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a Democratic vote for Armstrong, the

Labor candidate for governor."

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Unfruitful Legislation.

Congress adjourns after a very long session, which has not been fruitful of good works. It would not be easy to point to the profit which the country is to reap from the labors of the session The record for the eight months is very barren. The tariff wanted revision and been appointed to consider what should be done about it. Perhaps the commission will find out, and perhaps not ; a ing to knit goods. reasonable opinion anyway would be that Congress might as well have determined the matter without a commission's help. If congressmen were fit for their places they surely should know enough to legislate wisely upon questions of taxation; and they are questions which should be legislated upon promptly. In the expiring hour of the session Mr. Robeson sought to obtain for his party, which bears the responsibility of the legislation, the credit of a desire to reduce taxation. He offered a bill which he declared had that purpose. The same bill was pending in the Senate. It was a bill which relieved those political parties of your State relies for its

be helped. It was not a Democratic measure and failed to receive Democratic support. We do not recall anything that Con-

gress has done that has been of more Democratic workingmen to help elect account to the country than its dealing Beaver. with the subject of taxation. The House has been especially ineffective and slow. Senator Plumb, complaining of its action upon the appropriation bills, said that notwithstanding the department estimates had gone before the House committees in the beginning of the session. no important appropriation bill had year-showing a decrease of \$108,164,862. of the fiscal year; the legislative bill excess of exports over imports of gold and came to the Senate on June 19, and the silver coin and bullion, amounting to naval bill not until July 13, which was \$6,940,186, against an excess of imports was to take effect. The Senate has very \$91,168,650. good reason to complain of the time the House gives it to consider these important appropriation bills and to threaten hereafter to take into its own hands the

origination of them. The House has always claimed the privilege of originating the appropriation bills, but does not seem to have any exclusive privilege on unfit for the exercise of the power. But of the state, and and the active and aggres-

It is now stated by a dispatch from Chicago that Hilgert, the absconding sugar refiner, forged acceptances on merchants in that city to the amount of \$60,000.

THE Senate yesterday confirmed General U. S. Grant and William H. Trescott to be commissioners to negotiate a commercial treaty with Mexico.

THE president has signed the acts providing for deductions from the tonnage of American vessels, relating to the registration of trade-marks, to establish diplomatic ing and valuable as showing the situation did not get it; but a commission has relations with Persia, for the relief of the as seen from divergent standpoints, and executors of John W. Forney, and to correct the error in the revised statutes relat- chairman will have an especial degree of was secretly managed. That experience

> According to the St. Louis Republican. he intrinsic value of the bronze medals bestowed upon the Old Guard of 306 is about thirteen cents apiece. They are made of some cheap composition, and enclosed in a The chairman of the three states committhin covering of bronze, on which the fig- tecs have been busy in the work of organurehead of Grant and the other devices are stamped. Is this the reason Beaver does not wear his medal when he appears in almost all his time in Philadelphia since public?

In Altoona the other night, Charles S. day rest. Litchman, organizer-at-large of the Knights of Labor, declared, "If the report be true that I have read, that one of the who did not need relief and continued hope of success upon its ability to purchase tee is only just rising thirty. They say in their burthens upon those who should the votes of workingmen, I say it is a Harrisburg that he could have been nomishame and disgrace upon every man who thus sells his birthright." Since the ex-

posure of his plot, Chairman Cooper is less tribute the candidates as far as practicable boastful of his success in getting 70,000

THE total value of the foreign commerce of the United States during the fiscal year ending June 30th last, including both im years has not been noted for its great ports and exports of merchandise and specie, amounted to \$1,566,859,456, against \$1,675,024,318 during the preceding fiscal reached the Senate until nearly the close During the last fiscal year there was an probably the party will lose nothing by thirteen days after the date on which it over exports during the preceding year of build up from the individual voter.

We reprint to-day from the columns of the cities. The county committees consis the New York Herald a resume of the of members from each of the election dispolitical situation in this state that has a tricts, and they in turn select a worker timely interest and practical value. The for each of the school districts who can plan of the Democratic campaign as indi- be made responsible for the thirty or fifty votes within his immediate bailiwick. cated by the chairman of the state com-These are put in direct communication mittee presents features that are sure to with the central committee, and we will win the hearty co-operation and approval thus have some 20,000 men through whom than it has at this session, it shows itself of party workers in every section we can reach practically every Democrat in the state. We expect to have this organization perfected within the next two this House is hardly a fair sample sive campaign foreshadowed in Mr. Henweeks, leaving us a fortnight to work in of the efficiency of the lower sel's utteracces to the reporter bodes no before the registry. This system, you branch of Congress. It has been good to the demoralized cohorts of the will remember, was that so successfully afflicted with a miserable speaker opposition. What is said about the Labor adopted by Mr. Tilden in the New York vote and of Cooper's insolent boast of "What response have you had from the have gained for him from people of all was hurt. county committees?" parties.' ment fairly expresses the honest sentiment "We hear that the organization is be diligent work would come from a body of the party with regard to that important ing made thorough and efficient. There A Cameron View of Things. element. Because the workingmen were late date at which the county conventions secretly betrayed four years ago it does are being held, but in these cases we are not follow that with the insult of the urging the old chairman to go ahead and to eight thousand. The leader of the Cameron chairman still ringing in their perfect the organization, ready to turn it over in good shows to the committees to cars they propose to allow themselves to over in good shape to the committees to be chosen later. The committee in Philabe made a catspaw in the present camdelphia has been active since its appoint. paign. That powder is burnt, and the ment in April, and in Allegheny, which polls the next largest Democratic vote the workingmen have learned a valuable lesnew chairman and committee will be chosen next Tuesday. The Democrats of Philadelphia feel confident that they have MR. DANIEL WESTERCOTT, Was 80 oversignal advantages this year in the unusual opportunities offered for a fair and honest "blighted affection" that came crushing count." " And they are what ?" "The Democrats have gained largely in representation in the election boards. The tax office is organized on a non-partisan basis, and we are relieved from the interference of 1,200 policemen, who, heretofore, have been active agents of the Republican party at the polls, Mayor King, elected as a Domocrat, but with the aid of the reform Republicans, has forbidden the police to interfere at the polls, or in any way for the benefit of the one side or the other; and he is in a position to enforce compliance with his orders. expect to have a free and fair ballot in hiladelphia this year, and that will mean a large increase in the Democratic vote.' The Poll Tax in Pennsylvania. "What is your advantage in non-partisan tax collectors ?" "Under the new constitution of this state the payment of a state or county tax of fifty cents for a single man and twentyfive cents for a married man-you see, we place a premium on matrimony in Pennsylvania-is a necessary qualification be fore voting. The pernicious practice has prung up in many communities, especially in the cities, of party leaders paying these realization of the folly of such a course. taxes by the wholesale. There has been much complaint, and in this city the There are as good fish in the sea, Daniel, to-day. complaint has been justified by the exas ever were caught, and if you will just posures of judicial investigation that Republican tax collectors have given undu advantage to the politicians of their party. The law requires that this tax shall collector can give the politicians of his party the opportunity to pay on the day of election the taxes of delinquent voters, PERSONAL. dating back the receipts to the day re-GENERAL WALLACE, the United States quired by law. minister to Turkey, has gone to Athens. "This payment of poll tax in Pennsyl-EMMA THURSBY positively refuses to vania is one of the heaviest drafts upon the campaign funds of both parties. In the election of Hoyt the Republican commit-ROBERT CROCKETT, a grandson of Davy tee of this county paid over \$2,000 for the poll tax of Republican voters, and the Crockett, is publishing a literary paper at DeWitt, Arkansas. Democratic committee a considerable sum. TOM OCHILTREE's candidacy for Con-The Virginia Readjusters are endeavoring gress in the Galveston district, has excited to secure the repeal of a similar requireconsiderable interest among his competielected." ment in that state, because, doubtless, the tors. pauper negro vote costs them in this way SARAH BERNHARDT, in purchasing for suffered to any extent from incendiarism her son the lease of the Ambigu theatre do farmers or merchants expect, as a too large a sum. In Pennsylvania well-tomatter of course, that the party will pay this tax for them. It is a part of the con-REV. SAMUEL LONGFELLOW has resigned stitution and cannot be easily repealed. the pastorate of the Germantown Unitabut it is likely that the matter will soon rian church, and intends devoting his time be brought before the supreme court. Some of the judges of the lower courts have held that the payment of the tax by DR. DEEMS, of New York, in 'his Sue proxy does not qualify the voter unless day morning sermon, said : "Everybody express authority on his part was sworn. should try to be beautiful. If I could, I'd Other judges have held that the posses-

THE STATE CAMPAIGN. crats should be persuaded to stick by their party to the last. In connection with Cameron leaders through the state I opine TALK WITH CHAIRMAN HENSEL that the Independent vote is largely dis-counted by them on the basis of as large

What Some Representative Politiciaus Sa to the New York Herald Correspondent-Bright Democratic Hopes.

A correspondent of the New York Herald, who has been sent into Pennsylvania

to keep an eye on the campaign here, sends the following to his paper under date of Laucaster 6th inst. It is interestthe hopeful view taken by the Democratic interest for our readers :

The active campaign begins earlier in Pennsylvania than in New York, because the registry closes on September 7. Unregistered persons can vote on election day, but only after great trouble in getting affidavits as to their right to lo so. ization for a month past. Chairman Wm. U. Hensel, of the Democratic state committee lives in Laucaster, but has spent the headquarters were opened there. Yesterday he rau up to Lancaster for a Sup-

This is evidently a campaign of the young Democracy. The candidate for governor is barely thirty-two. The candidate for lieutenant governor is not much older. The chairman of the state commit-

nated with a rush for congressman at-large, but that he positively refused in the interest of the ticket. It was the idea to dis-

through the various sections of the state. and the candidate for lieutenant governor had already been chosen from York, the adjoining county to this. Mr. Hensel is perhaps doing his party more good in his present position than had he been on the ticket. The state committee in former

energy. The young men who are now managing it are putting their shoulders to the wheel in good earnest, and, if the reports of Democratic assistance to the Camerons in previous campaigus are true, the new vigor that is at the head of affairs. Mr. Hensel was asked what the committee were doing in the way of organization. "We are endeavoring," he said, are not content to stop with the county committees, but are organizing by schoo districts in the country and by blocks in

"What about the Labor vote, Mr. Hen-"Fears have been expressed by some Democrats," said he, "and a boast to that effect has been attributed to State Chair. man Cooper, that the Labor movement can be manipulated to cripple the Democrats by drawing off proportionately a larger number of them than of Republicans. That was secretly and successfully done in 1878. It was successful mainly because it

taught the Democrats a lesson. Not only are they now forewarned against the attempted repetition of it; but, as Democratic workingmen are as independent and loyal as Republican workingmen, our peo ple do not propose to be made cat's paws of for Republican politicians. If the Labor ticket and Labor movement are maintained sincerely to the end their candidates will no doubt poll a considerable vote from both parties, but if there is any move to trade it off or sell it out in the special interest of the Republicans the Democratic workingmen will take the alarm and return to their party. It is entirely too early now to calculate the chances of the Labor ticket or to fairly judge of the purposes of those who have put it into the field. Nothing has yet been developed to justify the charges of bad faith, but after the experiences of 1878 the Democrats are suspicious and alert."

The Democratic Ticket.

"How has your ticket been received by he Democrats? "Our caudidates have now been before

the state for nearly five weeks, and the personal character and political record of each of them has been absolutely unchallonged. I mean this without reservation, except that Mr. Pattison has been sneered at as a 'Maryland bantling.' He was born in Maryland, where his father-one of the best known Methodist ministers in the Philadelphia conference-happened to be stationed at the time. The boy was brought to Philadelphia when he was six years old, and there has lived ever since. Chairman Cooper, by the way, was born in Ohio, and the Republican candidate for lieutenant governor was also born out of the state. No dissatisfaction with the ticket is reported from any quarter; no bolt is threatened. I have never known the Democratic press to be so unanimous and hearty. Each of the candidates is promised a conservative local and personal support from Republicans. Since his nomination Controller Pattison has remained steadfast at his desk, attending regularly to the important daily duties of the office. He will, no doubt, be seen and heard during the campaign at some points, but not to the neglect of the duties to which he was elected and is paid to perform for the city of Philadelphia. The uprightness and consistency with which he has discharged them will not be interfered with by any claims upon his time or attention by the state committee, nor will he forget them in his campaign. He did not attend the convention which nominated him, he has not been swerved from his straightforward official course by any considerations of his

onesty of a career

## THE NEWS OF TO-DAY. STRUCK DOWN BY THE LIGHTNING

ildings Burned and Persons Injured !

Various Parts of the Country by the Electric Bolt.

The Presbyterian church spire at Stam ord, Conn., was struck by lightning a 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, and by o'clock the whole building was on fire. when the roof fell in. It is supposed two men perished in the flames. William Brown, colored, was rescued still alive in an almost unrecognizable condition. The adjacent building, the residence of Roswell Hoyt, was also destroyed, after most of the furniture had been saved. The mayor telegraphed to Norwalk for help, and a steamer arrived in time to do good work. The loss on the church is \$25,000. Roswell Hoyt's loss is \$8,000.

During the same storm lightning struck the straw factory of H. D. White, making three holes in the roof, passing down into would be absurd to say and write about the straw factory of H. D. White, making the office and stunning and burning James the office and stunning and burning James the former beginning of any of these Wallace, the bookkeeper. Lightning also periods of time, it would seem equally abstruck the residence of George Roberts, damaging the building and blistering Mr. latter ends of any of them; for, if they Roberts' back and blackening his legs and feet. He is badly hurt. Other members of his family were stunned and blistered.

One of the summer houses on the bluff. opposite Jauch's hotel, at Long Branch. was struck by lightning during the storm. The end of the building was torn off, and four persons who had sought shelter in it were prostrated, one of them, Police Officer John Connors, being seri ously injured. He was unconscious for several hours, and is now in a critical condition.

A large barn, owned by William Light, near Harrisburg, was struck by lightning and was entirely destroyed, with its contents, including this year's crops.

Lightning struck and destroyed a barn on the farm of John Ingham, in Warren county, N. J. The lightning also struck and damaged a bouse at Easton, Pa. Much damage was done to crops. In the township and vicinity of Northampton, adjoining Easton, guillies from three to ten feet deep were made in fields, and the the category of inaccuracy, and are quite streets of the town were damaged to the as indefinite as latter end, although less extent of several hundred dollars. The arbitrary, perhaps. autien damage by the storm is roughly Latter days, latter weeks, latter month,

estimated at from \$5,000 to \$6,000. Two terrific thunder and rain storms

visited Scranton. Trees were uprooted and houses unroofed. Many cellars were flooded. Considerable damage was done to the crops. During the storm last even-ing the scaffolding of the new court house was struck by lightning.

Jesse Brown, a colored man, was killed by lightning at Waterford, New York, was not the latter one. We know these while he was standing in a heu-roost, whither he had taken refuge. Lightning struck in three places in Midlletown, N. Y. J. C. Mullison's house their incessant repetitions, and we can no was slightly damaged, but the inmates were not injured. Mrs. McCrea was knocked seuselees in her house by a ball of thumpings of his "Horse-car poetry." fire which came down a lightning rod, en- We have been admonished that "peas toring an open basement door. She will the outskirts of the village, was burned, with \$1,200 worth of crops. The farmhouse of B. H. Holbert, near State Hill,

## THE "LATTER END."

isition on a Familiar Colio Being a quis For the INTELLIGENCER. Is it proper, or allowable, in writing, or

in speaking, to use the words latter end under circumstances, and especially when applied to a day, a week, a month or a

year ? Can any of these divisions of time have more than one end? A rope, a chain, a wire, or a piece of timber may have two ends, but it might be difficult to determine definitely which was the former and which the latter end of any of these objects ; the

case would be entirely under the control of circumstances. We are led to these reflections from the fact that we have seen linguistic criticism on the phrase 'latter end," and we have also seen it used by many respectable authorities.

A day, a week, a month and a year have surd to speak or write about the former or really have a latter end, they must necessarily have an end that is not the latter one. We remember of being exceedingly amused in our boyhood at an old " foreigner" who was in the habit of saying leather end" when he used this phrase. Perhaps he could not understand how these divisions of time could have a latter

ond, as contradistinguished from some other end; but supposed they might have leather end. Would it not be sufficient to write or to

say simply the end of the day, week, menth or year ? If we did not mean absolutely the last day of any of these periods, we might qualify it by saying or writing "about" or "uear" the end, as we do when we refer to the beginning or the middle of any period of time. But there are many able and sensible objectors to the indefinite term "about" under any circumstances. About four or five hun-

dred are very indefinite terms when used as descriptive of time, object or place. They leave a margin of one hundred in

or latter years may all be proper, when refering to any particular period of time; because, then phrases allude to the days, weeks, months or years next proceeding the ends of those periods; but when the end has fully come, the termination of the period seems absolute, and does not admit such a qualification as "latter,"

as though there was some other end that congitations may all be mere bagatelles, but then such "kinks" will sometimes get into the mind and torment it with more extract ourselves from them than could Mark Twain from the pertinacious

planted in the latter end of this month recover. A barn on Huston's farm, on will mature before frost,"and we are bothered to know exactly when to find that end, and whether the month has some other end that is not the latter one. Such six miles south of Middletown, was set on instruction may be perfectly satisfactory ley and cost at least \$6,000. It is a total fire by lightning, which tore down through to that "helter-skelter" kind of people loss. From New Providence to Refton candidacy, and he will do nothing in the the centre of the building. Seventeen who are indifferent as to when and where, the scene is terrible. All along Big Beaver

# YESTERDAY'S STORM.

### MARKS BAD WORK IN THE LOWER END

age, Dam Breasts, Bridges and Crops Swept Away-The Quarryville Mailroad Track Damaged-A Menvy Floed.

The heaviest rain that ever visited the lower end and middle of this county fell resterday afternoon. It began about two clock and poured in torrents until four, and the results are very serious losses to those living along the streams as well as to all the farming community.

A representative of the INTELLIGENCER epaired to the section which seems to have suffered the heaviest, and some of the scenes were really terriblo. In the vicinity of Quarryville all the corn is badly damaged, and in the bottoms is ruined The tobacco fields are washed over, and in some places it would be hard to tell that there had been anything planted. The Quarryville railroad is badly damaged from Refton down. No trains have been able to run nor will they be likely to get into Quarryville for several days. At the "Y" all the track is washed off the main line and the heavy iron bridge is moved at least ten feet from the stone work, and for one hundred yards above it the switch and main track is clear off the road bed and the rails badly bent. On that part running out on the Cabeon bank there was a very heavy trestle work of the heaviest kind of timber.

It, with the sails, is washed away entirely and the stone work is destroyed ; the road bridge on the public road is also washed away. At this point the water was higher by odds than it has ever been known and not a fence in all the mes around the "Y" is left. George Witmer, whose residence and farm are there, is a heavy loser ; his corn is badly damaged, and at his tenant house the truck patch and garden and fences have all gone down the stream.

Just below this is the new branch to the mines and which was about ready for the ballast. It is almost ruined, the culverts and bridges, as well as the embank-ments being washed away, and great gutters torn in the excavations.

At the mines the damage is extensive. The worst seems to be that of the Monoxy, which is managed by John Rowe. The mud dam is entirely destroyed, which will be a serious loss, as it was one of the best in that section, and had lately been finished. Part of the stable was washed away and with it ten fat hogs owned by one of the employes. The entire loss to this man will be over \$2,000, and will be likely to stop work for some time as the pits are full of water. At New Providence where the railroad company had put up only a short time ago a first-class stone and iron bridge as they supposed, high enough for the highest water, has been washed away. This will be a serious loss and will take some time to rebuild it. All along the road from this point to Quarryville the whole of the culverts will have to be overhauled.

The bridge at this point was all of firstclass work and is the most important on the road outside of the big bridges. It was built of red sandstone from Lebanon valcampaign to forfeit the respect which the persons were in the house, including and how they do a thing, but we would the tobacco is all drowned out ; all the twelve boarders from New York. No one like to be a little more precise, because, a corn is ruined, and at Refton the county single day too late may throw us just that | bridge is washed down to Reynold's mill far beyond the "frost-line." The calender and has cut its way through the willow Recent heavy rains at Lynchburg and or absolute end of the month is on the 31st trees. The railroad bridge is still standthroughout southwestern Virginia have inst., at 12 o'clock at night-that is the ing, being some eight feet higher than the very latest end-but surely the above in- county bridge, but it is very badly dam-

and nearly as miserable leaders on the side of the majority. It was not to be manipulating it it to the Democratic detripredicated that any useful, speedy or presided over by Keifer and led by Robeson.

The measure for the retirement of the officers of the army is a fair sample illustration of the works of this Congress. That bill was introduced and passed to increase the efficiency of the army by putting its incapable officers on the re tired list. What it really did was to

leave the incapable officers on the active list and to retire all the capable ones come by exasperation and the weight of that are over sixty-four years of age. ' The army is not to suffer hereafter from down upon him in Philadelphia the other the incapacity of age; but an officer night, when the young woman he had without arms and legs, or crazy as a bed been "sitting up" with showed him an bug, still retains his place on the active engagement ring which an other admirer list and is supposed to do his work. In had given her, that he straight-way went fact, however, he is absent " on leave" off and took a big dose of laudanum with and his labors fall on one of his fellows the avowed purpose of ending his life. or remain undone. The law re- Persons skilled in affairs of the heart state tires him, but at the same time limits there was nothing uncommon in this desthe retired list to 400; and the gray- perate action of Daniel's; but viewed from beards whom this Congress rushes into a practical standpoint there scent to have it fill it to overflowing. It was very been a score of better expedients by which easy to save this embarrassment to the he might have southed his wounded service and to make the bill what it pur- feelings and at the same time have ported to be, a measure to increase the brought home to his faithless sweetheart a efficiency of the army; it only needed to consciousness of the turpitude of which provide room for the retirement of all she had been guilty. In his present exthe incapables; but Congress was unequal hausted and disgusted condition moralizto the effort. Its great work was the ing on the subject would probably prove river and harbor appropriation bill. It distasteful to the wretched Westercott, passed this with decision and great but in case he should persist in his energy. It passed it over the president's avowed determination to remove himself veto and over the unanimous objection from this sphere of sin and sorrow, it is to of the country ; and by this work, as by be hoped he may be brought to a proper

nearly all its work, is condemned.

WE are of the opinion that the average get a bigger and a better ring and give it efficiency of the police force of this city to the girl who lives next door you will is not what it should be. The work of live to learn the truth of a homely maxim the force often fails to be what it should that has a fit application to just such a paid thirty days before election. The tax be. Probably every city suffers from in- case as yours.

handsome angel."

efficient, lazy, stupid and cowardly policemen; and probably Lancaster's experience is general. At the same time we would like to have it special. We know we have a mayor who attends to sing in opera. his duties zealously and intelligently, and that the fault is with his instru. ments if the police work is not well done. It is not at this date especially that we have had cause to complain of our policemen. It has always been so. We know that our town would never have if its policemen had always been intelli- at Paris, gave 85,000 francs, with 40,000 gent, zealous and brave. Our comment frances as a half year's rent in advance. to-day is especially excited by the really ridiculous conduct of the police search for McMullen. For a week this search to writing a biography of his brother, the has been supposed to exist; and for dcceased poet. a week the boy has been around the town and has several times been within the reach and under the very noses of policemen. They have been told where he was, and have ap proached his hiding place so stupidly or written a long and exhaustive letter ac-

them. The last time was yesterday. On governor, and discussing the issues of the Sunday the young man disported himself canvass. He expresses himself confident in the waters of the Conestoga with other boys of the town. On Monday the

be a handsome man ; I hope I shall be a sion of a tax receipt is prima facie evidence that the tax has been paid by the holder, and that the election officers have

GOVERNOR PLAISTED, of Maine, has not the power to go behind it. Until the timidly that he has slipped away from cepting the Democratic nomination for matter is finally decided by the court of last resort the election officers will probably incline to the latter view." of re-election. The Labor Question

"Besides the regular Republican, the MRS. GARFIELD has acknowledged the boys of the town. On Monday the mayor was told where he was. Three policemen were detailed for his arrest. Independent, the Democratic and the Pro-

The county of Lancaster is one of the three banner Republican counties of the state. Its majority is from six thousand great damage to the crops and other aminer newspaper. When asked to-day what would be the issue of the campaign he said : "I have no doubt of the succes of the regular ticket. There is great disorganization in all parties just now, but with us organization will be perfected before election day, while the lack of pur-

pose and discipline in both the Democratic and Independent organizations will be increased in the interval. The refusal of the Independents to accept the fair proposition for union made them is bringing back to us thousands of Republicans who were wavering before that."

Wolfe polled some 1,500 votes in this ounty last year. Ex-Chairman Brown, of the county committee, says that the Independent vote will be no larger this year, although the party has made a thorough organization of the county. " When brought face to face with an issue that threatens a Republican defeat and the surrender of the state, not only now but in 1884, to the Democrats, a genuine Republican without personal hatrods or disappointments," he said, "is not disposed to give a vote which is really a vote for the Democratic candidates."

An Independent View. Mr. Edwin K. Martin is the leader of

the Independents in this section. He is a well-to-do young lawyer, without political aspirations in the war of office-so far as can be learned. On a recent visit to Lancaster General Beaver paid him a two hours' visit, but his persuasiveness does not seem to have shaken Mr. Martin's independence or vigor in behalf of the Stewart ticket.

"What do you expect to do by losing the state the Republicans ?" he was asked

"Why, we expect to save the state to them." he said. "This Gameron frog pond is so covered with the scum of fraud, proscription and corruption that the Republican party is dying from the malaria of it. We will purify the party of it this year, and next we can go into the fight again with a party that desorves, no less than it is able, to win success.

"Do you expect to poll enough votes to defeat Beaver?"

"Undoubtedly. We have a strength of a hundred thousand votes now and we will add to that before election day. We will poll over four thousand votes in this county, for instauce. In Philadelphia and along the tier of counties where is Mr. Mitchell's home we have a still larger and more active strength. Beaver cannot be

Still, even with these varied views, a remark of Colonel W. B. Fordney, a veteran Democratic lawyer of Lancaster, probably best expresses the situation "Matters are sus per coll," he said, "which may be interpreted-'No man knows on which side the beef will finally fall.' A good deal may happen between now and election day, and who will get the beef depends upon many things." The most important of the possible contingencies ishow many Democratic votes can Mr. Cameron's money and Mr. Hubbell's assessments manage to buy.

Democratic Victory in Alabams. The election for governor, secretary of state, attorney general, superintendent of fire. education, treasurer and auditor and members of the General Assembly was held in Alabama on Monday. So far no disturbances in the state are reported. The election was very quiet. Democratic success

Damage by Kain in the South.

flooded all the swollen streams and done structions do not refer to that end, and, if aged. not, when and where, and how are we to on the Norfolk and Western and Rich-mond and Allegheny railroads, but the tracks are now repaired. There was a property. There have been large washouts month; neither would any man of ordinary heavy rain from Moutercy, Mexico, to method, en lowed with precision, locate Corpus Christi, Texas, during the whole it in the fourth or last quarter; and yet, of Sunday night. A violent hailstorm perhaps, that is the very "head and front" passed over Biddulph, Ontario, yesterday afternoon, damaging the standing crops. peas were planted on the 29th or 30th of

Indians With Breech Loaders.

Indian Agent Miles telegraphs to the commissioner of Indian affairs from Reno, in the Indian Territory, under date of the 5th inst., that Indians from that and the Kiowa agency "had bought breech-loading guns of the best pattern from traders at Caldwell, Kausas," and he asks " what course shall be pursued to prevent such dangerous practice ?" The commission says that every effort will be made to correct such abuses.

### Yellow Jack's Onward March.

Eighteen new cases of yellow fever and one death were reported in Brownsville, Texas, during the 24 hours ending Sunday. The mayor has been sick of the disease. In Matamoras, Mexico, the number of deaths has reached 7. There is an increase in the number of cases, but no figures are given. The United States port surgeon at Laredo, Texas, denies that there areany cases of yellow fever in that city or vicinity.

### Mortality from the Heat.

The weather throughout the United states and Canada continued very warm yesterday, the temperature at many places ranging far above 90° in the shade. The death-rate, especially among children, is unusually high, in consequence of the heat of the last two weeks.

### Our Wandering Secretaries.

Secretary Chandler expects to leave Washington next Monday, in the United States steamer Tallapoosa, on his tour of inspection of the northern and eastern navy yards, Secretary Teller left Washington last night for the West. He will go to Illinois and Colorado, and expects to e absent about three weeks.

### MORNING NEWS MISCELLANY.

The Record of Recent Notable Occurences.

The boiler of a steam thresher exploded at Kingsville, Ontario, killing Frederick Lyons and doing much damage to property. A keg of powder exploded in the Dutch coal mine at Washington, Indiana, fatally injuring George Weaver and a boy named Alfred Hamar. The disaster was caused

wrecked near Winnsboro, Texas, killing him through the left ear. Dr. West-Conductor Fowler, Mail Agent Charles Harper, Express Agent Isaac Rosser, and a passenger named Fetro. Several others | before Alderman Alex. Donnally, chargwere injured.

North Troy, Vermont, burned over several hundred acres of woodland and consumed a dwelling occupied by Albert Frasier. A child in the house was ser-that he cut Conlin's car open with a blow ously, if not fatally burned.

stroyed about a dozen saw and planing mills, furniture factories, etc., and sixty dwellings, causing a loss estimated at \$200,000. Over 300 men are thrown out of employment. It is reported that two lives were lost during the progress of the

The steamship Vandalia, which arrived at New York yesterday from Hamburg, reports having passed seven icebergs during her voyage, "the smallest of which must have been 100 feet in height."

The houses alongside the bridge are omplete scene of desolation could not be ad. At New Providence, B. A. Smith & Bro., will lose \$1,500 in mill feed, and also all their tobacco growing in the meaof the above instruction. But suppose the dows. All the tobacco in this village is more or less injured, and the roads are all gone but the stones. August, although that might be legitimate-

John Hildebrand's fine place is badly ly considered the latter part of the month, damaged around the grounds. The large the end itself could not occur until the 31st, stone wall is partly swept away, and the trees near it are gone. His loss will nor is any other end admissible under any circumstances. It former and latter are to be understood as all other dual ex- be heavy.

At Shultz's mill the dam is broken and tremes of comparison-hard and soft, high and low, big and little, hot and coldthe lower floor was flooded and considerble oats floated away, as well as some fence they do not become more definite by an ambiguous qualification. Now, this is around the building.

not an analytical dissertation on the struc-At the mines around New Providence the damage is more serious than we had supposed. All the mud dams are gone and the holes are full, stopping work for some time. The men are all looking on and taking in the situation. At Geiger's mines the cow belonging to Harvey amongst the rights and wrongs-" the Smith was washed away and drownee. sublime and the ridiculous "-in the cate-All the spring houses are washed away. On the Conowingo all the dams are swept away. This will be a very serious

portance that the rising generation should oss. The meadows are all flooded know precisely whether an hour, a day, a All the streams in the lower end were week, a month, a year, a decade, an high and the damage will be very great epoch, or any other imaginable period of and travel will be impeded for several time, has more than one end-an end that days ; but further south the damage does is latter, and an end that is not latter.

not seem to be so severe. The rain seems to Because, there is an Oscar Wilde "among have been confined to a radius of 10 miles. as takin' notes, and faith he'll prent 'em. From Refton to Quarryville were the It would be an "awful" contingency if heaviest rain and the streams on both this phrase were to fall under the critisides seem to have all been high. cism of Oscar Wilde as one of our absurd

The heavy rain seems to have gone out as far as Rawlinsville, where the roads are badly damaged and the bridges gone on al

At Smithville we have reports of much damage. The lightning struck into the house of Peter Finnefrock, but did no damage. Samuel Miller had considerable loss at his mill at Refton. He says the water was 11 inches higher than it has ever been ; 24 years ago it was just that much lower.

Additional News of the Storm.

There were several humorous incidents n connection with the storm and some are just as sad. Benjamin Shaub, residin near Quarryville tells a good story of his chickens: They were roosting on the lower rail of a fence near a creek when the water began rising. It gradually tecame higher and the chickens would change their positions until they were on the top one. They did not remain there long until the water took the feuce away and they perished.

A horse and colt belonging to Jacob Bradly, who resides on Hopkins farm, at the old Conowingo furnace, were pasturing in a meadow along the Conowingo, when the storm carried both away. The horse was swept about a mile down the stream, when it succeeded in getting out of the water. The colt was drowned.

At Hopkins mill the race and trunking s gone and the dam breast injured. Three cres of tobuco on Mr. Hopkins farm beonging to Abram Sheuk and Benjamin Bleacher was swept away. The loss to the obacco of Dr. J. M. Deaver, near the Buck, will reach \$1,000.

E. M. Stauffer, residing at Long's mill, will lose at least \$600 worth of tobacco. The breast of the dam at the mill is also torn away.

Adam Hoke resides at the bridge of the creek near Green tree. The water became so high that Mrs. Hoke had to leave the house with her children and go out on the

railroad to escape drowning. Four cows belonging to David Harnish.

by the boy's carelessness. A train on the East Line railroad was tol on him, fired twice and

A fire at George May & Co.'s mills, near battery and carrying concealed deadly

A fire in Gardiner, Maine, Monday de-

The state camp at Lewistown was hearing.

CAN-ROBERT. ----LOSING THEIR EARS.

Conlin Has an Ear Shot Off and Joseph Murphy Has One Bit Off

' Americanisms.'

ture of our local phraseology, nor an or-

thographical, prosodial, or syntaxical dis-

quisition, nor yet a linguistic hypercriti-

ism-nor remotely intended as such-it

s simply a groping and floundering

gory of literary composition and of

speech. It is a matter of paramount im-

Yesterday afternoon a rather serious altereation took place on Locust street between John Conlin and a one-legged man amed Jacob Brobst. The facts, as re-

ported to us, are as follows : Brobst and his wife had been invited to visit a couple of new houses recently erected by Mr. Utzinger. On coming out of one of the houses they encountered Conlin, who was sitting at the front door. Conlin used very bad language to Mr. and Mrs. Brobst, which so enraged the latter that

he struck him over the head with heavy cano and drew a haeffer was called and patched up the lacerated ear. Conlin made complaint

ing Brobst with felonious assault and

from his club after Coulin had grossly insulted him and his wife. Last evening at Koring's saloon, corner

of East Chestout and Plum streets, Wm. Nicholson and Joseph Murphy got into a fight. The battle was nip-and-tuck for a while, but finally Nicholson got Murphy's left ear in his mouth and hung on like a terrier, lacerating the ear in a shocking manner. This unusual mode of warfare squelched Murphy, and his only consola-

tion was to make complaint against the victor. Nicholson was arrested, and in default of bail was committed for a further

