

Lancaster Intelligencer.

MONDAY EVENING, SEPT. 3, 1883.

Cloaking Ambition. The New York Herald affects to believe that the New York Sun's statement that its authority for declaring that Mr. Tilden is not a candidate for the presidency is Mr. Tilden himself, puts a question on "the old ticket" business, and reduces its advocates to a necessary silence. The Herald considers this fortune made for the Democratic party since the cipher dispatches, the income tax suit, the various speculations, some of them sufficiently notorious, in which Mr. Tilden has been engaged—all make him an undesirable Democratic candidate for the presidency, unless the Republicans intended to nominate Mr. Cyrus W. Field. Though Democrats generally do not share the Herald's opinion that Mr. Tilden has been smirched in the matters which it enumerates, yet there is no doubt that there is a great deal of truth in the opinion which it goes on to express that the acquisition of great wealth by a great many of our public men, which has been a notable feature in political life since the war, has "injured them in the general esteem, and when it is proposed to make presidents out of wealthy statesmen like Mr. Blaine or Mr. Tilden or others whom we could name the public mind recoils."

But only a part of the public mind recoils. There is no doubt that a great many Democrats have Mr. Tilden for their first presidential choice, and a great many Republicans would first choose Mr. Blaine. These Democrats and Republicans have educated themselves into an admiration for these men and will believe no evil of them. Both have announced their retirement from the presidential race and both would like to have it believed that they are out of it. It is an unwholesome thing to be deemed a standing candidate for any office and especially for the presidency. It is obviously good policy to retire for a while, after an unsuccessful venture, as deep into the shade as possible, to emerge at a propitious moment. The enemy is lulled into a false security by the movement. His vigilance is relaxed; opportunity is given for the subsidence of resentments and the healing of wounds.

Mr. Blaine, to give a semblance of truth and "don't care a copper for it" to his renunciation of presidential aim, has gone into the literary business, and is playing a good stroke of policy and business at the same time by announcing his preparation of a big two volume book, containing his twenty years congressional recollections, which he proposes to sell, to subscribers only, at seven dollars a copy. And a great many he is getting; though he has no reputation as a writer his agents secure subscriptions for the book for it. His admirers, indeed, would willingly pay for the book for it had no literary merit. But no doubt it will not be lacking in this. Mr. Blaine can afford to pay it, or if he cannot himself produce it, or if he is disinclined to the exertion. And with his experience of men and things he will have little difficulty in getting up an interesting book. It is quite a Yankee idea, to turn his notoriety into cash, while he kills another bird with the stone by putting a literary coat over his political skin. It is a rich vein for distinguished politicians to strike. They might each give us a book. They need not all follow Mr. Blaine into the reminiscence line, but may strike off into a novel or a history. Disraeli was a statesman and novelist, and statesmen and historians have been abundant. We have not heard the announcement of any literary work by Mr. Tilden, who has been busy with house building; which is an evidence that he is in good mental and physical condition, house building being a business that requires a sound mind in a sound body to prosecute successfully. We hope that he will long enjoy the result of his labors and find himself very comfortable at home.

The earthquake in Ischia and the plague in Egypt overflow the cup of horrors which the present year has been heaping full. It was remarked some months ago that 1883 had been the most notable year of the century for calamities of all sorts, but the tragedies of the first six months were comparatively merciful to human life in contrast with the awful disasters in the East of later occurrence. Human life has never been accounted here so cheap as there and this is probably why the slaughter of 20,000 at Ischia and the death from pestilence of 25,000 in India and Egypt do not awaken the melancholy interest which for the time at least attached to the Braidwood mine disaster and the excursion horror near Baltimore.

The Philadelphia Times has no foundation for its announcement that if Ohio goes Democratic the Democratic chairman in this state will claim that perforce Pennsylvania will go Democratic. Last year, under such circumstances, no such claim was made. The Democratic party here recognizes that the issues in Ohio and in Pennsylvania are separate and distinct. One does not settle, and scarcely affects, the other. Every tub stands on its own bottom this year. Ours is sound; that of Ohio seems to be a little leaky, and we do not propose to go to sea in it.

One of the most effective arguments against the internal revenue taxation as it now exists is its inequality. The cigar that can be made for \$1 a thousand is taxed \$3, or 75 per cent of its cost, while the cigar that costs \$100 per thousand is taxed the same amount or a percentage of only 3 per cent. This is an unjust discrimination. The cost of the poor man's cigar is nearly doubled by the tax, while that of the rich man is scarcely affected by it. Taxation should be equal. This is not. It must go.

The universal demand is not that surplus be divided, but that they be abated. Whenever there is a national or state surplus—as there is in both cases

now—the general government and the state should relieve the individual and the community so that what they now needlessly pay into an overflowing state and national treasury may be directed to county and municipal purposes.

ARE YOU REGISTERED? THE prince of Wales is said to favor an Anglo Russian alliance.

"THE whining school boy with his satchel and shining morning face, creeping like snail unwillingly to school," was a conspicuous figure on the streets to-day.

IT is not to be wondered at that the South remains solid for the Democracy when Mahone, Chalmers and Cash are recognized as the political evangelists of the Republican party in that region.

THE fact that Henry Villard, the president of the Northern Pacific railway, is a journalist until nearly forty years of age, proves that the education obtained in a newspaper office is not such a bad equipment in the battle of life.

TO DAY the postoffice begins the issue of postal notes, by which any sum under \$5 can be sent payable to bearer at any money order office in the country at a charge of only three cents. Money orders are also increased from fifty to one hundred dollars maximum.

THE last day for the registration of voters will be Thursday, September 6. The duty of attending to this matter is vitally important. Every voter should go personally to his polling place and see that his name is on the assessor's book with a tax assessed against him.

THE BRITISH GIPSY. To the stately village school, With its fountains, dance and mirth, There came a gray-haired singer— One of the tribe of earth. Silver and gold and jewels, The rich guests brought along, The lady had naught to offer But a bowl of the little wine.

THAT the presidential party is somewhat bound and the stupendous fish stories which the public had come to regard as its daily pulchritude must be no more, is a subject for poignant regret. Yet there is a deeper deep of privation connected with the passing of Arthur from the untrodden west. Colonel Mike Sheridan will lay aside the little pen which has done such faithful service as a chronicler of the events of the presidential campaign. The aching void which this event will create in the literary world is horrible to contemplate.

NOVEL writing, unless in instances where authors have attained a world wide fame, is not a lucrative occupation. The world will never know the number of valuable productions that have been lost to it by the incompetency of book publishers to discern a really good work when they see it. Even when a book has achieved a reputation, the profits arising to the fortunate author are often exceedingly meagre. It is said that Marion Crawford, who made the striking hit in "Mr. Isaacs," and followed it up with "Dr. Claudius," in similar vein, has not realized on both works over \$6,000. Yet these novels are reported to have reached a sale in England, and the United States of 30,000 copies. The composition of these two books represents two years of arduous labor, and when the peculiar genius necessary for their construction is considered, the compensation can not be regarded as more than a mere pittance.

PARNELL struck the key note of the Irish situation when in his recent public speech in Dublin he cautioned his hearers against supposing that England would do anything for Ireland out of a spirit of pure national generosity, and farther said that no concession had ever been obtained and none would ever be obtained that was not wrung by sheer force from the governing power. Tireless parliamentary agitation of the Irish question must eventually command recognition, as constant dropping wears away the stone. Too much praise cannot be given to Mr. Parnell for the mastery style in which he has led the Irish parliamentary forces. From an insignificant, discouraging handful, they have become a turbulent band of clear headed agitators whose unflinching political course commands the admiration and elicits the sympathies of all friends of the government. The recent crushing defeat of the landlords in the Sigo election by the triumphant return of the Home Rule candidate has caused a big boom of Irish stock in the political market. There seems to be little doubt that the next Parliament will contain eighty Home Rule members, who, holding the balance of power, will be able to speed the day of Irish deliverance from English tyranny.

THE NEW ENGLAND GALE. Scores of vessels stranded along the coast—Reports are daily coming to Halifax from all parts of the coast showing extensive damage, particularly to shipping, by Wednesday night's gale. Scores of vessels lay stranded along the beaches, the majority of which are total wrecks, while a small proportion only can be got off with good prospects. Four large schooners and a brig went ashore and pounded their bottoms out within a mile of each other at Cashey, C. B.

DISABLED vessels and steamers with cargoes shifted or spars carried away are daily arriving. Fishermen suffered terribly, and the loss in Newfoundland is reported even heavier in proportion. The number of fishing schooners and other craft which went down with all on board cannot, of course, yet be estimated, although the probabilities, especially for the bankers, are desperate.

LARGE GATHERINGS. The home for destitute children of New York city, built at Mount Loretta, near Ptcones bay, Staten Island, by Rev. Father John C. Drumgoole, was dedicated yesterday. Archbishop Corrigan officiated and also straddled the benches, the craft which went down with all on board cannot, of course, yet be estimated, although the probabilities, especially for the bankers, are desperate.

THE Salvation Army made its first appearance on Staten Island on Saturday evening, when it held a meeting in a hall at Port Richmond.

The summer encampment of the New Jersey Grand Army of the Republic begins at Princeton Junction to-day.

NEWS MISCELLANY.

SATURDAY NIGHT AND SUNDAY NEWS.

A Condensation of Recent Events—The Way of the West, to Critics and Other Things.

Stephen Raymond, alias "Steve" Marshall, was arrested in New York on Saturday on the charge of forgery, in altering numbers on Union Pacific bond coupons, supposed to be part of the bonds stolen on Jan. 25, 1876, from the Northampton, Mass., bank. He was recognized as a forger, who, in 1873, aided in placing \$75,000 of forged Erie and Buffalo bonds, for which he was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

At Saratoga on Saturday, a magistrate heard the suit of Mrs. Synder, against Mr. Koehert, for being accused by the latter of "bewitching" her child, who died recently of marasmus. Not only Mrs. Koehert, but many of her neighbors, it seems, believed that child had been "bewitched." The parties involved are described as respectable.

Before a court martial at Vancouver, Washington territory, on Saturday morning, Lieutenant Robertson, of the First U. S. cavalry, pleaded guilty to a charge of duplicating pay accounts, but said he "had no fraudulent intentions." The court martial reserved its decision.

John Connelly, a watchman in the treasury department at Washington, committed suicide by shooting himself in one of the vaults on Saturday evening. "Family trouble" had been the cause.

The executive committee of the Democratic state committee of Massachusetts met in Boston on Saturday to draw up the call of the state convention, which is to be held in Springfield on the 29th inst. It was said at the meeting—"informally"—that Governor Butler would be a candidate for reelection.

The body of Mary, the elder of the two daughters of Lewis D. Vail, who were drowned in the wreck of the steamer Dakota, killing four men and injuring five others, three perhaps fatally. It is believed the disaster was caused by pouring water into the empty heated boiler.

A special despatch from Youngstown, O., says that the Churchill miners have decided to retaliate on the owners of the old mines, and that the men of the Garfield shaft have returned to work on the same terms. It is also stated that no strike is probable in the Mahoning valley.

Railroad Wrecks. Two freight trains on the Western Maryland railroad collided near Baltimore early yesterday morning. William Abel, a brakeman, was killed, and Joseph Dorsey, a cattle drover, was fatally injured. He died last evening. A freeman named Fleigh was injured, but not dangerously. One of the trains were detained by a box car, and it was during the detention that the collision occurred. The coroner's jury last night attributed the disaster to gross negligence.

A train on the Long Island railroad which left Rockaway for Hunter's Point last evening, was stopped on a curve near Springfield by the collision of a person who had refused to pay fare. While standing on the curve a train from Long Beach ran into the Rockaway train, wrecking the two rear cars, the engine and first car of the Long Beach train being also demolished. Two men were killed and several persons were severely injured.

A few fires. Leffing & Avery's tannery, at Sandy Creek, N. Y., was burned with a large quantity of stock and bark. The loss is estimated at \$150,000. Eighty persons are thrown out of work.

The Boston boot and shoe factory in New Orleans, which was an adjoining building occupied by hardware and a furniture store. Loss, \$50,000.

Half a block of stores in Colorado, Tex., were burned. Loss, \$40,000.

A large four story brick building in New Haven, Connecticut, occupied by the New Haven Manufacturing Company, was severely injured. A telegram from John Ad. machinists' tools and manufacturer's supplies, and Chas. Brown, scroll sawing, wood turning, &c., were destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. A fireman was severely injured. A telegram from Santa Fe railroad, who assured the city authorities that if an effort was made toward reform a branch road would come here, and that the company would at once consent to the building of a new and expensive buildings. In the event that no such effort was made all their shops would be removed and the road taken to some other point, and yesterday, for the first time in the history of Dodge City, there was a fire in the city.

ON THE SEAS. Vessels Wrecked—The Discovery of a Hazardous Rock.

Commodore Boulton, of the royal navy, who has been surveying Georgian Bay, reports the discovery of a dangerous rock with only three feet of water above it lying directly between Killarney and Collingwood or Owen Sound. It is approximately east by north three quarters north, distant 18 north nautical miles from Lonely Island light house, and southeast by south 13 miles from nearest point of Squaw Island. The discovery of the rock will have spar buoy placed upon the rock at once, and next spring a bell buoy will be provided.

The steamship Spain, at New York yesterday from Liverpool, reports that on the 28th ult., in lat. 45 44, lon. 42 30, she spoke the German steamer Lesning from New York for Hamburg, with crank shaft broken and wanting assistance.

Colonel May on Saturday informed the authorities at Port Townsend, Washington territory, that he had seen a boat containing 19 Chinamen pass through the straits on its way to the territory. Other residents along that part of the border report a continued smuggling of China men into the United States.

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FEATURES OF THE STATE PRESS. The x-tra Legislature should make its x, it says The West Chester Republican.

The Norristown Times hopes to see the complete secularization of the Sabbath indefinitely postponed.

The Pittsburg Times is pained to observe that the charitable purpose of a testator is often thwarted by a technicality.

The Labor Herald advises workmen to strike for their rights at the polls, where striking will be made to tell.

The Wilkesbarre Record thinks it is high time to call a halt in the matter of building up immense landed and monetary estates in the West.

The Mauch Chunk Democrat gently reminds Arthur that Indiana "soap" will make a bigger boil any day than a dozen Yellowstone geysers.

The Titusville Herald believes that the legislative jury has been out long enough and having failed to agree, ought to be discharged.

The York Age predicts that the Republican ultimatum will hang over that party like a general pall in the coming campaign.

The Philadelphia Record is certain that there are very many people in Pennsylvania to whom the cost of the extra session is of small moment compared with the rights of representation.

What keeps many honest men in the Republican party, says the Wilkesbarre Union Leader, is the belief in the Ingersoll doctrine that there is no place of torment for the erring in the life to come.

THE ANN STREET SCHOOL BUILDING. The new structure completed and fitted with bright and happy children.

The public school building on Ann street, corner of Grant, was occupied for school purposes for the first time to-day. The school rooms are arranged in primary, on James, Manor and New streets, it is a two story brick, containing four school rooms, each capable of seating about sixty pupils, and provided with all the school conveniences pertaining to first class schools, including Key-stone desks and seats of hard wood and iron frames, ample blackboard surface, admirable light and approved ventilating and heating apparatus. The two down stairs rooms are used as primary schools, conducted respectively by Miss King and Miss McMillen. One of the school rooms is reserved for the primary in charge of Miss Stahl, and the other a secondary school in charge of Miss Lichy.

The new school building is about the same size, and the plan is substantially the same as the buildings above referred to, though there are some improvements that the others do not possess. The school entrance for the girls and a rear entrance for the boys, and over these are erected neat porticoes as a protection to the children on entering and leaving school during bad weather. The stairways are of iron, and the building is a fire proof structure. The school grounds do not partly break up the windows as in the case with the Manor and New street schools. The exterior finish and architectural appearance of the building is also better than the others, while a neat cupola with a flag pole and iron railing surmounts the roof. The school grounds have been neatly graded and the front enclosed with a substantial iron fence, the sides and rear being enclosed with a white board fence. The grounds have been divided into two equal parts, one as a playground for boys and the other for the girls. A portion of the grounds have been paved with brick, a portion laid in boards and a portion remain unpaved.

The location of the new school was well selected, the ground being high and dry, and the school supply a water supply. The building has long been felt in the eastern end of the city. The entire cost of the building and grounds was over \$10,000—\$2,500 having been paid for the ground and \$7,500 for the building. The architect was R. B. Barger was the architect and builder, and he not only completed his contract within the specified time, but did the work in a workmanlike manner. Much credit is due also to the building committee, Messrs. H. E. Staymaker, Christian Zeeher, John I. Hartman and E. B. Cochran, for their intelligent supervision of the work.

List of Unclaimed Letters. The following is a list of letters remaining in the postoffice for the week ending Monday, September 3, 1883.

Letter List.—Mrs. Eliza Breckenman (3), Miss Lida Creighton (for.), Mrs. Lida Cline, Miss Rebecca Hall, Miss Nelly Lowell, Mrs. Emily H. Sheat.

Gen's List.—Edw. B. Bille, Jno. J. Barker, G. H. King, R. B. Baker, Jos. Brubaker, Jas. Cunn, Geo. Cloa, Isaac Duetsler, J. Cunn, Groff, Jos. H. Miller (2) S. R. Mass, Chas. Pheas, Frank Powell, Jno. Ryan, Jos. Roe, Mr. Stine, N. B. Townsend.

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PERSONAL. BISMARCK'S health continues feeble. He looks thin and anxious.

JASON DOWNEY, ex associate justice of the supreme court of Wisconsin, died in New York on Saturday, aged 70 years.

GENERAL McCLELLAN and his wife and daughter, Miss Mary, are at Richfield Springs, New Hampshire.

QUEEN VICTORIA has sent a magnificent bouquet of lilies and white roses to Frederick, to be placed on the Count de Chambord's coffin.

HENRY VILLARD'S true name is Heinrich Hilgard. He assumed Villard as a pseudonym when he was writing Western letters to the Tribune.

WILL CARLETON is nearly six feet tall, slender, with a bright, rather youthful face, blue eyes, aquiline nose and short chin whiskers.

LORD ROSEBERY said to his friend, Lord Lofland Gower, that it was worth having a note of hand on the world to meet Uncle Sam Ward at the end of the journey.

PATTI is engaged for two concerts at Birmingham and Manchester. She is to receive \$1,000 for each—being the largest sum yet paid in England for such a performance.

CONGRESSMAN C. CUTTS, representative in Congress from the Sixth district of Iowa, died at Okaloosa, in Iowa, on Saturday. He had served in the state Legislature and as attorney general of Iowa.

MR. O'SHAUGHNESSY, the member from Limerick, has been appointed registrar at the election to be held in the county of Kerry in deserting the Parnellites and supporting the government. The Nationalists will contest the seat.

PRINCESS DOLGOROUB is at Trouville. She wears deep mourning, dresses nowhere, and receives no one. The children walk about in the park, and the dogs, which form the fashionable promenade, and are followed by an enormous footman.

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE COLERIDGE and party arrived in Portland, Me., on Saturday night and were received by the mayor. A reception tendered by the Cumberland bar association was fully attended. The party will probably remain until Wednesday.

QUEEN MARGHERITA, of Italy, holds her receptions on quite a democratic scale. Instead of the persons being led up to the queen by a line of courtiers, she herself goes around the room, giving her hand to each one accompanied by a few pleasant words of greeting. Unlike her husband, the king she speaks English fluently.

MARY ANDERSON made a most successful appearance at the grand opera Saturday night in "Ingomar." The house was crowded, many Americans being present. Miss Anderson met with a reception of the warmest kind, and the favorable impression which she produced on the public is shared with each act. She had many recalls.

MR. RENAN had a narrow escape from being killed at Ischia. It was at Ischia that he wrote his lecture on "Marcus Aurelius" and "Caliban." This year he was to there, when Jules Ferry persuaded him to preside at a distribution of prizes at Paris. The house in which he would have been but for this invitation was demolished by the earthquake, and its inmates were killed.

PRINCE OF WALDOCK-PYRMONT was given the Grand Cross of the Bath by the king of Albania, King his recent visit to Germany. Indignous accident marked the ceremony. The insignia were sent to Germany by a special messenger, who took them by some mistake to Berlin, instead of to Arolsen, and when the day came which had been fixed for the ceremony of investiture, to which all the notables of the Grand Duchy had been summoned, and behold! there were no insignia, and therefore there could be no investiture. German courts are always touchy, and particularly the small courts, and the prince was almost beside himself with vexation. Two days later, after a hundred telegrams, the insignia turned up and were conferred.

Eleven sailors drowned. The bark G. I. Jones, from Charleston for Falmouth, with phosphate, has been totally wrecked off Pezance. Two of the crew were saved, but it is feared that the others, eleven in number, were drowned.

POULTRY.

Meeting of the Local Association. Talk About the Next Annual Exhibition.

The Lancaster poultry association held a stated meeting this morning in the office of J. B. Long, Rhoads' building.

The secretary, named members were present: J. A. Stuber, president, B. Long, F. R. Diefenderfer, Charles Lippold, Wm. Schenberger, John E. Shamm, John S. Humphreys, J. S. Witmer, John Seldomrig, M. L. Greider.

The secretary stated that only two bills for the society was responsible, for which the society was responsible, remained unpaid, and that they would shortly be liquidated.

Mr. Long referred to the action taken at last meeting relative to training the society's coops, the independent state fair, and that that several members of the society thought they ought to have the use of the coops in which to make their own exhibits. On motion it was ordered that members have the free use of as many coops as they may need for their exhibits, provided they take them to the ground, return them and repair any injury done them at their own expense.

The secretary was authorized to take the necessary steps to have printed a catalogue of premiums for the next annual exhibition, and to appoint an essayist for next stated meeting.

Adjourned.

HORSES STOLEN.

On Saturday evening Wm. Knox of Bart township drove to New Providence leaving his horse and buggy standing outside of the house of Mr. Smoker, in the village. Upon going out to start home he found that his team was gone and it has not been heard of since. The animal is a little gray mare with a star on the forehead and a white blaze, and finally came in on a passed ball. The home team scored two runs by the heavy batting of Oldfield and Schiller. The visitors failed to score another until the eighth inning. Early in the game it became evident that Morris of the visitors could easily be hit and in the fifth inning the home began pounding him all over the field. Five runs were secured in that inning with four in seventh. In the eighth a new man was put in the box, and eight runs were made off him. During the contest the feeling of the visitors was frightful and at times they acted as though they had lost their senses. In the latter part of the eighth inning Sixsmith began to complain of his sore hands, and really was unable to hold the ball. The visitors then pitched very slowly and the visitors hit him for four runs. No more than eight innings were played, as the visitors desired to make the 6 o'clock train for home, and at the end the score stood 21 to 5 in favor of the home team. The score:

Table with 5 columns: Name, R, H, E, A. Rows include Oldfield, Schiller, Sixsmith, Zeher, and Hyattman.

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On Saturday the annual celebration of the Quarryville Sunday school took place at the church on Saturday and the attendance was very large. The Sunday school was very handsomely decorated with flowers, evergreens, &c., and presented a fine appearance. The exercises of the morning were similar to those usually held by the Sunday school. The choir sang with dresses by Rev. Mr. Anderson, of U. P. Oretavor church, Revs. Brady and C. Letover, of M. E. church, Rev. J. M. Souder, of the Reformed church, to which the Sunday school is attached, and Geo. W. Hansel, superintendent of the school. The music, both vocal and instrumental, was a feature of the exercises, as it was very fine. At noon the children partook of a sumptuous dinner which was spread on a tremendous table in the church. After giving justice to they spent the remainder of the day as best they could.

CONSTITUTIONAL VOLKFEEST.

The fourth annual Constitutional Volkfeest under the auspices of the Canastota Volkfeest Verein of Lancaster, commenced at Tella Hain, Saturday morning, and will continue this evening and all day tomorrow. The weather being delightful great numbers of "Swopes" and others from Fatherland as well as natives to the number both, have availed themselves of the privilege of enjoying festivities. The great fruit column, thirty feet in height, is an especial attraction. That the refreshments are abundant it is evident from the fact that 20,000 rations of sausage alone have been provided. Provision has also been made for the amusement of the children, including the great Subanian enterprise of hunting the hare. Omnibuses run every hour between the city and the picnic ground.

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On Saturday evening about 6 o'clock a fire broke out in the dwelling house, No. 429 Poplar street owned by Henry Powden. The fire originated among some dresses hanging in a room, which are supposed to have caught from matches that a small boy was playing with. The loss is trifling. There is an insurance of \$700. Engine No. 2 was on hand but was not needed as the fire was put out by buckets of water.

The alarm failed to strike owing to a circuit cut wire being detached from the engine of box 21. It was not until 8 o'clock Saturday evening that the alarm was put in order.