The Mormons Under the Harrow. A Press reporter publishes an interview with Judge Black in relation to the working of the Edmunds bill in Utali, the judge being the counsel of the "peculiar people" who have made that territory to blossom as a rose and whom the United State in reward therefor seek to disfranchise. The Edmunds bill defines polygamy as a crime and punishes it with a heavy fine and long imprisonment, superadding also the penalty of disfranchisement. Judge Black esteems the punishment cruel, but yet that the law was unjust to savagery, it so long. would be folly to do so with the expectation of moving Congress to pity; for

that illustrious body, backed by the po-

litical piety of the country, would be

more likely to increase the punishment

than diminish it, and might send Mor-

mons to corporal instead of civil death

for practices which they consider di-

vinely inspired.

Judge Black does not speak too highly of the hopelessness of turning Congress from its determination to plant a heavy foot upon polygamy; not because congressmen hate the institution or fail to practice themselves its most objectionable features: but because their conit. But it is not the worst offence against morality, though it be the one most severely punished by the law. The pubthe last offence may be practised with impunity. Undoubtedly there is a great deal of cant and hypocricy in the denunciation of polygamy but those who spout it have the floor, and have made the law, and there is no present profit in discussing its policy. The question now is whether the law shall be unjustly administered by blind bigots or justly by intelligent executors.

The Edmunds bill provides five commissioners to be appointed by the president to take charge of the elections in Utah, and act as a returning board, There five commissioners are now making preparation for the November election for a delegate to Congress, and propose to require every citizen to swear with more than one woman at any time in the course of the past twenty-five years as a condition precedent to permitting him to vote. That is an affida vit which would exclude a fair population of the voters in every state in the Union. If a test of that kind was start ed here, there would be some embarrass and a fearful falling off in the election that appeared in its columns last evening

punishment for polygamy, but had none

This decree of the commissioners it is that Judge Black advises the Mormons to resist as unlawful, because it is not warranted by the Edmunds bill, and it is not enforceable under the constitution. The law declares polygamy to be a crime and disfranchises those who adapted for the Euglish stage. practice it; but it does not invest the commissioners with authority to summarily determine the guilt of the offenders, who are entitled to be tried by a jury and a court before they are condemned and punished. Furthermore, no man can be required to testify against himself; yet the test which the commissioners make is the willingness of the voter to swear to his innocence. Again they require him to go back to a period long anterior to that at which his offense was made an offense, thus subjecting him to an ex post facto law which cannot be done. In his forcible way Judge Black makes clear the unlawfulness of the commissioners' action and their unfitness for their high trust. He proposes an appeal against them both cover a claim of \$10 per week extra salary to the courts and the president, having from the 13th of July, 1881, up to the 1st apparently more faith in the fairness of of January, 1882. the latter than the former, which are strongly prejudiced in Utah against the community they are provided to pro-

THE invasion of the "solid South ' by the Republican party does not seem to have reached Georgia, which has elected Mr. Stephens governor by a majority which reaches a practical unanimity, and has returned a Legislature of minister, was yesterday at Montreal, exalmost untinted Democratic color. Lit- cused from revealing a confidential contle Delaware, too, standing on the confines of the South, remains unmoved in court. Judge Jette stated that the Queits Democratic allegiance. The indica- bee code allowed ministers this privilege. tions grow daily poorer for the success of the Mahone coalition in Virginia, and Tennessee remains as the single South ern state where the Republican vote shows manifestation of increased strength; a result which is due to Democratic folly there in abandoning Demacratic principles and trifling with the sacred credit of the state.

SATURDAY, October 7, is the last day for paying taxes.

Pay your tax.

Our Stalwart neighbors of the Roaminer will have to look elsewhere than to little Delaware, if they want encouragement in their present desperate straits.

But two days more remain in which a vo'ing tax can be paid. Let every Democrat, who has the welfare of his party and is paid, and if your Democratic neighbor has overlooked the matter remind him of it. Saturday is the last day. Monday will be too late. Don't neglect this, Democrats,

DENIS KEARNEY told the sand lotters two Sundays ago that he was watching one within the power of Congress to every day for the incorporation of comdeclare, and no resistance is proposed to panies to corner the air and peddle it out the fair execution of the law. Nor is at so much per mouthful, and the light. there any intention on the part of the and sell it at so much a ray. He ex-Mormons to attempt to secure a repeal plained, however, that he didn't mean the of the law. The judge no doubt truly gaslight, "as gas is all labor." Denis declares that though they could show ought to know; he's been in the business

> REPORTS from the Georgia election, which took place vesterday, indicate that Alexander H. Stephens has been chosen governor by a majority likely to reach 50,-000 when the returns are all in. Pennsylvania can do as well as that for Pattison if the Democrats stand to their guns. The New York Times concodes that the sweeping Democratic victory in Georgia destroys all chance of the Republicans securing one or two of the congressional districts which they had been pleased to record as doubtful.

THE Philadelphia Chronicle Herald has donned a new suit of type, which vastly stituents howl against it. Public senti- improves its appearance. Our sprightly ment runs too strongly against polygamy contemporary has won a creditable poto be withstood by congressmen who sition among the evening journals of the have nothing to make by withstanding city, and is to be congratulated upon the visible signs of prosperity. The daily Pottstown Ledger entered upon the first decade of its existence on Monday last, lic appropriation of plural wives is a and the event was celebrated by the advast deal decenter than the private dition of another column to each page of possession of plural women; yet the paper. This culargement and consequent improvement is evidence that legitimate journalism is not without its reward in Pottstown.

THE mass meeting at the opera house to-night will formally open the campaign in this county and from now until election day the work of party organization will go briskly on. This evening's speakers need no introduction to Lancaster Democrats, as their fame has already preceded them. Chauncey F. Black is well-known throughout the country, not only as an able publicist, but also as the founder of the movement to revive the principles o Jefferson. Candidate Elliott is famed throughout the whole northern tier of counties as an able lawyer and brilliant peaker. Ex-Congressman Stenger, who made such an acceptable record in Washington, is also an incisive orator and a lively rattling of the Republican skeleton may be expected. Let Democrats and all citizens, irrespective of party, who wish to hear a calm, dispassionate discussion of state issues, attend.

Our contemporary, the Examiner, will ment to the political committees in have to take in the able editorial paramaking out their lists of qualified voters graph on Delaware's "little election" and revise it to meet the facts. After all The Utah commissioners seem to have the boasting of the notorious Dick Harbeen struck by the inexpediency of dis- rington, of safe burglary fame, who is now franchising every man guilty of the Mor- the head of the Republican state organizamon sin without the Mormon marriage, tion, it appears from the complete returns and they have undertaken to let of the election that the Democrats of the ordinary run of sinners out of Delaware, so far from meeting a "Watertheir net by the phraseology of their loo" have held their own and retained order. Perhaps they think that they control of the board of election cauvassers, have escaped their embarrassment suc- which was the only point involved in the cessfully; but it must have taken a very preliminary skirmish. The Democrats "hard cheek " to tell the Mormons that didn't make half an effort, either, but it they could not vote because they had was just enough to keep the election ma taken to themselves more than one wife, chinery free from the defiling touch of supporting and caring for them and Harrington and his ilk. The Blue Hen's theirs, while at the same time letting into | Chickens after tantalizing the safe burgthe polls the gentiles who did not call | lar into the belief that they were going to these women wives; but the commis- allow him to catch them have roosted sioners' brazenness was no greator than high enough to prevent him from getting that of the congressmen who enacted a hold of their tail feathers, and with the customary cock a doodle doo remarked in for an offense which does not claim Di- their own aggravating way, you know, vine sanction and does not have bibli- " not this year, Mr. Harrington-nor any other year."

PERSONAL.

SENATOR DAVID DAVIS exercises with twenty live pound dumb bells. Quida's well-known novel, "Chandos, or the Jester Turned Traitor," has been

ANNA DICKINSON has written to the editor of the Omaha Herald that she no longer advocates woman suffrage. REPRESENTATIVE CARLISLE, Kentucky,

will be renominated by acclamation, every county in his district having instructed WILLIAM. Young, who is ninety-three

years of age, won a wrestling match, and ran a mile in five minutes, one day recently at an Illinois county fair. Hon. C. D. LAYTON, ex justice of the

superior court of Delaware, and the oldest member of the bar of that state, died yesterday, at Dover, aged 85 years. EX-SECRETARY BLAINE arrived at his home at Augusta, Me., last evening in a special car. He is quite comfortable.

though quite sick. MR. HENRY F KEENAN has won hi suit against the Philadelphia Times to re-

LAWYER SCOVILLE says that his wife never handled the poisoned bouquet intended for Guiteau, the assassin, and that John W. Guiteau received it from the florist's hands.

JAMES G. BLAINE has contributed fifty dollars to the fund for a monument to the late Senator Benjamin H. Hill. This is said to be the first subscription to the fund from any prominent public man in the North.

versation between himself and a member

A Million in Charitable Bequests. John H. Swift, formerly a merchant of New York city, died in May, 1881, leaving a will, wherein he made bequests to relatives and friends, and also gave to various religious and educational societies be. quests amounting to nearly \$1,000,000. Yesterday a suit was begun in the supreme court for a judicial construction of the will. The estate will not realize over \$200,000.

STEALING \$300 A WEEK.

THEFT'S RUNNING UP TO THOUSANDS. Seven Men Arrested for Robbing a Firm is

Philadelphia-Store Porters in the

Conspiracy. Henry C. and Frank Slaughter, of No. 751 South Twentieth street; Charles Culleny, of No. 1440 Etting street ; Samuel Vauz, of 910 South Twenty-second street : of his state at heart; give the subject im-mediate attention. See that your own tax street; William S. Bower, of No. 2002 Nicholson street, and Joseph R. Palmer. of Eighteenth and Wallace streets, were arraigned before Magistrate South, at the Central station, in Philadelphia, the first three named to answer the charge of larceny, and the others for receiving stolen goods. All the prisoners waived a hearing and were required to enter \$1,000 bail

Henry C. Slaughter is employed as en-gineer in the wall paper manufactory of Messrs. Howell Brothers, Sixth street, below Market, and his brother and Cullenny occupied positions as porters in the same house. Several weeks ago Lieutenant Markoe and Special Officer Taite were informed that goods were being carried out of Howells' store early in the morning. The two officers kept a watch on the place and were very soon convinced that the three men were plundering the firm by

Up to this time the firm knew nothing about the action of the police, and their astonishment can be better imagined than described when Lieutenant Markoe on Saturday paid them a visit and made known the result of his investigations. On Monday morning Special Officer Taite visited the Central station and procured warrants, upon which all the accused were taken into custody.

The case proves to be one of the most important unearthed by the police for a long time, and from present indications it appears that the thefts of the three men will run into \$70,000. It was the duty of Henry C. Slaughter to obtain the keys of the establishment each morning to open t. His brother accompanied him, and Culleny was a partner. The men had duplicate keys made, and early in the morning, three times each week, they would go to the store and remove about \$100 worth of goods at a time. Then they would visit the residence of the employer, who held the proper keys and obtain them. By this means they avoided suspicion and for eight years have defied detection.

Vanz, one of the accused, was formerly driver in the employ of Howell Brothers but was discharged, and it is claimed that his paper store is stocked with the stolen goods. Bower, another prisoner, it is said has made an offer of \$1,000 if the prosecution would not push his case.

ADELAIDE PHILLIPS.

Death of the Well Known Singer in Franc A London dispatch announces that Miss Adelaide Phillips died at the hot springs in the south of France on Wednesday, She had gone there two months ago, hoping for medical assistance, having been in poor health for six months previous. She began her professional career on the stage of the Boston museum, and has been well known as an actress and singer for a quar-

ter of a century.

Adelaide Phillips was of English birth, made her first apppearance at the Museum iu 1843, at the age of ten, as Little Pickle. Afterward she appeared as a juvenile dancer at Barnum's Museum, New York. where she was announced as "the child of Avon," she having been born at Stratford. Her first appearance in Philadel-phia was at the Walnut street theatre, Culy 17, 1846, as Rosa, in "John of Paris." She was gifted with a good presence and a fine contralto voice, to the cultivation of which she devoted much study, and in 1856, at the Academy of Music, New York, she made her debut in Italian opera as Azucena, in "Il Trovatore." She con tinued to play the same part, and among all the many impersonations we have had of the unfortunate gypsy mother, none has been more conspicuous or is better remembered by opera-goers. In 1861 she appeared at the Paris Italian opera in this same part under the name of Mile. Fillippi. After some years she left the stage church engagements in Boston, where she | yesterday. Loss, \$15,000. was very highly esteemed, personally as well as professionally. Three or four years ago she reappeared in the Boston 'Ideal Pinafore," and subsequently traveled with that company in other operas, playing Futanitza and two or three like parts. Last season ill health compelled her to leave the company and some of her roles were taken by her sister, Matilda. Miss Phillips was a well-educated musician and one of the three or four American contraltos who have gained a high place on the stage.

SCRAMBLE FOR A LEGACY.

Over Twenty Claimants to a Bequest of Dr. Scott Stewart. Over twenty claimants will be represented in Philadelphia at the audit of the account of the executor of the will of the late Dr. Scott Stewart to,demand \$2,000 each under a clause of the will, which gave that amount to the "children of Robert Gay, of Aughedella, county of Tyrone, Ireland, and Eliza, his wife, formerly Eliza Stowart, who may apply for the same within twelve months after my decease." The Pennsylvania company for insurance on lives and granting annuities was the executor, and, in pursuance of a provision of the will have studiously advertised for claimants ever since Dr. Stewart's death in June, 1881, in Philadelphia, Southern, Western and Irish newspapers. Responses have been re-

ceived from every quarter. The Trust company has claims from John and William Gay, first cousins of Robert Gay's children; William Gay, of Aughedella, Ireland; an orphan girl, niece of the first Gay; children of Robert Gay, in Kingwood, West Virginia; Thomas M. Brown, of Taylorstown, "whose mother was a Gay and a possible relative; John G. Sayres, of West Liberty, Ohio county, W. Va., "a possible relative;" "a connection of the family," by Robert Morrison, of Pittsburgh; John Gay; of Kingston, Ireland; Eliza Stewart, of Harrisburg, Pa., who had an uncle Robert Gray and aunt Betsey Gray, her mother being a rery nee Gray, of Lavola county, Texas, "dsughter of Robert Gray and Eliza Stewart;" William S. Gay, of Henry county, Tennessee, and Edwin H. Smith Richmond, Va., whose wife was a grand-

daughter of Robert Gay. Other claimants who have placed themselves at the tender mercy of private counsel are J. G. Gay, of Coatsville, Pa. : William Gay, a grandson of Robert Gay, who resides in Belfast, Ireland, and is represented by Attorney-at Law Patton, and five others residing in the West whose papers will be presented at the audit by Lawyer Arthur M. Burton.

WACKERLE INSURANCE CASE.

The suit of Walburger Wackerle against he renewed the charges, and Colton, it is the New York Mutual life insurance com- said will go for gore. pany ended in St. Louis in a verdict for the plaintiff. There was some surprise in the crowded court room when it was announced that the jury had found a verdict, as it was generally believed that the agreement would not be reached so easily. ment would not be reached so easily. Jackson, O., by John Jackson, 20 years old, who robbed his victim of \$16. Jackson intense and when the foregreen read (CIV) intense and when the foreman read, "We says he wented the money to give to a the jury find for the plaintiff and assess wom, in Hull died yesterday.

the damages at \$6,300 on the first count \$206.99 on the second," there was a mur-mured feeling of satisfaction, for it is un-deniable that those who had watched the case closely were decidedly of the opinion that the widow had fully made out her case. Mrs. Wackerle took the matter quite coolly, and one would not have thought she had so great a stake in the result. The only feeling she exhibited was when her counsel shook hands with her and congratulated her. Her face flushed somewhat as she attempted to reply, but was unable to express her thanks. The defendant's attorney signified his intention of taking an appeal to the supreme court, as the amount of damages assessed gives him that privilege. After the verdict was made known there was a general inquiry as to whether the Wackerle claiman would be arrested for perjury and fraud So far as was learned, however, no steps

have been taken to arrest the man calling himself William Wackerle. HE CAPTURED A PEPUT. Fifty Citizens of Allentown Trying to Lass An old lunatic, named Schweitzer, took possession of the Lehigh Valley depot at Allentown, and held it for an hour. He carried an axe and went behind the counter at the restaurant. When ordered out he showed fight and brandished the axe. A crowd gathered and various expedients were tried to induce the old man to leave and surrender the axe. He was full of fire. His eyes flashed and no one dared approach him. Coaxing and persuading failed to move him. They then tried to scare him, but there was no scare in him. When anyone approached him he raised the axe threateningly and defied them. To frighten him some one pulled out a revolver and pointed t at him, but he only laughed mockingly. He then entered the ladies' department and the women fled in terror. Ropes were then procured and several attempts were made to lasso him, but he was too quick for them and dexterously

warded off the rope. A window was then raised back of the madman, and while his attention was thus diverted other attempts were made to lasso him. Between closing the window and grappling with the ropes his back was turned toward part of the crowd and a man sprang on the counter and pounced on the old man, throwing him down. He was promptly disarmed and firmly bound. After awhile he became calmer, and later in the morning was returned to the almshouse. He is a rag picker, about 70 years old, and while known to be weak-minded was not considered violent. He had possession of the depot for a full hour and kept fifty men at

NEWS MISCELLANY.

l'aragraphic Points of the Day's Doings The National Beekeepers' society yesterday, at Cincinnati, selected Toronto, Canada, as the place of the next meet-

Rocco Notta was yesterday, at Provi lence, R. I., convicted of the murder of Achille Di Robbia, and sentenced to state prison for life. The jewelry store of S. B Turner, at

Bremen, Ind., was broken into by burglars on Tuesday night, and stock valued at \$4,000 was stolen. The dead body of Luke Coyne, a resident of Bridgeport, Conn., was yesterday

Foul play is suspected. Thomas H. Taylor, aged 50 years, was yesterday found dead in bed, at No. 256 West Tenth street, New York. Some days ago he quarrelled with a rough named Edward McGuire, who brutally

beat him. The trustees and directors of the Peabody educational fund met yesterday at New York, when General Agent Curry made his report, showing that since Oct. 1, 1881, \$80,334.41 had been distributed of the income of the fund. The Fire Becord.

The Driard house, at Victoria, B. C. the largest hotel in the province, was de stroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, \$30,000. A fire at Anita, Iowa, yesterday destroyed 11 houses, about half the business por tion of the town. Loss, \$20,000. Downey & Preston's railway elevators,

at Belleville, Ont., containing about six and devoted herself to concert singing and thousand bushels of grain, were burned Hawley & Son's sash factory and J. C McLarin's notion factory, at Montreal,

were burned last night. The former's loss is \$20,000 and the latter's \$25,000. John Robson, of Rochester, Pa., a pilot was scalded to death on Tuesday by the explosion of a steam pipe on the towboat Fred Wilson, at Vevay Island, above Ghent, Ky. Caught in a Bolt and Killed.

A terrible accident occurred at the Reading hardware works, in Reading, resulting in the instant death of Isaac E Robinson, foreman of the machine department. He was repairing a large belt and threw one end over the shaft which in some way caught and Mr. Robinson's hand was caught by the other end. The shaft was running at the rate of one hundred revolutions per minute. Mr. Robinson was drawn up and whirled around the shaft at a terrible rate, his head and feet striking the ceiling at every revolution. Every bone in his body was broken and one arm torn off. Mr. Robinson was about 43 years old and leaves a wife and three children.

Electric Light Tragedy. James Stainters, a lineman in the employ of the Brush electric light company, accidentally received a shock from a line which he was adjusting and was almost instantly killed. He was at work at the top of a pole making a new connection for the wire. When he received the shock he did not fall to the ground, his foot being caught in the line. He was taken down, but died shortly after being carried to the station house. The skin on the palms of both hands was hanging in strips as though it had been seared off with a hot iron, and the man's face in death bore a look of intense agony. He was a married

Opening New Coal Fields. Jacob E. Ridgway and William V. Mc. Grath, of Philadelphia, were both in Uniontown to attend a meeting of the Redstone coal company, which owns about 3,500 acres of coalalong the new Redstone branch of the Pittsburgh, Virginia & native of county Tyrone;" Mrs. C. Per- Charleston railroad. The company are giving the railroad company the privilege to build a station on part of their ground. The coal company will soon develop their territory, which has been useless till the deputy United States revenue collector at new railroad was built. Westmoreland and Fayette county capitalists are interested with Ridgway and McGrath in the

A Fighting Politicisn and a Peaceful Editor A fracas occurred between R. B. Brown editor of the Evening Observer, Erie, and G W. Colton, a prominent politician and assistant attorney general at Harrisburg. Feeling aggrieved at certain charges made against him Colton sought Brown's sanctum for physical satisfaction, but Brown, being a Presbyterian elder as well as a

A Murderous Assault Last Saturday Samuel Hull, a wealthy citizen, was murderously assaulted while at work in an ore pit four miles east of

THE LATEST NEWS.

STEPHENS SWEEPS BIS STATE.

Elected Governor of Georgia by Fifty Thous and Majority-The Connecticut Democracy-Eillott at Hending. The state election in Georgia passed off

quietly. The vote about the average. The negroes did not vote solidly for Gen Lucious J. Gartrell, Independent Democratic candidate, who was indorsed for governor by two Republican conventions during the past two weeks. Alexander H. Stevens made several speeches, and the state was thoroughly canvassed by a number of popular speakers. Gartrell ran as an Independent Democrat, and had little help from prominent men in this county. Nearly 6000 votes were polled and Stevens has 500 majority. Ferguson, Independent, defeats Hoyt, the Democratic nominee, in the state senatorial district The counties polling the heaviest negro vote are not yet heard from, but the returns received up to midnight show that Stephens has swept the state by from 40,000 to 50,000, The Legislature is entirely Democratic with the exception of about 20 Independents and three or four

It is conceded that Governor Colquitt will be elected to the Senate as the successor to Ben Hill. His chief opponent Chief Justice Jackson, but enough known of the complexion of the Legislature to assure Colquitt's majority in both branches. Stephens will be inaugurated in November.

CONNECTICUT DEMOCRATS. M. Waller of New London, Nominated The Connecticut Democratic convention met in Hartford, and was organized by the appointment of James G. Gallagher, of New Haven, temporary chair-man. Mr. Gallagher criticised the internal revenue law and its oppressive operation in match and tobacco taxes. Hon. William Hamersly, of Hartford, was made chairman of the committee on resolutions. At noon the convention took a recess of half an hour, after which Mr. Gallagher was made permanent president. The resolutions assert the supremacy of the general government within range of its power, the independence of the states in the wise exercise of all powers not assigned to the general government, and declare persistent opposition to all strained interpretations of the power named in the Federal constitution. They advocate strict economy in the expenditure of publie moneys and the restriction of appro priations from the national treasury te objects clearly of a national character, a revision of the internal revenue law and of the tariff that shall reduce taxation so that the revenue shall not exceed the present needs of the government.

The result of the informal ballot for gov ernor is as follows: Thomas M. Waller, of New London, 208; L. B. Morris, 109; E. A. Brick, 52; scattering 9. Mr. Waller, having received a majority of the votes cast, he was declared the nominee by acclamation. For lieutenant governor the convention nominated George G. Sumner, of Hartford; for secretary of state, D. Ward Northrup; for treasurer, Dr. Alfred R. Goodrich and for controller. Thomas R. Sanford.

The platform approved the president's found on the bank of a stream near that the Republican administration for its alleged extravagance.

Elliott at Reading. Mortimer F. Elliott, Democratic caudidate for congressman-at-large, and Wm. S. Stenger, of Chambersburg, came to Reading on Wednesday and were taken in hand by a number of prominent members of the party, among them Congressman Ermentrout and Senator Sherer. They held a reception in the Keystone house parlors and addressed a meeting in the grand opera house. County Chairman Harris presided. The evening's meeting was the opening one of the Democratic campaign in that city. The Cameron method of conducting the political affairs of the state formed the speakers' principle theme. The Americus and Keystone clubs, each forty members strong, attended the meeting in a body. Mr. Elliott was particularly severe on Cameron for setting up new parties in the shape of la boring organizations and then bartering for the votes of workingmen. He warned the latter to beware of all such traps and to stick to the Democratic party, which, he claimed, was their only friend, and all the large corporations sided with the Re-

publicans.

Can Beaver Answar This ? Philadelphia Chronicle-Herald. He has put forth no new ideas; he has left no definite impress on the canvass he has been as a child in the hands of the bosses; he was kept out of the joint discussion with Stewart by them because they knew that he was no match for that trained debater; he has refused to explain his record at Chicago; he has not discussed the platform on which he stands, except in uttering silly platitudes; not a word has escaped from him on the assessment outrage; he has been as silent as the grave on the spoils system; he has not had the moral courage to step forward and vindicate his manhood and integrity, as would any statesman with any show of defense to make; he has sunk all personal pride in his hotheaded eagerness to be governor of this state by the grace of boss favor.

JUDGE FIELD'S ESCAPE.

An Infernal Machine Sent Him by a Disap

The approaching session of the suprem court of the United States, which begins next Monday, was the means on Wednesday of unearthing an incident in the history of Associate Justice Stephen J. Field which has probably not yet been published. Passing down the avenue a gentleman was called by a dealer in firearms, sporting traps and other paraphernalia and asked if he had seen the infernal machine that had been sent to Judge Field. He was taken into the rear of the store and the case of a daguerreotype was discovered lying open on the counter. "Examine this," said the dealer, "aud

tell me what you think of it." A close inspection showed that concoaled in this case were ten metallic cartridges, with the sides filed, exposing powder and firmly imbedded in wax. An ordinary piece of sand paper was connected with the hasp of the case, which, if opened from the front, would cause the ignition of a bundle of matches. The case, however, had been opened from the back and the infernal instrument had failed to accomplish the purpose of its design. A clipping from a newspaper pasted in the case detailed an account of a decision by Judge Field regarding the title to certain property in San Francisco, Cal., and it is supposed that the machine was the con-

trivance of some disappointed litigant. Further inquiry showed that the rack age came by mail, but was regarded with suspicion by the inmates of Judge Field's residence, and the parcel was placed over night in a pail of water. Afterwards it was pried open from behind and the dead-The Widow Obtains a Verdict for the Full any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the New York Mutual life insurance compared to list contents divulged. Had any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the New York Mutual life insurance compared to list contents divulged. Had any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the New York Mutual life insurance compared to list contents divulged. Had any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the New York Mutual life insurance compared to list contents divulged. Had any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the New York Mutual life insurance compared to list contents divulged. Had any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the new York Mutual life insurance compared to list contents divulged. Had any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the new York Mutual life insurance compared to list contents divulged. Had any kind of weapons, claiming to be a man of peace, not of war. In the evening the new York Mutual life insurance compared to life the class of the class of this spaired of the class of this life insurance compared to life the class of th have prevented the discharge of the metal-

lic cartridges. "This plaything," continued the dealer " was brought to me by a servant of Judge Field with the request that I should extract the powder from the cartridges and

filed in them by the maker of the machin I guess I don't want any public office in mine if the incumbents get such presents as these." The dealer, who also sold Guitean the fatal "bulldog," whistled cheerily as he made this last assertion.

Horribie Accident. A horrible death happened at a sawmill few miles from Norfolk, Va. Mr. Robert Ward, a prominent citizen of Princess Anne county, visited his mill at Nimmo church for some purpose, and had gone into the upper part of the building, over the saw, which was in motion, and stepped on a board laid across the joists. He was in the act of pushing heavily at some object over his head when the board gave way, precipitating him to the floor below and across the log carriage immedi-

ately in front of the saw. The swiftly re-

volving steel cut through the flesh and bones of the unfortunate man's neck, almost completely severing the head. An Extraordinary Unse. A correspondent of the London Standard tells how the Paris police recently unearthed an individual of a most extraordinary type, an old man M. Leblond, who had been arrested for complicity in a crime. "His miserable dress and generally

wreched appearance induced the that he was a homeless vagabond. The police were, however, much puzzled by the fact that he was in pessession of a number of important-looking keys. Hav-ing extracted from Leblond his address, M. Mace, the chief of police, accompanied him to the house indicated. To M. Mace's astonishment he found that this was one of the largest mansions in the quarter of Camp Elysees. In reply to the inquiries, Leblond stated that it belonged to his family for over a century, and that he himself had lived there without any servant, male or female for the past fifteen years, his explanation being that he was a misanthrope. On entering the house and opening the shutters M. Mace found it full of the most costly furniture, with a collection of old pictures clocks and other objects of art. In the principal bed room was an antique rosewood bedstead, the bed of which was cov ered with books and engravings. Upon the floor was a mattress with dirty linen, the nightly resting place of this modern Diogenes. Everything was covered with dust and dirt. On proceeding into another part of the mansion M. Mace found a small theatre with scenery and costumes. M. Leblond states himself to be entitled to a revenue of £4,000 a year. He is to be subjected by the authorities to an examination in lunacy. Whether Leblond is his true name remains to be

THE OPERA.

Strauss' " Merry War " Last Evening. The first rendition in this city of Johann Strauss' newest operatic celebrity of "A Merry War," by Mr. Chas. E. Ford's right an audience of fairly good numbers. The work is replete with good points that are likely to win it an extended popularity. Though its music is distinctly less tuneful than that of Sullivan, the opera contains a number of delicious airs, among which a waltz measure in the composer's best vein s prominent, and the sharply accentuated quickly makes itself at home with the heads that it required concurrent nearer. The climaxes are skillfully developed and exceedingly effective, and the interest of the opera is so well sustained that when the curtain falls the spectator feels as though his pleasure had been unduly cut short. The musical merit of the vulgarity.

The presentation of the opera by Mr. Ford's company was in all respects a of a single penny of the city funds. competent one. The leading female roles were well done by Miss Marie Bockel, Miss Blanche Chapman and Miss Genevieve Reynolds. The first named lady was never in better voice, and her solos evoked the genuine cuthusiasm of her audience. The quality of her acting like her vocal proved since her last appearance here, and she quickly won favor that did not wane as the performance proceeded. Miss Chapman in the character of a German peasant woman, was quite a revelation and proved the versatility of her talent by her elever rendition of the role, as well vocally as dramatically, while Miss Reynolds' amazonian presence and rich contralto voice lent the desired spirit to the performance of her part. Of the Mr. Philip Branson's robust voice men planter with real comedy effect. Mr. Drew was thoroughly satisfactory in his us for a long time.

ORDERING TWO COFFINS.

The Sad Greeting a Millersville Student Re-ceived on His Return Home. succession of unusual circumstances followed the death of a wife and mother in Tower City, Schuylkill county, and occasioned profound sorrow in that neighborhood for the afflicted family. On Saturday morning last Mrs. A. B. Evans, the wife of a well known merchant, died after an illness of two weeks. Mr. Evans began making arrangements for the funeral of his wife, and visited the establishment of Undertader Dreisigacker to select a coffin. He desired one made of poplar; but the undertaker had only two caskets on hand, both of rosewood Mr. Dreisigacker, however, expressed his willingness to immeliately order a casket that would suit. Mr. Evans examined the casket for a few minutes. Finally, pointing to one of that business engagements would require them, he said; "That one will do for my wife," and, laying his hand on the other : This one for me." He then returned home to await the arrival of his son Milton a student in the normal school at Millersville, who had been notified by telegraph on the previous evening of his mother's dangerous illness. The young man arrived etween 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. His father met him with the intention of breaking as gently as possible the news ---." Without concluding the sentence he gave a convulsive shudder and fell

mother, united in death, to their last resting place. The death of both parents band. Let there be a full turnout of the proved a severe shock to Sybille, a local Democracy. spaired of. Mr. Evans was well-known among the merchants of that town. He kept two general stores in Tower City, where he carried on a successful bustness. He was formally in business Pottsville.

Sunday School Anniversary. The fifteenth anniversary of Christ Ev-I have succeeded in prying out all the cartridges and am removing the powder through the hole day evening, Oct. 6, at 7:30 o'clock. NOT MUCH BUSINESS.

the outober meeting of councils.

Antricles Sathering of the City Fathers Reports and Petl tons-The Gasol Enfety Ordinance Passed.

The regular monthly meeting of city ouncils was held last evening. In select council the following n members were present : Messrs. Baldwin, Bitner, Brown, Evans, Wise, Zecher and Borger, president. The minutes of last meeting were read

and approved. The monthly report of the city treasure and receiver of taxes was presented and read. It shows the receipts of the past month to have been \$2,150.76; the payments \$9,555.39; the balance in the treas. ury \$54,474.08.

The monthly report of the finance comment of bills examined and passed, or referred to the solicitor.

The monthly reports of street and water committees were presented and read. They contain nothing that has not heretofore been published in the news-

Mr. Baldwin presented a petition from the owners of the Commtogs steam mills asking permission to lay a railroad siding on the east side of Water street, opposite the mills, and extending south across Conestogs street and connecting with the railroad on the property of the railroad, a short distance below. To by the siding will require the removal of the main track of the railroad a few feet west, and this the railroad is willing to do ; and the mill owners agree to plank the cress-ing at Conestoga street and keep it in good repair. On motion the prayer of the petitioners was granted. Common council concurred.

The following petitions of citizens were presented and referred: By Mr. Zecher-For a street lamp on the west side of North Queen street, above

the Pennsylvania passenger depot.

By Mr. Bitser—For grading and gutter ing Pine street. After concurring in some matters from

common council, select council adjourned. Common Council. In the absence of President Davis, Mr Hurst was called to the chair and the fol-

lowing named members were present : Messrs. Albright, Buchanan, Cormeny, Cox, Dinkelberg, Eaby, Everts, Goodman, Hartley, Hurst, McKillips, McLaughlin, Power Riddle, Schum Skeen, Smeych.

Petitions were presented as follows: By Mr. Schum: The petition of S. S. Spencer, representing Farnum & Co., set-ting forth that they are desirous of constructing a siding on Water street to con-nect with the Quarryville railroad at Conestoga street, but the main track is so close to their property that there is no room to make the siding unless the main track is moved a few feat. The railroad Merry War," by Mr. Chas. E. Ford's company are willing to move their main company, drew to Fulton opera house last track to accommodate Farnum & Co., who are to lay planks between the rails at Conestoga street, and keep the same in order. The petition was granted.

By Mr. Everts : To lay a water main on Low street, between Christian and Strawberry. Referred to the water committee. By Mr. Riddle : For earbs on the south side of Frederick street between Duke march movements that appear at frequent street and Cherry alley, in order that the veto of the river and harbor bill, favors intervals in the score add a piquancy that | cirizens may lay pavements. Referred to with the spirit of the piece. There are also have the work done, after the members some uncommonly good concerted pieces, had indulged in a rambling debate in notably a lively quintet in the first act and which they succeeded in airing their una duet in the third, which is delightful, familiarity with the ordinary procedure of while a little song set to mazourka councils. A good many of the councilm time catches the ear readily and as found it difficult to get it through their both branches of the city legislature to order a committee to do work involving an expenditure of money. They wrestled long and laboriously with the subject and emerged from the heat of debate in possibly denser darkness than when they first opera is not, however, enhanced by the took hold of it. A diligent atudy of the libretto, which is generally coarse and at city ordinances ought to satisfy the most times the situations treuch strongly on obtuse understanding that a single beauch of councils is powerless to instruct a committee to do any work requiring the outlay

Mr. Cox presented the report of the fire committe for the past month, stating that the Hayes truck had been ordered and the contract signed with the LaFrance company; that the committee had passed negatively on the proposed amendment to the ordinance to reorganize the fire departaccomplishments has if anything im- ment, and made the following changes in the force of the department : Benjamin Biehl was appointed to the position of tillerman of the truck; George W. Latz, who had tendered his resignation as a ladderman of truck A, withdrew it and will remain a member of the fire department. John R. Givler was elected ladderman, to take the place of Biehl, promoted. John Kreekel was elected hoseman of company

No. 1, instead of Joseph Widmyer, resigned. Mr. Eaby offered a resolution to have a sounded to advantage, though he might slate roof put on the old market house on have been a little better posted in his West King street. Referred to the propslate roof put on the old market house on part. Mr. Denham gave the Dutch tulip erty committee, with instructions to have the work done.

Common council ordinance No. 2 to part, while the chorus was strong and nicely balanced. The costuming was rich within the limits of the city was taken up, and the presentation of the opera as a read a second and third times and unani-whole was the best Mr. Ford has given mously adopted. The text of the bill is mously adopted. The text of the bill is as follows :

An Ordinance to Regulate the Storage of Gaz-oline or Naphtha within the timits of the City of Lancaster: SECTION I. Be it ordained by the select and common councils of the city of Lancaster, that hereafter no per-on or persons shall, within the limits of the city of Lancaster, keep any case the or naphtha in jarger grant within the limits of the city of Lancaster, keep any gaso ine or naphtha in larger quantities than one barrel, unless the same shall be stored in a brick or stone building.

SEC. 2. That the said gasoline and naphtha shall not be exposed on any lots or vacant pleces of ground within said cay. Nor shall any of said articles be ever kept in any frame outhouse or stable.

onthouse or stable.

SEC. 3. If any person or persons violate any of the sections of this ordinance, he, she or they shall herefeit and pay the sum of not less than twenty dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars; one half of which penalty shall go to the informer and the other half be paid. into the city treasury.
In select council the ordinance was also

adopted, Messra. Bitner and Zecher voting Mr. Hartley presented a communication from Councilman Adam H. Frost, stating his absence from the city for the period of two or months, and asking to be excused from attendance upon the meetings for

that time. On motion, the request was granted. Common council then adjourned.

The Democratic Mass Meeting To-night The Democracy of Lancaster will tonight have the opportunity of hearing the issues of the state campaign discussed by Chauncey F. Black, candidate for lieutenof the mother's death. Grasping his son Chauncey F. Black, candidate for lieuten-by the hand, he said: "Your mother is ant governor, Mortimer F. Elliott, candidate for congressman-at-large, and ex Congressman Wm. 8. Stenger, of Franklin county. They are all finished speakers On Tuesday afternoon the husband and and sound Democratic doctrine as well as wife were laid side by side in the pretty just criticism of Republican methods may little cemetery at Tower City. A vast be looked for. A reception will be given concourse of friends and neighbors fol- them at the Hiester house at 7 o'clock, lowed the remains of the father and after which they will be escorted in pro-

No Democrat should fall to pay his state or county tax on or before Saturday, as that is the ia-t day on which it can be paid to entitle him to vote. The tax is a mere trifle for non property holders—only 25 cents for married and 50 cents for single

Held for Postage. A letter addressed to "Stevens Bros., Northford, Conn.," is held at the Lancas-ter postoffice for want of a stamp.

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