Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 26, 1863,

His Sole Justification. The man Conkling who shot the been admitted to five thousand dollars jury that the deed was committed "un. der great provocation," and the act of the judge who admitted him to bail is condemning it as a recognition of the popular heresy that in cases of this kind the male relative of the injured woman others applauding it as a proper deferclose kinship gives a man a moral right to protect, and, if need be, avenge the laws the man guilty of it, and makes

bim liable to a swift revenge."

As in the Dukes case, most of those who undertake to influence or give direction to public judgment miss the real point of the case, which simply is whether or not the assailant in the tragedy acted in self defense. No man with the proper regard for the law, which is every man's protector as well as the vindicator of wrong-doing, can subscribe to the doctrine that "the injuries of a kinswoman" are proper subjects for the individual to avenge, for the reason, so forcibly illustrated in this New York case, that the individual and even the popular judgment of whether or not the woman has been wronged is apt to be erroneous and to be rendered in hot blood. Whoever regards Conk. wrongs or condones his killing of Haverstick upon any such grounds obviously judges without reason. There is nothing in the history of the case to show that she was wronged nor that she was anything less than wanton in the deser tion of her home, husband and children, and in her faithlessness to her marital vows and duties. Had Conkling's act been one of aggression, begun on his part, no consideration of supposed regard for his sister's honor could have justified him; and had he been slain in making such an attack as was made upon him, the relations of Haverstick with his sister would not have weakened the right of self-defense in the assailed man. Fortunately for his defense, Conkling is able to show that he only resorted to the pistol when his own life was endangered, and upon this and upon no figment of guarding his sister's smirched honor, rests his security before the law. The argument of his counsel, outside of this, may win the huzzas of the crowd, but it is proper ly characterized by the district attorney as "slush," which should have no weight with a court of justice.

So in the Dukes case, the one single consideration for the jury, and which opposition on the part of heads of depart. San Juan, and drowned him, was lynched the public and the press seem to lose sight of, was whether or not Dukes had reason to think his life was in danger when he fired. A correspondent in a prominent journal makes much of the fact that a juryman told him he did not know whether seduction was a crime or not, and another " confessed that he did not take the matter of Dukes' debauch ery into consideration." And yet they had a better conception of their duty than many of the editors who have been and in fact all sorts that come under the trying this and the New York case.

The one obvious conclusion which those who differ most widely about other features of this and similar cases may agree upon, is that the prevalent pracdefiance of law is one not only to be strings for violins. reprobated, but to be more severely pun-

It is provocative of three-fourths of that class of tragedies the criminality of which is most difficult to fix and which are therefore most demoralizing in their consequences. The custom is an almost utterly needless one, and those who inhands as well as place those of their general, will be retired on August 31st. fellows in peril.

They are a nuisance from whom society has a right to be protected, and but must let nature take charge of the if the statute against carrying deadly case. He will probably deter the proposed weapons was more strictly enforced the visit to Florida and will content himself law would be less frequently invoked to with a journey to Harrisburg. punish graver offenses or to miscarry by failure to vindicate its infractions.

Deserved Ridicule.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Mr. Whit tier and Mr. T. B. Aldrich deserve to be as soundly ridiculed as the London papers are disposed, because of their protest against the proposed reduction of 25 per cent. duty on " printed mat er power to speak to the point. "I was wholly on partly in the English lan guage," on the ground that "the minds of Americans, and especially of American children, should not be perverted by foreign ideas." It would be much more to the credit of these gentlemen, more or less distinguished in the realm of intellect, to believe that they never read this protest to which their names are appended. As a practical measure the remedy they propose is utterly futile, as no tariff duty can prevent the the best or worst ideas of Englishmen of late Vega expedition, he is entitled to letters at about one fifth the price at which the wit of Holmes, the poetry of Whittier or the verses of his younger confrere are published. But even if the proposed embargo were to be put upon the ideas instead of the " rags and lamp black" is it possible that any American author fears the contamination of the American mind by importations of Tennyson, Carlyle, Thackeray, Dickens and George Elliott's works? Or, as a London paper slyly suggests, does Mr. Whittier think that such a foreign idea, as, for instance, Mr. Bright's estimate of leaped upon the altar, and dashed the his own poetry, is absolutely perverting the ground. The dean and several of the known resident of Limerick township, to American children?

general season of festivity was never so left the church horrified at the sight. marked in the country as this year. The custom of sending Easter cards and ex more universal, until this year the de mand for such tokens and the trade in confectionery was second only to the Christmas season. While the celebration of the religious festival has not confectionery and the religious festival has not confectionery and confermed to the corps had not been disturbed. There is still considerable talk among the people in that section as to the disturbed. There is still considerable talk among the people in that section as to the struments. The pastor, Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, read appropriate old and new been arrested. On being searched, a portrait of Overdank the bumb manufacturer, who was extent the corps had not been disturbed. There is still considerable talk among the people in that section as to the struments. The pastor, Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, read appropriate old and new been arrested. On being searched, a portrait of Overdank the bumb manufacturer, who was extent the corps had not been disturbed. There is still considerable talk among the people in that section as to the best vocal talent, also with orchestral intention of the religious festival has not been appointed and confirmed.

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decreased in solemnity by its investment with greater popular attractions the much enhanced. To be sure, as is aptly pointed out in the strictures of a contemporary, which we reprint, there paramour of his sister in New York has is much in the present celebration of the day that is grotesque and strangebail since the declaration of the coroner's ly out of keeping with its religious significance, but so is there in the Christmas and Thanksgiving observances. The secular world pays deference to the commented upon variously, some journals religious sentiment in accepting three of the church festivals as its chief holidays, while the other of the festal days best kept, the Fourth of July, is of patrihas the right to kill her paramour, and otic origin only. Perhaps there is something in the season of its occurence to "the rooted popular belief that rence that makes Eastertide a time of rejoicing, for, despite the weather-and it is generally fair, whether the festival injuries of a kinswoman," and the "deep falls late or early-the spring time of public conviction that illicit lust out- lengthening suns and budding trees and rejoicing flowers is calculated to make glad the heart of worldly man even as the memories of the Resurrection are a benediction to the hopeful soul of the

> DURING the past five months thirty di vorces have been granted in Berks

Christian.

THE bill for the five colored maps for General Wheeler's speech, printed in the Congressional Record last week amounts to \$940. The cost of the plates for the text of so much of this Record as was occupied by Wheeler for the regular edition amounts to \$500 more, making the simple cost of this "leave to print" some \$1,440.

A Louisville judge has distinguished himself by declaring that he will not exling as the avenger of his sister's clude intelligence from the jury box and way to the jail a half mile away. During deciding that the mere fact that a man has read newspaper accounts and received certain impressions does not render him incompetent, unless he confesses himself unable to give the evidence a fair and impartial bearing.

ANYBODY may lead the horse to water, but the difficulty is to get him to drink. After considerable dickering the Methodist conference, lately held in this city, appointed Rev. Peter J. Cox to the Central grew louder and the thongs fell with more church, Frankford, but a majority of the members of the congregation expressed a preference for a much younger minister, whips and poles and blood bear witness of and openly declared their opposition to what transpired within. Mr. Cox on account of his age. He has not gone to the church and, the presiding elders have put their heads together to determine what shall be done about it.

ATTENTION has been called to the fact to any distinction between male and female at times was too sickening for description. applicants for places in the executive merciless flagellation until, in some indepartments. It is said that the rules to stances, the bare muscle was seen quivering be drawn up by the civil service commission at every blow. The whole proceeding was a will, it is understood, contain some pro vision bearing upon this question the commissioners being cognizant of the although once a penitent, who threw necessities of the public service, and the another bearing a cross into the river, near ments to any large increase in the number | by the infuriated witnesses. of temale clerks.

THE name 'catgut," as applied to the Losses of Life and Property by Fire, Flood animal-fibre strings used on musical instruments, is altogether a misnomer. The Flat Rock Switch, Indiana, was burned cat is in no wise responsible for the string, and, much as the fact is to be deplored, the manufacturers of such strings refuse to utilize cats for the supply of their material. Violin, guitar, and banjo strings, general head of "gut," are made from the entrails of lambs and cattle, from the deli cate turcads used for sewing racket ball covers up to the half inch thick round belts. After a lamb is seven months old tice, of carrying concealed weapons in its entrails are no longer fit for making

PERSONAL.

SARA BERNHARDT wears a wig. GEO. W. CABLE, the novelist, is a little

Baptist. QUARTERMASTER GENERAL RUFUS IN GALLS will be retired on the 25th of Au gust next, under the law, and Colonel dulge it take their own lives in their James A. Ekin, assistant quartermaster

SENATOR CAMERON is able to go out walking. His physician has told him that he did not need any further medical aid,

HISTORIAN BANCROFT once published a volume of poems of which he is now not at all proud. The little book was issued in 1823 and copies of it are hard to find. At a recent sale a copy sold for forty dollars. The purchaser wrote to Mr. Baneroft : " Can I secure other copies ?" By return mail he received the reply : "Pien-

ty of them-at the same price.' SENATOR VANCE says that when he entered the Senate he did not possess the horrified," he adds. "to read one of my speeches in which I noticed I had repeated an entire sentence six times. I found that might do in North Carolina, but it would not do in the Senate. ' He thinks that the newspapers are teaching orators to be

terse and snappy. PROFESSOR NORDENSKIOLD has sent claim to the Dutch ambassador in Stock. holm for the reward of 25,000 culden, which the Dutch government in 1596 offored to any one who should succeed in reaching the Pacific ocean by way of the Northeast passage. Professor Nordenskiold is of opinion that, having successreproduction by American publishers of fully accomplished this passage on the

this honorary reward. EASTER DISTURBANCES.

Incidents That Marred the Church Worship. North Adams, Massachusetts, was excited last night by the distribution in its church vestibules of circulars alleging great corruption in town affairs, and giving reasons why the selectmen should not be re elected. The circular alleges that hush money had been paid to the police by disreputable persons.

During the service in St. Paul's Cathe dral, London, on Saturday, a well dressed man ran up the altar steps with his hat on graves and had also removed bodies. choristers secured the man after a struggle | Montgomery county, named Albert Rodand gave him into the custody of the gers, who died thate weeks ago and was THE observance of Eastertide as a police. In the excitement many persons buried in the cometery, had been robbed,

An explosion occurred in Rome on Sat- tives, caused them to take immediate steps urday near the ministry of justice. Upon to ascertain the truth. Arrangements investigation remnants of a bottle which were made to have the grave opened, and changing gifts has become more and had been filled with gunpowder were dis this was done on Thursday last, when it more universal, until this year the de | covered. A man who is supposed to have | was found that the corpse had not been

SAVAGE FANATICS.

holiday character of the season has been THEIR PURIFICATION BY PENANCE. Singular Sect in New Mexico -Horrible Self-

Inflicted Torture-Journey of Blood, Thorns and Scourges. The Hermands Penitents, a fanatical religious sect, numbering about two thousand persons in the territory of New Mexico, who believe in the periodical atonement of sin by inflicting on their bodies agonizing tortures, were originally with the Roman Catholic church, but Archbishop Laney, shocked by the barbarous cruelties, promulgated a decree banishing them from communion. The members have greatly thinned out since, and they now inhabit principally but four counties in the territory. Great care is taken to prevent the discovery of their identity by the inspector, and all are masked. While conducting their annual penance the devotees often travel hundreds of miles to undergo the prescribed torture.

Los Griegos, a small Mexican village near Albuquerque, boasts of the great body of penitents. Saturday morning the ceremonies were inaugurated by an introductory procession containing about 30 men and women. The process of purification by torture began at 10 o'clock.

Five men, naked to the waist, barefooted, and wearing black robes and hoods. completely concealing their identity, were seen to issue above the lodge house of the sect, led by the master of ceremonies, who carried cat of-nine tails. Two huge wooden crosses, weighing 250 pounds each, were placed on the naked shoulders of two of the self-torturers, the sharp edges cutting into the naked flesh caused the blood to spurt out and drop to the ground. One penitent produced a sharp goad, which he thrust into the flesh of his fellow sufferers from time to time, while the procession moved up the street to a wild chant in Spanish, halting once. The crosses were transferred to the others' shoulders, the attendants applying their raw-hide whips mercilessly, each blow taking off the skin and bits of flesh. The procession took its the march not a groan was heard or a word spoken.

Terrible Walk Over Cactus. For some distance before the door cactus plants had been thickly strewn upon the ground, and as the barefooted cross bearers approached it, one hesitated. Instantly half a dozen whips descended upon his bare shoulders, and with a bound he sprang into the thorny plants. his every step and the footsteps of his followers being marked with blood. As the torture grew more terrible the chant vigor. Reaching the door of the house the procession was lost sight of, a sentinel guarding the entrance, and only broken

Issuing from the house, the procession reformed and turned to their house of worship, and so the horrifying exercises continued, one band of penitents succeeding another until night, when a grand procession and chant wound up the exercises for the day. During these marches that the new civil service law is silent as to and from the house of refuge the scene Men submitted their bodies to the most wage attempt to honor the Easter sea son. Hitherto the law has made no attempt to check these wild excreises.

CRIME AND CALAMITY.

The grain elevator of John Nading, at on Friday. Loss, \$27,000.

Thirteen buildings in Dulath, Minn. were burned on Saturday morning, with their contents. Loss, \$47,500. The brigantine Phonix from Halifax, was wrecked off Port Medway on Friday

afternoon. Her crew were saved. The schooner Ethel Granville has been sunk in Minas Basin. No lives were A gale from the east and southeast pre

vailed at Charleston, S. C., all day Sunday, the wind velocity being sometimes thirty miles an hour. The crevasse at Thibodeaux, Louisiana,

has been closed, and the town will soon be clear of water. Little damage has been

The snow is from ten to fifteen fifteen feet deep in many of the back streets of Quebcc. When a thaw sets in it is feared there will be great damage to property. A building in Elderado, Kansas, used as a fire engine house and jail, was burned on Saturday night by a drunken prisoner named Frank Hamilton. He was burned

to death. The new Catholic church in Easthampton, Massachusetts, a brick building, was burned on Saturday morning, only the walls being left standing. The loss is about \$35,000.

Vessels arriving at St. John, New Brunswick, report vast ice fields on the banks of Newfoundland, "some of them hundreds of miles in length and of unknown width." Icebergs are also numer-

A one story building in Pittsburgh. occupied by the poor board, was partially demolished on Saturday morning, by an explosion of escaping gas. Two women, named Mrs. McKee and Mrs. Archibald, suffered severe injuries.

A pit boss descended on Saturday into he fatal Diamond mine, at Braidwood, " black damp He found Illinois. abundant and the mine caved in several places owing to the action of the water He saw two bodies, changed beyond recognition.

Twenty seven hestile Indians attacked Winchester, Arizona, on Saturday, but were driven off. They killed two men near Winchester, one of them said to be a brother of Judge Dibble, of Tombstone. None of the San Carlos Indians have left their reservation.

The Williams sewing machine factory in St. Cunegonde, a suburb of Montreal, was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The loss is estimated at about \$250,000, and 250 men are thrown out of employ ment. The factory "being outside the city limits, a supply of water could not be

GRAVE ROBBERS.

Great Excitement at East Vincent, Cheste For some time past there has been con siderable excitement among the people living in the upper portion of Chester county, in the vicinity of the East Vincent Reformed church, and also in portions of Montgomery, on account of rumors that bay with a white hook shaped mark on the graveyard connected with the East the forehead. A reward of \$25 is offered Vincent church had been visited by ghouls, who had tampered with a number of These rumors grew thicker in the past few coming to the knowledge of Rodgers' rela

OBITUARY.

Timothy O. Howe, postmaster general of the United States, died yesterday after noon at the residence of his nephew, Col. lames H. Howe, in Kenosha, Wis. Mr. Howe caught a severe cold a week ago, which developed into pneumonia, and was the cause of his death. Mr. Howe was a native of Maine, and 67 years of age. He was a lawyer by profession. In 1845 he was elected to the Maine Legislature, but in the latter part of that year heemigrated there were a great many spring costumes to Wisconsin. He was elected a circuit worn. judge in that state in 1850, but resigned

Postmaster General Howe. Secretary Folger is now suffering from erysipelas of the face and head, induced by severe cold, but his physician reported him much improved last night. The disease, it is said, "is aggravated by lowered vitality and an impoverished condition of the blood, due to overwork and imperfect nutrition, but it is not thought that there is any reason for special apprehension." C. C. Fulton, editor and proprietor of the Baltimore American, who has been seriously ill for several days, was reported somewhat better last night.

CHURCH NEWS.

A Memorial to William Ellery Channing. At the Channing church. in Newport, Rhode Island, yesterday, the Easter ser vices and those connected with the unveiling of the memorial window placed in the church by the descendants of William Ellery Channing, took place together.
The music included two "original carols," one by the Rev. C. M. Wendte, and the other by C. T. Brooks Dr. Channing's only daughter designed the window. The subject is the New Testament parable of the sower. The window is divided into three openings, one of which shows the sower, another the ruins of the Parthenon and the third the rising sun. The principal feature is the bold figure of the sower striding over rugged furrows. The New Jersey Methodist Episcopal

conference met yesterday at Long Branch Bishop Wiley ordained five new deacons and nine elders. The Cornell Memorial Methodist Episcopal church was dedicated yesterday in New York. Among the speakers were

Bishops Simpson and Warren.

Taffy for the Malagassits. The members of the Malagassy embassy attended services at Rev. Henry Ward Beecher's church, in Brooklyn, yesterday morning. Mr. Beecher improved the oc casion to speak of their "oppression by a foreign intruder," and said that "while the country could not interfere between the nations of the old world, the Christian world should raise its voice in protest." After Mr. Beecher had finished native tongue, which was interpreted for the congregation. He spoke of his nation as " striving to rise in the scale of civiliza tion, and prayed that the intentious of France might be frustrated and his nation permitted to retain possession of their island in peace." On motion of Mr. Beecher resolutions were then adopted giving the right hand of these brethren, expressing the warmest sympathy for the sovereign citizens of Madagascar in their struggle for liberty and independence, and protesting in the name of God, of liberty and republicanism against the interference of any Christian state, and especially of any state calling itself republican, with the internal affairs of the island of Madagascar.'

Docked Two-Thirds

In 1850 Mr. John Porter bequeathed ten thousand dollars to the First Presbyterian church of Northumberland, with clear directions as to the disposition and use of the money, so that the interest of it should be applied to the support of the pastor. He died not long afterward, and, not withstanding the obvious intent of the benevolent gentleman, his bequest has been so mismanaged that all but a principal sum of three thousand, nine hundred dollars has been dissipated in litigation. Probably the lawyers would have got the benefit of the remainder; instead of the pastor. but for the interposition of clear headed Judge Elwell, who has directed that what remains of the legacy shall be put to the use intended by the giver.

John F. Burrill, ex-treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Illinois, convicted at Carlinville, last Friday of embezziing the funds of the lodge, was arrested iu Chicago on Saturday night as a fugitive from justice. He is under bail pending a motion for a new trial, but there are two other indictments against him.

The affidavit of Contractor Price in the statement that he paid Brady \$2,500 in postal drafts for a corrupt purpose and Kellogg \$20,000 for a similar purpose.

A Young Man's Suicide. Paul Roth, a young German, in the employ of Reuben Numbauer, a wellknown farmer of Upper Hanover township, Montgomery county, committed suicide by hanging in his employer's barn. No cause can be assigned for the young man's self-destruction. When found was hanging from a beam used for weigh ing calves and his knees were touching the ground. Young Roth went to that county from Germany in September, 1881, in company with his stepfather, Gottlibb Weiss.

Unclaimed Letters. The following is a list of letters remainng in the postoffice for the week ending

Ladies' List-Mrs. Geo. Blain, Miss Lizzie Coyl Hattie Clark, Mrs. Hatilda Hoober. Mrs. Hossler, Miss Annie Kissinger, Mrs. Lizah Lomis, Lizzie Martin, Miss E. L. Rhoads, Miss Annie A. Shirk, Mrs. Sarah Staunton, Emline Styer, Miss Lib. bie Tangort, Mrs. C. H. Wilmerding, Miss Clara Webster, Mrs. E. F. Weink. Gents' List-Vitalo Buono, Sat. Cattar,

ac. E. Cassel, Wm. Casey, B. F. Castle, Frank Eberly, Christian Frocker, Chas. B. Fink, Jno. Gehb, James Lane, A. Leaman, D. Lindman, (2), Levi H. Landis, Ashton McCardle (2), C. or H. Myers, Thos. Ringle, Geo. W. Root, S. Schaffer, J. M. Tan Westrand, (2), John Woen, F.

Horses Stolen.

On Taursday night shieves visited the

premises of John S. Brandt, near Master-

sonville, Rapho township, and stole

therefrom two horses, one a light bay

with one white hind leg and weighing

about 1,200 pounds, and the other a dark

for the recovery of the property and \$50

for the conviction of the thief. A Teacher Made Happy. A few of the scholars of the Lampeter school, at the close of the term, presented recitations and music by the pupils. In their teacher, Miss Lizzie Newswanger, the evening there were regular services with a beautiful walnut writing desk. This conducted by the pastor. The music gift, so highly appreciated, was worthily rendered by the choir morning and even estowed. Miss N. is a most earnest and useful teacher, and is about to open a select school in Willow Street.

Rolling Mill in Operation.

EASTER CELEBRATION.

ITS OBSERVANCE IN THE CHURCHES. Brilliant Decorations—Large Congregatio -Excellent Music and Elequent

Easter Sunday opened brightly, the air being crisp and invigorating and the sun

The celebration of the festival was conthat office five years afterwards. He was fined to the presentation of Easter cards elected United States senator in 1861, and and Easter eggs, the feasting on eggs and held that position by repeated re-elections, the religious observances in the churches. until 1879. The dinner to have been many of which were elaborately decorated given by the president to General Diaz with flowers and in nearly all of them the and the reception to the same guest ar- resurrection of Christ was the leading ranged by Secretary Frelinghuysen, will topic discussed from the pulpit. Below not take place, owing to the death of are some details of the services of the day.

EPISCOPAL. St. James Episcopal.

St. James was crowded with worshippers yesterday at 8 and 10:30 a. m. and 7 . m. The services, conducted by Rev. Dr. Knight, the rector, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hardy, were the full Easter services. The music was given in full as laid down in the programme printed in the INTELLI-GENCER on Saturday, and was excellently rendered. The floral decorations of the church were of a high order. The font was, as has been the custom for a number of years past, exquisitely decorated with floral designs contributed by R. S. Jenkins, esq., of Camden, N. J., consisting of a large cross of white buds and flowers resting on a crown of tea rose buds and immortelles, the whole resting upon a base of flowers representing every blooming flower of the hot house. The decorations on the lectern were a beautiful collection of lillies, rose buds and smilax, arranged in the shape of a horse shoe, inside a cross, and on the top a star. The altar decorations were a perfect feast of roses tastefully arranged.

St. John's Episcopal.

The regular Easter services, conducted by the rector, Rev. C. M. Spalding, were given in the morning, the pastor preaching a sermon on the resurrection from the text found in St. Peter's epistle, chapter 1, verse 16, and administered the sacrament to a large number of communicants. The music, under the lead of William O. Marshall, assisted by Miss Alice Marshall and Miss Benedict, sopranos, Mrs. West, alto, and Mr. West, basse, was unusually fine. A very beautiful brass cross, highly ornamented and standing about 30 inches in height was upon the altar, a present from Mrs. A. L. Wiley, who a few years ago presented the church with a pair of beautiful brass vases. Miss Atlee presented a very handsome metallic book rest, which was used for the first time at yesterday's service. At 2:30 p. m. there was children's service and baptism. The floral decorations were unusually flue, the display on the baptismal font being exquisitely designed as a memorial offering the chief of the embassy replied in his to Mrs. Franklin and Mrs. Bausman,

THE LUTHERA'S.

Services and Fine Decorations at Trinity At Trinity Lutheran, on Duke street, Greenwald addressed the large congregathe alto solos. festival. He spoke of its influence on the present and the future, and showed how just it was to fitly and sincerely commemorate it. He then spoke of the significance of the Lord's Supper, its blessed meaning and the love for God and man it so sublimely teaches. A large number of com-

municants partook of the sacrament. In the afternoon at the Sunday-school there was appropriate services, and in the evening the schools rendered a fine programme in the church, the proceedings being relative to the Eastertide.

The pulpit was very handsomely deco ruted. An arch of green spanned the reading desk, and above the arch was the word "Victory" in gas jets, and within the arch near the top was the word "Risen" in large letters, composed of various colored flowers. Upon the altar was a magnificent mass of flowers of many and beautiful colors and forms. while clinging around the altar were festoons of greens, cut flowers, a beautiful floral harp and various other pretty designs, the whole presenting a very attrac tive sight.

At the Grace Evangelical Lutheran, on North Queen street, special services were held, and in the evening Rev. C. E. Houpt preached a very interesting sermon on the day The floral decorations were also very handsome in this church, the altar being finely decorated.

St. Stephen's Lutheran. There were no special decorations at this church. The pastor, Rev. Emil Meis-Walsh-Brady suit is said to contain a ter, preached at 10:30 a. m. au able sermon on the resurrection. There was a the afternoon there was the usual Sunday school service, and in the evening regular sermon on the cities of refuge. services conducted by the pastor.

> St. John's Lutheran. The font of the pulpit was trimmed with flowers and vines. The pastor, Rev. Sylvanis Stall, preached a sermon on the resurrection at 10:30 a. m. In the afternoon there was a children's Easter service of song, in the main auditorium, and an address to the children by the pastor Zion Lutherap

> The church was decorated prettily, but not very elaborately. The Easter litany was read and a sermon preached by the pastor, Rev. Mayser. The usual Sunday school services were held in the afternoon and there was preaching in the evening.

" BEFORMED. First Reformed Church.

The decorations here, as is usual on festival occasions, were in excellent taste. One of the principal pieces was a marble cross trimmed with passion vine and calla lilies : another fine piece was a floral cross placed upon the altar. There was no sermon in the morning, but the pastor, Rev. J. A. Peters, administered the sac rament to the largest number of communicants that ever appeared in the church, almost the entire membership being present. The Easter offering for domestic missions was also larger than ever before. In the afternoon there was a delightful Sunday school celebration by the children, at which a larger Easter offering for missions was lifted than ever before. In the evening there was service as usual, the pastor preaching a sermon on the resurrection. The choir both morning and evening rendered fine Easter

St. Paul's Reformed.

The pulpit and chancel were prettily decorated with cut flowers. At 10:30 a. m. the pastor Rev. J. B. Shumaker, D. D., preached a sermon from Luke, 24th chapter, 30th and 31st verses, and administered the sacrament. The Sunday school enter tainment in the afternoon was largely attended. It consisted of declamations, ing was of a high character of excellence.

St. Luke's Chapel.

address. There was a good attendance at this interesting service as well as at the communion service at 10:30 a. m., and Easter festival at 7:15 p. m. Lewis Reiter and C. W. Levan made addresses at this last occasion appropriate to the festive season. A large pyramid of flowers surmounted with a cross of carnations was arranged before the altar under the Easter inscription, "Alleluia! the Lord is Risen Indeed," appeared above and within the recess of the pulpit.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Easter Celebraton In St. Mary's.

resurrection, than which no feast in the calender is dearer to the Catholic heart, was joyously celebrated in the several Catholic churches of the city yesterday with appropriate ceremonies. The fact that Annunciation day, when the angel Gabriel announced to the Virgin Mary her divine mission, falls this year on Easter Sunday, made the observances of the day more than usually impressive. At St. Mary's church the penitential purple that had been used during the Lenten season to drape the crosses and other sacred emblems was conspicuous by its absence, and the main altar was beautiful floral decorations. Large numbers received holy communion at the 8 a. m. services. Bau mann's mass was finely rendered by the choir at the high mass at 10:30, under the effective leadership of Mr. W. B. Altick. Miss Lizzie Strobel presiding at the organ. The joyous hymn "Alleluia," by Lambillotte, re-arranged by Dresler, was also given with telling effect by the choir during the latter mass Dr. McCullagh, the pastor, delivered an able sermon on the essons to be drawn from the day, and dwelt with emphasis on the necessity of the resurrection in establishing the divinity of Christ, the immortality of the soul and the resurrection of the body. At 3:30 p. m. vespers were sung, followed by benediction of the blessed sacrament

Mr. Anthony's. The altars were, as is usual on Easter festivals beautifully decorated with rare flowers and lit up with numbers of wax celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Father Kaul, and a very large number of communicants partook of the sacrament. At finely rendered, the solo part being sung by Miss Callaghan, of Philadelphia. After was vespers service. The attendance at the services was large. This evening the parish school will give an entertainment for the benefit of the church, and to-morrow evening the entertainment will be repeated with a change of programme. St. Joseph's.

Here, too, the altars were brilliantly illuminated and decked with floral offerings. The sacrament was given at 8 o'clock mass, and at 10 o'clock the choir under lead of Mr. Harry Decker, sang with fine effect Farmer's mass, and as an offering "Haec Dies." At vespers at 3 o'clock was sung Weiss' Grand Vespers, Mozart's Gloria, Lambillotte's, Regnia Cœli, Millard's O, Salutaris, and Lambil lotte's Tantum Ergo, Miss Amelia there were services and communion in the Diehl and Miss Laura Iske rendered

The Moravian church was beautifully and artistically decorated. In the centre of the pulpit platform was a large moss covered mound, crowned with a luxuriant growth of flowers and foliage plants. On the front slope of the mound, in cut flowers of white and red colors, were the words : Christ is Risen." On the front of the pulpit was a beautiful floral cross hanging amid a profusion of other fine flowers. while the base of the pulpit was almost covered with rare potted plants. The reading desk was similarly decked, except that on the front of the pedestal was a

floral anchor instead of a cross. The service consisted of the Easter liturgy and a sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. Max Hark from the text found in Mark, 16:4, "And when they looked they saw that the stone was rolled away. The music during the service was very fine, the choir under the lead of Al. M. Zahm having made careful rehearsal of a fine selection of Easter music.

In the afternoon there was an interest ing children's meeting and in the evening the usual service. At each of the ser vices there was a very large attendance. THE BETHEL.

The Bethel, Church of God, was more elaborately decorated than ever before the floral decorations being profuse and tastefully arranged, while there were some very fine sketches on the blackboard by Mr. H. L. Frailey, one of the pieces representing the augel rolling back the stone from the sepulchre. The pastor, Rev. Seilhamer, preached an excellent sermon from Luke xxiv., 34. In the afternoon the Sunday school children gave large communion and excellent music. In an entertainment that was much enjoyed and in the evening the pastor preacted a

AN INTRODUCTORY SERMON.

The New Pastor at the Duke Street siethed dist Church. Rev. J. T. Satchell, the newly ap pointed pastor of the Duke street M. E. church, of whom a brief biographical sketch has already appeared in the INTEL LIGENCER, preached the first sermon of his pastorate in that pulpit yesterday morning to a large congregation. Every seat in the main auditorium was occupied A lyre of flowers stood to the left of the pulpit and blooming plants were on either side of the base of it. In his prayer Rev. Satchell remembered the brethren who, like himself, found themselves in new relations and preaching to strange congregations. He invoked the divine blessing on pastors and peoples. In his reading he included the narrative of the resurrection and his sermon was based on the tex from the Second Epistle of Peter 1, xvi For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

He referred to the scientific spirit of the

age, represented by the scalpel and microscope, and said that it demanded facts and tended to dispel illusions. The pendulum swings between the extremes of faith and reason, and as the age of faith tends to superstition and credulity the age of reason tends to skepticism and doubt. While he would not for a moment admit the right of men to apply scientific analy sis to the Bible and Christian experience yet it was the boast of Christianity that it could stand such tests. As the pyramids rise mighty memorials to attest the cul ture and resources of the people who reared them so the endurance and spread of Christianity attest beyond controversy historical verity of its origin Upon the present occasion, it would be an impertinence for the preacher to ignore that great central fact which was the crucial test of its Founder's divinity. The first proof of the truth of Christianity was Christ himself, whose experience proves that the religion he brought to man is of His life, His works, His death and South Queen street, near Vine, now occua living system of living faith. The verity resurrection is as well established historically as the life of Cæsar, Napoleon, Wash historical parallel and to disbelieve in Him rented and will soon occupy for residence Easter was ushered in bright and early is only to create a greater difficulty, for at 6 o'clock at St. Luke's Reformed chapel who could have invented such a perfect on Marietta avenue. The regular choir character? Secondly, the Christian church

conquering and to conquer the whole world. No other system was spread like this and none of mere man could be so pro-mulgated to-day under the most favorable conditions. Only by the divine life of the church can its victory over persecution, its vitality despite of schism and its worldwide advances be explained. Thirdly, the Christian experience, the intensive work. ing of the Gospel proves its divine origin. The illustrations of Saul of Tarsus and others from real life were cited in proof of this experience and to demonstrate that what Christianity needs is The glorious mystery of the Saviour's not argument nor scientific analysis, but the proof of a life in which Christ is mani festly set forth. These three facts, the life of Christ, the church and the Christian experience are the foundation, super structure and apex of a pyramid which stands an eternal witness of the truth. Mr. Satchell spoke freely, without notes; his style is logical and perspicuous

Armed with the Living Truth and the ex-

ample of blameless lives, they went forth

and his elecution graceful and distinct. THE LINNEAN SOCIETY.

Monthly Meeting of Our Local Scientists.

The Linnman society met on Saturday March 24, the president, J. P. Wicker-sham in the chair, and six members pres-ent. Reading of minutes of previous meeting dispensed with and dues collected. The donations to library consisted of sixteen quarto volumes of Congressional Record of 46th and 47th Congress ; four volumes memorial addresses on lives and character of Gen. A. E. Burnside, Matthew E. Carpenter, Fernando Wood and Evarts W. Farr, with portraits of each; report of comnission of education for 1882, annual report of Smithsonian institution for 1880, statutes of United States, passed at 46th and 47th Congresses, all by Hon. A. Herr Smith. Report of U. S. coast and geodetic survey for 1880, numbers 5 and 6 circular of education, from department of the interior : American bookseller, Lancaster Farmer for March, 1883; one catalogue of rare books, copy of Denver, Colorado, Tribune, for March 4th, 1883. This is 5-columned 16 paged candles. At 8 o'clock there was mass daily, 15 by 24, profusely illustrated ; one envelope containing seventeen biographical and historical scraps; proceedings of academy of natural science, part 3, Octo-10 o'clock Weber's mass in G was sung by the choir under the lead of Mr. Ferd. Weber. The Alma Virgo was also society were tendered the donors of the above volumes Donations to the museum: small bottle containing frog the morning service a fine cornet solo was spawn collected by Master Munson in the played by F. Weber. At 3 p. m., there spring of 1882. These have been prespring of 1882. These have been preserved in water, hermetically sealed, and seem to be in as good condition as when first collected nearly a year ago. The report of the committee appointed to collate the amendments which have from time to time been made to the constitution and by laws was read and received and committee was continued with instructions to prepare a new set of by-laws, to embrace the amendments which have been made and also such new ones as they may deem proper, and report at next meeting. Committee on keys said that keys had been procured and could be obtained of treasurer. A bill of 90 cents for same was then ordered to be paid. The treasurer was authorized to have several serial volumes in library bound. The president was requested to prepare a statement on morning. Previous to the sacrament Dr. | the soprano solos and Miss Annie Gable | the objects of the Linuaean society, to be delivered before the members and citizens sometime in the near future at a public meeting. Adjourned to meet on Saturday, April 28th, 1883, at 2 p. m.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION. The Result of "Warming Up" Dynamite R. J. Erb, a farmer of the lower end of Penn township, has a quarry in which about eighteen men are at work taking out stone for use on the new Fruitville & Manheim turnpike, which is now in course of building. Early on Saturday morning, between 5 and 6 o'clock, the men gathered in the engine house and selected some packages of dynamite and glycerine which they expected to use durng the day. In order to facilitate the use of them they laid the explosive preparaions on the engine to "warm up." ly there was a terr fic explosion, boards. were blown off and the men scattered in every direction. Many of them had clothing set on fire, and ran out sere ming with pain. Fortunately some cartmen coming to work met them. plied their shovels vigorously and threw snow over them, extinguishing the fire on their garments. All escaped serious in jury, though some of them were severely

LITTLE LOCALS.

burned.

Here and There and Everywhere. The colored folks who are holding a fair at Excelsior hali, had another cake walk on Saturday night. The winners of the orize were Charlie Lee and Annie May Thornton. The festivities led to a fight, and the participants in it swelled the number of those arraigned before the

nayor and fixed. There has been received at this office from the McGrann house a basket of Easter eggs and confectionery, which inlicates that mine host knows how to keen

hotel. The mayor had no less than twenty-two cases this morning; seven drunks were discharged on payment of costs; three were sent to jail, respectively, for 10, 15 and 20 days, and twelve lodgers were dis-

charged. Owing to the inability of Attorney Genral to attend the habeas corpus hearing of John B. Dennis, set down for to morrow in the U. S. court before Judge Butlet, it has been postponed to a more con-

venient season. On last Saturday court adjourned after transacting some current business until

Friday next at 9 o'clock. THE PRISON INSPECTORS.

Meeting in Advance of "The First," The regular meeting of the prison inspectors was held to-day-one week ahead of the usual time, because Monday next will be the second of April, the day on which everybody settles up first of April business. All the members of the board were in attendance.

Keeper Burkholder was authorized to have additional wates pipes put in so that the north end of the corridor may receive better supply of water.

Proposals for supplying the prison with beef for the ensuing four months were received. The bids were as follows : Henry Doerr, 6 cents per pound; John Trissler, 7 cents; John Leibley, 8 cents. The contract was awarded to Mr. Doerr. The official bond of David prison clerk, was presented and approved.

It is the sum of \$500 with George A. Trip-

ple as surety.

Changes Among the Physicians. Dr. M. L. Herr has bought and will after some months remove his residence and office to the house formerly occupied by Mr. Henry Banmgardner, on North Duke street, above Chestuat : Dr. H. B. Stehman will take the house and office on moved to No. 27 East James street, corner of Christian ; Dr. James E. Baker has and office the Diffenbaugh mansion at the corner of East Orange and Lime streets.