

Lancaster Intelligencer.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAR. 27, 1884.

As April Fitting. Minister Sargent has been transferred from Berlin to St. Petersburg, and at the instance of Secretary Frelinghuysen the confirmation of his appointment was made by the Senate without reference to a committee. The secretary in telegraphing this action to Sargent represents it to be a signal mark of the regard of the Senate, and one that any man might be proud of. The real fact is that in saying this the secretary abided; since the Senate has no such high regard for Sargent, and meant to express none for him. It was willing to make the transfer asked for because it desired to rebuke Bismarck for snubbing Sargent and to express its approval of the latter's action in the matter which has lately been at issue between the two countries. Secretary Frelinghuysen in taking occasion to furnish Sargent with a full certificate of good character, delivered what he did not have in hand. Sargent is in truth a miserable representative of the character and intelligence of the country. He will do better in Russia than in Germany. His modes and measures will suit St. Petersburg better than Berlin. Russia does not enjoy a high degree of civilization; neither does Sargent. The Russian mission seems always open as a place of polite banishment. Few ministers go there save under the pressure of adverse circumstances, and of late it has been a killing place. Cabinet ministers who are no longer wanted are in the habit of going there, and when Minister Hunt died, the place was conveniently vacant for Secretary Folger, whom Arthur would love to be rid of. The determination, however, has lately been reached that it will not do to put Folger out, unless he offers to go; and as there was no chance of that, Sargent was shot into the vacancy under pretence that it is a promotion, which it is not. The place he leaves at Berlin is as much more inviting to the taste of the aspiring politician. To say nothing of the more agreeable residence, there is a much better chance to get in work which will win reputation at home. But circumstances alter cases, and Mr. Sargent, no doubt, will go away gleefully because the cold at St. Petersburg is nothing to the social chill from which he suffers at Berlin.

Scientific Farming. The state agricultural college in Centre county has been the subject of attention from the trustees. It enjoys a net income of thirty thousand dollars, fifteen professors and a hundred and fifty students or less. It has three farms; one at the college, one in the eastern part of the state and one in the western. The east and west farms are said to be creditable to the scientific farming, of which they are supposed to be samples; and very poor advertisements, indeed, of the benefit of the agricultural college. But we may say with a good deal of confidence that the general advertisement of the agricultural college is just about that which is made by these farms; in other words the popular impression is that the agricultural college is of very little public benefit. The board which has just been sitting on this subject has been sitting on this subject for some time, and it is not clear that the agricultural college is of any great benefit to the farmers. It is a warning of what will come if the college cannot show itself to be of some consequence to the farming interest it was created long ago to promote. One feature of the appropriation of the college funds seems peculiar. Six thousand dollars was given to sustain each of the outlying farms. Now it does seem that a farm that won't sustain itself should be got rid of. If scientific farming of a practical kind costs more than it secures from the land, it is evidently not of a kind that Pennsylvania farmers want to know anything about. What is especially needed by farmers is information as to how they may profitably work their farms. Here in Lancaster county the question has been answered by our German farmers; and as they have got rich they have proved their answer. There is no secret in it; they have achieved their results by hard work in taking off all their land would yield and restoring to it all it would take.

It does not matter much what action the Democratic congressmen take in the tariff question, so that they act unitedly. They have settled that they will consider the Morrison bill and that they will pass a bill. Now they need to agree upon what that bill shall be. If they cannot agree on a horizontal reduction all around, let them select certain articles on which the tariff should be lowered or remitted altogether. It would seem that there are many such articles as to which agreement would be easy. We are of opinion that the reduction of the tariff should begin by an enlargement of the free list. But as we have said, the material thing now is that our congressmen should unite in setting their faces towards a tariff reduction of some kind, the degree and nature of it being of little consequence. They have determined in caucus that they will make some reduction; and there should be no falling out among them about its quantity or kind.

The electric lights still fail to shine. They are no longer expected to shine, and the people of the town are becoming philosophical over their affliction. It is really so great an imposition on their good nature that they feel like honoring the draft just to show their possibilities in that line. To pay a great big price for such lights as we now have, is something which, it is safe to say, is asked from no other community. It is as certain as anything can be that if in some charge of our affairs were decent and honest men the electric light poles would be cut down and the town sent back to the illumination of coal oil

ANGRY WATERS.

NEARLY SWEEP AWAY A VILLAGE.

Beaver brook, a little stream, usually about four feet high, running through the town of Derby, Conn., and emptying into the Naugatuck river, was suddenly converted into a raging torrent on Wednesday afternoon, and within an hour had wrought over a quarter of a million dollars damage to property in the manufacturing village of Ansonia. Many dwellings were torn from their foundations and destroyed. On Beaver's brook are located several factories owned by various manufacturing firms, and it was discovered some weeks ago that the incessant rains of many weeks past had materially weakened the walls of one of them, the agent, known as the Quillman dam. A large force of men was at work on Tuesday building up the enfeebled ramparts with stones and brush. The work of these men was swept away with a tremendous crash at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the lower wall of the dam giving way, and thirty million gallons of water dashing out into little Beaver brook.

Schuck's dam, almost as large as Quillman's, standing half a mile down the stream, succumbed to the tremendous pressure of the rushing water. One after another, two adjacent and somewhat smaller dams burst. On Beaver brook were situated the dwellings of many workmen, employed in South Ansonia factories, and a dozen of these gave way before the flood in a number of instances, the workmen having almost miraculously escaped from death. The houses of Henry Green and Richard Hamilton were the first to move, the flood tearing them into splinters and sending the debris dashing headlong down the valley. A Martinez house was picked up and tossed upon its side, high up on an embankment, where it struck with force sufficient to fall to pieces and tumble into the current. Michael Donovan's dwelling and house were swept away, and another house was swept into the water and landed right side up in Centre street, a half mile or more from its site. Other dwellings were damaged and destroyed, some swept wholly away.

A half score of foot bridges were torn up and sent tumbling down the stream, which from its original width of a few feet had rapidly broadened in a torrent a hundred yards wide and many feet high, racing along at a terrible speed, carrying debris of every description, household furniture, clothing, tools, fodder, corn and fensens commingled, and in some instances the entire walls of destroyed buildings. Daniel Bartholomew's big factory, occupied by the Derby bitum company, was the first manufacturing establishment to succumb. It gave way suddenly with an overwhelming crash, and the structure of frame and brick, was whirled from its foundations into the water and many rods down the stream before it fell into pieces. Several thousand dollars worth of goods were lost, and nearly ready for shipment were mingled with the destructive torrent with heavy machinery.

An evidence of the terrific power of the flood may be found in the fact that a heavy iron shaft, thirty feet long and weighing many hundred pounds, was swept away from the mill, and carried against a large livery truck around whose body it curled as though it had been so much tin foil. The Schuck mill, occupied by a firm of fishing tackle manufacturers, a two story building about 100 feet long, and 40 feet wide, was almost simultaneously swept away, and the debris of the Derby bitum factory, and it, too, was wholly torn up even to its foundations and its contents scattered far down the valley by the current. The Sperry manufacturing company also lost its factory building, which stood on a high stream bed above the highest mark reached by the flood; its foundations were heaved down the valley before the waters reached the dwelling houses and factories; the people had been anxious for days about ugly rumors of weakening walls, and when the first echoes of the disaster broke over them, they were a universal and instinctive apprehension of the truth. All fled hastily, and so were saved from what might have been certain destruction to scores of lives. As it was, there were many wonderful escapes, and in several instances, deeds of marked heroism were performed. The hero, Richard Lynch, consisting of his wife and three little children, came nearest to being swallowed up in the raging torrent, their house having been struck by the flood before they had a chance to gather up their little ones. A 7 year old boy, whose house tumbled and the foundation was just ready to give way, when Michael Kerr, a more lad, rushed in to the stricken woman's assistance, and helped her and her infants up the hill to safety. A moment later Lynch's cottage was whirled out into the stream, and dashed to pieces against the stone abutments of the Naugatuck railroad bridge.

The damage to property by the breaking of the three dams is estimated at over a quarter of a million of dollars, and scores of workmen are thrown out of employment. The roar of the flood as it first broke through the dam, was heard for the crush of falling masonry, was heard down the valley before the waters reached the dwelling houses and factories; the people had been anxious for days about ugly rumors of weakening walls, and when the first echoes of the disaster broke over them, they were a universal and instinctive apprehension of the truth. All fled hastily, and so were saved from what might have been certain destruction to scores of lives. As it was, there were many wonderful escapes, and in several instances, deeds of marked heroism were performed. The hero, Richard Lynch, consisting of his wife and three little children, came nearest to being swallowed up in the raging torrent, their house having been struck by the flood before they had a chance to gather up their little ones. A 7 year old boy, whose house tumbled and the foundation was just ready to give way, when Michael Kerr, a more lad, rushed in to the stricken woman's assistance, and helped her and her infants up the hill to safety. A moment later Lynch's cottage was whirled out into the stream, and dashed to pieces against the stone abutments of the Naugatuck railroad bridge.

MINISTER SARGENT has been transferred from Berlin to St. Petersburg. REV. ROBERT COLVELL finds Queen Victoria's book "as wholesome as brown bread and milk." MISS MARY PENN CONNELLY, the oldest inhabitant of Bethlehem and a loyal descendant of William Penn, is dead, aged 92 years. MISS KELLY, the actress, left the Theatre Royal, Brooklyn, Tuesday morning, because she was not allowed to take her pet dog to her room.

CONKLINE to a determined interviewer: "I am wholly out of political movements and affairs, and wholly absorbed in professional work which taxes all my energies." MR. R. T. BOWEN, the temperance reformer, boasts that since he went to Great Britain he has persuaded 700,000 of persons to take the pledge and over a million of persons to wear the blue ribbon.

ISAAC RICE, aged seventy-five years, a prominent merchant of Kingston and a director of the Second national bank of Wilesbarre, died suddenly Wednesday morning from an affection of the liver. DAVID BLAIR, a wealthy Scotchman, has become a convert to the Catholic faith, has joined the Benedictine monks at Inverness, and has made over to the monastery his entire annual income of \$4,000.

CHIEF JUSTICE ROGER, of the New York court of appeals, is not a candidate for the presidency. He says: "A judge of the court of appeals owes it to the people to keep as much as possible out of active political life." THE LATE PROF. JEVONS, in a treatise on the coal supply of Great Britain, as signed to the year 1883 an output, on the principle of estimation he adopted, of 178,100,000 tons. The actual number of tons of coal mined was 163,750,000.

ROSS RAYMOND, the accomplished but irreputable journalist whose dupes and creditors are dotted at intervals over most of the territory east of the Mississippi and south of Buffalo, has turned up in Paris as Raymond, a bogus minister extraordinary from the court of Egypt.

FEATURES OF THE STATE PRESS. The Pittsburg Post has started a crusade in that city against swarming signs. The Chambersburg Valley Spirit foresees the melting of the Blaine snowball in June. Complimentary voting must be put down, according to the Carlisle Volunteer. Thus speaks the Columbia Courant: "Heistand for Congress seems to be the word all along the line." The "widespread trade in adulterated foods" must be suppressed by legislation, in the opinion of the Scranton Republican. The Pittsburg Dispatch would like to see John Steward a congressional delegate, or delegate at large to the Republican national convention. The Hazelton Plain Speaker says that a news copyright law, if passed, would be a boon to lawyers, an annoyance to publishers, and an imposition upon the people. The Westmoreland Democrat predicts that the home guard, who were about the distilleries and revenue offices, while Porter was in the field, will never be reconciled to Porter's vindication.

A Town Wiped Out by a Tornado. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 27.—A dispatch from Brookville, Indiana, says that the town was wiped out by Tuesday's tornado. Only two houses remain and they are badly damaged. Rev. Joseph Winston was killed.

GLADSTONE'S OPINIONS.

THE BILL FOR THE FRANCHISE EXTENSION TO BE INTRODUCED IN PARLIAMENT.

The most important political statement that has been made thus far since the convening of Parliament was made Tuesday evening at a private political banquet by the Marquis of Salisbury, the leader of the Conservative party in the House of Lords. He announced that the peers had definitely decided to reject the bill for the extension of the franchise in the counties, which is the great measure upon which Mr. Gladstone and his followers have staked their political fortunes. The marquis contended that the failure of the peers had opened up which the government had relied to gild the pill which their original blundering was forcing down the nation's throat would doubtless lead to a dissolution of Parliament, and this was precisely what the Home Lord intended to bring about.

The country, they believed, was not only heartily tried, but thoroughly disgusted with liberalism, as would be overwhelmingly shown at the general election to be held in the autumn. The marquis contended that the failure of the peers had opened up which the government had relied to gild the pill which their original blundering was forcing down the nation's throat would doubtless lead to a dissolution of Parliament, and this was precisely what the Home Lord intended to bring about.

As this comes from the veteran statesman who was Lord Derby's secretary for years, and who has been a member of the House of Commons since 1832, it is impossible to overestimate the significance and importance of such a statement.

IN THE PRIZE RING.

A Stinging Contest in Colored Ring Ends in a Draw.

Five thousand persons witnessed the sparring contest in Colored Ring, Wednesday night, between Charles Mitchell, the heavy weight champion pugilist of England, and John Kilrane, of Boston, middle weight champion of New England. The match was an exhibition, and the result was declared a draw. The contest was a stinging one, Mitchell's heavy blows and Kilrane's dexterity in parrying them. So skillful was Kilrane's defense that only two or three of Mitchell's blows took effect, one, however, landing Kilrane on his knees. The latter, in turn, succeeded in planting some body blows on Mitchell.

At the close neither of the contestants appeared to have gained an advantage over the other. Before the final bout was fought William Sheriff, the Prussian, with Arthur Woodcock, his backer, appeared upon the stage, and was announced as the former would fight Charles Mitchell to a finish with either hard or soft gloves for \$1,000 a side. There were several minor exhibitions of sparring, the most interesting being that between Billy Frazer, of Glasgow, and Tommie Brown, of London, in which considerable "slugging" was displayed. This match also ended in a draw. The contest between Billy Mad den and Paty Sheppard did not occur.

AN OFFICIAL DISAPPOINTMENT.

The Mayor of a Virginia Town Stopped in Norfolk, Va.

Norfolk, Va., was thrown into a state of excitement Wednesday morning by a personal difficulty between Mayor William Lamb and Police Commissioner Zehary. A meeting of the police commissioners was called Wednesday evening to consider the suspension of Monday by the mayor of eleven policemen on the alleged ground of having illegally raided a colored gambling den and made a large number of arrests. Tuesday the mayor and the two commissioners composing the board had a heated conversation on the subject of the suspension, which was reported in the morning papers, and in which the mayor said the commissioners had put thieves and cut throats on the force, to which Zehary replied that the mayor had shielded the gamblers, and that he should do so again. Wednesday morning, in the office, in the presence of the commissioners the mayor said to Zehary that the published statement, which he had given to the press, was a lie and that he was a liar and a puppy. Zehary slapped him in the face, and the mayor, in a fit of rage, seized a pistol and subsequently was bound for to keep the peace in \$2,000 for 12 months. Mayor Lamb is a prominent Coalition leader and the commissioners are Democrats recently appointed under the charter granted by the last Legislature.

CURIOUS HAPPENINGS.

Combining Incidents, Accident and Crime.

James Egan, a base ball player, was sentenced at Waterbury, Connecticut, yesterday to one year's imprisonment for stealing a watch. A workman was removing a heavy safe from the Arsenal bank, Pittsburg, yesterday morning, it broke through the pavement into the cellar, crushing George Schroeder to death.

As workmen were removing earth from under the house of George Hacks at Mt. Carmel, Wednesday the building fell, apparently in the act of being removed, and burning the child of Mr. L. Weaver almost to a crisp.

At 10 o'clock Tuesday morning a woman living with Orrin Farrell, at Wellfleet, N. Y., saw six men, her son and daughter, and 8 and 12 year children, with a shotgun and then killed herself. Cause, insanity.

Joe Martin, of Honesville, Ga., was playing with an old gun on Wednesday while his mother was sitting by him knitting. He pulled the trigger, when a load of buckshot went into his mother's head, fatally injuring her.

A fire originated in Brady's hotel, at Spottswood, N. J., shortly after midnight Wednesday night, destroying the building with all its contents. Andrew Mahoney, a meat peddler, was burned to death in the building. The other inmates escaped by climbing out of the windows to the roof of the porch, whence by means of ladders they reached the ground.

An infant was found near the Rock Island railroad track, east of Altoona, Iowa, Tuesday. It was naked, and its skull was crushed. The supposition is that it was born to the emigrant car of the Rock Island train for the West, and was thrown out of the window by its mother, who is thought to have been going to Nebraska.

The people in Atlanta, Ga., have been annoyed by the past few days by a female negro who has taken to the streets, among the negroes and ignorant whites, by her curious revelations, and a continuous crowd of whites and negroes flock to the house where she is stopping to have their fortunes told. A negro preacher left her in the street, when she was what the people's fortunes. She is armed with two pistols, which she drew on a negro whose opinion was not flattering to her.

OVER THE STATE.

SOME LATE COMMONWEALTH ITEMS.

Arguing the Case of the State Against the Western Union Telegraph Company. Store Robbed in Reading. The case of the Commonwealth against the Western Union Telegraph Company was argued in Harrisburg, Wednesday, before Judge Simonson and McPherson. It involves taxes to the amount of \$140,000 claimed on stock dividends made by the company in 1879 and 1881. The company has paid in cash dividends made on the same stock, and insists that the increase of stock did not render it liable to further taxes; also that the commonwealth, in assessing the stock has included lines not owned by the company.

A great deal of testimony has been taken during the past year in New York city upon letters rogatory issued from the Dauphin county court to the supreme court of New York, under which Charles MacVeagh was appointed commissioner. There was much argument Wednesday over the admission of their evidence. The company was represented by M. E. O'Brien and W. H. Brown and W. G. Swayne, of New York, and the commonwealth by Messrs. Gilbert, Newlin and Well and Attorney General Snodgrass.

The company's counsel contended that the state was not entitled to any tax, it having assumed the franchise. The court took all that was legally due. The court took the papers and reserved its decision. Jewelry Store Robbed. At an early Wednesday morning the store of S. R. Bushby, of Reading, was robbed of jewelry to the amount of \$2,000. The entrance was effected by smashing the glass of a rear window. The thieves then went to the front of the store and secured a value, in which they emptied of trays containing gold rings and bracelets, chains, earrings and a lot of other jewelry. After the value was filled they got another and packed it full of revolvers, about thirty, but on account of their weight they were left by the robbers. The jewelry was dark and stormy, and the jumping over the fence of the store. Last year unknown parties smashed Mr. Bushby's front window for the purpose of robbery. At a late hour nothing had been heard from the thieves or the stolen jewelry. A reward has been offered for the goods.

A Lehigh Student's Serious Fall.

Joseph D. Luckenbach, a freshman at Lehigh university, son of D. O. Luckenbach, of Bethlehem, met with a severe accident while exercising at the university gymnasium about four o'clock Wednesday afternoon. He was attempting a high jumping over a bar of wood, and placed his feet from the floor. He struck the rod, broke it and fell on one of its pieces, which entered his body at the hip and penetrated the abdominal cavity. He was taken to St. Luke's hospital, where the surgeons were removed. His condition is precarious.

Trying to Save a Murderer.

Counsel for John Dillman are leaving no stone unturned to save him from the gallows. They have mailed to Governor Pattison a letter seeking a stay of proceedings. It reviewed the case, and gave the history of the proceedings before the recent commission. The letter says, "The defendant Dillman, the letter says, from the evidence adduced before the commission, it appeared that the grandfather and uncle of the prisoner of the maternal branch of the family were of unsound mind and that the prisoner, most respectable his mother. He attended school for a few months, and is unable to read, and was always regarded as weak minded and irresponsible for his acts."

Free Political Points.

William M. Dunn, of Philadelphia has been confirmed as governor of Idaho territory. General Simon Cameron is reported to have said in an interview that he does not care who is made president as long as the Republican nominee is elected. An amendment to the constitution of the most active Republican in the western part of the state, to secure the nomination of Ex Congressman Watson, of the twenty-seventh district, as congressman at large at the coming Republican convention.

FARMERS' JUBILANT.

Over the Western Crop Prospect. A special from Springfield, Ill., says that the farmers are universally in good spirits. Two or three dry days will start the plow. A little plowing has been done in favored places already. A great deal of corn remains in the fields throughout that section, and gathering it this spring it is found to be in good condition for the purposes of feeding. More than a score of leading farmers have been questioned during the week, and they agree that there is great likelihood that the corn planting will be overdone this year, as a result of the high prices obtained during last winter. This fact is almost surely the sharper class of farmers to turn their attention to other branches of work, and the cattle industry will have a corresponding increase. Much complaint is heard of the ravages of field mice in the meadows of Northern Sangamon and part of Logan counties, and in some localities farmers are offering premiums for destroying them. In St. Clair county the warm rains and pleasant weather of the past week have been of material benefit to the corn crop, with the exception of small patches which have been under water. It is in the condition, particularly the early wheat, and the indications now are that there will be an abundant crop, as the severe winter weather did not do material damage.

Working at Low Steady Wages.

R. L. Bloomfield, connected with an extensive southern manufacturing enterprise, thinks working men will be best circumstanced when they are given ready employment even at reduced wages. He says "I met last summer on the cars Philadelphia a shoemaker. On questioning him I asked what wages he could earn at his trade. He said, 'Thirty dollars per week.' I replied that he should soon be rich. 'Oh, yes,' he said, 'I've only had constant employment. I next met a tinsmith. I asked him what wages he received. He stated \$30 per week. I said to him, 'This should make you rich.' 'Oh, yes,' he replied, 'I could only get constant employment.' I next went to the Briden bag manufacturing company, and offered to purchase some spinning frames and claimed a deduction on the price of the summer before on account of hard times and low prices. It was told that iron did not enter into the cost of production to any extent—it was labor, and his work was preferred to work half their time at high wages rather than reduce their wages so as to induce men to throw out their old spindles and put in new."

Arranging for Tax Collection.

Col. J. A. Stable, deputy collector of internal revenue in York, was in this city yesterday, making arrangements for special taxes to be collected May 1.

THE PHOTOGRAPHER.

Victor of Archbishop Gibson, of Mainz.

The American college in Rome is in danger of being confiscated by the government of Italy. It is true that the college belonging to the college are invested in securities in this country and are by their reach, but the university which was purchased for the students and fitted up for them by means of the contributions of you and your fellow Catholics throughout the Union is in danger of confiscation. Nor is this all. The same fate is impending over all the real estate of the congregation of the propaganda. To preserve over the missions, and to transmit all their ecclesiastical business with the Holy See, a congregation was erected in Rome in the year 1622 under the above name. To enable this congregation to promote the work of the mission and to transmit their ecclesiastical matters gratuitously, the faithful richly endowed it will legacies and donations. Now it is the intention of the Italian government to deprive the missions of these benefits, and to appropriate the property of the congregation to itself.

To palliate the odious action of the government, and, if possible, to deceive the minds of the public, a statement has been made that this measure is not a confiscation, but a "conversion." The law which they propose to apply to this property is the law of the 15th of August, 1867, by which the government eventually gained possession of the property of the monastic orders, and by which the real estate of the propaganda, freed into the market under ecclesiastical law, would not bring its real value. The expenses for 'converting' the property and the taxes on its administration are so great, that they amount to nearly one-half of the principal, and the bonds that represent the other ecclesiastical law, would not be placed at the disposal of the propaganda, nor is anything given it in return except the paltry and uncertain interests of the government. It can be easily foreseen that financial embarrassments, the assembly of a hostile party, or the other contingencies, can lay the whole would suspend the payment of the interest altogether, and a ready plea can always be found in some alleged disability of the congregation. And besides, if this course were to continue we would not have any security for investments of moneys in Italy.

In conclusion the pastoral says: "It cannot be that our government, jealous of the rights of the least of its citizens, could allow ours to be violated without a protest, and we look for protection from you. As you know but that in the providence of God, the glory of saving the propaganda may rest a second time on the banner of our country!"

INVESTORS IN SEASON.

The investors' convention at Cincinnati, yesterday, resolutions were adopted declaring that "as much of the progress of the country is the result of inventive genius, any material change in the patent laws would be inadvisable. Congress is therefore asked to oppose the passage of any bill which would have the effect of discouraging the inventor by impairing the value of patented property, or that would impose unnecessary burdens on the owner of such property in maintaining their rights." Also, "that it is the duty of Congress to provide sufficient clerical force to do the work of the patent office well, and keep it up to date; to provide a suitable grant of money for the use of the patent office and inventors; that the patent office should be made a department with a cabinet officer in charge—that there should be a legal bureau or division in the patent office, and that all through there have been nearly 300,000 patents granted, there have been scarcely a score which the public has objected to, and no patents based on wrong which the courts have not finally held invalid."

OUR NORTHERN NEIGHBOURS.

Rural Items of Interest from the Most of the States.

Auctioneer Gallagher, of Mount Joy, has sold \$100,000 worth of property in the last two months. Until quite lately, Mannheim had only two milkmen, but a third has started in, which caused new milk to be reduced from seven to six cents a quart. Daniel Shoop, an experienced farmer, is leaving Loudon township, Dauphin county, this spring. He intends moving to Lancaster county, near Schuok's mill. Mrs. K. Nisley of Florida, is the owner of a Lily that measures 65 inches in diameter, and 21 inches in circumference. The stalk is 35 inches high. The Donegal school reports show: Whole number of pupils registered since opening September 17, 1883, average attendance during the term 28 per cent. of attendance during the term 94.

A young blood of Mount Joy, went home late on Friday night, in a somewhat mixed condition, run against an open gate, when he imagined some ill disposed person was attacking him. He once fired several shots at his imagined antagonist. The Elizabethtown schools, will on Thursday afternoon, April 3d, hold a public exhibition in Hort's hall. The program will consist of recitations, essays, dialogues, etc. In the evening Prof. Harry Houck, deputy state superintendent, will deliver a lecture at the same place.

STREET LAMPS.

The Slice of Darkness That Visited the City.

The electric lights at the following places were reported this morning as being poor or not burning: North Queen Orange, from 7 o'clock; Prince and Chestnut, poor all night; East King and Ann, out from 7 o'clock; King and Plum, poor all night; Andrew and Prince, out from 7 o'clock; Chestnut and Mulberry, from 7; West King and Mulberry, from 7; Columbia avenue, poor all night; Duke and Green, Low and Freiberg, Mayor and Lantz, out from 7 o'clock; Love Lane and Manor, from 7; Charlotte and Walnut, North Queen and Clay, poor all night. Total, 13.

A Herk County View of the Situation.

Results Thus. There is a sharp contest over in Lancaster county for the Republican nomination for Congress, which is made by a popular vote. Major John A. Hinstead, the veteran editor of the Lancaster Examiner, has announced himself as a candidate against Hon. A. Herr Smith, against whom he is being made the issue that if voted for he will restoring Pitt John Porter to the army, and giving him back pay to the amount of \$75,000. Mr. Smith, however, is a strong candidate in the district, where his family connection, who are mostly Montgomeries, is very large and influential. He, however, will give him a hard tussle, if he does not beat him outright.

Editors for Opponents.

Mount Joy Star. Several of the Lancaster editors seem bound to keep Hon. A. Herr Smith from being a congressman. The editor of the Inquirer to several different times was a candidate against him and now the editor of the Examiner is running against him.

Arrived Safe and Sound.

The persons who left our county for Kansas a short time ago in company with a number from Adams and York counties, arrived at Abilene, Kansas, safe and sound. Mr. George S. Heindel, of York, received a postal card from his brother in law, Mr. Kaufman, stating that the whole party were well and in the best of spirits.

AGAIN IN LIMBO.

AN ESCAPED JAILBIRD CAPTURED.

Edward E. Beck, who left with the Hazzard Case, arrested in Philadelphia—

Marshal Gray, of Baltimore, telegraphs to Prison Keeper Burkholder that he has under arrest in that city Edward E. Beck, one of the gang of twelve prisoners, who, with the Buzzards, Ed Brimmer, John Bricker, Gordon Watkins, Wm. Clark and others escaped from the Lancaster county jail on the 10th of October last.

It will be recalled by many of our readers that when Barium's circus visited this city on the 24th of April, 1883, that a gang of thieves and an accomplice, accompanied and committed numerous depredations under cover of the excitement caused by the great show. Three of these fellows, Edward E. Beck, Wm. Clark and George Watkins, were paroled from the residence of Joshua Root, near Wilmer station, east of this city, and robbed the house of about \$400 in gold, bank notes and greenbacks belonging to Mr. Root, and of three \$20 gold pieces belonging to his wife. The robbers were paroled and captured. During the pursuit they threw away the money as they ran, most of which was recovered by the pursuing party. The men were tried in the court of quarter sessions at the August term and sentenced to four years imprisonment each. They served until the 10th of August following, when Abe Buzzard made his famous jail delivery by locking up two of the prison keepers and liberating himself and eleven other criminals, the particulars of the transaction being very fully printed in these columns at the time, and are yet fresh in the minds of our readers.

This morning Underkeeper Stauffer, of the county prison, obtained a transcript of the case against Beck, from the court of quarter sessions, and with it at 1:30 this afternoon was to go to Harrisburg to obtain a requisition from Governor Pattison on the governor of Maryland, for the rendition of the fugitive. Mr. Stauffer expected to reach Annapolis this evening, and if everything works smoothly to have the prisoner safely behind the bars of the county prison before to-morrow night.

The Prisoner Discouraged.

This afternoon a dispatch was received at the prison stating that the man arrested in Baltimore was not Beck. How the officers of that town became convinced of that fact is unknown, but they state that the writer of the dispatch, a Mr. Gentry, the telegram was received before the 15th left for Baltimore, Underkeeper Stauffer did not go.

Police Returns.

Five Cases Before the Mayor. Mayor MacFong had five cases before him this morning. An old woman, an old customer, who was found in a drunk on Water street, was sent to jail for 10 days. The other parties were lodged and were discharged.

Before Alderman.

Samuel Hassler was before Alderman Hart this afternoon on a charge of having stolen \$1,000. A young man, E. L. Loraw, by false and fraudulent representations. After hearing the testimony of the prosecution the alderman reserved decision until the case of perjury preferred against the same defendant can be heard. The witness on that case were unable to be present to-day. April 15th has been designated for that hearing.

Locked Up.

Alderman Sherrill last evening committed John Quinn for ten days for drunken and disorderly conduct. The complaint of malicious mischief made against James H. Hordner, a peddler, Tuesday night, at Harrisburg, was dismissed, but at the end of his ten days vacation the prisoner will be heard on a charge of larceny preferred against him by Mr. Hoopes.

Charged With Desertion.

Barbara Weinberger, wife of Peter Weinberger, has made complaint of desertion against \$1,000. A young man, E. L. Loraw, by false and fraudulent representations. After hearing the testimony of the prosecution the alderman reserved decision until the case of perjury preferred against the same defendant can be heard. The witness on that case were unable to be present to-day. April 15th has been designated for that hearing.

Robbed on the Highway.

Southall's Postoffice Believes a Peddler of Gold and Gold Watch. Lebanon Times. Joseph Emboltz, aged 16, was arrested in Liverpool, Perry county, yesterday on a charge of highway robbery preferred by night rider Horndorfer, a peddler. Tuesday night at Harrisburg, he was driving from Tremont, he was halted at dark spot in the road, and three masked persons covered him with revolvers and demanded his money. One of the trio searched him and robbed him of \$100 and a gold watch. Horndorfer noticed that the highwayman was in small stature, but could not obtain a glimpse of their faces. As soon as they had robbed him they commanded him to drive down the road as fast as possible. As he turned in the seat, when about twenty yards away, one of the trio fired two shots at him, one of which took effect in his right arm. Yesterday Emboltz was arrested while in the act of selling a gold watch to a jeweler in Liverpool, which was identified as the one stolen from him. Emboltz claimed that he purchased the watch from two tramps for \$6, but finally confessed that he and two others had conspired to rob the peddler. He refused to give the names of his companions. He confessed to several other small robberies during the past two months.

THE CONGRESSIONAL FIGHT.

A Herk County View of the Situation.

Results Thus. There is a sharp contest over in Lancaster county for the Republican nomination for Congress, which is made by a popular vote. Major John A. Hinstead, the veteran editor of the Lancaster Examiner, has announced himself as a candidate against Hon. A. Herr Smith, against whom he is being made the issue that if voted for he will restoring Pitt John Porter to the army, and giving him back pay to the amount of \$75,000. Mr. Smith, however, is a strong candidate in the district, where his family connection, who are mostly Montgomeries, is very large and influential. He, however, will give him a hard tussle, if he does not beat him outright.

Editors for Opponents.

Mount Joy Star. Several of the Lancaster editors seem bound to keep Hon. A. Herr Smith from being a congressman. The editor of the Inquirer to several different times was a candidate against him and now the editor of the Examiner is running against him.

Arrived Safe and Sound.

The persons who left our county for Kansas a short time ago in company with a number from Adams and York counties, arrived at Abilene, Kansas