LANCASTER DAILY INTELLIGENCER MONDAY JANUARY 30 1882.

Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 30, 1882. "Contracts" for State Supplies. When butter gets too dear to be used as a means with which to choke dogs some other instrument, cheaper but no less effective, can usually be found to lic officials are disposed to steal they can nished. In the first place, as very little answer the purpose. And so when pubgenerally circumvent laws which may be passed to prevent them. The new constitution, in directing that public supplies should be bought by proposal and contract, intended to stop the abuse of officials purchasing these things for the public from themselves or from their friends at unduly high prices. Very soon those in charge of the administration of our state affairs contrived to make the new system obnoxious and as expensive in the end as the old. They printed in many newspapers elaborate and expensive advertisements, setting forth line upon line the most trivial articles, for which proposals were invited, so that much of this advertisement cost far gets large discounts. For example, of more than a fair price for the articles soap and brooms, on which a small reasked for, and the aggregate was a vast duction' from the maximum is bid, a expenditure of the public money for the benefit of favorites of the state ring, a political corruption fund distributed among servile newspaper organs. Time and again the INTELLIGENCER pointed out this iniquity and showed how nearly all the money thus wasted could be saved if proposals were asked for in a general way and schedules of the articles to be furnished were supplied to persons desiring to bid. This suggestion was enacted into the law of 1879, which prohibited the useless | raid on the treasury.

and expensive advertisement of the schedules. This law directed that the contracts before being awarded be approved by the governor, auditor general and state treasurer ; the enforcement of it operates, what the state now pays for the contracts for furnishing and repairing the legislative halls and committee rooms, and for the fuel, to be under the control and supervision of the board of commissioners of public grounds and building ; the stationery and supplies to be in charge of the librarian of the Senate-who happens to be John C. has found a medium to relieve himself Delaney-and the preparation of the with regard to the position in which he schedules on which bids and contracts has been placed by the publication of the are based to be entrusted to the secre- official correspondence of our governtary of the commonwealth, who happens ment in relation to South American

to be M. S. Quay. affairs. This publication made it ap-If the schedules were properly pre- pear that while Mr. Blaine had instructpared, the contracts honestly made and ed the commissioner of our country to enforced, the new law would be effect- protest against the spoliation of conive probably to stop the stealing which quered Peru by victorious Chili, his has for many years been going on at successor in the department of state had Harrisburg in this branch of the revoked such instructions and had state government. But if the schedules impressed upon our representative are made to include articles not proper the propriety of a policy of to be bought and furnished by the state; non-interference. From this it has half-interest in this land, giving as his if bids for these supplies are accepted at been widely inferred that Mr. Freprices far above the retail value for such linghuysen was carrying out a policy articles ; and if the contractor does not approved by the president, and that Mr. furnish or the state does not use the arti. Blaine had either deceived his superior cles furnished, it is manifest that there officer or suppressed from him the incan be the same leakage and peculation structions which he had sent to the under the new system as before the law South. It exhibited Mr. Blaine in a bad of 1879 was in operation. The character light, unless the president had changed and reputation of the men on whose in. his policy with his advisers. Now Mr. tegrity an honest administration of the Blaine says very positively that " no dislaw depends are not such as to patch in the negotiations, least of all afford the state a guarantee that their important instructions, was issued it will not be cheated in the trans- until it had been read by the president. action, even if some ingenuity has to and all the steps taken were approved by be exercised to accomplish it. We pro- President Garfield while living, and pose to let some light in upon the way in since then by President Arthur-until which the thing has been done, so that he changed his mind." "The instructhe public may judge whether or not tions were not only talked over fully at ment of justice five thousand dollars for man; but I'll flatten your nose, if that they have been cheated, and whether length with the president, but when his service in the star route cases. Col. there can be any protection for them written were twice read over to him for G. H. Bliss, who has charge of the cases against fraud in this respect, except in criticism and change. I have the origi- now, has been paid the same amount. the election and appointment of honest nal draft in my possession, with the

and 7-inch dusters at 95 per cent. off : sal soda and chloride of lime at 95 per by thousands in the streets. cent. off ; "hair brushes No. 1, Clin-MR. Rossetti was so bitterly attacked ton," at no discount, and "hair

the bid. Proper manipulation here, and

a heavy percentage of discount put in on

the articles little called for, secures the

bid for the experienced contractor. Then

Delaney and the clerks who have super-

vision of the supplies can readily

see to it that contractors shall furnish

they make small discounts, and small

quantities of supplies on which the state

plentiful supply is ordered ; the "feather

dusters" are certain to be ordered of the

quality on which 50 per cent discount

is contracted for, and not of those on

which 95 per cent. discount is made;

while of " hair brushes" that quality

such jugglery a contract which looks

like the most advantageous and fair on

This year the schedule was somewhat

changed, the maximum price raised and

the contract was awarded at an average

per centage reduction all through. How

its supplies, and what it buys which it

Blaine's Disclaimer.

Post Mr. Blaine, late secretary of state.

In an interview in the Washington

theme for future comment.

large quantities of the supplies in which

by Mr. Robert Buchanan some years ago brushes" at 80 per cent. discount and bore himself with such dignity and and so on, varying to the end. The adrestraint, that the amende now made by vantage of such a contract to the state his sometime enemy deserves the widest or the profit to the contractor, it is plain, publicity. It is to be found in the dedicawill dependentirely on how much or how cation of Mr. Buchanan's recently publishlittle of the different supplies are fured'romance, "God and the Man," and is inscribed "To an Old Enemy :" ' sal soda " and less " chloride of lime " I tried to pluck a bay leaf from thy brow, Wronging the chaplet on an honored head: In peace and charity I bring thee now A lily flower instead. are used, it is a shrewd game to put these

articles in at very heavy discounts. It Pure as thy purpose, blameless as thy song, Sweet as thy spirit, may this offering be; Forget the bitter blame that did thee wrong. And take this gift from m.e. makes very little difference in the amount of money received, but it very largely reduces the average discount of

In Hungary a joint stock company has neither law nor facts to justify it." recently been discovered with three members, a grocer, a physician and an apothecary. Their plan was to take out policies on the lives of poor people for their joint benefit. Then the grocer would hocus their provisions, the physician would be called in to prescribe for the resulting ail ment and on his prescription the apothecary would furnish the lacking ingredient to send them to kingdom come. In this way a thriving trade was done. Now however, the directors are all in jail and the payment of dividends has been postponed for the present.

THE tobacco journals report the general approbation by the trade of a material reduction or total abolition of the tax on is taken which the contractor furnishes cigars. Chicago manufacturers ask at the maximum and not those which he | for five and New York manufacturers for bids to supply at 80 per cent. off. By four dollars tax per thousand. Leaf dealers recommend a total abolition of the tax. Work will be done to unite all inits face may be operated as a wholesale terests and secure the repeal of the taxes now burdening the tobacco industry. The United States Tobacco Journal says : "That the time is propitious for action there is no doubt. The country stands upon a prosperous footing, there is a revenue greatly in excess of the country's needs, a large number of the people's representaought not to pay for, will be a fruitful tives in Congress are in favor of abolishing the internal revenue system, and nearly all the manufacturers in the United States are ready to take a hand in any action which, after mature consideration, it is

> WHEN General Jackson became a candidate for the presidency of the United States he was the owner of a half interest in the land which is now the site of the city of Memphis. Judge Overton, his intimate friend and law partner, was the joint owner with him of this property, Jackson, on becoming a presidential candidate, could not reconcile this speculative investment and ownership with his notions of the proprieties which should be observed by a man in such a public position.

deemed wise to take."

verbatim, and these papers are being sold firm of Lord & Lord, have brought suit against C. J. VANDERBILT for a balance of

\$30,000, alleged to be due tor legal ser-The Numerous Perils of the Season. vices. Mr. Vanderbilt, in his answer, says he has paid the plaintiffs \$42,000 for legal exploded and scalded a two-year-old boy services, besides \$65,000 to Scott Lord as so that he died. counsel fees, which, he says, is \$37,000 more than the services were worth, and ing to recover it. he asserts that the services performed by Anegro barber at Lexington, Ky., had Mr. Lord were unskillfully and ignorantly his thumb bitten off by another negro in a done, greatly to his damage. He instances | quarrel and died in consequence. A Fairview, Md., boy of fourteeu was the proceedings he was advised to bring found hanging by the neck in the forks of for the removal of William H. Vanderbilt young sapling, where he had accidentas trustee of a fund given by the latter, in ally got caught. reference to which the general term of the A Brooklyn man of seventy-eight tried board a moving horse car, fell under supreme court said : "It seems almost inthe wheels, had his left thigh broken, credible that counsel could be found capaand died in a few hours from the shock. ble of advising such application, having A Junius (N. Y.) mother took her

NO MORE FREE PASSES.

Copy of a Bill Before the Iowa Legislature. SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Iowa : That, hereafter, it shall be unlawful for any railroad corporation operating a railroad within this state to issue, passes, tickets or other permission, either oral, in writing or in printing, for the free transportation of persons or property to any of the following persons :

To any one holding any office, federal or state, either legislative, executive or judi cial.

To any person holding any county o township office. To any person holding any municipal

office in any city or town. To any person summoned as a juror serving as such in any court held in this state. To any person acting as bailiff or other

officer of any court within this state. To any person when such pass, ticket, or permission is used attending any political convention for the nomination of officers to be voted for by the people. SEC. 2. It shall be unlawful for any of the persons or officers named in the preceding section to accept or use any such passes or permission for free transportation of persons or property, nor shall any person be allowed to ask or solicit such passes or transportation of persons or property for himself or any other person.

SEC. 3. It shall be unlawful for any conductor or any other person in charge of a railroad train to permit any of the persons specified in section 2 hereof to travel upon his trains upon any pass, ticket, or permission for free transportation without the

payment to him of lawful fare. SEC. 4. Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100, to be recovered by information prosecuted as provided by law before a justice of the peace ; one-half such fine shall be paid to the person filing such information.

SEC. 5. Proceedings to recover the fines provided for by this act may be commenced in the county wherein the passes, then rapidly rising in value. General tickets, or permission are issued, or wherein they are received, or wherein they are

used.

SEC. 6. On and after the taking effect of railroads in this state shall be reduced one fixed by law.

LANCASTER STEEL WORKS. MANY WAYS TO COME TO DEATH.

Twenty Acres of Ground and \$125,000 Wanted to Establish " Lewis' Automatic Continuous Rolls" in this City. Following is a copy of a letter received A water-back range in a Brooklyn house by the mayor which explains itself. It is

A Memphis, Tenn., boy lost his ball in easter capitalists : a barrel of water, and was drowned in try-

ODD ACCIDENTS.

Hon. John T. MacGonigle, Mayor of City of Lancaster, Pa.

DEAR SIR-My object in addressing you this letter is to call the attention of yourself and other prominent citizens of your city to an improved train of rolls for which I hold letters patent from the U.S. government. It is the intention of tayself and others with whom I have become associated to build a rolling mill at some con venient point, for the manufacture of steel rails from blooms, which can be baby with her on a sleigh ride and when supplied here or from foreign countries. she got out found that it was dead, having The many advantages gained by my patents will enable us to make and put upon been smothered by being too closely the market, in addition to rails, all heavy A Madison (Ind.) man descending a hill iron and steel shapes, such as girders, the dark, ran against a stake, which channels and other shaped iron and steel struck him full in the mouth, penetrating used in the construction of bridges and to the root of the tougue and making a buildings of every description, at much better profits than can be done by any A twelve year-old boy of Jackson, manufacturer under the present system. Mich., fell down a coal shaft, twenty-five You will readily see therefore how much a city like yours would be benefited by locating such a work within your corporate limits. The amount of business it would create and the large sums of money it would cause to flow into your city ing on the railroad track. A train came to be a sufficient inought along and killed the horse, but the ducement to solicit from your capitalists and business men such aid as would A Hungarian couple were married at insure its permanent success. To do so, Streator, Ind., and the jovial bridegroom t will require a piece of ground of suffon his was home fired his revolver three cient size to build the mill and to enable times, the last shot entering the back of a us to lay tracks necessary to earry mater-

ial to and from the works. This ought Two Palestine (Tenn.) boys went out not to be less than twenty (20) acres. In hunting, and took to amusing themselves addition we expect the capitalists of your by tossing up their hats and firing at them eity to subscribe one-half of the capital in the air. Finally as one of them raised stock to build the works and furnish stock his gun to fire at the other's mark, the to commence operations. This would weapon went off, putting its load in his require not less one hundred and twentyplaymate's face and killing him on the five thousand dollars, (\$125,000). If this amount, with the land, is furnished by the A Wurtshoro (N. Y.) man was cutting citizens of Lancaster, we will agree to trees in the woods and felled one which aise an equal amount, and thus secure to struck upon a sapling, bending it to the your city one of the most important manuground. He cut a piece from the tree, acturing establishments in the state. and was about to cut another, but struck We have no delicacy in laying before

ou this proposition, from the fact that in addition to the vast amount of money it would bring into Lancaster, and the attending benefits which would accrue to the business men of your city, it would doubtless prove the best paving investment your capitalists over made.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Should you and other gentlemen of your city, think favorably of our proposition, we shall be glad to furnish any information you may desire, and confer with you further in reference to its success at such times and place as may suit your convenience.

An early answer will confer a favor on yours respectfully, CHRISTOPHER LEWIS. 2108 Park Avenue, Phil'a

orth Queen Street Brilliantly Maminaled. Following closely the example of Mr. S. S. Spencer, who introduced the electric

ago, Shultz Bros., the hatters, and Al. Rosenstein, the clother, introduced a sim-

GENERAL NOMINATIONS.

THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES.

List of Saturday Evening Nominees At the Democratic general meetings on Saturday evening the following persons worthy the serious consideration of Lanwere placed in nomination to be voted

for next Saturday evening : PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28, 1882.

FOR MAYOR. John T. MacGonigle, George W. Zecher. Charles M. Howell. A. Z. Ringwalt. SCHOOL DIRECTORS. S. W. Raub, Second ward. Christian Zecher, Ninth ward. Davis Kitch, jr., Seventh ward.

William McComsey, First ward. J. M. Johnston, Third ward. Rev. C. Reimensnyder, Fifth ward. George Darmstetter. Seventh ward.

J. M. Westhaeffer, Third ward. R. A. Smith, Fourth ward. H. B. Springer, Ninth ward. FIRST WARD.

Select Council-Geo. W. Brown. Common Council-John F. Reith, Jno. . Slough, A. Z. Ringwalt, Harry Lively, Samuel K. Lichty, Jacob Reese. Alderman-H. R. McConomy. Constable-Geo. Ganss. Assessor-W. C. Buchmiller. Judge-James A. McElhone. Inspector-Theo. F. Trout. City Executive Committee-John

chaum. SECOND WARD. Select Council-Chas. M. Howell. Common Council-D. McMullen, Philip linder, J. B. Lichty. Assesso

Constable-Bankson H. Smith. Judge-James R. Donnelly. Inspector-Robert Clark. City Executive Committee-James R. onnelly.

THIRD WARD. Select Council-Henry Wolf. Common Council-Geo. F. Sprenger, ohn Eberly, Jacob Kiehl. Constable-B. F. Leman. Assessor-J. M. Westhaeffer. Judge-B. F. Davis. Inspector-Adam S. Rhoads. City Executive Committee-B. F. eman.

FOURTH WARD Select Council-H. W. Harberger. Common Council--R. E. Bruce, Win. Wisner, D. H. Bartholomew. Constable-Lorentz R. Boyle. Inspector-Charles S. Biggs. Judge-Wm, Norris. Oity Executive Committee -- Frank

Brinkman. FIFTH WARD. Common Council-Morris Gershel, Jos. Kautz, Abm. Erisman, David Jeffrics, Christian Stiffle. Alderman-Wm. B. Strine. Constable-Sam. Lontz, Philip Fisher. Assessor-H. H. Holton. Judge-John S. Beck. Inspector-Peter Alabach. SIXTH WARD.

Select Council-William Johnson. Common Council-W. T. Jefferies, Dr. Lavergood, George B. Willson, Samuel King, Jas. P. Plucker, Daniel Brown, jr., R. H. Brubaker, Fred. Goos. Assessor-C. R. Frailey, John Dorwart. Constable-Martin Dailey, Atlee Mer-

eer. Judge-Byron J. Brown.

the sapling, which sprang up instantly, striking him in the nose and cutting upward through the forehead, inflicting injuries which caused his death three days later. STATE ITEMS. Tacony New Era, Rep : "Until a bet ter man is suggested we are for B-----The Cumberland county Democratic committee met at Carlisle on Saturday and elected II. K. Peffer senatorial and

drunken driver escaped unharmed.

friend and lodging in the right lung.

tative delegate to the state convention. A resolution instructing them to support James H. Hopkins for governor was unanimously adopted.

Hoyt's home organ, pronounces in favor of George Shiras, of Pittsburgh, for judge of the supreme court, on the ticket with this act the rates of passenger fares on all Butler for governor. It is only a coincihalf cent per mile below the rate as now Governor Hoyt's son into a qualified par- light into a part of No. 2 mill two weeks

A Woman Shot in Her Own House.

thership in his extensive practice.

John Graham and M. Guswiler represen-

The Wilkesbarre Record, Governor dence that Mr. Shiras recently admitted

feet head first, striking upon a boiler iron floor, but he escaped without any material damage. A drunken Martinburg (N. Y.) man lost his way home and finally got to driv.

wrapped.

fearful wound.

and intelligent men to state offices. tract made in June, 1880, for " brooms, that the president has a right to change buckets, &c.," for the Legislature and his mind, but insists that he did change departments, will show how the con- his mind. This seems to relieve Mr.

tractors and those who are supposed to Blaine, but it imposes on the president supervise them, can cheat the state. It is only fair to say that in the past probably be as restive under it as Mr. year some change has been made in the Blaine was indisposed to stand for scape form of preparing the schedules and let- goat service. ting the contracts, which we will

refer to hereafter in detail. But from June 1880 to June 1881, Wm.

M. Gray was the contractor to supply ment, and we have missed so many good the "buckets, brooms, &c." He is a chances of this kind that this one should brother-in-law of the notorious Sam be gravely considered before it is allowed country, has been suffering from a cancer Adams and, as we have shown before, to go by. from December 1, 1880, to the end of his time of contract-about seven months in all-he drew \$781.89 for " supplies" and \$4,886.74 for " buckets, brooms, &c."

Upon examination in the office of secretary of state, we find that a schedule for the following articles, no limit to the quantity, was submitted to the bidders last year, to bid to furnish at a percentage below the maximum price fixed in opened by the withdrawal of the Republithis schedule :

Maximum

 Waste baskets, per doz.
 12 00

 Chloride lime, per lb.
 5

 Metallic cuspadores, per doz.
 30 0

 Cotton flannel, per yard.
 15

 Whiting, per lb.
 5

 Rotten stone, per lb.
 15

 Gentlemen's combs, per doz.
 6 00

 Huckaback towels, per doz.
 4 00

 Carbolic sosp, per box.
 2 40

 Alcohol, per gallon.
 3 60

MATT CARPENTER's birthplace and the For all this there were three bidders ; of a speech by Sir William Harcourt last home of his youthful days was only a my constituents are for Butler." Gill, Mrs. Ellen Houck, Miss Ida Helm, they each bid a certain percentage of Monday. The matter was made worse by dozen miles from the town of Senator than the audience to allow a boy to beat Maggie E. Jones, Miss Amanda Knhns, Frances E. Kendig, Mrs. E. P. Wichner, Fannie B. Miller, Miss Sally Myers, Miss crime. Knocked Down. a drum in a place of public amusement. --each article, and the contract was an apology and a statement that the manatal Jump. Wm. Rhodes was struck by an unknown Up Out of the Ashes. awarded to the bidder with the highest average discount, which was W. M. guilty parties to justice. This increased In New York, John Horan was awakened EDMUNDS's nativity, and they first met assailant and knocked down near the Elizabeth Speichler, Miss Sallie Tichthorn. Gents' List-Jesse R. Ashton, F. H. The Inquirer printing establishment has early by a burglar breaking into his room, when very young and studying law at a corner of Vine and Lime streets, Saturday secured Levan's mill building opposite the night. The object of the assailant is un-Franke brewery, and presses and type are known, as no attempt at robbery was situated on the second floor of a tenement small school-house situated in the heart of house in Greenwich street. He got out of Isair, J. W. Cook, Henry Freny, S. Gill, Kauffman Group, Daniel Helman, J. W. Gray at 61 7-43. How he secured the the morbid curiosity of the prurient and contract and how it was carried out may copies of the issue referred to have been the mountains, to contend through a whole bed, when the burglar took fright and being put in with a view to resuming made. Hess, Wm. Herr, Erman Huber, J. M. Miller, Morris Brothers (for.), J. S. Moroperations next week. be learned from a few figures. He bid sold for £1 each. It is said that twenty day and night for the rights of their re. jumped out of the window on to the fire-Broke Her Arm. spective clients in a very small affair, be-the ground and was killed. He was recog-On Saturday afternoon Mrs. Adolph N. Basch, residing on West Lemon street, fell on the ice in her back yard breaking her J. W. Schulberth, Geo. H. Shaw, F. W. to supply Babbitt's soap at 10 per cent. compesitors and two proof-readers have The Mænnechor. fore a farmer justice of the peace and a nized as Thomas Hutton, aged 23, known nized as Thomas Hutton, aged 23, known to the police as a professional thief and discount and brooms at the same ; 12. been discharged from the Times office. This evening the Lancaster Mænnerchor inch feather dusters at 50 per cent. off The low weekly papers reprint the report jury of six. will give a concert and sociable in their left arm at the wrist. She was attended Weaver, Bernhard Wenger, Jacob W. hall and as usual there will be a fine Scott Lord & Sons, composing the law | worthless character. by Dr. Henry Carpenter. Weicomer, Frank Yeider.

reason his conviction that a candidate for the high office of president of the United States ought not even to seem to be engaged in land speculations. Rather than assume this appearance of what he re-

valuable property. PERSONAL. LONGFELLOW grows gentler as he grows older. He said of Oscar Wilde the other

day : " Well, Mr. Wilde has written some good verses : he cannot be an ignorant man." Attorney General BREWSTER was paid before he became the head of the depart-

Mrs. HOPKINS, the widow of Mark Hop-

modifications desired by the president kins, recently gave a reception in San antly. A single example taken from the con- clearly noted," Mr. Blaine concedes Francisco to Lord Beaumont. The occasion is described as one of splendor. The guests numbered four hundred. The reception cost Mrs. Hopkins several thousand dollars. the charge of inconsistency. He will

General BURNSIDE's large silver punchbowl, presented to him by his staff officers was sold in Providence the other day for \$425. His silver was widely scattered,

forks and spoons and ladles being sold separately to people who wanted relics of the dead senator.

the most widely-known actors in the and drove off. affecting his jaw, tongue and neck. A

number of painful operations were performed on the sufferer's jaw, but without effecting a cure, and now he is reported to

be dying. Mrs. LANGTRY has received two proposals to visit America, but she accepts at noon, and a gorge formed between that neither for the present, being resolved not water rose to height of 17 feet above lowto go there this year. She continues till water mark, and travel along the Lacka-May at the Haymarket theatre, where her | wanna & Bloomsburg railroad was cut off. success is confirmed. She will make a tour in the provinces and return in the ary on Saturday at 50.5 feet on the gague. autumn to the Haymarket theatre.

Mrs. EMMONS is the name of a lady the color of its shaggy coat the shade of flood than before. her ulster. The dog has a private room at siding there.

Major A. B. VALENTINE, father of the late Park Valentine, who was killed with his young wife at Spuyten Dayvil, is quite Jervis. For a time a disastrous flood was overcome by the disaster. He has decided not to build the extensive additions was formed in the gorge which allowed to his mills at North Adams, the foundaoffers for sale the house fitted up for Park free.

Arthur intends to nominate Samuel and his bride. Blatchford, of the United States disrtict Senator JOHN STEWART thinks Butler's court in New York state to the supreme candidacy will create no dissension in the bench. Gen. Arthur has been long ac ranks of the bosses. They will be either quainted with Judge Blatchford, and en- all for Beaver or all for Butler, or all for reled shotgun which some one had set so tertains for him the very highest respect, the other fellow, but which is to be finally that the opening of the gate to his resiand regards him as pre-iminently qualified adopted is known only to themselves. by reason of his abilities, and especially That is a secret in the keeping of less than by reason of his long experience on the a half-dozen of the highest sachems, and, says Mr. Stewart, "if you would learn it

A HIDEOUSLY indecent expression was glades of Florida." be repudiated. I think the majority of interpolated in the London Times's report There is no clue to the perpetrator of the question whether it is a cruelty to other

A Street Scene in New York. N. Y. Sun.

NO ACCOUNTING FOR TASTES.

"You had better get rid of that stove pipe hat; yon'll be livelier without it," said a powerfully built, red-faced young garded as a public impropriety, General truck driver the other day, as he nearly Jackson chose to give away an exceedingly drove over a delicate-looking gentleman on Park row. The pedestrian had to skip in a very undignified manner to escape.

"You want your neck wrung very badly," he said, as he gained the sidewalk and looked after the truck. The driver heard him and pulled up his

horse at once. "Will you wring it ?" he asked in gruff ones.

The gentleman took a few seconds to consider the question. Then he said : " No, I'll leave that job for the hangwill suit you.

It appeared that the proposal suited the driver, for in thirty seconds he stood before the fragile-looking man. "Now flatten my nose," he said defi-

It was done before the words were well out of his mouth, and as he lay on his back in the gutter the expression on his blood-bespattered countenance was that of mingled pain and amazement.

"What did you strike that man for ?" asked a policeman, hurrying up, and seiz ing the gentlemen by the arm.

Because he asked me to strike him, you know," was the reply," " and as he looked like an honest, good natured young fellow, I didn't like to disoblige him.

The policeman looked at the truckman, who rose slowly and without making any Since May JOHN E. McDONOUGH, one of complaint mounted the seat of his wagon "Well," said the policeman, impres-

sively, as he walked away, "there's no accountin' for tastes."

FLOOD AND ICE GORGE.

Rivers Choked and Water Overflowing. The ice in the Susquehanna river at Wilkesbarre began to move on Saturday The river at Nashville remained station A "water spout" was reported in White, Van Buren and part of Warren county, Tennessee, on Friday night, which greatly daily seen in Washington in company swelled the tributaries of the Cumberwith a large stag-hound which matches in | land, causing apprehensious of a worse

An ice gorge formed in the Hudson essarily require some delay in its appear- Wormley's and has its meals served to it Friday, and one tug was swept from her in as fine style as any other dignitary re- moorings and another sunk. The docks at Troy were flooded to a depth of six feet. Large ice gorges formed in the upper Delaware at Cohecton and Lackawaxen, respectively 40 and 20 miles west of Port threatened at Cohecton, but a channel much of the water to escape. There is no tions for which are already laid, and he between that point and Lackawaxen being danger of a gorge at Port Jervis, the river

A Device to Remove a Physician.

As Dr. A. J. Erwin, of Mansfield, Ohio, returned home about midnight, he was shot in the right breast with a double-bardence would discharge both barrels about the region of the chest. The muzzle of the gun was not over six feet from his breast, but owing to his heavy clothing the charge did not make a mortal wound. you must wait until Quay returns from the Nearly two hundred shot were found in his clothing and adjacent to the skin.

In Washington, Mrs. John L. Connors, light their stores on North Queen, on Satwife of a well-known contractor, living at 469 New York avenue, was shot dead through the window of her house by some person as yet unknown. A drunken driver, named Miles, who was in front of the house about the time of the shooting, has been arrested on suspicion.

A Boy's Confession,

In Lawrence, Mass., Maurice O'Brien, aged thirteen, has confessed that he set worked to a charm ; both store-rooms fire to the Industrial school building, of were illumined with a pure white light as which he was an inmate, and which was brilliant as sunlight, but easy to look burned on the 3d instant. upon, as the flame was shaded with white

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

"THE M'GIBENY HORROR." Our Musical Family to be Inhibited.

The following editorial from to-day's New York Herald relates to the McGibeny family, so well-known here :

thoroughfare is lit up. The engine generating the electricity is "The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children is again upon the war of about eight horse power, and is of suffipath. It seems that a certain prolific Mr. McGibeny proposed to appear at Steinway cient size to supply several more lamps with the electric light. The entire cost of the apparatus was about \$700, and the hall, surrounded by his exceedingly nucost of the light will only be a few cents merous family (the figures are variously per night. The steam from the boiler is reported, but a late census, which seems to be reliable, puts the offspring at about not yet (but soon will be) used for heating one dozen) and there and then proposed to compel these children to produce of fuel will also be greatly reduced. It is by means of certain undescribed, but believed the operations of the electric approbably truly awful, instruments various paratus will not cost one-quarter as much as gas, and will furnish ten times as much | Zecher. sounds of an alleged harmonious and pleaslight. It attracted great attention Saturing character. Some inhuman persons have wickedly suggested that many of professional men being among the crowds these children are well able to take care of that pressed around and into the brilliantly themselves, being of an age which it would illuminated stores, and from their remarks be ungallant to Mrs. McG. to accurately mention above a whisper ; but Mr. Gerry, there will be many more electric lamps innothing daunted by these outrageous

troanced into Lancaster. The city fathers falsehoods, after a magnificently planned will, no doubt, give the matter due conand brilliantly conducted campaign, has wrested, or is about to wrest, from sideration and perhaps have the streets of the clutches of its unnatural parents the city lighted with chain lightning ina McGibeny of tender years who has stead of coal oil. The Fuller pater t presents some advan-

man.

A. Herr Smith for Butler. Times Washington Correspondence.

in the state to nominate Mr. Butler.

Mr. A. Herr Smith thinks it would be

for the interests of the Republican party

"If they want to harmonize the party,"

said he, "Butler is the man. I am not

identified with any faction. While I am

Republican I look altogether to the suc-

cess of the party. I think Butler would

solidify the party better than any other

" Do you think, then, that the nomina-

tion of Beaver would widen the breach

which already exists between the Inde-

"Not if he received the franchises of the

people fairly expressed in the state con-

vention. I think they would support the

nominee of the convention in case he was

fairly chosen. It is very important that

no attempt should be made to take ad.

vantage of the people by preventing their

expression of opinion. Any intrigue or artifice used in selecting delegates should

pendents and the Staiwarts?"

been subjected to the most barbarous tages over others for a combination of incruelties. This child is no larger than the terior and exterior illumination and it was miserable street urchins one used to see in generally remarked on Saturday evening New York selling newspapers and pedthat the light furnished on that evening dling small wares about the streets, but was of the most agreeable character, and whom one no longer encounters now that very closely resembled day light. Myers the society has provided comfortable & Rathfon, the New York store, and homes and remunerative employment for others business places contemplate early them. This poor child, instead of being connections with the apparatus put in by left at home by itself, has been compelled the Messrs. Shultz. The latter firm deseveral times to remain in the company serve much credit for their enterprise. of its parents and ten or fifteen Their fine building was a pioneer in the brothers and sisters at the hall matter of open fronts in this city, and as where the family appeared, and then and there, when the family were making night hideous or pleasant to the neighborhoodbelieve that ere long the powerful electric it is not stated which-it was given somelight will come into general use.

thing that looked like a drum, but was probably some sort of an infernal electric machine, and made or allowed to operate it. When the child struck it with what appeared to be a stick it gave forth a noise but it was noticed that at the same time the child assumed a pleased and happy expression, undoubtedly caused by some cruelly

contrived electric apparatus concealed in the coat tail pocket of the fiendish parent, and connected by hidden wires down his trousers' legs across the stage and up the spine of the really unhappy in-At least Mr. Gerry must have reasfant. oned in this way, else why should he in terfere ? This awful state of affairs is not to be allowed to exist any longer. The

McGibenys have been swooped down upon by Mr. Gerry and his gallant men. His honor the mayor is to hear the case to-day. Mr. Gerry is to produce the infant and the drum. He has not yet secured the concealed instruments of torture, but undoubtedly will find them in time, for it would be an awful and a woful defeat of justice were they missing and the case to dwindle down into a

apparatus-the Fuller patent-to Inspector-John B. Sener. City Executive Committee-George S. urday evening. The steam engine and apparatus by which the electricity is gen-Landis, Jacob Herzog. erated is placed in a building at the rear Common end of Shultz & Brothers' property, and Philip Dinkleberg, Frank R. Everts. the electric wires connect with three lamps, one of which is placed Assessor-James R. Garvin near the centre of Shultz's store, another in Mr. Rosenstein's store, and a third

Constable-John Merringer. Judge-Wm. McLaughlin. inspector-George Kuhlman, City Excentive Committee-Frederick is hung outside over the sidewalk, between the two stores. The apparatus rnold

EIGHTH WARD. Select Council-Fred. Judith, John V. Wise, Jacob Otthofer.

SEVENTH WARD.

Council-Henry Smeych.

Common Council-Adam H. Trost, Jos. transparent globes. The outside lamp . Albert, George Boos, John J. Hartley, threw out a flood of light in wonderful Benjamin Huber, Jos. Adams, John Kaetz, contrast with the sickly yellow rays of the Michael Baer, Fred. Glassbrener. gasoline and gas burners in the neighbor-Alderman-Peter Rohrich, jr., P. Don-

ing stores and street lamps. Apparently elly. Constable-George Shay, Fred. E. North Queen street between Centre square

and Orange, received more light from the Shroad. Assessor-Christ. A. Oblender, James single electric lamp than from all the gas

and gasoline lamps with which that busy Huber. Judge-Peter Diehl, Harry J. Brown

Harry Kautz. Inspector-Edw. Hardy, Henry Shantz,

ohn F. Flick. City Executive Committee-Christ. R. Frailey, Christopher Sheid, Peter Dommel.

NINTH WARD. Council-Daniel Merrick. Common Andrew Chambers, W. C. Buchanan, Ed

Shultz & Bro.'s building, so that the cost ward Leydan, Miles Fite, George Scheetz, John McKillips, D. S. Mearic, Emanuel Stone, George Shulmyer, J. H. Ostermayer. Assessor-Frederick Nixdorf, David

Constable-Christian Flick, John Herr, day evening hundreds of business and William Tittus.

Judge-John Hook.

Inspector-Charles Smith.

City Executive Committee-ilenry it is evident that within a brief period | Babel, John Rose.

Declinations.

Philip Ginder declines the nomination for council in the Second ward. Chas. M. Howell declines to be a candi-

date for select council from the Second ward.

Harbaugh Missionary Society. The first anniversary of the Harbaugh missionary society was held last evening in St. Luke's Reformed church, corner of Orange street and Marietta avenue. This society was started on the 10th of February, 1981, by the members and friends of St. Luke's congregation Its object is to increase the knowledge of its members in home and foreign missionary work, and to spend an evening each month in literary pastime and social converse. Their monthy exercises consist of an essay on nearly all our business houses have since missionary work in various fields, select followed that example there is ground to readings, and vocal and instrumental believe that ere long the powerful electric music. The anniversary last evening was well attended. The service was opened

with invocation by the pastor, Rev. W. F. Lichliter, and responsive scriptural reading on the part of pastor and congregation. Several missionary hymns were sung, and an address was delivered by the president of Frank lin and Marshall college, Rev. T. G. Apple D. D., who spoke on missionary work as relating to the heathen, and as relating to the Christians themselves. The address was full of practical thoughts, and was listened to with marked attention. The report of the president of the society, Mr. C. W. Levan, showed the number of members in good and regular standing to be 43, and that besides paying their own ex-

peases, the society had paid from the amount received as monthly dues \$12.50 for missionary and benevolent purposes at home and abroad.

List of Unclaimed Letters.

The following is a list of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice for the week ending January 30, 1882 ;

Ludies' List-Margretha Balzer (for.). Mrs. Barbara S. Brown, Mrs. Anna C.

WHILE Gen. Beaver is making his rounds will he wear the Grant medal on the outside or inside of his coat lapel ? THE way for Squire McMullen's defeat

for select council in Philadelphia has been

can candidate in favor of a decenter Dem-

PATRONS of the School Journal will

understand that as the February number

was ready for mailing just before the In-

quirer fire the reproduction of it will nec-

THE indications are that a caucus will

soon be called by Democratic representa.

tives to ascertain the standing of respective

members on the tariff question, and with

a view af deciding upon a basis of concert-

ed action when the subject comes before

THE belief is growing that President

bench, for this important place.

ocrat than " Mully."

ance.

the House.

THE revised edition of Modern Science

says : "Let there be electric light."

LANCASTER seems to have a chance

to get an important industrial establish-