

Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 5, 1882.

Not in That Business.

The payment of a long-promised and long-deferred visit by Gen. Hancock to a personal friend in York, who resides near Judge Black and is on neighborly terms with him, has been the foundation for a great deal of gabble about the intention of Gen. Hancock to run for governor of this state.

Only less ridiculous than the idea that Gen. Hancock is to be made a candidate for governor is the story to which a reputable newspaper gives currency to-day, that Mr. Tilden's friend, Wm. L. Scott, is promoting Hancock's nomination, so that the influence of Tilden could be thrown into the state to defeat Hancock and dispose of him as a candidate for president.

The Price of Meat.

The present high price of meat seems to be the result of chicanery manipulation, since the government contracts for beef furnished to the Indian agencies have been made for the ensuing year at prices not greatly different from former years.

The market for beef in New York controls that in the country, because it is the chief distributing point. It is a surprising fact that all the best beef used on the Southern Atlantic sea coast comes from New York.

It is freely given out that the Republicans in the House, having had an unscrupulous and desperate speaker rule to suit their purposes, will go right straight on and seat all the contestants whose presence will help their partisan majority to carry out any scheme of villany now in contemplation.

Probably none ever knew of a candidate who despaired of his chances of election, or who at least permitted his despair to be seen. It is quite in accord-

THE DAYS NEWS.

SOME ITEMS OF VARIOUS INTEREST.

Cleanings From This Morning's Mail—Disturbances by Land and Water—A School-er's Crew Lost in a Storm.

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Colonel Moses Summers, port warden of New York, was seriously if not fatally injured, on Saturday morning, by falling into the hold of a vessel on the East River.

The election in Wilmington, Del. Complete returns from all the wards in Wilmington show the election of the Republican ticket by majorities of about 150.

Our esteemed local contemporary, the Daily Examiner, proposes to celebrate the tenth anniversary of its birth on the first of next month by donning a new dress.

The Philadelphia Press in a handsome new suit appears in enlarged form comprising fifty-six columns, and gives notice that the improvement is to be of a permanent character.

Lucas Hirst, the lawyer, who died on Saturday morning of typhoid fever, bequeaths nearly the whole of his fortune, valued at one hundred and eighty thousand dollars, toward the foundation of a free law library in Philadelphia for the use of poor members of the profession.

The House resumed the consideration of the Alabama contested-election case of Low against Wheeler. After a long discussion Low was seated by a vote of 149 to 2—Hardenburgh, Phelps and Rice, of Ohio, voting in the negative.

STARTLING CONFESSION.

WHAT DISTURBED A LOVE FEAST.

Is He a Thief or a Murderer—Miscellaneous News—Our Regulars at the Races.

A very strange story has reached us through different sources of a scene which took place at the old Stoner farm in West Hempfield township.

The group that heard these disclosures was dumfounded. The news of the confession spread in a short time throughout the crowd in attendance, producing great consternation.

The Westminister presbytery will meet here on Tuesday, June 13. The meeting is "all on account of" the opposition to Rev. C. B. Whitcomb, pastor of the congregation.

The excursion to be run to Mount Alto park on Wednesday, June 14, promises to be largely attended.

On Saturday afternoon, before the largest crowd of the season, the College and Ironsides baseball clubs met on the grounds of the latter to play a game.

Senator Hill continues to improve, but his colleague, Senator Brown, does not think that the improvement is of a permanent character, or that Mr. Hill will ever take his seat in the Senate again.

General Garibaldi's will orders that his body be cremated and the ashes preserved in a porphyry urn near the tomb of his dead child at Caprea.

The injury received by the plaintiff was attributable to his own gross carelessness. It is in vain for a man to say that he was blind or deaf in spite of the fact that his eyes and ears were open.

SAD ACCIDENTS.

A MILESVILLE STUDENT DROWNED.

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THE INQUISITION.

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE ALDERMAN BARRE.

Alexander Lemon, the Alleged Incendiary. Alderman Barr and the jury summoned by him—Francis Kilburn, Martin Kreider, J. B. Vandersmidt, J. L. Binkley, W. L. Sutton and W. S. Shirr—sat in the alderman's office on Saturday evening to prosecute an inquiry into the cause of the late attempted burning of Marck's tobacco shed on Rockland street for which Alex. Lemon and Michael Shaller, the detective who caught and arrested Lemon, are under arrest.

Besides Lemon and B. F. Eshleman, his counsel, Schaller and W. Hensel, his counsel, District Attorney Davis was present and participated in the examination of witnesses.

Before the investigation opened Mr. Hensel suggested that as Lemon was already committed to jail, it would be unnecessary to have a hearing on Tuesday and as these were the only persons suspected or accused of this incendiarism, the present investigation might with entire propriety be abandoned or at least deferred until after the other proceedings were concluded.

Mr. Hensel then made formal objection to the jury as constituted and called the attention of the alderman to the fact that one of the members, Francis Kilburn, had expressed, printed, published and circulated the following opinion and false statement concerning this fire, the publication of which disqualified him as a fair trier of the case:

The "fire bugs" were out on Saturday night last and their attempts at firing buildings was the result. In one instance, a recently appointed fireman, J. L. Binkley, had encouraged a young man of vicious habits into the commission of arson. He drank with and supplied beer to the incendiary, and helped him in preparing his nefarious plans and even gave him the match which kindled the fire.

Mr. Kilburn admitted that he had published this; but in response to District Attorney Davis suggestion, he promptly declared under oath that he could, nevertheless, try the matter fairly and the investigation proceeded.

Mr. Lemon, being sworn and being advised by his counsel that he would make no answer which would incriminate himself, testified as follows:

Last Saturday night was at Brock's saloon between 9 and 10 o'clock in the evening as I entered the door Michael Shaller was standing at the lower end of the bar; he called me down and asked me whether I would take a glass of beer; I told him I would, and called a Mr. Doebler and asked him if he would not take one along; he said that I paid for Doebler's beer; Shaller then asked me to take a walk; I said I did not care and that I would go along; we walked out south Duke street to North then to Rockland, and out Rockland to the school house; there he said let's put fire to this place; the teacher also said I said it is no use to do that; then we went over the fence, walked back to the shed, then to the side of the shed at the back part; he said "come in now and let us go to work;" I said no, it is no use; then Shaller said, well I will go along; I said, wait until I come back; said I would, but he said rather long and I came out again, jumped over the fence and walked in Rockland street as far as the corner of Low street; I then saw the door of the school getting a jug full of beer; Shaller looked around and said, "hello Aleck, are you here?" I replied that I was; we walked out again, jumped over the fence, both of us, and went back in the shed; then he said let us set fire to this place; Shaller then took a match and lit it; Shaller got some lath down and put it in the south east corner; Shaller used his own knife in whittling chips; it was a two bladed knife (a knife was shown to witness) that is not the knife Shaller used; I decided to get out of there; I said, I was pretty full that night; I made the attempt to get over the fence but was too full and Shaller pushed me over; I had lost my cap when I went to Groezinger's; when Shaller asked me where it was I told him I must have lost it; then he asked where and I told him that I saw it on the shed on going down; I found it on the sidewalk and I told him that I found it; Shaller arrested me in the field; he hit me on the breast; that jarred me back; he then caught me by the throat, put out his foot and tripped me, jumped on my chest and commenced to haul fire; then two other men whom I didn't know came in; they brought me into town as far as the corner of Duke and Vine streets; Officer Shair put the nippers on me; while we were walking along the Duke street, Shaller said, "Shaller show it happened, Mike said, shut up, Lemon or I'll knock your brains out;" then they took me to the station house and I was telling some gentlemen that were there; Shaller walked up and struck me in the eye while I was in the station house.

Other Witnesses. Mr. Kuhlman testified that Shaller called at his saloon for a jug of beer and he could not furnish him with a jug. Michael Doebler testified that he was drunk when witness sold him the beer over the bar at Brock's saloon; and John Groezinger testified that when the men got the jug of beer at his saloon Lemon was sober.

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE.

Events Along the Susquehanna—Items of Interest in and Around the Borough—Picked Up by the Intelligencer's Reporter.

Mr. M. Bechenheimer yesterday entertained Mr. J. Wood, of York, Lancaster, Pa. Dr. Emmett Welch returned today to Latrobe, Pa.

Mr. Andrew Hill, Pennsylvania railroad engineer has been ordered to Philadelphia for duty. He will remove his family to that place shortly.

Three cars were thrown off the siding below town on the Reading & Columbia railroad on Saturday.

While getting ice out of Fasig & Clare's ice house, on the river shore, on Saturday, a boy fell down the inclined plane in the ice house, and for a while lay on the different parts of the building, and fractured his hip. He was taken to his home on Front street.

The high school pupils held a basket picnic on Chickies rock this morning. It was a very successful one, and the late graduates of the school by the other members.

The editorial excursion will number amongst others, Mr. W. H. Grier and family, who leave here to-morrow.

Squire Frank committed Caleb Jones, colored, to jail this morning for beating his wife.

The choir of the Presbyterian church has been reorganized again.

BASEBALL.

The Ironsides Defeat the College Nine.

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MEETING OF THE POULTRY SOCIETY.

Time Fixed for Next Fair—Lemon on Gapes.

A stated meeting of the Lancaster county poultry association was held this morning in the agricultural room of the city hall.

The following named members were present: George A. Geyer, president, Florin, Mt. Joy township; J. B. Lichty, secretary, city; F. R. Duffender, city; Charles W. Grier, city; J. M. Johnson, city; Dr. E. H. Witmer, Delfordville; M. G. Greider, Mt. Joy; T. F. Evans, Litz; John E. Schum, city; I. H. Brooks, Martietown; E. C. Brackbill, Strasburg; W. W. Grier, city.

John E. Schum was elected by acclamation to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Treasurer Evans; and Chas. E. Long was elected by acclamation to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Schum's promotion.

Secretary Lichty stated that a number of poultry societies had already fixed the time for holding their next annual exhibition. He suggested that the society should take some action in the same direction.

On motion it was agreed that the next annual exhibition be held on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th, 1883.

Wm. Fowden, city, was proposed and elected a member of the association.

F. R. Duffender was selected as essayist for next meeting. His subject will be "Gapes in Chickens."

Adjourned.

York & Peach Bottom Railway. Mr. S. M. Manifold has been re-elected superintendent of the York & Peach Bottom railway. Mr. J. V. Geisay retains the office of secretary, and Mr. Frank Mertz was elected agent at York, Pa. of the line. The road is to be completed from Delta to Peach Bottom at an early day.