Lancaster Intelligencer.

SATURDAY EVENING, JAN. 7, 1882.

Bogus Bail. Postmaster General James was advised before he left office, by the special counsel of the department, Mr. George Bliss, of New York, that it was not within his power to reject any bid offered for a mail contract by a man who was known to him to be in the habit of putting in fraudulent bids backed by bogus bail; and it was suggested to him that he should lay the matter before Congress and ask for the passage of a law permitting the postmaster general to refuse to receive bids made by men who had in any previous bidding put in bogus bail. That the postmaster general should not be compelled to receive as good bids which he knows to be bad goes without saving: but it is not easy to understand how any postmaster general, however cautious by nature, should conceive himself to be so trammeled, nor how any intelligent lawyer should be able to advise him that he was thus powerless to protect the government from spoliation. By the showing which is made by Mr. James and Mr. Bliss, it appears that the present law intelligently administered, is sufficient for the emergency. The complaint is that it is impossible to examine into the sufficiency of the bail offered by the thousands of contractors in the brief time elapsing between the opening of the bids in January and the execution of the contracts | the Ledger says: for work that is to commence in July. That is true; and the theory of the law is that no such examination is necessary, as the responsibility of the bail is attested by postmasters on the papers accompanying the bids. This attestation is not conclusive on the department. The postmaster general when he doubts may resolve his doubts and act upon the knowledge he acquires. It can hardly mocracy want no more of that and will he held that he is obliged to enter into a have no more of it--even if a state concontract with one who offers bogus bail, vention has to be held without Philadel-And it is not easy to understand how he phia. should be under any greater obligation to award a contract to such a party. Although the mail contracts are many thousand in number, it cannot be that all the bidders, or even any very great number of them, are of the class who are come peeping out, see his shadow and the in the habit of offering bogus bail. A | ice man may yet be happy. vigilant postmaster general should have no trouble in fixing his eye upon the bids of such men, nor will he requre a great deal of time to develop their worthlessness. If it is possible that the law still kitchen maid is apt to pick it up and put requires him to accept their bids when this is fully demonstrated then it certainly should be amended; but we find it hardly credible that any intelligent interretation of law will so embarrass the proper administration of the postal

Extra-Judicial Recommendations.

We have been loth to help our esteemed local Republican contemporaries "place judicial dignity in a false light" by countenancing their suggestion that any judge of this court had said or done any- local contemporaries and "Mosey's" that there were "decisions of the court" in which the "court says the county should pay for "a certain class of blanks used in the clerk of quarter sessions eleventh volume, and emphasizes its assert 1881, when Mr. and Mrs. Hayes and familis writing a history of President Buchanthe bar knows it is not the duty of the of type and adding to its jobbing depart special train on the Baltimore & Potomac not liable to pay the bill which Mr. Urban | local news. got one of the commissioners-Bushong -to approve because Judge Livingston told him he could "make no mistake" in doing so, and to which he got the other's-Coble's-approval on condition that Bushong approved a job in which he was more interested. While it is plain to everybody who knows anything about the matter that the Barnes-Urban bill was as .much of an "impudent grab" as that the McMellen and Edgerley to care for a turned that the McMellen and Edgerley Fourteenth ward school is a woman." bills, aggregating \$2,700, were jobs fused their payment, it is to be presumed | completed until the end of Dec. 1890. the claimants would have sued the coun ty for them and the case would have come up for trial before Judge Living themselves to sit in the adjudication of the present sheriff's advertising without them by having previously appended to paying from forty to sixty per cent. of the two of the bills their recommendation price charged thereof to Deputy Sheriff that the parties should be "very liberal- John L Hill, and the same is true of the ly compensated," and in the other case mercantile appraisers' list." "In reply by Judge Livingston's advice to the to the Times" the venerable daily indulged commissioners and the new clerk of the in some glittering generalities about the quarter sessions as to what the county ought to pay.

Of course these bills are paid, and unless the auditors surcharge the commissioners with them, they will not get be- funds which are the rightful charge of the fore the court. But had the commis. newspapers." What the North American sioners resisted their payment they needs to tell is whether or not its publicawould have got into court, and does tion of the sheriff's and mercantile apanybody pretend that Judge Livingston praisers' list are among these "exceptional or Patterson would be fit to sit upon the cases." case of a claimant whose services they had already certified "should be very liberally compensated?" And yet with what propriety can they thus incapacitate themselves for the duties to perform which they are elected?

If it becomes known that persons who have or pretend to have claims against the county can have them passed upon in advance by the judges of the court, why should not other litigants have the

low-citizens, recently voted him into an- Livingston that the county ought to pay a other term as judge they intended that bill of \$211.50, for which it was not liable, he should decide between the county and the virtuous Mr. Coble, who had been elaimants upon it, or any other such supposed to be solid for the bill, would not matters except when they came before pay it until Bushong assented to the Mehim in due form of law, and after a Mellen bill. And thus the two jobs were proper hearing.

Judge Patterson had before shown that his recommendations to the county comare worse than worthless. With his con- in the state—and that is saying a good lost by one of the attendants

mendations.

happy as speaker, because the Lord did ple of Utah. not give him a speaker's gifts, which are of a very peculiar and unusual character. Mr. Keifer is not as gay in heart as he once was, but he is a good deal gayer than he will be before the winter is over. At present he does not realize that he is not a model speaker. He thinks the fellows that are cursing him are all wrong; but there are too many to be altogether wrong. They are numerous enough to make public opinion.

In forecasting the outcome of the movements for and against Pattison's nomination for governor in Philadelphia

It is feared by the more conservative Democrats that the fight in Philadelphia are urging him for the Democratic guber will lead to an excitement such as was 1880, when the feeling became so bitter that firearms were drawn at the doors of the opera house in the interest of particular candidates and party issues.

The Philadelphia Democrats may as well understand that the state De-

THE city of Reading, makes an annual appropriation of \$2,500 to the board of

Some of these days the groundhog will

THE ice men would do much better nowa-days to be saving up their stock than hauling it around and leaving it where the it on the range to keep for a warm day.

THE Lititz Record is strongly and sensibly urging the erection of a new railroad station there, and that it has hopes the mandates of kings "

THE Manheim Sentinel starts in the 25th volume (new series) with the new year, as new office. fresh and happy as a bridegroom. It is one of the oldest, steadiest and best of our engineer on the Baltimore & Potomac thing which could excuse their statement | shadow seems to lengthen as the Sentinel's | Hayes a gold watch and chain, valued at | days begin to strengthen.

THE Renovo Record has entered upon its office, which the veriest ignoramus at ed prosperity by appearing in a new suit ly and several other passengers on a an's life. county to furnish and hence not the right ment an elegant assortment of job type. It railroad, met with an accident at Severn graph of greater length, to which my atof the commissioners to pay for. We is no "organ;" is independent in all things: need not stop to argue that the county is | well edited and devotes much space to

> SCRANTON, like Lancaster is cursed with cold school houses. The Republican says "very like an ice house" and adds : "The experience of teachers is that furnaces in the cellar are a fraud, Everyschoolroom should have its separate stove, and the every day experience of teachers are that a school boy can care for a stove, while it takes the capacity of a machinist

set up on the county, it is not In one of his steady flow of contributeau's part. This somewhat liberal proponecessary to consider whether they were tions to our rural contemporaries the istion was submitted to Guiteau to-day valid claims or not in order to deter- learned Dr. C. A. Greene communicates mine the manifest impropriety of the to its readers, among some facts of greater gested: "I think I ought to bring more judges of our court passing upon this matter before it came before them judic that Washington died on Dec. 14 told will offer \$2,000; then I can pay my debts, and if I get a new trial that miserable ially. If these claims were not valid and style), 1799, "in the last minute of the the county was not liable to pay them it last hour of the last day, of the second is plain that for the judges or any- week of the last month, of the last year body else to recommend their payment of the last century." Not by 365 days. was grossly improper. If they were It takes 1800 full years to make eighteen (his brother) and a friend who accompavalid, and the commissioners had re- centuries, and the last century was not

> THE Philadelphia Times said to the North American in plain words the other "infamous abuse," which the Time: heaps upon its contemporaries, and admits that "in exceptional cases public officers manage to divert a portion of the

guard the public interests may be gath ered from Dr. Urban's frank avowal that the county solicitor advised his client, Commissioner Bushong, that the county might as well pay Urban's bill as hundreds of others which it paid—and for which, presumably, he knows it is not liable. Furnistake if he supposes that when his fel- suaded by Solicitor Fulton and Judge put through together!

THE Philadelphia Reening Bulletin has who was supposed to be harmless, used as missioners as to what bills they should pay probably as hard a check as any journal his weapon a large pocket knife recently

sent, if not by his direction, the bills for | dea! while the Harrisburg Telegraph conprinting his paper-books in the Stein- tinues to be published. The Bulletin. in man-Hensel disbarment case—the one referring to the contest for the seat in which the court took and the one which | Congress from Utah, says that as Cannon, it kicked out-were paid for out of the who got nine-tenths of the votes, is held county treasury, which was no more lia- to be ineligible, "the seat, under such ble for them than for his butcher or his circumstances, surely ought to be given to tailor bill. Until that money is refunded the only other man who obtained any day. he would do well to reserve his recom- votes, no matter how small the number of them was. The reason why the Democrats want the case sent back to the peo-HE is not a wise man who aspires to ple is that Campbell is a Republican, and fill a place for which he is not fitted. If the Mormon voters will be sure to return a yesterday, while feeding a vicious cow. men could only realize their strength Democrat." There is no principle of law and weakness this would be a very or equity upon which a seat ought to be comfortable world in which every one given to a man who is the choice of only would go contentedly to his place, know- one-tenth of the people against the oppoing that it was the very best he could do sition of nine-tenths. A new election is for himself. If Speaker Keifer, for in- the proper settlement of this question, and | 000. stance, had known himself, he would instead of this being suggested as a Demnot have aspired to the speakership, but ocratic measure the Bulletin's one-sided have remained content to occupy the proposition springs entirely from the fact place on the floor of Congress which he that only by a gouge can Congress seat could fill with credit. He will not be the representative of one-tenth of the peo-

> PERSONAL. Rev. E. B. CHAMBERLAIN, the pastor of the East Springfield church, Erie county, aged about 68, dropped dead the other day on his way to the postoffice.

Senor ROMERO has refused the position it is said he will come to the United States | night. on private business.

Mr. JOHN WANAMAKER last night gave of his Grand Depot, at Thirteenth and night. Market streets, Philadelphia.

Colonel LAMAR, having received the unanimous vote of the Democratic caucus of the Legislature of Mississippi, will be e-elected l'. S. senator of that state.

natorial nomination, claim that he will witnessed at the Harrisburg convention of have thirty-five of the delegation to the state convention from Philadelphia. The president yesterday nominated

Friends of Controller Pattison, who

Sanuel C. Parks, of New Mexico, to be on Thursday, in Newburyport, Massa-associate justice for Wyoming, and Joseph chusetts, aged 75 years. Bell, of New York, to be associate justice for New Mexico. The judges of the superior court of New York yesterday recognized the appoint-

ment of W. H. ARNOUX, by the governor, to succeed Judge Speir, as valid, and assigned Mr. Arnoux to sit at the present general term of the court. It is understood that ex-Senator Sargent has been selected for secretary of the interior, but will not be nominated until homicide.

after the senatorial election in Iowa-Several of the Eastern senators express the. terday as follows: Martia Kinkowski, conbelief that WILLIAM E. CHANDLER will victed of the murder of Mina Muller, in succeed Judge Hunt as secretary of the The Venango Speciator tries to pass this off as a joke: "The Philadelphia Record

thinks that General Beaver is too much of candidate for a large portion of the Repub- shall, Texas. Terence Achille and Sterilican party. But the Record forgets that ing Ben, both colored, for murder and it is natural for a beaver to take to water." LYMAN D. GILBERT, deputy attorney general of Penusylvania, having resigned yesterday, Robert Snodgrass, of Harris-

for it it plainly avows in the expression of burg, was appointed his successor. Mr. editorial confidence that "steadily the Snodgrass is prothonotary of the middle asylum. rights of humanity gain the ascendency of district supreme court, but the late redistricting of the state has greatly reduced his fees in that position, and has many warm friends at the Lancaster bar will be glad to hear of his tit appointment to his

Mr. John M. Unglaub, a locomotive railroad, has received from R. B. \$500, and also a letter from Mr. and Mrs. as a token of their gratitude and a mem- paper : ento of his coolness, exhibited on March 5, station, about fifteen miles south of Balti- tention was called, in a rather "fresh

A BID FOR GUITEAU'S BODY.

An Offer of \$1,000, Which the Prisone Thinks Ought to be Made \$2,000. the consummation of the bargain on Gui- acceptable manner. W. U. HENSEL. and seemed to impress him quite favor ably. After reflecting a moment he sugand if I get a new trial that m'serable Corkhill can't bring on a lot of fellows just to swear how much I owe them."

The only persons admitted to the prisoner's cell yesterday, were J. W. Guiteau nied him. The brothers held a long conference in the effort to arrange the order of the arguments to be made before the jury. Guiteau not only insists upon speakthe last say. Mr. Scoville is perfectly willing to let Guiteau make a speech, but desirable) to the jury. Guiteau was busily engaged when his brother called in the preparation of his argument and had al-

eady covered four pages of foolscap. More Star Routers Arrested.

It is ascertained that the government in tends to proceed against the star route conspirators by informations, which will be filed in the police court, Judge Cox having ruled that they should be filed in that court and not in the supreme court. There are thirty charges against six defendants. Samuel N. Hoyt, John N. Minnix, W. S. Barringer, J. W. Donahue and E. J. Sweet, star route contractors and sureties on alleged fraudulent bonds, were Some idea of the way county officials arrested in Washington and held for an examination.

And his Name will be Beaver.

New Era. The number of names that have been suggested on the Republican side as proper or prominent candidates for the governorship of this state is perfectly bewildering. bosses will try their old game of foisting ing to be excused." their own man upon the people.

Killed by a Patient. Dr. E. A. Adams, assistant medical superintendent of the Michigan insane asylum at Kalamazoo, was fatally stabbed yesterday by a patient in one of the wards while making his rounds. The patient,

TO-DAY'S NEWS.

THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD.

Accidents and Incidents of Current Life. George W. Brooks, U. S. district judge for Eastern North Carolina, died vester

The New York Women Suffrage state convention will meet in Utica on the 10th of February.

Edward Green, a retired mine boss, at Ashley, Pennsylvania, was gored to death Alonzo Harper was arrested yesterday

at Sufferns. New York, for dealing in counterfeit coin. The furniture store of John A. Baldwir,

in Williamsburg, New York, was destroy-

ed by fire yesterday morning. Loss, \$40. Mitchell Brown was burned to death at Shermon, Michigan, on Thursday night, while trying to remove horses from a

burning barn. The total corn crop of Illinois during 1879 was 174,296,000 bushels, or 70 per cent of the crop of 1880, and only half that

A large sale of barley took place yesterday in Buffalo. 155,000 bushels of "bright Canada" were sold in one lot, for which : check for \$83,501 was given. An engineer and fireman were killed by

the collision of two railroad trains, near of Mexican minister to Washington, but Overton station, Tennessee, on Thursday The store of L. D. Newell & Son, in

Providence, Rhode Island, was robbed of his fourth annual dinner to the employees \$1,500 worth of silk goods on Thursday banged himself in his own barn at Mans

field, Connecticut, yesterday morning. It

is believed he was insane. It is reported from Campos, Sonora, that on the 23d ult., renegade Apaches attack ed the Gaville mine, sixty miles from that place, killed five men and captured a girl. Stephen Caldwell, father of the presi dent of Vassar college, and also of one of the receivers of the Reading railroad, died

James H. Hildebrand, a jeweler, of Mercer, Penna, is reported to have disappeared several days ago with \$1000 worth of goods, leaving debts to firms in Chicago, New York, Pittsburg and Buffalo, to the amount of \$15,000.

Homickle Statistics.

There are now twenty-one persons in the New York Tombs awiting trial for

Executions for murder took place yes-Jersey City. Joseph Abbott, for the murder of a fellow convict in the Elmira reformatory, at Elmira. Michael Katoosky and Charles Ellis (the latter colored), at St. Louis, John A. Phelps, for the mura temperance man to make an available der and robbery of his employer, at Mar. and 3. robbery, at Franklin, Louisiana.

> Insane Crimtuals. Rev. E. B. Hopkins, of St. Johnsbury, ont, recently convicted and forgery, in connection with his insurance business, has been sent to an insane

> The physicians of the state hospital at Poughkeepsie report that Seneca V. Holloway, the defaulting bank teller, is very insane and apparently growing worse every duce the belief that he has been insane for more than a year.

The Life of James Buchapan.

hiladelphia Press. To the Editor of the Press : The following Hayse, asking him to accept the present has appeared in the columns of your

"Editor Hensel, of the INTELLIGENCER,

I presume it was obtained from a paramore, colliding with a train going south. Baltimore contemporary. The connection in which I there saw the statement made was sufficient in itself to contradict it. But as it may be given credibility Mr Scoville has received a bona fide lication, my failure to contradict it proposition from a medical gentleman for might lead to misapprehension. I am not he body of Charles J. Guiteau. The gen- writing a life of ex-President Buchanan, tleman (whose name Mr. Scoville declines | and there is no foundation for the report to make public at present) has offered to | to that effect. As most well-informed per pay down immediately \$1,000, the amount | sons know, the preparation of Mr. Buof the purchase money, on condition that | chanan's biography has been committed, he shall have the body of the prisoner as by those authorized to have it written, to soon as the exactions of the law have been | Hon. George Ticknor Curtis, and I have met, to dispose of absolutely as he shall reason to believe that not only is it nearly to care for a furnace. The janitor of the see fit. He also agrees to take his chances finished and ready for publication, but of waiting one month or twenty years for that it has been done in a scholarly and

> LANCASTER, Pa., Jan. 6, 1882. Complanter Moving on Oil City.

enango Spectator. Jonathan Pierce, a Complanter Indian and a descendant of the great chief, lays claim to some three hundred acres of

ground, apon a portion of which Oil City is located. His claim dates back to 1791 at which time the commonwealth granted the land in question to Chief Complanter. In 1819 a deed was made by Cornplanter, for this land, to William Connelly and Wil liam Kinnear. It is now alleged by Pierce, who is the present chief of his tribe, that this deed was invalid, for the reason that it was signed by Complanter personally, ing in his own behalf, but in making the his wife not joining in the conveyance. closing argument for the defense. He can is further alleged that the land was given ston or Patterson, who had incapacitated day that it cannot "command a share of not, he says, at this late stage jeopardize to Complanter in trust for his tribe, and his case by allowing Mr. Scoville to have that he had no right to sell it. This, of course, is a question for the court. Pierce and his Indians talk of moving down to wants him to make it first, so that he Oil City, where they will set up about a (Mr. Scoville), can comment upon it (if hundred wigwams and wait for the present claimants to bring a suit of ejectment, when the rights and wrongs of the case will be judicially decided. Meanwhile it will be safe to wager that the white brethren will hold the fort.

> The Speech Orth Ought to Make Philadelphia Press.

There is just one way in which Mr. Orth could effectually rebuke the speaker, carry the approving judgment of the country, and prove that he had himself been wronged. He should have risen in his place and said: "Mr. Speaker, you have assigned me, among other places, to the chairmanship of the committee on Civil Service Reform. That designation, I am painfully conscious, is a burlesque on the cause and a travesty on all public professions. Neither by my record nor by my convictions have I any fitness for the place. I have never shown any regard for this reform, and have not now any faith in its principles or any devotion to its objects. All my training, practices and beliefs lead me to deride and oppose it. If you have any respect for Civil Service Reform you could not honestly assign me to this position, and if I have any respect for myself why should not other litigants have the other bills—for which, presumably, he sort of pastime, but when hard pan is both of us in a false attitude, and I beg, knows it is not liable. And then when reached, all these gentlemen will be sent therefore, to relieve you from a blunder Judge Livingston makes a very grave the obdurate Bushong finally was per to the rear with scant ceremony, and the and to spare myself from a wrong by ask.

Schooner Captain Murdered. Captain Caspar Smith, of the schoone Shelldrake, of Havre de Grace, was found dead in his cabin at a wharf in the Canton | city at the time, and all efforts to hear from district of Baltimore, yesterday, with his skull crushed in. The cabin door was fastened, and the deck of the vessel was covered with untrodden snow, showing The Brickerville case is yet on to Grace for the murder.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

RECEIVING TOBACCO.

Docking and Dissatisfaction-Some of Prices Paia.
Although some of the Lancaster tobacco buyers have been receiving from the farmers for a week or more past, there was no general delivery until to-day when several of the warehouses received from 50.000 to 150.000 lbs each. Among the heavy receivers were Teller Bros., Frank Pentlarge, L. Gershel & Bro., Rosenwald Lederman, Hoffman, Newberger, Skiles & Frey, and Dan Mayer.

The bulk of the receipts came in wagons. and the tedious proces of unloading and weighing was continued at some of the warehouses from daybreak till noon.

At Gershel's warehouse on Water street two car loads were delivered by rail from Quarryville, and, perhaps, some others received by rail.

and sellers during the delivery, and in a with Dr. Urban and his deputy will very few instances, where neither party would yield, the fomer took his tobacco home. In one or two other instances it is reported that the contracts were annulled before for its payment by the county. the tobacco was brought in the buyers paying a bonus to be released from accepting it.

At several of the warehouses there was rather than take their tobacco home. eral alleged reasons, the most frequent being white vein or insufficient length of wrapper.

the bulk of the leaf thus far delivered is of Deacon James Spencer, 70 years of age, good quality, though several lots that white vein.

for tobacco delivered to day and within a

few days past : Isaac Wenger, of Oregon, to L Bamberto same, 39, 13, 6 and 3; Mr. Turney, of Salisbury, to Rosenstein, 28, 15 and 3; D. 28, 15 and 3; Samuel Miller, Strasburg, to Schuberth, 28, 14, 8 and 3; John Huber, of Elizabeth, 9,000 stocks from 11 acres, at 25 cents for wrappers 24 inches long, 10 cents for under that length, 10 cents for lowing: seconds, and 3 cents for fillers, the crop realizing \$745.35; Clayton Hellinger, West Earl, to Pentlarge, 3 acres at 25, 10

The above are not a tithe of the deliveries made, but they are a fair sample of the prices paid by the buyers named as well as buyers not mentioned in the above list.

Officers Instalted, Last evening D. D. S. C., A. M. Albright, installed the following officers of Empire council, No. 120, Jr. O. U. A. M.

C .- J. W. Leonard. V. C .-- Harry Leber. R. S.-E. N. Winower. F. S.-W. A. McGlinn Treas. -J. R. Trissler. A. R. S .- Diller Rogers

Con.-Fred Roy. War. - Harry Biggs. I. S .- A. M. Albright. O. S.-J. P. Winower, At a meeting of George H. Thomas

the following officers were installed for the ensuing term: Com.—James Sweger. Sr. V. Com.—M. N. Stark. Jr. V. Com,-M. V. B. Keller.

post, No. 84, G. A. R., held last evening,

Adj.-H. C. Weidler. O. M.-Jas. A. Nimlow. O. of D.-Wm. Rochm. O. of G .- P. Sensenderfer. Chap.—Benj. Henry. S. M.—Miles Fite.

Q. M. S .- D. M. Keesports. After the installation the officer of the day was presented with an elegant sword inscribed, "This will not kill." The hilt is elaborately ornamented and the blade is

SECURE YOUR WATER.

The Twenty-inch Main to be Shut on To-The 20-inch water main on Orange street, through which the greater part of the city is supplied with water, is broken the county ought to pay for. He showed not far from the reservoir. It will be neeessary to shut the water off from that main it to explain to the commissioners what to make the necessary repairs. This will Judge Livingston thought they ought to be done to morrow morning at a o'clock, pay for. He declined to show the repreand it will take all day to make the re- sentative of the INTELLIGENCER that list pairs. Meantime, the superintendent in- as Judge Livingston had marked it until forms us, a partial supply of water will be he had consulted the judge, who was out furnished through the 12-inch main in of town when this interview was had and East King street and the 8 inch main in bas not yet returned. Orange street. Persons living in the higher portions of the city will save trouble by securing a supply to last them over unday, before 7 o'clock Sunday morning. All water users are requested to use water sparingly until the Orange street main shall have been repaired. The leak was discovered on Tuesday morning but the carry on their business.

The Icy Pavements. On account of the drizzling rain of yesterday afternoon the pavements were very

slippery and it was with great dfliculty that pedestrians could get along even in the middle of the street. This forenoon Mr. C. H. Lefevre, fell on the pavement in front of Zahm's jewlery

store, cutting an ugly gash on the side of

A bill poster with a bucket of paste in each hand fell on the pavement in front of Judge Patterson's residence, spilling the paste all around, but not injuring himself. The small boy and his little sister are not sorry that the pavements are slippery. for wherever there is the least bit of a hill there are they gathered together in large numbers to the great danger of pedes

A Good Time.

Yesterday John Spangler, of the Fulton

Opera House saloon, was 39 years of age

and he celebrated the event by giving a set-out to his friends in the evening. Between 9 and 10 o'clock a large number sat down to the tables, which were loaded with good things. Among those present were a number of members of the Lancaster Liederkranz, who enlivened the occasion by songs. Speeches were made by Captain Schuh, the newly elected presi-dent of the Liederkranz, Mr.-Spangler and

Grave Fears for Dr. Mc Mt. Joy Star. Grave fears are entertained that Dr. D. Ring theatre, in Vienna, as he was in that

others. All his guests had a good time.

covered with untrodden snow, showing that no one had been on board for several days. Richard Moore, a sailor employed J. L. Steinmetz, esq., this morning. The by Smith, has been arrested at Havre de case will go to the jury late this afternoon business of the office required. or this evening.

THOSE BIG BILLS.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM?

HOW BUSHONG WAS CONVINCED.

Judge Livingston Tells Rim He Will Make no Mistake. The readers of the INTELLIGENCER have seen that in the case of McMellen's demand for \$1800, which was paid, and Livingston and Patterson united in ap compensated." As to the manner in which the Barnes-Urban bill, for blanks which the county is not liable for, came There were some disputes between buyers to be paid the following interviews plainly show that it was supported by the recommendation of Judge Livingston

Dr. Urban's Statement.

Dr. B. F. W. Urban, late clerk of quar-

ter sessions, says that some time ago he conceived the idea of presenting to the a good deal of "docking," the farmers in county a bill for a portion of the blanks most instances submitting to the squeeze, which he had procured for the use of his office during his term, and for some that Some of them were docked as much as \$30 he had ordered before his term began, but or \$40 per toa! The docking was for sev- which were rendered useless by a change in the rules of court in accordance with a change in the law. He mentioned the matter to his deputy, George W. Eaby, who subsequently informed that he had made out a list of all the blanks used in the office, and subcame under our notice were of very light | mitted it to Judge Livingston to have him color, and some of them were affected with mark on it the blanks which the county ought to pay for. Mr. Urban concluded Following are some of the prices paid to avail himself of this and when it was returned and Mr. Barnes had made out for him a bill of the blanks furnished to him he presented it to the commissioners ger, 21 acres, at 35, 10 and 5; Samuel Mc- to be paid by the county. He presented Comsey, Fulton, to same 1,200 pounds at | it on the last Wednesday in December and 211, 8 and 3 : B. S. King. of West Earl, Coble was satisfied to pay it. Bushong, to Kerbs & Spiess, 1,900 pounds, at however, was not favorable to it and 23, 10 and 5; A. B. Groff, West Urban took him to County Solicitor Ful-Earl, to same, 900 pound, at 25, 10 and 3; ton, who said the county was not liable for John Kessler, Salisbury, to Skiles & it, but the commissioners might as well Frey, his crop, at 25, 10, 5 and 3; Martin pay it, as a hundred others which they had Mellinger, Pequea, to Newberger, his crop at 30, 15, 10 and 5; —— Reeser, of Elizbeth, to Lederman, 25, 12, 8 and 3; blanks used in the district attorney's Henry Reeser, Elizabeth, to same, 26, 12 office, for which Mr. Urban says the and 3; J. B. Kern, East Hempfield, to county has been paying for years. Bushsame, 29, 12, 6 and 3; D. Kern, Elizabeth, ong was not yet satisfied and Urban took him to Judge Livingston. Dr. Urban says he was especially anxious that that M. Stoltzfus, of Salisbury, to Newberger, part of the bill should not be stricken out which was for blanks ordered and procured for him before he took his seat and many of which were rendered useless as before related. These items were the fol-1878

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All of these were ordered before Dr. his home near Washington borough. rban was clerk of the sessions. He says Judge Livingston told Bushong that they could make no mistake in paying these items, and that it was proper for the county to pay the whole bill. Some \$18 paid for fancy tavern licenses were to be stricken out. Dr. Urban says Judge Livingston did not say the county was liable for the bill, but he recommended the commissioners to pay it, and its items are such as Judge Livingston marked on Eaby's paper as those blanks which the

county ought to pay for.
Thus fortified with Judge Livingston's recommendation, Urban secured Bushong's assent to pay the bill, but by that time Coble had backed out and would not agree to pay it unless Bushong would agree to pay McMellen's \$1,800 bill, and then it was agreed that they would pay both bills, and it was done on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Urban says he knows of no "judicial decisions" as to the liability of the county for these blanks. He understands that Judge Livingston thinks the county ought to pay for such as remain in the office as records after they are filled out.

What Eaby Knows. Geo. W. Eaby, late deputy under Urban and now clerk himself, says that sometime ago he made out a list of all the blanks used in his office, took it to Judge Livingston and had him mark on it what that list to Urban and he may have used

Blanks Used in the Offices. Upon inquiry at the prothenotary's office, we learned that blank narrs and other papers sold there for the accommodation of lawyers, or kept for the prothonotary's convenience, which become part of the public records when filled up, are not printed at the expense of the county. In superintendent thought best to defer the the register's and clerk of orphan's court, repair until Sunday, so as not to interfere the sheriff's and treasurer's offices, many with the factories, machine shops and blanks are used, but the county does not others who require a constant supply to pay for them. Hundreds of deeds, mortgages and judgments, are recorded in the recorder's and prothonotary's office every year, but we could not find any trace of blanks for these being turnished or paid for by the county.

The Edgerley Bill It is understood that the new board of commissioners has agreed to pay \$675 of bill it is claimed that the services for which it was rendered required the extra services of Scott P. Lytle for four months in the office, and the rearranging of the papers required 1,500 files, white those of the prothonotary's office took 2,000. Capt. Engerley called upon us to-day to

say that he employed an extra clerk about

four months in doing it; that he did not

present his bill at all to the outgoing ommissioners, but proposed to the new board that they should examine his work and see for themselves what was a fair compensation for it. Mr. Hildebrand thought about \$600, and the others agreed on \$675, which he has been paid. He used 1,500 files which he understands the county bought from John II. Barnes, patentee, at 35 cents apiece; the prothonotary used 2,000 of the same kind. the register's office are labelled with stencils and in the prothonotary's with a pen.

Capt. McMellen Interviewed. Capt. McMellen met a representative of the INTELLIGENCER in a very genial and agreeable manner this morning and politely intimated that it was unintentionally doing him injustice in this matter. He presented on Monday to lay over until the declares that he had not directly or indinext Monday, when the board meets. rectly given any improper consideration to G. McGowan, of Mount Joy, may have perished in the horrid catastrophe of the perished in the horrid catastrophe of the his bill of \$1,800; when he found Bushong itching to get the Barnes-Urban bill This morning Henry Shaub was appaid he advised Coble to stiffen up a little pointed by the court, a supervisor of Druon that, so as to get Bushong's assent to more township, to fill the vacancy cause i his bill. The captain admits that Snyder by the death of Joseph Groff, the "extra clerk" did not come into his office until March and Miller of the regular force left in June, but he says that the old regular force had been more than the as incorrectly stated, who gave the party

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE Long before 9 o'clock last evening our streets were deserted by pedestrians, as it was unsafe to be out, the pavements and sidewalks being so slippery that one cou'd not walk. Hundreds received severe falls. As a party of young ladies were passing in front of the Spy office, one of them slipped and fell the others following and sitting ungracefully on the pavement and gutter. The lady who fell first severely sprained her right angle and was taken into Brugh's drug store to have it attend-Edgerley's claim for \$900, Judges ed to. The youngsters took possession of Locust street, from Second to Front, and enjoyed themselves by sliding. A number pending to these bills their recommenda- of young men had a snowball fight, one tions that the parties be "very liberally party standing at the Odd Fellows' hall and the other at Detwiler's bank. One of them received a black eye and this stop-

> Little Locals. The river is still full of slush ice.

ped the fun.

Mr. Samuel Filbert is confined to his house on account of sicknsss

Four tramps rested in the lockup last night, put there by Officer Rodenhauser. The report that G. A. R. post did not 'rnn" "The Colonel" when it apppared here, and that said post received so much for the use of their name, is false.

Hyde and Behman's specialty troupe next Tuesday evening and B. McAuley, for the G. A. R. next Thursday evening, The band has been engaged for "Unch Dan'l." At a recent election for trustees for the

Odd Fellows' hall association the following gentlemen were elected : M. S. Shu man, H. Wilson, R. J. M. Little. John W. Steacy, P. Fraley, John B. Bachman and J. H. Meyers. Their organization as a board will be held in the near future. Mr. Wm. B. Given visited Philadelphia

on some business for the library committee. and while there secured three new subscribers, making a total of 113. One hundred and twenty new books will arrive for it next Monday. Col Wm. G. Case, of Denver, Col., was

in Columbia this morning. Mr. R. Borroughs left for his old home in Maryland, intending to remain a few weeks visiting the seenes of his childhood. To-night the "week of prayer" closes

after a succefsful run. The snow is thawing and Front street is me mass of mud.

Miss Mattie Given returns to school in Philadelphia on Monday. A little boy while coasting down Walnut street, this morning, fell off of his sled and sprained or broke his back. He was taken

Officer Struck took a man and woman to jail this morning, each receiving 30 days for being drunk. The usual spot in the river near the iron span of the bridge is clear of ice, and when

home.

it freezes over, skating at that point will be excellent. Water in the reservoir is very low, and the main water pipe on Third street

burst this morning. An overcoat was lost in the opera house during the performance of "The Colonel on Wednesday evening.

Leg Broken A farmer at market this morning had his leg broken between the ankle and knee. He was crossing the street when he slipped and fell, and before he could arise ports...... 500 a country wagon ran over his leg. The injured member set. He was taken to

On His Way East. Mr. H. G. Gable, agent for Riddell & Cramer, of Williamsport, is in town and will remain until Monday, when he leaves

for Wilmington, Del., where he opens a branch office. He spent last summer in town and became quite a favorite. An Empty Name. A number of young folks met last evening at the residence of Miss Ella Miller, of Washington borough, for the purpose of

organizing a social club. After much talk they adjourned to the dining room, where an oyster supper had been prepared. After their appetites were satisfied the society was formed and named the " M. T. Social Club," to meet weekly at the residence of the different members. It will be strictly temperate in everything.

Strike on a Railroad.

The Armstrong Brothers, of Philadelphia, are contractors, and are constructing a portion of the new road above this city for the Pennsylvania company. Heretofore they have been paying every two weeks and this was pay day. This morning the workmen learned that they would not be paid until the 18th, and they a!! struck to the number of about one hundred. They were standing around the passenger depot all day, and declare they will not work until paid.

3 Bad Crowd. John Witmer, John Wagner and Henry Pepper were before Alderman Spurrier last evening, and, after a hearing, Witmer was committed for 5 and the others for 10 days for drunken and disorderly conduet. On complaint of Officer Killinger, who made the arrest, Pepper was committed to jail to answer at court for resisting an officer; and Wagner, on complaint of his wife, was held to bail to answer for malicious mischief and surety of the peace.

Accident. Henry Wolf, a teamster in the employ of A. B. Grubb, coq., of Mount Hope Furnace, was hauling a load of einders, and while getting off the saddle mule slipped and fell, when both wheels of the wagon passed over him, bruising the left side of his chest, dislocating his shoulder and fracturing the bone of his arm below the shoulder joint. He is in a critical con-

Shelly Island Sold.

Gen. Simon Cameron has purchased Shelly's island in the Susquehanna river, near the York county shore about ten miles above Marietta. The island contains Capt. Edgerley's bill. In behalf of this about 200 acres of fine farming land and the price paid was about \$25,000. The island adjoins Col Duffy's.

The Poor Directors.

the almshouse. There was not a full beard,

The poor directors met this morning at

as several members were unavoidedly absent. No important business was transacted and the election of superintendent

was deferred. Case Dismissed. William and Jennie Baight were to bave had a hearing before Alderman Barr this morning on the charge of conspiracy and the former for surety of the peace. Charles H. Engel, the presecutor, failed to

appear, and the case was dismissed. Connection with fanca-ter.

The telephone line from the residence of Coin Cameron above Brickerville to Laneaster is now a certainty. Mr. Cameron has a force of men at work cutting poles.

that hereafter all coroner's hills must be

The Coroner's Bills.

The county commissioners have decided

Supervisor Appointed This morning Henry Shaub was ap-

Correction.

It was John F. Pontz, and rot Ceorge, to his friends a few evenings age.