

Lancaster Intelligencer.

SATURDAY EVENING DEC. 16, 1887.

Great Speculators' Testimony.

The New York Senate committee, which is seeking information upon speculation from speculators, seems to be conducting the investigation very comfortably, both to itself and the distinguished operators who are its witnesses.

There is a hint for the holidays in the suggestion of London Truth that "half the interest a child takes in a doll is the dressing and undressing of it." And then it remarks that with most dolls this is impossible.

In his testimony yesterday before the investigating committee of the New York senate, Jay Gould stated the interesting scientific fact that where the great American desert used to be, by reason of no rain fall, it has been found that the region of rain moves west about twenty miles a year, and that would bring in that strip every year.

THE Sun publishes what is supposed to be a "pome," alleged to have been addressed by a gilded youth of New York to a foreign artist.

A correspondent of the World calls attention to the great injustice done to the alleged author of these lines.

Down in Stokes county, N. C., a man wanted to move, but couldn't afford to take his wife with him, so a bachelor neighbor obligingly took her off his hands, paying the husband \$500 for his new found treasure.

We have frequently had occasion to mention the strong Hoosier spirit that permitted no barriers to stand in the way of matrimonial intentions and which has been illustrated in many romantic episodes that have become part of Indiana's history.

Some of our esteemed contemporaries think that declarations from candidates for speaker on the question of what reforms ought to be effected at Harrisburg "can have no more weight" than declarations from other members.

THE Democratic newspapers of Pennsylvania, which never before did any better work than in the last campaign, with one accord approve and emphasize the demand that the pledges of the campaign, upon which the victory was won, shall be faithfully kept.

JAY GOULD ON CORNERS.

STOCK SPECULATION A GOOD THING.

It brings Better Prices to Producers, Attracts Money to This Country, and Only Injures a Few Individuals.

Jay Gould appeared as a witness before the Senate committee on grain corners on Friday. He said he was in the railway business as a manager of railroads, and had been such for twenty years.

The London Standard describes the execution of a woman in Hungary, of a peasant woman from Szardahely, named Lyukas Kathia, for a series of crimes which had excited universal horror.

THE effect of dealing in futures of stocks upon the general welfare is insignificant, owing to the fact that few options are dealt in.

Among those who came from Carlisle on Wednesday night to witness "The Queen's Last Haunaukerchief," at the opera house, was a gentleman and his wife, who remained over night at a prominent hotel.

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WELL DONE.

THE Y. M. C. A. SUBSCRIPTION CLOSED.

Full Amount Subscribed to Defray the Indebtedness Upon the Property of the Association.

It is a pleasant duty to report the full amount subscribed that was needed to meet the entire indebtedness upon the real estate of the Young Men's Christian association and its valuable library and reading room.

The list of subscribers given herewith could not be printed in full, but the directory by one family in Lancaster, but it does not include all the good names that would be here had it been found necessary to increase the amount.

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THE QUARTER SESSIONS.

DISPATCHING THE CURRENT BUSINESS.

Edward Wagner Acquitted of Rape—Mr. Joy's Disorderly Days—Five of Them Brought Before Court.

Friday afternoon.—In the case of the Com'l vs. Edward Wagner, charged with rape, L. Strenitz, esq., of the counsel for the commonwealth, began the closing speech, at the opening of which he spoke until shortly after 4 o'clock.

It was found that the case of William Munroe, who is also charged with rape, could not be reached, and was continued to the first day of the January court.

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