Lancaster Intelligencer.

THURSDAY %VENING, SEPT, 27, 1883

The Standard Investigation.

There is a legislative committee investigating something about the Standard oil company; we do not understand very clearly what the committee is driving at, and the committee seems to fully share our ignorance. In the biginning of the year Franklin B. Gowen went to Harrisburg and told the Legislature that Mr. E. G. Patterson, who had been hired by the state to collect testimony to show the Standard oil com pany's indebtedness to the state, had not delivered to the state the testimony he had collected, but that the Standard oil company had come into possession of it. Mr. Gowen declared his ability to land Mr. Patterson, if not some other people, in the penitentiary, if the Legilature desired them to be put there. The Legislature showed no very ardent de sire on the subject; but as something had to be done about it, a committee was appointed to see about it. That committee has found occasional leisure of late to hear a few witnesses, but notably does not disturb itself to pump them. The committee is understood to be very amiably inclined to the Standard company and no confidence whatever is felt the matter into which it is supposed to be inquiring. It has not yet had before it Mr. Gowen, who should have been invited by it to take charge of the inves tigation as the prosecuting officer. There is no one acting in that capacity before the committee. Attorney General Cassidy was present yesterday, and asked the late attorney general, Mr. Palmer, \$7,500 for suppressing testimony as question of each witness hereafter, to the end that he might proceed against animals go into the cold weather fat. anyone who would be so charged. But if this charge has heretofore been made by Mr. Gowen, Mr. Cassidy has already the foundation on which he could base his suit. Perhaps he may think that Mr. Gowen would not state under oath what he said to the Legislature. It may be so, as Mr. Gowen doubtless did not have personal knowledge of what he stated, But as he has an established reputation for knowing what he is talking about. Mr. Cassidy would have been amply justified in taking his information, which in fact he might have called for under oath at any time. As the committee, however, promised to call Mr. Gowen and Mr. Patterson before it at its next meeting, it is possible that the tardy wheels of justice may yet be started. Attorney General Palmer, under whose

ministration the suit of the state against the Standard miscarried, testilies that of the Standard's profits, but he did not tions. This impolitic conduct on the part pression of evidence. get it. He did not know that the of the queen's daughter is a serious stumb-Standard had bought him off. In fact, he did not need Patterson, as the Standard people obligingly told him all he wanted to know about their profits, and he estimated that they owed \$800,000 to the state, which he would have got if the supreme court had not unset his law. A nice little case stated had been agreed upon with the Standard, in which the attorney general-or rather his deputy, for Palmer is not supposed to have been so stupid or something worse -had cut down the auditor general's taxation of \$3,000,000 against the Standard to \$800,000, upon no other evidence but the company's statement : and upon this case stated, so drawn as to give the best possible chance of a court, some of whose members are believed to have been favorably inclined that way anyhow, found cause to reduce the demand of the state to a bagatelle. Of course Palmer defends his office row, and exculpates Patterson because that is necessary to clear himself and his subordinates; but he cannot get away from the fact that his case stated was agreed to, without any sufficient information as to the facts admitted; and without the enlightenment on them that that the \$5,000,000 taxed by the proper appear very uncomfortable." officer of the state was reduced by his office without authority and without knowledge that it was wrong.

Mr. Tilden's Intentions. When an interview appeared in the New York Times some months ago, accredited to one of Mr. Tilden's friends, which seemed to indicate his desire to Pennsylvanians there has long been a bescribed to Andrew H. Green or John author of this interview; and the sus | insulted," picion was freely expressed that Mr. Tilden was playing a double part. He candidacy, while his close contidantes, like Bigelow and Green, for a deer, and was jibed for missing it, respect." it was said of Tilden that he aimed at the presidency if he could secure it, and if he couldn't attain the object of his ambition he was to loftily disclaim any purpose of seeking it. His conduct in 1880 gave color to this idea.

Now comes Mr. Bigelow to the fore and says, once and for all, that Mr. Tilden will not accept the presidency though every man, woman and child in the country should sign a petition asking him to take it. Mr. Green denies that. Mr. Tilden is a caudidate in any sense, and adds that the movement for "the old ticket," is a pure invention of Mr. Hendricks, who wants to manipulate it in his own behalf, and either secure his nomination for vice president on a ticket of which the head will be physically unable to take first place if elected to it, or to create a sentiment which in the event of Tilden's peremptory declination, will make Mr.

Quite naturally those of Mr. Tilden's listening to a murder trial. Then he was friends who remember that Hendricks' defection defeated " old ticket" in 1880. view with askance his warmed up affec tion for it. They fear that in his accession to the presidential chair there might arise one who would not know Israel. They are not for Mr. Hendricks.

But surely the attitude of Mr. Bigelow and Mr. Green ought to put an end to this discussion about Mr. Tilden. His wishes ought to be respected. The pres idential pomination ought not to be forced upon a man who knows his own physical condition so well as to declare he will not take it. The party ought not to be distracted by fruitless discussions of his name. He is most honored by decent respect for his own wishes and the proclaimed determination of his most intimate friends that he shall not be pretty seriously damaged by the ener be a candidate.

DEMOCRATIC harmony in Massachusetts and New York more than offsets the factional fights on focal issues in the Buckeye. state.

RECENT rains, it is stated, greatly encourage the sheep raisers of Southern Texas. The fall clip, however, will be exceedingly light.

Far people may derive a little comfort the accumulation of adipose tissue is a in its disposition to find out anything of good anudote to all kinds of mental dis

> REPORTS from Virginia and South Care lina are to the effect that the peanut crop predicted. This announcement will be ug balm to the minds of many who a re plunged in deepest sorrow.

As old stockman suggests that this whether he knew of anyone being paid the time to crowd the feeding of stock. Pounds can now be added to the best adcharged by Mr. Gowen. Mr. Cassidy vantage. After a little while the cold of declared his intention of asking this winter will place the cost of fattening at a maximum, and money is saved if the

> TWENTY ONE banks of the state conain state funds to the amount of \$2,031,794, from which not a penny of interest is derived to the commonwealth. Under the Humes act, which the Repub livan majority in the board of sinking fund commissioners have persistently ignored, at least \$1,500,000 of this sum should be invested in bonds of the state or the United States in the interests of the taxpavers. But the claims of party in the eyes of the sinking fund board must be preferred to the interests of the state, to which they have sworn official fidelity. Turn the ras-

THE Princess Louise, notwithstanding her exalted rank, has proven anything but a fortunate investment for her husband, the Marquis of Lorne. The arrival of the governor general and his lady in Canada five years ago was made the occasion of the cause of it was the supreme court demonstrations of the most joyous charac and not Patterson. The latter, he says, ter, but since that time her royal highness he hired for a \$20,000 contingent fee to seems to have studiously snubbed the na get blm information about the amount tives and entirely alienated their affec-

the people over whom he has been ap pointed ruler. Louise was never a very ovable being, and the manner in which she holds herself aloof from the Canadian people is not calculated to establish her in Philadelphia. amiability. The moral of the story goes to show that princesses as wives are not unmixed blessings.

FRATURES OF THE STATE PRESS, The West Chester Republican is now satisfied that strikes don't pay.

The Philadelphia Chronicle Heral. thinks that the president goes in for the gospel of relaxation, and plenty of it.

The Altoena Times observes that the revolutionists have builded better than decision against the state, the supreme | the knew-in uniting the Democracy from the lakes to the tidewater. The Harrisburg Patriot notices that the

Democrats " manfully and fearlessly in- the idea that he may be upon to conviction sist that the popular right of equal representation be granted to the masses."

The Norristown Times finds consolation in the reflection that if the pension lists will never be published they are at least promised.

The Pittaburg Disputch complacently remarks that "there is nothing like the power to take a philosophical view of cir-Patterson was employed to get and comstances which to the ordinary mind

" That the Democratic party is growing in the esseem and affection of the people is shown by the countenances of dismay Reading News,

The Hazlaton Pain Speaker says Deep down in the hearts of honest be a presidential candidate, it was as- lief that the state treasury was run in the interest of the Republican ring. That Bigelow. One or the other of these two belief is now a conviction, fast and firm, men, who are very near to him, was de Laws have been disregarded and the clared on all hands to be the certain public sentiment has been outraged and

The Philadelphia News makes the time, ly observation that " if there is one thing was accused of acting disingenuously in more annoying than another to the averhaving a section of his friends, like age theater-goer it is to have somebody Editors Dana and Watterson, deny his behind him to chatter, about the time the curtain goes up, and keep up an almost incessant flow of words until it goes down were to nurse his cause. Like the again. Philadelphia and New York are for a total of 56 points. man who shot at a calf, mistaking it gaining an unenviable reputation in this

PERSONAL.

Mn. Whittien, the poet, is at a hotel in Boston for the autumn and winter. LOTTA has consented to play an engage. ment in London. Her health has been much improved at the German Spas. SENATOR "CERRO GORDO" WILLIAMS of Kentucky, has raised \$30,000 worth of

MINNIE HAUE, the prima donna, says that autograph hunters are the bane of her life. PROFESSOR BROOKS, of the Red house

tobacco on his farm this year.

observatory, at Phelps, N. Y., has been awarded the Warner prize of \$200 for his recent discovery of the comet of 1812.

Hon, W. S. HOLMAN, though a member of Congress for nearly twenty years, and before that an officeholder in Indiana for

many years, has never traveled a single mile on a free railroad pass. APPLETON OARSMITH, the slave trader, who escaped from a Boston prison, and was subsequently pardoned by Grant, has become a wealthy railroad owner in the South.

LORD COLEREDGE spent half an hour in Hendricks the nominee for president, the Chicago criminal court yesterday, form.

introduced on change, visited the state air and last evening dined with Emory Λ .

GENERAL GRANT said of President and General Zachary Taylor: "There was no man living whom I admired and repected more highly, and I would be glad o show my respect for him now by witmemory.

Mus. Matilda Field, of Tennessee, is the youngest daughter of the famous David Crockett. She is sixty two years old, The San Antonio, Texas, papers tell of a granddaughter of Crockett who is in needy circumstances in that town of the Alamo. Mn. Manual, the editor of the Chicago

Tribune, said in New York vesterday : " ! ook upon the certain mishot of the news paper war here to be the consolidation of several of the present dailies, that some will suspend and that the curvivers will nous reduction in price."

Straise Beth, the Indian chief, was to have been received into the Catholic church at Port Gates this week. It is stated that he reception has been indefinitely postip his mind which of his two wives he will lot go" and the church allows only

paper west of the Mississippi river, died on board ship Sept, 18, while returning from an European trip in search of health from the recent medical discovery that At the age of 12 be entered the office of At the age of 12 he entered the office of him and his wive within the walls of some the Republican, and in 1837, when but 23 penal institution, Moonshy sat down and years of age he became part proprietor of the table. He was an able journalist and four children were soon seen in tears. Five public spirited citizen, and leaves an estate minutes afterward Molinsky was a coupse. public spirited citizen, and leaves an estate valued at \$1,000,000.

lina are to the effect that the peanut crop went to Sandy Hook to witness some ea- himself, his quaking shaking every move will not be the total failure that was periment in guinery. The weather was able thing in the room. He complained e very rough, and the small government cessel was rudely thrown about by the waves In one of the lurches of the boat Gan | dead. Hancock fell, and bruised his right knee. le remained three days at Sandy Hook in bad weather. He returned to Governor's Island in bad beatth and has been There are some ading ever a need. of a gathering in ared knee, and Dr. Janeway, the possurgoon, is endeavoring to dissipate at form on the floor cond, pacing the floor. The general was so exhausted by his republing his hair and became almost deception of the Coreans yesterday that be went to bed.

> Standard Oli Company Investigation. At Harrisburg the committee to investigate the subject of the Standard of company's liability for state taxes met in the Secate committee room Wednesday morning. Senators Grady and Herr and Representatives Walker, Graham, Macleynolds and Ziegler, of the committee Attorney General Cassidy, who represented he state, and Messrs, Dodd, of New York, and O mstead, of Harrisburg, representing he Standard oil company, were present E G. Patterson, of Trinsville, and ex Attorney General Palmer were present

as witnesses. Mr. Palmer was called to the stand and related the history of the case during his connection with it. He fissented from the view held by the apreme court, that a foreign corporation McMurtrie, counsel for Patierson, oss examined the witness, who said that Patterson had never furnished him any facts that would warrant him in asking for a new trial. In reply to Mr. Palmer said he had no knowledge of he Standard oil company for the supsession ex-Deputy Attorney General Gilbert took the stand and cited numerous Palmer. He believed that the state has more information in its post-esson regard ing the case than Patterson had. committee adjourned until next Wednes day morning, when a session will be hel-

Mahone's Great Fight.

Senator Mahone, it is alleged, has sent the following circular to many of his supporters in many sections of Virginia. PETERSBURG, Va., Sept. 19, 1883 "DEAR Stir: Please send me as quickly

as you can a list of the names of such Punders as are reasonably open to con viction, giving the postoffice of each.

"Yours truly, "WILLIAM MARONE, "Charman"

The meaning of "reasonably open to conviction," is whether the man can be bribe! into supporting Mahone's ticket in this campaign. If he will not take the money they say it is intended to convey and accept an office

A Spiritualistic Mix.

The spiritualistic society of E.ie, after stirring up all the eligible sproks in that section, is now holding a grand seance. which its president, Hugh Jones, and it pastor, Moses Hull, are the principal mediums. Moses Hull received a call from the Clevland society, and, when about to leave the city, Wednesday, his goods were seized, on a landlord's warrant, by Jones, It now transpires that the lease for Hull's bouse is a contract between Jones and the society of which he is president and Hull as paster. The friends of the manipulator of spirits propose to materialize the back lifted here and there among the leaders of rent by issuing a writ against the society the opposition," is the opinion of the and to seize Jone's household goods to liquidate the rent of his own house in which Hull was living.

Billiards Extraordinary.

"Ed" McLaughlin, champion of Penn sylvania, last evening gave the most re markable exhibition of billiards ever seen in Philadelphia, at his rooms, Eighth and Chestnut streets. It was a public game, and Sutton, who has recently some into prominence as an expert, was the foil. The game was the regular threeball game. McLaughlin in the fifth inning got the balls on the rail and made the circuit of the table twice with a total of 352 points. He played carelessly at the last corner or probably would have fluished the game that run. As it was, he finished in his tenth inning with a run of 145. The average of 60 was the largest ever made in Philadelphia. Sutton's seven innings went

Brazil Greets the United States.

The following message was sent to President Arthur yesterday evening, in answer to the president's congratulations upon the opening of the Central and South American telegraph company's lines:
"The emperor and empress of Brazil thank the president and government of the United States, and, in returning their salute, concur with them in the assurance that the new channel of direct communication open between the two countries via Valparaiso and Galveston will contribute to the maintenance of the happy relations existing between them, and to their ma

terial benefit." They Should Atlend. Erte Observer.

The Observer agrees with the Laucaster INTELLIGENCER that it is the duty of Democratic members of the Legislature to be present and record their votes daily.

Cornucopia, Bell of the Bay, Pioneer, Vi uless a constitutional majority of the House can be kept there on duty prepared eral Whitfield, Chance, Ludy Hennessy, to pass any measure, it would be better to Trial, Speedwell, Nova, Mand, Resoue, The names of abscutees will adjourn.

VIOLENT DEATHS.

AD CALAMITIES AT MOUNT CARNEL. Death of a Stan Caused notely by Extent-

A Pathi Accident in a Loui Cultiery In the eastern suburb of Mr. Carmel nessing the unveiling of the statue to his stands a handsome residence owned by

Patrick Donahue, a retired coal operator, very stone of which is said to have cost \$5 to put it in place. The france leave too large for its owner he had it litted up for tenement apartments, in which live number of families, among whom are the Zupisbys and the Moiniskys Wednesday Mrs. Zupish charged Mrs. Molausky wat stealing an empty beer keg who used for catching ratu water. Min. Ni. insky stubbornly denied the charge and

When Mrs. Zapash's lunsband returned rom work Wednesday evening she told him, with the usual featiment additions about the day's happenings. washed himself, donored horelean clother ate his supper, s acted for Molinsky rooms, where he charged Mr. and Mrs. Molinsky with stealing the keg. Mounsky, fired with anger, deuted it. Before Zuprsh aned "because Sitting Bull cannot make | left he threateningly shock his tades thoger at Molinsky and said that he would have him and his wife arrested, taken to Sun bury and put in prison. Aspest: faithe COLONEL GROROE KNAPP, the owner of said the laws of America fluida, thiel for the Missouri Republican, the oblest news- and put him in the pennentiary for several

Totally ignorant of American laws and firmly believing that a terrible fate awaited ommenced to cry bitterly. His wife and

While crying a chill had setted him, and GEN. W. S. HANDOOL two weeks ago be caught hold of the bed post to already a pain in the region of the heart, and with a loud, payroing any, fell to the than

> It is said he was named threather the victim of a broken healt, cansed by fight The neighbors hurried in and for widow and four children vaccity trying to get the dead man to speak.

Authory Zupish rushed in to see what ad occurred, and when he saw the the low mented. The woman whom he had Just made a we tow turned on him and said You killed him! You killed him!" beceased had been at Mr. Carmer out seven months.

DEATH IN THE MINES.

Fatal Assudents in the Warming and Morrise. About 11 o'clock We besily eadful explosion of sulphur occurred Merriam colliery, two miles from Mt farmed, through the next sense of a door may, whose duty was to open and where doors in the west gangway. n the caneway all use naked lamps. accumulate in the breasts and press headlings. Frank Clogger, the deep boy, and Charles Radgers, a laborer's son came old be taxed only on the amount of its strong current of air up the breasts an actually invested in the state, driving the accumulated sulphur (own into the gangway. The door boy's lamp ignited the gas, causing a territic explidon, which shattered every door and blow Clouder and Hodgers out of the gaugway they were feathers. When picked up by miners Rodgers was burned almost to a cresp, and Clogger was seriously 1,700 -or even 75 cents-being paid by burned about the face and body. Rodgers will not recover, but Clogger will. Wil-In the afternoon ham Kelly, a driver, was tossed about the

lives at Rocktown, near Ashland. POLITICAL DOINGS.

lives with his parents near the cothery

logger is only fourteen years old, are

gangway by the explosion, but was no

the shock he deserted his main

hastened home. Hogers is unmarried

Butler Somituated for Governor of Slores The democratic state correction of Massachusetts met yesterday in Spring held, and after some lively proceedings chose Edward Avery for permanent clear man. Benjamin F. Butler was renomi nated for governor by acclamation, and the remainder of the ticket was selected as follows: For lieutement governor, Frederick O. Prince, of Boaton: scoretary of state, Charles Marke, of Spring field; treasurer and recorder, General C II. Ingalls, of New Redford : attorney general, John W. Cummings, of Fall River ; auditor, John Horkins, of Milbury, The resolutions adopted, besides express ing the hope of a victory at the election this year and in 1884, and approving the conduct of Governor Butler, declare for "equal rights without limitation of race or sex;" reform of the civil service tariff for revenue only; arbitration be tween capital and labor, and the abolishment of all sumptuary laws which "infrings upon the sacred rights of personal liberty. Governor Butler was introduced

and made a speech accepting the nomina-In the national colored convention a Louisville yesterday, W. B. Wilson, of Louisiana, offered a resolution endorsing the administration of President Arthur. After an exciting debate, a motion by L D. Herbert, also of Louisiana, that the

resolution be referred was agreed to. Judge Dixon has written a letter formally accepting the Republican nomination for governor of New Jersey. He approves the platform in every respect, and says. that he will await, in his present office, the decision of the people.

The Maryland Republican convention

meets in Baltimore to-day. From indica tions Hart B. Holton will receive th nomination for governor and Milton G Urner that for attorney general,

The Democratic state convention of New York meets in Buffalo today. The general belief is that last year's representation will be accorded each of the three organizations of New York.

The Republican state committee of New York met yesterday and elected James D. Warren, of the Buffalo Commercial Adeer. tiser, permanent chairman. The Illinois state protective association

met yesterday in Quincy.

SEVENTY LIVES LOST. Handreds of Houses blown Down-Nameroc

Vessels wrecked Off Nassau. The steamship City of Alexandria, which arrived at New York from Havana on Wednesday, brings the following news of a terrible hurricane at Nassau on the 8th inst. The storm broke at about 1 o'clock on that day. All the wharf property of the city was destroyed, as well as the sponge exchange and the market. About 100 frame buildings were blown down. More than 100 vessels were lost alone in the harbor of Nassua and many more shared the same fate at the neighboring islands. The only vessels in the harbor of Nassua that escaped destruction were her majesty's surveying vessels Sparrow Hawk and Richmond. About seventy lives were lost.

Among the vessels that were lost were the Peerless, the schooners Milissa Trask, olet, Flight, Resolute, Euchantress, Gen-Bell, Pride, Cays and Victor: the bark hereafter be printed in order that their Eliza White, the sloops Prosper, Royal constituency may know who are neglecting the duties they have swore to perform.

Exchange, Defiance, Phantom, Eva, Sun, Shamrock, Nimble, Mary Ellen, Nonsuch, Hennie, John Byron, Island

Nassau with seventeen passengers on the ith for Inagua, was also wrecked on Sat unday, and twelve of her passengers

Queen, Anna and Liberty. The mail boat Carleton, Captain Dorsett, which left drawned, their names being as follows Rev. J. S. J. Huges, Mos. Heggs, Mr. N. A Amlerson, wife and daughter, Nane) Simons and two children, Elizabeth Coli brooke, Rosa Deveaux and chill, a-The government has sent a relief steamer

or the outlying islands.

A Father Sunds His Son by Mistake. A tragedy occurred a few miles from estion, W. Va., Monday evening which baseast a gloom over the entire commu-Mountz, a prominent citizen of Wes-Graften, was startled by hearing a noise in the front yard, and, having been somewhat annoyed of late by petty thieving, he grasped a revolver and rushed out. reaching the door he noticed the dim ont ine of a man's form in the vard, and isting his pistol, he fixed The man hopped without a gream. The report look the members of the family to the seene, and on approaching the prostratbody. Mr. Mountz was horrified to tine that he had shot his own son. The ball

Associations to Session

and despair of the father at the result of

I- the conference of charities and corcommiss at Louisville, Wednesday, a aber of papers were read, which, it is said, were " in line with the general charithe thought of the country." They gave her leva long debate, from which "good

multa are expected." The differenth annual convention of the lvish Cathelic benevolent union openes Wednesday in Providence About delegates were present representing turns of the inited States. Before the givention met the members attended igh mass in the cathedral, Bishop He drick-u delivering an address.

THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION.

Continuation of the Proceedings at Zion and tirace Churches

The services of the Lutheran conference were continued last evening at Zion Lutheran church, the opening exercises being unducted by Rev. H. J. H. Lemeke, of Allowitia. The services and addresses were exclusively in German. Rev. J. G. Plant, of Harrisburg, delivered an abl storess on the subject of " How Can we Properly Celebrate Luther's Burth was followed by Rev. J. A. Darmstotter. d Columbia, in an elequent discourse on the theme . " The Causes that Led to the Preparation of Luther's Bible." At the condusion of the last speaker's remarks, held under the conduct of Rev. Lamele, assisted by Rev. Mayser.

Most of the delegates to the conference emained for the Sunday-school convention, which began its sessions in Grace church at 9 o'clock this morning. After the formal organication was completed and to be put out. credentials of delegates presented, a discussion took place on the question of " The Musiculary Characteristic of the Lutheran Rev. F. J. P. Schantz, of Myerstown, opened with a brief outline or the mission work of the church in foreign lands, quoting a number of interesting statistics to show the work to le done, Rev. Pry spoke in terms of disappointment of much of the statists cal showings Hev. Reed noted the necessity for devoting a portion of the Souday school fund to mission work. Rev. Markley took a cheerful view of the situation, considering that there was much to be thankful for in the present state of affairs. Rev. Mayer continued the dicussion by adverting to the necessity paying greater attention to home most work, Boy, Houpt concluding with remarks in a similar vein.

At II a m , the subject of " Luther an-Hymnology was opened by Rev. E. L. Reed, and at the conclusion of histemaric a general discussion of the topic took place. At 2 p. m., after opening service by Rev. J. G. Abele, Rev. J. W. Hassler, of New Holland, entertained the conference with an able discourse, our "Lather's In disease on Education." An informal inscussion of the same subject was then participated in by the many of the divines present. This evening at 7.30 services will be held in Holy Trinity. thurch and addresses will be delivered on the childhood, youth and manhood of the great Reformer by Rev. T. E. Schmauk, II. N. Fegley and D. M. Martins,

The final proceedings of the convention beginning at 9 a. m. when discussions on appropriate topics will be participated in Revs. Fry and Umbenhen, Prof. R. K. Suchrle, C. P. Sureiner and other well known instructors.

How To Tell a Good Potato iniadelphia Ledger.

Direction on this point are, if not new, at least seasonable. The same proof that is usually applied to the excellence of a pudding is necessary for absolute certainty in selecting potatoes, but one can't al-ways boil and eat them before buying them, and if they stand the following test the buyer is tolerably sure of getting good ones: When cut into, the colle should be yellowish white; if it is a deep yellow it will not cook well. There must be a considerable amount of meisture, though not enough to collect in drops and fall off, even with moderate pressure. Rub the two pieces together, and if it is good, a white froth will appear aroun the edges and also upon the two surfaces after they are separated. This signifies the presence of a proper quantity of starch. The more froth the more starch, and consequently the better the potato; while the less there is, the poorer it will cook. The quantity of the starchy element may also be judged by the more or less ready adherence of the two parts. If the adherence is sufficient for one piece to hold the other up, the fact is avidence of a good article.

Tally-he and Four-in-Hand. Messra, B. K. Jamison, banker, John very little off Lucas, manufacturer, W. L. Jamison and pitching to day. Henry M. Dechert, lawyer, all of Phila delphia, arrived at the Lochiel hotel late yesterday afternoon in Mr. Jamison's tally-ho coach, drawn by four splended horses. The party reached Reading Satday evening after a delightful trip up the Schuylkill Valley and stopped at the Mau chester house. Leaving Reading last Monday they came through the Lebanon valley, stopping at Lebanon on the way, and they leave the city to-day for Philadelphia by way of Lancaster. - Harrisburg

Lancaster "Pinafore."

The Philadelphia Progress in its stage gossip says: "Lancaster city progresses, It has heard of a comic opera entitled, I believe, Pinafore, and ladies and gentlemen connected with its church choirs are to sing and act it on Thanksgiving even ing. A comic opera is not strictly a part of Thanksgiving services, but for all we know here there may be a religious vein running through this Pinafore. Prof. Chris, Burger and Harry L. Hartmyer are the managers." Progress then prints the cast. Progress is generous, it it is sareas-

Insurance Stoney Paid. Allen A. Herr, agent for the Guardian insurance company of London, and the London and Provincial insurance company

has paid to E. T. & M. W. Fraim the ful

amount of loss on their lock works build.

ing destroyed by fire sometime ago,

BADLY BEATEN

THE HOME CLUBS CRUSHING DEFEAT. The Ross of Chester Down the transides to the fune of II to 3 -Miserable I abi-

button by the Brome Club. It seems characteristic of the Ironsides o always play porcest with their weakest opponents, but why they should go to pieces whenever a Chester club faces them sems unaccountable. The miserable exthition in yesterday's game was even mention that which characterized the game with the Houstons, who hall from he same place as the Ross. The good record who is the chib has recently making received a serious setback from their disastrons defeat by the Ross, who are in no respect a better club, From the beginning the Ironaldes seemed determined to present their apponents with the outest, although up to the sixth inning the rrors were not costly enough to make the game devoid of interest. From that time forward the home club's playing resembled players making the easthest errors. The batting of the visitors was a particular cature of the game, 13 hits being made off Bittenhouse and Joil Hofford. had entered his forehead about an mel

The game opened with the Ress club in the field. The Ironsides were soon ratified above the left eye. The young man was a youth of much promise, and the remorawith Sixonith left on wound. For the Ross, Deasley reacted first on Miller's his cardessuess was terrible to witness error, stole second, and after the next two The family is quite wealthy and well batters were retired by a double play by Reilly and Miller, scored on a passed ball Bartlebach then made a three baser and scored on Whiley's base hit. The latter after stealing second severed on Barber's hit past recond, Pollard closing the inning by going out. The fromsides did not score until the third inning when Reilly's fly was dropped by Easterday. He stole second and was brought home by Sixsmith's near base but to ruchs light. The latter was eaught at home in an effort to score on an overthrow to third, In the fifth tuning after Jones had knocked for two bases, and Zecher had made a glaring error on a hot grounder, giving Barthichach a life at first, the home none prevented storing by good playings. Hann's reciring Barber and Committee three strikes and a

fon top respectively. The sexth imming proved very disastrous to the Ironsteles. An error of Sweitzer gave Easterday his base, when singles in succession by Carroll, Deasley, Johnson, Jones and Bartlebach brought in five runs, Bartlebanh being cought at the home plate. Whiley was also caught at come, Hanna neatly cutting off Barber at third cumediately afterward. Four more runs were added to the voctors score in the next uning, when Hanna and Rutenhouse were replaced by Reilly and Hufferl. A. base on balls, two single hits and an error by Swedzer did the work. In the eight indig, after two of the home none were out, Sweitzer and Kelly were given their closing service of the conference was bas a on balts and scored on a bad throw of Hofford's short hit to third base. called the home club's actiong. The Ross rolled up two more runs or their balf of the inning and apparently night have had as many more as they wanted, but generously took daring chances in order

Sammary Total base hits-Ross D. Iron Mess of Twee base lifts-Rithenhouse and East-ely. Three base hits-Bernebach. Struck out -Rose 7. Iron view i. Ross on Halls-Ironsi his Kock I. Left on these-Iron sides c. Ross 7. Bouldering and Editor and Deastey out Berlinger.

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time of game - Two hears, and ten minutes
make - John Malone.

Heur all around the Pases.

Yesterday was an off day for all time roundle players. It seems floston, the chearest pine in constr. will worthe the pennant. The Rearing Active managers expect to

The Quicksteps of Wilmington are play ag the Houstons of Chester to day. Barber and Whiley, of the Ross club ave both played on professional clubs. Receius, of the Harrisburg left field, has

ingle error. Miller, who has been playing on the Irousides for some time past, was released

last night. Schiller has been telegraphed for to play in to day's game. Barney McLaughin and J-hn Grady.

of the Anthracite, have joined the Chambersharg nine for the remainder of the The players of the Authracite baseball ub, having no prospects of receiving the

back salaries due them, have decided to

appeal to the public through a benefit game or hop, Altoona, Harrisburg, Lancaster, Easton, Allentown and Pottsville will probably start a state association. The Jersey and Delaware clubs may do the same,-Reading Eagle.

It seemed very strange vesterday to lovers of baseball that Spence who is considered a fine batter was left off the nine entirely when the club had a good game to lay, and needed him. The Ross and Houston clubs are trying.

o hold strong teams together until Satur day when they play their tifth game for the championship, each having already The reason that these nines are strong is that the best players are secured for that purpose. Yesterday showed that all pitchers have

their days to be hit. On Friday the Actives hit Hofford hard and Rittenhouse took his place. Yesterday the latter was knocked everywhere but the visitors made very little off Hofford. The latter is

Seventeen hundred prople saw the game between the Niles Grays and the Blue Stockings, of Allentown, yesterday, in which the home nine were victorious by the score of 10 to 7. The Blue Stockings put in four new players including two of Dehlman umpired he old Easton bine. and the Grays complain that he gave them a rough deal. The Niles, club is playing here this afternoon and the colored man is

Other Games Player Vesterday. At Boston-Boston 7, Buffalo 5; Cincia nati-Cincinnati 6. Metropolitan 2: St. Louis-St. Louis 20, Allegheny 3; Columbus Ohio-Columbus 3, Baltimore 0; Brooklyn (seven innings) -- Active 0, Brooklyn 13 Crenton N. J .- Harrisburg 8, Trenton 4 Philadelphia-Detroit 14, Philadelphia 3 Louisville, Ky., - Edlipse 7, Athletic 5 Philadelphia-August Flower 5, Orion 4.

Larceny of Shoes. Elias Reynolds was to day arrested on he charge of stealing a pair of shoes from lacob Miller. When captured Reynold's was wearing the shoes. Alderman Barr whom have won prizes here, have entered

committed him for a hearing. Large Sweet Potato. Andrew Kane, of Washington borough, rew on an island in the Susquehanna

THE ALLEGED PENSION PRAUDS

The Street, Raufman Enter Dan for Trial. As stated yesterday Junius B. Kaufman and Charles B. Kaufman, esqs., of this city, were taken to Philadelphia to answer complaints of violating the pension laws by post-dating soldier's vouchers and affidavits, in violation of an act of Congress which provides that the affidavits are to be executed on or as soon as possible after the fourth days of March, June, September and December of each year, and imposes a tine of \$500 or an imprisonment of three years, or both, at the discretion of the court, for a violation of the law. On reaching Philadelphia the accused were taken before U. S. Commissioner Edmunds where they waived a hearing and entered bail in the sum of \$2 500 each for their appearance for trial before the United States court. Geo. K. Reed, banker, of this city, became their surety.

Pension Examiner McFarren accuses both of the Kaufmans with various irregularities in the obtaining of pensions, and the collection of pension moneys. He says the practice has become common of dating pension vouchers several years ahead for the purpose of pawning them and if the pensioner should die the pawnbroker continues to draw the pension, Another alleged fraud against the older Kaufman is that when applicants for penmons appeared before him at the times provided by law, they were told to sign their own vouchers and their names were obtained as witnesses on those that were post dated, it is believed, through ignorance of those who signed them. It is further charged that he has retained penoners' certificates upon which it is pre sumed he advanced money for a consideration; and also procured the signatures of nsioners to blank affidavits. The ounger Kaufman, who is a notary public, charged with baving exacted, contrary rlaw, a fee for placing his seal on the In answer to these complaints, Charles

B. Kaufman states that he was not aware the law prohibited him from charging a fee for the use of his seal. As to the charge of post-dating youghers he says it was only done as a matter of convenience o the crowd of pensioners that visited his father's office on or about the 1th of March, June, September and December, and that the chargo that they were post-dated several years is absolutely untrue, A few days was the usual limit. As to the charge that the ider Kaufman retained pensioners' certif ates he says it is true; but they were etained, not for a pecuniary consideration but at the request of the pensioners, because they might be more safely kept in his vault than they could be in the enstody of the pengoner. Mr. Kaufman professes to feel very little uneasine's in consequence of the charges brought against him and his father and says he has on doubt they will come out of the trouble honorably.

NEIGHBORGOOD NESS

Events Near and Across the County Lines. Reading has a voting population of 084, an increase of 166 over last year. Matthew Winner, of Harrisburg, tried o hang hunself with a ciothe line yesterday, but the neighbour stopped the pro-

ecedings in time. Emanuel Schlater, a resident of Marys ville, was instantly killed near Rockville yesterday morning, his breast being crushed in by the dump from a dump

John Treist and Jerome Ebright, two of the boys who were sent from Lebanon to the Philadelphia house of refuge for stealing the Rev. Mr. Martin's pocket book, being too old to be admitted to the institution have been taken back to Lebanon and sentenced to ninety days in the

While four miners were working in Warwick mines, near B yertown, Berks county, Wednesday afternion, a mass of tron ore, weighing seven tons, crushed down upon them Thomas Brown was erushed to death, and Uriah Ludwig seriously, though not tatally injured. The other two men escaped unhart. Brown leaves a wife and six children.

Reeves & Co., bridge builders at Photaville, have received the contract to furnish an iron berde on the Wilmington Northern ratirond over the Schuylkill river near Rawling. It will take the place of the wooden one in use, and will cost nearly \$45,009. The Wilmington & Northern railroad company has a difficulty in producing water along the line in conse-

quence of the streams drying up The Williamsport Times says that a meeting was held at Blossburg by the business men to take measures, in relation to the construction of a parrow guage radroad from that place at the head of Receius, of the Harrisburg left field, has Tioga valley to Roaring Branch, on bayed 19 consecutive games without a the Northern Central vailoud. The mmense quantities of glass saud rock. Blossburg and the bituminous coal owned by individuals would in the event of the construction of a railroad be developed and opened up to the market; beside timber and freight and passenger trade would insure to the enterprise remunerative returns. A committee of ways and means was appointed who were instructed to conferwith the officials of the Northern Central railroad and with citizens at Wiltamsport, Harrisburg, Laucieter and Philadelphia to interest them in the enter

prise. VOLUMERS FIREWARN.

The American Fire Company Visit Atlen-

This morning the members of the late American fire company of this city and some of their friends, numbering over lifty in all, took the 7:30 train on the Reading. railroad for a visit to Allentown where they will be the guests of the American fire company of that place. The bays before feaving the city made a short street parade, and made a very fine appearance. They took with them the Ironvine cornet band. They will return to morrow even-

Amusement Notes.

The agents of Madame Gever's Novelty impany and Little's "World" are in town. The printing of the former is the finest that has been seen here for some time. The company which will present "Pinafore '' in this city on Thanksving night are

busy rehearing the opera and so far have been quite successful. Prof. Chris Burger has added another member to his opera house orchestra in the person of young Joseph Royer, who will play the dram, xylophone and other

instruments. The Oxford Fair.

Yesterday morning the fall fair of the Oxford agricultural society opened at Oxford and promises to be very successful. There is an unusually large display of the growing crops of the farm, but the machinery department is not so full as at the spring fair. Joseph Stubbs, of this county, shows a fine lot of sheep, three Cotswold ewes, four Cotswold lambs, a pen of Southdown ewes and lambs, one Cotswold buck and one Southdown buck.

Next Tuesday afternoon there will be bicycle races at the Berks county fair, Jacob G. Shirk and J. O. George, both of in the five mile race.

Surprise Party.

Last night a surprise party was given to Miss Robnian, daughter of John Robman, iver, a potato which measures 27 inches at Eden. About fifty couples were presit length and 8 in circumference in the ent, a large number of whom were from this city. All had a fine time.