

Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 10, 1882.

Where the Responsibility Lies.

The terrible accident on the Hudson River railroad is attributed to the neglect of the brakeman to go sufficiently far behind the train to warn the one approaching; and there seems to be little doubt that the brakeman's fault was the immediate cause of the accident.

But it is none the less true that the accident would not have happened if the company had done its duty to the public. It failed to do so because it hazarded the lives of its passengers upon the single chance of one of its employees doing his duty.

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The Philadelphia American proposes to help Candidate Beaver along by exposing the utter failure of the state agricultural college, with the management of which he has been prominently identified. The only good thing the American knows about it is that it is located almost exactly in the centre of the state.

SPEAKING of the release by one Brooklyn judge of a lot of contumacious aldermen committed by another, the Press says, "Some political judge, like Judge Pratt, can usually be found to help men who are in jail for doing wrong."

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Our economical representative has found another good argument against the proposed enlargement of the congressional committees. The committee rooms of the House are furnished expressly for the present membership.

The tables are manufactured to suit the rooms and pierced with drawers to suit the respective memberships. In the larger committees, such as the commerce and appropriations, these tables extend the entire length of the rooms and additional members would find no place to sit.

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A father-in-law is handy to have: the house, Mr. D. O. Mills, millionaire, has paid off the mortgage of \$200,000 or \$100,000 which Mr. Jay Gould held on the Tribune and now Mr. Mills's son-in-law, Mr. WITTELMAN REID, has absolute and unimpaired control.

How a Boy Was Strangled to Death. An accident of a peculiarly sad and painful nature occurred at Citra, Fla.

KILLED WHILE AT PLAY. Three boys, by their carelessness, paid a fatal penalty on their heads.

A shocking accident occurred Saturday afternoon at No. 103 Prince street, Brooklyn. A short time ago the fire department condemned a two-story and basement frame house in the rear of No. 103.

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A CYCLE OF CALAMITIES.

BY RAIL, FIRE AND POISON.

THREE BOYS KILLED AT PLAY.

The Fatal Trip of a Steamer. William Jennings, a Baltimore carman, was instantly killed while endeavoring to drive in front of a locomotive.

Charles Duffie, of Troy, was killed by the caving of a railroad embankment at Mechanosville.

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SMALLPOX HORRORS.

Ordinary Agents of the Epidemic Intention.

William Bandau, of Pittston, was arrested at Wilkesbarre last night while wandering about the street sick with the smallpox.

A few days ago the body of James Roche, who died in Pittsburgh, was taken to Fall River, Massachusetts, for interment. His widow, who accompanied the remains, was taken sick with smallpox on Saturday.

Edward Mueller, being taken sick with the smallpox a few days ago, at Ironton, a suburb of Chicago, was nursed by Ralph Johnson and his wife.

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DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

DEVILISH WORK OF AN INCENDIARY.

CONESTOGA CORK FACTORY IN RUINS.

Loss, \$42,000—Seventy operatives Thrown out of Employment.

Shortly after 1 o'clock Sunday morning flames were seen to issue from the west corner of the large frame shed in rear of the Conestoga cork works, Locust street, near Lime.

An alarm was at once given and the firemen were dispatched to the scene. The fire made efforts to quench it by throwing upon it pails of water and shovels of snow gathered from the street.

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IN THE QUARTER SESSIONS.

The First Week of the Year.

At ten o'clock this morning the regular January term of quarter sessions began with Judge Patterson presiding.

John M. Sherman, of Robertson, was chosen foreman of the grand jury, twenty-two members of which body answered to their names.

The first case attached was that of Com'th vs. Jacob P. Collins, charged with larceny as bailie.

It was claimed by the defendant that in July last the defendant bought six bottles of beer from Andrew Kane, a hotel proprietor in Washington borough, with the understanding that the bottles, which belonged to Charles F. Sprenger, of this city, were to be returned to Mr. Kane.

The grand jury returned the following bills: True Bills: Thomas H. Williams, Henry Hart, Samuel Procter and August Hirsch, larceny of Samuel Procter, Sec'y Johnson and Samuel Johnson, felonious entry.

The court appointed Robert Harvey, Nathan Maule and Henry Moore, trustees of the Society of Friends' burial ground, in the borough of Columbia, in place of James Wright, Thomas Brown, Wm. Kirkwood and Thomas Griffith.

The funeral of Mrs. R. J. McGrann whose death a few days ago was noticed in these columns, took place from St. Mary's church this morning, and was attended by a large concourse of her sorrowing relatives.

The following were the pall bearers: Messrs. Henry Baumgardner, George L. Boyle, John Seuer, J. W. Lowell, Henry E. Shaysmaker and Daniel A. Allick.

REIDENBECH THE ROGUE. His Escape From the Lockup. Louis Reidenbech was arrested on Saturday night by Officers Creamer and Daly to answer for assault and battery, and was confined in the lockup.

The special committee on the reorganization of the fire department will meet in select committee chamber this evening at half past seven.

George Harmon was obliged to pay \$5 toll and Lewis Hohen \$3.40, for passing through the gate to the market on Monday.

The aggregate amount of loss by fire in Lancaster during the past year, \$150,845, was nearly seven times as much as leading sustained through similar causes during the same period.

M. Brosius, esq., of this city, will deliver his lecture on "Short Swords" in Reading next Thursday evening for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A.

It has been published that the Western mail association have advanced the price of mails from \$2.55 to \$2.40 per keg.

Mr. John K. Metzger, formerly of this city, and now of Minneapolis, Minn., is in Lancaster, partly on business, partly on a trip of pleasure and recreation.

Thomas Daily was stationed up in the Pennsylvania railroad station last night, by Officer Kautz, for disorderly conduct.

The regular annual business meeting of the Pennsylvania Editorial association will be held at the Lehigh Hotel, Harrisburg, Friday, January 27, 1882, at 2 p. m.

Deputy Coroner Frank, of Columbia, attended by Dr. Alex. Craig, held the inquest on Mr. Christopher Shirk, of West Hempfield township, near Hostetter's mill.

Allan A. Herr & Co., real estate and insurance agents, at private sale to Philip Reese, the 1 1/2 story dwelling, No. 343 Madison street, belonging to John and Christiana Dean, for \$725.