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The Virginia Split. That was a very amusing exhibition down in Virginia when Riddleberger changed sides with Massey, and refused to vote for the caucus nominee of the noble "Readjuster" party; when that nominee was Massey; being just the thing that had been done by four of Massey's supporters when a little while since Riddleberger's man was nominated for the same place.

Of course Riddleberger had the very highest ground for his refusal to vote for Massey. He said he was a felon. That fact would no doubt justify the honorable senator's refusal to vote to make him state auditor. A Virginian so distinguished by his people as to occupy a place in the state Senate while a senator elect of the United States ought certainly to have moral tone enough to refuse to vote a felon into office.

It requires one administrator, and a number of willingly subordinate lieutenants of the subservient Cameron and Riddleberger style of men; but no fellow who thinks himself bigger than Malone and suspected of a disposition to demonstrate it. Massey may be a felon; Riddleberger ought to know; but that cannot be the cause of his objection to him, or he would have developed it sooner.

It has been the lot of the INTELLIGENCER in the past ten or fifteen years to very frequently point out to its readers the misconduct of officials in this county. It has exposed district attorneys who lied to the court to save defendants to whom they were under political obligations, and who multiplied cases to enrich themselves and rob the county treasury; public treasurers who speculated with the people's money and put the profits into their own pockets; county officers who took illegal fees and bribes; guardians of the public institutions who bought rotten supplies from political speculators, or supplies of any kind above the market price, and divided with those whom they helped to rob the county; legislators who sold their votes and many other officials who betrayed their trust.

Of course the Examiner published what was not true when it said in last evening's issue: "Mayor MacGonigle sent, by Councilman Smech, an invitation to the Shiffer fire company to partake of a supper, to be given by him, the mayor, on Friday evening next at Rothweiler's hall. The Shiffer boys promptly declined the invitation." In the same line as this canard is the story being circulated in Stauffer's interest, that the mayor had said he could "buy the firemen." These and other false tales like them the Republican politicians are telling, simply because they cannot meet the real issues of the municipal campaign, which are whether the city is to have good government under MacGonigle or misgovernment under Stauffer.

guished for his "facility for lying" it warned us what to expect of the campaign.

Prison Inspector Carter. Relapsing from the frame of mind in which it conceded that the INTELLIGENCER should not "willingly libel any one," the Examiner allows a variety of editors to play Humpty Dumpty in its columns and exhibits its clown, harlequin and pantaloon in full chase through them after Calvin Carter's pigs. The historical, poetical and "accidental" editor are each allowed full swing, and among them they return to the charge that this journal has libeled Calvin Carter. As the INTELLIGENCER has already denied this allegation and published the truth, to what was said in good faith, for proper public information and after diligent inquiry, it is needless to repeat it; but if Mr. Carter's special champions continue to insist that he was libeled, obviously the proper thing for him to do is to go on with his libel suit, if he ever brought one; or to bring one, if he has not done so; or if he has brought one and abandoned it, to begin another. The INTELLIGENCER has no knowledge, except from hearsay, that he has ever sued for libel or ever intended to. His friends know that he was never asked not to do so, nor ever given any intimation in this quarter that it concerned the INTELLIGENCER in the slightest degree whether he brought one or not. He is perfectly at liberty to resort to every legal remedy within his power to vindicate himself or punish the INTELLIGENCER for any offense it has committed against the law.

Meanwhile Mr. Carter and his super-servicable newspaper friends will do well to remember that while his pigs have not been traced to the prison pen, he has not explained why he paid his personal and political friend \$7 for pigs not worth more than \$4; nor why he told Mr. Kaufman that the pigs in his pen were "for the prison," nor why, as we now learn—he engaged a neighbor some weeks ago to haul pigs from his place to the prison. And when he has explained these things he may engage himself with an explanation of the lapses of memory pointed out to him by the New Era, according to which it appears that instead of taking \$10 worth of goods last year from the prison "at cost" he got nearer \$100 worth. A prison inspector who gets his or his neighbor's carpets woven by convict labor for nothing, and nine pairs of prison boots or shoes per year, at the cost of the leather, is obviously not the man to make loud complaint of his irreproachable character being damaged by mistaking Steacy's pig with a black spot for Carter's pig with a black spot.

THE Examiner says truly the INTELLIGENCER is not gleeful over a 90 cent city tax. That is true. The INTELLIGENCER resolutely opposed the extravagant and recklessness of the Republican street committee which created the occasion of this tax. The Examiner supported it.

J. W. HENLEY the oldest member of the House of Commons, is eighty-eight; Jas. Dickson, the youngest member, is twenty-three. We do not know whether the Examiner means to be complimentary or not when it bespeaks the undivided support of its party for the man whom it lately denounced for his "facility for lying."

In reviewing the contemporaries of Alexander H. Stephens the Press classes as "immortal" Hannibal Hamlin, ex-Secretary Hamilton Fish, Stephen A. Douglas, John Quincy Adams, Joshua R. Giddings, Andrew Johnson and John Sidel.

THERE is now being dragged through the congressional halls a petition more than five thousand feet long and signed by merchants, manufacturers, mechanics, farmers, tax payers and others, residing in nearly every state in the Union. It asks that the tax on bank deposits and the two-cent stamp on checks and drafts may be abolished.

SENATOR WINDOW and Senator Sherman are not on good terms. Window says that Sherman advised him as secretary of the treasury to continue the 5 and 6 per cent bonds at 3 and 3 1/2 per cent, but the first thing he (Sherman) did when he became a member of the Senate was to introduce, with a flourish of trumpets, a 3 per cent. funding bill, and criticize Window's financial policy.

A NEW ENGLAND senator, who recently visited the president by invitation, to discuss the subject of a successor to Secretary Hunt, was afterwards asked whether he thought William E. Chandler would receive the appointment. The senator replied: "I do not know. I stayed with Arthur until half past one o'clock in the morning. I did not know any more when I left than I did when I went there, but I told the president all I knew. I do not believe the president confides his plans and intentions to any man living."

It is now said that John C. New wanted the Russian mission, but consented to take assistant secretaryship of the treasury. The Press explains why such a valuable politician is to be kept at home: "While Mr. New knows something about the department, he knows a great deal more about Indiana elections, and every one knows that he is really appointed for the last reason and not the first." "Like a great many other Indianapolis politicians Mr. New has been the subject of charges." These charges, however, may be his recommendations to the administration. For the Russian mission Hartranft is now talked of. He is more troublesome than useful to Cameron, and his exile just now might be profitable.

Killed at Station. Reuben P. Hoffost, of New Cumberland, aged thirty-three years, a married man, employed at the new Bessemer mill at the steel works, was split open and had his back and thighs terribly crushed by an ingot moving falling over on him on Wednesday night while he was in a working position. After suffering untold agony for a half hour death came to his relief.

CARTER'S OMISSIONS.

Table listing items and prices: Jan. 3, one pair boots... \$ 3.50; Jan. 17, 100 cigars... 1.50; Feb. 14, one dozen brooms... 1.20; Feb. 25, one dozen brooms... 1.20; April 20, one pair shoes... 1.25; May 3, one pair shoes... 1.25; May 8, one pair shoes... 1.25; May 12, one pair shoes... 1.25; May 17, two pair shoes... 3.00; June 6, 100 cigars... 1.50; June 9, one pair shoes... 1.25; Aug. 19, wearing 1922 yds. carpet at 33c... 63.66; Aug. 12, one dozen brooms... 1.20; Aug. 12, one dozen brooms... 1.20; Sept. 15, one pair shoes... 1.25; Oct. 3, one pair shoes... 1.25; Oct. 21, order of Townsend & Son... 20.47; Nov. 7, one pair boots... 3.25; Dec. 5, balance of salary and mileage... 319.78.

For Will Withers. The rage for this carpet from Aglen and the carpet was shipped to Christiansburg. We don't reproduce these figures as a reflection upon Mr. Carter's personal or official integrity, for it has been the practice for officials to take what they wanted "at cost" from the same work. The practice had grown more infernal from the fact that in the item of 109 yards of carpet given above, in response to our inquiries, the prison clerk informs us that the difference between the amount paid by the inspector and the amount the contractor would have charged for the same work was \$19.78. On the other items he could not give us the figures, except the bags, of which the regular price was \$4. Thanks to Keeper Burkholder's "addresses," the inspectors at their last meeting stopped saying that the prison was a pig pen, but it shows that Mr. Carter is unable to be mistaken in his memory of facts concerning himself as Mr. Kaufman was in his inferences drawn from a small black spot near a pig's tail.

MISS ERICSSON'S MONEY. Divided by Her Nephew and John Latham in the Dark on a Bed. The dead body of Miss Parmelia Ericsson was found hanging to a bedpost at her house at Chambersville near Fort Mifflin on Dec. 9. Only \$900 could be found in the house, although it is supposed that she had about \$6,500 concealed there. She was 70 years old, and she lived in the house alone. Justice Irwin appointed two men to watch the body and the property, William Stillwagon, Morgan Latham, and John Latham. They got drunk, and the next morning Mr. Snyder, another relative, found them lying on the floor, with several bank notes scattered about. Afterward they left the neighborhood, and the next day they were arrested in Brooklyn, and on February 3 an officer went there to arrest him, but could not find him. Last Saturday, however, Stillwagon surrendered himself to Justice Irwin. This was a surprise to many of the neighbors, who argued, from the fact that this dead body had been found on his knees, and that the bed clothes had been disarranged, that there had been a murder. The reasoning was, that persons who would rob the house and afterward leave the neighborhood might previously have committed the murder, and then, when Irwin Stillwagon confessed that he, with Latham, had stolen his aunt's money, but declared that he had no hand in her death. He was sent to jail.

On Sunday evening Latham was arrested. He confessed to taking the money, but once the blame was decided upon. He said that after Stillwagon carried the bag of money both of them carried it as far as the bridge crossing Chancellorsville creek. Then they proposed to divide the money and lighted a match, which was blown out. Not having another match, Stillwagon carried out all the bills into Latham's hands, and then they divided them, bill for bill, with each other. Latham said his conscience smote him, and that he gave the money to his wife without counting it, and told her to keep it safe. When she died, the dead woman's nephew disappeared. He was afraid to have the money about him and he destroyed it. Some of the neighbors believe that the old lady fulfilled a threat of vengeance she made upon her kindred, and after destroying all her savings except enough to decently bury her, took her life.

CHRISTIAN'S GRIM CONFESSION. Leaving His Brother-in-Law Dead in the Fields and Returning to Kill His Wife. Curtis Christian and Jonah Tompkins, brothers-in-law, residing on Tinker Hill, in the town of Putnam Valley, ten miles from Peekskill, N. Y., might be called Cold Spring. They went off together yesterday morning to buy cows. Late last night Christian came home alone, haggard and wild, and declared to his wife that he had killed Tompkins and left his body in a small hollow a few miles distant. And "I'll kill you, too," he shouted, furiously. He made a dash at his wife and caught her by the throat. She was the stronger of the two. She broke from his hold, threw him down, and succeeded in ejecting him from the house. Then she alarmed the neighbors. A party was made up at once to search the hollow described by Christian. It was not long before they came upon the dead body of Tompkins. The head had been crushed in with a stone. The murderer has not yet been apprehended, and is believed to have committed suicide by jumping into a well. Jealousy of Tompkins, who was the manager of his father-in-law's farm, is thought to have prompted the murder. The murdered man was about 30 years old.

A Pastor Retired from Active Work. NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 15.—Rev. Jonathan P. Stearns, D. D., for thirty-two years pastor of the First Presbyterian church, has just retired from his active work owing to increased infirmities. The congregation have decided to grant his request, and he will remain as pastor emeritus with a salary of \$2,500.

TO-DAY'S NEWS.

BUSINESS, TRADE AND FINANCE.

THE DRIFT OF CURRENT AFFAIRS. Accidents and Crises—Losses by Fire and Flood. Maryland and Virginia commissioners are in conference in Richmond, Va., in regard to the boundary line between the states. A contract was executed in Boston yesterday for 150 electric lights to be placed in the streets as soon as practicable. Edwards Pierpont and other prominent New Yorkers have arrived at Ottawa, and it is said their business is in connection with the Northern Pacific railway. The expenditure of the Dominion province of Ontario for the year 1891 is estimated at \$2,399,736. Among the items in the estimate is \$173 for preventing a prize fight at Long Point in December last. The annual convention of the Georgia state agricultural society met yesterday in Augusta. Two hundred and fifty delegates were present. The prospect for the small grain crop in the state was reported to be excellent. It was the general sentiment of the convention that more grain should be planted and less cotton. A syndicate of St. Paul and Minneapolis capitalists has been formed for the erection of thirty elevators along the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba, Northern Pacific, and Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroads, all to be tributary to a 600,000 bushels elevator to be immediately erected near the freight transfer grounds between St. Paul and Minneapolis. The employees of the Pullman palace car company, at Pullman, near Chicago, held a meeting yesterday, and resolved to strike if the company did not rescind an order that the workmen at the shops shall hereafter pay ten cents per day for rides to and from their homes. The matter being resolved in any event to form a union. The company has heretofore been paying \$800 per month for fares of its employees. No less than sixty locomotives have been ordered by the Pennsylvania railroad of the Baldwin works for the ensuing year. It is estimated that the Pennsylvania railroad has substituted entirely on stimulants, and his terrible pains were only alleviated by large doses of sulphate of morphia. He was on the stage for a period of thirty-eight years and was well known as an actor and manager. John E. Kunz, a student of Chinese at Harvard college, died yesterday of pneumonia, after a short illness. He came to this country in 1879, beginning, on September 1, a three years' engagement at Harvard college as instructor of the Chinese language and literature. His wife and five children accompanied him to this country, two of his sons, aged fourteen and eleven years, being elevated to the rank of mandarins before leaving China. Another child was born in Cambridge last year. Professor Ko was much respected by the faculty and students for his superior intellectual power and gentlemanly bearing. At the time of his death he was engaged upon the translation of his poetical works into English.

ACIDENT AND FATALITY. The Different Ways Men Meet Death. At Jersey City, N. J., John Smith was struck by a lever on a pile driver and fatally injured. An epidemic strongly resembling the plague recently appeared near San Cal. Forty deaths have occurred since February 8. In the superior court, at Detroit, Mrs. Elizabeth Moran got a verdict for \$11,875 damages against the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroad for the death of her husband, who was crushed between two cars. Philander Henderson, aged thirteen years, committed suicide in Marshall county, Ky. It is supposed he was grieved by the absence of a favorite brother who was away from home and was not permitted to see him.

Losses From Fire. At Williams, Iowa, fire, Sunday, destroyed most of the business houses. At Neustadt, Ont., the National Zeitung and other papers, the residence of Mr. Morgan, publishers were destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, \$12,000. At Milford, Pa., the barn of George H. Wagner was burned Sunday night by lightning; loss, \$4,000, insurance \$1,000. His recovered letters threatening his life are now in the possession of the State.

CRIME AND CRIMINALS. Blood Stained Leaves from the Record. In a shooting affair at Jackson, Miss., between David T. Harrington and George M. Harrell, the former was dangerously and the latter slightly wounded. At Lincoln, Neb., in the star route case, Fred Robinson, postmaster at Sidney, refused to testify on the ground that he might criminate himself. At Victoria, B. C. in the case of two Chinese merchants implicated in a murder, the court has refused to accept \$40,000 cash bail for their appearance.

Charged With Killing Two Old Women. On the night of November 11, 1891, John S. Ward broke into the house of the Misses Means, in Franklin township, Westmoreland county. Ella Means was aged 83 and Mary 73 years. The desperado dragged the old ladies out of bed and kicked and beat them in a terrible manner. The women grappled with the brute and nearly got the better of him, but his superior strength prevailed. Ward was the stronger of the two, and he abused the old ladies, as nothing was to be done. His hat was found in the house the next day and soon afterwards he was arrested. Three weeks ago Mary Means died of her injuries, and the Westmoreland county grand jury has returned a true bill against Ward for murder. He was also charged with the murder of his wife, and the Allegheny county coroner's jury returned a verdict that her death was also caused by Ward.

Venor's Prediction for Some Days Ahead. Venor predicts for the close of the present week storms of great violence from Toronto westward to Chicago, Milwaukee and other points in Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and adjacent states. In the St. Lawrence valley, below Kingston the snow storm, but less severe, may extend to Montreal and Quebec, while in the southernly direction snow, sleet and rain is likely to extend to Washington. There are likely to be serious blockades of snow in the western sections and possibly in the Northern and Middle states. Should these be well marked in the sections mentioned Venor is of the opinion that

March will enter exceedingly rough, with heavy snowfalls from the St. Lawrence to very southern points.

Democratic Delegation from Allegheny. In Pittsburgh, the Democratic conventions were solemnly attended. There wasn't a seat contested in any of the ten conventions. The following delegates were elected to the state convention: Senatorial—Forty-second district, Hon. Frank M. Wolf; Forty-third, J. H. McCleery; Forty-fourth, C. Magar; Forty-fifth, John W. Carle. Legislative—First district, D. E. Patterson, George Roesche and William F. Richardson; Second, Walter F. Beaumont, Charles L. Anderson, Robert Liddell; Fourth, Andrew Stock, Edgar W. Porter, S. H. Gibson; Fifth, George F. Miller, William Dickson; Sixth, J. K. P. Duff, W. R. Lewis. Anderson defeated Dennis J. Boyle in the Second district and Lewis took the place of Dr. Fris. Squire Herman Handle will contest Lewis' seat, and intimates that he will vote against Hopkins if admitted.

OBITUARY NOTES. The Death Knell for a Day. General Eli Warren, a prominent lawyer of Georgia, died yesterday at his home near Macon, in the 82d year of his age. James Kelley, a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature from Fulton county, fell dead at a game near McConnell's, on Monday morning. About a week before he had fallen down stairs and broken a leg and he was suffering from the injury at the time of the fatal stroke. Samuel A. Parvianze died yesterday at his residence in Allegheny city, aged 65 years. He was a native of this state, a lawyer by profession; was a member of two state constitutional conventions; served two terms in the Legislature, in 1838-39; and was also a congressman for two terms, and attorney general of the state.

CONGRESS. Proceedings in Both Houses Yesterday. In the United States Senate, yesterday, a bill from the House was passed, changing the name of the National Mechanical banking association from New York to that of Wall Street national bank. An effort by Mr. Edmunds to have the regular order set aside for consideration of the anti polygamy bill was defeated—yeas 21, nays 23. After some routine business, and a speech by Mr. James on the tariff, the pension arrears resolution came up, and after agreeing that Mr. Call should speak upon the resolution to-day, the anti-polygamy bill was taken up and laid over as the business next in order. Mr. Edmunds said he hoped the Senate would be able to dispose of it in the next session, and he offered a resolution, which was referred, looking to a claims commission with Nicaragua. Adjourning. In the House bills were reported by Mr. Willits, from the judiciary committee, to prevent polygamy and to require officials of trusts or credit or being delegates to Congress; and by Mr. Bingham, from the committee on postoffices, to fix the pay for letter carriers. Mr. Orth, of Indiana, from the committee on foreign affairs, reported adversely the resolution, originally introduced by Mr. New York, asking the attorney general whether in his opinion, "if Joseph Warren Keifer, Aloozo B. Cornell or Charles Carroll should be arrested in the British empire, without having committed any crime, and without English government, by suspending their residence in this place, on Friday morning. Interment took place at Bellevue cemetery on Monday. She was over eighty years of age at the time of her death.

Robert Knox sold 17 head of western horses at the Cross Keys hotel. Inter-course on Friday, the price averaging \$178.50 per head. Mr. George McClellan and his wife arrived here on Saturday morning from Minneapolis, Minnesota; they are the guests of Mr. Susan Sanford, Mr. McClellan's mother. A very pleasant "surprise" was given Mr. Benjamin Livingstone by a number of his friends on Monday evening last, this being his 44th birthday anniversary. There was a grand box case yesterday afternoon at the public house of Mr. Samuel Ammons. It was largely attended by sportsmen and others. At three o'clock the box was left loose and the hounds and hunters followed. Among the latter was seen the "old veteran," H. Brisbit Skiles astride his noble gray horse, and dashing across the gap hill, and down the slope. After a chase of two miles or more Reynard slipped into a hole and the hunters returned home. J. D. C. Fowall has sold his hardware store and stock in Christiansburg, to Lewis Coates of Coates, Chester county, who will take possession of the establishment on or about the first of April.

Died in the West. The many friends of Charles B. Andrews, formerly of Colerain township, Lancaster county, but latterly of East Nottingham, Chester county, will regret to learn of his death, which occurred at the residence of Theodore W. Wans, at Fort Collins, Colorado, on Monday last. He had been prostrated about six weeks with a severe attack of pneumonia. The deceased went West two years ago, was engaged for some time on a sheep ranch in Wyoming, but went to Fort Collins about a year ago. His brother John (of East Nottingham) went a short time ago to attend him in his sickness and telegraphed to his mother and brothers the sad news of his death on Monday. The body will be brought East as soon as possible and buried in Union cemetery, Lancaster county.

Donations Acknowledged. The Ladies' Union Deacons society gratefully acknowledge the following donations since January 15th: Clothing from Dr. Mitchell; clothing from Mrs. Dr. Underwood; a cloak from a friend; \$1 from a friend; \$5 from Miss Sibylla Heitlau; \$5 from Miss Margaret Heitlau; \$1 from Mrs. Dewart; \$1 from Miss Mary Russell; \$1.62 deducted from Russ & Shaffer's coal bill; \$1 from Mrs. Rengier; a quantity of tea from Mr. H. C. Moore; \$2 from Mrs. Dr. Kinzer; clothing and shoes from Mrs. Hager, and \$1 from Mrs. Kerfoot. A lodge of Knights of Honor is shortly to be organized in this city. Forty members are required to organize a lodge and thirty have already been secured.

THE DRAMA.

John S. Clarke in the "Ticket-of-Leave." Mr. Clarke's Bob Brierly is a thoroughly artistic production, not wanting in any of the delicate touches and bits of dramatic coloring that go to constitute the finished picture. Persons who have seen this actor only in the ordinary comedy or comedy roles of his repertoires, wherein he remarkably facial expression is brought actively and continuously into play, and where his ready grasp upon the humor of the situation in which he is ordinarily placed is used so effectively to make his auditors laugh, can have but an inadequate idea of the degree of pathos with which he imbues this part of the honest-hearted Lancashire lad, led by wicket companions into trouble that lands him in a prison cell. Frequently throughout his last night's performance at the opera house there were moist eyes in the audience, and that even in the broad diapason of a humor like Clarke's there runs along the soft minor strain his characterization of the "Ticket-of-Leave" man furnishes a most convincing illustration of his sense and discernment in examining such a careful, intelligent impersonation as this, and then too it is one that appeals so directly to the heart rather than to the sense by which we are accustomed to view dramatic creations that there is small inclination left to apply the regulations of decorum or exceeding the limits of good taste or good sense even in the passages calling for the largest display of feeling. The touches of humor which fringe the part in his capable hands fall gratefully upon the auditor's sense and are altogether natural, going to show that the buoyancy of the country boy's spirits has not been entirely destroyed, though indeed his misfortune and disgrace have left their sad imprint on a spirit naturally cheerful and kind.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. BEFORE JUDGE LYNGSTON. In the case of Robert Carroll vs. the Pennsylvania railroad, action for damages. After the plaintiff's testimony had been concluded a motion was made for a non-suit by the defense on the ground that the accident occurred through contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff. The court sustained the motion and the non-suit was granted. Steinmetz and Brosius for plaintiff and H. M. North for defense. BEFORE JUDGE PATTERSON. In the case of Winfield S. Kennedy vs. Nathaniel Bart, action for damages. Plaintiff offered testimony to show that he was a tenant on the farm of defendant, in Salisbury township, working the farm "on the shares," and that on leasing the farm defendant owed him a balance for feeding his stock, boarding his workmen, and for other expenses for his support of the plaintiff, outside the terms of which the farm was leased. On trial. In the case of D. A. Shiffer and P. J. Stomfelt vs. J. S. Smith, being a mechanic's lien, the parties came into court and made settlement, the defendant paying into the court \$225, and office costs to be held on an attachment in favor of a creditor of Mr. Shiffer, one of the plaintiffs. Martin for plaintiff; B. F. Davis for defendant.

The Peiper Estate. In the matter of the alleged will of Wm. L. Peiper, deceased, the court granted an order of *deviant vel non*, to try the validity of a certain writing purporting to be the last will and testament of W. L. Peiper, deceased, wherein Elizabeth Hughes, Mary A. Bitter, Frederick B. Booth, Margaret P. Booth, Margaret G. Peiper, Mary A. Baker and Melinda C. Peiper shall be defendants. Reynolds, Nauman and H. D. T. Fenton for plaintiffs; W. A. Atleo for defendants.

The New Fire Department. At a meeting of the city council committee on the reorganization of the Lancaster fire department, held last evening, the following members were present, Messrs. Barr, Borgert, Davis, Dezer, Ortmeyer and G. W. Zecher, chairman. On motion of Dr. Davis the following resolutions were unanimously adopted: "Resolved, that the committee proceed immediately to organize the department, to enter into the purchase and leases of the several houses and apparatus ordered by resolution of council; and that the city solicitor prepare the necessary legal papers immediately, and the committee shall execute the same without delay."

The Late Levi Kaufman's Funeral. The funeral of the late Levi Kaufman in Mechanicsburg yesterday was very largely attended. The funeral gifts were appropriately arranged around the casket, prominent among which was one from the Church of God Sunday school, of which Mr. Kaufman had been scholar, teacher, officer and superintendent for thirty years, and a teacher at the time of his death. The casket was draped in which was inscribed the word "Rest," this was surmounted by a cross, the whole composed of beautiful, variegated and fragrant flowers. The pall bearers were Col. James Young, of Middletown; Col. Francis Jordan and Horace D. Fleming, Harrisburg, and L. C. Keister, of Harrisburg, and C. B. Neisley of Mechanicsburg.

A Provoking Blunder. By a most annoying typographical error the name of F. F. Henderson was printed by mistake in the INTELLIGENCER yesterday for that of B. F. Henderson, defaulting tax collector of East Donegal township. Mr. B. F. Henderson, as we need hardly tell our readers, is a highly respectable and responsible citizen of the north western section of the county, and those who noticed the error doubtless made the correction for themselves; but for the benefit of all who may not know the facts, in justice to Mr. Henderson, as well as to ourselves, we repeat that the name of the defaulting tax collector is B. F. Henderson.

In Town. James Williams, a brother of Gus Williams, the Dutch comedian, is in this city ahead of "Daly's Passing Regiment" company, which appears here on Monday next. In the military scene of this play Company C of Columbia will appear. Rev. Dr. Dick, inventor of the famous "Dick's lat machine" for mailing newspapers, is in town to-day. He is still preaching, but has lately found time to make technical and patented improvements on his invaluable machine.

Slight Railroad Accident. This morning engine No. 302 of Union line west, broke an eccentric strap, at the Big Conestoga bridge, east of this city. The engine was compelled to run to Harrisburg with one eccentric, and its train and others were delayed for two hours.

Michael Keller died suddenly in Maytown on Monday. Deputy Coroner James H. Armstrong held an inquest on the remains and the jury rendered a verdict of death from apoplexy.

An Disappeared. The mayor had but eight vagrants this morning and he discharged the whole of them.