

Lancaster Intelligencer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 5, 1892.

Endorsing the Constitution. Mr. Chauncey F. Black keeps on making as good speeches as that delivered to his neighbors on Monday night, which we print to-day—and he is fully capable of it—there will have to be added to his well-merited titles of "journalist and farmer," that of orator. For he speaks with such singular good sense and force that he will be a most effective factor for his party and its ticket on the stump. Mr. Black makes an excellent point in directing attention to the hearty approbation manifested for the new constitution by the Democratic selection of two of its framers for places on the state ticket. He might have added that of the men who shaped the action of the convention three of its most conspicuous members—Mr. John R. Read, who led the forces of Pattison, Mr. Malcolm Hay, who was entrusted with the cause of Hopkins, and Mr. James Ellis, chairman of the Schuylkill county delegation and the casting vote on the assembly—were members of the constitutional convention. The platform, too, covers many fundamental questions of state politics and plants the party on safe ground when it demands emphatically and specifically the enforcement of the constitution in all its provisions. That great instrument was not devised nor adopted as a party measure, but it owes its adoption mainly to Democratic votes; the opposition to it came almost entirely from Republican sources. Its operations have been beneficial to the party which now makes its cause the cause of honest government, and after the Democracy have gained control of the state administration the supreme law of the commonwealth will be enforced upon every class of subjects within its borders.

It seems strange indeed that in a community where so many newspapers are published prominent men will sign their names to a promissory note for \$1,800 at the solicitation of a stranger signing under the delusion that they were signing a simple receipt. But the credulity of the misguided farmers is not nearly so astonishing as that of their town neighbors who take the notes at a "shave" no doubt, from an entire stranger without further inquiring into the genuineness of the transaction they are alleged to represent. Our Mount Joy correspondent tells a very interesting story of a stupid swindler practiced up that way by an oily-tongued stranger dishonoring the honorable name of Smith, and the sympathy of the reader will very naturally be given to the countrymen who propose to resist to the last the payment of the bogus notes.

It is to be hoped that no one of the gentlemen to whom the convention referred the selection of a Democratic state chairman seriously entertains the idea of postponing his selection until September, as has been suggested in some quarters. A prompt appointment and an early organization are demanded by the party. No time must be lost. We feel certain that Chairman Dallas and the nominees fully understand this, and we look for the appointment of the chairman to be announced within two weeks at most. It is needless to add that the choice ought to be made by those appointed to select the man, and he should be chosen solely with a view to securing the best organization for the whole party, not by "outside" influences nor for "outside" purposes.

The spirit of magnanimity and unselfishness which characterized the Harrisburg convention is shown in the fact that four out of the five nominees were taken from minority counties; at the same time the convention voted almost unanimously to adopt a system of representation in future conventions by which the number of delegates is based on the Democratic vote and this proposition was framed by a sub-committee almost entirely from minority counties, on the motion of a member whose district, being the most overwhelmingly Republican in the state, has most to lose in the change to a more equitable system of representation.

It seems that the accident on the Long Branch railroad, by which almost a dozen valuable lives were lost, was caused by the spreading of the rails, and it is quite natural that the railroad company should undertake to obstruct a coroner's investigation which disclosed that it was running rolling stock of a four feet, nine inch gauge over a road of four feet, eight inches and a-half. Even Gen. Grant, who was so anxious not to testify, and who protested that he knew nothing about railroads—though he is the figure-head of several—might safely guess what would be the result of running machinery wider than the road gauge.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL W. W. KER, who has the reputation of being an honest man, bitterly resents the intimation that the Star Route thieves are not to be convicted and denies that a weak case has been put forth first to let the guilty get away. Mr. Ker may be honest in his faith and his purposes, but better men have been deceived; the public are losing faith in the ability of the government to make out the case which was declared so loudly to be irresistible, and the participation of Arthur's friend George Bliss in the prosecution is not viewed with popular confidence. Dorsey feels easy.

The New York Times is the ablest and most sagacious organ of its party in the country. It sees what some of its contemporaries at shorter range fail to see, that there can be no peace with honor in the Republican party in this state save in the entire banishment of Cameron and his friends from its leadership. They will agree to no compromise which contemplates that.

The experience of a second year has confirmed Philadelphia in the notion that the memory of the fathers and the significance of the Fourth can be celebrated more impressively by order and sobriety than by noise and rioting.

As a rule the young men of the state are for good government and honest politics.

The Harrisburg convention of last week, more distinctly than any other held in the state, was a young men's convention, run without tricks and in a spirit of fair play. Young men who are for honest government will do well to "catch on."

One of the dealers arrested for selling fireworks in Philadelphia will test it in the courts.

Basics the guess on a "new directory" Chicago "estimates" its population at 580,000 and already there is talk of a music hall and art museum to cost \$1,250,000.

CONSIDERABLE comment and no end of speculation is indulged in over the fact that neither the president nor any of the cabinet, nor a solitary Ohio congressman attended the ceremonial of laying the cornerstone of the Garfield Memorial church on last Sunday.

The Valley Union, of Coatesville, is the worst yet. In printing the first resolution of the Democratic platform it gives it this: "We do not protest against what is called the boss system, and also the plundering of officeholders by assessments of money for political purposes, etc." The Union should either mend its proof-reading or its morals.

BALTIMORE stands eighth in the list of manufacturing cities in the United States, Cincinnati next preceding it and Pittsburgh following close after it. New York leads, Philadelphia follows and Chicago takes the third place. The cities that have made the greatest strides in commerce are also those which excel in the number and value of their manufactured wares.

The alleged interview of Hon. W. P. Schell, published in some of the Philadelphia papers, in regard to Mr. Pattison having been animated through the aid of the Camerons, the Patriot assured, never took place, and no such remarks were ever made by Mr. Schell. On the contrary he thinks that all of the nominations are excellent, and that the Camerons had nothing whatever to do with any of them.

THAT STARCH Democratic journal, the Lebanon Advertiser, begins the 34th year of its unflinching devotion to sound political principles under the direction of its veteran editor, W. M. Breslin, who received kindly consideration for the nomination of congressman-at-large at Harrisburg and might have been nominated save for geographical reasons. No man deserves more grateful recognition than this sturdy wheel horse.

THERE IS NO POSSIBLE excuse for the Harrisburg Telegraph republishing without correction the groundless insinuation of the New Era that the Democratic platform was doctored after it had been reported and sent out. For the Telegraph, which took it fresh from the convention, printed it correctly the same day it was adopted and can find upon an examination of its files that the correction made was rendered necessary by the blunder of the telegraph operator only. But as organs must be organic, it may be asking too much to expect the Telegraph to tell the whole truth.

THE Harrisburg Telegraph keeps publishing the following letter regularly "to look and hermetically seal the hypocritical lips of the fellows who refused to contribute to the party which gives them office where they earn more money for less work than any other employment, because they call themselves Garfield Republicans?"

MR. DEAR HUBBELL:—Tell Gen. Brady I appreciate his work. Please let me know how the departments generally are doing. J. A. GARFIELD.

And the Telegraph adds: "Garfield was a practical politician. He believed in party discipline and campaign assessments. Hypocrites who have been hiding and dodging behind Garfield's headstone for the past nine months can't change his words, and acts, and letters, though they try ever so hard by lying to do so."

THE New Era and other newspapers repeat in various forms the story that "fourteen men, whose salaries range from one thousand to twelve hundred dollars, went out of the office of City Controller Pattison to aid their chief in his fight for a place on the Democratic ticket;" and that "Mr. Pattison sent a number of the clerks in his office to help 'whoop her up' at Harrisburg. The names of the men and their salaries are given. No one has denied it." Mr. Pattison has stated explicitly that in view of the mention of his name as a candidate for governor he refused to allow five of his clerks who had been elected delegates to go to the convention and other persons were substituted for them. Afterwards some of the attaches of his office asked permission to attend the convention as spectators and it was only granted them on condition that they find some one to do their work during their absence. Anyone who was present at the convention knows that it was very free from outside "whooping up."

The Only Way to Peace. New York Times, Rep.

Whatever offers Mr. Cameron's managers and candidates may make, the duty of the Independents to their cause and party is clear and their path unmistakable. They have everything to lose and nothing to gain by a coalition with the regulars. A new convention would mean the nomination of Beaver and the effacement of the Independents, for the Cameron machine is in line order all over the state, and the Independents are without organization in a great number of the districts in which delegates would be chosen. The Republican party in Pennsylvania cannot be saved by any such process, for that would save Cameron, too, and its continued life demands that he be permanently retired from the scene. If Cameron and Cooper Quay, Magee, Rutan, McManes, and all the other bosses, big and little, will free the councils of Republicanism in Pennsylvania of their evil presence and go off to obscurity, the Independents can afford to treat with the "regular" faction, if there should be anything left of it, but on no other terms. They went into revolt to beat Cameron and secure reform this year. They can accomplish those desirable ends by rejecting all overtures from the band of bosses, unless accompanied by indisputable proofs that the band itself has committed political hari-kari.

A TRAGIC "FOURTH."

A TRAGIC "FOURTH." A RIVER STEAMER—At Least Twenty Lives Lost. Near Mingo Junction O., the steamer Scioto, with about 500 passengers on board collided with the steam tug John Lomas in the middle of the river last night. The Scioto sank in fifteen feet of water. Only the pilot house is visible. The excursionists are arriving here, but are so excited that no definite information as to the number of the lost can be obtained. One of the survivors says the Scioto was coming up the river under a full head of steam, and when about half a mile from Mingo Junction the John Lomas was sighted coming down. The pilot of the Scioto whistled for the channel, but owing to a misunderstanding both boats took the same side, the Lomas striking the Scioto and sinking her in fifteen feet of water in three minutes from the time of collision. The scenes on the Scioto were heartrending and the struggles for life were frightful to behold. The Lomas was only slightly disabled and went to work at once to save those on the unfortunate Scioto. The work was rendered easier by the bright moonlight, and no doubt many lives were saved from this reason. It is now believed that the loss will not exceed twenty persons.

John Hite was killed and Michael Chambers fatally wounded while trying to escape arrest for horse stealing near Oregon City, Oregon.

In Pittsburgh, George Rodgers shot and mortally wounded his wife, and then attempted suicide. He may recover.

Thomas Sullivan, who was arrested in New York, for killing John Toomey, whose skull was fractured by a fall while they were "engaged in a friendly wrestling match."

Henry Uetter, a young man, was firing a revolver at an iron post in a barn when the ball glanced off and entered the breast of a ten-year-old girl who was near. Geter gave himself up.

Jacob Wagner shot and killed his wife Teresa, and then mortally wounded himself, in Cincinnati. He was a intimate friend of Henry W. Hempfield, his wife and daughter and committed suicide, in the same city, last week.

By Storm and Flood. Two young men, named Booth and McDonald, were drowned in Sturgeon lake, Ontario, yesterday morning, by the upsetting of a boat.

Two dories and portions of a wrecked schooner were picked up near Bay Bulls, Newfoundland, on Saturday. They are supposed to belong to the American Banker, which, it is feared, has been lost with all on board.

A tornado did much damage in the country east of Osage mission, Kansas, on Monday night. The towns of Beulah and Girard, in Crawford county, were the principal sufferers. No loss of life is reported.

Madame Adelle's. "Madame Adelle" made a balloon ascension from Oswego yesterday afternoon, and was carried out over Ontario. After throwing out everything from the basket to keep herself out of the lake, she was a tug beneath, apparently following her, and opening the valve, descended into the lake, about seven miles from shore. She climbed the balloon and was dragged through the water for nearly an hour, until, in a very exhausted condition, she was picked up, seventeen miles from Oswego, by a tug having an excursion party on board.

PERSONAL. DARWIN left \$740,000. He must have evolved from the ant.

FRANK SCOTT, a veteran journalist of the Pacific coast, died in San Francisco on Monday night.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR and Senator Hampton each caught fifty bass during their recent fishing excursion into West Virginia.

DR. MARK HOPKINS yesterday delivered a memorial address in front of Garfield at Williams college, on the occasion of unveiling the window erected by Cyrus W. Field.

MR. BROSTUS has done nothing to deserve the title of "Sweet singer of the Chickasaw" conferred upon him by the Philadelphia Evening Telegraph. Rather is he an Octoraro roarer.

J. N. HUTCHINSON, who is at the head of a number of local lines of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad, and who has been seriously ill, has fully recovered his health.

MES. E. D. E. N. SOUTHWORTH regards the happiest portion of her life the time she spent, soon after her marriage, in a lonely log cabin in the forest hills of Wisconsin, where her wolves often howled about the doors.

PRESIDENT TYLEE'S son was lately arrested in Washington for drunkenness. Although a poor, besotted creature, he is one of the most courtly and polished men in demeanor and conversation to be found in Washington.

ICHABOD GOODWIN, the first "war governor" of New Hampshire, died yesterday in Portsmouth, aged 94 years. He was a vice president of the national convention which nominated Clay and Taylor for the presidency, and was governor of New Hampshire in 1861.

B. Adams' appointment as chief justice of New Mexico is rather a surprise to those who are familiar with Axtell's record as governor of New Mexico and Utah. In each of these offices his conduct was so bad that respectable people could no longer tolerate him and several times demanded his removal.

THE JURY WHEEL.

AND PROMPTLY GIVE IN YOUR NAMES. This morning the jury commissioners drew from the wheel the names of the following jurors:

- Names of 24 grand jurors for quarter sessions of the court, commencing August 21: Harry E. Hershey, farmer, Sadsbury; George E. Fahnestock, merchant, 6th ward, city; Philip Stauffer, miller, E. Coaleco; Joe Swift, graindealer, Fulton; G. E. Erling, ironfounder, 2d ward, city; L. T. Jenkins, merchant, Little Britain; C. C. Shuman, farmer, Manor; Simon B. Snyder, farmer, Manor; Andrew Emmet, miller, Brecknock; Charles M. Warner, farmer, Manor; Cyrus S. Herr, gentleman, Marietta; Wm. Long, painter, 6th ward, city; John H. Hentel, cooper, Brecknock; Jacob Thoma, farmer, Marietta; John F. Reith, carpenter, Marietta; John E. Hurst, farmer, Leacock; Charles M. Warner, farmer, Manor; J. Harold Wickett, agent, 6th ward, city; J. M. Engle, agent, Mt. Joy bor.; Reuben Weaner, nurseryman, Rapho; Jacob S. Morrow, vet. surgeon, Leacock; W. C. H. Hershey, lumber dealer, U. Leacock.

- Names of 40 jurors to serve in the Court of Quarter Sessions, commencing August 21: Benj. K. Keppeler, lumber dealer, W. Coaleco; A. E. Becker, blacksmith, Columbia; Joseph L. Cozley, printer, 3d ward, city; Geo. W. H. Hentel, cooper, Brecknock; Robert McDonald, stone mason, 3d ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Theo. Hoar, blacksmith, Leacock; Charles M. Warner, farmer, Manor; Israel W. Martin, miller, Conoy; James A. Meek, coal dealer, Strasburg twp.; David Stierlin, miller, Conoy; Elias Haberman, wheelwright, Rapho; Owen E. Shertzer, farmer, 5th ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; John E. Hershey, farmer, Paradise; John B. Kreider, farmer, W. Hempfield; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Phares P. Swartz, farmer, E. Lampeter; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; John Beckman, farmer, Little Britain; John Hartman, miller, Brecknock; Frank Hestetter, merchant tailor, Lancaster twp.; Geo. D. Sprecher, slater, 2d ward, city; Samuel J. Rupp, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; John Tillman, mason, Manor; Abraham E. Stauffer, farmer, E. Hempfield; W. W. Hentel, cooper, Brecknock; C. A. Barr, clerk, 5th ward, city; Charles Shillow, butcher, Columbia; John C. Maule, farmer, Conestoga; James A. Meek, coal dealer, Strasburg twp.; J. P. Schuman, cooper, 4th ward, city; Diller Wertz, laborer, E. Earl; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; W. L. Sutton, clerk, 5th ward, city; John H. Resser, coal dealer, W. Hempfield.

- A. C. Hays, scrivener, Manheim twp.; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Wm. Boyer, assessor, Columbia; Jos. Baker, farmer, Strasburg twp.; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Jacob C. Ritter, inkkeeper, Leacock; Wm. F. Dunne, merchant, 1st ward, city; John C. Seitz, farmer, Manor; Jacob Kuntz, farmer, 1st ward, city; John H. Resser, coal dealer, W. Hempfield.

- Names of jurors to serve in common pleas court commencing August 22: B. K. Dorwart, mechanic, 8th ward, city; Joseph L. Braunt, justice, E. Donegal; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; A. M. Clime, cigarmaker, E. Earl; U. B. Engle, printer, Marietta; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Jacob K. Harris, farmer, Rapho; Samuel Kuffert, miller, W. Earl; James F. Galt, cooper, 4th ward, city; A. H. Peacock, ironmaster, 2d ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; John C. Workman, jr., teacher, E. Hempfield; Moses E. Ober, merchant, Rapho; L. B. Brubaker, gentleman, Rapho; Abraham G. Smoker, gentleman, Earl; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; J. H. Waldmeyer, furniture, 6th ward, city; Benj. D. Rohrer, farmer, E. Earl; Samuel F. Masten, cooper, Columbia; F. E. W. Urban, physician, 4th ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Henry H. Grubb, merchant, W. Earl; Charles F. Grubb, merchant, Eden; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Frank Kutz, grocer, 1st ward, city; Jacob Z. Eby, miller, Manheim twp.; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Jacob B. Derstler, farmer, Manor; J. H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; A. Young, carpenter, Manor; Ezra Becker, gentleman, W. Coaleco; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Aaron E. Kestel, farmer, Penn; John Winters, farmer, Strasburg bor.; Samuel Hestetter, farmer, Manor; David Myers, farmer, Strasburg; Wm. S. Hastings, farmer, East Earl; Henry W. Masten, farmer, Manor; Samuel Hoover, farmer, East Earl; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; John Wade, blacksmith, Leacock; Wm. Kahl, brickmaker, 8th ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; David G. Weaver, farmer, E. Earl; Alexander St. Clair, sr., cigarmaker, 8th ward, city; Jesse Reinhold, farmer, W. Coaleco; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Wm. B. Rapp, brick, 3d ward, city; Theo. A. Steiner, smith, Ephrata; F. F. Rickerzacker, farmer, 5th ward, city.

- Names of jurors to serve in the court of common pleas, commencing September 4th: Robert Clark, clerk, 2d ward, city; Charles F. Hager, cooper, Lancaster twp.; Henry H. Resser, farmer, Washington; Lewis Diller, gentleman, Leacock; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; George W. Cornely, blacksmith, 4th ward, city; Wm. Bonke, bricklayer, East Donegal; Adine J. Groff, farmer, Paradise; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Martin Heller, carpenter, Upper Leacock; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Phillip S. Bush, farmer, Sadsbury; E. H. Barkholder, justice, W. Earl; G. W. Bush, farmer, Manor; Francis McClain, drover, 2d ward, city; Adam Smith, blacksmith, Columbia; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Christian Bachman, cabinetmaker, Strasburg; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; W. H. Kinzer, farmer, E. Earl; John A. Keller, farmer, Manheim twp.; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Henry Gibbs, gunsmith, 6th ward, city; W. H. Richardson, carpenter, Providence; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Thomas F. McKillgott, reporter, 2d ward, city; W. Mentzer, merchant, Ephrata; Aaron E. Cline, coal, Mount Joy bor.; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Levi Heidler, farmer, W. Hempfield; James B. Strine, printer, 4th ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Elias E. Groff, farmer, Paradise; John H. Merriam, gentleman, 3d ward, city; David Wood, farmer, Little Britain; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Christian Yeager, wheelwright, E. Lampeter; Wm. H. Ireland, clerk, 2d ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Israel S. Clair, author, Manor; Martin Kern, butcher, Brecknock; Jacob F. Hestetter, farmer, Manor; Wm. Litzinger, merchant, Manheim bor.; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Philip M. Maxwell, gentleman, Fulton; John S. Keuper, farmer, Ephrata; C. K. Johns, farmer, Manor.

- Names of jurors to serve in a court of common pleas commencing Sept. 11: John L. Westman, clerk, Ephrata; Jacob Kathon, tailor, 1st ward, city; Jacob Hershey, miller, Manor; Adam Galt, gentleman, E. Hempfield; Peter Switzer, assessor, E. Coaleco; Marshall Wright, farmer, Fulton; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Henry A. Brinkman, machinist, 7th ward, city; David Hartman, clerk, 9th ward, city; A. H. Dellinger, farmer, Paradise; John K. Schertz, cooper, Conestoga; Reuben Martin, miller, Salsburg; John E. Mellinger, farmer, Manor; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; John Leidig, tailor, 4th ward, city; James Taylor, laborer, Columbia; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; N. S. Will, clerk, Donegal; James J. Gears, farmer, Penn; Tendo M. Beard, farmer, Brecknock; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; N. F. Shaefter, farmer, E. U. Leacock; Adam F. Bartzfeld, farmer, Conestoga; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Henry Hackert, coachbuilder, E. Hempfield; H. G. Mohne, miller, Adamstown; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Harry A. Diller, hardware, 1st ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; J. McGraw, contractor, Manheim twp.; Andrew E. Shimp, farmer, E. Coaleco; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Wm. Lewis, saddler, E. Earl; H. E. Miller, merchant, Rapho; Peter C. Reindler, slater, 9th ward, city; Joseph Kupp, miller, W. Earl; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; J. H. Wisler, farmer, Clay; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; John H. Landis, miller, Manor; John A. Soltenberger, carpenter, U. Leacock; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; Sylvester Griffith, farmer, E. Donegal; Jerome Vanderhoff, assessor, 2d ward, city; John H. Resser, farmer, Mt. Joy twp.; James S. Patterson, farmer, Little Britain; Wm. Shurtzer, farmer, Washington.

A WET FOURTH.

THE LOCAL OBSERVANCE VERY QUIET.

Main Interests: With the Plans of Many Would-be Fireworks—The Fireworks to be Resumed To-night.

The observance of the national holiday in this city was devoid of special features, as the inclement weather served to put a damper on the spirits and effectually block the plans of many who had expected to spend the day in festivity and merry-making. There was less than the usual amount of firing and explosive demonstration, and the mishaps and accidents were notable chiefly by their scarcity. On the eve of the Fourth there was a considerable degree of enthusiasm upon the streets, North Queen from Centre square to Chestnut being thronged all evening and a continuous volley of crackers, large and small, with an occasional pistol shot and now and then a rocket, was kept up until after midnight. However, of course some disorder, but none of any special violence. A good many fishing parties and trips to the country had been projected for yesterday, but they were generally abandoned, though some few brave spirits ventured out, enough to venture forth despite the ill winds and the rain that kept up continuously until late in the afternoon, when it cleared up nicely, but only for a little while, as about dusk there was a renewal of the bad weather. The display of fireworks which had been announced to take place at West Chestnut street and Lancaster avenue drew a great crowd to that point, who under dripping umbrellas stood patiently until nearly ten o'clock. The programme was only partly carried out, however, the exhibition consisting merely of rockets and roman candles, wheels, etc., the committee reserving the fancy pieces for this evening, when if the weather permits there will be a further display that will comprise by far the best part of the fireworks which had been projected for yesterday. The band was present, and discoursed patriotic airs during the exhibition, and the crowd endured their disappointment with commendable good nature.

Accidents and Incidents. Martin Rife, a son of Jerry Rife, aged about 18 years, was severely burned in the face and had both eyes very badly injured by the premature igniting of the fuse of a small cannon which he was discharging in Shippen street. The left eye, especially, is badly hurt, but it is believed the sight may be saved. Dr. H. E. Westhafer attends him.

A young man named Saunders, residing on John street, accidentally shot himself in the hand with a pistol that he was carelessly holding. Yesterday afternoon a lad whose name we did not catch with his hand badly lacerated by a giant fire cracker, which had been thrown into the street near Snyder & Bros., cigar store, on North Queen street, and which did not explode as soon as was expected. Thinking it had "gone out" the little fellow, who was standing in the street, leaning against a wall, and burning it painfully.

Will Haldy, while fishing in the Conestoga, near Eden, made a throw of his line, and with his hook caught Isaac Rittenhouse in the lower eyelid, inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. Yesterday forenoon a gaily dressed woman and child, who were seated in a phaeton, to which was attached a spirited horse, and who had attracted a great deal of attention on the first two squares of East King street, came to grief by driving against an iron wagon, which shattered a wheel of the phaeton, rendering it unserviceable. Neither the woman nor child was hurt, but they were obliged "to foot it home."

Charlie Locher, a young son of Geo. W. Locher, farmer, had the index finger of his right hand badly lacerated by the accidental discharge of a toy-pistol, which he was handling. Dr. S. L. McCleary rendered the necessary surgical aid.

Frank Appel, a German, residing on North Prince street, was severely injured while shooting off a gun yesterday. The weapon was loaded rather heavily and the barrel exploded. Appel was struck in the face by several pieces and was terribly cut and burned.

On Monday evening Charlie Kreider, a carrier boy on the New Era, pulled a small pistol from his pocket to show to Johnny Hetrick. The pistol was accidentally discharged, and the load consisting of powder and wad, struck Hetrick above the eye, inflicting a painful wound. A pair of the charge entered the eye. Dr. Davis, who is in attendance, thinks there is no danger of the sight being destroyed.

There was a good deal of disorderly conduct during the national holiday. Many of the younger ones, and some older ones regard it as a constitutional privilege to get drunk on Independence day, and as their grandfathers did the "blarney" of Britishers, they feel it to be incumbent on them to lick somebody to keep up the reputation of the nation as good fighters. The first fight of the day was between a black and white man named Smith—a lineal descendant of Capt. John Smith of Powhatan and Pocahontas memory. The fight took place on North Queen street, and was witnessed by a large crowd. The white man was the bigger but the nig was "science" and every time he got in a blow the white man went down. A cry of "po-lit" scattered the crowd and parted the combatants, before the white man was beaten quite into a jelly.

John Shilow, of Columbia, and Henry H. Hogentogler, of West Hempfield, had an unpleasantness in the cars yesterday soon after leaving this city for their homes. Both were the worse for an over-indulgence in benzine, and Hogentogler was angry and very noisy because his invaluable services to the government were not sufficiently appreciated by certain copperheads and McCrellan-Democrats. Shilow told him several times to shut up, but he continued to rant, and he had done most of the fighting and the Star-warts most of the stealing, and that it was Guitane, a Republican, who shot Garfield, Hogentogler, however, wouldn't "shut up" and Shilow called him an ugly name. Hogentogler went for Shilow, but did not stay long, as the latter gave him an unmerciful thrashing before the conductor and passengers could interfere. The row will probably end in a law-suit. The city police picked up a dozen or more drunken and disorderly persons during the day, some of whom were released on promise of good behavior, and eight of whom were arraigned before the mayor this morning. Three of the party, including one who had indulged in pistol shooting, were unletted in costs—the others were discharged with a reprimand.

COLUMBIA NEWS.

OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE.

A Ball Fiasco—Fiasco Spoken by the Rain—Daily Breeze Bludge.

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The large tree in front of Millin's house, on Walnut street, a few doors above Second, was blown down yesterday. It was old and decayed. The street was blocked up for several hours, but a lumpy chopper finally cleared the way.

Mr. George Williams, of Wrightsville, was married to Miss Hallie Pinkerine, of this place, on Sunday evening at 6 o'clock, by the Rev. Mr. Humphries, of the M. E. church.

There was a great deal of drunkenness in town yesterday, but notwithstanding, very little fighting.

Speaking and singing will be one of the features at the package party of Putnam Circle, No. 113, B. C. U. H. F. of Pa. A Columbia carpet manufacturer and Abram Eaves had a terrific encounter on Locust street on Monday. Abe came out of it second best. This particular carpet weaver isn't to be fooled with. He's a very big man, and strong, too. John, a little son of Gottlieb Heatter, of Mountville, shot his left eye with a shooting cracker on Sunday about 5 p. m. There is much danger that the sight will be lost. Messrs. T. L. Urban and C. C. Kauffman have purchased one half of Head's fishing battery. It is situated near the dam, and is a first class place for fishing. It is one of the best places for shad fishing in this part of the Susquehanna. The purchase was completed yesterday. Thieves effected an entrance into Mr. Thieve's cellar on Tuesday night, but only succeeded in capturing some victuals. Christ Rakunkle is in Columbia after three years absence. He says everything is as natural as ever. A large drove of sheep and several head of cattle were brought to town this morning from York county by a Columbia butcher. The picnics at Chiques rock and Wild Cat falls were not held, owing to the rain. Mr. F. A. Bennett has gone to New York and Philadelphia. The Pullerton, of Clearfield, O., is in town.

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