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MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 23, 1882.

Rum on the Railroad.

The conductor of the train on the Hudson River railroad which lately met with so fatal a disaster, testifies that the accident was due to rum; and the facts leave no doubt of the truth of the assertion. It was a Friday evening train bearing from Albany the dead-headed legislators and politicians at the end of the week's session, and it was the habit of these passengers to carry with them an abundant supply of liquor to be freely used on the journey; which has consequently always been hilarious and drunken. The conductor believes that an inebriated passenger tampered with the rope running through the cars which controlled the air brake, and so caused the stoppage of the train. That may be so, although this is but a suspicion founded on the known condition of many of the passengers, but not otherwise proved ; but while an intoxicated passenger may have been responsible to this extent for the accident it is clear that if the brakeman on the end of the train whose business it was to warn succeeding trains had done his duty the disaster would not have occurred. This man was an old servant of the company, fully cognizant of his duty and competent to perform it. The inference is strong that he failed because he had come under the influence of the freely dispensed liquor of the pas-

Upon the company itself rests the responsibility for a state of affairs which rendered probable the lapse from duty that ended so fatally. Its administration should have seen such as to secure the order and sobriety on the trains necessary for their safety. The character of performances on these Friday trains was well known, for they had been, as the The railway managers knew of the dis- Republicans. order among the passengers and the temptation presented to the train hands. They are reasonably chargeable with a knowledge of the probable consequences, and with the responsibility for those consequences when they come to shock the community. The guilt of the fatal results of this sad accident is plainly at their their doors. They undertook to carry passengers with precaution and to give them every reasonable guaranty of safety. Yet here innocent passengers have been killed because of the permitted violation been stringently enforced regulations to secure order and sobriety on the trains.

The most pronounced advocate of in. dividual liberty will not claim that men sengers on a train should be allowed to has aided much in the general impr into the foot of a fellow passenger while tation. returning from a political convention and villainous with whisky, has advised the public of the occurrence of like scenes on the Pennsylvania railroad to that which ended more fatally on the Hudson River. Probably there are few railroad companies on its face and may furnish a very good which guarantee their passengers im- port for the half-and-half Independents to cerning the disease, as I did not examine munity from such scenes and dangers. lie by in. But Farmer Butler is very sly, the cases, I may say that I would prefer Yet they are easily preventible, and one and the Stalwarts couldn't do a smarter Dr. Hess's opinion to Dr. Davis's; but a efficient means would be to refuse to thing than trot out Farmer Butler to keep public correction of the statement that the carry free of cost the class of men from the Independents from fixing their minds whom this trouble largely comes. The on a more dangerous man. The state disorderly fellows are generally those who ride free. If they had to pay their to get his nose ahead of Beaver's, and if a way they would not be found upon the secondary nomination should drop to trains in convivial crowds. Influential Chester county keep your eye on Farmer houses shouldn't throw stones, then Dr. enough to get passes, they are influential Butler. enough also to intimidate the train conductor who hesitates to treat harshly a man to whom his railroad president pays so much consideration.

In this state the railroad companies are forbidden to give free passes; yet its admittance; while the 214th Maryland governor and its state officers and Legislature claim and get them from every railroad in it. It is a disgraceful fact that there should be such a privileged class where it is forbidden by the supreme law and by the most obvious con siderations of public policy. A pass is a bribe, neither more or less, and the pass taker, as these railroad disorders show, is apt to have other vices, beside the lack of honesty, that make him unworthy of being regarded above his fellow men whom his folly brings to danger on the rail.

THE investigation which started in to discover how much money was stolen from the federal treasury for luxuries for the clerks and their mistresses seems to have developed considerable matter of public interest touching the way in which John Sherman and his agents tried to compass his nomination for president. Nothing more shameless in its unscrupulousness was ever known in our political history. His agents were sent all over the country to work up his "boom," while they were paid salaries and traveling expenses as government officials. He is a rich man. made so most people believe by corrupt exercise of his official position, and he must be as mean and stingy as he is rich, for when one of these " agents " failed him he was promptly dismissed from public service.

If the New York Times and its Western correspondents, with whom the wish is father to the thought, are to be believed, the Democratic party in Ohio.is in a state of disorganization and demoralization. If this is true it is only a natural result of the factional feeling to which its leaders in the past have so often subordinated the general party welfare, and of the cowardice and timedealing with the financial questions and other public issues of national importance. Since disorganization must always serving which they have displayed in finally ensue from such leadership before from the stage to become the wife of a Howe received the discharge. proper reorganization can take place, we well known banker of New York city. ohio so long in advance of a The trustees of Wells college, Aurora, N. Y., have formally accepted a bequest presidential struggle in which Ohio
might as well be carried by the Demo.
The college has now a permanent endowmight as well be carried by the Democrats as not. The troubles there now are only the travail out of which ought

to be born better leadership and wise policy. Under them the rank and file of the party can be organized for victory, med to the rear.

half-executed and badly-served job. As printed, published and delivered, he neither fulfilled the terms of his contract, nor answered the purposes of the publication. It was in most respects an taxpayers. The attorney general, the he gets to bed. auditor general and the state treasurer have been just as prompt and energetic to prevent payment for it, as they were to interfere against giving the members their extra \$500 pay. We have no reason to suspect the personal integrity of any one of these three gentlemen, but as ion of men who have thieving bills against the state to get them approved open to suspicion and cannot wonder if

in Pennsylvania 146,138 children over 10 Dr. Davis in his article on Saturday evenyears of age who cannot read and 228,014 over 10 years of age who cannot write.

THE president has stated that he would lend his aid to the Independent movement conductor testifies, of long continuance. in Georgia in preference to the Bourbon

> school lesson sandwiched between a 'fascinating French horror" and an al-Ohio politics.

relates "the obstacles and difficulties which beset the path of the editor in his endeavors to steer clear of the shoals and quicksand of partiality and inaccuracy.' by other passengers of what should have We should like to know how this editor knows. Has he ever made any such en-

THE printers' department of the Cecil charged with the conduct of a railway Democrat comes to us this week exhibittrain should be permitted to drink intox- ing a pardonable pride in its appearance. icating liquor while on duty, or that pas- The type is new and bright and clear, and drink themselves drunk or uproarious. ment. As a faithful chronicler of local The New York railroad is not the only news and an exponent of country journal one which is thus culpable. The recent ism as it should be, our contemporary trial in the Philadelphia courts of a over the line has richly deserved the sucrough character for firing a pistol ball cess of which it gives this latest manifes-

> It is now pretty well settled that State Treasurer Samuel Butler will be an active | contagious disease; nor would I consider and energetic candidate for governor and that he will gather to himself the opposi- ears of one of its members, as a notification to Beaver. This all looks very nice tion of the board of health. treasurer will moderate his pace so as not

> It is re-lie-ably reported from Washington that the 110th Cincinnati delegation called at the White House to advise the president about the Cincinnati and Covington postoffices and had been refused delegation walked up to the White House to advise the president about Baltimore appointments, and this body of statesmen also walked home sadder but not wiser men, without having been able to see the president. A considerable part of the adult male population of Cincinnati has been registered at Washington hotels since the 1st of last November, and some of the prominent citizens talk of coming on permanently so as to be on hand daily to advise the president about the Cincinnati postoffice, which appears to be one of the cannot claim infallibility even in its oldest most important institutions in the world | members, and that he who ventures to and one on the security of which our mat- throw professional stones should first erial liberties largely depends.

----PERSONAL. Lord LORNE arrived at Halifax, N. S.,

on Saturday. WM. J. FORDNEY, who has been mak-

home soon. "STONEWALL" JACKSON'S sole daughter, Julia, is to be married to a Mr. Frank

Baker, of Baltimore, whose father is worth his million dollars. Miss Julia is half at him with drawn revolver and ordered North Carolinian by her mother's side. JOEL CHANDLER HARRIS, the clever chronicler of Uncle Remus' sayings, has sketched out a serial story, "The Romance of Rockville." He is also writing a story of old slave life in the South.

Rev. J. B. Lucas, a Methodist minister of Pittsburgh, has sued Rev. T. H. Col. HOUER, also a Methodist minister of the same place, for libel, placing his damages at \$10,000.

Sufficient money to endow a new professorship in the Harvard law school has been presented to the university, and it is understood that the new position will be filled by OLIVER WELDELL HOLMES, jr. The

amount is said to be \$90,000. Mr. STUART ROBSON, the comedian, has shotgun, carried by Flint, was discharged,

ment fund of \$200,000, all of which, beside chusetts. Goodell died of his injuries.

property, has been the gift of the same

benefactor.

President ARTHUR breakfasts at ten. but the men who infest the party camp dines at half-past seven, and is a hearty only for the spoils of war must be drum- eater. He generally has friends for dinner and wine and good stories are not lacking. At dinner he is "Chet" Arthur again. WE find that the contractor for the This meal ends with cigars about nine Legislative Record of last session seems o'clock. After that time he gives himself to have been paid his full price for that up to appointments made during the day with various individuals. After these are over, about twelve o'clock, he goes into the library and looks over the newspapers, arranged there for him, and disposes of such public business as must be transactutterly useless affair, a swindle even on ed without interruption. This occupies the members whose proceedings it es- him till two or three o'clock in the mornsayed to report, and a fraud upon the ing, and sometimes it is four or five before

knew this perfectly well, and they should THE DISAGREEING DOCTORS.

MORE COMMENTS ON THE SMALLPOX

Dr. Brown Vindicates Himself and the Board of Health. EDITORS OF THE INTELLIGENCER: On things go at Harrisburg, it is the fash- Friday afternoon Dr. Davis called at my office, when I told him of my visit to Mr. Mercer's house in company with Dr. Hess, by dividing the plunder with those who and I distinctly stated to him that I exsecure payment for them. When men pressed no opinion concerning the nature of good repute pass bills so flagrantly of the disease, and that Dr. Hess alone dishonest as that of the Legislative Rec- was the authority for the statement of "no ord contractors, they lay themselves smallpox;" and in the evening, in order to prevent any misunderstanding, I wrote they are classed with the common Dr. Davis a letter, repeating and emphafeather of "hill" roosters who steal ap- sizing the above assertion, and saying that propriations and raid the treasury with the item which had appeared in one of the 'contingent expenses," bills for "car- evening papers to the effect that pets and rugs," "brooms, buckets, &c." the board of health had investigated the cases and pronounced them not small-THE census of 1880 shows that there are pox, was incorrect. Notwithstanding this, ing persists in repeating the misstatement and upon it bases a personal attack, thus knowingly and intentionally misrepresent ing me; which attack would fall to the ground as without foundation, did he not distort the facts for his own purpose. If I may judge from the expressions of opinion THE way of the Sunday paper is deeply concerning Dr. Davis I have heard during mysterious. One of them yesterday had a the past few days, I have no fear that my discourse on the International Sunday reputation for honesty and veracity would suffer by a comparison with his.

Dr. Davis hastens to take credit for releged account of Bookwalter's bar'l in porting the existence of smallpox to the board of health; but if you will allow me to explain how he reported it, per-THE U.S. Tobacco Journal mournfully haps it would not add much to his credit. On leaving Mr. Mercer's house, after his first visit, Dr. Davis passed through the P. R. R. depot where he publicly proclaimed the existence of smallpox. He then went to the Globe hotel drinking saloon, where he again openly declared that there were several severe cases of smallpox in town. This rumor spread hoofs. rapidly, causing much alarm, and the next morning reached the ears of Mr. Marshall, one of the most zealous n.embers of the on Dr. Davis to ascertain the truth of the report, and it was confirmed by that physician. This was the manner in which he "notified the board of health through James H. Marshall, esq., a member of the same." To put it mildly, Dr. Davis acted very indiscreetly by thus publicly proclaiming the existence of a loathsome and the starting of a rumor which reached the

> Although I expressed no opinion conboard of health had declared the disease to be not smallpox is due to the members of the board and myself as secretary.

> If there is any wisdom in the adage which teaches that those who live in glass Davis ought to be the last man to refer to any other physician as an irregular practitioner or a violator of the rules of professional etiquette.

C. H. BROWN, M. D.

an Editor on Professional Etiquette.

Ed. New Era. In view of the gravity of the surrounding circumstances and the shadow of death which he says hangs over an afflicted family, the tone of Dr. Davis's communi cation is in very bad taste, so much so that the publication of his statement of facts in such a connection is justified only because it is supported by the certificate of six reputable phy sicians who are above the suspicion of lurking in the shadow of death to indulge in unseemly professional animosities. If Drs. Brown and Hess did make a mistake in diagnosing the disease, Dr. Davis should have remembered that the honored profession to which he belongs make sure that he himself does not live in a glass house.

Frustration of a Safe Robbery. A dispatch from Dallas, Texas, says H. A. Little, who has been a guest at the St. George hotel in this city for several days past, went into the office about 12 ing a tour around the world, is expected o'clock last night, when nobody was present except Ford Parker, the night clerk and a colored waiter, Stepping up to the counter Little handed Parker a parcel, asking him to put in the safe. Parker turned toward the safe, when Little sprang him to throw up his hands and keep still. He then attempted to rob the safe but Parker rushed upon him, wrenched the pistol from his hand and fired, sending a ball through Little's body and inflicting a fatal wound. Parker was arrested but no doubt will be released as everybody thinks he did right.'

> "Not Loaded" of Course. While a son of ex-Sheriff Hankenson was handling a loaded gun at his father's house, near Mount Holly, New Jersey, the weapon was discharged, killing

woman who had been in the employ of the family several years. While William L. Howe, of Portland, Maine, and Joseph H. Flint, of Concord. New Hampshire, classmates in Dartmouth purchased from Mr. Charles R. Thorne his and the contents entering Howe's back cottage and grounds at Cohasset, Mass., caused a wound of which he died in a few

Sleighing in Massachusutts, William Robinson and James Goodell were severely wounded in a fight with six drunken men whom they encountered while sleighing, near North Adams, Massaupward of \$75,000 in buildings and other Two of their assailants have been arrested.

TO-DAY'S TIDINGS.

NEWS OF ALL SORTS.

Crime and Calamity-Obituary Notes-News There were 817 deaths, 500 births and 238 marriages in New York city last

There are now 70,000 claims for the fixing of a fair rent listed in the Land court. A farmer named Hoyt was killed by a blow from a pitchfork during a quarret with some other farmers at Durand, Minnesota, on Saturday night. Thomas Jennings, supposed to have been a Philadelphian, was drowned in the

river at Pittsburgh, by the upsetting of a R. S. Payne, the Democratic candidate for mayor, was elected at Knoxville, Tenn. on Saturday by 234 majority. Of the

4 Republicans. The grand jury at Jefferson, Ohio, ignored the bill against White and Holden for engaging in a prize fight in that county. Money is alleged to have been used to

board of aldermen 12 are Democrats and

secure this result. Wm. Murray, aged 34 years, a clerk employed by Agobel & Day, fruit dealers, at New York, committed suicide on Saturday

by cutting his throat with a razor.

The murder of Mrs. Betsy Bland, at Stanford, Ky., was for the purpose of robbery. Wm. Duston, the murderer, is in jail at Lancaster, Ky., and is in danger of being lynched. Mary Harrington, a servant girl at Sing

Sing, New York, being sick of typhus fever, jumped from a second stery window early on Saturday morning and then ran down to the river and plunged in. Her body was recovered soon after.

Where the Cold Wave Starts. A heavy snow storm raged throughout Northwestern Ontario on Saturday night

A cold westerly gale prevailed yester-day at Boston, the wind reaching a velocity of 40 miles an hour. At midnight the temperature was 11 degrees

and vesterday.

The Survivors of the Jeannette. Intelligence from Yakutsk states that nine Americans under Lieutenant Danenhower left that place on the 8th inst. They are expected at Irkutsk at the end of the month. The search made by Engineer Melville for Lieutenant De Long and his comrades in an easterly direction from the mouth of the Lena has been fruitless, although some of De Long's letters have been found in abandoned camps, as well as the ship's log and various instruments. The places on which these have been found have been indicated by the erection of cairns.

Coasting. A boy named Fellows, 13 years of age, was fatally injured by running into an omnibus while coasting at Saugerties, New

Charles Royal, nine years old, was killed while coasting at Springfield, Massachusetts. He sprang from his sled to avoid collision with an approaching sleigh, and was struck on the bead by the horses

Canadian Crimes.

An old man named Maher and his daughter were murdered near Cummins board of health, and he immediately called ville, Ontario, by Michael Rourke, who boarded with them. Maher's son was also attacked, but he drove Rourke off with a a club. Rourke has not yet been arrested. John Smith, a farmer, living near Shelburne, Ont., was murdered by an unknown man, who shot him through a window of his house. Smith was reputed wealthy, and robbery is supposed to have been the cause of the murder. His nephew, the only other occupant of the house, fled to a neighbor's on hearing the shot.

> Eight Lives Lost in a Bark. The signal corps station at Cape Hatteras reports to the chief signal officer as follows: "The bark F. L. Carney, from Navassa, West India, to Baitimore, Captain J. L. S. Merry, loaded with guano, sunk three miles south of Hatteras Inlet. Eight lives lost. C. J. Cartson, a Swede, and Frank Biakley, colored, were saved.'

> 200 Arabs Killed by the Turks. A dispatch from Constantinople reports that the Trkish regulars have defeated the Arabs of Yemen, in Arabia, who had revolted. The Arabs lost 200 killed.

The Spread of Epidemic. Typhoid fever and diphtheria have broken out in the Erie county jail. cases were isolated to-day. The jail is one of the cleanest in the country, but imperfect ventilation and a bad system of sewerage counteract the sanitary work of the

Honford M. Burr, a freshman at Amherst (Mass) college, is afflicted with varioloid. A number of his classmates have been exposed to the disease, and there is considerable excitement. Burr rooms at one of the professors' houses, which has been quarantined.

The smallpox continues its ravages at Port Jervis, New York. Thus far about 40 cases and 7 deaths have been re ported. The disease is abating in Hudson county, New Jersey. Nearly 200 cases. 60 of them fatal, have been reported at Fort Wayne, Indiana. In compliance with an order of the secretary of the navy, all the crews of United States vessels are now being vaccinated.

Fallen from Grace.

Edward E. Blanchard, aged 29 years, assistant teller of the Farmers' & Mechanics' national bank of Buffalo, disappeared about a week ago, with money belonging to the bank. Wine, women and gambling caused his ruin.

The extensive fish firm of Isbell & Merrill, of Detroit, has been placed in the hands of a receiver. It was discovered that Merrill, the junior partner, had been selling property of the firm without the knowledge of the senior partner and business manager, and had disappeared. The extent of his operations is not yet known. In the district court at Cheyenne, Wy. T., Chief Justice Sener has ordered the name of Charles M. Hoyt stricken from

the roll of practicing attorneys for failing to pay over \$3,087 intrusted him by client. Hoyt has fled, and was last heard from in New York city. He has also been indicted by the grand jury. A reward of Henry E. Rockwell, secretary of the \$200 is offered for his apprehension. United States fish commission, dropped

FRIGHTFUL FUN OF A FIEND. Results in his Committal to Prison for a Horrible Crime

Wm. Tyson, an unmarried man boards and works at Steelton. As Saturday was payday, Tyson imbibed too much bad whisky and became possessed of a devilin. spirit. While in this condition he returned to his boarding house. There the rum worked on his brain and he became a hu. man fiend. He began to exercise his college, were walking down one of the flendish propensities by kicking one of streets of Hanover, New Hampshire, a the children of the household under the table severely injuring it. Another child he took in his arms and placed on a red hot stove until some of have done her considerable harm had he not in turn been kaocked down by a colkeeper of the lockup, staied that he carried on so badly that a man who had been placed in the cell with him asked to be placed in another cell, as Tyson was acting Thomas H. Gage, Francis H. Dewey and like a maniac. Tyson had cooled down Joseph Mason. somewhat by yesterday afternoon.

DISASTROUS FLOOD.S

10.000 PEOPLE DRIVEN FROM THEIR HOMES.

The Great Rise in the River at Nashville-Distress of the Inhabitants-Rail-

The flood in the Cumberland river surasses anything of the kind ever seen in Nashville, and provisions have taken an upward tendency in consequence. At least 10,000 people have been compelled to flee from their homes, and the end is not vet. Families are still moving from houses that the water continues to encroach upon. Many moved to the upper stories of their dwellings, hoping to escape without further inconvenience, and the work of escuing these was a terrible one. At midnight a "dugout" could be seen moving about on the water taking out the imprisoned. The women and children in some instances became panic-stricken when they saw the renewed increase of waters. Many were crying and wringing their hands in the most distressing manner, and all begged for help. Friday night families on the borders passed the hours in sleeplessness, as the rain continued to pour in torrents, and they knew not what hour the waters would creep into their households. There is great suffering in consequence, but every effort is being made to help the distressed. Fully two thousand workmen are out of work and will be for weeks

The Tennessee & Pacific railroad is covered to the depth of twenty-four inches for 150 yards, and travel must stop unless the water subsides. Trains on the Northwestern division of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad are greatly impeded. They run from Nashville to Johnsville and from Hickman to Camden with a break of ten miles between Nashville and Hickman. The Tennesse river at Johnsville s nine miles wide, extending nearly the entire distance from Johnsville to Camden. The gap is made by flatboat ferries. A mile from Point Burnside, up the Cumberland river it is said that the river is still rising at that point. It rained continuously there from 5 o'clock Friday evening to 7 next morning. The New Providence bridge has lost its place and

all be swept away. The damage done to sewers will be incalculable. In every direction they are bursting and eaving in, and from this source alone an immense loss will be sustained by the city. The caving in of a street in South Nashville broke the gas pipes, and, consequently, that portion of the city was put in darkness. The river now surrounds two blocks of stores on Broad street, while merchants have had to remove all goods from cellars of stores on Market and Front streets for a distance of nearly half a mile. The Memphis & Louisville railroad is submerged for ten or fifteen miles. Much of it will have to be

A special dispatch from Clarksville, Tenn., says the Cumberland river is six inches above the great rise of 1847, and is still rising. The water works pumping house is six feet under water. All the trains on the railways south from Clarksville are discontinued. The city bridge over the Red river is endangered, and all the milis and factories on Front street are covered with water. Great damage is feared. All railroad communication with Memphis is cut off, and large quantities of inmber are floating away from the lumber vards.

MILLIE CHRISTINE'S HOTEL BILL. Cashier Cannot Comprehend How Two

Philadelphia Record. Millie Christine, the two headed girl, who some years attracted considerable attention from Dr. Pancoast and other prominent members of the medical fraternity, is at present a guest of the Great Western hotel, on Market street, above Thirteenth. On Saturday when her agent presented himself at the cashier's desk to settle the week's account he was surprised to find that the bill read: "The Misses Christine," and that board was charged for two

"How do you make this out?" asked the agent as he looked at the bill and then at the cashier.

"The lady has two heads, has she not?" said the cashier. The agent admitted that such was the

case. " And she has two mouths ?" continued

the hotel man. Again another affirmative nod.

'And she eats with both of them? persisted Mr. Cashier. "Yes," broke in the agent, "but she

only takes half a meal to each mouth." "That's all very fine," responded the cashier, "but you can't come that racket on us. She's got two heads and two mouths, and she gets two meals served in her room. Now, if that doesn't constitute her two persons, then I'd better go out of the business.

The head waiter was called and corroborated the statement concerning the double feed. Then the agent hied him to an upper apartment and demanded an expianation from the double headed lass, which developed the fact that while the two meals were actually served, one of them was devoured by a voracious curiosity that occupied an adjoining

Somewhat of a similar affair accurred on the Pennsylvania railroad a few weeks ago, when a conductor, who had not a aware that hundreds of young persons spark of humor in his system, gravely demanded two fares for the monstrosity. It prior to their weddings. The Pennsylvawas only with considerable difficulty that | nia courts now positively refuse to charter her agent managed to convince him that any more of the companies, on the ground although there were two heads, four arms, four legs and two minds, it was only one woman. After some demur the conductor agreed to accept the single ticket, but up to the time that the train reached the lepot he had failed to solve the arithmetical conundrum, as to how one and one could be simply one.

OBITCARY.

The More or Less Distinguished Dead. General Silas Casey, U. S. A., retired, lied yesterday at his residence in Brook-

Rev. Enoch Pond, D. D., president of he Bangor (Me.) theological seminary, died on Saturday night, aged 91 years. Hon. William Hottenstein died at Max atawny, Berks county, on Friday, in his 92d year. He was elected to the Legislature by the Democrats in 1831.

dead of heart disease in Washington, last night. He was 71 years of age.

Mrs. Barmore died at Rockland Lake, N. Y, on Friday, at the alleged age of 103 years. She was the mother of Alfred Barmore, for many years president of the Knickerbocker ice company of New York, who died in 1875, at the age of 70.

· George Payne, well-known to visitors of himself like other people. He also shaved the balance of the afternoon:

himself and was a good penman. He leaves a wife and child. The funeral of ex Governor Butlock, of Worcester, and was largely attended, ored man and then heavily handcuffed by a Steelton constable. The officer had him among the mourners being members of committed to the lockup. Mr. Mickle, the keeper of the lockup staigd that he can pall bearers were : Alexander H. Rice, ex-Governor Thomas Talbot, Governor Long,

A GIFT OF A MILLION.

A Proposition to Give to the City of Balti-more a Public Library.

In Baltimore Enoch Pratt, one of the solid business men and president of the National Farmers' and Planters' bank has formally proposed to the mayor and city council to establish and endow a "free circulating library for the benefit of the whole city" at a cost of over one million dollars, provided the city will grant and create an annuity of \$50,000 per annum forever, for the support and maintenance of the library and its branches. Mr. Pratt in his letter to the mayor says he has already, in pursuance of his plan, contracted for the erection of a fireproof building on his Mulberry street property capable of holding two hundred thousand volumes, which will be completed in the summer of 1883 at a cost of \$225,000. This he will deed to the city and he will donate in money the additional sum of \$33,000 on the condition mentioned. He proposes that a board of nine trustees be ncorporated for the management of the 'Pratt Free Library ;" no trustee or officer to be appointed or removed on religious

or political grounds.

A Wealthy Widow's Suicide. Mrs. Rebecca Rankin, a wealthy widow iving a few miles south of Newcomerstown, Ohio, was found hanging dead in er smokehouse, having committed suicide during the night. She had recently become possessed with the idea that she would die in poverty, the bare thought of which prompted her to prevent the imagipary catastrophe by self destruction. She was sixty years old.

Grant's Brother-in-Law. Thomas M. Conklin has foreclosed a mortgage on 112 acres of land at West Park, L. I., which is owned by General Thomas F. Casey, a brother in law of ex-President Grant. The land, on which U. 6. Grant, jr., also has a mortgage of \$5,000, is unimproved, but it is said to be similar to that of Garden City. The sheriff of Queens county, New York, was instructed to sell the property on Wednes-

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

MARRIAGE INSURANCE.

The Methods by Which Young Couples are Defrauded of Their Money. Reading Dispatch to New York Sun.

Suits are about to be instituted by three young married couples residing near Reamstown, which will expose the methods of the marriage insurance companies, in which the complainants are interested. The plaintiffs were married just thirteen months ago. Prior to their marriage they were approached by three agents, who, it is alleged, promised that the companies would pay each member \$450 one year after their marriage. The young people paid \$10 apiece for their policies or certificates, and \$4 annual dues. Two weeks after their policies were received they were married and hopefully looked forward to the time when they would receive their money. The three couples live near together, and the numbers of their certificates ran up from 475 to 480 inclusive. Three-weeks ago they sent the companies notice that their year was up, and that they wanted their money as promised. They received word that the companies were paying off as fast as possible would have to wait until their turn came. The next day's mail brought six envelopes, each of them containing lifteen notices of assessment, amounting in each case to \$18 75. The very next week another batch of notices were received, and they continued to come se fast that before a month had passed their assessments called for \$50 each. They refused to pay, and consulted an ex-agent of another company. He told them that they would either have to pay a three year-old, was sent to Lancaster their assessments or forfeit their policies. Said he : "And that is not the worst of it, either. Your policies are exceedingly high numbered. I dare say that out of the 475 persons who are ahead of you at least 350 are married now and waiting for their money, just as you all are. Before your turns come to get your money each of you will have to pay at least 350 assessments of \$1.25 each; so you see the very best thing you can do is to stop right where you are and go no further. The chances are 100 to 1 that by open the stable door, broke her halter, the time you will have paid your 350 as- and made her way to the house of Mr. sessments the policy holders who come after you will be utterly unable to keep pawed at the porch until Mr. Reilly got up up the drain on their purses, and you can to see what was the matter. His practiced not get your money. Do not invest any more. Make up your minds that what you have already paid out is lost forever, and thank your stars it is not more. The companies you are in are perfectly willing

comply you cease to be a member and your policy becomes null and void." The young people declare that they bad no such understanding, and that they were insured to get \$450 one year after their marriage. A number of lawyers are examining into this matter with a view of beginning a war against these marriage insurance companies if there is any possible legal way to get at it. They are have been induced to become that their business is corrupt and fraudulent; and the probabilities are that the next important move will be made against those who have been chartered, but whose John Hummer, M. B. Hese, W. H. Hoadduped members are waiting in vain for their money. Very many officers are quietly withdrawing, anticipating the impending conflict. Other companies are Rust, Jacob B. Rohrer. uietly consolidating and transferring their

to carry out their part of the contract,

shows that you must pay up all assess-

Diamond Cut Diamond. The other day a poor Irish woman stop. ped at the Pennsylvania railroad depot and seeing "Hector" Kautz, the depot policeman, in his handsome blue uniform. mistook him for the owner of the railroad, and asked him if he wouldn't be kind York. Not wishing to be bothered with the woman, and thinking to have some fun, Hector directed the woman to go to the superintendent, pointing out as that official a certain well-known dentist. The tooth-puller took in the situation at glance and told the woman to go into his office (pointing to Hector's cozy little box) and wait until he returned with the ticket. The woman did as directed and the dentist went down street. When Heetor came around again, and www the woman occupying his office, he told her to get, but she answered not a step would she go for museums throughout the United Shates as the likes of him, for the superintendent 'the man without arms," died last Thurs- had told her to stay in the office until she day at his home in Williamsburg, N. Y., got her ticket and she was going to do so. aged 27 years. From his birth he was Neither threats, persuasion nor explanacompelled to make his legs and toes do tion had the least effect on her and Hector service for arms and hands, and he fed was obliged to stand out in the cold for

Sales of Tobacco.

Wm. McComb, of Drumore township, delivered to-day 2,100 pounds of tobacco to Hoffman & Sons, and received 28, 14, 8 company passed west through this city on and 3, respectively for the four grades into a special train on their way to Chicago, which the crop was asserted. Christian L. Kauffman, of Salisbury

township, has sold 24 acres to M. Mc-Laughlin at 26, 10 and 5. J. D. Hasson sold 21 acres to the same COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Licenses-Common Pleas-Miscellancon On Saturday afternoon the licenses were taken up by the court and the old stands, 🛦 against which there were no remonstrances were granted. In addition to these the following liquor store licenses were granted to persons in this city : John L. Bucher,

Third ward; Frederick Engle, Fourth ward; John Dickel, Ninth ward; Horace G. Houseal & Co., Second ward.
In the case of com'th vs. John Peisser, charged with desertion by his wife, the court directed the defendant to pay \$1.50 per week to his wife for the support of his child until February, when the case will be reheard.

This morning the first week of January common pleas court began, with both judges on the bench and Judge Livingston presiding.

There were thirty cases on the list, but after it had been called over it was found that but seventeen of them were ready for

The case of Lucy Maze vs. Levi Rickseeker, executor of Henry Shaffner, dec'd. was marked settled. In the case of George M Steinman & Co. vs. J. P. Stormfeltz and Jacob Gable.

house of Wm. Fitzpatrick was begun, the issue was withdrawn. Eliza A. Bare et al. vs. John Sellers; summons in ejectment. In this case a verdict was taken in favor of 'the de-

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Another Cold Wave Sweeps Over Us. The mild weather of the past few days was followed yesterday by a high gale of wind from the northwest, and a very rapid fall of temperature. This morning the thermometers in this city marked 10 and 12 degrees above zero. This is not quite as low as was marked during the late cold snaps (nine degrees) but the policemen, bakers, milkmen and others who had to be on the streets before daybreak, say they suffered more from cold than they had at any former time during the present

winter. Vennor's prophecy has been literally ful-filled this time, as the cold wave appears to have extended over a broad belt of territory all the way from Manitoba to the Atlantic seaboard.

At the city mill the water pumps were so clogged with ice that they had to be stopped at midnight, and Superintendent Kitch was telephoned before daybreak to visit the works. The Worthington pump was also choked with slush ice, which had broken in the wire screen protecting the well from which the pump is fed. The steam pump had to be stopped from 71 to 9 o'clock this morning and the waterpumps from midnight until 10 this morning. During the time they were stopped the water in the reservoirs feil about one foot. By noon it had risen six inches and is now at its usual height. Men were all morning hard at work keeping the headrace free from the slush ice that interfered with the pumps. Notwithstanding the high water and the swift current the city dam was frozen over by midnight, and at noon to-day the ice was two inches in thickness. On the ponds in the vicinity of the city the ice is of course thicker and the ice-men are busily engaged harvesting it, and hoping almost against hope for a continuance of the cold weather.

She Breaks Open Her Stable in Search of Mr. B. J. McGrann's old mare Kate was taken with colic on Saturday night and died. She was a thoroughbred, and had something of a history. During the first raid made by Gen. Negley's brigade from Columbia, Tenn., to Chattanooga, a number of fine Confederate horses were captured and confiscated. The mare Kate, then by Col. Hambright, whose regiment formed a part of Negley's command. She was bought by Mr. McGrann, and for the past nineteen or twenty years has been owned by him. She ran several races and won them all. She was the dam of eight fine colts among them Miss Leamington, a half-sister of the famous Iroquois. The manner of Kate's death is somewhat peculiar. She was stabled at he park stables, and late Saturday night (being in great pain no doubt) she kicked Reilly, her groom. Here she stamped and eye at once told him the mare was suffering from colic. He hastened for a veterinary surgeon and Dr. Tracy was soon in attendance, but too late to be of any service. He said the mare must die, and soon afterwards she was dead. She had provided you are. Your certificate plainly once or twice before suffered greatly from colic and had been cured, and there is nents that the company calls for in order little doubt she broke out of the stable to satisfy the just claims of those whose last night and called at Mr. Reilly's for policies are ahead of yours. If you do not her usual medicine.

> List of Unclaimed Letters. The following is a list of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice for the week ending January 23, 1882 : Ladies' List.—Miss Hattie Fisher, Mrs. Anna Flin, Anna M. Gray, Miss Kate G. Good, Miss Hettie H. Hess, Miss Lizzie A. Hess, Miss Minnie B. Immel, Miss

> Sallie Keifer, Mrs. Lizzie Mauck, Mrs. D.

B. Rohrer, Mrs. Mary Shafer, Miss Ida Siple, Mrs. Mary Jane Schmidt, Miss Millie E. Snyder, Bessie E. F. Spicer, Mrs. Rebecca Weitzel. Gents' List .- F. Armstrong, And. Berger, Aug. R. Bair, W. M. Bauman, Chas. P. Bonnell, I. S. Dixon (2), Peter Dow dell, Elmer Fidler, Daniel Gallagher, ley, Edward Lites, H. H. C. Myers, Robt. Morton, William Pickel, Harry Raymond, Geo. Reynolds, Rev. H. S. Rice, N. E.

Patents 'Granted.

A patent has been received by Henry S. Stauffer, of Mt. Joy, for an improvement in the irons which support the posts of a porch. The novelty consists in having a screw thread cut in the upright and the washer upon which the post rests working about the same as a nut, enabling the post to be kept in its normal position upon any enough to give her a free pass to sinking of the porch floor by screwing up

the washer. A patent has also been granted to Chas. V. Rote, of this city, for a stay bolt cutter. The advantage about this cutter is that it cuts off a bolt without injury to the thread of the part to be again screwed into the sheeting, whilst the cutter itself remains on the bolt until the whole of the ame has been used.

These patents were secured through Wm. R. Gerhart, solicitor of patents.

Larceny and Embezziement.

John Eberly, on complaint of his sister-in-law, Mary Eberly, was arrested on charges of larceny and embezzlement, the allegation being that after Mary's husband (who was proprietor of the Union hotel) died, John appropriated to his own use the contents of the bar room till. Alderman McConomy held the accused to answer at

Passed Through On Saturday night Mapleson's opera where they open to-night.

Mayor's Court. The mayor had eleven cases before him this morning, most of whom were tramps, gentleman for 20, 12, 8 and 3, and Henry | who had voluntarily run into snug harbor M. Hasson 1 acre to same at 21, 8 and 3. to avoid the blizzard from Manitoba.