

Lancaster Intelligencer.

Monday Evening, May 26, 1884.

As to Electoral Frauds.

The New Era, with the characteristic hypocrisy of its party, declares that "many wrongs have been done in the Congress of the United States, but perhaps nothing more glaringly unjust has been perpetrated since the foundation of the Democratic majority in seating Congressman Peelle, of Indiana, and awarding his seat to Mr. English, the contestant on Thursday last." Of course this is mere rot, and known to be such by the writer of it. Even assuming, with our hide-bound partisan contemporary, that "there was hardly room for a contestant in this case, no room whatever for an honest one"—which is not the truth at all—a hundred wrongs more "glaringly unjust" have been perpetrated in Congress, not only since the foundation of the government, but since the Republican party has had control of it. There has scarcely been a term of Congress since 1860 with a Republican majority of the House that there have not been from one to a half dozen Democrats cheated out of their seats without a shadow of right. It has conspicuously been the practice of that party to decide nearly every case for itself, regardless of law, facts, or any precedents except those of its own iniquity. In the English and other cases of this session, the Democrats have shown a disposition toward fairness and independence, many of the party waiving technicalities to concede seats to those of the opposition equitably entitled to them, while in Republican Houses the rule invariably was to decide the claim upon the equities or the technicalities according to which ever would seat the Republican.

But it does not lie with Congressmen or editors of that party to talk about iniquitous decisions of electoral contests in view of the fraud of 1876 '77. To make that villainy triumphant every technicality was invented and every equity denied against the Democrats, and then forgery, bribery, black mailing, murder and almost every crime known to human ingenuity and devilish invention were resorted to in order to count in Hayes and count out Tilden. Judges and senators stained their robes by participation in the fraud and representatives who helped to fabricate the evidence, perjured themselves by sitting assworn judges upon the testimony they had themselves made. The men who did this thing have been glorified and canonized by the Republican party; but in the public estimation, every one of them is a guilty and shameless thing, and the beneficiary of their fraud goes up and down the land dishonored as no man who sat in Washington's chair has ever before been.

The less the organs of that party have to say about electoral frauds the better for it.

To Touching the Point.

Judge Elocok, moved by the generally adverse criticism bestowed on his action in the case of the Commonwealth v. McCauley, has issued a very elaborate statement of the law of the case, as he understands it, and as he might have stated it to the jury if he had had it ready. He does this in refusing a motion for a new trial.

We do not see anything in Judge Elocok's revised opinion calculated to change the general judgment that he did not rightly construe and administer the law of the case. Naturally Judge Elocok himself differs from this opinion; which, in view of its universality, is bad for Judge Elocok and not for the opinion. The judge says that if his decision has done injustice to the defendant, in committing to jail a man of unsound mind, the wrong can be remedied by taking the measures provided by the law for removing insane convicts from the jail to the asylum; which, however, is entirely off the point in dispute, that being whether Judge Elocok was right or wrong.

We hope that a remedy can always be found in the law for a wrong done by the mistakes of its officers. The pardoning power is a general relief provided for such purpose. But this does not make the other less blame-worthy for his error, any more than the fact that Judge Elocok is a clever gentleman excuses him for being an unwise judge.

The amount of dirty linen washing now going on in the Republican party would be something astonishing if it were not for the fact that there is so much of it on hand. For the most part the charges of wrong doing have been directed against Blaine and bold accusations of public misconduct have been accompanied with innuendoes of many things far worse to come. But as his friends recognize the necessity of breaking in down Arthur they have become bolder and sensational, too; and this morning we are treated to two different stories of his quarrel with his old friend Crowley, of Western New York, either of which will explain it, if true, and both of which are unquestionably set at foot by the president's political enemies. One of these is that he broke off the engagement of his son, a lad of twenty, with Crowley's daughter, a girl of nineteen, and thereby caused the breaking of her heart and an early death. The other is that Crowley got knowledge of the president's private immoralities and denounced him so fiercely for them, that all further private relations between them were thereafter impossible. The Republican national convention is only a week off.

EVERY boom has its day and, as those of Arthur and Blaine have been running along for several months, Sherman is now having a turn, the latest reports indicating some friendliness between him and Blaine, and a willingness of the Sherman men to go to Blaine and of Blaine's friends to come to Sherman as a second choice. The manifest disposition evinced lately for the delegates friendly to Hawley, Edmunds, Gresham and others to cooperate with Arthur, and

NINE LIVES LOST.

FOUR PERSONS KILLED ON THE RAIL.

An Engine Plunges into an Express Train at Savannah, N. Y.—Five Killed in a Boiler Explosion.

At daybreak, Sunday, four corpses lay strewn on the floor of the bar room of the only hotel in Savannah, a station on the New York, West Shore & Buffalo railroad, about 30 miles west of Syracuse, N. Y. While mothers, sisters and sweet hearts were caring for nine men who were lying in all parts of the hotel, suffering from injuries received in the worst railroad accident that has occurred in the section in years. Following so closely after that at Brighton, near Rochester, on Thursday night, and with such fatal results, the casualty is the more horrible.

The Rochester express left the city at 8:30 p. m. The engine, an express, baggage, one smoking and three passenger cars, with orders to run to Savannah, when it was to take aside track to let the second section of the Atlantic express pass. The engine and the baggage and smoking cars, tearing the sides and entire north row of seats out of a smashing and passing car. The two cars were very close to atoms.

On clearing the wreck four dead bodies were taken out, as follows: A. Waterbury, of Newark, a traveling man, who was crushed in a terrible manner; the most also a freight train. John Wright, of Rochester, lies insensible at 6 p. m. and will die. Those who are badly injured, having broken limbs and serious cuts, are Matthew Butler, and Jerry Sherman, of Rochester; E. C. Pitts, of Lyons; Wm. Acton, of Clyde, and Nicholas Engles, of Rochester.

The wreck was easily cleared, as there was but little of the debris left on the tracks. No one is injured. The railroad officials are very reticent and seem not to have placed the responsibility of the accident. A new engine was running the express train, but had a pilot with him. The pilot is understood to have warned the engineer to stop, but the latter denies that anything of the kind was said. The damage to rolling stock will be about \$20,000.

FIVE PEOPLE KILLED.

Blindfolded Boiler Explosion in a Wash Factory.

Three boilers connected with the wash and door factory of Carr, Ryder & Wyler, at Dubuque, Ia., exploded Saturday afternoon. The explosion was heard over the city and in the buildings to their foundation. The main mill building had all its windows shattered. The boiler room was a stone structure apart from the factory and was shattered to pieces. Pieces of iron, stones and bricks flew in all directions. Five persons were killed and several injured.

The names of the killed are Engineer Mellen, Fred Weidner, the fireman; M. M. McLaughlin, his assistant; George Maher, a boy of 13, and a child named Walker. The injured are Mrs. Walters, a widow, her sister, Mrs. Walters, daughter in law, and several children. Mr. Rudolph Nealte and Mrs. Vaegler, living on opposite corners of the street, were also slightly injured. Nealte was knocked down in his yard. Mrs. Vaegler was standing upon a porch when a piece of one of the boilers came down through the roof, striking her on the head and knocking her senseless.

The children killed were playing in a yard near the boiler room. The woman injured carried a horse near the disaster. The house is blown away. Several theories are advanced as to the cause of the disaster, the most plausible being a lack of water. The engineer, it is said, was running with but little water, as he wished to blow off the boilers. The boilers were inspected three weeks ago and pronounced safe. The damage to the property is less than \$15,000.

An Insane Mother's Crime.

Sunday morning, Mrs. Alexander Edmond, of 1219 South Compton avenue, St. Louis, Mo., best of her mind, at 10 o'clock and going to an adjoining room forced open the door of her husband and poured a razor. Returning to the bed room she cut the throat of her three month old baby, Gesler, and four year old daughter, Carrie, and then passing into the next room she drew the razor across the throat of her daughter Emma, six years old but did not make a very deep wound. The child awoke and screamed, awakened the father who rushed into the room. While he was caring for the child his wife, at the door, started with the razor in her hand, and cut her throat. A moment or two later the husband hearing a gurgling sound in his wife's room looked in and after gazing a moment at his two dead children rushed into the next room. A physician was immediately called, who discovered the woman to be unconscious and dressed her wounds which proved not to be necessarily fatal. She now lies in the city hospital in a very critical condition. Mr. Edmond is railroad engineer. Two years ago, while living at 1219 South Compton avenue, St. Louis, Mo., he was shot by the hand of Crowley county, Kansas, to visit relatives and was found wandering about the Union depot in this city, insane. She was sent home and, after treatment there was no return of the malady until this morning. The child, Emma, will recover; the two others are dead.

THE PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

Called to the United States to Stop the Mail Service on Sunday.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP STRUGGLE.

Table titled 'THE CHAMPIONSHIP STRUGGLE' showing positions of various teams in the League and National League.

Table titled 'AMERICAN ASSOCIATION' showing standings for various teams.

Table titled 'EASTERN LEAGUE' showing standings for various teams.

Table titled 'WESTERN ASSOCIATION' showing standings for various teams.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

The Ironsides Defeated in Virginia and the Lancaster in Chambersburg.

Table titled 'THE NATIONAL GAME' showing scores of various teams.

The game was very interesting throughout. Following is the score by innings:

Table showing scores by innings for the game between the Ironsides and the Lancaster.

The game was very close throughout. In the last inning when two were on bases and two out, Waitt drove a long ball into the Virginia field, and the latter was third which struck Smith. The latter was third out for obstructing a player. This lost the game.

The Ironsides will take the place of the Monarchs and already give promise of doing good work in the Eastern League. Trenton Times.

THE CHURCHES REOPENED.

The reopening services yesterday of Covenant Church, United Brethren in Christ, West Orange street, were largely attended and the exercises were of much interest.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

ADJOURNED TERM OF MAY COURT.

The Ephrata burglars—the Smiths and Cuses—An Important Malicious Mischief Case Decided.

This morning the week of adjourned court began with Judge Livingston presiding.

The most important cases down for trial are those of the Ephrata mountain gang for burglary, larceny and receiving stolen goods; George and Wm. L. Smith and Constantine Frederick Struck, conspiracy.

Verdicts of not guilty were taken in the cases of Jacob Beck and Joseph Breham, charged with robbery. These boys were sent to the house of refuge at the last court and the parents desired that verdicts of this kind be taken.

Albert Brough plead guilty to fornication and bastardy with Annie Shear and was sentenced as usual.

In the case of John W. Henry Beck, charged with conspiracy and attempted abortion, a verdict of not guilty was taken for want of evidence.

The case of Lyman Bitzer, charged with seduction, was continued as the defendant has a civil suit pending against the defendant.

Winfield and George Smith, charged with murder, were brought into court and their counsel asked for a continuance of their case on the grounds of the absence of witnesses from New York and Philadelphia.

The court ordered the constable to make diligent search for the witness until Wednesday morning, at which time he shall report.

South vs. Jesse Sumner, malicious mischief. The evidence in this case showed that the city of Lancaster made a contract to light the city of Lancaster by electricity last summer; in order to string their wires, the light company erected wooden poles through out the city.

KILLED ON THE RAILROAD.

Terrible Death of a Young Lancaster Blacksmith.

John Ekman, of this city, met with a terrible death at Lancaster junction yesterday morning. He was a brakeman on the freight train which leaves this city every evening at 6 o'clock and arrived at the junction yesterday morning about 4 o'clock and Ekman was on the back part of it. They intended to get on to Lancaster and he cut off several cars while the ball chime of in the rear. He gave the signal for those in front to move and then jumped from the track in front of the rear cars, which were still running. He was struck by the bumper and killed.

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DARING BURGLARY.

ST. MARY'S PARISHAGE VESTED.

The Sheriff's Office in Which a Thief Went Through the Parishage Vesting.

Last night a burglar broke into the parishage connected with St. Mary's church and after going through several rooms entered the vesting apartment of Rev. Dr. P. J. McCullagh, the pastor, who was asleep, stole his pants and took from the pockets about \$25 in money, together with a bunch of keys and some other articles. The thief was heard about 4 o'clock descending the stairs, and Mr. McCullagh, supposing it to be a sexton or servant, called to them to know what was the matter. Receiving no answer, he called louder, and awakened Thos. Deverux, the sexton, but before he answered the other thief had fled.

An examination of the premises this morning showed that the burglar had first cut a pane of glass from one of the rear windows of the church, his intention being probably, to open the church window by reaching in the unbolted door, and after getting into the church to enter the parishage through the door connecting the two. The bolt, however, appears to have resisted his efforts, and he changed his base of operations by attacking one of the rear windows of the base of the parishage. From this room he made his way into the hall and stairway leading to the ground floor of the parishage. Here he entered the dining room by halting at the door stands and the sideboard and larger afforded.

Breaking the lock on the door separating the dining room from Dr. McCullagh's office, he entered the latter and examined the contents of the desk, but finding that it was locked and the door would not open, he appears to have had no serious intention of cracking it, probably thinking that if there had been any valuables there they would have been found. He, however, after "locking" the door open, then the thief turned the key so as to throw the bolts forward, and the door which would have opened had he not done this, but he did not open it. From the office the thief appears to have entered the front hall, and according to the sheriff, went directly to Dr. McCullagh's room, the door of which was not locked. Stealing the doctor's pants, he went to the door, and descending the stairs, and then it was that the thief called to the sexton to know what was the matter. Puffing the pockets of the pants, the thief dropped them at the foot of the stairs and made his exit from the building by passing over the fence into an adjoining lot and escaping.

It is thought the burglar entered the house about midnight, and concealed himself until Dr. McCullagh went to bed, which was not until near 2 o'clock, he having been reading until a late hour and fallen asleep on a sofa.

As soon as the burglar fled the police were notified and had been making efforts to trace him. Dr. McCullagh is of opinion that the thief departed service at St. Mary's yesterday, and planned the robbery while in the church. During both the morning and afternoon service Dr. McCullagh read the accusation of his people to the men of the parish. The money paid in for the purpose named.

BOY DROWNED.

The Perils of Mill Pond Bathing.

Early Saturday afternoon a twelve year old son of Saml. Dietz, carpenter of Strasburg, went into Musselman's dam, on the Pequea creek, near that borough, to bathe, and getting beyond his depth, was drowned. Search was made for his body, and it was recovered about 4 o'clock p. m. and taken to the residence of his parents.

From the testimony of some of the boy's companions, it appears that several of them went fishing in the morning. After fishing for some time the party separated and Dietz and some others went into the creek to bathe. It is supposed that the water was very high, and that he was attacked with cramp. His companions saw him go down and come to the surface three times, but were unable to render him assistance.

A deputy coroner H. G. Book, impelled by a duty compelled on him, accompanied by Messrs. McKinnis, J. G. Weaver, A. E. Hall, Richard Mulliken and Samuel H. Martin, and held an inquest. The verdict was one of "accidental drowning." The father of the boy was working in Philadelphia when the accident occurred. The funeral will take place at this cemetery. Interment in Strasburg cemetery.

Mrs. Grist's Husband Arrested. Asabel Grist, of Elk township, Chester county, husband of Rick Grist, has been arrested on a charge of having committed the assault on his wife last Tuesday night. He was given a hearing on Saturday before Justice of the Peace S. H. Smith, of Oxford, who bound him over in the sum of \$1,000 to court to answer the charge. John Curry of the neighboring county, James H. Grist, made the murderous assault with which he is charged, for the purpose of possessing himself of his wife's property. On two occasions, it was shown in the examination before the justice, that Grist went to get his wife into a room, and she saw Grist scraping the axe handle the day after the attempt at murder. The wound is two and a half inches long, three quarters of an inch wide and appears as though it was made with the pole of an axe. Grist's axe was found next morning at the foot of the stairs, but there was no blood stains on it.