

Lancaster Intelligencer.

TUESDAY EVENING, JAN. 8, 1884.

The new law, enacted by the Legislature of 1883, substituting fixed salaries instead of fees in this county as compensation for county officers has gone into effect so far as county officers are concerned...

The financial report of the county commissioners proves that ex-commissioner Montgomery was right in the position taken by him last year and sustained by the INTELLIGENCER that the three mill tax levied by the board was in excess of the county's needs...

Through the tariff question may be settled, no one will doubt that the problem for next summer has been solved. All day Monday the Constitution office looked more like a military supply depot than a newspaper office...

Monday was bill day in the House, and 670 legislative schemes were introduced. The imagination stands aghast at the number that might have been presented, had it not been for the frosty weather.

The House committee in railroad and land grants has made a good start in its agreement to reprint a bill forfeiting five million acres granted to unimproved railroads.

It has been conclusively demonstrated by the New Orleans Times Democrat expedition that the Florida Everglades are almost impenetrable and entirely worthless for cultivation.

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LEAF TOBACCO.

NEW YORK AND LANCASTER MARKETS.

Review of 1883 in the Trade—Increase of Crop Production—The Local Outlook—Outlook for the Adoption of the Leaf Leaf.

Considerable space is devoted in the last issue of the trade journals to a review of the leaf tobacco trade of the past year. From the figures given it seems that the number of acres planted in leaf tobacco in New York city 1883 shot ahead of 1882 to the extent of 40,555,270; in the number of cigarettes, 38,189,500; in the quantity of manufactured tobacco, 410,024 pounds.

There seems to be a considerable falling off in the quantity of leaf tobacco on hand from that of last year. On January 1, 1883, the estimated stock of leaf on hand, including the growth of 1882 and previous growths, was 229,933 cases, made up as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Quantity. Total leaf tobacco on hand, 229,933 cases. Old leaf, 1882, 93,923 cases. Crop 1882, 136,010 cases.

The total leaf tobacco stock was 229,933 cases, including old and new growth for 1883, the latter is estimated at 100,000 cases, of which 60,000 are credited to this year. Comparatively little of the crop of 1883 is in the hands of any one grower, but a large part of the largest quantities of tobacco looked brighter than in any previous year.

While, to some extent, the leaf and cigarette trade regarding the possible introduction of Sumatra at 5 cents has been justified, and that by such measure the trade would be benefited, it is not to be denied that the prospective tobacco grower was exceedingly slim, if not entirely cut off.

The new crop of reasonable figures is expected to also Havana seed, and such a supply, and Sumatra at a tariff of 5 cents will not be able to compete with them. Europe has tried our Havana seed, and the report is unanimously in favor of it. It is preferred to Sumatra. Now, there can be no American farmer who will grow this and other markets by other than legislative efforts.

The new transactions made during the week were mostly in '82 Pennsylvania. Now, including the depression caused by the Sumatra action, the market was not the slightest deviation from prices asked and obtained from those ruling four weeks ago. This, of course, has only been the case with prime stock. Low grades are a drag on the market.

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Following are the sales of seed leaf tobacco reported by J. S. Gans' & Son, Co., tobacco brokers, No. 131 Water Street, New York, for the week ending Jan. 7, 1884:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Quantity. 200 cases 1882 Pennsylvania, 106 lbs.; 190 cases 1881 Pennsylvania, 86 lbs.; 190 cases 1882 Wisconsin Havana, 130 lbs.; 50 cases 1882 New England, 116 lbs. Total, 606 cases.

Leaf—Handling of cigar leaf the past week has been, as every one expected, exceedingly quiet. Purchasers have not got themselves into condition to work undisturbedly. It is nothing to discourage, but much to encourage, in the prospects of the future. Stocks in hands of dealers are not so large as they were some time ago.

THE SUMATRA SQUARE. Farmers Urged to Plant Havana Seed. The above reports show very plainly a disposition on the part of some of the producers to hedge, in the question of the importation of Sumatra. It is seen not to be such a terrible danger as it has been represented. Raisers and home buyers, too, are very much less panicky than heretofore.

Death of A. Jerome Townsend. Mrs. A. Jennie Townsend, wife of Dr. Ellis P. Townsend, of Camden, N. J., and daughter of the late Charles M. Johnston, died at Camden on Saturday afternoon at half past 2 o'clock. Mrs. Townsend was a woman of superior intellect, a graduate of the state normal school at Millersville, and for several years a successful teacher in the schools of this county.

Common Pleas Court. The list for the two weeks of common pleas court commencing January 28th is out. Thirty cases are set down for each week. The Bricklayers' church suit being in the first week.

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LANCASTER HIDEES TO BE EXPOSED.

A HOUSE OF COMMONS CONSPIRACY.

The highway committee of Philadelphia council yesterday exposed proposals for building a complete granite bridge over the Schuylkill river at Market street. It is also proposed for constructing the foundations, and for the erection of a wooden temporary bridge north of the present site.

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OFFICERS ELECTED.

ORGANIZED FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Banks, Market Companies, Social and Secret Societies, and Other Organizations Elected and Re-elected Officers.

The present week is the time for the annual elections in many of the corporations of this city and county. Quite a number of these changes were noticed yesterday and many other elections have since been held, the results of which are given below.

Officers of various offices. The officers elect of Lancaster lodge, No. 68, K. of P., (a list of which has appeared in the INTELLIGENCER), were duly installed last evening, in the Castle hall of the lodge, by District Deputy John B. Markley, of Lodge 88.

Lancaster lodge can lay claim to being at present one of the most flourishing lodges in Pennsylvania, having a membership of 287 knights; having made a net profit for the term of \$189.20, with a total fund of \$5,924.99. During the term of six months \$296.31 were paid out for sick benefits and relief, only 6 deaths having occurred among the membership.

The officers elect of Inland City lodge No. 8, K. of P., which have also been published, were duly installed by Deputy Markley last Friday evening. Lodge 88 also shows a very healthy condition, with a membership of 239 and a total fund of \$5,339.13, net profit paid for relief during term, \$410.

The meeting of the Lancaster Landerkrantz last evening, at which officers were elected, was very largely attended. The voting was lively and the following were chosen: President—Philip Stampf. Vice President—Charles Schultz. Sec. Secretary—Adam Matern. Fin. Secretary—H. J. Schuster. Treasurer—Henry Keller. Librarian—Abraham Wolf. Trustees—Engels Bauer, Martin Seibel, John Landau. Collector—Francis Ostermeyer. Janitor—John F. Stoner. Conductor—F. W. Haas.

After the meeting the singers, seated the restoration of John A. Goetzling, at South Queen and Church street, and serenaded him. This gentleman has always been a prominent member of the society and this morning he set for Philadelphia for the benefit of his health.

The vestry of Zion's Lutheran church, which was chosen on January 1st, met last evening and organized by electing the following officers: President—George Darmstetter. Vice President—George Koehl. Secretary—Wm. Whilom. Financial Treasurer—Henry Gerhart. Treasurer—Henry Deeri. Collector—Christian Hiller. The reports show that the indebtedness of the church has been reduced \$2,000 during the year.

Conestoga Council No. 8, O. U. A. M., have elected the following officers for the ensuing six months, who were duly installed in office last evening by Deputy State Councillor Jacob Weitzel: C. Wm. C. Wetzel. Y. C. G. Conmy. Rec. Sec.—Isaac E. Long. A. R. Sec.—John Poutz. Inductor—Edward Bauman. Examiner—Jacob Weitzel. O. P.—Samuel Nixdorf. P. M.—George Koehl. Fin. Sec.—Wm. H. Powell. Trustee—Adam J. Auser. Representative to State Council—D. Hartman, Jr.

Lancaster County National Bank. Directors: Christian H. Herr, David Huber, Charles L. Landis, J. C. Loman, Benjamin Long, Jr., J. L. Hartman, David C. Keady, John S. Mann, Henry B. Resh, Jacob Bachman, L. L. Bush, Martin G. Landis, Jacob K. Zook. Pres. National Bank of Lancaster. Directors: Clement B. Gubb, Henry Baugartner, Abraham H. Herr, A. Herr Smith, John H. Moore, N. M. Woods, Peter S. Reist, Michael H. Moore, Solomon Sprecher.

Fulton National Bank. Directors: John R. Bitter, Samuel Groff, L. S. Hartman, John D. Skiles, Eli S. King, Abm. B. Huber, David Brown, John R. Richter, James S. Stuber, John M. Stelman, Jacob Wolf, J. B. Noe, J. R. Hershey. Eastern Market House Company. The first annual election of the Eastern Market company was held at Executive hall this morning.

The board of directors elected at the organization of the company were re-elected as follows: Martin Kreider, Jas. B. Frey, Robert J. Houston, Wm. E. Lant, George K. Reed, Allan A. Herr, B. J. McGrann, John T. MacFarlane, J. P. Smer, Tobias H. Kramer, David Stanifer, Milo B. Herr and Adam Lefevre. A resolution was passed to have the by-laws of the company printed.

The board met this afternoon at half past two o'clock, and organized by the election of the following officers: President—Martin Kreider. Secretary and Treasurer—Allen A. Herr. The building committee were continued as an executive committee, and the auditors elected at the stockholders' meeting, P. D. Baker, D. P. Rosenkranz and Wm. A. Heitsch, were instructed to audit the accounts of the late treasurer.

H. E. Groff was re-elected janitor. Coyle Street Hang Ups Parlor. John Coyle, who murdered Emily Myers, according to the Lancaster Intelligencer, must hang unless the board of pardons interpose for his protection. It will be remembered that he was tried in York county and convicted; afterwards a change of venue was granted permitting his trial in Adams county. The second trial resulted in conviction, an appeal was taken to the supreme court from the decision of the Adams county court, with the result of an affirmance yesterday of the lower court's decision. It is said that an application will be made for his pardon. This is his only hope.

Episcopal Convention. The Harrisburg convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of the diocese of Central Pennsylvania will begin a three days session on Wednesday, January 9th, at St. Paul's P. E. Church, Harrisburg. All the parishes and mission stations in this vicinity are included in this convention. Its meetings are held quarterly, and such subjects are discussed as advance the church work in this district, and the mission work of the diocese, as well to cultivate brotherly feeling and spiritual intercourse between its members.

For sweeping the streets. Last evening the bids for sweeping the streets where markets are held, and hauling away the dust, were opened at the mayor's office. They were as follows: F. H. Williams, with sweeper, \$150.00; by hand, 100.00; John G. Gandy, 135.00; G. A. Wertz, 80.00; by hand, 80.00. The contract was awarded to Wertz.