Lancaster Intelligencer. THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 31, 1894

Every now and then the Democrats are jibed about their lack of fidelity to the cause of civil service reform, because they do not manifest any fondness for crease in the divorces granted in that the Pendleton device to effect this branch of political reform. It is very the law and of its administration, the between the thing aimed at and the means proposed to secure it. There is among the foreign born population, frequently a broad difference. The reform of the civil service, the correction of the spoils system, the cure of official dry rot, are one thing ; the Pendleton law is quite another; and, as Mr. Payne has picturesquely described it, the application of the one to the other is like setting out to clean the Augean stables with a tooth brush. The whole river must be turned in upon the accumulated filth.

The Democrats propose civil service reform, genuine and deep reaching. The civil service ills from which the country suffers are not superficial, they are fundamental. The disease is in the blood. not on the cuticle. Some of the Republicans and some dainty fingered Democrats propose to cure it by a system under which a few clerks at Washing ton, letter carriers in the larger cities, and custom house employes, where there are a great many of them, shall be hereafter selected by competitive examinations. The system is ridiculous, first, in that it makes no account of the qualifications or lack of qualifications of those who are now in most of them selected on the old spoils system ; they are secure, better man have no chance to compete with them "few die and none resign." Secondly, the questions mists in Rhode Island? asked and the whole system of examinations are no test of fitness for the places to be filled. Thirdly even after examination the appointing power has a chance to take and one of four who shall have passed your nearly al ways being enabled to make choice on political and partisan grounds. Fourthly, the system has nothing in it to regu late arbitrary removals, and the appointee of to-day may be summarily turned out to-morrow. Finally, and most forcibly, the system reaches where it is least needed and leaves the influential body of federal paliceholders to be selected as now and free to maintain and control their party organization. In this state, for instance, now when the so called civil service law is in full operation, there is going on a disgraceful and the U. S. district attorneyship in quito the reverse. Philadelphia. A fine system of civil service reform this! "Turn the rascals out." There will be no reform until you

for the fact that the Press is at present working tamely in the Republican traces and is entitled to Mr. Quay's kind consideration. Still if he intended to compliment it he should have done so in plain English that its friends could understand. Mr. Quay's Latin charges the Press with a violent predisposition of some kind, and we greatly fear that it is not a predisposition to virtue. We fear that it is a tendency to stating that facts with slight regard to their foundation or forming its judgment with slight attention to their proper grounds that Mr. Quay criticises in the Press. We have a suspiciou that Mr. Quay's observations in this regard are not greatly at fault; but Mr. Quay is rash in intimating to his party friends that they should take what their organ says, with a liberal allowance of salt. He should not thus discredit it.

We fear Mr. Quay is becoming imprudent. Heretefore he has been very shy of newspaper reporters; and now he blossoms forth in a column of two of talk on the political situation, and is levying a tariff duty on immigrants would shut any more laborers out the United States, for the purpose keeping up the home price of labor. M Quay seems to be moving for the reviof the Know-Nothing party; but should get the Republican party decenburied before he embraces, another less

THE report of the state treasushows that the Republicans were sistently arguing against the facts in their opposition to the Humes bill, and trying to maintain and increase the treasury balance for the purpose of favoring the banks which had that money on deposit. The state treasurer and his cashier, now the state treasurer elect, ignorantly or intentionally, under estimated these balances. Under the phrased in "Hamlet" as travesty will Humes bill, the purchase of United allow: "Whether a man who commits attributable to the pork experted from States four per cents., now amounting to suicide dies during his own life, or only this country. \$800,000, will by the first of May next, at | begins to die ; whether he drowns himthe present rate of investment, amount to \$1,800,000, exclusive of cost in premi ums and commissions, and will by that | part of a felony; and whether a subject time have reduced the surplus to nearly the minimum amount of reserve This is as it should be and even if the premiums and commissions paid on these bonds should exceed the interest derived from them, it is a vindication of the law that the state moneys are invested only Pennsylvania. in government securities, as the constitution directs, and that the management of the treasury is relieved in part from the temptation and misuse that result from the speculation of private individuals in the moneys of the state.

and the expenditure of billions of treasure, Mr. Lincoln proposed to pay the people of the South \$400,000,000 as compensation for their slaves set free. Some oneself up to the top notch to be properly of the leaders of his party have so far appreciated. they now propose to sequestrate the Republican declares that Spanish cowards property of the Mormons and take may thank their stars James G. Blaine charge of their church, without jury, isn't secretary of state.

Hean president has charms for a Yankee to the mails.

THE governor of Rhode Island shows in his annual message an enormous instate, until, as a result of the laxity of important to keep clear the distinction divorces are nearly ten per cent, of the marriages. It is also observed that which is so zealously excluded from the franchise, the divorce rate is relatively very low, so that the obvious conclusion is that among the native born population, who make the officials and the laws. about one in six believes in and exercises the privilege of a plurality of wives. This conclusion is strengthened by the exhibit of the census that Rhode Island has an excess of 10,000 female population, whereas in Utah, where the polygamy policy is popularly supposed to have the deepest root, there are a correspondingly less number of women Long since it has been shown that Rhode Island did not give its citizens a republican form of government, in its discrimination against naturalized citizens who put their money into government bonds instead of lands and factories; but now additional cause is furnished for federal attention to this benighted and demoralized community. That eminent Pharisco, Senator Hoar, may not be expected to see the beam in New England's eye, so busily engaged as he is in telescoping the mote on the Utah horizon; but will not some fraternal colleague bring to his notice the melancholy condition of the polyga-

> Vincinia's John Brown met with considerable misfortune in his checkered career, but he never had a semile queen write a book about him while " moulderng in the grave," as is the case with his English namesake.

In answer to Robt. Porter's ascription of pauperism in England to the influence free trade, J. S. Moore produces the figures to show that in 1883 there was a pauper to every 33 14 of the population of ingland and Wales; in 1849, ben the protection system was in vogue, the aver age of pauperism was one to 15.26 of the

THE Philadelphia Record, with all its pretensions on economic questions, makes a mess of it when it says Pennsylvania political struggle for a lot of federal leaf is used only on ordinary eigars, that goods in the city of Philadelphia, and was offices; and the control of the next Connection suffers mainly from competidelegation to the Republican national tion with foreign tobaccos, and that the delegation to the Republican national tion with foreign tobaccos, and that the convention is said to depend upon the Connecticut seed leaf long ago displaced Thomas, his alternate, is also a Republican R.H. docurines of Mr. Henry George. The Mar-Thomas, his alternate, is also a Republican national tion with foreign tobaccos, and that the Advanced Thomas, his alternate, is also a Republican national tion with foreign tobaccos, and that the appointees to the Uniontown postoffice | the Pennsylvania leaf. On the contrary, | can, with Independent Granger tendencies.

> A WEALTHY Maryland father, angry at his nineteen year old son's marriage to a

hour g yesterday and discovered, to his beauty, but without any education. Mr. Mackey fell in love with her at first sight ing is in constant danger of conflagration cated at his expense, that she might be from the wooden flues in the celtar. The nearly five years at Oberlin, diligently governor may conclude that some new parsuring her studies and corresponding

A connespondent from Martine Staton, Va., complains in a letter to the Ex- Philadelphia with her uncle, a siner, of which he sends as a copy, that at newspaper prints gross libels upon Danville riots. No doubt it does; but the aminer is small game.

Hazino as an annual college event appears to be on the ware. Here and tal hotel. That evening Bishop Simpson there sporadic cases of the old discase are was sent for and the young couple were bold enough to say that he is in favor f reported, and even these are rare. Down married in the parlor. The only witnesses in Annapolis at the naval academy, an attempt to revive this foolsh custom Preston, her uncle. Mrs. Mackey has three children, who, like herself, are John Netlinger was tally cut and bruised John Netlinger was tally cut and bruised. fourth class man, who proved abundantly congressman are students at Maplewood able to take care of himself, as well as his would be termenters. The liming practice is a boyish and cowardly one, and ill becomes those who are getting their eduextionat the expense of the government;

THE sources of the best humorous writing are found in actual occurrences. The immortal humor of the grave diggers' scene in "Hamlet " is derived from Plaw den's report of the crown care of Hales v. Petit, which was tried about 1562-63. The argument pro and con of the learned Diligent inquiry has been made to trace counsel in the case is as fairly paraself, or only goes into the water ; whether going into the water is a felony, or only for only part of a felony."

FEATURES OF THE STATE PRESS. The Pittsburg Post suggests that Congress pass a reapportionment law for shall be before it.

The Examiner thinks the attorneys in the Hildebrand case gave Judge Patterson too much taffy.

indutes in the pastime of coasting,

seriously ill. As the world goes, says the Philadelphia

advanced in humanity and equity that Tho blood thirsty West Chester

trial, judgment, or compensation. Though opposed to lottery advertising,

There would unquestionably be several the Carlisle Volunteer denies the right of years of good stealing" in Utah and a the government to inquire into the con-Mormon bishopric created by a Republicants of a newspaper before admitting it

The Pittsburg Dispatch sees in Governor Abbett's treatment of the Jersey negro a pleasing contrast to the squabble in the United States Senate over the Southern outrage issue.

The Mechanicsburg Journal, whose editor is in Gov. Pattison's confidence, has "good reason" to believe that he has Craig, of Illinois. Russell's room male no thought of convening the Legislature warned the hazers not to molest him, a no thought of convening the Legislature in extra session.

The Harrisburg Patriot publishes an interview with Governor Pattison who says that no extra session of the Legislature is contemplated by him, and that he has never had a consultation with any one on the subject.

PERSONAL.

JULES VERNE has gone to the south seas to catch big fish for fresh tales. PROFESSOR VINCHOW, the famous German scientist, vindicates the aspersed American hog.

SIR WILLIAM SIENERS, the inventor, ccently deceased, left a personal estate of more than \$1,900,000. Belle Boyd, the "spy," is reported to be now living near San Antonio, Texas,

the wife of a ranchman. WILLIAM B. SMITH, Republican caudidate for mayor of Philadelphia, though 39 years of age, was only naturalized a little

more than three years ago. Col. John Hay is said to be denying bis authorship of "The Bread Winners," fearing to alienate the labor interest from his latended candidacy for Congress.

Furth Eumer's dog "Rector," cost \$4,000, was locked up in the billiard room of the Emmet mansion on Tuesday night and destroyed \$1,500 worth of fur-

WILLIAM WALTER PHELPS, It is promsed, will close the debate for Fitz John orter's side of the case and will produce Garneld's letter in favor of the commission which vindicated Porter. EV. GOVERNOR JOHN M. PALMER, of

llinois, was in early life a clock peddler. Arriving at Carthage, Ill., late one night, he was put by the landlord in a room with Stephen A. Donglass, who advised him to study law ; he did, and made a success of

that of the Teutonie. He fancies that Austria and Russia will ere long be at are in every lustance subsected to a careful daggers drawn, and as he has no infirmi- examination, and are no forwarded untities save those of old age, he may live to see it.

JAMES LONG, nominated by Governor lattison to be commissioner for Pennsylania to the World's Industrial and cotton entennial exposition at New Orleans, is one of the oldest manufacturers of cotton for years president of the board of educa-He is a Republican in politics and

### THE LATE MR. MACKEY.

A Romantic Story Connected With His Marriage, There is a romantic story connected had been relieved the next day by poor damsel of the same age, has placed his with the courtship and marriage to his receiving a letter from Mr Colmer. Mr. Quay's New Affliction.

Mr. Quay says that the Philadelphia

Mr. Quay says that the Philadelphia Press is afflicted with a cucouthes fuciculity also made foolish marriages were to be sure; we would suspect it to be an accurage with the first foolish marriages were to be sure; we would suspect it to be an accurage with the first foolish marriages were to be sure; we would suspect it to be an accurage were to be supersoned therefor, houses of correction would need considerable enlargement.

The first fact the Press is afficiently sure in the sure is worse than the juvenile disease. If all those also made foolish marriages were to be man—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In making instances then the juvenile disease. If all those also made foolish marriages were to be man—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam ily of South Carolina—and her mother a qualron, was Geellia Preston, a sister of William Preston, turnkey at the Nine-tenth district police station in Philadel. In America were kindly affected toward for the fact that the Press is all the second and the pressure of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogether erroneous. In maximum—one of the celebrated Sumpter fam altogethe

Gov. Pattison, made a sudden descent future wife, Vickey Sumpter, when she again the state lunatic asylum near Harris was a girl of 12 years and he a man of 23. eler of cooking vegetables permeated and determined to make her his wife. He very part of the building, that the venti gained her mother's consent and sent the fation is very imperfect, and that the build girl to Oberlin college, Ohlo, to be edufitted to become his wife. She passed with Mr. Mackey, but never seeing him until the day before she was to be gradua-ted. Her vacation had been spent in Preston, with whom her mother and people of Virginia in the matter of the | Mackey came on from Charleston and took | young lady, and her mother came to

#### institute, Concordville, Pa. THE AMERICAN HOD ABROAD.

to Postpone Retainatory Legislation.

Secretary Frelinghuysen, in his report mportation of American hog products by foreign governments, says that he most rigid scientific investigation has proved that American pork, so far from being infected with the disease imputed to it, is promotive of the public health in those countries to which it is imported. out the cause of the sickness imputed to the use of imported meats, and such investigations show that it is in no case

Pending the result of the investigation now in progress by the pork commission specially appointed by the president and in view of the prominent part which those results must necessarily play in the can be attainted and his lands escheated further treatment of the question by the executive or by Congress, Mr. Freylinghuysen advises the president to recommend Congress to abstain from any immediate legislative action until the report of the commission, soon to be presented,

### A Convict's Suicide.

George W. Richardson, a colored man, committed suiside in his cell at the Media jail on Wednerday. For fear he would The New Kra deprecates the increasing fail in his attempt, he had tied his arms indifference and recklessness of those who together behind him. He was found Colonel Aaron K. Dunkle, ex secretary why he desired to take his life. He was pan's confession is now tooked upon as AFTER several years of bloody war, the loss of hundreds of thousands of lives Philadelphia Sunday Republic and is Provided to take his life. He was committed about two years ago for steal ing a horse from John Palmer, Nether Providence, and only had nine months more to serve. A verdict of "auicide North American, it is necessary to rate by a coroner's jury. while temporarily insane" was rendered

# Haby Shoplifters.

In Schencetady, three girls less then nine years old, daughtars of respectable parents, were arrested for shoplifting. Nearly a dozen merchants were despoiled. The parents restored sufficient dry goods and trinkets to stock a store.

## FESTIVE HAZERS.

WHO STIRGED UP THE WRONG PARTY. A Free Fight at the Naval Academy, Annapolls-Lower Class Men Who World

Not Stand Bazing. On Saturday afternoon a number of first class men at. Annapous vaval academy, in an unusally merry mood, went fourth classman cadet Frank M Russell's room and required him to stand on his head. Fourth elections cadet he would resist. Heediess of the adminition, the first class men approached Craig, who raised his skates and struck Culet Maxey, of Texas, in the ferebead and left

his mark there.
Then the lights were put out and a free tight ensued, in which Cadet Friedlander of New York, of the record class, was knocked down and kicked in the stemach by Cadet Craig, who managed to battle his way out of the crawd and get down stairs. The rebellion of the fourth class. men against higher classes was immeatelyreported amongst the cadets and three of the upper classes made one, and after supper Cadet Craig was confronted by a dozen upper class men, who wanted him to challenge anyone of their number for a tist fight up stairs. He said he would take it now; then they attempted to tarry him upstairs, and he resisting, the noise attracted the attention of the sergeant of marines and the affair was stopped.

The matter was reported by Ransay, superintendent of the academy, or Monday, who will investigate the affair. It is reported that after t rain had clude their grasp the upper classes stashed through the fourth class nacus quarters and hazed them all hands around.

Cadets Wilson and Peansak, Curth class nen, both of Indiana, quarantined on the United States ship Santee, left their quarters yesterday and stayed all night at the Maryland Hotel, in Annapolis, where they coolly registered their full names This morning their absence being discover-ed, Watchman Denver was sent after them and they were brought to the Santos are placed in solitary confinement.

#### EMIGRATION TO CANADA Lord Loras Gires His Opinion of Logical's

At a meeting of the London security arts Wednesday evenius, over which Marquis of Lorne presided, a paper was read discussing the question of emigratic into Camada. It was asserted that only emigrants of good character were sent t Kossers, is now 81 years of age and the Dominion. The Princes Louise was the Dominion. The Princes Louise was interested in the work of the Emigration interested in the work of the Emigration society, and was londing if her aid or countenance. Candidates for emigratic nformation has been sent to Montreal forunto, so that a committee may mee them upon their arrival-

Sir Alexander T. Gait, lately missioner for Canada, said that two hundred million acres of land in the Northwest have been given away in farms on the simple condition that farmers should have the right of ownership. The Canadians thus disapprove and reject the surprised to see " a must extra relinary telegram, purporting to have emanated from New York, which asserted that the finances of Canada were in a bad way and Great Britain and all things British, certain others were quite the rever-e. only speak most lovingly of the American people. But at the same time Ergs. men should not allow their lays for their kinsmen across the Atlantic to make them forget that their own illick in America

had the first claim upon them. FELL TWENTY-PIVE PART A reafford Given Way With Patel Results On the 17th instant the erection of a large engine house was begun at the Eagle Hill colliery, Potter De, where ex-tensive improvements have been rapidly pushed forward. A large fires of car younger slater resided. In the spring of house on Wednesday. Imm diately after dinner David Geiger, of San Chair : John dinner David Geiger, of St. Clair : Fogarty and James O'Hare, of Miss Sumpter's mother on to Oberlin to Philadelphia; Fred Statts, of Windy the commencement exercises Harbor, and John Netlinger, Joseph Hoch Examiner draws its inspiration from Sherman and Mahone, and our esteemed correspondent had better fire his ammunition at those reckiess prevarieators. The Kr. possible more beautiful. She was highly working upon a heavily built scaffolding accomplished and received her diploma but a short time when the scalfolding gave way, precipitating the whole force of work men to the hard and icy surface below. Philadelphia and stopped at the Continen- The news was quickly heralied through the mining patch and exceed great excits ment. The eight carpenters were almost to the ceremony were the bride's mother, Rausch, aged twenty seven and unmarried about the head and is supposed to be injur ed internally. Fred was seriously out and bruised; John Hochgartel badly cut about the head and ankle broken. Geiger, O'Hare Fogarty and Rown escaped with not serious cuts bruises. The cause of the accident known. as the scaffolding was supposed to be strong to the president on the restriction of the enough to hold double the number of men on it at the time of the assident.

#### THE LONG PRAND MURDERS. wearing the Chain or Evidence Tightly

Around the Prisoner Rugg. The report that Charles II. Rugg, confined in the New York county jail on the charge of having committed the assault on Selah Sprague, had confessed that he committed the Townsend assault and the

Maybee murder, is denied by District Attorney Fleming, who says he knows nothing whatever about such confession That Rugg was the assailant of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Townsend at Oyster Bay, January 7, is now settled almost beyond doubt. The watch left by Ituge in Joyce's store in New York corresponded to the one stolen. It has also been ascertained that Rugg was seen at Wash Appleford's house at Oyster Bay, where John Tappan stated that he left the hammer which was afterwards found in the Townsend house. Ruggs' connection with the Maybee murders is expected to be established by the detectives within forty eight hours. considered strange that the fact of Rugg having worked for the Maybees and slept in their house was overlooked in all the statements made by members of the family since the murders. Jacob Simonhanging to a bar in the window, with a Rugg was near his house on the day the

### SUICIDES IN A JAIL.

the effusion of a disordered mind.

A Facotions German Leaves Benind Illin a

There appears to be a strange epidemic of suicide spreading in the Cook county jail, Ill. Last week a man named Koerstein, awaiting extradition to Germany, took poison and died almost in the arms of the officer who had called to take him to the scene of his crimes. Another remarkable suicide took place in the same institution. The dead body of John

Lessing, a German 30 years old, was found on the bed in his sell. The post morten showed that death had resulted from a dose of cyanide of potassium, the same drug used by Koerstein. It is supposed that Koerstein furnished Lessing with the poison, and one of the inmates of the jail says several of the prisoners have the same poison in their possession, and will use it if sentenced to the penitentiary. Lessing was something of a poet, and

approaching end, the translation of the opening lines of which read :

composed a rhyme in German on his

Here's a receipt for a popular sufeide Take twelve grains of potassique cyanide He left a dozen or more letters and requested that his family, who live in Mariensburg county, West Prussia, be informed of his death. He stated that no member of his family had ever been in prison convicted of a crime, and he did not propose to be the first. He was held on a charge of assault to kill, having shot at his wife, from whom he has been separated for sometime. He said it was done in self defense, but he took his own life because he realized the difficulty of proving this. He left a Testament, on the fly leaf of which was a bitter distribe against his wife.

#### DOWN AN EMBANKMENT.

Two Men Injured in a Railway Accident. A train on the New Haven & Northampton railroad, which left New Haven at 7:10,a. m., Wednesday, ran off the track near Granby. The engine did not leave the rails, but the tender and three cars were thrown down an embankment be-tween twenty five and thirty feet from the track. The smoking car was the first to leave the rails.

No one could say what caused the accident. The train was making between twenty five and thirty miles an hour. As soon as the cars were overturned some of the burning coals from the stoves set fire to them, but the flames were extinguished before making any headway.

Among the fifteen or twenty passengers none were seriously injured. Patrick Ryan, an express messenger, of Westfield, Mass., had one of his legs broken in three places. Conductor Thomas had no bones broken, but is injured internally. It is feared that he will not recover.

A Block Borned at Marmonsburg. About 4 o'clock Wednesday morning the McMurtry block, at Harmonsburg, about ten miles west of Meadville, Pa., was destroyed by tire. As the village possesses no fire apparatus the flames made rapid headway and only a portion of the contents was saved. The were Frank Taylor, cigars and tobacco; N. W. Reed, drugs; Mr. Parker, greeeries. Total loss, probably \$3,000, on which there was only \$500 insurance.

tileven Men Drowned. The steamer Rhywabons, bound from Holyhead to Cardiff, England, struck on a group of rocks near Cardiff, Monday night. The mate, five mee and a boy escaped in a small boat. Half an hour after leaving the steamer they saw her lights disappear. The captain and ten men remained on board the steamer and were probably lost,

What Domestic Trouble Caused. The steamer Bristol from New York, lid not arrive in Newport until late on Wednesday afternoon, having been twentyfive hours on the passage. Augustus tetson, a passenger, attempted to jump overboard. Failing in that he shot himself in the breast, probably fatally, Domostic trouble was the cause.

American Imports and Exports. The total value of our imports of merchanduse during the calendar year 1880 was \$687,020,122, a decrease of \$65,823, 385 compared with 1882. Our exports of merchandise during 1883 were valued at

#### \$795,091,806, an increase of \$27,109,860, SPEED THE PARTING.

trood Wordstor Mayor MacGonigle from an

New You, Jan. 30. It is due to Mr. MacConigle to say that concumbent of that office ever gave it the close personal attention he has done and it must be remembered that the duties of the mayor's office have become more exacting than they were a few years ago. The fact is, our city has grown much faster than the comprehensive powers of many of those who are charged with the direction of its corporate affairs. Mayor Mactionigle has not only given his close personal attention to the executive duties of the office, but he has performed a great deal of mere clerical labor which ought not to be exacted of the chief magistrate of a city of the size and importance

to which Laucaster has attained, The mayor reviews with pardonable pride the events which have marked the progress in our city life since he has filled the executive chair; and while he doe not claim to monopolize the credit of these progressive movements candor will accord to him a full share of the honors. Not without faults, he will have the satis faction of knowing that he will retire with the respect of all fair minded men, irrespective of their partisan predi-

lections. It gives the New Era pleasure to be able to commend the suggestions of reform with which Mr. MacGonigle closes his let ter, especially that relating to "the ras cally assessments of property for city purposes" by which "some of our citizens are wronged, nay, deliberately cheated, for the benefit of others." This language is not a whit too strong to describe the situation, and it is a subject which ought to command the early and most persistent efforts of business men of both parties. A hard pan investigation of the subject will show that these unequal assessments have been made possible and are maintained by a combination of the "rascally element of both parties to secure assessors who connive at the robbery of the many for the benefit of the few. If this state o affairs were shown in figures as it really exists, we agree with the mayor that it would be regarded as a just cause for oper rebellion on the part of the overtaxed.

### Abolish the Justicer.

Wilkesbarre Union Leader There is a good deal of merit in the proposition of the Langaster INTELLIGENCER that the " Legislature should abolish the justices and aldermen and establish in their stead courts of limited jurisdiction in convenient places, to take cognizance of patty civil and criminal actions. complaint against the justices and alder-men is that their judgments in civil cases are almost invariably given for the plaintiffs, who are in reality their employers, and that for the purpose of making themselves fees, they fill our jails with vagrants at great cost to the taxpayers and without the effect other of punishing or reforming the agrants. The latter look upon their two, three or ten days' stay in prison as more of a favor than a vengeance and leave confinement no less inclined and much better prepared to continue their life of vagrancy. The law now provides that vagrants shall be sent to jails, only The law new provides where there are no workbouses and should provide workhouses, where petty offenders can be made to earn the food and shelter

The substitution of such lesser courts as the INTELLIGENCER suggests might be made in the cities and towns with but little difficulty and the change would be followed by but little regret. As to the rural sections where such substitutions could not, perhaps, be so readily effected, it is a comfort to reflect that justices, as a rule, are a fairer class of men, give fairer judgments and have less to do than their urban colleagues with the making of the tramp nuisance so expensive to taxpay

# THE DEMOCRACY.

THE PRELIMINARY MUNICIPAL NOMI-

Unnaidates for Mayor-Nominees for School Director, Councils and Ward Officers.

The Democracy of the several wards of this city met at their respective voting places last evening and placed in general nomination persons to be voted for at the primary meetings next Saturday as the candidates of the party for mayor, school directors, councilmen and ward officers. Following is the list of nominees:

For Mayor. Col. E. McGovern, 6th ward. D. McMullen, 2d ward. Geo. W. Zecher, 6th ward.

For School Directors. Adolph Albert, 2d ward. Arnold Haas, 9th ward. Thos. F. McElligott, 3d ward. ohn McKillips, 9th ward. A. Z. Ringwalt, 1st ward. Jacob Shindle, 8th ward. A. J. Snyder, 8th ward. Henry Smeych, 7th ward. Elim G. Snyder, 9th ward H. E. Slaymaker, 24 ward D. S. Sweeton, 9th ward. Wm. R. Wilson, 6th ward. William T. Wiley, 3d ward.

# THE WARD NOMINATIONS

First Ward. Select Council-Geo. W. Brown Common Council-Christian Woerner, K. Lichty, S. M. Sener, B. F. Montgomery, Joseph Ostein, J. A. Springer. Constable-A. G. Pyle, Martin Deitscher. Assessor-Emanuel Miller. udge-John E. Malone. Inspector-Henry Altick.

City Executive Committee Select Conneil-Fred Brimmer. Common Council-Jno. F. Echternacht, Henry Ransing, Simon P. Eby, John A. Coyle, Chas. M. Howell, John R. Russel. Coustable—Bankson Smith. Assessor-J. B. Lichty. Judge-Jno. R. Henkel,

Inspector-Robt, Clark. City Executive Committee-James R. Donnelly. Third Ward. Select Council- Henry Wolf. Common Council-Jno. M. Eberly, H. Lind, F. H. Willig. Alderman-Geo. F. Springer. Constable-Reuben Bucher.

Assessor - Wm. T. Wiley. udge-B. F. Davis. Inspector-Adam S. Rhoads. City Executive Committee - B. F. Fourth Ward Select Council-Common Council-

Assessor Constableludge-Inspector-City Executive Committee-Emanuel Wilhelm. Fifth Ward.

Common Council-Peter McConomy, A. Eyler, Daniel Trowltz, jr., Frederick Constable-Wm. B. Styer, Henry Furow, Joseph Kissinger. Assessor-Walter Schnader. Judge-Philip Wall. Inspector-Henry Karer.

City Executive Committee -- William B Sixth Ward Select Council-William B. Willson. Common Council-James P. Plucker, Hiram B. Swarr, R. H. Brubaker, Fred'k Hoefel.

Assessor-Charles R. Frailey. Judge-Byren J. Brown. Inspector-Jno. B. Sener. City Executive Committee-John B.

Meyenth Ward. Common Council-Frank Everts, Phitip Dinkelberger, B. Frank Adams. Alderm :- A. F. Donnelly, H. G Constable - i. . Merringer, S. A. Ben-

Assessor-James R. Garrio, Judge-Wm. McLaughlin. Inspector-Henry Free, Wm. Dorwart. City Executive Committee-A. Steinwande', Henry Yackley, John T. Knapp. Eighth Ward.

Select Council-John V. Wise. Common Council - Charles Lippold, William Schultz, Joseph Adams, Joseph Bradle, jr., George Boos, Benjamin Huber. Constable-George Shav, John Gill. Assessor-Christian Frailey, sr.

Judge-A. J. Keller, John Snyder, C K. Dougherty. Inspector—Jacob Kautz, Jacob Kitch, jr City Executive Committee-Joseph H.

Sinth Ward. Common Council-D. S. Sweeton, H. B. Springer, Wm. Guthrie. Constable-John Herr. Assessor - Jacob Metzger, Charles

Houghton. Judge-Charles Broome. Inspector-Charles Smith, John Nixdorf. City Executive Committee-Joseph Ar nold.

### COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

The Brickerville Church Case Continued. BEFORE JUDGE PATTERSON. This morning the Brickerville church case was continued, owing to the illness of

a material witness for the defense In the case of Levi Coble vs. Benjamin Shaeffer and George Byrod, the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, against Shaeffer for \$124.25, but in favo of Byrod, the other defendant. Com'th of Pennsylvania, for the use of John Black vs. George Lentz, constable,

and C. L. Green and R. H. Brubaker, sureties. This was a summons in debt on the bond of Lentz, in the sum of \$1,000, which was given in April, 1880, for the faithful performance of his duty. It was alleged by plaintiff that Lentz refused in 1880 to make a levy on the goods of Wm. Brady, who then resided in this city, on an alderman's execution for \$13 for rent due John Black. Brady then removed his goods out of the jurisdiction and the plain-

tiff was unable to recover. The defense claimed that Lentz refused to serve the writ of execution because Brady did not live in his, (the Sixth) ward, but in the Fifth. The defendant also alleged that the alderman did not seek to have the execution served by the constable of the Fifth ward, and he (the constable) served the original summons in order to oblige the alderman, whom he had informed that Brady was not worth the amount

claimed. After the testimony was all in, a verdict was taken in favor of the defendant, under, the instruction of the court, the question turning on a point of law. In the case of Charles Moulton vs. F. B.

Diffenbach judgment was entered in favor of the plaintiff for \$44.40. Waived a Hearing.

Benjamin M. Hess and Samuel B. Hess charged with surety of the peace and assault and battery on Samuel Greider waived a hearing before Alderman Fordney and gave bail for their appearance at

court. To Actus an Escort.

### THE HAUR CUNCERT.

Fine Performance and a Large Andienes,

The name of Minnie Hauk was sufficient

o attract to the opera house last evening

a large audience representative of the fashion and culture of the city to attend the operatic concert by Mmc. Hank and her able support. On her appearance here last season the lady was greeted by an overflowing bouse; the fact that this occasion was not so well received numerically can be attributed to the unfavorable weather; this may be mentioned, too, in extenuation of the marked apathy with which the performance was listened to during the first part. Certain it is, that none of the singers had received much demonstrative appreciation until the appearance of Mme. Hauk herself. The programme was a well chosen and liberal one, adapted to satisfactorily present the versatility and ability of the artists, who, while not great singers, in the full sense of the term, are much more than mediocre. There was a perceptible change, which appeared an improvement, in the methods, or at least in the temperament, of Mme. Hauk last evening from that which marked her singing here before. She was less energetic in action and voice, and her subjugation of the pyrotechnic musical displays that have been often ob served in her performance heretofore was to be commended and was enjoyed. There are not the superb elements or strength in the singing of Mme. Hank that mark distinctive genius, and she may not, there-fore, be judiciously placed on a scale with some other artistes before the public, but she has ability of a high order, nevertheless. Her rendition of the "Vision of Elsa," from Wagner's 'Lohegrin," was given with much sympathetic quality, even more than might have been expected, and her echo song, "La Stryrienne," from Thomas' "Mignon, was an exquisite and almost marvellous bit of vocalization, in which, however, the consummate portrayal of the echo was the only feature that demonstrated any unusual talent. M'lie. Pauline Sali sung a ballad, "It Was a Dream," with much satisfaction, but her voice is not susceptible of the tenderness, nor the pathos, nor the sprightliness which are requisite for fully acceptable ballad singing. Sig. De Pasqualis appeared in this city for the first time last evening, and it took little observation to note his power. He possesses a splendid baritone voice, resonant and pleasingly flexible, features which are so noticeable that they supply an unpleasant deficiency—that neces-sary quality which appeals more to the heart and the passions than either to the ear or to the intellect. He was well received and in response to a per-sistent encore gave a bright Italian song. which wafted a wave of humor all over the house. Sig. Montegriffo, was as usual, very pleasing with his light and luscious tenor voice, and Mr. Censt. Sternberg executed, with the touch and conscientions attention, several selections on the piano The scene from Donizetti's opera "La Favorita," was more satisfactorily seen and agreeably heard than are most or such detached parts of opera. Notwith standing there is something bixarre about such a performance, the scene was finely sung and well acted; it is one, however, chosen to give Mme Hauk as little to die as possible, but nevertheless that little showed the fine vocalization and the dra-

#### matic capacity which the lady possesses. THE HILDEBGAND VERDICE

Everybody apparently Satisfied With It. It is seldom that the verdict of a jury in an important case meets with such gen eral popular approbation as that rentered in the Hildebrand homicide trial. From current talk : appears that the common wealth never expected anything more than conviction for murder in the second Constable-Daniel McEvoy, Martin degree and that none of the jury evor favored more than this, while exactly half of them were at first for it; that the defence never expected less than a verdict of manslaughter and none of the jury ever had any idea of getting below that, while the other half of them were from the outset for it. Remembering the flue shades of difference between the two grades and the almost identical punishment, the jury had no difficulty in reaching a verdict that meets with very general public approval ; and which it is believed will be allowed to

Some comment-altogether favorable to Judge Patterson -has been included in over the profuse compliments paid to his eminent ability, integrity and fairness by each of the four elequent counsel who spoke in the case; and some of the astute friends of the judge talk of publishing stenographic reports of this part of the speeches and distributing them as forcib'o arguments for the judge's re election.

### NEIGHBORHOUS NEWS:

Events Near and Acress the County Line T. J. Phillips has sold ten acres of land at Atglen to the Pennsylvania railroad company at \$225 per acre, and the company will soon begin to straighten the track at that place, hauling the dist from the Cap to the embankment.

Resident Clerk McConkey having relinquished his position at the beginning of present year, Governor Pattison is making arrangements to have the deca ments heretofore shipped by direction of the resident clerk shipped under the supervision of the superintendent of publie printing.

The survivors of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania vounteers yesterday colebrated the anniversary of their formation in Phila delphia. About forty old soldiers mut at the rooms of Meade Post No. 1, G. A. R. I. V. Kondall, of Reading, was elected. In the evening the membe a sat down to a dinner at the Grand house. The next annual gathering will be at Reading.

Mr. Joseph Dyer a month ago broke his leg on the railroad at Delta and the skin was completely stripped from a portion of the fractured leg. He was taken to the York county almshouse for treatment. Dr. Z. C. Myers, attending physician at that institution, has successfully grafted healthy skin on the stripped part of the

#### injured limb. GREAT REVIVAL IN CHURCHTOWN. Good Work by Vi Fing Evangelists From Lancaster.

According to a correspondent of the Examiner, the greatest religious revival is now in progress in Churchtown that that neighborhood has experienced for more than forty years. The writer says :

"Already seventy-five souls have been converted to God. They come from far and near, to hear the blessed Gospel, which is preached night after night so ably by Rev. W. W. Cookman, paster of the church. He is young in years but wonderfully tilled with God's grace and power. We are glad to have Christian men drop in from afar.

"Dr. Compton and Mr. Samuel Myers, of Lancaster, have been here and aided us in this good work. Their labors here have been brief but, nevertheless they were attended with manifest blessing.'

### Increased Mail Facilities.

Beginning to morrow, February 1st, the Lancaster office will dispatch a the train leaving at 5:35 a. m. This pouch will contain matter for Philadelphia, New York and points beyond and will be closed at 5 a. m. The Eastern mail which closed at 10:30 p. m , hereafter will not be closed unlil 2 a m. The Western mail will close at 10:45 p. m , instead of 10:30 p. m .

### Off the Track.

A freight train jumped the track at Marietta last night blocking up the road The military company of this city will and detaining the Harrisburg accommodaact as an escort to the Grand Army visitors | tion east and Harrisburg express west. No great damage was done.