overwork and Roman fever.

## Lancaster Intelligencer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 11, 1888.

The Republicans Responsible. It does not look as though the Republican Senate intended that the appor. tionment of the state should be changed. The mandate of the constitution is that it shall be done; but that of the Re publican caucus is otherwise. The responsibility for a failure to apportion will rest upon the Senate and the Re publican party, in the public judgment, for very good reasons. It is obvious to everyone, that the Republicans gain by keeping the present apportionment which was made when they were in power in the Legislature and which gives them more than their proportion of representatives. A new apportionment would benefit the Democracy, because it would necessarily concede them larger representation than they now have They are admittedly entitled to this and any change made would be in their favor. Since it is clear how the interests of the parties lie, it is obvious which one is responsible for the defiance of the constitution, involved in failing to apportion the state.

Then the Democratic governor hareconvened the Legislature for no other purpose than to make an apportionment it has failed to make. If it fails again it is not likely that he will reconvene it. He has sufficiently put upon the Legis. lature the responsibility for its failure to obey the fundamental law. That re sponsibility is fixed upon the political antagonists of the state administration. It has been made too clear for dispute that the Democratic desire is to have the state reapportioned. It is immaterial to the point in question, which is simply the responsibility for non obedience to the constitution, that the Democrats may be charged with a desire to obey the con stitution because they find their profit in it. Whatever their motive, the fact remains that they are not responsible for the violation of the constitution. If the Legislature adjourns without mak ing an apportionment it is perfectly clear that all the odium for the violation of the constitution will fall on the Republi can party; and they will not find it easy to bear.

#### To Whom It May Concern.

THE Lancaster INTELLIGENCER likes the gov-THE Lancaster intelligences have the them. The governor's "confidential counselors" should enlarge their circle so as to include the citors of the intelligences.—Harrisbur Patriot.

The Intelligencer people remind us of the criticism once passed on Senator Edmunds that he could see a fly on a barn door, but not the door -Pittsburgh Post.

The Patriot and the Post both claim and hold a leading position among the Democratic newspapers of Pennsylvania. That position, no less than what the Post calls "honorable party fidelity," should suggest to them the propriety of dealing fairly with their comptemporaries as well as justly with the governor whom their party elected. Had they been disposed to tell the whole truth about the INTELLIGENCER and its atti tude to the governor's vetoes, the Patriot would have said that this jour nal, in what it has tried to make discriminating and intelligent reviews of them, has given its cordial and ungrudging approbation to most of them: and, concerning the manner in which this power has been exercised. it has said: " The honesty of purpose and the pains taking intelligence with which the present governor has generally bent to this task cannot be disputed. Its influence will be felt for great good upon the action of future Legislatures and the wisdom of his confidential counsellors who have aided his deliberations has opinion about the trade dollar. The North served him and the commonwealth well." The Post, too, if it were disposed on finance, declares that the flurry over to tell the whole truth, would not have intimated that this journal fails to do justice to the excellence of most of the hand as freely as ever. The Times, which vetoes, while it preserves its own self respect by criticising those which do not sists to day that "the trade dollar is Mrs. Aday.-The schooner Charger, which commend themselves to its honest judg

The INTELLIGENCER hardly needs to repeat what it has so often tried to make plain, that it entertains no such view of "honorable party fidelity" as trade; by marketmen, and generally in of a train on the Natchez & Jackson rail to feel it incumbent upon a public jour nal to give unqualified commendation to every act which the officials elect of its party perform. We do not hold public servants to be the oracles of their party nor above the criticism of its newspa pers. On the other hand, every editor who has the public good and even the party advantage in clear vision will strive to so further both-and they ought to be identical, for the policy which is the best for the common weal is best for the party-that when the action of public officials is not in line with them it will be fearlessly criticised. The spirit of undiscriminating defense and praise of officeholders, which prevailed for so many years in the Republican party, to both. They kissed and made up and bred first bossism and then disintegra

In the case which has evoked the criti cism of the Post and Patriot, the INTEL LIGENCER suggested a certain inconsistency in the governor's veloes of some of the charity appropriations and his approval of the many others. The Post admits that "he may make mistakes." This was one of them. Would the Post have us ignore or deny it? The Patriot apparently agreed entirely with us in the opinion that the governor should of speech and was unable to give any have drawn "the line at the recommendation of the board of public charities," or in other words " withheld his approval from such appropriations as were not applied for in compliance with law." And it commended his veto under the able experience in the woods among the mistaken impression, presumably, that he had done so; whereas he had not hence our criticism.

When the music is such that we cannot consistently keep step to it, we try to reform the music.

THE delegates to the Republican con vention of Pennsylvania this year seem being free to vote for whom they please, and candidates are plenty accordingly. No doubt there are small bosses who think they can put their own man through, but they are afraid to show their whip, and seemingly the convento be enjoying the novel sensation of

tion is left pretty much to itself. The old kickers of last year are back in full brotherhood, notwithstanding their INDESTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL NOTES treachery was never, no never, to be forgiven. They never would be if those they betrayed had power to punish; as they have not, they embrace; which is very sensible, indeed.

SENATORS WATRES, Hughes, Cooper and Stewart are distressed because the governor cut off Delaney's pay for the vacation, during which he is generally employed as a canvasser for the Republican state committee. Under the semblance of regularity given to them by an item in the general appropriation bill the "Senate librarian" has long enjoyed perquisites and pickings which scarcely fell to any other state official for the same degree of public service. The allowance to him for alleged work when the Legislature is not in session was an almost absolute gratuity, and the governor very properly cut it off. But, be this as it may, the proposition of the Regular Republican and Independent senators to have the governor account to their body for a veto, his reasons for which have already been filed in the manner prescribed by law, was very properly characterized by Senator Gordon as impertinent and by Senator Wallace as irregular. Nevertheless if Cooper and Stewart want to make Delaney's pickings a campaign issue the Democrats will gladly welcome

EX-ATTORNEY GENERAL PALMER and ex-Senator Buckalew are reported as giving the opinion that Luzerne is entitled to two senators. We suppose that this is on the ground that the population has increased to the necessary extent since the United States census of 1880 was taken. It is true that the constitution does not seem to require the state apportionment to be based on the United States census, but simply to fix the time when it shall be made, "imme diately after each United States decennial census." The Legislature can order a state census to be taken for use in its apportionment.

JOHN STEWART goes the whole length of his tether in rising to the defense of Delaney.

FRANK HATTON does not approve of two cent postage. But then, who approves of Frank Hatton?

THE Erie Herald, in order to accommo date the public demand for news and advertisements, has been cularged by the addition of a column to each page, which is an indication that the excellence of the Herald is appreciated.

SCHUYLER COLFAX has been heard from again. A tender reference to him in a 600 bushels. Western New York paper calls out from him a letter in which he solemnly says : As to the Credit Mobiler stock to which you allude, I can only repeat that I never had a share of it, nor a dollar of its dividends, having voluntarily abandoned four years before the public scandal an incomplete contract to take some of it."

THE Richmond State calls loudly upon the Democratic hosts in that state to drive Mahoneism, with its mixed marriages, one thing, and that one thing, unmixed 1882 evil, from Virginia politics forever. "The tariff, the currency and every other econom ical question dwindles to nothing in com parison with the one great issue-the rescae of our people from the horrors of

THE Philadelphia newspapers keep up American, which sets up for an authority the trade dollar is passing away, and it will presently be circulating from hand to sets up for an authority on everything, in Clay had attempted to flurried out of general circulation. It is refused by our railways, steam and pass. enger, by the banks, except as bullion col lateral for loans; by insurance, trusts and safe deposit companies; by the wholesale ail the channels of business."

### A Young Couple's Joyful Rounion.

Three weeks ago a neat, pretty, modest young woman came to the St. Nicholas hotel Portsmouth Ohio, and engaged board. She gave her name as Laura Martin of Poplar Grove, Ky. Without loss of time she sought and obtained employment in a clothing factory, Her manners were exceedingly reserved, and she made no acquaintances, but worked assiduously and earned money. On Saturday afternoon Albert Finley, a tall well clad handsome young Kentucky farmer from Richmond, in that state, put up at the same hotel. The strange lady and the young farmer met. She saw in him a husband from who she had run away in a pet a month ago. He saw in her a wife whom he had been seeking penitently in vain for a month. It was a joyful meeting took passage on the steamer, next night, both seeming to be perfectly happy.

A Lost Girl Captured. Two months ago the four-year-old daugh ter of James Wilson, living in Westmoreland county, disappeared from home. Parents and friends searched for her weeks and fically gave her up for lost. Monday a hunter found her ten miles from the home of her parents. She fled at his approach, but he pursued and captured her. She fought him like a tiger. Her body was naked and was stained all over with berry juice. She had lost the power account of her wanderings during her absence. She had learned to eat frogs and crawfish, devouring them alive with great avidity in preference to cooked food. With good care it is thought she will soon learn to talk again and forget her remark-

A Warning for Arthur. Colonel Rives, of Virginia, has written to

# TRADE AND LABOR.

An Impending Strike-Among the Coa Miners-Glass Men in Council-

What Shall the Barvest Me? A telegram from Pittsburgh says a renewal of the railroad coal miners' trouble feared. Only half the operators have oted the decision of the umpire of the trade tribunal fixing the rate at 31 cents per bushel, and in the other pits work is continued at three cents. The operators who accepted the decision now want their miners to accept the three cent rate also. The Hartley and Marshall pits closed yesterday because the miners refused this figure, and other pits are expected to follow suit. In this event a general strike may result.-Mr. Charles Parrish announced in Wilkesbarre yesterday that the Reading coal and iron company would take charge of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre colleries in that region and at Audenreid on August 1. Mr. Parrish has been asked to remain as general manager, but his friends believe he will hereafter devote himself to local manufactures rather than mining.—The differences between the coal operators and their employes in the Springfield district of Illinois have been settled, except at two of the mines, and these, it is thought, will arrive at a settlement. The basis agreement is that three cents per bushel shall be paid for mining and check weigh-

The national association of window glass workers met in annual session in Pittsburgh yesterday. There were fiftynine delegates present, representing every window glass factory in the United States. Routine business was transacted at yesterday's sessions. It is understood that the question of wages will be considered, with a view to a reduction of ten per cent.—The Green and Amber bottle blowers of the western division, in annual session in Milwaukee, yesterday adopted the scale of wages in force last year. This decision affects the bottle factories from Pittsburgh to San Francisco.

The city electrician of Chicago has cut all the wires of certain electric light companies not under ground. The competition has been so sharp between the companies that it is claimed they do not use properly insulated wires, and that they string them at random on the housetops, where contact with them would result in instantaneous death. It is said "this action has refer ence to are lights only, no danger being apprehended from wires used for the transmission of currents for incandescent lighting."

The St. Louis Post-Despatch asserts that the Brotherhood of Telegraphers will be gin a general strike next Monday for seven hours as night work and extra pay for Sundays. There are over 5,000 operators in the brotherhood.-After an investiga tion of the charges against the arrested miners at Ely and West Fairles, New Hampshire, the state attorney has ordered their release, there being no case against them.—There is a report that silver has been discovered in the Black mountain range of the Adirondacks, in Essex county New York.—The tonnage on the canals in New York state for the first week in July was 172,612 tons, showing an increase of of corn, 230,000 bushels, and of rye, 96,-

The London agent of the agricultural department telegraphed yesterday Weather of first ten days of July hot and forcing. Wheat estimates increasing generally throughout Europe.'

Reports from a great number of points in the West and Northwest state that a general change for the better in all the crop prospects has taken place during the past two weeks, owing to the cessation of rains and the advent of hot weather. The spring wheat and oat crops are unusually promising, and are both now nearly assured. It is believed that the corn crop mixed schools, mixed everything, save is rapidly coming up to its condition in

#### CRIME AND CALAMITY.

Accidents Happening on Land and Sea. At Macon station, on the Alabama Central railroad, a man named Carpenter was shot in the head three times by his brother-in law, A. W. Smyth. Smyth soon afterward shot himself twice in the breast. Is is thought both men will die. their delightful and luminous diversity of lit appears that Carpenter ill-treated his wife, who was Smith's sister.—A widow, who runs the ferry across the Withlacooche river, in Florida, was shot dead by some unknown person, concealed behind a clump of trees, on the opposite bank, while she was ferrying a party across.-Edward Clay, of Huntsville, Alabama, was shot and killed by John Aday. assault arrived at Gloucester, Massachusetts, reports the loss of Stephen Reynolds and George King, who went astray in a fog on June 29th, while tending trawls. The schooner Triton lost also two men under similar circumstances.—Saven cars road fell through a bridge near Natchez, Mississippi, on Monday evening. T. O. Jennings, the conductor, was killed and seven passengers were injured. -The frame dwelling of David Seeling, in Milwaukee, was destroyed by fire before daylight yes terday morning, and three of his children whose ages ranged from 3 to 19 years, perished from suffocation.

Bridget Reilly, a widow with six children, who had been "assisted" to emigrate to Canada, whence, after wandering about for several weeks, she drifted to New York, applied yesterday to the commissioners of emigration for passage back to Ireland. She was turned over to the state board of charities -The treasury de partment has been informed of the arrest, at Port Townsend, Washington territory, of nine Chinamen who had been smuggled into this country through British Columbia. The president will order their depor-

Myron Dowling, Youngs Dowling and Schenectady, New York, on a clew dis-Watervilet, on June 29, 1878, by which a brakeman was killed.—A hail storm in Dakota, Monday, destroyed 5,000 acres of growing crops in Bon Homme and Hutchinson counties. - Later reports from Port. land Oregon, indicate that the news regarding the forest fires along the Columbia river is greatly exaggerated, and that there has been little loss to the settled parts of the county.

#### SEASIDE SENSATION.

Excitement Over the Death of Clarises At Atlantic City, public interest in the extraordinay circumstances attending the death of Clarissa Bounds has been rather snakes and wild cats, which abound in that section of country.

increased than otherwise by a verdict from the coroner's jury, finding that her injuries were received accidentally, hauled over the neighborhood from one stupid justice of the peace to another, and finally died under suspicions of foul play.

HENRY L. KENDALL, president of the National Exchange bank of Providence, Rhode Island, died yesterday at the age of JAMES S. BEAN, a prominent citizen of Ogdensburg, New York, and vice presi-ident and general manager of the Ogdens-Sinecures-Senator Wallace Closes

burg bank, died vesterday. "OUIDA"-Miss De La Rame-is said to be in strict seclusion, suffering from an impaired mind, the result of combined

JOHN BRIGHT's daughter is the guest of General and Mrs. Howard. The party are now in the Yellewstone Park, and will visit other points of interest in the West. COLONEL JAMES C. ZABRISKIE, a California pioneer, and author of the latest work on the land laws of the United States, died Tuesday in San Francisco

aged 79. MR. TILDEN has loaned Mr. Hunting ton's portrait of himself, and the picture designated as "A Hopeless Case," for the use of the Southern exposition, to be held at Louisville.

VICTOR ST. PAUL offers through the Paris academy of medicine a prize of \$5,000 to any person, without regard to vocation, who may discover an infallible cure for diphtheria.

MISS MATTIE NORBECK, who is visiting

friends in Lancaster, Pa., has almost en-tirely recovered her health since her stay there, which will be gratifying news to her many friends in this city .- Washington EX SECRETARY KIRKWOOD has written a letter saying that he cannot vote for or

support Mr. Reed, the Republican can-didate for supreme judge in Iowa. He announces that if he goes on the stump he will take this position boldly, seeing that there is no reason for concealment. QUEEN VICTORIA eschews colored stock ings. The last time that the Princes Louise visited her she appeared in the presence of her majesty attired in a commen gown with stockings of a color to

her to retire to her room and change her hose to the plain, subdued white color. PHILLIP BOURKE MARSTON, who has become well known to Americans who read the magazine poetry of their country, has been totally blind from birth, but is a fine looking man withal and an interesting character. His father wrote some excellent dramas, which have been only partial-

match. The queen indignantly ordered

ly successful, however. Ex Senator J. R. Doolittle's recent fee of \$40,000 for disposing of a million dollars' worth of real estate was more than doubled by the late Senator Me-Dougall, of California, who received once a fee of \$100,000 for services in connection with the adjustment of Spanish titles in Southern California.

ROBERT HARE POWELL, who has just died in Saxton, Huntingdon county, was the owner of many thousands of acres of mineral lands, both iron and coal, in that county and in Clearfield and Bedford, and was the employer of a large number of men. He recently built a furnace at Saxton, which was one of the most complete and successful iron manufacturing establishments in Pennsylvania, and was 29,047 tons over last year. The shipments making preparations for the crection of of wheat have increased 217,900 bushels, another. His remains have been taken to hiladelphia. interment.

#### The Secret of True Dignity. London Spectator.

The common note of all men who are remarkable for true dignity is, however, a conscious self respect; and this is getting less and less common as the contemplative temper merges in the competitive temper of modern time. Mr. Arnold has, with more than his usual skill, described the dignity of the East, in its con trast with the restlessness of the West, in the lines in which he paints the East for the Roman conquests:

" The East bowed low before the blast, In patient, deep disdain; She let the Legions thunder past. And plunged in thought again.'

You have the whole secret of true dignity in that verse. It is patient; it is inward and it really prefers the inward to the outward scenery. Dignity cannot be impatient; it cannot be external; yet even if a mind is both patient and inward, it will have no true dignity so long as its whole feeling for the inward scenery it contemplates is that of displeasure and disapprobation. A dignified man must feel a certain amount of interest and pleasure in expressing himself adequately in speech and conduct. He must keenly value the moral symmetry of his own thoughts, and also the symmetry of his thoughts with his action, and therefore it is that in the externality and hurry and irritability of our day dignity is starved.

#### Second Thinning of Fruit.

Germantown Telegraph. Those who have not already attended to the second thinning out of their pears should now attend to it without much delay. Even when the pear crop is very slim there are always some varieties that almost uniformly overbear, and whenever this happens to be the case they should be carefully thinned out, if the trees are not too large to do so. Pears in bunches seldom mature perfectly. One or two of them are either stunted or attacked by the worm, which will attack the others probably, too, if not removed. All imperfect isshapen specimens should be removed. Specimens smaller than the average, though they may look healthy, will seldom ripen well or retain the flavor of the variety. The truth is, growers should not be afraid to thin out resolutely. Two full sized perfect specimens are surely better than three or four small ones. O course this operation refers to trees that are of a size that can be managed. As to grapes, we all know what overbearing results in. Don't be afraid to cut away from heavily bearing vines onethird to one half of the bunches. refer to out-door grapes. With in door grapes even the berries have to be thinned Alfred Youngs were arrested yesterday at out to give large, perfect, delicious fruit. This pains cannot be expected to be given covered four weeks ago, for the alleged to the out-door vines except when there is wracking of a new York Central train at only a limited number.

#### Keep the Garden Clean

Germantown Telegraph. No garden will yield much more than one-half its real crop if it is what may be called neglected-that is to say, by not keeping the soil constantly stirred and for full six inches, and never allowing a weed more than showing its nose before it has to go. All the avenues through the garden should be perfectly hard, level and free from weeds. Okra, salsify, carrots, etc., should be thinned out so that there will be sufficient space between the plants, according to their habit of growth, to admit of plenty of room that they can have the weeds removed and the garden raked between them with a hoe of some size. Corn and lima beans should never be allowed to have more than three stalks in a hill. blame. The verdict is greatly should be richly manured and mulched. Senator Mahone, and also warning him to "shake" Senator Mahone, and also warning him against making the same mistakes that have wrecked his predecessors who have stepped from the vice presidency to the White House.

Tomatoes should be kept off the ground, if you want them to ripen thoroughly and be free from the earthy taste. If any one has any pride in his garden, nothing should be left undone that ought to be done. The gardener who neglects to be done. The gardener who neglects his work because a little more work is removed of him then he ought to morning she sprang from her slumber beside them enveloped in flames. She was awfully burned, her hip bones protruding from the flesh, yet her wounds were not dressed for a week. She was then if his work because a little more work is to be single the do, has no business to be in that line of duty. No owner of a premises objects to an employe having a little leisure now and were not dressed for a week. She was

#### DEFENDING DELANEY.

JOHN STEWART JOINS HIS PORCES. The Governor Criticised by Regulars and Independents For Cutting Off the

the Discussion. In the state Senate last night Mr. Watres rising to a question of privilego, made a statement of the duties impose by law upon Senate Librarian Delaney, and said that it was unjust, unfair and un-true, to say that he had no labor to perform during the recess between adjournment of one Legislature and the meeting of a succeeding one. The governor who had vetoed an appropriation of \$1,800 to Delaney, ought to state to the Senate the sources of information which led him to say that Delaney had no duties or labors during the recess. Mr. Watres, in connection with the subject, offered the following resolution:

" Resolved, That the governor be 'requested to furnish to the Senate the reasons leading him to the conclusion as stated in his veto message, filed in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth, for the statement that the Senate librarian had no labor to perform during the recess of the Legislature."
Mr. Gordon denied the right of the Sen

ate to consider this resolution. Should it pass it would be an insult to the governor to compel him to render an account of his reasons for any action he might have taken. The resolution was insolent. Messrs. Hughes and Cooper defended

the Senate librarian, and maintained that it was entirely within the power of the Senate of Pennsylvania to ask the executive for the source from which he derived the untruthful and false information which led to a veto of this special item of the appropriation.

Mr. Stewart said that he was under the impression that all the misinformation was furnished by the senator from Philadelphia, Mr Gordon.

The debate continued at length. During its continuance Mr. Gordon charged that "there was no law empowering the librarian to become the pander to the personal convenience of the senators," while Mr. Cooper believed that the gover nor had never read the act of 1879, which imposed certain specified fluties upon the official in consideration of the \$1,800 he was to receive. The result of the governor's action was simply to deprive the librarian of a single penny for services rendered this year, and the injustice was so glaring that the custodian of the governor ought to have made him acquainted with it. [Laughter.]

Mr. Stewart thought the purpose of the introduction of the resolution had been answered, and that Mr. Gordon's position had already convinced the Senate that the executive has derived his information or misinformation from that senator, who for aught he (Stewart) knew, may himself have written the message.

Mr. Gordon insisted that the governor had been right, and that the bill not only gave the librarian \$800 for services during the session, but \$1,600 in addition for the rest of the year, and \$1,800 for the coming year, in which there would be no session. This last item had very properly been vetoed.

Mr. Wallace interposed in the personal tion of the Senate to the fact that the whole subject was grossly out of order, because the constitution required the gov ernor to return vetoed bills to the House and the Senate had nothing to do with it. The precedent which the Senate was set ting in discussing matters not legitimately before it might return to plague the in ventor. He appealed to senators of both political parties not to establish this precedent, and moved to indefintely postpone

the resolution. Mr. Watres then asked permission (as he said the resolution had accomplished the purpose for which it was introduced) to withdraw it. This was agreed to.

M. R. Gillam was nominated as publish er of state reports. This office was created under a bill introduced by Mr. Grier in the Senate at the regular session, provid-ing for the republication of all supreme court reports, from first Dallas to first Onterbridge.

Adjourned until Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock.

### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Events Near and Across the County Lines William Kieffer was seriously and Oliver Deshler slightly injured in a slate quarry near Statington by the premature explosion of a blast. Keiffer will probably lose his sight and left arm. He was also very seriously cut and bruised. Deshler was slightly cut and bruised.

Solomon Koch, aged seventeen, a shoe maker by trade, living in Friedensville, seven miles south of Allentown, after two attempts at suicide succeeded in ending his existence. He had not been living with his family lately, owing to domestic troubles. He first cut his throat with a dull butcher knife, inflicting an ugly wound. Finding this not successful, he went to the garret and hanged himself to a rafter. He leaves a wife and eleven children. He left a letter saying the troubles in his family were caused by outside

parties. Frederick Lauer, the Reading brewer, has once more full possession of all his properties, and has arranged his late financial difficulties to the satisfaction of all persons interested.

There is an epizootic form of typhoid influenza throughout Berks county among the horses. One veterinary surgeon has upwards of thirty horses under treat-

The population of Christiana, taken July 4th, is 566-males, 269, females 297. So says the Ledger of that town. Rye over eight feet in length was cut on the farm of Cromwell Blackburn, Coleraine township last week.

John Kelly, an Irishman living at the Anvil, in Kennett township, Chester county, has received notice that by the death of his uncle in Ireland he comes into possession of his estate of 300 acres and valued at \$75,000. The First Presbyterian church of West

Chester recently extended a call to Rev. J.

C. Caldwell of Chambersburg, Pa. Mr.

Caldwell has given a favorable response and will accept, provided his present charge will release him. Prof. William M. Foulk, of Brooklyn, N, Y. has been elected principal of the Oxford academy. Mr. Foulk was educated at Dickinson College and has had

The Electric Light.

several years experience.

Harry A. Diller, chairman of the lamp committee of councils, this morning received a letter from the Maxim light com. pany managers. They state that their men would have been here before this, but for the illness of Mr. Drape, who was taken sick soon after returning from this city. One of the men will be up the latter end of the week. They state that if Mr. Gable will send them the proper lease for his property, on which the plant is to be for fourteen m privilege of longer, they will sign it.

A large colored woods meeting will be held on C. M. Hess' wood at Quarryville, on Sunday, July 22, and the posters invite all colored people to attend. It will be given under the auspices of the M. E. church of this city, and there will be a choir of over one hundred voices. Special Ironsides.

m. and at 7:80 p. m.

Woods Meeting

COUNTRY BUADS,

The economy of keeping public roads in a good state of repair is a subject that has frequently received attention in these columns, and the authorized remarks from the Country Gentleman are so entirely to the point that we commend them to the careful attention of all who have an interest in

"We are not aware that any estimate has

the subject:

ever been made of the actual cost of the public roads of the United States, or that the expense of providing them has ever been attempted by any bureau of statistics, but we make the rough estimate that they bave cost at least seven hundred million dollars-probably much more-while unknown millions are annually expended in attempting to keep them in repair. If the money were only well applied, it would be an expenditure of great profit and economy, as everything which the farmer does off his own land is greatly affected by their condition. All his many loads of surplus farm products are drawn over them and it makes some difference to him and to his horse whether those loads are conveyed easily over hard, smooth surfaces, or dragged through mud and against stones with severe labor to the team, fatigue to the driver, and wear and breakage to the wagon. Every week he in the Conestoga, vocal and and his family, more or less, go to the village for numberless errands, or to church on the Sabbath, and the good or bad condition of the roads seems to affect every fibre, pleasantly or unpleas antly, of their feeling or nervous sensation. On an average, there at least twenty miles of traveling each week for the members of a single family. It would make a dif-ference of five dollars a week, everything counted, whether this teaming and travelbridged streams, or against stones. Five snug little sum to tax the farmer with ; and when this sum is multiplied by at five million owners or drivers of horse carriages. wagons, heavy teams, &c., the aggregate cost would be something over a is too large an estimate? Then produce in detail and show in what Then particulars; but do not blindly and ignorautly say it is wrong without careful examination. Sappose, however, we admit that it is double the reality, is not the six hundred millions every year, expended of more attention on the part of patriots, statesmen, politicians, office seekers, public-spirited men, writers for newspapers, agricultural journalists, and, in fact, o veryone who passes over a road?

"So long as our public highways in most parts of the country are made and repaired with so little interest and so little thought, we must suffer an enormous loss. would like to ask how many of our readers who drive or ride over the common roads never see a loose stone, or a fixed stone to strike, jolt and batter every passing wheel, or who do not see hundreds of them penditure of a small portion of the the roadsides, thrifty patches of thistles, burdocks, mulleins, johnswort, nettles, &c., &c., ready to seed all the neighbors' fields? Until we can find such happy persons in the majority, we hope more at tention may be given to correcting these evils, although we would not lessen the praiseworthy attention which is now freely accorded to enterprises and interest of almost infinitely less importance, but good in their small way."

#### SMALLPOX.

more Cases Reported -Preventive and H Mamie Snyder, a daughter of Michael Snyder, of the Plow tavern, is suffering from a comparatively light attack of smallpox. The case was reported too late for publication yesterday. Mr. Snyder has closed his house and sent other members of his family to a place of safety.

The health officers complain that a lad named Campbell, residing in Campbell's alley, who was sick from varioloid and attended by a private physician who failed to report the case to the board of health has been permitted during his convales cence, to run about the streets, thus endangering the health of others. The doctors say that a person suffering f.om a various kinds of work have been added to very slight attack of varioloid may communicate to another person smallpox in its most virulent form.

Proposed Smallpox Hospital. The county commissioners, board of health and poor directors, who had a conerence yesterday, came to the conclusion that it is desirable to provide a building for smallpox patients. Several sites were burial. viewed, and it was decided that the most lesirable location was on a knoll of ground on the left hand side of the road leading from the county hospital to the bridge that crosses the Conestoga in rear of the public buildings, and about four hundred yards from them. An architect was employed to make a draft of a suitable build ing, which will be presented to the court and grand jury at its next session on the third Monday of August, and if approved by them will be built by the commissioners. This delay is deemed necessary as the commissioners believe they have no author-

#### ity to act without sanction of the court. Oxford Pres .

The barn on the farm of David M. Taylor, of Oxford, near Ashville, Lancaster county, was destroyed by fire about eight o'clock last Friday morning. The farm is in the occupancy of Mrs. Lewis Ritter, who first saw the flames issuing from the lower part of the building. The barn contained about seven tons of old hay, none of the new harvest having been gathered, and a nice young Alderney bull belonging to Mr. Taylor, which was in the stable, was burned to death. The neighbors soon gathered and prevented the flames from spreading to the other buildings. The barn was insured for \$1,200 in the Southern Lancaster County Mutual company. It is Mr. Taylor's intention to rebuild as soon as possible. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

Lititz Items. Some of the Lancaster bicycle club mem-

bers rode out to the Springs hotel yesterday, making good time. The springs are visited almost daily by picnic parties and the village hotels are well patronized by visitors from Lancaster county and remoter points.

John F. Echternacht proposes to supply a long felt want by establishing a livery stable in Lititz, the facilities of which will be enlarged from time to time with increasing patronage. Kehoe & Echternacht are pushing along

work on the turnpike to Lexington and expect to soon have it completed. The many of their laborers and a batch of Italians, shipped from New York the other day, are now engaged on the work. Their labor thus far has been satisfactory.

The Mantua club, of West Philadelphia, arrived here at 1:35 this afternoon, and as

To-morrow afternoon two nines from turning will leave Quarryville at 11;45 a. the college grounds. A number of players of former years will be seen.

## PICNIC SEASON.

MIDSUMMER AMUSEMENTS IN

Springs and Little-The Events Yet in Prospect.

The largest pionic of the season was held at What Glen park yesterday by St. Mary's Catholic church. From 600 to 800 persons were present, including the mayor of this city and many of our first families. A very large proportion of those present were children, and special efforts were made to secure them a day of pleasure. From early morn until late at-night omnibusses, hacks and private conveyances ran to and from the grounds and were constantly crowded with passengers. No liquors or beer were sold upon the grounds, but there was a super abundance of all other sorts of refresh ments, both solid and tinid. Hundreds of baskets stored with delicacies were carried to the ground and long tables were spread upon the lawn. Taylor's orchestra furnished the music for the dancers, who all day long filled the fine dancing platform. Games of various kinds were indulged in -croquet, baseball and target practice being some of them. Boating and fishing strumental music, strolls in the shady grove and other divertisement made the day all too short for many of the pleasure seekers. There was not the slightest disorder from morning till night. Towards sundown many who would liked to have staid longer, returned to the city, fearing that they might "be left" if they remained longer. Their fear was a very reasonable one; for though there was a constant train of vehicles running between ing is done over a nice comfortable road or through mud holes, sloughs, ruts and unbridged streams, or against stones. Five dollars a week amount to \$250 a year, a did not hurt them, and all regard the occasion as being a red letter day for St. Mary's.

Duke Street Methodist Picnic. The Duke street M. E. church and the West Mission, had a very fine pionic billion dollars! Does any one say this yesterday at Rocky Springs. There were about 300 persons present. The party went to the ground in omnibuses and private conveyances, taking with them a fine cab inet organ to furnish music. Mr. Halbach was also there with his cornet. There was no dancing, but some very fine sacred and secular music was sung and played directly or indirectly by our people, worthy | The refreshments were choice and abundant, the several families grouping themselves together, and making the banquet much more pleasant than if each had de pended on the contents of their own baskets. The steamboat "Fulton" plied all day between the picnic grounds and Wit mer's bridge and was crowded with pas sangers. A number of oar boats were also constantly in use. Many indulged in fishing with rod and line; others in croquet, tennis, ball play and other games. The grounds are in first-class condition and all enjoyed themselves fully, the last omnibus load reaching the city about half which might be removed with the ex. past ten o'clock. There was one little un pleasantness at the close of the day's road tax ? How many never saw sods and sport. An omnibus driver either lost or muck scraped into the road bed, to form a failed to receive pay for two tickets ; and highway or turnpike, which would be ex- so he deliberately stopped his 'bus and cellent for corn and potatoes, but which gave his passengers, many of whom were when worked into a mass of mud, ladies, to understand that he would keep contest which sprung up between Messrs. or cut into ruts a foot deep, con them there all night unless those who had a "road?" How many never saw along additional to pay for the two missing tickets. The passengers protested that they had paid and would pay no more, but the driver finally made them ante up.

St. Jonn's Free Episcopal The members and Sunday school chil dren of St. John's Free Episcopal church to the number of 200 or 300 had a picnic at Lititz Springs yesterday. They reached the ground via the Reading railroad. The park connected with the springs is in admirable condition. The day was de lightfully spent in the usual picnic fashion, singing, playing, feasting and flirting. The party returned to Laneaster at 8:30 p. m.

Presbyterian Mission, The Sunday school of the Presbyterian mission left this morning for Lititz, where they are holding a pienic. There were several hundred scholars, accompanied by their teachers and friends of the school,

#### COLUMBIA NEWS.

From Our Kegular Correspondent. Mr. James Perrottet has just completed extensive improvements at his iron works on Bridge street. A new engine house has been erected in the rear of the machine shop and a new engine of his own manu facture placed therein. New machines for those previously in the works, which will enable him to do anything in the machine

making line. The remains of James A. son of Mr. John W. Lee, who died at his father's residence on Third street on Sunday, were taken to Peach Bottom this morning for

Reading & Columbia railroad here, spent to day in Philadelphia. Mr. John Conard, of Philadelphia is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. Perrottet, on Third street.

Mr. Wm. Clark, the ticket agent of the

Miss Annie E. Prichett is the guest of Miss Kate Smith, on Locust street. Miss Bertie Corbin, of Everett, Pa., late the guest of Miss Mary Shanebrook, left for her home to day.

Mr. J. J. Sadiger, late the guest of Mr.

. J. Kauffman, returned to his home in Philadelphia, last evening.

Mr. L. H. Focht, of Birdsboro, Pa., and Messrs, Frank Farness, N. E. B. De Morainville and Jos. H. Missimer, of

Philadelphia, were in town yesterday and to-day attending to business in connection with the new R. & C. railroad depot. Borough Briefs. A lively fisticuff occurred at Fifth and Locust street between two boys last evening. It was not so much the size of the combatants that created the excitement which prevailed, as the manner in which they pummelled one another. All said

' naughty boys," but they took good care to see the fight go on. A fine setter dog came to the farm house of Mr. J. C. Stoner last week, where it awaits a claimant. On the collar is inscribed the name of C. W. Kline. The animal is white, dashed with yellow spots. Jerry Long's horse was struck by a Port Deposit railroad train at Wolfe's quarries,

near town, last evening, and instantly killed. The animal had been turned loose Mr. J. M. Ward, the fan mill manufacturer, has placed another delivery team on the road, his increased business demand-

ing it. Orion lodge of Odd Fellows will meet in its hall to night. Six more train jumpers were taken to

the county jail, this morning, by Penusylvania railroad police. A 4 per cent. semi-annual dividend has declared by the First National

The Locust street German Lutheran Sunday school picnieked in Heise woods to day. A party of Columbians spent the day Chickies rock.

#### Delinquent Taxes. The county treasurer has placed in the

hands of Alderman Barr the names of 217 persons assessed with a mercantile tax, who have failed to pay the same. The number of delinquents is considerably larger than heretofore—and includes a number of butchers and drovers who on that day at 9 a. m. and 1 p. m. Returning will leave Quarryville at 11:45 a. the college grounds. A number of planers