The Democrats of the House have de-

The Speakership.

c ared their confidence in Mr. Faunce by naming him speaker by a large majority. By his parliamentary experience h: is the best qualified man in the House to preside over it, and this was a prime consideration in naming the speaker. It is a place of great difficulty, which requires knowledge and special adaptation of character to successfully fill. Not

long ago the Democrats, being in a majority, selected an inexperienced man for speaker, and suffered severely for it. They will not thus suffer under Mr. Faunce, whom we do not doubt will discharge his duty properly in all its relations, and in accord with the pro nounced spirit of the party and the times. It does not require a great deal of sagacity to keep a public man in the straight path in these days. His course is plainly marked out for him, and there is no crooked turn in it. . In the present revolution the people are up. Democracy has asserted itself. There is no dauger of present trouble from bosses. The vigilance which is the price of liberty is aroused, and the rights of the people are reasonably safe in any intelligent hands. There is no politician so dull as not to read the popular impulse and to recognize its strength, nor so obstinate and foolish as to refuse to heed it. Even Senator Cameron has come to appreciate it, and when he is taught everyone else must have learned. The Republican senators did not even venture on a cau cus; which has heretofore been a fun damental party institution and the fulcrum of the bosses. Though the Stalwart senators are in the majority they did not assume to coerce the votes of the Independents upon the theory, which has all along been held to be a political axiom, that it was their political duty to yield to the voice of the majority of their party associates. Whatever may be the outcome of the Repub lican tangle in the Senate, the people of the state may congratulate themselves that their interests are safe. It does Stalwart or Independent gets the upper hand in the struggle in the Senate. A Stalwart chairman will be as innocuous as any other. The claws of the bosses have been cut, and for the nonce they are as innocent as lambs, It is really wonderful how the wild beasts have disappeared from the forests, and how peaceful the adjacent pasture fields are in which the shepherds tend their flocks. The wolves have put on sheeps' clothing and sheepish hearts and don't ask for anything more than sheeps pasture. The shepherds are having an easy time of it.

Unjust Accusations.

The day's chronicle is full of the record of sudden deaths. Commissioner Baldwin dies in the street and another Philadelphian dies at his table while speaking of the death of Baldwin, his friend. The dean of the diplomatic for the inauguration, that a check was atcorps dies in the White House, after at- tempted by a late and imperfect issuance tending to his duty of making the New of the Year presentation of the diplomats to ployment of an additional force the president. Gambetta's death, though policemen, but unsuccessfully. At 10 not so unforeseen, still comes with sud fill and a grand rush was made for the denness to enforce the impression of the | Senate chamber the scene of the proposed exceeding uncertainty of life.

Mr. Baldwin's death was particularly sad, since there is no room to doubt that it was immediately caused by the mental anguish to which he has been subjected, under the charges against him, which were in their graver accusations unjust to him. He was not only earnest desire to do his official duty. He was chargeable with mistakes, but not with dishonest intentions; his death goes a great way in his defense; for a man | floor of the chamber at this time was also | Upon being told no he replied : "It is with a nature so sensitive to reproaches as his is seen to be could not well have been the persistent wrong-doer ly dressed ladies. Miss Cornell, Mrs. Adjuto those who are ever ready to charge evil upon their neighbors and to believe it of them without sufficient cause. One of the great evils of the day is the habit of defamation which is current. It naturally runs strongly along in political circles with the reform movement which is now on a high horse. So much evil doing has been uncovered in official quarters that it is readily believed to exist everywhere. The cause of reform will be injured by unjust aspersions, and there is need of greater discrimination. Eaton appeared, conducting Rev. George The newspapers especially will be sure to come under the harrow of an indignant public sentiment that will make nor-elect Cleveland arm in arm, followed them smart, if they are not more careful by their respective executive and to be sure of their spicy items of per-military staffs. In front of the clerk's sonal information before they print desk the parties separated Governor Cor-

THE death of Gambetta is assumed to lessen the chance of the stability of the republican government of France, probably because he was its recognized champion. But if it is so lightly founded that the death of one man can at all affect it, then it was too lightly built to worn with grace and dignity, and the perhave been of long endurance had he sonnel of the incoming compared favor-lived. The French people are not trusted ably with that of those whose office was lived. The French people are not trusted as good republican material, since they invocation secretary of state, Joseph B. have failed to cling to their repub- Carr, advanced and administered to Mr. lican liberty when they had it in posses. Cleveland the oath of office. Mr. Clevesion. Quite possibly the dissolution of land made a firm response, and became a loss of blood and died shortly afterwards. governor. the French republic only awaits the man and the hour; but both are likely to be sometime in coming.

P. GRAY MEEK, who has been selected as the clerk of the House, is an excellent choice. He is the editor of the Belle- ties bordering on the river fronts. Sevfonte Watchman, one of the best news- enty-one deaths from smallpox were papers in the state, and is a man of much reported for the week ending last Satur- The wife of the jailer discovered what had J. Keenav, superintendent, were as folforce and good judgment. He may be force and good judgment. He may be jail, and after a meeting of the board of visitors, over three hundred prisoners constantly and here.

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The wife of the jailer discovered what had been done and followed the crowd a short distance, firing a pistol in her efforts to stop the mob. Finding that they were stop the mob. Finding that they were estly. He is a much superior man to the Tho general impression is that the prevaordinary run of legislative officers, and lence of the disease is owing to the ineffiwill adorn the clerkship rather than be ciency and negligence of the health adorned by it. adorned by it.

GAMBETTA died from the result of a pistol shot wound in the hand, mysteri. death, Monday morning, through an over ously received. It is said there was a woman in it somewhere; and it is not Times. He was a brilliant young writer improbable, as great men are weak men, and was regarded as one of the best local and French great men particularly.

PERSONAL,

Mr. W. H. VANDERBILT will sail on Saturday next for Havana. He has told an interviewer that it is a kind of Gilpin excursion. He is on pleasure bent. GOVERNOR BUTLER'S "inauguration

dinner" will be given by the Massachusetts Democratic state central committee on the 8th intant, the auniversary of the battle of New Orleans. MAURICE POIRSON, the young pupil of

one of the most promising rising artists of France, and was held in high esteem by all his fellow professional comrades. BJORNSTERNE BJORNSON believes that he will live to a very old age. His family

is noted for longevity. His grandfather lived to be one hundred years old and retained all his faculties to the last. SENATOR LOGAN, after making a threehours' speech the other day, attended a dinner party, and then, at midnight, was

of the lightest, brightest and most grace? ful of dancers of the lancers. MISS MITCHELL, daughter of the exsenator from Oregon, is one of the most beautiful young ladies in Washington. At a recent german she wore a combination

of white satin and tulle looped with clusters of snowballs. PRINCE ARISCOAWA expects to sail from San Francisco to Japan on the 9th inst. He summed up his impressions of Amer ica for the benefit of a Chicago reporter, with the remark : "Yours is a great country and we have only the little island of

MISS M. C. THOMAS, of Baltimore, has won at the university of Zurich the degree of doctor of philosophy, "summa cum laude," the highest honor ever grant ed there. She received her elementary education in Raltimore and afterwards

graduated at Cornell university. GEN. W. H. ECTOR, who died at Texarkana a few days ago, was a man of importance on New Year's day just twenty years ago. Then he realized, as he tied up his wounds, that with Rames and Mc Nair, he had just routed a grand army, chasing thousands through the cedars of Stone's river.

PRINCESS LOUISE has regular features, fine complexion and superb shoulders, and later, but that they were unsuspected of has little or no resemblance to the old royal family, but a good deal to the house of Saxony. She has quick wit, fine in stincts, is very impulsive and very selfdenying. She has as decided a talent for housekeeping as for the fine arts, in whose practice she excels.

MME. NILSSON'S tour west of the Mississippi certainly has been successful. On her return from San Francisco she was given a reception at Denver and that reception was outdone by a later welcome not particularly matter to them whether at Kansas City. "See, the singing hero-Stalwart or Independent gets the ine comes!" might have been marked in red ink acress the issue of the Kansas City Times, which gave up a whole page to the chat about the prima donna.

SIGNOR VERDI, the veteran composer, intends to found at Busseto, in his native state of Parma, a hospital for the relief of the suffering poor. The nearest establishment of the kind is at Piacenza, some miles away, and sick or injured people on their way thither have frequently died from exhaustion. The new hospital will be called the Ospedale Verdi, and will be dent. The husband bore the terrible supplied by the founder with the neces- secret as long as he was able. Then on sary furniture, appliances, and medical Tuesday last four of the best men of the

CLEVELAND IN OFFICE.

The Inauguration Coremonies at Albany-The Executive's Address. The inauguration of Governor Cleveland,

of New York, at Albany, drew a large

number of spectators to the capital Mon-

day. It had been announced that the for-

mality of cards of admission would be dispensed with, but the throng in the building was so great long before the hour set ticket necessitated the cmo'clock the corridors and lobbics began to ceremonies. Knots of policemen were stationed at every elevator and stairway and at each of the several entrances to the she again related her story and declared Senate chamber and its galleries, but it to be true in every particular. despite the efforts looking toward discrimination the assemblage was imposed with the previously promulgated idea of informality, and as a consequence countrymen with pantaloons in boottops crushed past the bewildered doorguards, while the not a bad man, but he was really a good latter were parleying with well-known one, with honest intentions and an senators, assemblymen and officials, who in many cases gained entrance only after unimpeachable proofs of identity. At 11 o'clock the galleries were crowded, the had presented a couple of revolvers at his aisle steps being utilized for scats. The head and asked him if he was a policeman. well-filled and the space allotted to the good you are not." The sergeant warned incoming celebrities was being trespassed upon. There were present many brilliantthat he was charged with being, tant General Farnsworth and daughter and His death furnishes a needed warning others were seated on the left of the president's desk. Auditor Place, Attorney and, as they approached, bullets began to General Russell, Superintendent of Public whizz about their heads. They fired in Works Dutcher, Doctor David Murray, Secretary of the Board of Regents ; ex- the man in the back and leg. The officers Adjutant General J. B. Woodward, ex-Judge Advocate General Charles Hughes, W. S. Bissel, Governor Cleveland's law partner, and prominent senators and members of the Assembly were also scattered here and there. At ten minutes past eleven o'clock cries of "hats off" were heard in the main corridor and policemen quickly made a passageway through the swaying crowd which blocked up the main entrance. Superintendent of the Capitol for the part they took in a stabbing affray W. Dean, chaplain of the Senate, who was clad in an Episcopaliau robe. Behind

nell advanced to the right and Governorelect Cleveland to the left. The chaplain mounted to the president's desk followed by the governors, the staff being so dis-posed that the aids-de-camp met in the centre of the floor, thus forming an ellipse. All this was neatly effected, and the sceno as the chaplain offered prayer, was impressive. The gay uniforms of the new staff, duplicates of those of the old, were now expiring. At the conclusion of the

SMALLPOX.

Seventy One Deaths in Baltimore Last Smallpo is said to be very prevalent in the easter and southern sections of Baltimore, but is confined principally to locali-

An Editor's Accidental Death, Selma, Ala., was shocked by the sudden A WOMAN'S CRIMES.

HORRIBLE DEATHBED CONFESSION. Acknowledging That She Killed Her First Husband, her Child, a Man, and Tried

to Kill Her Present Husband. Mrs. Emma Stillwell, who lies on her deathbed in Waterford, Ohio, has made a most remarkable confession of crime. She states that she assisted in the murder of Cabanel, whose death is announced, was her first husband and child; that she attempted her second husband's life, and that she killed a transient boarder in the family. The confession, which was taken down from her lips, is so horrible that but for corroborating testimony it would seem more like the fancy of a diseased mind than a story of real life. The invalid, Emma Stillwell, arrived at the home of her husband's father, F. M. Stillwell, at Waterford, Nov. 13, suffering from lung disease, accompanied by her infant child nine months old. Her condition rapidly becoming worse, her husband, a freight conductor on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, at Ottumwa, Iowa, was telegraphed for and arrived home on the seventh. On the Sunday following the wife informed him that, knowing herself to be a dying woman, she had a confession to make, and imploring his pardon related her horrible tale.

She said and has repeated the statement since, that before her acquaintance with her husband she was married when fifteen years old at Maryville, Nodbury county, Mo., to Ben Swigert, to whom she had two children. In March, 1877, assisted by her brother, Chester Hoard, and her mother, she murdered her husband, whom they believed to have had considerable money. They were arrested for the crime, but were discharged for lack of evidence, the general belief being that Swigert came to his death in a drunken fit. After the death of her husband the family kept a boarding house at Maryville for some time, and a few months after the first murder the same trio murdered a transient boarder, whose name she was unable to recollect. She told what disposition was made of the body, saying that it was thrown into a deep ravine near the town where it was found nearly a year

the crime. She married her present husband, then brakeman on the Kansas, St. Joe and Council Bluffs railway, in January, 1878, the family soon after removing to Rulo. Nebraska, where she confesses that in May, 1880, she strangled their fourteenmonths-old baby named Gertrude, by the assistance of her aunt, a woman named Betsey Sumstine, for the reason that it was sickly and she thought she would have more liberty if it was dead. She described how the horrible deed was accomplished, the aunt making a strong toa from peach leaves, which she poured down the baby's throat, while the unnatural mother held the baby, assisting in its death by strangling it with her hand.

Mrs. Stillwell further informed her hor rified husband of making three different attempts to take his life, the object being to obtain a small insurance he was carrying in her favor, and related details which leave no doubt in his mind that his life was saved each time by the merest acciighborhood, including a minister and a justice of the peace, were called in and the confession repeated to them, the wife signing the statement. The mother of the woman received fatal injuries in a railroad accident in March, 1881, while traveling from Rulo to Ottumwa, the wife says, for the avowed purpose of concocting a plan to kill her present hus

band. A letter was received by Mr. Stillwell from Chester Hoard, the woman's brothe: dated December 20, in which he expressed the utmost anxiety to know if his sister was dead, and if she had told anything about him, saying he could not rest until he heard. The woman is very weak and can scarcely speak above a whisper, and when requested to repeat her story to a correspondent was greatly alarmed, fearing that officers were present to arrest her. Upon being assured that they were friends

SHOT BY A POLICEMAN.

xchanging Shots With Fellow-Officers o At 12 o'clock Monday night a man ap peared at the Tenth district station house, Philadelphia, to which Officer Jarvis, the victim of the Rusk twins, belongs, and calling the sergeant of police outside informed him that a man on Front street the officers and before they reached Front street they heard shots fired. Sub-officer Mulvey was fired upon and only saved his life by dropping down behind a horse trough. The officers hastened to the spot return, Officer Mulvey's shots wounding eventually succeeded in surrounding and overpowering the man, who was found to be John Coughlin, who gave his residence at 214 Jefferson street. He was taken to the station, and, being found intoxicated, was put into a cell and locked up, it being thought that his wounds were not dangerous. Coughlin is known to the police as a desparate character. About one year ago he and "Reddy " McCarty were arrested at Second and Master streets, in which four or five men were wounded.

It is more generally believed, however, that Mulvey was mistaken for Officer Jarvis, on whose beat he was and for whom he was acting as a substitute. The report, it is said, got around that Jarvis was sufficiently cured to resume work.

A MURDERER MOBBED.

Taken From the Jall at Tazeweil Court House and Riddled With Bullets.

Information has just reached Abington, Va., that Bluford Smith, colored, was taken from the jail at Tazewell Court House last Saturday night by a mob and riddled with bullets. On Saturday, December 24, Smith and a young white man Charles Kinser, had a dispute about a woman. The negro drew a knife and stabled Kinser several times. Although fearfully wounded Kinzer made a desperate effort to defend himself. He drew a pistol and followed the assailant some distance, but fell to the ground from the Smith attempted to escape, but was arrested by Mr. Jenkins, the editor of the intense excitement and threats of lynching | back. the negro were freely indulged in. Saturday night about half-past one a mob visited the jail. While some of their number attracted the attention of the jailer the balance of the crowd secured Jan. 1st to Dec. 31, 1882, as reported by about to be frustrated, the lynchers emp tied the contents of their revolvers into the body of the murderer. Three balis struck Smith, producing fearful wounds. The negro survived until 5 o'clock Sunday morning, when he died.

A YOUNG MOTHER'S CRIME.

Concessing to the Coroner That She Drowned Her New-Born Intant. Maria Keyser, aged 21, a handsome young woman is employed as a nurse in the family of Levi Dierolf, Long Swamp

township near Mertztown. Monday mern ing the dead body of a newly born male child was found in a creek near Dierolf's house. Dr. Wertz made a hydrostatic test and found that the infant lived after birth. The cororner and his jury visited Dierolf's house and went up stairs to Miss Keyser's bedroom. When the dead body of the child was shown her she became deeply affected and made a full confession. She said she had become a mother before day light; that she was alone at the time; that she walked about two hundered yards to a creek and threw the child in the water that it lived from the time it was born until she threw it in ; that she walked back to the house and went up stairs unassisted and then went to bed, where she still remains. She will be arrested when she can be safely removed. She makes no statement as to the paternity of the child.

PANIC IN A CHUKCH.

The Work of Some Mischievous Boys With a Cannon Two Feet Long.

During the height of watch-meeting services in the Cotton street Reformed Evangelical church at midnight, at Read ing, a panic was caused by an explosion in front of the church. A shower of broken glass fell on the congregation and in a few seconds the audience room was filled with smoke. The congregation was very large, consisting mostly of women and children. They shricked in alarm, because at the first explosion the church was shaken and the front windows were smashed. Order was finally restored before any one was tramped in the excitement. It was subsequently learned that about twenty mischievous young men had backed up a cannon two and a half feet long with a two-inch bore quite near to the front of the church. They then loaded the cannon with two pounds of powder and fired it. Owing to the force of the overcharge, the cannon was hurled with terrible force against the church, cracking the wall, shaking the building and smashing the windows. Seven of the offenders were arrested and placed under bonds for court and warrants were issued for the arrest of thirteen more.

A Disastcous New Year's Salute. At Bethlehem Samuel Houser and sev eral members of Liberty fire company met at the hosehouse of the company before midnight Sunday night, for the purpose of firing salutes in honor of the birth of the New Year. Houser was armed with a Springfield rifle. Several loads had been shot off after 12 o'clock. The rifle was loaded for the fourth or fifth time and Mr. Houser went out of the house to fire it. The rifle explode i and Mr. Houser is minus several fingers from the left hand. The stock of the ritle was shattered into splinters and the barrel was split and twisted. The flesh was torn from Mr. Houser's left hand and his fingers blown away. A surgeon amputated a portion of the hand. He Mentions Baldwin and Dies.

Samuel R. Lentz, 71 years old, died suddenly at the dinner table at his resi dence, 1324 Jefferson street, Philadelphia. Monday. He was an invalid and had been seated at the table but a few minutes, when, after making a remark about the suddenness of Commissioner Baldwin's death, he suddenly leaned back in his chair, became unconscious and died before a physician arrived. Mr. Lentz served one term as alderman of the First ward, for fillers." business. He served as a deputy collector of delinquent taxes under several re ceivers of taxes and was recently reap pointed. Two years ago he was partially disabled by an apoplectic stroke.

Killed by a Falling Window Sash. Monday morning a daughter of Perry A. Conner, of Lackawanick township, this state, aged 11 years, was sent by her mother to the house of a near neighbor to borrow a household utensil. The neighbors were not at home, and all the doors being locked the child raised a window and was partly through the opening when the sash fell. striking her on the back of the neck. The blow broke her neck, and when the mother, alarmed by her long absence, went to look for the child she found her lifeless body hanging to the window.

A Fatal Accident. At Pottsville Christian Bessler, thirteen years old, son of Gabriel Bessler, a St. Clair carpet weaver, met with instant death, Monday morning, while playing with some friends at a gin in use at a shaft on Mount Hope. The boys had wound the gin up, and while allowing it to run down young Bessler was struck by the handle and knocked down. His head struck a rock so violently that his skull was fractured, and he died before he could

be carried home. Suicide of a Massachusetts Mayor. Mayor Samuel Calley, of the city of Salem, whose term of office expired Monday, committed suicide Monday afternoon. He went home about 3 o'clock and told his family he was tired and would retire to his room and rest. His daughter went up stairs later to call him and found his liteless body hanging to the banisters of the back stairs. He had served two terms as mayor and was about fifty years old. Wife Murder in New Jersey.

Information has just been received at Easen, of a murder committed at Oxford N. J., last week. On Thursday last Chas. Foley and his wife, who kept a liquor saleon at that place, quarreled while intoxicated, and Foley struck his wife with a blunt instrument and then threw her down stairs. Mrs. Foley was unconscious until Saturday, when she died. Foley is in custody.

Black Ballots Win. At New Haven, Conn., City Clerk James P. Pigatt and Auditor John W. Lake, who were elected at the late city election, and whose election was contested by John H. Whiting, who claimed the clerkship, and Chas. Kimberley, claiming the position of auditor, on account of the "black ballots," were on Monday swern into office without opposition. Kimberley delivered the keys to Lake without pro

Influx of Chinese Women Denied. F. A. Bee, the Chinese vice consul, denies the report of the influx of disreput able Chinese women into Washington territory from British Columbia. He says only one woman has so far entered this country, and she was the wife of a Portland merchant, since the restriction law went into force. He reports 20 Chinese arrivals and 5,000 departures.

The Ford Brothers Flee From Boston. The Ford brothers, who became involv ed in a scrimmage at Horticulturall hall Boston, on Saturday evening, did not wait to be arrested as their manager agreed they should, but left on the train for New York. It is not probable that the police Jeffersonville Times. The murder created will think it worth while to bring them

The Stock Yard.

The receipts of cattle, horses, hogs and

sheep at the Lancaster stock yards from

Unpaid Records. Ex-Recorder J. P. Good, having retired from public office and being desirous of closing up his official business, has left all unpaid papers recorded by him at Alderman Spurrier's office, where those entitled to them can obtain them without extra costs, provided they lift them at once.

Sent Out. Alderman Barr sent five dranks to jail for 5 days cach.

TOBACCO NEWS.

CONDITION OF THE HOME MARKET Trade Duil and Dealers Nervous-New York and Philadelphia Markets-The Su-

matra Scare. The condition of the Lancaster market is practically unchanged. There are but few foreign buyers here and transactions are comparatively light. The sales in this city for the past week were between 200 and 300 cases of 1880 and 1881 leaf. It is reported that Mr. A. Collins, of Marietta, has sold his packing of 1880 to Messrs, Spingarn, on private terms. These are the only sales that have been reported. During the late term of damp weather our farmers took from the poles large

quantities of the '81 leaf. Perhaps onehalf of the crop was taken down, and a goodly proportion of it has been stripped. They are waiting for customers, but the customers are waiting to see what Congress is going to do relative to removing the revenue tax from domestic tobacco and placing a high import tax on foreign tobacco. Our home growers and dealers are especially nervous regarding Sumatra obacco, and many of them insist that a prohibitory tax should be placed upon it. The sentiments contained in the memorial presented by the tobacco dealers of this city are largely shared by dealers and growers throughout this county, and indeed nterested parties in all tobacco growing sections. They fear that the fine Sumatra leaf will drive the cearser American leaf out of the market. Hammerstein, of the New York Tobacco Journal, is the leader in the crusade against Sumatra. In a speech made before the New England obacco growers and dealers at Hartford

last week he said : "And now that the old time duty of 10 per cent will be done away with in Jacuary next, the importations of Sumatra already designed for the United States in the month of January next will perhaps be no less than 10,000 cases. Small, flimsy and diminutive looking as this Sumatra looks it is strong enough to strangle the tobacco culture of the United States! You will be naturally eager to know: . Why has Sumatra tobacco taken such

firm hold in this country? and "What means must be adopted to crush its approaching supremacy in the leaf trade : "The causes which brought about the

uccess of Sumatra in this country were : 1. Its fine colors and fine texture. 2. Its cheapness compared with fine seed leaf wrappers, one pound of the former

being equal to four of the latter. 3. It needs no resweating.

4. It is bought reweighed. It saves wages.

"But this tobacco has no quality. Its

good looks sell it. The American smoker as a whole is totally obvious to the quality of a cigar. He smokes because he is used to smoking. He is nervous and restless by nature. When he eats he eats quickly and without enjoyment; he smokes nervously without pleasure. Therefore as long as a cigar looks palatable and does not cause him any inconvenience, he is satisfied. A good looking bad cigar attracts him; a bad looking fine cigar he abhors. Give him a handsome cigar and tell him it is imported and he'll go into extacies over it, though the cigar may have been made in Kalamazo with mustard seed

The New York Tobacco Leaf takes a much more hopeful view of the situation. After summing up the importation of Sumatra tobacco for the past year it says: "The aggregate of these figures is a trifle over a million pounds, and we appeal to growers if it is not ludierous to be concerned about such a small item in view of the fact that our eigar and tobacco manufacturers are annually using about 80,-000,000 pounds of seed leaf. Multiply the comparative wrapping capacity of Sumatra by three or four, as may suit, and what does the whole thing amount to? Why, the talk and scare seem absurd to rational

"Go on with your work of raising good seed leaf, gentlemen growers, and you need not trouble yourselves about any foreign competitors—Sumatra, Havana, Mexican or South American. Keep together in the association you have formed and you are and will be masters of the

situation against all comers. "We judge Congress will be reluctant to perpetrate so gross a breach of international comity as to levy a duty of one dollar a pound on tobaccos coming from other countries than Cuba, and leave the Cuban tobacco duty at thirty-five cents a pound. National legislation must be con-

"In the internal revenue taxes the grower will find rather than in competing tobaccos, the main source of their present grievances. The demand for their product the past year has been unsatisfactory. not on account of Sumatra tobacco. but because of tax burdens, appprehension and agitation, because recent growths have not been quite up to trade requirements, and because, mercover, this has been the regularly alternating off year in the tobacco markets of the world. year seed leaf sold in New York to the text of 130,996 cases; this year the sales will not exceed, probably, 95,000 cases, and the records here for the past ten years | silver service. show similar fluctuations.

Sales of seed leaf tobacco reported by J. Gans' Son & Co., tobacco brokers, No. 131 Water street, New York, for the week ending Jan. 1, 1883:

1,300 cases 1880, Pennsylvania, 816,14 450 cases 1881, New England, 15(0)20; 200 cases 1881, Ohio, 33,67; 100 cases sundries, 31,618. Total, 2,050 cases.

NEW YORK MARKET.

For the Week Ending Saturday, December 30, 10 A. M.

U. S. Tobacco Journal. Just as the old year is about to die the trade seemingly begins to come to life. A good speculative movement has set in, which certainly shows that there exists

confidence in the future of the market. While the transactions were not very large inquiries were numerous. For old stock especially a strong demand is shown, and wherever old goods are offered at reasonable figures a buyer can be secured. It is claimed that these transactions are not remunerative to the sellers. But when one takes into consideration the stagnation in manufacturing circles and the inroads Sumatra has been making, the prices obtained are better than was to be expected. There exists every reasonable prospect that very soon a high duty will check the Sumatra deluge and once more confine the demands of the trade and public to seed leaf and Havana; but as long as heavy importations like those at present being received continue to arrive we predict that of all the '81 tobaccos in the market only the absolutely fine will bring anything like a profit to the packer. while those holding inferior grades will surely meet with great loss. The sales of the week consisted of the

following: Pennsylvania crop 1880-1,500 cases, at 8 to 14 cents.

Ohio crop 1881-200 cases at 31 to 7 He was a man of pleasing address and 27 cents. cents.

Sumatra—A heavy business has been lone, sales numbering about 400 bales. Dark and large goods still rule as high as \$1.35 to \$1.40. Medium grades can be had at \$1 to \$1.20. Havana-Market active. Exclusive of n transfer of 1,200 bales, about 500 bales changed hands. Prices firm.

Seed Leaf—The amount of goods sold Hartford, Conn., where they will here-

at this time is exceedingly limited; all

grades of cigar leaf are bought only if actually in want. The stock in the hands of manufacturers is fast being used up, so that the settlement of the tax question must make what is termed a "boom" in lemand, when such action is officially promulgated. Prices are fairly steady. Some packers desire to see how the 1882 erop of ennsylvania looks; if not held too high y farmers it can be sold.

Havana tobacco is flowing in from Ha vana, but moving out much slower than

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

What Was Done this Morning-Elichrist Gets a New Trial. Court met this morning at 9 o'clock with both judges present. Elizabeth Quino, of this city was divorced from her husband, Wm. Quinn, on

the grounds of desertion.

Elizabeth Myers, of Eden township, was divorced from her husband, H Franklin Myers, on the grounds of desertion, cruel treatment, &c. Mary E. Harner, of Manheim, was di

forced from her husband, Samuel Harner, on the grounds of desertion. Godfrey S. Stengley, a disabled soldier,

was granted a license to peddle. In the case of Frank Kilchrist, who was convicted of rape upon Lizzie McClarren, the rule for a new trial was made absolute

and a new trial granted. The tayern license of Emanuel Zimmer man was transferred to Frank G. Carpen ter. The license of Frank G. Carpenter, in Elizabeth township, was transferred to Jacob W. Diehm. That of Henry R. Eberly, of East Cocalico, was transferred

to James W. Lape. Joseph Snyder who was arrested on process in York, was ordered to pay the costs of attachment and enter into new bail for trial at court. He is charged with assault and battery and at the last court failed to appear.

The court revoked the order made July 16, 1877, disapproving and rejecting that portion of North Lime street, between James and Lemon, at which the Lancas ter cemetery extends into it, and adopted that part of the original plan submitted by the city engineer, which was disapproved by the court and which lays out and straightens this street, as laid out and submitted by the city engineer on the original plan.

Mrs. A. H. Rosenstein was declared feme sole trader, and is entitled to her own separate earnings.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY.

The New Holland "Carlon" Celebrates It Geo. II. Ranck, esq., editor and proprietor of the New Holland Clarion, celebrated off many a graceful form to its

and M. D. Mull, esq., editor of the Voice. brilliancy and richness to a scene that and E. H. Burkholder, editor of the Guid-could not but impress the spectator as the ing Star. Covers were laid for sixteen sented a handsome appearance after-dinner speeches were in order a town and other places. Altogether there happy incident occurred. Mr. I. V Mil- were perhaps two hundred ladies and gen-Ranck with an elegant plated door plate, with his name beautifully engraved upon it. It was a complete surprise to the editor, who returned his thanks, however, with a few appropriate remarks. In celebrating the eighteenth anniversary of the Clarion Mr. Ranck had good reasons to observe the day in some such manner, as it has, under his careful management, grown to be a local newspaper second to none in the coming year, by being enlarged and putting more labor on the editorial and local department-introducing new features in the way of news that will tend to make it a county paper, as it tis now the paper

DRUMORE.

Wedding Belis in the Lower End-A Cen tenarian Dead. Our neighborhood's great social event for this winter was the marriage of Miss Lizzio Drennen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Drennen, to Mr. Wm. J. Ankrim, on Thursday of last week. The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock in the evening by Rev. Mr. Turner, of Little Britain, assisted by Rev. John Galbreath, of Chestnut Level, and the large number of friends present can testify to the good work being very well done, indeed. After congratulations came the elegant and scemingly never-ending supper, of which about one hundred and fifteen or twenty partook in such alarming quantities, that dreams of turkey bones, oysters, cakes, fruits, &c.,

most sought after in the eastern end. We

congratulate Mr. Ranck upon his success

and hope the future may grow still

must have been numerous. The young couple received an unusually la ge number of beautiful presents, comprrsing almost everything good to use and fair to see, letween a pin cushion and a

Besides the above, since last writing, we have had Thomas Scott and Clara Rutter, and William Penny and Mary Bockius, married, to all of whom, of course, has article in place and held by a small silk come much happiness.

Our oldest resident died last week. Her name was Mrs. Hannah Brown; her residence in Fulton township near Wakefield; her age one hundred and three and not quite one-half years. Thanks to her wonderful hoalth and powers of locomotion she has kept out of his reach for a long while, but Old Death caught up at

The Liedergranz, Sociable,

Last evening the Liederkranz held their usual New Year's sociable, and the attendance was very large. In the early part of the evening a fine concert was given which was listened to and enjoyed by a large audience. The following was the programme.

Jagd Chor....LIEDERKKANZ. ... Hatton Bass Solo : The Monks of Old...... MR. H. MELLINGER. Der Frohe Wandersmann ... E. S. Engelberg QUARTETTE. PART 11. Deutschland's Junger Adr. F. Abt LIEDERKRANZ & ORCHESTRA. Mein Leopold-Couplet. MR. WM. KOEHLER, Rollingen

Der Abschied E. S. Engelberg
QUARTETTE
Leibesfreuden Walzer Dr. Voerster
LIEDERKRANZ. After the concert the dancing began and was kept up uutil a late hour.

Death of a Former Laucaster Countian. J. J. Smith, of the firm of J. J. Smith & Son, manufacturers and dealers in phosphate and chemicals, died at his residence paid out for relief during last six months, in New Windsor, Maryland, on Wednes- \$244.00; amount of funds invested and in day last. Mr. Smith had been a resident treasury, \$5,802.62. The order through-Connecticut crop 1880—250 cases, wrappers, p. t.

Crop 1881—300 cases wrappers, at 15 to Crop 18 engaged in the manufacture of fertilizers.

> county and his own state to mourn his 088. Gone East. Miss Alice Curry, of this city, accom panied by her sister, Mrs. Fielding, of Philadelphia, left Lancaster at an early hour this morning for Tariffville, near

good business qualities. He leaves a family, and a host of friends both in this

THE ASSEMBLY

A RED LETTER IN THE SOCIAL ROSTER

The Stevens House Thronged With Two Hundred Merry Makers, Who Speed the Fleeting Hours to the Music of the Dance.

The annual assembly at the Stevens house last night was the centre of one of the most brilliant social gatherings that has occurred in Lancaster for a long time. Looked forward to with eager expectancy by those of the community who never omit the opportunity of sharing in the pleasure of this event, and who comprise some of the highest elements of society here, its accomplishment may readily be conceded to have fully met the anticipations alike of the management and of the two hundred or more guests whom they so royally entertained during the fast fleeting hours of a night that will long be remembered as one of unalloyed pleasure.

Early in the evening the streets were thronged with coaches running hither and thither in various quarters of the city, and all having the Stevens house as their objective point. The arriving guests alighted at the West King street entrance of the hotel, and a curious crowd had collected around the door to catch a rassing glimpse of what was going on. Upstairs the scene was all gaiety and animation. The large dining room had been cleared and transformed for the nonce into an ideal ball room. A platform for the orchestra had been erected on the King street side, and this was draped with flags, while the chandeliers were gracefully festooned with smilax and other trailing plants. Several rooms were reserved for the use of the guests as dressing apartments, and as rapidly as they arrived they were escorted by some of the indefatigable committee on reception to these improvised toilet chambers, the arrangements in this respect as in all others being admirably designed as regards

convenience and efficiency. Shortly after nine o'clock, and while the guests were still arriving, Taylor's full orchestra struck up the grand promenade march, which was led by J. L. Steinmetz, esq., master of ceremonies. The scene on the floor at this time most inspiriting, the elegant toilets of the ladies as they mingled some of them in vivid contrast, yet withat in perfect harmony in respect to taste and richness, forming a perfect kaleidoscope of beauty of which the eye never wearied. It is probable that in all the previous history of Stevens house assemblies, the dressing of last night has never been surpassed. Delicately tinted silks and satins and other fabrics of softest texture, gar-

the tenth anniversary of his paper on Mon- best advantage, while diamonds and day by giving a dinner at his residence to other gems gleaming at fair throats or on the employees of the office and their wives symmetrically rounded arms gave added highest development of fashion's mystical persons and the table decorations of art. The company included the best pyramids of tropical fruits entwined known and most distinguished of Lancaswith evergreen and smilax pre-sented a handsome appearance The county, together with a sprinkling of menu was ample and was discussed by guests from New York, Philadelphia, the guests with much fervor. When the Baltimore, Boston, Harrisburg, Downingler, foreman, arose and presented Mr. tlemen present and a notable feature of the occasion was the number of married people who entered into the spirit of the occasion with a zest scarcely inferior to that displayed by the youngsters apparently not yet out of their teens.

With hardly a cessation the music continued from the time the grand march was had until half past three in the morning, the hour when the last quadrille was danced and the company finally dispersed. The voluptuous symphonies of Strauss county outside of Laucaster. And it is to and the soft cadences of Waldteufel, rendoff the infant socks and put on boots the dered as only Taylor himself knows how, furnished almost uninterrupted inspiration to the graceful figures that floated around the room in the poetry of motion, while ever and anon the sharp accentuation of the quadrille lent variety to the programme, and furnished the opportuniy for those who gain more of pleasure in the measured movements of the lanciers than they are able to find in the mazes of

the waltz. The tables were set in the broad, south hallway of the hotel, which leads from the dining room to the corridor, on which the parior opens. There were perhaps eight or ten tables, all groaning under their weight of good things, and from 10 until I they were kept constantly set, and the tired dancers were afforded opportunity of refreshing exhausted nature from the

viands afforded by the following MENU. ovstess.
Raw. Fried. Escaloped.
Chicken Croquettes.
Chicken Salud. COLD. Cold Turkey Cold Tongue. Corned Beet. Vanilla. Bisque. Water Ice. Oranges. Bananas, Grapes,

Coffee. A novelty in the menu cards, which were very handsomely printed in colors, was that each had an imitation wish-bone stuck through the top of it, that looked for all the world like the genuine bow. The card was handsome and unique. During the entire evening the parlors were open for the accommodation of the

guests and thither many had recourse when tired of dancing, or else whiled away the happy hours in promenading the corlidors, while the occasional popping of a champagne cork off in the direction of the tables lent merry accompaniment to the strains of the music as they issued forth from the heated ball room. The numbers of the last quadrille and

the final order to "promenade all" sounded at half-past three and terminated what was a thoroughly delightful social event, the success of which is due to the following able board of managers : Messrs. Samuel H. Reynolds, J. L.

Steinmetz, Samuel H. Price, P. Eck. Slaymaker, B. J. McGrann, J. E. Malone, D. G. Eshleman, S. W. Altick, Chas. H. Locher, B. F. Breneman, Dr. Henry Carpenter, W. J. Fordney, R. A. Malone, James M. Barke and Mayor John T. Mac-

Gonigle. KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,

Installation of Officers. The following officers-elect of Lancaster lodge, No. 68, K. of P., were duly installed for the ensuing term last evening by District Deputy Grand Chancellor J. B.
Markley, of the southern district of Lancaster county: P. Ch., H. H. Holton;
Ch. Com., John L. Vogan; V. Ch., John
A. Gable; Prelate, C. V. Lichty; M. of
Ch. John Barnhart; M. of F., Chas. H. Brown; K. of R. and S., Dr. M. W. Raub : M. at A., C. Howard Campbell. This lodge is in excellent condition. Number of membership, 290; amount

> Held for Court. John Kimler, sr., and John Kimler, jr, have been held in bail for court by Alderman A. F. Donnelly, to answer the charges of carrying concealed weapons and feloni-

ous asault and battery preferred by Bernard Kuhlman. Remembered their Teacher.

The Brick school, of Bart township, presented their teacher, Miss Mattie K. Martin, a very fine glass set on Christmas as a token of their esteem.