Lancaster Entelligence:

WEDNESDAY EVEN'G, SEPT. 13, 1889.

The Iron Convention. The iron and steel men of the country are meeting in convention at Cresson, and in that high atmosphere at this cool sea son of the year their deliberations ought to be calm, refreshing and unanimous. Perhaps, however, they may be other wise. There is no atmosphere and no temperature that can keep men cool who are in pursuit of riches when the same breeze refuses to blow with equal kindness upon all the assembly. Our iron and steel friends are together for an avowedly selfish purpose. They aim to consider how to benefit themselves. They propose to take care of number one. They are not philanthropically inclined. Their fellowmen, for this occasion at least, must be regarded as their prey. They desire to make the manufacture of iron and steel profitable to themselves, and to this end are of the opinion that the country ought to be taxed for their benefit. They are unanimous for a tariff | their morals. duty upon their product; and they sustain their claim by argu which are sometimes sound sometimes otherwise. soundness of their position is that the manufacture of iron could not continue in this country without a duty; and that the manufacture of iron with in the country is essential to its prosperity. In these assumptions they are right. It would never do for the nation

to depend upon foreign nations for its

supply of manufactured iron, both be-

cause its welfare requires it to be inde-

pendent in this regard, and because it:

prosperity demands that its supplies of

raw material and of labor shall be made

profitable.

But it is questionable whether the Cresson convention will have the wisdom to make the duty it demands no greater than the necessity of the case re. quires. It is certain that the general public will look with distrust upon the opinion it expresses as to the rate of duty needed to keep our manufactures going. There are some iron men, but a minority probably, who believe that the iron interest could prosper with a smaller duty than the present; and many of these will be deterred from ex pressing this opinion through apprehension that the public will not give them that he try something new. credit for the honesty of their view, but will at once conclude that if they think that the duty can be reduced in a smaller measure it can safely be reduced in a larger measure without destroying the iron industry. We do not, therefore, look to see the Cresson convention consenting to a lessening of duties, however much in honesty they ought to

The proceedings, however, are likely to make manifest the irreconcilable conflict between the iron and steel manu. facturers. They cannot be a very happy family together in such a gathering, because their interests are not alike. To be unanimous the iron and steel people should meet apart; or the Bessemer steel people, at least, should enjoy their close corporation to themselves. There | The biographical sketch of Mr. Africa are a dozen great manufacturies of Bes- which we print will be read with interest semer, which are bound together with and profit, comprising at it does a very works of steel and self-interest. They complete resume of his life, character and fact. Mr. Falls says that he was never in have been having and are still inving a services, while the accompanying portrait glorious harvest at the expense of the conveys an admirable likeness of the man trial; that he does not know Holmead, iron men in particular and the country who will soon be called upon to administer in general. They have a higher duty the internal affairs of the state. The fact protecting their product than that on that Mr. Africa ran 10,000 votes ahead of iron, and while it costs them less to his ticket when a caudidate four years ago phan, who carries on the business of a make it, they get more for it. The is an index to the popularity that is sure makers of iron rails have been compelled to make itself felt in this campaign. Mr. to close their mills by the new industry, Africa's ample experience in the duties of two Dorseys ought to be convicted, and which now threatens to advance into the | the position gathered during his clerkship | when argument and deliberation ceased in field of the bar iron manufacturers, as under Gen. McCandless qualify him for a the jury room he proposed to fight it out their capacity for the supply of rails be- thorough performance of the work appergins to run ahead of the demand. The taining to the headship of this important methods with Foreman Dickson. The latiron men look at them askance; first in state bureau, while his proved integrity too tall for his would-be antagonist. Dickenvy of their big profits and then in fear will speedily result in purifying the at- son is about six feet two inches high and of their competition; and as they are mosphere of this department. likely to outnumber the steel representatives at Cresson the latter will probably find the mountain atmosphere remarkably cool even for this remarkably cold season.

So, too, should the iron ore men who we observe are poking up their heads and demanding an impost upon foreign iron ore. A less legitimate demand could not not be made. Raw material ought to enter our ports free, under any achusetts, aged 62 years. He was author reasonable theory of a tariff. If iron of several books, ore cannot be dug out of the land at our doors cheaply enough to defy the competition of ores brought from other continents, then our ores ought to stay in the soil until they become valuable enough to take out. This resource of Kau., who was once the Democratic canthe country will always be there to be made available when it is wanted; and it would be a shame to tax the people to pu a value upon what may be at present as valueless as dirt. But especially is it brazen to ask a duty on iron ore when it is sold on the shores of Lake Superior at eight dollars a ton to be carried thence to distant furnaces at an additional cost of several dollars a Atouement, Seventeenth and Summer ton; and when it is sent over the coun try from Lake Champlain starting with a cost of five dollars a ton; and when it goes from Iron Mountain, at a still greater initial cost, to far off places. Good ores are shown by these figures to very near his heart for the congressman's be very valuable and profitable to their pretty daughter. miners. They need no duty. Poor ores might be made valuable to their owners by a duty on foreign ores, but it is not the public interest to make them valuable by a public tax. Ores ought be in the Camden district with a prompt threatened to have Shaw arrested if he made as cheap as possible that their and explicit denial. This is satis- didn't quit bothering him. manufacture may be as free as possible.

and crazy propositions before the Crest he interference of the office holder in in visiting John Chamberlain's and meetson convention. We trust that the del- politics, and that Collector Hartranst re- ing S. W. Dorsey has been wilfully disegates will show as much good sense, public spirit and unselfishness as the occasion will admit of, and make them ter, and Mr. Hartranft, instead of appointselves as acceptable as possible to public ing a man because Senator Sewell or Mr. exercise the right of every American to committee was appointed to confer with sentiment. We have not heard that the Robeson wants him, will select his aptariff commission is to be on hand to be pointers solely for their fitness, the con- Bossler, a former client of his, sitting at cessions they were willing to make to being killed. The conductor was slightly was crowded and the show gave the best being killed. The conductor was slightly was crowded and the show gave the best being killed. The conductor was slightly was crowded and the show gave the best being killed. The conductor was slightly was crowded and the show gave the best being killed. enlightened; but it is just the place Congressman Robeson to civil service the table and walked up to Mr. Brewster, back nominations. The convention then manufacturers of a great natural product, and where it might be expected to go.

Wolseley, the British commander, has kept his word good and struck the deciRepublicans, 28; Fusionists, 3. House, Republicans, 87; Fusionists, 64.

MINOR TOPICS. A VIRGINIA physician says he has neve known a habitual consumer of tobacco to have typhoid fever. This particular Vir ginia physician is an ignoramus.

THE statement that General B. F. Butler has come out as a tariff reformer invites the suggestion that Benjamin had better stick to himself as a reform issue for a

It is said that Senator David Davis may yet hold the balance of power in the Illinois Legislature for his own return to the Senate or the election of Secretary Lincoln. The top rail of the enclosure appears, after all, to offer advantages as to has learned wherein the evidence can be permanent position for the Illinois beavy-

REV. SYLVANUS RAYMOND, who preaches in Globe, Mass., deciares bluntly that the increase in divorce in that state is not due to greater laxity in the laws, but to an enormous increase of wickedness among the people, and he holds that the remedy must be found in an improvement in

day to come when there will be over 100 men running before the people for the office of governor of California, that the unpurchasable masses may select from the best and the boldest. Denis probably has the notion that he might do as a dark horse in such a centipedal con-

WHEN the conductor tore off the coupon threw the remainder out of the window. and subsequently explained that she had seen him tear the ticket up and thought the piece of no account. The sweet innocence of the New England girl can make itself apparent under almost any circum-

THERE are none so blind as those who will not see. The Philadelphia Ecening Bulletin, in last evening's issue, attempts to convict Pattison of free trade sympathies, on the single assumption that the Free Trade League of New York contributed \$5,000, with the promise of \$15,000 more, to aid him in his election. Now, this campaign lie has already been traced and nailed, and we would respectfully suggest to the aforesaid obtuse editor

It is somewhat confusing to read in our esteemed, able and accurate contemporary the Philadelphia Times of this morning that "C rnell's chances are fading away," while its esteemed, able and accurate neighbor the Press of to-days issue gives us to understand that "Cornell's prospects are improving." Such tain the truth of this extraordinary story. statements as these are discouraging He has also authorized the recall enough in their way, but we lose heart altogether when we read in the e., a., and a. | who is now in oan Francisco, to together when we read in the e., a., and a. | he knows of the alleged bribery. [Mr. Record an account of the convention at | Cameron will be remembered as a former ware County Democrats." It looks as he had with the Star Route cases has not though something must have broke loose in the innermost sanctums of our esteemed able and accurate Philadelphia contem-

PERSONAL.

of age on October 4. JULIAN HAWTHORNE proposes to have

photographed pages of his father's posthumous romance printed with the work as a proof of its genuineness. REV. DR. CHANDLER ROBBINS, a well-

known Unitarian minister, of Boston, died suddenly on Tuesday, at Westport, Mass-

MR. JOHN G. WHITTIER, when he hears some pathetic story, is prone to go straightway to Mrs. Celia Thaxter, with the remark: "If anyone can make a song out of it, thee can, Celia.

MISS SARAH A. BROWN, of Lawrence, didate for state superintendent of public get anything we want. I have \$200 or instruction, is now a candidate for county superintendent on the Republican side. LADY HANNAH SHEPHERD HAVELOCK. the widow of Major General Sir Henry

Haveleck, the captor of Lucknow, recently died at her residence in Kensington Palace Gardens, Loudon. MISS SARA TAYLOR, eldest sister of the late C. Cathcart Taylor, was married yes-

streets, Rev. Dr. Watson officiating, to William B. Merrill, of the Press. MR. ALLAN ARTHUR, son of the president, is visiting Representative Crowley at Lockport, N. F. Incidentally it is mentioned that Mr. Arthur has a warm spot

terday afternoon in the Church of the

How to Make Their Conversion Sure. Philadelphia Press.

Collector Hartranft meets Mr. Robeson's charges of custom house interference factory; but it is more satisfactory to learn, as the public has from this incident. Probably there will be many cranky that Congressman Robeson is the foe of sents the suggestion that he permits such torted in the interest of the defense, and an interference. Now if Mr. Robeson seems to have as foundation the followwill turn his opinions into law next win- ing : On the night in question the attor-

The News From Maine

Returns from 294 towns in Maine give to Stephen W. Dorsey, H. E. Hutchinson This afternoon's telegraphic advices 9,632 plurality over Plaisted, the Fusion Robie, Republican candidate for governor, and J. F. Olmstead. Dorsey at once county, suffering from ague, dismissed his reporting the disastrous rout of the candidate. The Portland Advertiser estimates the Legislature as follows: Senate,

STAR ROUTE BRIBERY.

WHAT DICKSON AND DONIPHAN SAY. Bowen's Alleged Offer of \$25,000 to Cor rupt the Jury-The Good Thing

Shaw Thought He Had, The defense are now boasting, first, that there will be no further trial of the Star Route cases; second, that if there shall be one, Judge Wylie will not preside. On the other hand Judge Wylie said that the cases would undoubtedly be tried in October, and, as Judge Wylie presides over the criminal court until the 1st of next March, the defendants can scarcely hope to prolong the next trial beyond his term. It is not expected that the trial will be a very long one. The government much curtailed, and it is not probable that the defendants have such an exhaustless mint of money that they will care to indefinitely incur expense. The government is earnest for a new trial, and the attorney general telegraphed from Newport to special counsel Merrick, directing

im to prepare for it without delay. In reference to the bribery charges. Mr. Merrick has had interviews with all of the jurors who voted for conviction. From them he derived much valuable information. One of the jurors, shaking him by the hand, said: "This thing must be DENIS KEARNEY says he prays for the probed to the bottom, or it will be useless to have any more jury trials in this dis-

> Dickson, the foreman, is making denials that any of the jurors were bribed, and alleging that he was approached by a person having authority to represent the de-partment of justice, and offered a bribe of \$25,000 to convict Brady and Dorsey by Henry M. Bowen, temporary special agent of that department.

He represents Bowen to have said "This is now the attorney general's fight from the ticket of a lady passenger on a and he must succeed-'tis political life Connecticut railroad the other day she or death with him. He does not regard Judge Wylie as friendly to the prosecution by his contrary rulings. He also said that the case came to Brewster as a legacy from his predecessor, MacVeagh, and that it had been terribly mismanaged by Mac-Veagh and James. Mistakes had been made and errors of counset had jeopardized it, and the present administration did not care to press the case until Brady's paper's commenced their tirade of abuse and villification of the administration and its officers, and now, under all circumstances, the defendants must be con

Dickson practically admits himself that he did not believe at the time that Bowen had any authority to represent the department of justice in such a matter, for he says that he did not believe Bowen had \$25, to say nothing of \$25,000, proposed to give him. It may be that one or two for the Legislature. special agents of the department have been influenced, by reasons which do not appear, to make such representations on behalf of the defence, but if they had, the government will undoubtedly be able to prove that it was the result of a conspiracy, only less grave in character than that which originated the Star Route frauds themselves. Mr. Bowen, who is now in Arizona, on matters not connected with the Star Route cases, will be immediately ordered to report in Washington. On his arrival here in may be possible to ascer-Brewester Cameron, a special mail agent, West Chester under the caption "Dela-resident of Lancaster. What connection been developed during the trial, but it is probable he has been acting in a detetive capacity for the postal department-EDS. INT.]

Mr. Alexander F. Falls, the lawyer referred to in Mr. Dickson's statement as having attempted to bribe Juror Holmead, pronounces the story a direct falsehood, made entirely out of whole cloth, and without the slightest foundation in the court room during the course of the and has no recollection of ever seeing him.

Juror Doniphan's Story. The most direct statement of attempted bribery in the case, is that of Juror Donishoemaker in Washington, and who during the war fought in the rebel army. He was according to the most approved scientific ter declined to make the test, as he was Doniphan about five feet eight inches. The story of the attempt to bribe Doniphan is substantially as fellows: Before the jury was sworn a man named Shaw, one of PRESIDENT ARTHUR will be fifty years the regular panel, expressed a desire to get on the jury which was to try the Star Route case and asked Doniphan what the chances were for getting on. He was informed that his chance was as good as that of any. body else, as there were 26 in the regular

> panel. When the case came up Shaw was re jected by Merrick, for which the latter was roundly abused by the disappointed juror. On September 4, as Doniphan carre down through the capitol grounds, he heard some one calling him and tound it was Shaw. He said to Doniphan : have got a damn good thing for you and will make something myself, too. have got the money in my pocket to give you now it you will favor S. W. Dorsey. If he gets off we can \$300 I can give you now and will make it thousands within ten days." Doniphan asked him if he knew the position that he was putting himself in, to which Shaw rereplied that he thought he was a friend of his and wanted him "to make a good thing," that Dorsey was a powerful man and that, as soon as the trial was over and Dorsey got clear, "Drewster would be histed." Doniphan's answer was that Doniphan's answer was that Shaw had better clear out and he left him standing by the naval monument and went

up the avenue alone. The same evening a little boy rang Mr. Doniphan's door bell and said that Mr. Shaw wanted to see the former at the capitol that night. Doniphan said to the boy "All right," but remained at home and did not see Shaw. The next merning as Mr. Doniphan approached the City hall to resume his scat in the jury box he saw Shaw coming out of the building toward him. He had his hand in his trousers pockets and said: "Look, Doniphan, you had better take that money." Doniphan then

Dorsey and Brady Saved the Party. The story which has been set afloat regarding the action of the attorney general ney general visited Chamberlain's to saying, as he shook hands with him, that adjourned until this morning. he would like to introduce him to some friends. Mr. Brewster was then presented Arthur's cabinet.

he meant by Mr. Brewster, Dorsey replied that Brady and himself had saved the Republican party and Garfield, and were consequently entitled to be let alone. Mr. Brewster said that he was not actuated by any personal feelings in the matter, but was simply carrying out his duty and proposed to continue to do so. This was not relished by any of the party and the subject was turned by a request for him to name his beverage, "A small glass of brandy," he replied, and after disposing of it he bade his new friends "good evening" and left the room.

OVER THE STATE.

Some Phases in Current Politics. The Bradford Democratic county con rention met at Towanda, and nominated Edward McGovern, James Davidson and John M. Lewis for the Assembly, Monroe Ayres for jury commissioner, and appointed Allen McKean and J. W. Bishop as congressional conferees. In the Democratic convention of Wyoming, part of this same congressional district, George L. Kennard was nominated for Congress, with power to name his own conferces. Dr. I. N. Carey was nominated for the Assembly, and Thomas R. Armstrong and John L. Loveatland, unsuccessful candidates for the Legislature, were chosen delegates to next year's state convention. In both counties thorough organization, perfect harmony and enthusiasm prevail among the Democrats. State Chairman Hensel addressed both county conventions and spoke to a large public meeting in Tunkhannock Monday night and in Towarda last evening. He left for Philadelphia atter the meeting.

York County Republicans. In the Republican county convention at York J. W. Buckingham was elected chairman. Michael Schall was re-elected chairman of the county committee. The resolutions are very "independent" in tone. The following ticket was nomi-nated: Senate, D. K. Trimmer; Legislature, Stephen Seitz, Ephraim Arnold, J. H. Detwiler, P. H. Glatfelter; director of are unable to proceed. the poor, Z. K. Loucks; jury commission-er, B. K. Kirkwood. H. C. Niles, D. D. Billinger were elected congressional confer es, uninstructed.

Bedford County Republican Convention. In the Bedford county Republican convention Hon. J. M. Campbell, of Cambria county; S. S. Blair and Hon. John Cessna, of Bedford, were named for Coneress, but Cessna's friend's withdrew his name before the first ballot, which resulted : Campbell, 64 ; Blair, 1. Hon. J. H. Longenecker, of Bedford, a member of the Republican state committee, was nominated for senator, to choose his own conferees. Aaron Garber and George E. Staile were nominated on the first ballot

Schoylkill Republicans, The Republican convention of Schuylkill county met yesterday in Pottsville and made the following nominations: Congressman, Charles M. Brumm, present incumbent : Sheriff, Peter II. McCabe, present incumbent : Director of the Poor, S. R. Russell; Jury Commissioner, T. C. Griffiths The convention also endorsed Hon, Cyrus L Pershing for president scrauton's Renomination for Congress.

acclamation for re election. an early day to nominate a candidate for number of colored laborers, Congress in opposition to Mr. Scranton.

THE PEACE PROJECT DEAD. Rumors Concerning the Final Conference-

Mr. Barker Defines His Position. The gentlemen who have been considericg the subject of effecting a compromise between the two branches of the Republican party met again on Toesday in the office of John Welsh, on Walnut street, above Third, Philadelphia, Mr. Welsh, Thos. Cochran, Amos P. Little, Jos. Wharton and Edw. N. Benson, who formed the little party on Monday, were all there, and were joined only by John Wanamaker. They remained in session about one hour and a quarter, and upon dispersing declined emphatically to make public any thing that had been said or done. It was stated as fact in political quarters, how ever, that the conference had decided not to issue the proposed open letter to the candidates, asking them to withdraw from the contest in favor of a more universally acceptable person, and that no further efforts would be made in the matter. This was said to have been partly influenced by the fact that so few business men had enlisted in the movement, but more especially by the unsympathetic attitude assamed by the chairmen of the two state

In relation to the statement made by bers of the conference, that Warton Barker and the Independents made the overtures of the month. The cause of this sudden for the compromise, Mr. Barker is reported to have denied it emphatically and to have | ing off in the Cherry Grove district, which said: "Any report to that effect is gross! s largely made up of such. There can be ans heve gained ground everywhere in the state within the last ten days, and me and to others. There can be no settlement between the Independents and the Stalwarts which does not make sure the absolute destruction of boss power and the honest acceptance of the Philadelphia platform and the absolute withdrawal of General Beaver and the whole slated ticket. am earnestly aiding to push forward the canvass for Stewart and the whole Phi adelphia ticket, and nothing will check my efforts but an unconditional sur-

The Newport Cholera Case. Dr. Cabell, president of the national board of health, who has been investigating the alleged cases of Asiatic cholera at Newport, has written a letter to the sanitary protection association of that city on that subject. He says that "he is deterred from pronouncing it a case of epidemic, or technically called Asiatic cholera masmuch as there has not been time for that disease to reach our shores from Tangiers by the usual method of transit, although he freely admits that the symptoms and postmortemappe trances were entirely consistent with such a view." He ecommends the transfer of the duties of the health board, to "a body of medical gentlemen conversant with sanitary questions."

Republican State Conventions. The Republican state convention of New Europe. Hampshire met yesterday in Concord, and C. B. Jordan was elected president. Samuel W. Hale was nominated for governor on the fourth ballot.

The Republican convention of South Carolina met yesterday in Columbia, and organized by the election of S. J. Lee, colored, as chairman. After a long vention of both Collector Hartranft and a table with several parties. Bossler left secure Republican support for the Green-

The Resuit of Self-Doctoring. James Michael, of West Girard, Erie opened fire upon the attorney general by physicians and undertook his own cure, asking him if he did not think that he throwing away the quinine prescribed. He a man to whom he owed his position in his wife and neighbors he administered, Being asked for an explanation of what Stuper succeeded, followed by death.

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THE BRITISH ADVANCE.

ON THE EVE OF A DECISIVE BATTLE Boast That Arabi and His Whole Army Will be Captured by sir Garnet's Men in To day's Conflict. A dispatch dated Kassasin, says :

"The British tents will be struck at 6:15 o. m., and the men will be formed into origades and marched to the ground of bivouae. Each man will carry 100 rounds. General Nugent will remain with the force left here to guard the camp. A transport brigade will be formed at daybreak. A supply of ammunition equal to thirty-six rounds per man will be carried on baggage animals which will press on at night. The naval brigade will be at-tached to the transport corps. The forty pounders and nine batteries will accompany the advancing forces. Arabi Pacha will be a clever general if he escapes capture with his whole army." The hospital ship at Ismailia has been

ordered to be evacuated except by very serious cases. General Wolseley made a personal recouncissance. He was accommanied by the Duke of Conaught and Generals Lane Willis and Wilkinson. He returned after gaining a clear idea of the enemy's posi-

tion. This is the last reconnoissance

fore the battle. General orders have been issued for forward movement of the whole army. The tents and baggage will be transported by railroad to the nearest point to the British encampment. No bugles will be allowed to be sounded after sunset. The Royal West Kent regiment, the Nineteenth Hussars and two companies of engineers

will remain to guard the camp. General Wolseley left the camp in order to arrange for an attack, All the forces have arrived. Boats have gone up the fresh-water canal through Kassasin lock to blow up the dams constructed by the enemy. The Iudian cayalry horses are suffering from glanders. Owing to the fall of the fresh-water canal the launches

A Kassasin dispatch dated 10:15 p. m. says: "The British army is now bivouacking at a point two miles beyond here, along a line facing Arabi Pacha's front. Our most advanced line is about four miles from the Egyptian front. The forward march will begin shortly after midnight so that the force may reach fighting disance easily by dawn.'

General Wolseley will attempt to get round Arabi's flank and destroy the railway in his rear communicating with Zaga-

At 2 p. m., it was telegraphed: "The British are now marching on Tel et Kebir. The attack will probably begin before daylight. The British line of communication between Ismailia, Nefiche, Tel ol Mahuta and Mahsameh is held by detchments of infantry with one gun and a group of cavalry at each place.

DAMAGE BY THE STORE IN FLORIDA.

everal Persons Killed and Trees Uprooted. Special dispatches from middle and east Florida report considerable damage by the storm of Sunday morning. The cotton crop was much damaged, in some places one-half of it being ruined. At miles west of Jacksonville, the house of the Florida Central & Western A large and enthusiastic meeting of railroad was blown to pieces, the secrepresentative Independent Republicans tion master and his family miracuwas held in Wilkesbarre, when it was re- lously escaping with a few bruises. solved to call a congressional convention at The adjoining house, containing a was: blown to atoms. Samuel White, an inmate, was blown two or three hundred yards through the air, fearfully mangled and instantly killed. Five others were more or less injured. iluge trees were twisted and broken, grass was torn up by the roots and the ground left as bare as if prepared for cultivation. Many cattle and hogs were killed. Those who saw the cloud describe it as pear-shaped, rising and falling in its progress, and luminous with red and yellow light. At Tallahassa, Gallies' hall, the new hotel and other buildings were unroofed and the new Episcopal church was badly damaged. Fences, trees and outhouses were blown down, and some of the magnificent oaks in the capital yard that have withstood stood the blasts of a century were up | Events Near and Across the County Lines rooted. The evelone was the severest since 1872.

EXCITEMENT IN OIL.

It Keeps Going up Very Rapidly. The oil market at Bradford continued excited and advancing, and the sales recorded amounted to 6,392,000 barrels, which is the largest aggregate ever known. The fluctuations were wide and values sensitive to an extreme. The price ovened at 613, advanced to 62, declined to 603, advanced to 613, declined rapidly to 593, advanced with greater rapidity to 631, Thomas Cochran and other Stalwart mem- closing at 63%. It is believed that prices will advance above 75 cents in the course flurry is assigned to the extraordinary fallis unprecedented in the history of the aisrepresentation. The Stalwart campaign trade. Three weeks ago the oil production was above 35,000 barrels in that dis to question that the Independent Republi | trict alone, while to day it is estimated at not much above 25 000 barrels. One well. owner, for example, has a well on lot 635 many of the Stalwart leaders admit this to that is just forty six days old. It produces 2,180 barrels the first twenty-four hours, and to-day it produced a barrel and a quarter in the same time. Dozens are found which a month or more ago produced up in the thousands every day that are not producing a barrel. The situation is radically bullish, and speculators are making the most of it.

MORE MORMON CONVERTS.

Over Six Hundred Immigrants Entrapped in the Snares of Polygamy. The steamship Wyoming, of the Guion line, has arrived at New York from Liverpool with 646 Mormon immigrants on board. The company is in charge of Wm. Cooper, a Mormon elder. The immigrants consist of 300 British, 293 Scandinivian and 54 Swiss and German converts. In addition to Mr. Cooper there were sixzeen returning Mormon missionaries on board of the Wyoming The great ma ority of the converts are farmers. They were taken to Castle Garden and will leave by the Erie road for Utah. Some are bound for Salt Lake City and others for Ogden and Idaho territory, where there is a colony of about 12,000 Mormons. Mrs. William Jennings, wife of the mayor of Salt Lake City, accompanied by her two daughters and her son, Joseph Jennings, a Mormon missionary, returned to America on the Wyoming, after a visit to

Train Roppers Foiled. Two men got on a Missouri Pacific train n the Indian Territory on Monday night, with the intention of capturing the conductor and running the train on a side track near Vinita, where it could be plundered by confederates. One of the gang divulged the conspiracy, and detectives being on hand, the robbers were resisted, wounded by one of the ruffians.

Look Out for a Tumble.

Philadelphia Evening Telegraph. Brosius has been struck by lightning again. At Washington last night he was permitted the exalted honor, for a second time, of occupying the same platform with was pushing things too vigorously against sent for morphine, and in the presence of General Beaver. Now if Cooper don't lasso the Laucaster orator in his exuber- 9:25 this morning, to work in a canning

Brosius will have a tumble down-stairs the day after the election, and then, perhaps, he will be restored to his senses.

A DEFEATED CANDIDATE'S SUIT.

Beiped by Pennsylvania Independents Bringing Charges of Corruption. Noah W. Shafer, late candidate for state senator in the Forty-second district, against Senator Hugh McNeil, claims to have been defeated by fraud, and entered suit against George Forg, judge and Peter Fisher, inspector of elections in the Fourth district of the Third ward of Allegheny, charging them with violating the act of 1881, by failing to take the oath destroying ballots, and making fraudulent returns. Mr. Shafer intends to bring further suits after having substantiated these charges, and will, he says, face his opponent with proof of corruption that will compel him to withdraw as a candidate. In support of his allegations of attempted bribery made in the convention, Shafer produces an affidavit signed by Wm. Anton, one of the delegates, who claims he was approached on the Sunday night following the primaries by Col. Laffe, a member of the Republican state central committee, and William A. Hetzel, a late employe of the House of Representatives, at Harrisburg, and offered \$105 to vote for McNeil. In addition to this, Mr. Shafer is in receipt of a letter signed by two citizens of Allegheny, who are willing to be qualified that the officers of one election precinct presented the Me-Neil delegate with a credential without having counted the ballots, which, with the tally-sheets, were destroyed. Mr. Shafer is backed by the Independent organization of the county, which offered him all the aid, financially and othewise, he may require.

DECLINED WITH THANKS.

Tom Marshall and Major Brown too to Call on Braver. While General Beaver was in Pittsburgh he held an informal levee at the office of United States District Attorney Stone. A number of prominent citizens called, but two, Thomas M. Marshall and Major A. M Brown, whom the general desired to see, did not make their appearance. Colonel Stone went in search of them, found them in the university building and invited them to come down to his much time in making excuses. Inasmuch snub. The incident was kept very quiet, but leaked out last evening and is creating considerable talk.

The Crops.

The report of the department of agriwheat harvest is in close accordance with quality is good and the yield above an a few of the biggest bass for average. The general condition of winter his friends of the committee. This and spring wheat, when harvested, is represented by 100, an average rarely attained The aggregate of winter wheat, as indicated by the September re-Quincy many outhouses, fences, trees, etc., turns, is about three hundred and eighty The Republican conferees of the Twelfth | were prostrated, and five colored persons | million bushels, spring wheat about one congressional district met at Scranton and were killed. At Darbyville, twenty-five hundred and forty millions, or five hun-

The Missouri crops this year will aggregate 240,000,000 bushels of corn and 46,-000,000 bushels of wheat, valued at \$230,-000,000.

Forbidding a Minister to Kide on Sunday The Allegheny Presbytery of the Presbyterian church refused to allow Rev. John Kerr, one of its members, permission to ride on a Sunday church train while on his way to and from holding divine ser stood 11 for and 14 against. The Rev. Mr. Kerr is pastor of Bethel church, Allegheny, where he preaches Sunday morning and evening supplying the Natrona church in the afternoon. By the action of the Presbytery he will either have to travel thirty miles with a horse or relinquish his pastoral charge at Natrona.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Red squirrels are unusually numerous in some parts of Montgomery county. Chester county has a colored population of 7.901.

The colored Odd Fellows are holding their annual session in Reading, and fortythree lodges are represented with a total of 4 000 men. The Dauphin county electric light com-

pany has made arrangements to supply the citizens of Harrisburg with electric lights, which will be introduced in a short In Chester county the storm on Friday

man losing \$1,000 and another \$6,000 worth of the crop. \$50,000 will not cover the loss to the county on tobacco. The executive committee of the board of commissioners for foreign missions of the

Reformed church in the United States, will meet in Harrisburg on the afternoon of September 13. Near Norristown an engine struck a drunken man staggering along the track and knocked him twenty feet. He got up

and walked away, muttering that "no

durn'd passenger train could knock him out of time. The republican nomination for jury commissioner in Reading is the cause of much dissatisfaction. His friends claim he had over a hundred votes, and the faction of which he is representative charge the opposing faction with fraud.

The Oxford Herald is the name of a new paper, in the enterprising little town of Oxford. Its local and news columns present a very creditable appearance.

The Excursion to Reading. The excursion of Montery lodge No. 242 to Reading takes place to-morrow morning, the cars leaving the outer depot at 7:30. Persons intending to join the excursion should remember that the cars do not run down to the West King Street depot. The excursion will no doubt be a delightful one; the sweltering heat of summer no longer prevails; the air is cool and bracing : the city of Reading has many attractions at all times, and tomorrow, especially, the day will be a gala one. The great state parade of the Order of Odd Fellows takes place. Thousands of men in handsome regalia and bearing magnificently painted banners will be in line, and thousands of buildings will be decorated in honor of the visitors. The fare for the round trip is but \$1.40-children half price. Delegations of all the Lancaster lodges will accompany the excursion and the public in general are invited to go along. The excursion train will leave Reading on the return trip at

6:10 p. m. Tom Thumb's Show

The attendance at the entertainments given by the Gen. Tom Thumb have been very large. At the performances yesterof satisfaction. This afternoon's matinee is being largely attended, and the company remain for a matinee and evening performance to-morrow.

Workmen Left Town. Michael Clayman, of Dublin, Md., arrived in this city yesterday. He secured week. eighteen men whom he took with him at

of the city. The western reservoir is divided into two compartments by a heavy brick wall, some six feet high, running through the centre of it. The southern half of the western basin was emptied day before yesterday. Although there were many fish in the basin none were caught, as there is no sercen at the outlet, and the fish passed out into the Conestoga through the pipe leading from the basin to that stream. It was the intention of Su-perintendent Halbach to have emptied the northern half of the basin yesterday morning, and this fact having become widely known not less than two hundred men and boys were present with a view of wading into the shallow water and cap turing the fish, it being impossible for them to escape, as the outlet of the discharge p pe is covered with a close screen. When Superintendent Halbach saw the mult tude of fishermen on hand he resolved to postpone the empty-ing of the basin, and gave no-tice that it would not be emptied at that time. The crowd left, and the superintendent quietly notified about a dozen of his friends that the basin would be emptied last night at 0 o'dock, invited them to be present, and promised them an abundant supply of black bass, catfish, sunfish and big cels. The favored few were promptly on hand. Mine host, John Schoenberger, took with him a threebushel bag in which to carry home his share of the spoils, and took his son George along to help him carry the fish. On his way to the basin he stopped at Philip Dinkleberger's butcher shop and bought a yard or two of smoked sausage as a lunch for the boys who were to help fill the bag. Lawyer Groff was also on hand, and before leaving home cautioned his wife not to buy any meat at market, as he would have black base enough to supply his table for a week. Councilman Barnes spent \$4 in treating Larry Burns, Fred. Kline and others, who promised to give him the very biggest bass that was caught. Alderman Barr, who is an excellent feeder, arrived on the scone office to see the general. Much to his sur- with a four toot "stringer," saying that prise both declined to go, and neither lost it was unsportsmanlike to carry such fine fish in a bag, or wrapped up in paper as as Marshall was given a place on the some of the fishermen proposed to do. ticket with Beaver, and Brown aspired to Assessor Vondersmith, of the second ward. the same honor, their declination to call put on his oldest suit of clothes and a on the chief is viewed in the light of a pair of gum boots that reached to his hips, intending to wade in and pick out the big fish as they floundered in the mud in the bottom of the basin after the water should be drawn off. Superintendent Halbach cautioned the fishermen not to be too greedy, as he was under some obligation culture for September says, regarding the to the water committee and a few other wheat crop: "The result of the spring friends, and had promised each of them a fine mess of fish. He didn't care who got the indications of the August report. The the biggest cattle or cel, but he wanted suggestion was met with significant winks between Johany Barnes and Larry Borns. The preliminaries having been arranged the valve was opened and the water rushed down the discharge pipe into the Conestoga. Lower and lower it fell in the basin. Fatty Gill, of the police force, was the first to venture down the sloping, slippery bank of the reservoir. He had not got half way down when he slipped and slid headlong into the mud and water at the bottom. The boys all laughed at his mishap, but, fearing that he would capture all the fish, were not slow in following him. Jerry Vondersmith slid down on his rubbers in much the same way the boys slide down Diugh's hill in winter time, Larry Barnes and Fred Kline, and the rest of the party fearlessly walked in, vices at Natrona, fifteen miles up the Al- and groped in the darkness through the legheny valley railroad. The question mud at the bottom of the reservoir. They involved a heated discussion and the vote fished until about 3 o'clock in the merning and didn't catch as much as a minnow. Everybody was mystified. Hundreds of fine, big fish had been seen in the basin only a lew days before; where were they now? The only theory thus far advanced of their disappearance is: that when the superintendent began to draw the water from the seuthern section of the reservoir the imprisoned fish thought it a very good opportunity to escape from their circumscribed feeding grounds and made their way to the creek through the discharge pipe. The fish in the northern half of the reservoir, finding the water getting lower and lower, instinctively passed into the southern compartment before the water fell below the top of the dividing wall and followed their fellows into the creek. This theory may satisfy the scientists, but is very unsatisfactory to the fishermen. Johnny Barnes says he has lost all contidence in Jake Halbach's management of the water works ; Jake Barr's political principles are much shaken; Lawyer Groff's market basket is empty Fatty Gill has a terrible cold, and night did great damage to the tobacco, one Schoeny" is compelled to substitute sourkrant lunch for the black bass he had promised his customers. The only one of the party who is supremely happy is Sammy Groff, who knew all along that they wouldn't earth any fish and "only went along for fun !"

BASS FISHI'G.

An Exciting Time at the City Reservoir.

Day before yesterday Superintendent Halbach, of the city water works, com-menced emptying the western reservoir, preparatory to the erection of a standpipe,

for supplying water to the higher portions

STRASEURG SESSATIONS. The brunkenness and Disorder That Star

During Saturday evening many young men were seen staggering along main street in an intoxicated condition and one or two brawle occurred during the evening resulting in two knock-downs and one deposit from the beer saloon in a doubled-up con-dition which very much resembled the body of a man. Late in the evening two pistol shots were heard in the neighborhood of the Swan hotel, resulting in the smashing of window glass in the residence of Miss Maggie Bachman.

A shooting affair took place on Sunday evening on Main street near Reese's carriage factory. Mr. George Weaver was on his way home between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock, when some one leaped from behind a tree near the walk and struck him three blows in rapid succession with a black jack knocking Mr. Weaver on his knees, and then used "shank's matches" in good style down the street in time to escape the parting shots Mr. Weaver sent after the villian. It is time that the community of Strasburg borough take decisive steps to check this sort of

Mr. Ross B. Rowe left on Monday for Philadelphia, where he intends attending lectures during the winter. He will spend three years at the University of Penn sylvania, and come forth a full pledged

Mr. Frank Musselman, jr., bid farewell to his many friends September 11. He has gone to the home of the mountain boys," Vermont, to attend, dur ing the winter, a military academy.

Passed Through. This morning the pretty little engine "Aerial" passed down through this city over the Quarryville railroad. It had ou board President G. A. Nichols, of the Reading and Columbia road, and several

the road. In Town. John Newell, a very clever gentleman. who is advance agent of the "World" combination, is in town making arrangements for the appearance of the show in this city on Monday and Tuesday evenings of next

Another Telephone Connection The Merrimac house has been connectcd with the telephone exchange.