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#### The Civil Service Rules.

The rules of the civil service commission do not serve to make the concern shine as a very gigantic thing in the way of administration. The present ap pearance of the much talked of commis sion recalls anew the fable of the mountain that labored and brought forth a mouse. If the commission is any bigger than a mouse, it certainly does not look bigger than a respectable rat. Its operation is limited alow and aloft and in between and all around. It takes no Curtis' biography, to find that an im cognizance of laborers, nor of officers confirmed by the Senate. The confidential clerk of a department head also escapes the commission's scrutiny, as do also the cashier of a collector or postmaster, the superintendent of the money order divisions in postoffices, custodians of money for whose fidelity another officer is under official bond, secret service officers, translators, stenographers, persons professionally employed, chief clerks, superintend ents and chiefs of bureaus. Then the commission reaches no officer of any kind who is employed in a postoffice or a cus tom house that has less than fifty offi cers. Eleven custom houses and tweniythree postoffices only come under the harrow of civil service reform as executed by this commission. The clerks in the government offices at Washington. who are not included in the many exceptions, are the chief care of the commission. It will be their success in giv. ing us good bookkeepers, better writers, money counters, messengers, and all that kind of officers in the Washington public buildings upon which the title of the commission to our applause and gratitude will be based. But as the gentlemen and ladies who are doing this clerical work for us at Washington are very good people for it, so far as we know, we see no particular occasion that is likely to arise for a great public ovation to the civil service commission, because of their triumphant execution of a great of sentiment would have hesitated work.

To be sure, it is possible that some poor devil of a Democrat may creep into a small office under these rules, if he has good luck ; and perhaps we ought to be grateful for that. But as we do not think that a small government clerkship is a very desirable possession to any man and as a Democrat's chance of getting one under the commission's rules is not particularly brilliant, we feel under no obligation to let our bowels of compassion for our party friends move as to through this very sketch that no one will laudation of what seems to be a stupidly acquit him of his share of responsibility undertaken business. Of course, there is no politics in the commission. The very essence of its being was the avoid ance of political appointments. But it does not touch heads of bureaus. They are political. When their heads want a subordinate they are directed to draw on the commission. They are supplied with four names for each clerk they need, from which to select the one they prefer. This latitude of choice will suffice to give them a man of their party every time, unless they have particularly hard luck. The fellows they do not select go back into the pot. They may be drawn three times; but if rejected the country. that often they are pitched overboard altogether ; as they are, too, if they do not succeed in receiving an appointment within one year from their selection. Their educational requirements are not severe, as they are examined only in orthography, penmanship and copying ; in the fundamental rules of arithmetic. fractions and percentages; in interest. discount and elements of book-keeping in the elements of the English language, letter writing and the proper construction of sentences; and in the elements of the geography history and govern ment of the United States. All these are desirable objects of knowledge, but manifestly are not particularly needed by the messenger or letter carrier, for instance, who is sufficiently educated when he has learned to read, and who would do his work better with active legs than an educated head. The commission seems to have had some idea that it was asking too much book knowledge for some positions, since it provides that for places in which a lower degree of education will suffice the examination may be limited to penmanship, copying and orthogra phy and the fundamental rules of arith metic; which is still an unnecessarily large demand while alertness and legs are the only points to be critically exam ined. We do not note that the commission proposes an inquiry into the size of an applicant's calves, the depth of his chest, or the state of his corns ; or, indeed, any careful physical examination, though this would seem to be of the first importance in selecting efficient officers for any place, high or low, the well established rule being that a sound mind dwells only in a sound body. It is directed that the ap plicant shall provide himself with certificates of his good morals, good health, and physical and mental capacity for doing the public work ; but there is no good reason why certificates should answer a better purpose for these qualifications than for the educational ones, which might just as well be certified to the commission from the colleges and schools. No one may apply for admis- this association the community is regularly higher grade for place of special imporsion to the postal service who is over indebted for the presentation by some able thirty-five years of age ; which seems to divine of one phase or another of Christian be an excessive recognition by the commission of the importance of youth in the postal service. The customs service may be entered up to forty-five. This is

less inaccuracy, the familiar newspaper stories about the betrothal of his early life, the death of his promised bride and the shadow which it cast upon his after domestic relations. The greater inac-

curacy of these sensational scribes generally characterizes the stories of those who with most positiveness assert that they tell the plain unvarnished tale of facts familiar to the memory of the older inhabitants of Lancaster city ; and they who confidently relate that besides the facts they know and tell "there are none other in the narrative of James Buchanan's first and only love," may be surprised, upon the appearance of Mr. decency and credit of American journalportant part of the record of this passage of his life was sealed when it was made and the seals were never broken until this side of the water. all the actors in it had passed to another

world.

A Poet's Love Story.

The matrimonial eccentricities, felici ties and mis-alliances of famous literary men have been an interesting study for those who delight in contemplating the curiosities of literature and the calamities of authors. It has been remarked that nothing is so notable about the wives of great men as their resemblance in character and fortune to the wives of lesser men, and, perhaps, it is only be cause they stand in the brighter light of ampler criticism that there seems to attach to the domestic relations of poets. dramatists and other men of genius peculiar misfortune and frequent shipwreck. The subject involuntarily suggests the names of Dante, Shakespeare. Cervantes, Milton, Byron, Goethe and a host of less brilliant lights. Joaquin Mil leris by no means the meanest of the laterday poets and abroad, more distinctively than at home, he has been acknowledged as an original genius whose contribuing. tions to American literature have emphasized its claims to distinctive recognition. His checkered married life has

been the subject of a great deal of gossip and scandal, and perhaps a man of more native refinement and delicacy to tell the story of the heart which we reprint to-day from his narration of it in a San Francisco newspaper. But as a correction of the scandal and gossip that have travestied the truth and as a romance of real life it is a curious and interesting story. It leaves little to be his wife. explained of the causes which led to their future separation, while it reveals very plainly the sources of the Sterra poet's inspiration for much of the best work he has ever done. The egotism of the man obtrudes itself so plainly

## years are : 1880, 1,994 ; 1881, 2,440, and 1882, 3,140.

NOTHING SO scandalous was ever known in the gossip of public life in this county as the mean insinuations of the scurrilous English prints occasioned by the good queen's faithful devotion to her loyal gillie John Brown. What more natural than that in her desolate widowhood she should turn dependently and even lean trestfully on the old servant whom possibly. alone of her attendants and counsellors, she could implicitly trust and in whose utter unselfishness she could rely? To the ism be it noted that the flings and aspersions of her own subjects of the harpy press have found little responsive echo on

A BRILLIANT contemporary argues that the European nations could not afford to disband their huge standing armies be-

cause the three million soldiers " could not find employment if they were turned out of their vocation. Neither the mechanic arts nor agriculture need, or could employ, these legions ; for the increased production would at once break the market for wares and food, and so react on the general welfare by unsettling values in every direction." If the nations burdened with the support of these legions can afford to keep them in idleness they could still better manage to support them when they were turned to active productive pursuits. The masses of the European countries are weighed down with the burden of keeping up the standing armies, and their establishment is a constant menace to peace and

a provocation to war. PERSONAL. ARCHEISHOP GIBBONS' mother, of Bal-

timore, died yesterday in New Orleans. SENATOR ANTHONY was reported stronger and more comfortable last even-

JAMES LONGSTREET, jr., a son of the x-Confederate general, has been appointed by Mr. Arthur to be cadet at large at Aunapolis academy. SENATOR WADE HAMPTON has accepted an invitation to deliver the oration at the unveiling of a monument to Confederate dead in Camden, S. C., on June 20.

CHARLES B. HALL, president of the Boston national bank, died yesterday morning in Boston. He was state treasu rer of Massachusetts from 1848 to 1853. REV. E. H. BOWER, D. D., late of Lin coln university, deceased, had \$3,000 insurance on his life which has been paid to

ROSCOE CONKLING made a mistaken speech, in the judgment of the Stalwart Philadelphia Evening News, but in the eye of the more Stalwart Examiner, he is a lion among poodle whelps.

CHARLES L. DAVIS' ("Alvin Joslyn's") divorced wife, formerly a beautiful young woman of Binghampton, N. Y., then a variety actress and later sunken low in

# MAY WEATHER.

### DESTRUCTIVE WINDS LET LOOSE. Thunder Gusts and Seriors Damage-Th

Ice Firm at Quebec-Forepaugh's Circus Tent Prostrated. The temperature at Long Branch Tuesday stood at 85 degrees in the shade. A heavy thunder storm prevailed there Tuesday night .- A terrific wind and rain storm passed over Trenton, New Jersey, on Tuesday afternoon. The maint tent of Forepaugh's circus was blown down, and the canvas torn to shreds; the "aerial apparatus" was destroyed, and the seats were overturned. Fortunately the last of the afternoon audience had just left the tent, so that the only casualty was the sourt.

injury of a circus employe by a falling pole. In consequence of the accident there was no ring performance in the evening. -A violent thunder storm passed over

Williamsport, Pa., on Tuesday afternoon, doing great damage. Houses were struck by lightning, trees and fences were levelled, and the woolen mill of Stadon & Co., was unroofed .- At Danville the roofs of several houses were blown off and other minor damages inflicted. The telegraph wires are down at several places. The roof of the large bridge over the river at Berwick was carried away and trees were uprooted. Thomas Carson, whose engine ran into a tree blowa across the track near Mocanoqua, was seriously injured .- The most violent hail storm since 1877 visited Northern Berks county Tuesday afternoon. Window panes and fruit trees suffered materially. The rainfall was very heavy, badly washing out fields. -A terrific thunder and lightning storm passed over Bellefonte accompanied with hail stones three inches in circumference. -In Hagleton store boxes, chimneys and fences were blown along through the streets promiscuously, greatly endangering persons who chanced to be seeking shelter. At West Hazleton the new unoccupied

house, owned by George Kern, was blown down, and two other buildings, unoccupied. The Park hotel and the fence surrounding it were completely wrecked. The hotel was untenanted. The judges' stand near the centre of the park, was blown almost a hundred feet distant.

A Coal Breaker Blown Down

In Drifton the new breaker which being built by Coxe Brothers & Co., adjeining No. 1, was blown down and two men, a carpenter named Dunn and a Hungarian laborer, were instantly killed, and about 15 men and boys more or less injured by the falling timbers and machinery. The full force of the tornado struck the long covered planes on both the old and new breakers, and before the terrified employes had time to realize their danger the heavy timbers were sent crushing to the ground with noise similar to the booming of cannon. The alarm was quickly given by blowing the whistles As soon as possible hundreds of men were on the ground ready to render assistance. At first it was supposed that a greater number of the employes had been killed and wounded, but as the

portion of the breaker known as the screen house was not seriously damaged, the large number of men and few exceptions, unharmed. An old man

juryman thus far has been accepted by FRANKFORD IN LIMBO. two days to secure a full panel. THE ONE-EVED MAN" IDENTIFIED.

and Accords Him an Interview.

Recognizing Acousintances

GENCER next went in aud was recog-

His Account of Himself.

pretty well, although he has suffered con-

The Chester County Cases.

Cool and Cheerful.

Under all the circumstances Frankford

He was taken aside by the newspaper

The grand jury at Yankton, Dakota, was dismissed on Tuesday. It is said to certain that a number of members of the He Recognizes the "Intelligen Legislature have been indicted for bribery. -A sensation was created in San Antonio As related in yesterday's INTELLIGEN-Texas, on Tuesday, by the confession of ER, there was good reason to believe that the one-eyed man" recently arrested in Major Wasson, the paymaster reported to West Chester was John Frankford, the nohave been robbed of \$24,000 on a train near torious horse thief, who broke jail here Fort Worth, Texas, that the whole trans nearly a year ago, and has evaded arrest action was a fraud to cover his short by the local authorities ever since, though account with the government. The amount of which he is "short " is \$5,500, he has not, meanwhile, pursued his oldtime avocation without some perils of the and it is said his Iowa bondsmen are good law, and once, at least, having got within for the amount. He has designated the hiding place of the remaining \$18,500, and its clutches. officers have been sent for it. Wasson is under arrest and will be tried by a military Chester authorities had identified the

### NEWS NOTES.

## Interesting Gleanings From the Morning

The Ohio board of agriculture has re ceived official dispatches from other states giving the following probabilities for acreat high noon on that peaceful May day of age and condition combined, of winter and last year. spring wheat in the states named : Kansas, 93; Minnesota, 76; Indiana, 90; Iowa, about 80; California, 87; Michigan, 64

Ohio, 56 ; Iillinois, April estimate, 68 Kentucky, April estimate, 66. From these and other data, Secretary Chamberlain, of Ohio, estimates a probable total shortage of 100,000,000 bushels from the last crop of 500,000,000 bushels

INTELLIGENCER reporter to West Chester, The Hotel Men's Mutual Benefit associ went Prisonkeeper Burkholder on the same ation of the United States met yesterday errand. Upon arriving in town they called in Boston. The secretary and treasurer, F. W. Rice, of Chicago, reported that upon Sheriff Hoopes and Wm. Hemphill, since last meeting the receipts had been \$26,199, and the disbursements, \$21,644. the latter being the young man who made the arrest under circumstances fully and The number of death losses paid was 13. mmns. The present membership was S91, an increase of 23.

vesterday forenoon. As soon as it was The seventh annual New York bench shown to the Lancaster men they recoghow, given under the auspices of the nized it as that of John Frankford. The Westminster Kennel club, opened yestervisitors were then taken to the prison and day in Madison Square garden. Over shown to the cell of the mysterious man, 1,100 dogs are on exhibition.

The Monumental street railway, in Balwhich is on the second floor. Mr. Burktimore, including 34 miles of track and its holder was the first to enter the cell. He equipment, was sold at auction yesterday | saw at a glance that the man was Frankby the receiver. It was bought for \$100,000 | ford, and the latter quickly recognized him and seemed to be greatly pleased to by a syndicate of Philadelphia and Baltisee a familiar face from Lancaster counmore capitalists. ty. The reporter of the INTELLI

The fourth biennial convention of the Catholic Knights of America met yesterday in St. Louis, over 200 delegates being

nized at once by the prisoner, who shool present. Mayor Ewing delivered an him warmly by the hand. Besides the Lancaster men, there were a number of address of welcome lawyers and others in the cell, which is A grand national pilgrimage of Canaquite roomy. At first Frankford seemed

lians to Notre Dame de Lourdes, iu to be backward about talking and acted France, has been organized in Montreal, shyly, especially to the Chester county under the auspices of Monseigneur Fabre. men, some of whom were inclined to in It will leave Montreal early in July. terview him, and he resented their efforts.

Frederick Wesley, of Penn Station, Westmoreland county, committed suicide to get him to admit local depredations with exceeding coyness. by eating arsenic a few days ago. He had come dispirited through family trouble

LEBANON COUNTY'S WILD GIRL. to his health stated that he had been

Shocking Story of Ignorance and Deprav ek Township ity in Millere

siderable pain in his right oye, in which Womelsdort Dispatch to the Times. he was shot. The sight is entirely gone, On the northern slope of South Moun

tain, in Millcreek township, Lebanon but at times the pain is intense. He county, lives a family, among whom is a has also had rheumatism, but was girl resembling a wild woman and who is well of that. After a few other boys employed therein escaped, with but kept more like a best than a human remarks the reporter began questioning being. The family consists of but Frankford in regard to his travels. He named Coyle had his leg broken and sus three persons, the father, a son and the stated that on the day of the escape from over to Mr. Hemphill, who certainly de-

given a hearing on the charge of stealing he horse, wagon and harness of David Parke, at Parkesburg, on the night of January 1, 1883. He was followed to the office of 'Squire Whitehead by a large crowd of curious people, and there gave his name as William Johnson, though it was shown that he had gone by that of John Parker. He was identified by William Hem, hill, of the firm of Hemphill Brothers, West Chester, to whom he had sold the grain stolen from David Parke ; by Moses G. Hepburn, proprietor of the Maguolia house, in the East ward, where he had left the stolen term to be fed ; and by John Cummins, hostler

of the Turk's Head hotel stables, where he had stopped for a short time with the As soon as it was learned that the West stolen team. Elias Copeland, farmer for David Parke, Parkesburg, was examined photograph of Frankford sent them by in reference to the horse, wagon, harness, Prison Keeper Burkholder as that of their grain, etc., stolen from Mr. Parke, and prisoner, a representative of the INTEL his statement agreed with those of the LIGENCER was dispatched to West Chester statements by the other witnesses. The to verify the identification and to interhearing was ended by the 'squire remand view the prisoner concerning his moveing him to prison until Thursday afterments since he so unceremoniously quit his noon, when he will be given a hearing quiet boarding place with Mr. Burkholder upon the charge of having stolen the tenm of Hoopes, Bro. and Thomas.

During the taking of the testimony the prisoner sat holding a handkerchief to his The result of his trip and of his investi efective eye and appeared very much ungations leaves no room to doubt that the concerned as to what was going on. He daring horse jockey and prison wall scaler was dressed in a garb of black, his hair is now in custody at West Chester, where was nicely combed, and altogether looked he was arrested in ignorance of the imporquite respectable. He gave the name of tance of their capture by those who made William Johnson in rather an undertone t. On the same train which carried the of voice, seemingly reluctant to tell it.

Sharp Fractices.

At the hearing of Constable Caley, of Willistown, who identified him as the person to whom the Willistown detective association had paid a reward for the cap ture of the horse stolen from Wm. T. correctly reported heretofore in these col-Davis, at Newton Square, Delaware These gentlemen had a photocounty, on the night of Thursday, April graph of their prisoner, which was taken 26, and it is quite likely that the prisoner was then without the trouble of a fence receiving a reward for a horse stolen by nimself. It is also reported that he was seen about Berwyn last week previous to the stealing of the horse, wagon, harness and grain from the stable and warehouse of P. W. Lobb at that place.

#### His Picture Taken

After the hearing he was taken to the photographic gallery of T. W. Taylor, by the sheriff and constable in charge of him, to be photographed. During the time he was in the art gallery he asked for some papars, remarking that " it was very lone some in prison without good and wholesome literature." The picture of him that was taken is a very correct likeness and from it Mr. Hall, of the West Chester Republican, had a cut made for his paper of this morning.

Since his arrest Frankford has given the names of Wm. Johnson, John McCann and John McCannies. The West Chester people had no idea that they had caught such big game until they were informed of his record. The officers were astonished. man, and it reply to an inquiry in regard Mr. Hemphill, the young man who captured, him is a member of the firm of Hemphill Brothers, and a prominent young man in the town. He deserves great credit for his coolness and success in the matter. When the prisoners escaped a reward of \$50 was offered for the arrest of each one of the refugees. That reward still stands good and our authorities will doubtless not hesitate in paying the money

possible among the several states and ter-Fisk Blondes for some time. positive. ion that it is a crime to be a young man, or perhaps their idea is that the places isles indicate that the prevailing distress months appointment will be only for a billed by City Marshal Butter with and They Report it a Good Bridge. picture of health and as he sat on the win- father borrowed \$1.50 from the boy, all dow of his cell, with his coat off, submit-ting to this interview, he seemed the most drunk. Then he hunted up the son at probationary period of six months, when killed by City Marshal Butler, while re Yesterday Wm. M. Slaymaker, Samual they have at their disposal are of so little in Ireland is not so much greater than if satisfactory, the appointee will be con sisting arrest in Oxford, Mississippi, on C. Slaymaker, Samual McDonald, John A. | ting to this interview, he seemed the most account that only boys and girls should usual, as has been represented, but the tinued in his place. Tuesday evening. -At DeKalb, Texas, on Shober, John Clark and Wm. C. Beecher, unconcerned man in the room. He appears the depot and getting on his blind side saturday last, W W. Dillard shot who were appointed by the court, inspected to be anxious to get back to Lancaster dealt him a terrible blow in the face, for Saturday last, W W. Dillard shot and instantly killed Henry Sims in self be permitted to accept them. There is situation of the peasantry is always bad the bridge which has just been built by Elias McMellen across the Little Cones-toga, at Groff's mills. They found that Base Ball Yesterday some justification for this opinion. The enough and is now aggravated by a short-At Baltimore : Athletic, 8 ; Baltimore, 5 defense. Mr. Dillard is a lawyer and commission's work is of very little con- age of potatoes and other breadstuffs. Cincinnati : Cincinnati, 3: Louisville, 4 member of the Legislature and Sims, who sequence. There is nothing in it to Emigration is steadily increasing and 74.8 Pittsburgh ; Metropolitan, 10 ; Allegheny, was a planter, was said to be a quarrel. the material and in its constuction were foolish and if taken back to his old quar-The Ironsides baseball club has organ. some bully.—The preliminary trial of good and it was built in a workman like ters will never again attempt to escape. Philip B. Thompson, congressman, for the manner and in accordance with the specidisturb the composure of the people, per cent. of the persons who left Ireland 7; Buffalo: Buffalo, 6; Cleveland, 2; Phillast year were between the ages of fifteen adelphia : Athletic, 8; Baltimore, 5. At Trenton : The Inter State association ized for the season with the following generally. murder of Walter H. Davis, was begun on fications. players : Zecher, catcher; Sweitzer, There are four charges of horse stealing Some of the newspaper correspondents have been trying to anticipate the pub lication of Curtis' biography of Bu-chanan by warming up, with greater or and thirty-five, showing that 3 large reported yesterday.

for the awakening to their lovers' day ville almshouse. dream. But if he has written the closing of this tale in sad sincerity-and it is

hard to see how he could have coined his best sentiments into the earnings of the penny-a-liner-he is entitled to the pity of a world that has chided him. THERE are "no returns " of umbrella

statistics in the census reports. Quite natural.

GALVESTON has scored the receipt this season of 800,000 bales of cotton, and thus becomes the second port for this staple of

THE striking coal miners of Western Pennsylvania have filed a petition in the Pittsburgh courts for arbitrators under the Wallace act. It will likely now have a fair test of its merits.

An important railway enterprise was than ever. organized in Duluth yesterday, to run a road from there to Red River. Five million dellars of capital augurs a potent factor in the development of the rich Red River country.

THE third volume of Count Paris' his tory of our civil war will be ready for the American public in about a month. It will include the war on the Rapidan, the though every now and then one hears Mississippi and in Pennsylvania, including the decisive battle of Gettysburg.

It is reported that the civil service ie form commissioners have determined to give Keim a chauce to ask the withdrawal of his name. They count without their host. Keim is altogether too modest to take such libertles as that with himself and his present opportunity.

THE appointment of a Greenback orator, general, colonel and general disturber of Democratic peace, named Butler, to a place in Secretary of Internal Affairs Africa's office gives offence to the Democ racy of northwestern Pennsylvania and they are eagerly inquiring who is responsible for the imposition upon Mr. Africa,

THE SEASONS. Hay, and corn, and buds and flowers. Snow, and ice, and fruit and wine -Suns and seasons, sleets and showers, Bring in tura these gifts divine Spring blows, Summer glows Autumn reaps, Winter keeps, Spring prepares, Summer provides, Autumn hoards and Winter hides. Come then, friends, t. eir praises sound Summer, Autumn, Winter, Spring, As they run their yearly round Each in turn with gladness sing ! Time drops blessings as he flies -Time makes ripe and then makes wise.

REV. DR. BRIGGS, a professor in the Union Presbyterian theological seminary of New York city, an original and vigorous thinker and an able preacher, will deliver the annual sermon this evening before the Society of Religious Inquiry of the Reformed Theological seminary. To thought and those who hear to night's ser mon will profit more than from the mere bestowal of a proper compliment to the of their excellence, and the appointments praiseworthy efforts of the society to pro-

degradation, recently

Ex-Gov. HOFFMAN's wife followed New York for eight blocks until she could get a policeman to make them relieve the kine by milking their udders, which were so full that milk and blood

were running from them. GEORGE W. PECK, who has leaped into bad boy stories, which the virtuous New

Era published in January and deprecated income from his writings than Emerson realized during his entire life. MR. RANDALL is much better assured of

he was in March. His enemies and opponents opened fire too soon. Their ateconomic questions has only served to exeite apprehensions in the congressional delegations of such states as Ohio that if his enemies get the swing of the party they will lead it to defeat. Mr. Randall

PRINCESS BEATRICE is the old maid of the queen's family, being in her 29th year.

It is believed in London that she was sincerely attached to the late Prince Imperial. place, because, according to the English constitution, no member of the royal family may marry a Roman Catholie. So the princess still remains a maid, and may possibly do so for many years yet to come rumors of the advent of a German princeling who is to claim her hand and her dowry.

THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES.

How the Commission Will be Guided lecting Covernment Employ The civil service rules, as finally revised

given for publication. The tenor of most | inhabitant." of them has already been published in the newspapers of the country. Rule five provides that there shall be three branches of the service, not including laborers, as follows : First, those classified in the departments at Washington shall be designated "the classified departmental service." Second, those classified under any collector, naval officer, surveyor or appraiser in any customs district shall be designated "the classified customs ser vice." Third, those classified under any postmaster at any postoffice, including that at Washington, shall be designated the classified postal service." The

postal and customs classes embrace the several districts where the officials are as many as fifty. Rules s'x and seven give the method and

cope of the examination of candidates They will be examined on the following subjects : Orthography, penmanship and copying, arithmetic, fundamental rules, fractions and percentage, interest, discount and elements of bookkeeping and of accounts; elements of the English language, letter writing and the proper con struction of sentences ; elements of the geography, history and government of the United states. Sixty-five per cant will be required in the first three subjects to secure a "grading," and no one who does not attain this proficiency will be entitled to a certificate of appointment. The commissioners may order examinations of a but no questions calling tanco, the disclosure of political or for religious opinions will be asked.

The names of all those who attain 65 per cent. will be entered on the books in order places will be apportioned as nearly as

some men driving cows on the streets of bank had a narrow cscape. He was hauling out a loaded truck from under the breaker when a tree fell on the mule killing him instantly .- At Freeland a large plate glass window in the store of Wenner Brothers, valued at \$75, was broken by the slate flying from the roof of the build a certain order of fame and wealth by his ing opposite and all the windows in the her she disappears in the bushes Donos mansion and a number of those in the College hotel of Fred Haas were also it is said, her father compels her to go ville. McAlpine had a citizen's suit in April, is said to receive a larger yearly broken. The store of Williams & Loerner was damaged considerably and several new buildings, which were standing on blocks, were overturned, and a number of lection as speaker of the next House than wagons and carriages left standing in the streets were upset. At Black Ridge part girl when she was out with the turkeys of the roof was blown from the breaker. tack upon his conservative position on and the Dispatch office was completely demolished by a falling tree. The telephone and telegraph wires were prostrated in many places, and it was therefore impossible to obtain a full estimate of the damage caused by the storm. At Stockton a is in less danger of losing the speakership breaker owned by Linderman, Skeer & Co. was partially destroyed and several persons wounded.

Hall, Lightning and Cold,

One of the "severest bail storms even known" at Denver, Colorado, visited that The marriage could never have taken place Tuesday. It lasted for an hour and was accompanied by terrific thunder and " Hail stones an inch in diamlightning. eter lay 6 inches deep in the streets."-A thunder storm on Tuesday at Omaha, Neb., did damage estimated at \$15,000.-A violent gust at Paterson, New Jersey, on Tuesday afternoon, uprooted trees, scattered lumber piles, unroofed several mills, demolished an unfinished church spire, and slightly injured several persons -The ice is still firm in the Sagena river, Quebec .-- The water in the Ottawa river, Canada, continues falling, an event with out parallel at this season of the year, acand approved by President Arthur, are cording to the recollection of the "oldest

#### CALAMITY AND ORIME. Some Recent Fatal Disasters.

Dr. Heinault, a prominent physician o Medina, Indiana, while hanting on Tuesday, had the hammer of his gun caught in some brush, when it exploded and shot him in the neck. He died instantly .- The national board of health is informed that 170 deaths from the glandular plague have occurred in the neighborhood of Sulimania and Bagdad, and that a quarantine has been established along the Turkish frontier .- John Rossier, a German, aged 40, with a family, was employed as cutter in the clothing store of Charles Rice at Shenandoah, where he had an established reputation for excellent workmanship.

Several days ago he received a letter from Germany, which, it is said, contained bad news. He became despondent, complained of feeling unwell and immediately left the store, but instead of going home he walked in the direction of William Penn on the railroad, and was shortly after wards seen by the engineer of an approaching train, who whistled for Rossier to leave the track, which he did, but when the engine was within a few yards of him he sat down on the rail, threw up his hands and was crushed under the train .--John Healey, aged 23, while at work at Fisher's slate quarries, at Chapmans, was instantly killed by the premature explosion of a blast at which he was working. His entire head was blown off. Healey was a single man.

The Annals of Crime.

Charles Schneider was fatally wounded by a drunken man named Poindexter at Willcox, Arizona, on Monday. Poindex. will be made as vacancies occur. The ter was arrested .-- Daniel Shoemaker killed a traveling salesman named Long, and was himself mortally wounded, in a

tained other injuries that may cause his girl in question. They occupy an old log death, but the others will all recover.—At hut, which is nearly ready to tumble he was the last man to leave the cell. He down. The girl's mother died when she really did not desire to leave the prison, was a child and the poor creature has had as at that time he was endeavoring to obno one to train her. Her mind has always tain a pardon, and his efforts in that dibeen weak and she was neglected entirely rection had been quite successful. Now in every way. She has not been inside of he is worse off than before. After cona school room in all her life ; she cannot siderable coaxing by the other prisoners read or write. She is very shy of strang- he finally resolved to go along, and did so. He, Morris Bricker and George Mc. ers. When she sees a person approaching Alpine separated from the others,

and in the evening turned up at Rawlinsand rocks on the mountain. In the spring, under his stripes when he left the prison, out on the hill with a flock of turkeys, which she has so trained that they follow so he was not much afraid of being deher through the thickets and woods from tected. The other two were draped in convicts clothing, and in the evening they morning until night. Kind neighbors have several times attempted to catch the went to the store in Rawlinsville and pur chased overalls. Upon being asked if he had ever heard that Al. Hagen, a prison and care for her, but all to no purpose inspector, was in the village of Rawlins-She runs at the sight of a person and dis ville on the night that they visited the appears, with the fowls at her heels. store, he laughed heartily and replied that Wheat bread, the neighbors say, is unhe might have been. After leaving Raw known to the creature ; that her principal linsville the three prisoners crossed the diet was corn-dodgers and a sort of paste river and started at oace in the direction made of dried rye flour. Her father genof Baltimore, where Frankford was acerally acts in the capacity of cook and quainted. About seven miles this side of baker. Her dress consists of old rags, that city, Frankford left the others. He which are tied about her body.

heard afterwards all about the recapture Some time ago one of the neighbors of Joe Groff, Abe and Ike Buzzard and took compassion on her and made a new Morris Brieker. calico dress, which was probably the only Frankford did not tell a very clear story one the girl has worn for several years.

in regard to his whereabouts and move Headware and shoes are unknown to her ments after arriving in Baltimore. He in her rambles through the rough woods said he traveled around through different and mountains. She has long auburn towns and went West as far as Chicago. hair, which she wears hanging down He was constantly in fear of being arover her shoulders. The household affairs of this wretched family are said to rested. While in Chicago he heard that officers were after him, and at once started be very primitive, there being but one bed East to throw them off the trail. This in the house. Stories of a most butrageous spring he has spent a great deal of his character have been circulated about this family. It is stated by good authority that | time in Philadelphia, but could not freely a number of citizens will call the attention compelled to prowl around at night, and of the proper officials to this family and this became so tiresome that it does not have the matter remedied.

#### "MULDOON'S PIUNIC."

Hy " Yank " Newell's Comedy Company. Last evening "Yank" Newell's speclaims that he is entirely innocent; cialty company appeared in the opera house to an audience, which was worth getting off at the wrong station on Sunday over \$200, of good size considering that the weather is very warm and the season is drawing to a close. The company consists of but eleven people and some parts of their performance was quite enjoyable. The entertainment opened with a little sketch entitled "The Mystic Mode," Miss at the first station outside of West Ches Clara Franklin, a clever serio-comic with ter. It was then that the suspicion of Mr. a good voice, sang a number of pieces in-Hemphill was aroused and he determined luding Joe Emmett's "Cuckoo Song. to capture the man, which he did exactly The performance of Billy Mack and Edith in the manner described in the Lancaster Valentine was only fair ; John W. Morton papers yesterday, their accounts being was seen in a little of the George Wilson taken from the press of West Chester and style of negro business and was good entirely correct.

Mr. Morton is a member of the famous "Big Four," a strong team of comedians who had a company on the road this year. winter, and if he did not attempt to take Their season closed a few weeks ago, and a portion of it with him. He seemed Mr Morton, as well as Mr. Shephard, the manager, joined this "snap" for the rereluctantly admitted that he had been in mainder of the season. The entertainment closed with the very cleverly written hold him piece entitled "Muldoon's Pienie." which. however, has been done to death the pas two seasons. Thomas Murray and Billy was very cool and cheerful, and seemed Mack impersonated Muldoon and Mulcahey rather anxious to talk to the reporter. To and the latter was the better Irish comesome others he was not so communicative. dian, although neither was great. Other To all he persistently denies his guilt, features were the introduction of the although some of his stories are somewhat trained donkey "Jerry," and the singing of Misses Valentine and Franklin. The strange. In personal appearance he has company shows the effects of wear and it not changed much since he left Lancaster. is said to have been changed very often accustomed to wear a goatee, but now since Newell started from St. Louis with it. Newell is well known as an agent. Two years ago he was here ahead of the heavily dyed. His eye looks very bad Sells' Brothers circus, and conducted a and his face has been so disfigured by the bitter war against Batcheller & Doris. He wound-received from a shot in attempting to escape seventeen months ago-that had a number of the latter's billposters it is very difficult for him to escape detecarrested for covering up Sells Brother's

the prison here, the 24th of May, 1882

serves it for the capture of the most im portant of the escaped convicts. Frankford's Record.

The prisoner is a noted eriminal, and although not a desperate man, has been very successful in his "profession." Ilis specialties are horse and grain stealing and he seldom took anything else. Another act at which he is very expert is breaking jail, and he has succeeded in making his escape from a number of jails in this country. He has broken out of our jait several times, and upon one occasion got away after breaking his log. He is also said to have once broken out of the Western penitentiary. He is a very hard nan to catch, and it is very difficult to keep him as he is a very cunning, shrawd fellow, and possessed of more than ordinary intelligence. He has a wife and family of several little children, who are warmly attached to him, although for years they have seen but little of him except behine prison bars. He is a rather good natured person, and is said to be kind hearted and full of fun.

The crimes for which he was last convicted were all horse stealing. He was arrested in 1877 at Coatesville, after having been a fugitive from justice for several years, by Captain Sprecher, who was then hief of police. He was tried in November of that year on charges of stealing a horse from Reuben Baer, this city, another from Brackbill, at Bird-in-Hand, and a third from Mr. Geiger, of Fairfield. He w.s sentenced by Judge Patterson to mineteen years imprisonment. This sentence was considered very severe not only by the prisoner, but the public generally, and it was not quite certain that he committed all the crimes alleged against him time in Philadelphia, but could not freely at that time. Knowing very well make his appearance in daylight. He was that they had a hard man to keep, the prison authorities had an iron clad cell onstructed for his benefit. He was placed worry him now that he is arrested again. in it and kept there nearly all the time.

The iron lining of the cell did not prevent As far as the present charges against him from making a nearly successful im in Chester county are concerned, he attempt to get away. About seventeeu months ago (as he states) he cut through stole nothing and was just unfortunate in his cell and made his way into the cellar of the prison. Digging under a stone light by mistake. What station he had wall and an iron fence, he made his way intended to stop at the prisoner did not into the large flue in the store state; nor does he tell what his business wall on the north side of the prison was in that part of the country at the He crawled to the top of this, and time. His ticket was to West Chester. about the time he was going out he was but he asked the conductor to let him off shot in the face by Prisonkeeper Weise who had been listening to him working. The weapon with which the shooting was done was a shot gun, and the man received a terrible wound in the face, causing him to entirely lose the sight of one eye. When he escaped the last time he was confined in a large cell with a number of thers and was engaged in making cigars. Frankford was asked whether he had They went " over the garden wall' on the not broken out of a jail in Maryland this the noon stroke of the clock.

Keeper Burkholder remained in West Chester over night and it was his inten somewhat astonished at this question and tion to bring Frankford back to day if he could get him. Sheriff Hoopes, Inspector a prison in that state, which could not McFarland and the Messrs. Hemphili were very courteous to the representative of this journal and he is indebted to them for many of the foregoing facts.

## Found Shelter.

In the list of corporations which the governor announced thirty days ago would have their charters forfeited for failure to make reports to the state were a number of Lancaster county companies, but before the governor's last proclamation ab. If anything he is stouter. He was always solutely forfeiting their franchises the Strasburg railroad company and Lancister has only a moustache, which he wears boat company made return and saved their corporate privileges.

Sent to Jall.

The Harrisburg Telegraph tells of James Connors, a one-legged man from Lancas ter, who went to Altoona to get his one-

quite a new idea of the merit of age. The paper. He was also a manager of the May tion, and his identification is made more mote Christian culture. commission evidently is not of the opin-Apart from this wound he looks the they stopped off at Harrisburg, and the