

## LANCASTER, PA., MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1885.

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# A SATURDAY NIGHT FIRE.

#### TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF GEO. FAILS. ESTOCK'S DRY GOODS STORE.

A Loss of Over Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars. Narrow Escape of Two Firemon from a Hor-rible Death-Their Gallant Rescue-Incidents of the Conflagration.

One of the most disastrous fires with which the business portion of our city has been visited for years, occurred on Saturday night between 11 and 12 o'clock. It resulted in the atter destruction of the stock and th drygoods store of George R. Fahnestock, at No. 14 East King street, and little save the front of the building which contained it was loft standing. The fire burned very stub for several hours in the most bornly densely built business portion of the city the fire department worked under most dis advantageous circumstances and only succeeded by great energy, zeal and wise diree tion in confining the flames to the building first attacked, and in preventing the burning of several adjoining stores and possibly the most disastrous conflagration that has ever occurred in Lancaster. There were several narrow escapes from very serious accidents, and at one time it was feared two firemen would meet their death in the burning pile The loss is quite heavy and the origin of the fire is undetermined.

Discovery of the Fire. About 11 o'clock Walter W. Franklin, esq., and a friend passing along East King street, called the attention of Private Watchman Henry M. Erisman to smoke issuing from the clothing store of Myers & Rathfon About the same time, the lights usually kept burning in Fahnestock's store, adjoining Myers & Rathfon on the east, were seen to go out ; and it was suggested that an alarm be sounded. Mr. Erisman, however, thought it better to at once arouse the owners of the store, and he ran down to the residence of Mr. Jacob Rathfon, on Prince street, wakened that gentleman and told him his fears. Returning to Centre square he sounded an alarm at the box in the square, No. 12, and as it pealed out on the night air people came running from all directions, as the box is the most centrally located and its alarm always attracts universal attention. The sa loons, barber shops, and other places of resort generally well patronized on Saturday eve ing were emptied of their customers speedily, and though the engines made quick time to the spot their arrival was preceded by that of a large crowd of excited people, with a good deal of advice to offer-as free as the Saturday night lunches, and likewise of good, had and indifferent sorts.

#### FROZEN PLUGS.

The first difficulty experienced by the fire men was in getting water. The plug at the corner of Eshleman's banking house was frozen : so was that in front of the INTELLI GENCER building. This unfortunate circumstance occasioned a delay of several minutes during which the fire gained headway and dense clouds of smoke rolling from the se-cond story front of Fahnestock's store indicated that the fire was in that building. The ubjoined diagram will explain the location f the building and will better illustrate the of the building and will following account of the affair





stepped upon the roof of Fahnestock'sbuilding. stepped upon the roof of Falmestock'sbuilding. They were not on the roof very long, when without any warning it gave way and these men were thrown to the burning room below them. As they disappeared and left only the grape arbor standing on the wall, where their figures had lately been seen in the light of the fire, a cry of horror rose from the crowd on Christian street. Intense excitement ensued, which was aggravated when apparently from the very bed of the fire cries and groans for "help, "help," "help," felt upon the cars of the listeners. With a common impulse they pressed forward against the rope stretched across the entrance to the alley, and when they found that no attempt at rescue from that side could succeed many of them went front to get out of hearing of the heart-rending cries of the fallen men. Track R. Howeli and Thomas C. Wiley were on the Heinitsh balcony, saw the accl-dent, and quickly comprehended what was under the men and savedthemfrom immediate contact with the fire. A ladder was promptly placed in position, and at the risk of his life Howell descended to their rescue. He found them almost suffocated and in a very natural condition of alarm. He assisted them to mount the ladder and climb up to the eastern wall, where by the Heinitsh premises they could reach a safe position. All hough almost suffocated, their only other injuries were cuts and braises. They were at once taken to their hemen and medicial ald summoned. They were not on the roof very long, when

and bruises. They were at once taken to their homes and medical aid summoned. Fred Eiseman, a member of company No.4, also made a narrow escape from falling into the burning building when the roof went in. At the time he was standing on the nar-row wall which divides Heinitsh's premises

from Fahnestock's. The smoke penetrated the walls of Myers & Rathfon's building and enveloped all stories of it, saturating the great stock of cloths and readymade clothing which make The employee of the establishment took

possession of it to watch any outbreak of the irre. Mr. Heinitsh's household was also in a state of alarm and watchfulness, and ready to move the most valuable offects at short

#### Mastering the Fire.

For over an hour the firemen kept up their battle with the flames before it appeared that they had gained a decided mastery of the fire, and succeeded in restraining it within the narrow limits in which it was burning with such fierceness. Between 1 and 20 clock a.m. at times the front building was on fre ; sometimes the roof was ablaze ; occasionally some light fabric in the store ailty would take fire and the bright blaze of its burning showing through the front store would excite an alarm that that portion of the building was on fire.

Fortunately, the heavy snow fall had covered all the adjoining roofs and sparks and fragments of the fire were extinguished and frigments of the hre were extinguished as quickly as they fell upon them. But for this the warehouse of Marshall & Rengier, on the south side of the alley, covered with shingles, and even Swaim's stable, could hard-ly have escaped injury if not destruction; and in that event a great hole might have been burned out of the heart of the business por-tion of the city. All the engines of the department remained

in service until 4 a. m., on Sanday, when two of them were sent to their houses. The remain-ing two were kept in service until 6 o'clock. ANOTHER OUTBREAK OF THE FIRE.

#### About 6 o'clock this morning the fire which

ad been smouldering in the debris in the rear part of the building broke into a flame. An alarm was sounded; the firemen were oon on hand, Chief Howell leading the yan. A stream from a hydrant in the second sta of C. A. Heinitsh's building was the f water thrown upon the flames and to this was soon added a plug stream which extinguished the fire.

The Origin of the Fire. There seems to have been a stove in the

business office of the store which is in the rear of the building, the entire store room being 128 feet long. In the cellar about where the front and rear of the building meet there is a furnace; and ever since the crection of the high wall of Myers & Rathfon's building, on the east, there has been some diffi-culty with the draft, and by some it is be-lieved that the fire originated here from a de-

It is alleged that some of the hosemen had been out enjoying their Saturday night, and were under the influence of liquor. This is denied, save in one case. These men are paid \$50 a year and are expected to be ready to answer every call. Nevertheless every requirement of the service domands strict dis-eipline and if any of them drinks he had bottes abtain.

Judged by results the firemen did very well. Chief Howell conducted himself ex-cellently, and answered a good deal of out-side and impertment interference with equanimity and dignity, though with firm-ness. As the fire now is seen to have originated nothing could have extinguished it except a well directed stream at the outset aimed exactly at the location of it : and that no one could possibly have discovered in the dense volume of smoke and at the remote distance from the front entrace at which the fire seems to have started.

distance from the front entrace at which the fire secans to have started. Mr. Heinitsh, who had the best opportunity to see the work of the firemen and who was most interested in it being well directed, is unstituted in his praise of Chief Howell and his force. He and his wife have sent the chief a warm letter of thanks; and publish a card to all friends who helped to save their property and its treasured contents.

property and its treasured contents. PRINON LEGISLATION.

A Conference for the Discussion of Some Pro-A conference was held this morning in one

of the jury rooms of the court house in refer-ence to the proposed legislation as to the ounty prison. There were present Judges Livingston and Patterson, Senator Stehman, Representatives Davis, Heidelbaugh and Kemper, Prison Inspectors Carter, Miller, Weaver, Doner and Zellers. There were three bills introduced at Harrisburg affecting

the Lancaster county prison this session. One is in reference to jail breaking and proposed to allow the judges when a sentence was imposed for tail breaking to the Eastern penitentiary, to direct that the prisoner un-dergo an imprisonment in that institution for the balance at the term he had to serve in our

prison at the time of the escape. This bill wa negatived by the judiciary committee. The second bill proposes to remedy the act of 1883 in reference to the prison kceper. That bill failed to state that the county shall That bill failed to state that the county shall maintain the keeper and his family. This bill will pass the legislature without any diffi

culty, The third proposed bill is to the effect that the prison keeper shall appoint all the offi-cers of the prison except the solicitor, physi-cian and moral instructor. Under the pres-

ent law the prison inspectors elect all the subordinate officers. Dr. Davis said he was satisfied that this bill is unconstitutional because it concerns the affairs of the county of Lancaster in the regulation of its prison; second, it provides for a special mode of conducting the election

of officers ; third, that it prescribes the powers and duties of certain officers in Lancaster to-morrow's election, it will not be because they have not worked. What they have done ounty. This bill was discussed by nearly all the has been done in the quiet, and the result cannot now be determined : but they fee

This bill was discussed by hearly all the parties present, and the opinion of some was that it would be good policy to go back to the old system of electing a keeper by the in-spectors. At all events the proposed bill giving to the keeper the power to appoint his subordinates will not pass the legislature

#### OBITUAR) NOTES.

Death of Two Prominent Persons in the Lower End. Wm. Hogg, a leading citizen of Colerain

township, and a resident of the vicinity of Kirkwood, died last Thursday of pneumonia superinduced by cold which he took from over exertion in shelling corn. He was about 65 years of age, and a member of the

well-known family of his name, of whom one brother is Robert, living in the same neighborhood and another, George, is a citi-zen of Illinois. Deceased was a farmer and a zen of limitois. Deceased was a farmer and a man of property, as well as of character and influence. He was an enterprising man and engaged largely in dairying. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and for his many good qualities was held in high osteem

DEATH OF MRS. FRANCIS MYLIN Francis My1 dence, who died there on Friday and was

# THE SUSOUEHANNA RIVER. IN ITS PRESENT CONDITION OMINOUS

OF DISASTERS

Condition of Affairs That Recalls the Delugof 1832-A Runsway Team Retained by Its Captor-To-morrow's Election.

Presented With a Cake,

Regular Correspondence of INTELLIGENCES COLUMNIA, Feb. 16 .- A heavy rain ha een failing in Columbia since early morning, until present writing, and now it ha changed to snow. Considerable damage ha been done. Cellars and stores are flooded while water overflows many of our street and pavements ankle deep. The gutters can not hold the large body of water as it dashe riverwards with great speed, consequently streets and pavements must suffer. Just such a day was experienced on the 11th of February, 1832, when on the evening of that date, the first tier of the old Columbia bridge crossing the Susquehanna river gave way, caused by the great up-river floods, which in turn broke and moved in on the river. That was a terrible time. The ice becoming gorged at McCall's Ferry and at other points south of Columbia, and at other points south of Columbia, the free passage of the water was stopped. This caused the river south of these points to rise rapidly. Houses on Front street were flooded and in danger of being swept away, while the damage to property on the river shore was great. The up-river ice and water continued descending, and unable to longer stand the great strain thus put upon it. The old bridge one of the structures of

old bridge, one of the strongest st that kind ever built, gave way. ctures o history. The question now arises, will that catastrophe be repeated if the present weather continues and extends far enough north. spilled from a Sleigh.

Officer Wittlek went after the team. I compelled to threaten to arrest Fry he succeeded in obtaining the team.

paying \$1.50 for feed he returned it to its proton

To-morrow's Election

Presented With a Cake.

A livery team of George Redsecker, as it

was passing the Susquehanna rolling mill on Saturday, ran off. The sleigh was upset on line

an ore pile, and its occupants spilled. The runaway continued down the Columbia & According to Thy name, O God, so is Thy raise unto the ends of the earth.

If the Columbia Democrats do not win a victory from their Republican opponents at makes a difference between that which is holy and that which is common ; remember-ing the example of God's ancient people, as well as the teaching of the New Testament ; and taking encouragement from the tender love of our blessed Savior Himself, who apcannot now be determined : but they feel, sure of retaining control of council and school board, and electing a majority of the ward officers. Columbia is Republican, everybody knows, and past victorious of the Democrats have only been made by complimentary votes from the opposition. But the Republi-cans say they will give us no such votes this year, and yet they are making a thorough canvass among the Democracy. Presented With a Cake. and us in the several offices of Christian wor

ship. In accordance with the desire and purpose in the name, I de On Saturday evening, about twenty mem-bers of the Vigilant Fire Co., No. 2, accompa-nied by the Columbia Cornet Band, visited of this congregation, and in its name, I do therefore, set apart and separate this organ from all common and seenlar use, and conse-crate it to the worship of the triune God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost : to Armory hall, where the Ladies' Aid society of the Second Street Lutheran church is hold-ing a festival. On behalf of the company, and for the kind interest the ladies of the whom be honor and glory, world withou md.

The grand organ, in the hands of Prof. F W. Haas, then pealed forth its dedicatory notes the united choirs of the First and St Paul's Reformed churches adding their voices in the rendition of the 150th Psalm, after which the "Gloris in Excelsis" was rendered by the organ, choir and congregation.

The scripture lesson was read by Rev. Peters, and Rev. Stahr offered prayer, and

The Treachery Whereby Gordon Fell.

# PRICE TWO CENTS. THENEW EXTRADITION TREATS.

The Crimes Which Will Make the Offende Liable to Its Operation.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 16 .- As far as can be

earned the new extradition treaty between

the United States and Great Britain, which

has been submitted to the dominion

of the government for approval, in the main covers such offenses as are em-

bodied in the present treaty between Great Britain and Belgium. It is stated that in a few

timidation, threats with intent to extort

piracy and mutiny or conspiracy to revolt

MEETING OF ANARCHISTS.

against a master of a vessel on the high seas

Expressing Their Sympathy With the Recently Executed German Conspirators.

Sr. Louis, Mo., Feb. 16 .- The Anarchists

held a meeting in Stolles' hall yesterday afternoon, which was largely attended. Jos.

Reifgraber called the meeting to order and Conrad Weber was named chairman. The

latter stated the object of the meeting to be

for the expressions of sympathy with Reins

beheaded ten days ago at Halle, for the at

tempt two years ago to blow up the German

emperor and others at the unveiling of

Fred, W. Bergman was the first speaker.

he said Reinsdorf did right in making the

attempt, and all kings and princes deserved

The assasination of Chief of Police Rumpf, at

Frankfort, some time ago, was also com

G. Upa spoke in English and John

A WELLSBORD HOTEL IN FLAMES.

Guests Compelled to Flee from the Bailding in Their Night Clothes. Special Dispatch to the INTELLIGENCER. WELLSBORG, Pa., Feb. 16.—Early this

morning fire was discovered in Cole's hotel.

nd quickly spread to W. C. Kriess's resi

dence. It was discovered by a watchman who

hurried to ring an alarm. When he re-

turned to the hotel the hallways were filled

with smoke, and the fire was burning freely.

Efforts were at once made to awaken th

sleeping guests, and twenty people narrowly

escaped, being compelled to seek safety with

no other apparel than their night clothes

They all lost their personal effects. The

ABILENE, Tex. Feb. 16 .--- Bud Woods and

Neal Boyette, two desperate characters, have

been jailed at Sweewater, charged with the

officers say they are both implicated in the

crime. The excitement in the town has

greatly subsided. A detachment of ranger

is expected there to make further search. The

ranger force, under Capt. Gillespie, which

was in this part of the state, is now in Brown county, having been ordered there to capture

fence cutters.

ssination of Detective Warren.

Methodist church was badly damaged.

loss is \$25,000 and insurance \$20,000.

Arrested for Suspected Assas

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# CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS.

RAPID PROGRESS MADE IN THE HOUSE BUAINESS.

The House Committee on Elections Report in Favor of Broadhead—A Republican Seastor's Remark about the Possibility

of an Extra Session.

pecial dispatch to the INTELLIGENCER.

particulars the proposed treaty is somewhat more extended than the treaty with Belgium, an enlargement having been made to more WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.-[House] -The effectually meet the requirement of the ex-tradition between the United States and Canada. The draft of the treaty submitted to House met 10 a.m., in continuation of Fri-day's session. Mr. Willis, (Ky.) not being present to pass the river and harbor bill, the House went into committee of the whole on the Canadian government, enumerates the following crimes as extraditible under its House went into committee of the whole on the legislative appropriation bill. But few members were present, and rapid progress was made, the clerk reading on with but few interruptions. Pending a vote on the mo-tion by Hewett, (Ala.) to reduce the salary of the commissioner of pensions from \$5,000 to \$4,000, the committee rose and at 10:55 the House addiances. operation : Murder, manslaughter, counterfeiting, forgery, embezzlement, or larceny, obtaining money or goods on false pretenses, crimes against the bankruptcy law, fraud made criminal by any law for the time being in force, rape, abduction, child stealing, bur-House adjourned. glary, arson, robbery with violence or in

Five minutes later it was again called to rder for the session of Monday.

Mr. Forney (Ala.) reported the army ap-propriation bill with Senate amendments. The amendments were non-concurred in and conference was asked.

Under the rule for unobjected business the bill for a public building at Aberdeen, Miss., came up as the unfinished business from the same hour on Friday. The bill was amended by striking out \$100,000 and inserting \$75,000 and passed.

The House committee on elections to-day adopted a report to be submitted to the House in the contested election case of Broadhead vs. McLaine of Missouri. The report is in favor of Broadhead (Dem.), the contestant. GRANT DENIED A FAVOR.

Slocum (New York) under instructions from the military committee, moved to sus-pend the rules and pass the Senate bill for the retirement of Grant. (This is the first bill passed by the Senate, and specifically names the officer to be retired.) Hoar (Michigan) and Warner (Ohio) deman second. The motion to suspend the rules was seconded-110 to 72. The thirty minute debate, allowed under the rules, was opened

by Slocum in behalf of the bill. The House by a vote of 158 to 103 refused to suspend the rules and pass the bill authoriz. ing the president to place Grant upon the retired list of the army.

#### Work in the Senate

[Senate].-The chair laid before the Senate a communication from the secretary of the navy enclosing the memorial of the chamber of commerce of New York, praying for the regulation of compasses on steel and iron ocean steamers. The secretary said that if an opportunity were made for the purpose, offiers of the navy would perform the service prayed for.

Mr. Sherman thought that in the condition of public business, the bill to quit the title of settlers on the Des Moines river lands in the state of Iowa, should not be allowed to continue to take up all the time of the morning hour, and therefore moved to la/ the bill on the table. Messrs. Allison and Plumb hoped the motion would not prevail. Mr. Miller (N. Y.) remarked in an undertone to Allison : "Then you will have an extra se sion.'

The ayes and nays were ordered, and the Senate by a vote of 17 to 23 refused to lay the bill on the table. Mr. Sherman, after the result was announced, said :

"We may as well give it up and take it leisurely the rest of the session. I don't think it fair play to retard legislative business." On motion of Mr. Dawes the Des Moines

river bill was informally laid aside in order that the Senate might continue consideration Indian appropriation bill.

tve Services at the First Reforme Church Morning and Evening. Every seat in the First Reformed church was occupied Sunday morning long before the hour announced for the dedicatory services of the new pipe organ recently erected in the choir gallery through the

efforts of the organ committee. Rev. J. A. Peters former pastor of the church conducted the service assisted by Rev. Dr. J. S. Stahr and Rev. Dr. J. B. Shu maker, of St. Paul's.

AN ORGAN DEDICATION.

The service opened with prayer by Rev. Stahr, followed by the confession and declara tion of pardon. Rev. Mr. Peters then read the following

dedicatory service : Dearly Beloved in the Lord :

Dearly Beloved in the Lord: God, our Heavenly Father, in all ages of the Church, has approved the acts of devout and holy men, who moved either by His ex-press command, or by the secret inspiration of His blessed spirit, have set their hearts to beautify the place of His sanctuary and to make his praise glorious. This congregation, animated by the pious example of those that have gone before us, sustained by the grace of God, and directed by his Spirit, has placed in this sanctuary an instrument which through all ages has been sacredly used in sounding forth the high praise of God; and we are now to-gether in His most holy presence, that we gether in His most hely presence, that we may as is meet and right, by a solern act of worship, devote it to its intended use and urpose. Let us pray. Meet us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy

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most gracious favor, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy name, and flually, by Thy mercy, attain unto everlasting life through Jesus Cheist on Low-"hrist our Lord. Amen.

R. Amen. Let us now join in the profession of our Catholic, undoubted, Christian faith.

The creed was them recited. Rev. Peters—Praise ye the the Lord. Congregation—The Lord's name be praised. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His

runaway continued down the Columbia at Washington pike, and when near Cresswell was caught by Daniel C. Fry, who refused to give it to the driver, who followed it, unless \$2.50 be paid him, Fry, for his trouble. The driver returned to Columbia, and yesterday O clap your hands all ye people, shout unto God with the voice of triumph. Let the people praise Thee, O God ; let all scople praise Thee, O God ; let all

scople praise Thee. Rev. Peters-Blessed be the Lord God of

Rev. Peters—Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting, and let all the people say, Amen. Congregation.—Amen. Rev. Peters—Let that be holy which is given unto the Lord, and all that is associated with the second

with His service. Bearing in mind that the word of God

love of our blessed Savior Himself, who ap-proved the pious act of her who poured pre-cious and costly ointments upon his feet, ac-cepting the consecration of it as a proper of-fering of love; let us not doubt that He will also favorably regard our goodiy purpose of setting apart this instrument in a solemn manner, that it may be made to serve Him and us in the served offices of Christian war

church have exhibited towards the company, W. B. Given, esq., in a nice speech, present-ed the society with a large cake, its equal having never been in public in Columbia. It was a beauty. Rev. W. P. Evans accepted the gift in a few well chosen words, the band played a selection, the gentlemen having in charge the coming fair of the company treated their brother members, and the incident which will be long and pleasantly renzem-bered by all who participated in it, was at an end. The festival will be continued this evening. church have exhibited towards the company

the congregation sang the hymn commenc-ing, "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne."

Mr. Potors pr

## GETTING ON THE WATER.

Attachments were made to the plugs in front of Hoffmeier's building and at the corner of East King and Duke streets. The Centre Square plugs were finally opened and connected with the engines. Four steamers were soon ready to play on the fire. The book and ladder truck had come to the scene and the ladders were run up the front of the building. A cab quickly brought Mr. Fahnes-tock to the fire; but nobed seemed able to tell whence the smoke proceeded and not a bit of flame or fire was visible. Mr. Fahnes tock placed his porter, Levi Hallstock, colored, at the front door of the premises with orders to let no one in except firemen. Hailstock says that while standing at his post he was roughly seized by a man wearing the uniform of the fire department and thrown against the door. His right arm struck the glass, the glass was broken and his wrist was badly cut by the broken glass. His womds were dressed by Dr. Muhlen-berg. He says he will make an effort to as

berg. He says he will make an effort to as-sertain who caused his injuries and bring suit against him. He will be disabled for some weeks on account of his injuries. However this may be, it was impossible to penetrate the thick smoke, which clouded both stories front; and streams playing on that part of the store neither diminished the the volume of smoke nor scemed to reach the fire. At length from the baleony on Mr. Heinitsh's adjoining premises, "R," a light was seen glimmering through the skylights cov-ering the back part of the store. The fire was located there.

half of \$2,000 in the North American, of Phil-adelphia, of which H. S. Gara is agent, and \$2,000 in the Manufacturer's, of Pittsburg, of which C. B. Kaufman is agent. Total insur-ance on the building, \$7,000; estimated loss, \$8,000 Inoated there. Three lines of hose were laid through the entry on the west side of Mr. Heinitsh's building, carried through the backyard into the area marked "A" in the diagram. There the hose was taken up on the second story open balcony, on the west side of which is a wall that supported the roof of the second story Bair building. From this point, standing on the wall and supported by grape trellis that was fastened thereto, the firemen could dimet three strong streams down into the burn

Mr. Fahnestock, whose business is com-paratively new, had originally taid in a large and fine stock of gasds. Much of this had been disposed of, as he was closing out his business; in order, however, to accommodate customers and supply demands for some departments and had a considerable stock, some of original unbroken packages. His stock on the first floor is a total loss. In the upper story front-the dressmaking de-partment-some few of the goods may be saved but they are greatly damaged by water and smoke. Mr. Fahnestock estimates that there were \$16,000 worth of goods in the building when the fire broke out, but he cannot be positive as to the exact amount, until he has a chance to examine bis books ing building. Still the flames burned with apparently Still the flames burned with apparently increasing intensity, the fire continuing back of the East King street properties, as shown in the diagram. Large from doors, securely fastened, were on the first and second grown red hot, but showed no signs of giving way. And it was well they didn't of therwise A devouring tongue of fame would have temped across the alley, and devastated waith's livery stable, with a large block of trame buildings. For a balf hour a stream was thrown on the building from this point without much effect. Finally, by the ald of the grappling hooks, but not without consid-erable difficulty, the lower iron door was pur-tially opened and the stream poured through the trapending went direct to the right spot. cannot be positive as to the exact amount, until he has a chance to examine his books in the safe. Mr. Fahnestock had insurance policies on his stock as follows: With Shonk & Bausmun-Fire asso-ciation, Philadelphia, \$5,000; Conti-nental of New York, \$5,000, With Bansonan & Burns-in the Jona, of Hartford, \$1,500, and in the Phaenix, of Hartford, \$1,500-total, \$13,000. "We intense heat from the barolar building

#### DANGER OF IT SPREADING.

The fire burned very stubbornly, and fo The principal loss, however, is by smoke, but the exact amount cannot be determined until the goods are thoroughly examined by the appprulsers. Their insurance is as follows. On their building \$7,000, and on their stock an hour or more it seemed very difficult to say what might be the extent of it. Momensay what might be the extent of it. Moneu-tarily subdued it seemed to gain new strength. The Myers & Rathfon building, on the west, was exposed to its fleree onset. A brick wall only separated it from Heinitsh's chemical warehouse on the east, wherein the fear was that many combustible drugs were stored : on the south the iron shutters, of which the fastenings might give way any minute only witheid the flame from the livery stable, and cradually the fire was working its way front

witheid the flame from the livery stable, and gradually the fire was working its way front into the building. The ropes were drawn in front and back, and policemen manning them kept back the crowd from interfering with the operations of the firemen. The throng in Christian street which packed the 'narrow thoroughfare, were watching the firemen in the alley fight the irre from the rear, and the other detachment who were on the wall above Heinitsh's bal-conv, directing the nozzles down through the skylight.

#### A NARROW ESCAPE.

Among the firemen on duty at this point were Miles Sherizer and Charles Schwebel, In order to get at the fire more effectually they

fective flue. Another theory is that the office stove in some way set fire to the surround-ing goods or furtifure. Mr. Fahnestock was the last person in the store on Saturday evening. He left the build-ing about ten o'clock and went direct to his house on East Orange street. His porter, Levi Hailstock, left the store a few minutes before ten o'clock. He was in the cellar and fixed the furnaces for the high about time buried yesterday, was a half sister of George Brubaker, esq., of this city. Her first husband, John Groff, kept the hotel in New providence for some years, and after his death she continued the business. Last summer she was married to Mr. Mylin, who was a neighbor and widower, and how withfixed the furnaces for the night about nine n eighteen months of his first wife's death o'elock. he has followed another consort to the tom?

He says that when he was in the cellar everything was all right, and that he had hardly got home for the night when the alarm was struck. Hailstock says that dur-The third week of the February commo ing the afternoon two strangers from Altoona had called to look at the building, which is for rent. They made a closer investigation of the premises than he liked, in Mr. Fahnespieas court was commenced this morning, at ten o'clock, with Judge Patterson presiding in the unner court room and Judge Living tock's absence, and he told them so. He says they visited parts of the cellar, which were very dark and thought they may bave ston in the lower court room. Of the twenty cases on the list seven were continued or set-tied, leaving thirteen for trial. In the suit of John Hildebrand vs. Hugh used and dropped matches in their investigations.

## The Extent of the Losses.

Mr. Fahnestock, whose business is com

The Management of the Fire.

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ordor.

M. Collins, issue to try by a jury the right to certain property levied upon by the sheriff, judgment by consent was entered in favor of plaintiff, defendant to pay office costs. The building, which has a gray, sanded and painted, wooden front, and party side walls, was damaged considerably; the front and the floors in that part of the building remain in-tact, though the shelving, fixtures and fur-niture are almost entirely ruined by smoke and water. The building, which was form-erly owned by the late David Bair, became under his will the property of David Bair and Jacob Bair (now his widow, Mrs. Caro-line A. Bair), subject to the payment of \$500 a year to Mrs. Elizabeth Bair. The loss on the structure is estimated andinsured as fol-lows: The building, which has a gray, sanded and There were no cases ready for trial this morning, and the jurors were excused until this afternoon. DIVORCED.

Emanuel Foltz was divorced from his wife, Ada L. Foltz, on the ground of adultery. Mrs. Foltz was convicted of that offense at the last term of the court, and is now serving term in the county prison.

#### List of Unclaimed Letters

Following is the list of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoflice of Lancaster, Pa., lows: David Bair has a perpetual insurance of \$5,000 on his undivided half of the building, in the Reliance, of Philadelphia; and Mrs. C. for the week ending Monday, February 16th, 1885 : A. Bair has an insurance on her undivided half of \$2,000 in the North American, of Phil-

1885 : Ladies' List.—Miss Sarah Bissell, Miss-Loue Burns, Johannah Connell, Sallie Cur-ley, Emma Dolland, Catharine Harnish, Miss Alice Hertzler, Miss Lizzie Huber, Jean Joseph Lagnean (for.), Mrs. Bertha McCalley, Miss Theodosia Miller, Mrs. J. D. Porter, Miss Ida Styer, Miss Lillie Weber, Geal's List.—Amos Althouse, N. Boser, J. W. Buckingham, George Doncon, John De-long, H. A. Dillman, Isaac Griffee, ir., Theo-dore Willie Hauff (2), Alvin R. Hoffman, W. S. Jones, Theo. R. Jones, R. A. Keels, Lancaster Bureau, William H. Mathiot, R. G. Masser, I. C. Moyers, L. Miller, Charles R. Müller, Damiat R. Müller, Schutz L. Stree-thal, A. N. Rhodus, Jones, R. Miller, Charles R. Miller, Damiat R. Miller, Schutz L. Stree-Michael Strogolf, A. R. St. Kalter, L. e. V. Michael Strogolf, A. R. St. Kalter, L. e. V. Michael Strogolf, A. R. St. Kalter, L. e. V. Michael Strogolf, A. R. St. Kalter, L. e. V. Michael Strogolf, A. R. St. Kalter, L. e. V. Michael Strogolf, A. R. St. Kalter, L. e. V. Michael Strogolf, A. R. St. Kalter, L. e. V. Michael Misser, W. H. Wiss.

#### Death of a Centenarian.

Mrs. Nancy Cass Wilmore died in Wilmington on Wednesday at the age of 116 years. She was undoubtedly the oldest person in this state, if not in the United States. She was born about the year 1769 in North Caro-When first known in Wilmington sh lina. was a widow. Here she married John Wil-more, who was a miller. His death forty-five years ago, is recollected by many residents of Wilmington. Both she and her husband were considered quite elderly people even at that they are shown as the statement of the sta

#### that time. A Good Retort.

total, \$13,000. The intense heat from the burning building melted the solder from the thereof in the rear part of Myers & Rathfon's building, raised the roof and soon their large building was filled with smoke. Water was also thrown into their building and it ran from the third to the first floor, doing some dam a the worder building some than a A gentleman, in presenting to a congress man's wife a friend of his, said : " Permit me madame, to introduce to you Mr. —, of Demerara." "So glad to see you, Mr. —, " replied Mrs. C.—, who ardently wanted to say something very pleasant. "I have a par-rot that comes from Demarara." With great presence of mind the gentleman retorted; "I assume you, undame we are not related." On their binding science, and on their story [515,500]. Their loss is estimated at 54,000. Mr. Helnijsh sufferen light loss by smoke and water, but how much cannot be de termined to-day. His cellar was bodtes with water, and men were kept busy yesterday pumping it out and putting his premises into bridge. I assure you, madame, we are not related.

#### which was not bad in its way.

Samuel Hess, auctioneer, sold at public sale at the Hiester house on Saturday night side at the mester house on Saturday high for Harberger, McCulley & Co., all that lot of ground and buildings thereon erseted No. 36 West Chestnut street, this city, known as Harberger, McCulley & Co.'s machine shops and foundry, to Jacob L. Steinmeiz, esq., for \$10,000.

#### The Churches in Great Britain

The Management of the Fire. As usual the miningement of the fire comes in for a good deal of criticism, and the appar-ent delay in getting water on was the subject of no lithe comment from ill-natured specta-tors, who did not know or did not care to inquire the cause of it. This was owing atmost entirely to the frozen plugs, which fi is the function of the water department to keep open. It may be suggested however, to the phief engineer that he should give close at-tention to this matter himself if the water superintendent neglects it. Especially in the densely built portions of the city might frozen plugs render useless the best efforts of the fremen to avert an awful conflagration. A Baptist congregation in Wales has discovered that football is a snare of the devil, and one of the congregation has been consured for joining in the game. The Dundee Presby-tery has condemned fancy fairs, and the Pres-bytery of Glasgow has denounced the observ-ance of Christmas Day as an historical fiction and a Popish abomination. Town Notes

evening.

The matinee at the rink on Saturday after

noon, was largely attended and quife a delightful affair. At the meeting of the third degree mem-bers of Susquehanna lodge, No. 80, I. O. F., this evening, arrangements will be made for the lodge to be represented at the special meeting of the grand lodge in Lancaster,

this week. Rev. J. Clay-Moran will lecture in

Rev. J. Clay-Moran will lecture in the opera house this evening, on "From Balti-more to Naples." Our well-known Democratic friend J. W. Hamilton, better known as "Old Judge," had a stroke of paralysis, yesterday, from which he is not expected to recover. Auctioneer J. K. Smoker, on Saturday evening, sold at public sale, at the Franklin house, Ambrose Dulaney's property, No. 200 Second street, to Leopold Bitner for \$1,127.50. Yesterday morning while Christian Sny-der was at work, and his wile attending church, his home on Perry street above Second was entered by robbers after thor-onghly ransacking the house from top to bottom the robbers departed carrying with

bottom the robbers departed carrying with them \$5 in money and two gold chains. The ladies of the Trinity Reformed church will on next Saturday evening hold a music sociable in the lecture room of their church.

sociable in the lecture room of their church. Co. C will not drill this evening, owing to the armorybeing occupied by the Second street Lutheran church testival. The "Centennial" sermon delivered yes-terday, by Rev. R. W. Humphriss, pastor of the Columbia M. E. church, is considered by critics, his master sermon. It was certainly most excellent, and held spell-bound his large congregation. Rev. Humphriss severs his connaction with this church in March, and his departure will be much regretted. Workmen were employed all of Saturday might, repairing

Workmen were employed all of Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night, repairing a damage to the heater in the Columbia Na-tional bank, received on Saturday. Mrs. Catharine Reller, of Ironville, died yesterday, in the 74th year of her age, from general debility. Andrew Loiz, P. R. R. foreman of the west yeard result of the set of the set.

yard repair gaug, entertained in a very pleasant and enjoyable manner, a number of his railroad friends. The party was given in honor of the reception of the two prizes Mr. Lotz received for having his yard in so time a mulition.

# Watchers Appointed. First ward-John Schaum, Democrat.

Second ward-Charles B. Erisman, Reput lican ; James R. Donnelly, Democrat.

Third ward—B, F. Leann, Democrat, Fifth ward—John L. Killinger, Republi-can; Jacob M. Westhaeffer, Democrat, Seventh ward—James H. Messenkop, Re-publican; H. T. Yackley, Democrat, Ninth ward—Geo, M. Myers, Republican; Jacob Metzwar, Democrat,

Jacob Metzger, Democrat. The County Auditors

## The county auditors met this morning at 10 o'clock, and commenced the examination of the county officers' accounts. They first took up the accounts of the county treasurer and compared his book of payments with the vonchers. It will take the auditors several weeks to complete the examination of the accounts of the several county officers.

### At the Station House

There were 49 yags and three drunks at the station house on Saturday and Sunday nights. The yags were discharged, two of the drunks paid costs and the third was committed, Fourteen gas and four gasoline lights w reported as not burning on Saturday Sunday nights.

History Repeats Itself. Vol. I, No. I, of *Public Ledger*, Philac phia, Friday, March, 25th, 1836, says: • 2 The congressional news up to this date sesses not the slightest interest. Cong-seems determined to fritter away its time stead of rendering it profitable to the nati Shame on such tardy legislation."-

Bird in-Hand and well-known hotel keeper, went to the railroad station, at that place, Sat went to the random station, at that prace, Sat-urday evening, for the purpose of getting his newspaper. He was struck on the left side by the engine and so severely injured that he was rendered helpless, and remains so to-day, though his injuries are not thought to be necessarily dangerous.

sermen, his theme being the history of music in connection with religion, and the influence of Christianity on religious music.

Rev. Dr. Shumaker offered prayer, after which "Te Deum Laudamus" was admir ably rendered, followed by the hymn com-mencing "Now Thank We All Our Lord." The doxology was sung and the congrega-tion was dismissed with a benediction by Peters.

As the congregation retired Prof. Haas rendered on the organ Gressel's grand march

The dedicatory services were deeply im-pressive, and the music both vocal and in-strumental of a high order of excellence. Special Dispatch to the INTELLIGENCER. THE EVENING SERVICE.

THE EVENING SERVICE. The evening service was attended by a congregation almost as large as that of the morning. It opened with the "Gloria in Ex-celsis" by Dudley Buch. The sermon was preached by Rev. Peters, and was an eloquent appeal in behalf of giv-ing to the church. During the offertory Mr. Hiram Stamm and the Misses Locher sang the "Tantum Ergo" from a requiem mass by Da Hache. It was very finely rendered. Prof. Haas performed on the organ a fantasie on the famous quartette from " Puritani."

#### MEREDITH, THE IMPOSTOR.

Massey, ex-paying teller of the bank of Com-merce, to-day in the criminal court pleaded guilty of forgery of a \$5,000 check, last May The Man Whom the "Intelligencer" Exposed His Sermon Was Original-With Wesley. and was sentenced to five years in the Mary It is learned that Meredith, who, it is land penitentiary. alleged, swindled the people of Reading, in the guise of a preacher, is well known in Baltimore. It seems that he came there in 1861 from Kent county, Indiana, where he has respectable and well-to-do relatives. He oined the Light Street Methodist Episcopal church but because they diclined to license him to preach he joined the Charles street church. He was permitted to preach a trial sermon and his discourse is said to have been able and eloquent. Among those present were Dr. Littleton F. Morgan and the Rev. W. F. Dr. Littleton F. Morgan and the Rev. W. F. Ward, who after the sermon walked home together, arriving at home Dr. Morgan took down a volume of Wesley's sermons and be-gan reading one of the best. After a while he paused and asked Mr. Ward if he had ever heard it before. "Why, yes," said the lat-ter, " that is the sermon Meredith preached this morning." This settled Meredith in Baltimer and he lot for more preserven ther, "that is the sermion Mercount preaches this morning." This settled Mercouth in Baltimore and he left for more prosperous fields. After drifting around the country for some years, Mercouth was ordained by some conference and stationed at the Hanover street church, Baltimore, but, being con-victed on charges of immorality a short time afterward, was expelled from the church. afterward, was expelled from the church. Since that time he has been going all over the country victimizing the people wherever he can. He usually introduces himself as a Methodist minister, preaches a few sermons money. Daughter (an heiress)—Yes, I am sure he loves me, papa. He swears that he war wor-shipped me from the first moment that he saw and begins to collect subscriptions for papers that do not exist.

conr money. There are six internal revenue collection districts in Pennsylvania. Following is a lis of the officers in the Ninth district in which Lancaster is situated and of which A. J.

	T THE OTHER STREETING, J. TON	- 100	MEALIN,		
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el-	George J. Hykes,	300	shippensburg.	1882	
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m.	Isaac S. Will		Lancaster.	1 11116	
	Wm. B. Young1,100	URA P	Shrewsbury,	43.8.3	
	5. M. Zacharias	1000	Lewistown,		
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t Son, of the Grand Central hotel, at Reading, on Saturday, by Sheriff Boyer. The exe-cution creditors are from this county. Mr. Knight kept the Exchange and City hotels in this city for a number of years.

KORTI, Feb. 16 .- The mudir is now co vinced that Khartoum has fallen and that A bill was passed appropriating \$20,000 for the purchase of additional ground for a pub-Gordon is dead, a cavass of Ibrahim Bey Ruchdi, who left Khartoum a fortnight ago lie building at New Bedford, and one or two states that Farag admitted the rebels to Khar important private bills. At the conclusion of the hour, the states were called for the intoum. The cavass with his master went to the government house and met Gordon troduction of bills for reference only. But coming out armed with Mohamed Bey, few were offered, the lateness of the session Mustapha and twenty cavasses. While pro rendering action upon them next to impossiceeding to the Austrian consulate they met a ble. party of rebels who fired a volley, and Gor

Minister Lowell's Wife Seriously Iil.

mitted that she had never fully regained her

A Forger Gets Five Years.

Special Dispatch to the INTELLORNCES. BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 16.-William W.

Four of a Crew Drowned.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

A Young Man's Cupidity.

Father—Where did he first see you?

Daughter—At Coney Island. Father—Were you dressed in a bathing suit? Daughter—Yes.

Daughter-Yes, Father-My fears are realized. He is alter

nctioneer, sold under direction of the fire

Spurious Tickets.

ine their tickets before voting to-morrow

The their needs before voting to-morrow. Spurions tickets containing the names of some of the Democratic candidates and omitting the names of other candidates, whose places on the ticket are supplied by names of Demo-crats who are not candidates, have been printed to deceive Seventh ward Democrats. It is not unlikely that similar tickets have been printed for other wards.

been printed for other wards.

Democratic voters should carefully exam

health. Mr. Lowell is much depressed.

#### Jottings at the National Capital. don and Mohamed Mustapha fell dead,

The treasury batances to-day : Gold coin and bullion \$237,615,297 ; silver dollars and bullion : \$156,260,354; fractional silver coin : \$30,119,736 ; United States notes : LONDON, Feb. 16-Its learned at the office of the American legation that Mrs. Lowell is seriously ill. She is suffering from a form of low fever. During her visit to Madrid, she was stricken with 020,551; national bank notes: \$10,653,-790; deposits with national bank depositories; \$10,402,741. Total \$492,072,-470. Certificates outstanding-gold : \$113,279, typhoid fever, and although her complete 010 ; silver : \$111,477,071 ; currency : \$30,940,recovery was soon announced, it is now ad-000 ; internal revenue receipts : \$575.237 ; cus

#### toms: 882,257, Pleasantly Received by Clevela nd.

Senator Voorhees returned to Washington to-day. He says he was very pleasantly received and had a very pleasant interview with the president-elect, but beyond that the senator declines to talk.

#### A Journalist Turned Minister.

special Dispatch to the INTELLIGENCES. ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 16.-A sensation has been created here by the announcement that

Samuel Small, a well known journalist and author of the "Old Si" character sketches, has abandoned journalism and is preparing himself for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal church. Mr. Small was secretary to President Johnson, and later held that po-sition under Commodore McCormack at the Paris exposition. He founded the Houston, Texas, Daily Age, and is well-known in every city in the United States as a versatile correspondent.

## Charged With Embezzing \$14,000.

#### special Dispatch to the INTELLIGENCER. ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 16,-E. O. Halsted manager of the White Pine lumber company of Creston, Ia., was indicted by the grand jury, and arrested on Saturday night charged with embezzling the funds of the company. His peculations as far as traced amount to about \$14,000. The company's suspicions were not excited until a few days ago they employed an expert to examine his books.

#### Election Frauds Suspect

Special Dispatch to the INTELLIGENCER. AMSTERDAM, N. V., Feb. 16.—At the election here on Tuesday, it has been shown that there were 2,369 votes cast. The number that there were 2,300 votes cast. The andi-reported cast for the successful candi-dates by the board of canvassers in about one hundred in excess of that figure. The defeated candidates are indignant and a The defeated candidates are indignant a new count will probably be ordered.

#### Sale of an Engine House. At 2 o'clock this afternoon Jacob Gundaker,

#### A Well Known Jurist Dead.

A Well Known Jurist Dead. Special Dispatch to the INTELLORISCH. SAN FRANCISCO, Felk 16.—John Norton Pomeroy, editor of *The Pueifie Coast Law Journal*, and professor of the Hastings Law school, died yesterday, aged 16 years, from an attack of pneumonia. He was a well-known writer of legal works. Previous to his arrival here he was a professor of the Uni-versity of New York. versity of New York.

# Phelan Returning to Kansas City. Special Dispatch to the INTELLIOUNCES.

Special Dispatch to the Istrationation. NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Captain Phelan, whom Dick Short stabled in Rosma's office, boarded the Pacific Express on the New York Central railroad last night, accompanied by his wife. Phelan declared he was tired wait-ing here for justice and intended to return to Versus City. Kansas City.

#### Soup Fund Concert

Speaker Cartisle Very Music Detter. Special Dispatch to the ISTRILIGNECES. WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Speaker Cartisle is very much better and hopes to be able to visit the House for a short time to-day. At any rate he intends to go out for a drive,

# INTERNAL REVENUE PATRONAGE.

The Salaries of the Incumbents in the Ninth District. Washington Dispatch to the Phil'a, Times.

anctioneer, sold under direction of the fire engine committee of city councils, the old American engine house on Church street near East King. George Harris was the purchaser, the price paid for the building be-ing \$270. The purchaser must remove the building within two months, as it now stands on the line of the extension of South Shippen street, ordered by the court to be opened. 

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ere	Chas, F. Eberman 1,800		Lancaster,	1870
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tion.	Isaac S. Will		Lancaster.	1884
CTO AL	Wm. B. Young1,100	124.5	Shrewsbury,	

Executions Issued. An execution was served an Pres. Knigh

The concert by the Lancaster Mænnerchor for the benefit of the soup fund will be given in the opera house, on Thursday evening next. It will be a delightful affair and is in the interest of a deserving charity. It should be largely patronized.

LONDON Feb. 16,-The steamer Wester land, from Antwerp for New York, has put it at Plymouth. She has been in collision with the steamer Holmhurst which was sunk. Four of the Holmhurst crew were drowned. The Westerland was seriously damaged. Russia Strengthening Her Position.

Loxpon, Feb. 16 .- Some excitement was created here to-day by dispatches from Berlin announcing that the Russian government had ordered two thousand Krupp guns t strengthen her position in Central Asia. WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- For the Middle Atlantic states, rain and snow, followed by clearing and much colder weather, winds shifting easterly, rising barometer preceded in the extreme northern portion by falling barometer. Father-Are you sure that Featherly loves ou? Perhaps he wants to marry you for your