MAY STENING, MARCH 16, 1888

The Dead Wife's Sister. The Earl of Dalhousie, presenting his its journals to publish his letter of with regard to the influence upon this morals and social life of the tolernce by law in this country of the marof a man with his deceased ife's sister. He is moved to this guestion in point has been in controversy England for a long time and " the opgree the baneful evils which it is alleged nest follow if these marriages are recognized as legal." As an example of this, ha cites a letter from an American cleryman, published abroad, in which it is husbands to their wives' sisters here have greatly changed since these " in novations" were introduced.

It was, of course, a natural error in a foreigner to apply to the governors of states for information of a social and religious character, upon which many specialists and observers in other than political spheres would be better able to give him reliable and intelligent answer. But from almost any quarter, we con_ caive, that he would be likely to get a uniform reply upon a question that has really never disturbed social or religious circles in this country. In England the shine should prevail in their daily counincreasing agitation of the subject has oils, with brisk but not harmful occasional steadily developed more friends for the breezes. repeal of the present restriction, until in the last effort to pass the bill to legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister the measure received 128 votes to only 132 against it; and when persons the social status of Holman Hunt and Robert Buchanan brave the law and illustrate the principle saked to be established, popular sentiment is advanced to the support of it. It is certainly not a fair observation that any social evil has resulted in this country from the legal toleration of such marriages nor that by reason of it children have learned to look with apprehension on their mother's sisters, and the wives become jealous of their influence with their husbands. For each of such examples cited, or that of a dying wife agonizing over the prospect of her husband marrying her attractive sister, a score might be produced of the tender and blameless care of sister and aunt for the family of motherless children, and of the solace and comfort of dying deeds of the intrepid men who fought mothers in the assurance that sisterly so gallantly upon her decks, is in no way affection would minister without fear dimmed as the waves of time float her of reproach to desolated households. It was the observation of Mr. Thack-

eray and his delight that social life in

America was as pure as in England;

and it will not be polluted in the older

to be judged from the results here. MR. MONTGOMERY scarcely needed to make reply to the attempt in the Examiner to mislead the public upon the issue between himself and the county commissioners. Whether they shall have accumulated one or two hundred thousand dollars of surplus by April 1, 1884 for the payment of debt not yet due. does not alter the fact that the levy of a three mill tax last year was unnecessary. and a renewal of it this year was the unwise imposition of a needless burden upon the taxpayers. But Mr. Montgom ery plainly exposes the fallacy of the attempt to contradict his figures by showing the falsity of the statement that when the board of which he was a member went out of office there was only enough money in the treasury and outstanding taxes to run the county until the new tax came in. The county treasurer in his annual statement charges himself with \$17,361.70 cash on hand and over \$90,000 outstanding taxes when he came in, a total of over \$115,000, which the commissioners will hardly pretend is not in far excess of the demands of the county from January 1 to May 1. Moreover, Mr. Montgomery in this controversy has even underestimated the resources of the commissioners, since, in addition to the collection of county tax, there goes into the county treasury some eight or ten thousand of state tax, making a grand total raised for \$275,000, and, (allowing \$215,000 as the was with the show, and met a number of now," said Emery, rising, his voice growing line. "They are boring on was with the show, and met a number of now," said Emery, rising, his voice growing higher in key. "It's not so," county purposes, at a three mill rate, of and exonerations), this leaves a surplus of \$60,000 which is an unnecessary burden upon the taxpayers, and which, accumulated for two years and added to turned to his former home at Green Hill, the surplus on hand when they went in.

A QUESTION seems to have arisen over the construction of that provision of the new tariff bill, supposed to refer to the Sumatra tobacco, or which so much has lately been heard. It will be remembered that it was enacted that leaf tobacco, of which eighty five per cent. is of the requisite size and of necessary fineness of texture to be suitable for wrappers, and of which more than one hundred leaves are required to weigh a pound, if not stemmed is taxed 75 cents per pound, if stemmed \$1 per pound. Though not so specified this was aimed at Sumatra, of which over eighty five per cent, is fit for wrappers, and about one hundred and twenty | that at a ball in Leadville he saw a notice leaves are required for a pound. The doubt which has arisen in the minds of the custom officers is as to whether an antediluvian almanac tradition set the Knight by the arm just as he was rushing the eighty-five per cent. is to be comed upon the whole quantity of too embraced in the invoice or upon contents of each separate package. But, let the solution of this be what it It is still possible for the Dutch importers of Sumatra to evade its provisions by bundling their tobacco so that it includes sixteen per cent, of fillers.

Folger was sufficiently improved this morning to leave his bed and eat a good meal. It will be sometime before he will be able to resume his duties. His friends A package thus made up would only be able to resume his duties. His friends are urging him to take a trip to Bermuda, but as yet have failed to persuade him to had been looking on with frightened faces and therefore would come under the go. It is believed, however, that he will yield and go away as soon as he is strong goods to bear the fatigues of travel.

Half a dozen ladies in the gallery, who had been looking on with frightened faces hardly daring to move, now fluttered away yield and go away as soon as he is strong goods to bear the fatigues of travel.

far in excess of any public necessity.

Smith should explain to his constituents how it comes that this loophole was left in the law.

THE constitutional right of citizens of OH Country Senators Exchange the Lie any part of Pennsylvania " in a peaceable manner to assemble together for nts to the American press, de- their common good," and to discuss matters affecting their common interest to the governors of American is not to be gainsaid, and the people of Fayette county who do not sympathize with the conclusions reached by the Dukes jury have as good right to express their dissatisfaction collectively as individually. As we have observed the verdict of a town meeting in an excited state of popular feeling is as apt to be wrong as sents of the legalization of marriage the verdict of a jury, and very deceased wife's sister in the often it is the pressure of public opinion that kingdom are fond of referring to that misleads juries into verdicts against America as illustrating in a marked de- the law and the evidence. The Uniontown people who met last evening de clare that the jury was tampered with, which, if true, should result in more effective investigation and better vindication of Fayette county justice than persected that the fraternal relations of can be reached by an excited popular

> YESTERDAY seems to have been a Guy Fawkes day for England. KEIFER and Robeson have fallen out

and to get even for Robeson's declaration that Keifer's speeches for him defeated his ra-election, the ex speaker has removed one of the ruddy mariner's friends whom he had made stenographer.

IF all other considerations connected with the Methodist conference are as aus picious as the weather, harmony and sun-

THE most idiotic whim in fashionable circles now is to be handed a pen and pencil wherewith you are requested to draw a cat. This new craze is certainly nonsensical in the first degree, with but one redeeming feature : it shows how many people can't draw a cat.

THE government has started out to repair the paintings in the capitol rotunda which were injured by the occupation of the Garfield fair and will doubtless spend more money on them than the fair made. It would have been cheaper to have made an appropriation direct to the purposes of

THE United States frigate Constitution is to be again put to use and is being fitted up as a receiving ship. They still find work for the good old vessel, while the glory around her tattered ensign, of which Holmes has so pathetically sung, indissolubly associated with her name by the heroic farther distant from the days of her busy

Ur in Sunbury the police committee of councils suspended the police force from further duty because they ran short of country by legalizing marriage with the funds and couldn't make an appropriadeceased wife's sister, if the effect there tion for this month. Evidently in this state of things the citizens of that town along the Susquehanna have great cause to tremble for the public safety, since the rafting season will soon open and it might be possible that the stalwart Yankees from upper New York will take it into their heads to carry the town along back with tion for ?" asked Lee warmly as McKnight

> THE hoisting of the unskillful engineer with his own petard is at least of as cerwith his own petard is at least of as certain historical actuality as the fulmination of a papal bull against the comet. But in New Jersey there has really occurred the "What do you know about my district?" New Jersey there has really occurred the catching of a fisherman in his own net. Capt. Smock, of the Bethlehem fishing association, was missing for several days, represent your constituents a d-sight when his companions upon drawing their seines found his body entangled in its and, turning to Emery, he added : "What meshes. Four years ago his son was missed for four weeks, when, upon pulling up a pound net belonging to his father, the boy's body was found in it.

PERSONAL. REV. J. P. MOORE and wife, of Millers ville, are to be sent by the Reformed church as missionaries to Japan.

HENRY GEORGE has been nominated by Jeffersonian club in Newark, N. J., which hangs its campaign banner to the breeze in good time.

Hon. R. P. Flower, congressman from New York, has returned to the treasury \$450.50 overpaid him for salary and

C. W. Kidder, a well known circus man, young men who have worked for him.

J. S. GEIST, who for the past year had been managing General Simon Cameron's farms at Donegal, Lancaster county, re-Springgarden township, the other night and was met by his neighbors with a brass should give the present board a surplus on hand by the first of April, 1884, very

LAWRENCE BARRET will be entertained by the journalists' club in Philadelphia at p. m. to morrow. He was the guest of the Clover club monthly dinner last evening, at which a spoon was presented to Colonel B. F. Eshleman, the "Baby," in recognition of his having recently become

A. U. WYMAN has been appointed U. face. "But I say you are." "I'm not, S. treasurer to succeed Gilfillan; he has it's false." "You do misrepresent them, long been in the department. Mr. Corning, the new chief of engraving, is a Stallalong." "You're a liar," yelled Mclong been in the department. Mr. Corning, the new chief of engraving, is a Stalling, "You're a liar," you're ing, the new chief of engraving, is a Stalling, "You're a liar," you're a liar, you're ing, the new chief of engraving, is a Stalling, "You're a liar," you're a liar, "you're a York, where he was engaged as a school teacher for three years prior to the breaking out of the war.

fort night ago, and made an after dinner McKnight's fist shot out from the shouldspeech about his experience in America. The brightest and the best of the many stories he related was one to the effect over the piano which read: "Please don't shoot the pianist. He is doing his best." This enterprising resurrection of At the same moment, Gordon caught Mc-

THE SICK SECRETARY.

Mr. Folger Steadily Improving—His Friends Desirous that He Should Journey. WASHINGTON, March 16 -Sec

AT FISTICUFFS.

EMBEY AND MAKRIGHT'S BOUT.

In the state Senate at Harrisburg, yes terday afternoon, Emery wanted his free pipe bill, which was reported on Tuesday (and is very far down on the calendar), made a special order for two days next week and read at once for the first time. Cooper opposed the motion, saying that the Delaware farmers didn't want their springs poluted and their lands destroyed said, " railroads and all, nave abandoned opposition to pipe lines, except farmers, who don't want their land taken from them when compensation is to be fixed by a tribunal over which they have no control. A pipe line built up no cities and villages along its route, and contributed in no way to civilization."

Emery replied that every thirty miles

there was a station employing from six to fourteen men. Lee said he was grieved to see the philanthropic senator from Dela-ware opposing a bill which favored the great industry of the state. Emery said that the Standard oil company, by transporting its oil through New York, had taken 30.000 laborers from Pennsylvania to that state. Now the same monopoly proposed to carry oil to Baltimore for re-fining. "I have full knowledge of how this bill was defeated two years ago," he cried, "and I may say right here that I got my information from Pinkerton's detective agency. I know who paid the hotel bills, and all the rest of it. The

farmers' minds have been poisoned against this bill by the Standard oil company." company," said Farmer-Loving Cooper, sharply.

Senator Stehman read a letter intended to illustrate the opposition of the Lancas-ter farmers to the bill. It was signed "John Keller." Senator Lee developed the fact that John was a railroad man and not a farmer. "Hence the burst of indignation," said Lee. "Didn't we just agree not to allow no

bill to be called up out of place?" quietly remarked Senator Stehman. This exposition of party policy and caucus agreement met with a hearty laugh from the Democratic senators. Stehman retired in confusion. He meant his side remarks for Republicans only. But Democratic ears took it all in.

After some further talk the motion was withdrawn so far as second and third readings were concerned, and the bill was read the first time. A few minutes later Lee moved that the rules be suspended and the bill made a special order for Tuesday morning. This caused another debate of no special interest, and the motion was lost, failing to receive the support 200 pounds projected against King street of the requisite two thirds, The vote, which is the first taken on the free pipe question in the Senate this session, fol-

Yeas-Messrs. Adams, Agnew, Biddis, Coxe, Emery, Gordon, Greer, Hall, Hart, Henninger, Herr, Hess, Humes, Kennedy, King, Lee, Longenecker, MacFarlane, Nelson, Sill, Smith, Vandegrift, Wagner.

Nays-Messrs, Arnholdt, Baggs, Cooper Keefer, Laird, Lantz, McKnight, McNeill, Mylin, Reyburn, Ross, Shearer, Stehman, Upperman, Watres. Total, 15.

A ROW THE RESULT.

Emery and McKnight Come to Blows. Immediately upon the 5 o'clock adjournment Lee sent a page to Mr. McKnight asking him to come to his desk before he left the chamber. The stalwart McKnight walked over at once to his Independent associate's desk, carrying several newspapers crumpled in his hand. The slauting rays of the afternoon sun glinted on his polished pate, illumined his paper collar, and met half way a gleam of fire in aisle and Emery sits just behind him. 'What did you vote against Emery's mowalked up the aisle. "You've been working against us for years and you misrepresent your constituents. I meant to tell you here and now that I'm going into It's my own business how I vote."

"Yes," answered Lee, "and your constituents are ashamed of you." more than I do," rejoined McKnight, do you want to bring me over here and talk to me this way for? You both misrepresent your constituents." Emery started up at this and said: "You dodged votes on this free pipe bill. You-" "I don't dodge at all. I-" "Yes you have," put in Lee. "You know you have; you didn't vote on this bill two years ago; you misrepresent your constituents; they want this free pipe bill, and you dodged it." "I was out of the city. stay here and attend to my business more than either of you," retorted Mc-Knight, the flush on whose face had by this time reached in a crimson wave to the nape of his neck.

Emery had just risen and walked to a seat across the aisle, remarking that he didn't want a controversy, but McKnight's mileage. His actual salary he give to last words led him to call out, "You do nisrepresent your constituents." Knight turned about and said he didn't; his district was given to lumber and mining higher in key. "It's not so," answered McKnight. "I say you mis-represent your constituents, and I can prove it by letters," cried Emery. A crowd rapidly gathered as these hot words rang through the chamber. McKnight had turned to Emery, who stood facing him and both men were trembling with

Striking From the Shoulder. "I say again that you misrepresent your constituents. You know better when you say there's not an oil well in your district you misrepresent your people," shouted Emery, shaking his bony finger under McKnight's nose. "I say I'm not,', said McKnight, shaking his papers in Emery's face. "But I say you are." "I'm not, word uttered than there was a glimpse of Emery's hand rushing through the air, the back of it striking McKnight square OSCAR WILDE "ran over" to Paris a on the mouth. Like the flash of an arrow er, and, deflected a little by Emery's ineffectual parry, rang hard and sharp against the oil champion's eye.

The force of the blow made him stagger, but he was caught and whirled about by a doorkeeper and Senator McFarlane. to clinch Emery, and the crowed rushed in between. Emery was led away to one side and McKnight to the other. Emery laughed in a half hearted way and Mo Knight brandished his fist and waved his newspapers in the air, declaring that he was Scotch and they couldn't misuse him. "I'd have licked him like h—" said the with the wife of Levi Smith, of Mifflin hand into his overcoat pocket at the same street, this city. Alderman Barr held him time. I saw the butt of his revolver glisten fiercely.

Emery extended his hand, saying, "You ought to acknowledge that you did wrong to call me a liar." "But you said I misrepresented my constituents, and I don't," replied McKnight. Several sena-tors standing about the group diverted this

talk, which seemed to be growing danger

ous again, and, after a rather sheepish clasp of the hands, the pugilistic statesmen were led away by their friends.

Members of the Legislature are unanious in deploring the disgrace thus brought up on it, and probably none are sorrier than the principals themselves. A number of Senators think that the honorable gentlemen should have been allowed to pound each other to their satisfaction, as the first blows had brought all the disgrace possible on themselves and on the Senate. The whole affair ended in a comedy. Greer the giant of the Senate, and Biddis, one of the slightest of the fifty, were sportively rehearsing the encounter in pantomime, when Greer struck his hand against a desk and dislocated one of his fingers, They say it cost him \$5 to get it set, but no one has ventured to ask him,

DINAMITE AT WESTMINSTER.

An Attempt to Blow Up the Local Gover A terrific gas explosion occurred in the local government board offices in Westminster, Eng., at 9 o'clock last night, destroying much property. The report was heard in the House of Commons, caused great alarm. The concusand sion was so great that it shook the side galleries and the reporters' gallery. It being the dinner hour, few mem-I don't want the senator to intimate that | bers of the House were present in the hall. any opposition of mine to this bill arises The duke of Edinburgh was in the peers from any attachment to the Standard oil gallery and seemed alarmed. Fortunately no one was injured. The wildest rumors are afloat. The report resembled the discharge of an 80 ton gun. It is believed that the explosion was caused by dynamite, and that a deliberate attempt was made to blow up the government offices.

The explosion being the subject of con-sideration in the House of Commons, Sir William Harcourt, home secretary, said he did not think it would be right to say anything about the matter until an official inquiry had been made. He had heard that an attempt had been made to blow up the Times office, but that no injury had been done.

Yesterday evening a canister containing explosive material was found behind the Times office, with, it is rumored, a lighted fuse attached. The police are making an investigation.

The Extent of the Damage. The explosion was undoubtedly the work of Fenians. The adjacent streets are filled with myriads of fragments of police station, making a hole the size of a man's head. Nothing will be allowed to other honest man was that notwithstand be touched until inquiry is made to-day. The full extent of the damages cannot be estimated until daylight. Five hundred policemen are guarding the scene. The building has the appearance of having been bombarded. There is a deep trench ten feet by three in dimensions, in one room, the floor of which has been literally ploughed. Two children who were sleeping in a house at the corner of King street, were thrown from their beds by the force of the explosion, and their faces were badly cut. They were rescued and taken to the police station. Every pane of glass the vicinity were shattered A man was arrested at midnight on

suspicion of having been concerned in the explosion.

" RIP VAN WINKLE"

The Old Sleeper in the opera House Las Irving's quaint and charming story of

Rip Van Winkle has an able interpreter in Robert McWade, and the big audience Lee's eye. Lee's seat is next to the main | who assembled last evening in Fulton opera house to witness his presentation of the play gave ample attestation by frequent applause and breathless interest that they readily acquiesced in this conclusion. The tale, as Irving gave it, never palls; those who have seen Mr. McWade's rendition of the jolly, careless and sometimes melanchoiy Rip never tire of it. The one great feature of his success is the truthulness of his portrayal of the character without marring the original plot, but his main charm is in the wonderful reality with which he presents Rip to the audience just as one could imagine him drinking ale at the village inn, or somewhere surrounded with noisy delighted children roaming carelessly over the rocks of the Cattskills with his good dog "Schneider," or cowering before the scolding tongue of his wife. But Mr. McWade goes much further; he gives not only the eye pretty scenes, but he touches the feelings with the most exquisitely expressed humor, which blends with a delicate and natural pathos as one sees Rip in the varied situations of his homely life in Falling Waters. His parting from his family, when driven from his home by his inconsiderate wife, was a consummately expressed picture of pitiful misery and despair, upon which last night's audience looked in profound silence. awakening after the long sleep the Catskills was a no less sorbing piece of acting, and it required but a little stretch of the imagination to see him as Irving meant him to be, completely metamorphosed from the blithesome Rin to the weak and tottering old wan, with childish voice and pathetic "They are boring oil walt in it bewilderment. Mr. McWade has, all in all, a noble comprehension of the titular role, and is moreover aided by a most competent support, among which R. Brooks, as Knickerbocker schoolmaster, and later on the jolly, genial alderman, was particularly satisfactory. Miss Fannie Brough, as Petie Stuyvesant, and Annie Brough, as Little Steems, gave charming renditions of their parts, and Miss Louise Halbee personated Steenie grown up with delightful

grace and naturalness. It has been decided to build a turnpike from the intersection of West High and Charlotte streets, Manheim, to a point on the Manheim & Mount Joy road, at or near Christian Erisman's tenant house, western end of the village of Sporting Hill, a distance of about 21 miles. The estimated cost is \$16,000, of which between \$11,000 and \$12,000 is now subscribed by stockholders organized as follows: H. Biemesderfer, president; J. K. Rohrer, Jacob Metzler, Amos Breneman, Jacob B. Kready, David Foltz and Emanuel Cassel. T. H. Hershey was elected secretary and M. M. Pfautz treasurer.

The fair of the Goodwill (colored) band opened in Excelsior ball, East King street, and the attendance was large. The room has been handsomely degrated, and the tables are filled with many and useful articles, which are for sale and to be chanced off. A number of articles are on exhibition in the different store windows of the town, and they will be voted for. Charged With Fornication.

B. F. Craig, a Christiana darkey, has been arrested on the charge of fornication for a hearing. Clope of Millersville School The winter session of the Millersville normal school closed, and students are leaving on every train to day. The spring term opens in two walks.

walked over to Emery. "I don't bear any malice," he said, laying his hand on his shoulder. "Shake hands and be friends."

DENOUNCING A VERDICT. | door was flung open and as I looked around I saw the black face of the darkey, Wilshoulder. "Shake hands and be friends."

INDIGNATION MEETING AT UNION-

The Citizens Pronounce in Bitter Invectiv Against N. L. Dukes-Text of the Resolutions and Speeches,

Uniontown Dispatch to the Patriot. Owing to the cold and blustering weather, grave doubts were entertained of the success of the meeting called for last evening to express the indignation of the community touching the verdict of the jury acquitting Dukes of the murder of Captain Nutt. The assemblage was to have convened on the postoffice corner, but the blasts were too wintry, so it was decided to have it in the public school hall. In ten minutes after the ringing of the school house bell there was not stand. ing room in the hall. People of all classes, conditions and creed, and of every party flocked there. Many were unable to gain admission. Captain John Bierer was called to preside He spoke for about ten minutes. He reviewed the character of Captain Nutt in his relations to society and his family. He dwelt upon the deep damnation of his to look me in the face. Oh, that I should taking off, and when he came to speak of the jurors who acquitted his assassin, no is not a man. I cannot understand words were too strong in which to frame his powerful condemnation of their acts. When he affirmed his abiding belief in the absolute purity of the young girl whom Dukes had traduced his audience burst into a storm of applause, which clearly indicated how fully his sentiments were received. A special train from Connells ville had brought large delegations from that place, Dunbar and intermediate points on the Southwest railway. While Mr. Bierer was speaking and the enthusiasm of the meeting was rising to a high pitch, C. H. Beall capped the climax by rising to his feet and declaring, "I was born in Maryland and am glad of it. I don't belong to Fayette county. Messages of Sympathy. O. J. Sturgess read a number of tele-grams that had been sent to the meeting.

Ex-Attorney General Palmer telegraphed as follows from Wilkesbarre : "The universal sentiment here is that Dukes' acquittal irretrievably disgraces Fayette county and humiliates every Pennsylvanian." The following sentiment came from Confluence: "Hang the murderer and penitentiary the jurors." Bellverson shook hands with Hon, W. H. Playford in these words: "Can't be present, but indignation great. You did nobly." The mountain town Ursina sent greeting in this style: "Feeling against Dukes universal. No sympathy for him here." These telegrams were applauded again and again. particularly the one from Confluence. It struck a responsive chord in the breast glass, and heavy plate glass is lying in heaps on the ground. A stone weighing ston, a merchant, followed in a five minute speech. He said that his opinion and the opinion of every ing the verdict Dukes richly merited a halter about his neck, and that when he failed to get it he failed of justice. The verdict was a mockery of justice, a scandalous shame and a withering disgrace to Fayette county. Nathan Ewing, a member of the bar, said he had often felt in private his inability to adequately express his feelings, and on this public occasion he doubly lamented his weakness in this regard to do justice to them. He had never felt before as he did now; had never felt how inadequate the courts are to the administration of justice, as since the handed murderer among an honest and law-loving people, notwithstanding the verdict of twelve base men. The time has come when the courts cannot be relied upon to see that justice is done. Then we must resort to other measures and take the law in our own hands. [Applause.] The Resolutions The resolutions then unanimously

adopted declared that "A great public calamity has befallen us. An esteemed citizen has fallen by the hand of the base traducer of the honor of his family, and with shame and humiliation be it said a jury has been found in Fayette county so grossly disqualified for the proper discharge of their high trust to make exemption from punishment a premium upon

"That the acquittal of N. L. Dukes, the murderer of Captain Nutt, by a Fayette county jury, is a reproach to the intelligence and decency of our people and destroys public confidence in the intelligence and purity of the decisions of the jury box.

That in the light of the recent verdict acquitting N. L. Dukes a Fayette county jury has proclaimed license and protection to the libertine and assassin, and has brought dismay to the hearthstone of every household.

That the methods adopted by N. L. Dukes and some of his friends to thwart recitation, Courting in the Country ; Chas public justice by packing and trammeling Tucker, song, quartet; cornet solo, Miss the jury before which he was tried are Minnie Cogley; address, by Comrade D. worthy of the betrayer of youthful innocence and the apologists of seduction and

"That we calmly but imperatively demand N. L. Dukes to seek a future home where great crimes have no refuge in the jury box from speady and condign punish-

partisan efferts of public officers to tamthe only alternative the bloody arena at members, although it has existed but two the shrine of Judge Lynch." Thanks to the court and commonwealth's counsel and condolence for Nutt's family

"That we demand exemption from the

were also expressed. Rev. Kerr closed the meeting with a flery speech. A dispatch from Uniontown says: Dispatches from Youngstown, O., Millerstown, Scottdale, Greensburg, Connells-ville, West Newton, Bellevernon, Brownsville, and in fact almost every town in Western Pennsylvania have been received here strongly condemning the verdict,

and pronouncing it a disgrace to the state.

DUKES' ACCOUNT OF THE HOMICIDE. He Related It to a " Times " Reporter. "I was sitting by my fire that morning,"he said, "when there came a knock at my door. I called out 'come in," thinking it was the porter of the hotel. The door did not open immediately and I arose and went to it. I had my hand upon it when it opened and I saw Clark Breckenridge and the porter, Williams. I said good morning 'and 'come in' to Breckenridge. He replied that Captain Nutt wanted to see me, and the captain who was standing behind them, pushed past them into the room, holding his cane upraised in his hand. He slammed the door behind him and hissing through his teeth: 'I have come to see you, struck at me with the cane. I threw up my arm to save my head and the blow fell upon the arm, making the bruise found upon it testified to by the sheriff and the doctor. I grappled with him and wrestled the cane from his hand. He came at me again and seized the cane, and in the scuffle it was raised above our heads. With both hands upon it I jerked it suddenly down and broke it from his grasp. I suppose it was then the bruise was made upon his head. This was at the foot of the bed. When he lost his hold on the cane a second time and I drew back between the bed and the window, he stepped two steps back-ward toward the mantel, thrusting his as he drew it from his pocket, and then 1 drew my own pistol and fired." •
"Where was Feather and Breckenridge

MISS NUTT'S DENIAL. bhe Contradicte The Dukes Letter.

Miss Lizzie is very pretty. Her hair is ight brown, with just a suspic ss about it; her eyes are large, hazel, and liquid; her mouth is small and delicately shaped, her figure slender and graceful. During the interview she tried hard to be calm, but tears gushed to her eyes frequently, and once burst out crying. "There is not a word of truth," she said, "in Mr. Duke's letters. What induced him to write them I cannot imagine, unless, inded, his object was to manufacture an excuse for breaking our engagement. He thought, I suppose, that father would say nothing about the letters. When father showed them to me I was almost stunned. I told him they were untrue, and asked him to request Mr. Dukes to call at the house and confront me with his statements. Mr. Dukes pretended that his personal safety would not warrant him in coming, but in reality he knew he had told falsehoods about me and was ashamed ever have loved such a man; but he now how he won my affection. Every and was cordially received by the whole family. I did not suspect that he wanted the engagement broken. Why didn't he tell me? Instead of doing this he took my ring for the purpose he said, of getting another that would better please him, but his intention was to get the ring out of my hands. Was that the act of a gentleman? Then he wrote those vile letters to father. All the world knows the rest. I would rather have died than that this misery and disgrace should have fallen upon my mother and her family, but inleed, sir, I am innocent of each and every charge brought against me. On! that God would only let me die, for I shall never have any peace this side of the grave." Mrs. Nutt corroborated her daughter's statements as far as her knowledge went.

COLEMBIA NEWS. From Our Regular Corres Osceola tribe, No. 11, I. O. R. M., met last night.—A. M. E. church literary and musical entertainment well attended last night.—streets littered with the branches scattered by careless tree trimmers.—Filbert's ice wagon going the rounds.—Miller's grocery, Filbert's coal office and property betal posterior one word to say—that Jesus opens heaven; Black's hotel connected with the tele phone.-A. G. Guiles has laid the foundaions for six new brick dwellings on South Second street.—Shawnee rolling mill will not be restarted.—Shawnee furnace's iron of Christ is adapted to every intelligence, whart is being enlarged.—Rev. Powell, of York, preached a highly interesting sermon in St. Paul's last evening.—Miss Lot-tie Sourbeer is visiting friends in Western Pennsylvania.—Miss Sue Young was given a pleasant surprise party at her father's

on Sixth street last evening.

Mr. John Phillips and Miss Callie Sher rick were married by Rev. Sam'l Yingling, at the residence of Mr. B. F. Clepper last evening. At the bride's parents' residence, Miss Eva, daughter of Mr. Henry Nolte and Mr. Wm. Armstrong were married by Rev. Keller, of Salem Lutheran church; the guests were handsomely entertained, and the Citizens' band serenaded both couples and received welcome donations. which is due here at 12:20 p. m. was delayed over an hour yesterday at Bruceville by the fire box of the engine having been damaged by a freight car running into it. The latter had been switched on to a siding which has a very steep grade, and as the train was passing it emerged from the siding, having pulled loose from

its brake fastenings and struck the engine. The extreme cold and high wind prevented a large attendance at the Church of God supper, - last evening. It continues tonight and to-morrow night. The hall has been prettily trimmed, and no trouble has been spared that could add to the comfort of pleasure of patrons. The refreshment tables all present a very attractive appearance and their contents are of the best.

Camp No. 19, Division of Eastern Pennsylvania, Sons of Veterans, celebrated the first anniversary of its organization in Temperance hall on Thursday evening. A large assemblage of friends were present and the following was the

programme : Opening ode, by the camp; address of velcome, Lieut. J. F. Ziegler; cornet solo, Miss Minnie Cogley; selection, Chas. Garvin; address, "Our Order," Capt W. W. Frauklin; ode, by the Camp; Stump speech, (in costume) P. A. Hambright; Hull, of Reading; closing ode, by camp

The participants acquitted themselves with much credit. Camp No. 1 has now 80 members and has nearly \$500 in the treasury. In the address of W. W. Franklin, esq., a short history of the order, detailing its origin, its organization, object and the rapid growth was given. The division of Eastern Pennsylvania has alone per with the behest of justice and offer as now forty-five camps and nearly 4,000 or three years.

RAILROAD WRECK.

Cars Damaged and Brakeman Injured. This morning about 4 o'clock a rather disastrous wreck occurred at Eaby's curve, on the Pennsylvania railroad, just east of Kinzer's station. It was caused by the breaking of an axle on a car loaded with stoves and attached to engine No. 665. This car was badly wrecked and several others were thrown from the track. Both tracks were blocked, and the newspaper train, which is due here at 6:27, did not arrive until almost 8 o'clock. Three sections of fast line east and other trains were delayed for three hours. Brakeman J. F. Grass, of Harrisburg, was standing on the car which was wrecked when the accident occurred. He was thrown to the track and a lot of stoves fell upon him. He had the muscles of his spine injured and was also internally njured. He was taken to his home on

the news express. Held for Court.

Benjamin Butt had a hearing before Alderman McConomy on the charge of stealing rags belonging to John A. Shober. It appears that the rags were taken from Shober's stable, where they are packed, and sold to other rag dealers. He was held for trial at court.

Rev. J. C. Hickey, of Carlisle, formerly pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church, this city, while on his way to the depot in Harrisburg, several days ago, to take the cars for his home, accidentally slipped and fell, dislocating his shoulder.

The mayor sent two drunks to jail for days and discharged three bums. Alderman Samson sent Catharine Wilson to jail for 22 days for being drunk and to jail for 22 days for being drunk and what books our children should read. going to jail regularly for fifteen years.

drew my own pistol and fired."

"Where was Feather and Breckenridge at this time?"

"Outside the door. There was not a man in that room but Captain Nutt and me when the shot was fired. Then the drewed the wound.

John Finger, residing at Lemon and Mulberry streets, who is employed in Best's shops, had his head badly out yesterday by being struck with a piece of iron while at work. Dr. S. T. Davis drewed the wound.

THE CONFERENCE

ITS NINETYSIXTH ANAUAL MOSTUS

sary of the Women's Foreign stonary Society—The Work it Hes Accomplished—Other Proceedings. The anniversary of the Wom eign Missionary society of the M. E church yesterday afternoon com-mencing at 3 o'clock. The church was well filled and the exercises were important and instructive. Rev. Dr. Otis H. Tiffany, of Arch street, Philadelphia, presided After a hymn had been sung, Rev. J. B. Miller, of Philadelphia led in

prayer.
Dr. Tiffany made the opening address dwelling at some length ou the importance of foreign missionary work, the difficulties encountered and overcome by the missionaries who went forth into lands with which they were little acquainted were thrown among the people with whose names and customs and language they were unacquainted and had to learn, after which they had to translate the Scriptures into these languages and have them printed. And even then in the Eastern countries they were denied admission to the families of the people, and were entirely unable to reach the ears of the women and children. These and other difficulties enbody has been deceived by him, and I most of all. We had been engaged several mouths. He was a constant visitor here, good work, was destined to do much more, and was deserving of the confidence and support of all Christian churches and Christian men and women. Dr. Tiffany closed by introducing to the audience Mrs. S. L. Keen, who had spent much time in the East as a missionary.

Mrs. Keen explained the origin, organization and working of the parent missionary society and its various branches. It

was deemed advisable to have as many branch societies as possible, each occupy ing a comparatively small extent of territory, and each having a president, secretary and other officers and committees, so that each could thoroughly canvass the district assigned it and hold easy communication with the parent society. Many of these societies have been formed and are doing work, but in many localities they are as yet unknown. Many churches scarcely know of the existence of these societies and cannot appreciate their importance The work to be done is especially woman's work. The disciples were told to go forth all nations, though many of them know it not. He is the light of the world, but the world receives Him not. The religion and to every lack of intelligence. Mrs. Keen related several interesting incidents of her work in the East, one of them being about a Hindoo woman, who after listening to the story of the advent and ministry and atonement of Christ, and his promised second advent, asked "Why does not Jesus come?" Alas, in it not because we have failed to do the work assigned us; because we have not carried the gospel to all nations. Has not the indifference of the church delayed the advent of the Saviour, and closed the dooragainst him?

The hymn "Watchman Tell us of the Night" was sung, after which Chaplain McCabe was introduced and made a brief raising some money for the cause. Last year \$106,000,000 was raised for the spread of the gospel. As every half million dollars in gold weighs a ton, we have thus laid at the feet of Jesus 212 tons of gold. The women have shown us how to raise money. They have taught us the value of organization, and are outstrip-ping us in missionary work. Mr. McCabe said he believed that the unconverted of the world would be converted, and he was in favor of adding to the creed the words, "I believe in the conversion of the world." He declined to say more, but give the balance of the time assigned him to Sister Chandler, who has been all around the world and knows all about

missionary work. Mrs. Belle Chandler was introduced and made an eloquent address, giving interesting reminiscences of her sojourn in India, her labors among the gentle Hindoo women who were the victims of the false religion prevailing in that unhappy country ; and she was convinced that there was only one way open to them to escape from their thraldom and that was, through the avenue opened by Christian women. While hundreds of millions of dollars are expended on expeditions to the north pole and in searching for channels connecting Europe with the East the more important matter of christianizing India is compara-tively neglected. She contrasted the exalted position of women in this country with their slavery in the East, and claimed that the difference was the result

of the religion of Jesus The audience was dismissed with benediction.

The Tract Society The thirtieth anniversary of the Philadelphia conference tract society was held in the Lancaster court house last evening, the room being entirely filled by an appre ciative audience.

Colson Hieskell, esq., the president of the society, was in the chair and called the meeting to order.

The choir of the Duke street church

rendered a voluntary, after which hymn 54 was sung, and prayer offered by Rev.

Joseph Mason. Rev. J. B. McCullough, the corresponding secretary read the annual report a long and interesting document. From it we learn that the Philadelphia tract society, like most other benevolent and religious associations, has risen from small and unpromising beginnings; and through the plessing of God upon the earnest labors of its officers, the benevolent offerings of its friends, and the liberal support of its patrons, has become one of the most prominent and useful agencies for good now found within the bounds of the Philadelphia conference. It has establish fine book store on Arch street, Philadel-phia, and a comfortable church home or rendezvous for preachers, local agents and general benevolences. Twelve hundred and thirty-seven thousand pages of tracts have been distributed, exclusive of one hundred and fifty eight thousand sent out by the present society. Its sale of books during the year amounted to more than \$51,000. The assets of the company are valued at over \$95,000 and its liabilities

What the Hoys Mead. Rev. W. Swindells, delivered an eloquent address. He set out by asking : Should the children of Methodists be Methodists; and should they be instructed and indoctrinated in that form of church polity known as Methodism? Will the children of Methodists be Methodists; and are they now being or are they like be instructed in those fundamental that are at the very base of our religi life? Character is to a great ex-tent formed by the books read by our children when they are young. The desire to read is universal, and Darwin says a belief constantly is in early life when the brain is i ultimately amounts to an in the mind is pliable and a Swindella then avera

\$60 000.