

Lancaster Intelligencer.

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 13, 1883.

The Issue Made Up.

The Republican senators have announced their unalterable resolution to make no concession to the Democrats in the apportionment. What they offered first, they offer last. Cooper for the Stalwarts and Stewart for the Independents were equally resolute in affirming the Republican determination. Senator Cooper declared that their purpose would grow stronger every day they were kept in session. Senator Stewart vowed that they would never waver. Other Republicans declared that the snows of winter would come and go and find them still refusing to approve any other congressional apportionment than the one proposed in the McCracken bill, or modifying in any way the other apportionment bills which they have offered.

This then is the situation, and we are delighted that it is so plainly defined. After a failure to agree in the regular session upon the apportionments commanded by the constitution the Legislature was recalled by the Democratic governor to discharge this plain duty, the Senate being Republican and the House Democratic. The House has offered to the Senate important concessions of its views as to just apportionments. The Senate has offered the House none. It is now for the people to decide which party is responsible for the failure to obey the constitution.

It has been suggested that the governor will reconvene the Legislature should it adjourn without performing its constitutional duty. The Republican senators seemed to apprehend that this would be the result of their contumacy. We have no idea that the governor will do anything of the kind. He has sufficiently discharged his duty in recalling the Legislature once to discharge their sworn duty. When they fail to do it he is free from the responsibility. Neither as governor nor as Democrat is it his duty or his policy to go further in the effort to have the constitution obeyed. The responsibility for the failure to obey is fixed firmly on the Legislature, and just as firmly on the Republican side of it.

This will be readily seen when the apportionment bills, upon which they take their stand and which they declare they will not vary from one iota, are compared with what they should be if they give a just representation to the people then the Democrats will be condemned for not accepting it; but if their apportionment is unjust they will lose their cause before the people. Senator Stewart declares that the constitution, while directing an apportionment to be made, cannot coerce a legislator's conscience; and leaves us to infer that his conscience will not approve anything but the McCracken bill. Senator Stewart for some time has been falling from grace, and now seems to have acquired a very hardened political conscience. A year ago he was a devotee of justice. He conceived that he bore its banners, and that paroled as he was, he would make an excellent record at the close of the tournament. Whereas Senator Stewart made a very poor one. He got remarkably few votes. He seems to have been soured by the unexpected revelation that it is not all the men with pious intentions upon whom the Lord smiles. He is not caring so much now for heavenly illumination. He is persuaded that he will do better by sticking to his party; and he sticks. It does well. Senator Stewart is not as big a man as he thought himself. He is not cut out for greatness. He will do better sailing close to shore than venturing out on the billows. He gets sea sick too soon. It is not the situation for a light-headed and weak, nervous and a poor calculator. Mr. Stewart evidently is not good at figures. He showed this well enough when he was counting up the votes he did not get; and he shows it now in his failure to comprehend that the McCracken bill requires 16,000 more Democrats than Republicans to elect a congressman. We presume Mr. Stewart does not get these figures into his head, else he certainly would not insist that it was a just apportionment. His conscience might let him do it, but would he be such a fool as to deliberately go before the people and declare it?

As Senator Wallace well said in the debate, "the people want fairness, justice and equity." This broad thought had actuated the Democratic side and they proposed to go before the people with it. That is the issue; and on the record as now made up we are well equipped to meet it.

THE PHILADELPHIA TIMES is not true to itself nor to the truth when it declares that in the matter of the apportionment at Harrisburg "the folks are every bit as good as the people," and that "the leading men of each party, who ought to have been placed partisan advantage first, to the subordination of the interests of the commonwealth. That is the truth, and neither side can claim any advantage over the other." By the very standard of a proper apportionment which the Times itself laid down, the Democratic folks offered everything that was fair and right and the Republican people refused to accept it. The Democrats did not place partisan advantage first, but accepted partisan disadvantage and agreed to take the bill framed by John Stewart himself. We recognize the fact that as a Republican organ the Times is bound to make out the best case possible for its party, but it is not too much to ask even of the organic organ that it will measure the apportionment situation by the standard which it set up only a few days ago.

HELL CHANDLER, called to New Hampshire to attend the bedside of a dying mother, by chance, the usual way, there just in time to grasp at the senatorship which Rollins has let drop; and is giving a good deal more attention to it than to his filial duties. Neither the country nor New Hampshire would gain much by Chandler's

SUMMER STORMS.

LOSS OF LIFE AND OF PROPERTY.

The Reign of Violence and Death—Flood and Wind—Crime and Calamity—News in Brief.

Another orrib at the Carillon dam, at Ottawa, Ontario, ten feet in length, has been carried away, taking with it about 30 feet of the superstructure. The break is now about 50 feet wide, but, owing to the high state of the main river, the water in the canal has not fallen to any considerable extent. A heavy wind storm on Wednesday night, destroyed a brick building in course of erection at Portage, Wisconsin, for the Guppy Guards. A "very hard" rain storm, with slight hail and high wind, prevailed last evening at Indianapolis. Shade trees were damaged throughout the city and a number of houses were blown down. In Anzora, Nebraska, were blown down and five persons were injured.

A passenger train on the North Pennsylvania railroad ran into an open switch a short distance above Quakertown, Pa., yesterday. The engine and several cars were thrown from the track and upset. The only persons injured were Martin Burkard, engineer, and Al. Mendehall, baggage master, both of Philadelphia. Burkard was seriously hurt internally. Thomas Waldron, a liquor dealer, 45 years of age, was yesterday struck and killed by a train as he was crossing the tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad in Trenton, N. J., his sudden death prostrated his wife, who now lies insensible.

Among the miners. John McNamara and James Dillon entered the gateway at the Kaska William colliery, at the foot of the mountain, where shots were soon prepared. After lighting the fuse both miners retreated to a place of safety to await the result of the blast. Only one of them, however, went off, when McNamara, who had charge of the work, went to examine the scene, and just as he was about to enter the hole when the shot fired, mutilating his body so terribly that recovery is impossible. His head and body were frightfully mutilated and both his eyes were blown out. Dillon escaped with light bruises. McNamara was severely injured, and was carried to a hospital in the city.

A fight occurred between fifteen Hungarians and thirteen Poles, at Mount Carbon, Pa., last evening. Stones were freely used and one of them struck Judge Parsick, cutting a gash in his face. He picked up a large stone and threw it at the rioters, named Warsky, with it, smashing his nose and knocking him senseless. The Hungarians, at last accounts, were threatening to mob Parsick.

By a runaway accident in Chicago on Wednesday night a young man named Stephen Gieck and a young woman were thrown into the river through the open draw of the Haystack bridge, and Gieck was drowned. Michael Stultz, of Waterford township, Erie county, was working on a tall scaffolding, when his little seven year old daughter Mary climbed the ladder and reached the platform unknown to the father. He started to run along the narrow plank to meet him when becoming dizzy from looking down, she staggered, fell and was instantly killed on the flags, sixty feet below.

The Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, Rep., declares that the state convention of its party was decidedly too previous in attempting, at this early period in the discussion of the scheme, to give its endorsement to the project for dividing the surplus in the United States treasury among the states.

A serious difficulty is reported to have arisen over the selection of a chairman of the Republican state committee. Senator Cooper, it is stated, who had been slated for the place, is found to be disqualified to serve because having made the campaign against Pattison on the ground that he was born in Maryland he cannot run live on the issue that he was born in England.

The New York Times, the leading Republican newspaper of the country, mildly speaks of the Wharton Barkes phase of the Pennsylvania platform as "crude" folly, not worth kicking at, and of no consequence because "the state of Pennsylvania does not direct the financial policy of the government and the Republicans of Pennsylvania do not formulate the principles for the party in the nation."

The Republicans are dumb in the state Senate last night under Mr. Wallace's logical arraignment of their unfairness in the apportionment matter and his clear presentation of the reasonableness of the Democratic demand. It may delight Mr. Stewart and his Stalwart coadjutors to stir up Senators Humes and Gordon upon their relations to the executive, but that is not a fundamental issue nor the one upon which the next state campaign will be fought. Upon the facts and figures of Senator Wallace's speech the Democracy can easily afford to rest their case in the discussion of an honest, just and true apportionment.

THE SCOVILLE'S FAMILY TROUBLES. George Scoville's affidavit, supported by that of his son, has been filed in answer to his wife's petition for alimony. He says the lady has no just grounds for complaint against him, as he carried out every agreement to the best of his ability. Such failures as have been made are chargeable to her pecuniary mismanagement and misconduct; that in a little over a year next prior to May, 1883, she caused him \$2,000 expenses over and above money paid to her; that on June 30 he gave her \$250 worth of furniture and \$20 in money, but that she, with Guitson, his attorney, only labored to bring fresh trouble upon him. He hates his wife's unfortunate mental condition and desires custody of the child Bertha.

A Nice Distinction. While in pursuit of a burglar in Frarzarburg, Ohio, recently a merchant named Blizard chased the criminal into the river firing at him as they ran. The grand jury has now indicted Mr. Blizard for murder in the first degree, not because he shot at the burglar, but because he did not go to the lady's assistance when he was drowning. The judge instructed the jury to indict any bystander for murder who refused or neglected to help the drowning burglar. Apparently it is lawful in Ohio to shoot burglar but not to drown them, a nice distinction which no petit jury in its senses will recognize.

Haskell Yesterday. At Trenton—Trenton 6, Brooklyn 1; Pittsburgh—Allegheny 9, Athletic 1; Cleveland—Cleveland 10, Philadelphia 9; Baltimore—Baltimore 1, Metropolitan 4; Reading—Quakertown 2, Active 9; Buffalo—New York—Buffalo 9, Chicago 9; Chicago 6, Providence 5; Detroit—The game scheduled between the Boston and Detroit clubs was postponed on account of rain; St. Louis—St. Louis 9, Columbia 4; Louisville—Cincinnati 11, Toledo 2; Philadelphia—Philadelphia 14, Reading, Merritt 7, Anthracite 6.

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A DEED OF BLOOD.

AN AFRICAN BUSINESS HIS WIFE.

Kills his Children—Blows Out his Brains—Terrible and Tragic End of a Happy Family.

A number of years ago Andrew White was one of the most prominent property holders in Chicago, made for himself an immense fortune, with which he retired to a stock farm near Dwight, where he has lived most of the time since.

His steady attention to business and the consequent mental strain affected his mind to such an extent that he had to be carefully watched by his family. He grew steadily worse and worse until his strange freaks were so unbearable that he had to be sent to a private asylum. Here he acquired the strange and fatal hallucination that his imprisonment was due to a desire on the part of his wife and children to get hold of his fortune and spend it. He communicated the fears to the warden of the institution, who caused the patient to undergo a rigid medical examination, in which such conclusive evidence was demonstrated that he was declared hopelessly insane. He was continually inventing means of escape to execute vengeance upon his family; but not until a week ago did he succeed in obtaining his liberty through the carelessness of his custodians.

He specially made his way to his former home, near Dwight, on his mission of vengeance, purchasing a large Smith & Wesson revolver en route. Reaching the house in the middle of the night, he watched till morning, when he advanced to the front step and called out to his wife to come down, saying "what's that?" and he sent a bullet crashing through her brain, and she fell dead on the porch, as he turned and buried bullets in the brains of his boys and girl.

When he had done this he laid down the revolver and gazed upon the fearful deed with a morbid exultation, at a moment the horror of the act seemed to restore his reason, and with a desperate cry he fell upon the corpse of his wife, kissing it and weeping over it. His hallucination returning, however, he dragged the bodies of the children to the table, and laid them out on the table, wife first, they boy next and the girl last.

NEIGHBOORHOOD NEWS.

Events Near and Across the County Lines.

There are 75 prisoners in the Berks county jail.

Jennie Rhoads, of Pottstown, aged 13 years, has been held in jail in the sum of \$250 for an assault committed on Gertrude Scott, aged 11.

Harford county, Maryland, although much given to cattle grazing, has already become famous for its canned vegetables. The product is valued at millions of dollars annually and the canning interest is said to be greater than in any county in Maryland. From fifteen thousand people besides residents are employed during the season in the canning factories.

The Maryland board of public works met yesterday in Annapolis to consider a proposition to build a branch of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad company to bridge the Susquehanna river at Port Deposit, but postponed the hearing until Thursday next, in the Baltimore and Ohio directors' room in Baltimore. It is stated that the bridge proposed by the plan submitted is to be 50 feet above high water, without a draw. Citizens of Port Deposit oppose the building without a draw.

Martin L. Nissley, of Hummelstown, Dauphin county, was instantly killed on Wednesday, that day he was visiting at the farm of John Nissley at Derry, Pa. In the afternoon he climbed onto a cherry tree to pick some of the fruit, when he slipped from the branches and fell to the ground. He struck on his head and when picked up was dead, he dying instantly. Mr. Nissley was one of the most well known residents of the lower end of the county.

In reading yesterday while Wm. D. Wolfinger and James G. Boate were on a sea-fair along the girls high school 24 feet above the ground, the scaffold fell. Boate was killed and Wolfinger was severely injured, but it could not be determined last evening whether either of them was broken, his back was most seriously hurt, and he is badly injured internally.

BASEBALL.

A Tie Game After Several Hours Playing.

Yesterday afternoon the "Quids" and the "Stumps," two nines from Demuth's cigar store, played a match game of ball on the grounds of the Ironsides club. There were a number of old ball players in the game, most of whom, however, had not played for years. The Quids presented Porter as catcher and Royer as pitcher, while the Stumps had Downer and Reilly as their battery. Of course the game was full of errors, but there was some fine batting. Bauman, of the Stumps, made a three base hit and Porter a two base hit. Of the Quids, Harry Lichty and Jacob Shirk each made a two base hit. But the game was a tie, when the game was called on account of darkness. The score by innings was as follows:

Quids.....3 4 5 1 7 2 5 3-31
Stumps.....1 2 3 4 5 6 7 2 5 3-31

Umpire—E. Myers.

DESERVING A REE HOME.

A Woman of Honor who Prefers Frugality to Wealth.

John Botzum is the postmaster, leading merchant and richest person in the town of Botzum, Summit county, Ohio. The village was named after him. He is 50 years of age and worth \$2,000,000. Four weeks ago his wife, a handsome woman of middle age, eloped with a traveling horse doctor named Hall. Botzum employed a detective who followed the runaway pair from town to town. Three weeks ago the detective and Botzum's oldest son, a college student, tracked the pair to Columbus. The wife and mother was taken back to her home and her husband forgave her. Since then she has been carrying on a clandestine correspondence with Dr. Hall, who is at present in Mansfield. Wednesday night she again left her home, and took a train for Mansfield. Young Botzum was at the depot when she left and endeavored to retain his mother by force, but she cut him aside and left on the train. A man named Jackson, who lives near Botzum, is said to have acted as mutual friend between the wife and her husband. For this reason the whole village has risen in arms. He has been ordered to leave town within ten hours and if he does not comply he may be severely dealt with. Mr. Botzum's mind is almost shattered by his trouble, and his friends fear he will become insane.

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THE DISEASE MUCH ANXIATED.

Only three cases reported.—The Powers of the Health Commissioner.—Meeting of the Board of Health.

Another case of smallpox is reported. Henry Eisele occupies the upstairs of No. 428 Main street. Yesterday it was ascertained that his little daughter Tillie, aged three years, who had been sick for some days, was suffering from smallpox. This morning Dr. Fitzpatrick visited the family and advised the removal of the child to the hospital, the case being a rather bad one. The mother consented to the proposition, provided she be allowed to accompany it.

Removal of other cases exist, but it is impossible to ascertain whether they are true or false. The health commissioner has no right to permit ambulatory visits without the consent of the occupants. He has made many such visits on his own responsibility, and in most cases has been courteously received, but it is an unpleasant duty to perform, and might be avoided if all practicing physicians would promptly notify the board of health of all cases of smallpox or varioloid that occur within their practice. As some of them have thus far failed to do so exaggerated reports are circulated; and when any of the non-reporting physicians are seen to visit a family, no matter for what purpose, a report is circulated that they are visiting smallpox patients. They have it in their power to abate the alarm and assist the board of health in stamping out the disease, by promptly reporting every case.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

A Joint Meeting With the Sanitary Committee.

Last evening the board of health and the sanitary committee of city councils held a joint meeting in common council chamber.

Of the board of health Mr. Zecher and Drs. Brown, Fitzpatrick, Levegood and Reed were present. Of the sanitary committee Dr. Bolenus and Messrs. Diller and Eberman were present.

Dr. Levegood occupied the chair and Dr. Brown acted as secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting of the board of health were read and approved. The following preamble and resolutions presented by Dr. Levegood were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it is a well known fact, as well known to most members of councils as it is to citizens residing in the northern portion of the Sixth and Ninth wards, that there exists at the intersection of North Queen and Clay streets, a nuisance of an almost intolerable character; a nuisance that has occasioned an extraordinary amount of mortality among children, whose parents reside in the locality referred to, and which has occasioned very great complaint; and that the board of health respectfully and earnestly calls the attention of councils to the nuisance, and asks that they take the necessary steps to abate the nuisance, and to prevent the same from recurring.

Resolved, That the sanitary committee be requested to bring this subject to the attention of the board of health, and to report thereon at their next meeting.

Dr. Brown offered a resolution, which was adopted, to the effect that a committee of three be appointed to draft an ordinance for preventing the spread of contagious and infectious diseases, and to present the same to the sanitary committee, and to report thereon at their next meeting for adoption. The chair appointed Drs. Brown and Reed and Mr. Steigerwalt said committee.

Several instances of minor importance were reported and the necessary means were adopted to be taken, after which the meeting adjourned.

Faithful Discharge of Arduous Duties.

Dr. Fitzpatrick, the health commissioner, gets more unmerited abuse about these times than any other man we know of. Lancaster, and all the other cities of its size and intelligence has not yet been educated up to the appreciation of those severe sanitary regulations which are an absolute necessity for preventing or holding contagious diseases in check. Hence the average citizen doesn't like any interference with his duty to the best of his ability under the limited powers doted out by the councils to the board of health for whom he is acting, he is frequently abused by the very men and women whom he is trying to serve while saving the public. Much of this abuse has been given by men who ought to be ashamed of their conduct. We are in a position to know that the citizens of Lancaster owe a debt of gratitude to Dr. Fitzpatrick for his efforts to prevent the spread of the disease which started in this