny where Gilbert is subtly satirical, and not infrequently does the contrast become still more sharply defined when in the mind's eye of the observant spectator the coarse conceit of the English joker is reflected upon the background of the Scotchman's efined humor. At the same time there is | Oct. 13. no denying the characters in "The Colonel" are quite skillfully drawn, the dialogue, though for the most part "only idle chatis of the transcendental kind which our fleshly poet pronounces so potent with the devotees of true high art, and which surely served to amuse the commonplace type who made up last night's audience. The action is slow, lacking visibly in dramatic effect, save in one two instances where it is made to trench somewhat closely upon the Augustin Daly style of business, and where too is notable something of a similarity to a recent production of that clever dramatist and poet, Mr. Sims. Mr. Bayley's company includes a num-

ber of very competent players, but he himself carried off the greater portion of the honors of the evening. As Col. Woott- by direction of the commissioners, for wooll W. Woodd, U. S. Cavalry, he gave an altogether refreshing impersonation, and was about as commonplace a person, of the earth earthy, as the most material disposition would care to see. The offhand, frank, clever gentleman from the outset, with a keen apprehension of the difficulties environing his old-time friend, the brusque manner in which he sets about relieving him is at once characteristic and effective. His little catch phrase, "Why, cert'nly," did not obtrude itself offensively apon the audience, but on the contrary nvariably came with so much naturalness that it constituted quite a point in the dialogue, and made a hit. The support was all that could have been reasonably desired, notably worthy of praise being Mr. C. P. Flockston, whose Lambert Streyke, the apostle of estheticism, was an altogether elever characterization : Leslie his monumental uncle, was a very funny person, and Mr. T. E. Webber, as in progress. Richard Forrester, a victim of motherin-law, gave a very fair representation of the popular conception of that character, Of the ladies, Miss Maria Davis was Bayley was very ethereal in the role of Miss Therese Walden's Nellie and Miss Rachel Sanger's Mrs. Blythe, both of whom were anything but æsthetic, that won for them plenty of favor with the audience.

Police Cases.

Patrick. The survivors are Captain Pack- under the insane delusion that God had bodies frightfully mangled and burned, six customers, three of whom, arrested for commanded her to commit suicide by fast | were hurled from fifty to two hundred drunken and disorderly conduct, were ing, has died. Alshough she claimed to yards away. Nearly all the plate glass in committed to the jail for ten days each. to the scheme of blackmailing the medical have begun fasting about sixty days ago, the business quarter were broken by the The others were unfortunates who could practitioners and bringing suits against have begun fasting about sixty days ago, she was not all that time without nourishment. Several times a small portion of milk was introduced without discovery into the water she drank, and lately meat extracts have been given as medicine. There seems to be no doubt, however, that she was without food for forty-three consecutive days.

The business quarter were broken by the concussion, and many houses in the southfind no better place to lodge than a bunk find no better place to lodge than a bunk find no better place to lodge than a bunk in the lock-up. They were discharged.

John Brimmer charged with assault and battery on George Smith, were arraigned before Alderman Barr last night and were dischaged, the complainant failing to appear against them.

To be exact then, if Snyder left his former place of employment on March 19, and battery on George Smith, were arraigned before Alderman Barr last night and were dischaged, the complainant failing to appear against them.

To be exact then, if Snyder left his former place of employment on March 19, and Mr. Miller left the prothonotary's office in the lock-up. They were discharged.

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MORE "BIG BILLS." ANOTHER "IMPUDENT GRAB."

REGISTER EDGERLEY'S LITTLE BILL.

The Judges Recommend That He Too be Very Liberally Compensated. Before the new board of county commissioners ex-Register Edward Edgerley, who has just gone out of office, presents a bill for \$900 for rearranging the papers of his office. A statement accompanies the bill in which Mr. Edgerley sets forth that ranging, filing and labeling all the papers in his office in accordance with the order of the court. And to give an idea of the work done he says the bonds, wills and inventories filed from 1729 to 1882 have been 100,000." Many of them had been filed improperly, and every paper was overhauled, properly folded and arranged-the accounts from 1730, the wills from 1730. the bonds from 1729 to 1821, when the bond book were adopted; 1,500 files being necessary in the work.

No account is given of what these files cost the register, but the following is appended to the bill :

"This work has been done by the county commissioners. We recommended stated in the above bill has been done in a most satisfactory and acceptable manner, tain Edgerly should be very liberally compensated.

"J. B. LIVINGSTON, " D. W. PATTERSON,

The bill was laid over by the commissioners for the present, Mr. Hildebrant remarking to Mr. Edgerley's counsel, who presented it and urged its payment, that the recommendation of the judges that a bill should be paid would not be sufficient for him to induce him to approve it without an examination into its merits.

PEMIZED

The Urban-Barnes Bill. In an attempted defense of the payment of \$211,50 by County Commissioners Coble and Bushong to John H. Barnes, for the late Clerk of Quarter Sessions Urban for blanks ordered for his office, the Examiner says the bill "was for such blanks as are used in the office and left there as court records, and which the court says the county should pay for," and the New Era has already said : "The bill for printing was for blanks for the quarter sessions office, and on which the clerk had already advanced money, and for which, under the decisions of the court, the county was liable."

Now in order that the public may know just what these blanks were and so that our esteemed contemporaries may cite "the decisions of the court" in which the "court says the county should pay for them," we append a copy of the bill. We invite our contemporaries to compare its items with the court "decisions" and to point out when and where and how the

For 500 Eating House petitions, 1,200 Tayern do..... bonds. 3,000 subpœnus, 2 sides, 14 sh. 3,000 ruled bills of cost. o wh. sh. blks, order and report of viewers-vacate..... lo) do-open..... Prg. backs of orders..... 160 wh. sh. blks., viewers' re 10) forn, and bust, bonds, \$1,50, 100 desertion bonds, \$1.50. 100 surety of peace bonds..... 100 wh. sh. blks., to vacate and 300 warrants..... Mar. 12. 100 subpoens. April 29. 150 ½-sn. blk-., con.'s costs... May 5. 100 bail-piece..... magistr' costs... 2 sides, con.'s 2 sets jury lists.... 100 wh. sh. b!ks., road orders... 100 1/2 sh. blks., rules... 300 1/2 sh. prison certif... 100 1/2 sh. blks., certif. to treas... 100 ksh. do. 100 ksh. blks., viewers' orders. Jury list....... Treasurer's certificates...... 100 1/2-sh. blks., bast bde...... March 8, 100 ½-sh. " subprenas..... 2 sides, tavern bds.
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McMelien's Extra Clerk Hire. In defense of the propriety of McMellen's bill for \$1,800 "extra services," performed by "order of the court" and not which no proposals were ever asked nor contracts made, and which two of the commissioners did not pay until after they had informed McMellen that the business of their office was closed, the Examiner-in s local column-on Thursday-says .

The INTELLIGENCER further says, in rying to show that the charge for this serice was extortionate, that the service was all performed by one more clerk than the present incumbent retains, and there it must know it is wrong, for everybody who goes into the prothonotary's office knows that when the work of arranging the papers was begun in January, 1881, there were five clerks in the office, all of whom remained until the end of June. The clerks were Messrs. Kreider, Slaymaker, Edwards, Miller and Snyder. At the end of June, Mr. Miller entered the revenue Edmunds, as Basil Georgione, also an office, and for the rest of the year, says esthete and only less of a humbug than Captain McMellen, only two clerks would have been retained had this work not been The facts are that for a long time before

January 1, 1881, and for some months

after that, the regular force of clerks in the massive and intensely utter, Miss Mindha prothonotary's office, engaged in its regular work and without any reference to this Olive, and there was a sprightliness about extra work "by order of court," conaisted of Messrs. Kreider, Slaymaker, Edwards and Miller. J. Kahler Snyder left the presentation of a beautiful ring to Mr. the Grape hotel bar on March 19, and Kautz, on behalf of his friends, Mr. Warfrom then on until the end of the year rie Johnson making the speech. Dan was irregularly employed in the prothono. Clemmens and his little daughter, Minnie, The mayor had before him this morning tary's office, having ample leisure in that period to devote considerable time

months and a half, And for this McMellen should be "very liberally compen sated" with \$1,800!

PENNSTLVANIA FRUIT GROWERS.

Twenty-Third Annual Meeting This meeting will be held in the state capitol building on Wednesday and Thurs-day, Jan 18 and 19. H. M. Engle, of Marietta is one of the vice presidents of the association, E. B. Engle recording secretary, W. P. Brinton, of Christiana, correspond ing secretary; C. Hiller, of this county is chairman of the general fruit committee and L, S. Reist a member of it. S. S. Rathvon heads the committee on entomology, J. G. Engle is on the committee on orcharding, E. B. Engle on the committee on arrangements and reception, and P. C. Hiller and W. P. Brinton on the commit tee on floriculture and arboriculture. Following are the essays and addresses to be delivered :

" Annual Address," by the president. "The Management of an Orchard," by J. H. Funk, Boyertown, Pa. The Pleasures of Horticulture," by

Calvin Cooper, Bird-in-Hand, Pa. "Raising Seeding Fruits," by H. M. Engle, Marietta, Pa. "Some Practical Points in Peach Culture," by E. Satterthwait, Jenkintown,

"Our Winged Friends, The Birds," by S. P. Eby, Lancaster, Pa. " Raspberry Culture, Dr. James Calder, Harrisburg, Pa. " Lilies and other Bulbs-How to Grow Them," by Thos. Meehan, Germantown,

"Should Fruit Growers Encourage Bee Keeping?" by Raphael Sherfy, Gettys-"Horticultural Fertilizers-What are

Best and Cheapest, and How Applied, John I. Carter, West Grove, Pa. "Fruits and Vegetables-Their Cul-ture," by J. C. Hepier, Reading, Pa. Several other addresses are expected. The following additional subjects have

been proposed for discussion, and members are requested to prepare or suggest other topics and hand them in during the meeting: Are low branched trees preferable to

those trained high? Is pear culture as profitable as apple culture: Should barbed wire supersede live hedge for fencing.

Officers Installed. The following officers of Lancaster Cir. cle No. 108, B. U. (H. F.) Pa., were installed by Grand Chief Washington, Wm. H. Beittel, assisted by P. E. W., Geo. E. Bunting, in Grand Army ball, last even

Ex.W .- H. L. Simon. C. W .- A. J. Snyder. C. J.-Daniel Brown. C. F.-James B. Myers.

W. of D,-Ed. Frankford. W. of N.-T. Hannagan. The following were installed on Mon day as officers of Conestoga council, No. 8., O. U. A. M., for the ensuing term of six months: C .- Edw. S. Smeltz.

V. C.—Adam J. Auxer. R. S.—I. E. Long. A. R. S.—John W. Rusty. F. S.-Wm. II. Powell. E.-W. Harry. Con.-Jac. Weitzel. I. S .- H. W. Rudy.

H. M.-M. W. Bair.

J. P. C.-Jac. Chillas. Trustee for eighteen months-Edw. S. meltz. The following were installed by D. D. Amos Albright as officers of Conestoga

council, No. 22, Jr. O. U. A. M. for the ensuing term C.-Geo. B. Brown. V. C.-Emlen Ferrier. R. S.-W. H. Miller, jr. A. R. S. - Samuel Nixdorf.

F. S .- Edw. S Smeltz Treas.-Jno. C. Spaeth. W .-- Henry Wagner. Con. - Jacob Houser. I. S .- Samuel Major. O. S. -James Deen. Trustee-Jac Houser.

Reformed Missions. The missionary meeting in St. Paul's Reformed church last evening was well at tended by the people and pasiors of the Reformed church in this city, Rev. Dr. J. O. Miller, president of the synodic board, presided, and the following mem bers of the board made addresses : Revs. Dr. Theo. Appel, missions superintendent, John O Johnson, Schuylkill Haven, Pa., and C. U. Heilman, of Eik Lick, Pa. The executive council of the board concluded its labors to-day, which include the super vision of mission work in Iowa, North Car-

olina, Oregon, California, Kansas and Nebraska. The committees on the centennial celebration of F, and M, college, the alumni professorship and the finance committee of the trustees have been holding sessions to-day at which only business of private interest was transacted.

Indian Musicians.

The Iudian boys and girls at the Carlisle training school are not only rapidly acquiring a knowledge of the English language and the mechanical arts of the "white man," but they also show great aptitude in the study of both vocal and instrument Their cornet band of twelve al music. instruments is equal to any of our country bands that have had no more practice than they. Many of the boys and girls have fine voices and are learning rapidly under the training of accomplished teachers. A letter received from Carlisle states that Capt. Pratt, who has charge of the school, has some thought of bringing a number of the boys and girls to Lancaster and give a public ent stainment. A troupe of real live Indians, well educated and thoroughly civilized, will be something that the oldest inhabitant of Lancaster has never witnessed and would no doubt be immensely attractive.

Ashes and Sawdust.

Now is the time to strew ashes or sawdust on the slippery pavements. The law requires all snow and ice to be removed from the sidewalks within five hours after the snowfall ceases, if it can be done; and if it cannot be removed the sidewalks are to be strewn with ashes. It has often been our province to call attention to this provision of the city ordinances, so that we might save the legs or necks of other people; but this paragraph is written in our own behalf, because of a heavy and painful fail we had on a slippery footwalk near Centre square, where, we are informed, several other unfortunates met with similar accidents this morning. If, after this notice, we get another tumble, somebody else will suffer.

Surprise Party.

The friends of John Kautz, coach trimmer, celebrated his birthday last evening by giving him a surprise party, one feature of which was a bounteous supper, and another furnished excellent music to enliven the oc-

To-morrow's programme in connection