THE CRIMINAL INSANE.

LECTURE TO THE MEDICAL JURIS

Hon, Clark Bell's Paper on the Questi "Shall We Hang the Insane Who Have Committed Homicide ? "-Some Recent American Cases Recalled.

Hon. Clark Bell, editor of the Medico-Lega Journal, of New York, lectured Tuesday evening before the Medical Jurisprudence society, of Philadelphia, to an audience composed of some of the most prominent medical

and legal gentlemen of the city. Mr. Bell in February retired from the presidency of the Medico-Legal society of New York, after filling that office for six years. The society numbers over three hundred active members and eighty-four corres ponding members, among whom are many well-known names in the Medico-Legal world, both in this country and Europe Under Mr. Bell's presidency the Medic Legal Journal was founded, as was also the library of the society, and the success of each is largely due to his efforts. Mr. Bell spoke last evening on the subject, "Shall We Hang the Insane who have Committed Homicide?

During the course of his lecture he alluded to Dr. L. U. Beach, executed in February last at Hollidaysburg, and the case of Taylor, recently convicted in Philadelphia for the murder of his keeper at the penitentiary. He said the execution of Dr. Beach presents question worthy the attention of thoughtful furist and publicists not only of the state o Pennsylvania, but everywhere. It is all the more important now that the public mind of all Christendom is studying the grave prob-lem of lunacy reform. Pennsylvania has lem of lunacy reform. Pennsylvania has occupied a prominent position in lunacy re-form by the recent modification of her lunacy statute, and becomes all the more prominent from the issues presented by the seeming ju-dicial homicide of Dr. Beach. There is much to be said in favor of the public execution of he insane for capital offenses, and there can e little doubt that society has the same right to execute insane criminals, if such a term is admissible, if it can be felt that it would tend to the prevention of offenses by others, or could be regarded as protecting society from could be regarded as protecting society from the danger of assaults that threaten seriously

s peace or its permanent good.

Dr. Hammond not long since publicly adocated the execution of Guiteau, of whose
usanity he entertained no doubt. He rearded the execution of the insane as an inportant factor in its general influence upon the insane themselves, and claims that the ifortunates are susceptible of restraining nfluences from the penalties thus inflicted, n which opinion, I do not doubt, many asy un superintendents would concur.

Many insane in and out of asylums feeling of their insanity and legal irresponsibility, ould be susceptible to the restraining dences of laws that punished same and sane alike for violations of law. Sir James Fitz James Stephens says, "Little or no loss is inflicted on either the madman himself or inflicted on either the madman be community by his execution. SHALL THE INSANE BE HANGED.

The life of an insane person cannot be regarded as more valuable and precious to ociety than any other human life in measuring the general good of the community, and ould be measured only in its social and political sense, when the general welfare of nation or a people is involved, yet up to punishment of the insane. Thus far Chris indom has with one accord, when speaking dete defense to any charge of crime. All forms of law, by the uncertain methods of its ifity and of forms and grades of insanity, i constantly happens that persons confessorily and undoubtedly insure are convicted of high crimes and sentenced to death.

The essential element of crime is motive t is evident that insanity has so obscured the intellect and deranged the faculties of sense and will that it cannot be said of the insane nomicide that he should be responsible for icts which were committed while his facul-ies were impaired by disease that prevented he exercise of his will or mind. Absence of motive, and of any rational cause or inten-tion, becomes the most important elements criminal investigations.

e case of Guiteau in our country, and two your state of Pennsylvania within the last e cases of Joseph Taylor and Dr. h. There would be little doubt, take it, among alienists as to the insanity of all these accused persons. All were convicted by juries where the detense of insanity was terposed. The two English cases were owever, examined by the commission, and neir sentences were commuted, and they were placed in an asylum.

TWO CONSPICEDES AMERICAN CASES. In the American cases of Guiteau and nd no steps taken to have a competent comnission of alienists pass upon the question of beir insanity. The governor of Pennsylvania vas appealed to to order such a commission n the case of Dr. Beach, but the application vas refused by Governor Pattison on the be lief, doubtless on his part, that either he had not the power to grant a respite for such a purpose, or that the action of the board of pardons in refusing to grant a commutation of the sentence was conclusive and binding upon the executive, he having no power of rdon or commutation under the law.

insane prisoner should be executed when e is reasonable cause to believe that in-

Mr. Bell then cited a number of cases in gland, showing that such was not done, I recited at length the laws of New York

state in such cases.

Under the law of England an inquisition
can be ordered after conviction and sentence
as to the insanity of an accused person, and,

on the finding that the party is insane, the ac cused is placed in an asylum. In New York such a proceeding may be taken before or after trial, and, if the prisoner is found insane he would be sent to the asylum for insane eriminals at Auburn. THE PENNSYLVANIA STATUTES.

The lecturer then gave an exhaustive re view of the Pennsylvania statutes on the ibject, and continued: "The board of parions are hardly competent to pass upon a estion of insanity in doubtful cases, a question of insanity in doubtful cases, at least, and the executive should be clothed by law to order an inquisition in any case after conviction. If found insane, the accused should, by law, be ordered into the state hould for insane criminals. There is not much reliance to be placed upon the verdict of juries in murder cases. Public clamor and universal prejudices against the plea of in-sanity render verdicts of juries very unresanity render verdicts of juries very unre-

tory of the Beach case, tending to show that the man was undoubtedly insane, and read extracts from the application for pardon to the board of pardons, showing that Beach had twelve blood relations who were either insane or idiotic, and that he was insane when he committed the murder. when he committed the murder.

While the divorce suit of Walter W. Wiliams against Ellen M. Williams was on trial n Scranton on Tuesday, before Judge Archald and a jury, Colonel F. Smith was sharply cross-examining Mrs. Williams, the dendant, when Juror Thomas Brown arose and said that the cross examination had gone quite far enough, that he protested against so protracted an examination from the fact that his time was too valuable, and that he hoped the court would put a stop to it at once. Juror E. Morris also stood up and obcted to Colonel Smith's further examinaion of the witness, saying that other jurors were of a similar opinion. Colonel Smith were of a similar opinion. Colonel Smith thereupon asked the court to order a juror to be withdrawn and the case to be put over to the next term. Without making any comment the judge granted the counsel's

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CONCERT. An Evening of Melody Furnished by Well-

The concert given in St. John's Lutheran church, Tuesday evening, was one of the very best that has been given in this city for a long time past. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity long before the hour announced for the beginning of the entertain ment. The printed programme was followed throughout with the exception of the clarionet solo, assigned to Professor Thor bahn, who was unavoidably absent. In lieu

bahn, who was unavoidably absent. In lieu of this a violin solo was finely rendered by Mr. Charles Bowman. Miss Cynthia Bare was, of course, the star of the evening, and she was warmly welcomed home by the people of St. John's, where for so many years she was the leading vocalist. Her voice has lost none of its sympathetic sweetness and has even been improved by study since she left Lancaster. Her pieces were loudly encored, and in response she sang "Take back the ring" and "Far away."

The duets in which Miss Lizzie Bachler sang were also finely rendered, Mr. Warfel taking the bass in first and Mr. Drachbar the tenor in the second. The recitations by Miss

tenor in the second. The recitations by Mis Amanda Landes were given with fine dra-matic and elecutionary effect, and were re ceived with hearty approbation. The other instrumental and vocal selections were cred-itably executed. The Keystone grand up-right piane was used on the occasion. Folowing is the programme:

Orchestra—"Selections from Norma" (Bellin), Grosh's Orchestra. Ductt—(Piano)—"Leo March" (W. F. Wellman, Jr.), Miss Flora Sener and Master Frank Vocal Solo-" Hear Us, O Fater" (Millard) Cynthia Bare. citation—" Oliver and the Ferry " (Jean In

Miss Cynthia Bare.

Recitation—" Oliver and the Ferry" (Jean Ingelow), Miss Amanda Landes.

Vocal Duet—" See the Pale Moon," Miss Lizzie Bachler and Mr. John G. Warfel.

Violin—Charlie Bowman.

Vocal Solo—" Nesser My. God to Thee " (Holden), Miss Cynthia Bare. Encore—" Take Back the Ring Jamie."

Piano Solo—" Orpheus " (S. Smith), Mr. A. F. Schedler.

Orchestra—"Selections from Maritana" (Walace), Grosh's Orchestra.
Cornet Solo—"Serenade" (Tittl), Mr. Kilhest-Vocal Solo-- 'The Grave on the Heath ' (W. elser), Mr. Frank McClain, Recitation-- Jamie ' (Author Unknown) Missipanda Landes

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Recitation—"Jamie" (Author Unknown) Miss Amanda Landes.
Vocal Duet—"Home to our Mountains" (Verd), Miss Lizzie Bachler and Mr. Harry Drachbur.
Plano Solo—"Der Freischutz" (S. Smith), Mr. A. F. Schedler.
Vocal Solo—"Evening" (Gounod), Miss Cynthia Bare.

Vocal Solo—" Evening this Bare, Orchestra—" Medley Overture " (Bowman). Grosh's Orchestra, Prof. F. W. Haws.

William V. McGrath Dead. W. V. McGrath, ex-state treasurer of Penn sylvania, died about 5:45 o'clock Tuesday

fternoon, at Cape May, N. J. His remain will be taken to Philadelphia, Mr. Mc Grath was born in Philadelphia, December 1825. He was educated in the public schools and first entered business life in the count and first entered business life in the count ing room of Messrs. Perot, brewers. He be gan his political life while quite young, being appointed appraiser of the port under President Pierre. In 1857 he was elected city treasurer and served two years. In 1866 he was appointed a guardian of the poor, he was appointed a guardian of the poor, and in 1863, the Democracy controlling the legislature, he was elected state treasurer. He was renominated in 1864, but defeated by William H. Kemble. He was one of the projectors of the Union railway company and when that company was chartered, was elected its president, and continued as such until the absorption of the line by the Centinental company, since which time he has attended to his private business interests.

Mrs. Brown, wife of William P. Brown, the stage director of the Amy Gordon Opera company, now playing at the Taylor opera house, Trenton, is stopping with her husband at the Trenton house. About I o'clock 17, which Mrs. Brown occupied alone, of the hotel waiters rushed to the door and entered. He found Mrs. Brown bleeding from a severe cut on the left wrist, which she had infleted with a razor. She said she wanted to die, and had tried to kill herself. Dr. Dunham was summoned, and found several arteries severed. He bound up the wound and prevented extensive bleeding.
Mrs. Brown left for New York, unaccompanied by her husband. Mrs. Brown is not a member of the opera company, and seldom acts. She is said to have been jealous of her husband for some time, and been despondent

A Novel Invitation to the Supreme Court. From the Philadelphia Times.

The members of the Luzerne county ba recently arguing a case from that county before the supreme court gave a dinner to th judges of that tribunal when the argument was concluded. The invitation was made out in the form of a judicial order directing the judges to attend the said dinner and mention-ing the time and place. Ex-Attorney General Henry W. Palmer, of Wilkesbarre, gravely resented the document and asked Chie

The chief justice read it with a straight facand solemnly remarked to the ex-attorney general that it was a very important order and would have to be considered by the full bench, two of the judges being absent when the invitation was presented.

"May it please the court," said General Palmer, "I hardly think that is necessary, inasmuch as the entire bench will be full before the order is complied with. He wasn't fined for contempt of court.

Lowell's Subordinates to be Retained A large number of applications have been

filed in the state department at Washington for appointments in connection with the legation in London. The applicants are all doomed to disappointment. Mr. Phelps, the new minister, has decided to stick to the letter and spirit of civil service reform.
A Philadelphia *Times* reporter was shown a letter from the minister yesterday, in which the latter said he had decided to make no changes in the personnel of the legation, but would retain those who had been in the service of Mr. Lowell. Messrs. Hoppin and White, the secretary and assistant secretary under Mr. Lowell, are connected with wealthy and aristocratic families. Mr. Hop-

A Maniac's Array of Crimes.

A German named Humpf, residing at Danube, Herkimer county, N. Y., on Mon-day cut his wife's throat while she, with her four-days-old baby, was in bed. He then saturated the bed with kerosene and set it on saturated the bed with kerosene and set it on fire. Neighbors saw the flames and extinguished them, rescuing the wife in a critical condition. Humpf was found in the garret with his throat cut, but alive. He attacked the party savagely with an axe, but before he could injure any of them he fell dead. Humpf was insane and was to have been brought to the Utica assign. the Utica asylum Tuesday.

The Reading's Floating Debt. The gentlemen who are canvassing the holders of the floating debt of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad company with a view to having it extended, it is authoritatively stated, have secured signatures of in-dividuals and banking institutions repre-senting nearly \$7,000,000 of the amount. There have been promises made of signa-tures to about \$1,000,000 more, and these, it is believed, will be secured within a week or The amount needed to make the

At the recent sale of real estate belonging to Mary E. Marsh, deceased, at Goshen, Lanto Mary E. Marsh, deceased, at Goshen, Lan-caster county, tract No. 1, was sold to John Evans, of Penn Hill, for \$31. No. 2, to Mrs. Emma King, of Goshen, for \$250, and No. 3, the Goshen creamery, to H. P. Townsend, of Kirks Mills for \$3,375. Mr. Townsend sub-sequently sold this tract to his son Joseph S. Townsend.

At the convention of the Huntington county agricultural society held on Tuesday, resolutions were adopted denouncing the methods employed by the Pennsylvania railroad company in its discrimination in freight charges.

A MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

THE GRASTLY CONTENTS OF A TRUNK IN A ST. LOUIS HOTEL.

An English Traveller's Remains Found in Partly Decomposed State-Thought to Have Been Chloroformed and Killed by a Friend Who Is Missing.

A most sensational murder case developed in the Southern hotel, St. Louis, Tuesday morning. In room No. 114 a trunk contain ing the dead body of C. Arthur Preller, a young Englishman, was found. Upon a card tacked on the inside of the trunk were the words: "So perish all traitors to the great

Preller came to the Southern hotel on April 3. On March 31, Walter H. Lennox Max-well registered there. He claimed to be an English physician. Soon after his arrival a telegram was received from Preller asking if Maxwell was a guest at the house. He was answered in the affirmative and came on. As soon as Prelier arrived Maxwell was seen as-sociating with him and the two were so well dressed that they were taken for wealthy English tourists. Maxwell is now missing and the theory of the police is that he mur-dered Preller for money and then wrote the words noted for the purpose of leading the detectives to believe that it was a political

The body was oushed into the trunk with the toes of the feet crushed against the tom and side and with the shoulder b resting against the opposite end. To fit the corpse to its narrow bounds the limbs were apread and pressed to the front and back sides of the box. The only garments of the corpse was a pair of drawers which folded up above the discolored knees, head was packed down towards one corner, leaning over the left shoulder. Nota feature was recognizable as the bodylay in this coffin. The discolored, swollen tongue forced its way out between the purging black fips and hung down towards one side of the chin. The right elbow leaned on the bottom of the trunk, while the left arm lay across the body. Two intersecting cuts or slits gaped over the breast bones, but on first examination it could not be positively stated whether they were superficial or extended into the cavity of the chest and had been tightly closed in the processes of putrefaction. Besides the trunk which contained the dead body there were left in Mr. Preller's room five heavy trunks. two vatises and a hat box. These are made of solid leather and were filled with valuable clothing, jewelry and books. There are several books bound in leather and all bearing the name, C. Arthur Preller. These con-tents are valued at several hundred dollar and stamp the owner as a man of wealth. The outside of the trunks are marked with the labels of the Cunard steamship company the "Continental hotel, Philadelphia," show

the "Continental hotel, Philadelphia," show-ing that he occupied room 198 there on March 25, and the Rosein hotel, Toronto.

It is believed by those who have studied the tragedy closely that Dr. Maxwell chloro-formed and killed Mr. Preller on Sunday evening, April 5. It is known where he bought the drug and his bearing upon that occasion was notable. On the next day he disguised himself by changing his beatd and buying clothes which would make him look like a Yankee, and since April 6 no man in St. Louis has seen him. Cutef of Detectives Burke says:
""It is a foul murder and nothing else

The man in the trunk was killed in the room. The marks of the blood are there yet. Here is a trunk strap with blood on

"What do you think of the placard on the . So perish all traitors to the great "That may or may not be a clue. It may be a deliberate attempt to make us believe that the murder was a political assassination.

vhile it is a murder for money Mr. Maxwell is described as a very girlish looking young man, wearing a dark, worsty ent-away suit of English stuff. His face was can-shaven and he wore his hair bang fash paid his full week's board promptly and it was supposed that he would return any day. No suspicion attached to his absence until a horrible smell called attention to the room and led to the opening of the trank.

TAKEN TO THE MORSUE. The trunk and its ghastly contents were immediately hurried to the Four Courts The body presented a horrible aspect. The face and parts of the body uncovered were entirely black and showed alvanced decom-position. The face was smooth, the hair jet black, and, as far as one could judge, the dead man could not have been more than thirty years of age. The body was that of a common-sized man in height and build.

The whole corridor of the hotel was silled with a horrible stench, which remained after the corpse was taken away. Seen it became evident that a second trunk, which was very heavy, was emmitting a fetial smell also. Attempts were made to open it, but it was found to be securely looked. It was also carted off to the Morgue, where it was opened and found to contain numerous articles. and found to contain numerous articles, among which were Maxell's London address as 14 Paper Bulding, Temple, London, and an envelope addressed in his handwriting to Rey, D. G. A. Lewis, B. A., — curator of St. Paul's Morley, Lests, Yorkshire, England. He came over on the steamer Cephalonic from England. onia from England.

long from England.

Prellar had a Russian passport vized by
the Russian ambassador in London in 1878
and a passport 1881 for Spain and Mexico
vized by the Spanish minister and signed
Generally.

Granville.

A man by the the name of C. Arthu Preller arrived at the Continential hotel, Philadelphia at Ca. m. on the 25th of March last and occupied room No. 168. Six pieces noon of the 25th of March for New 1 ork by the 5:20 p. m. train. The officials of the Con-tinental remember nothing of his appearance nor can they give any information concern-ing his business. Trains arrive from New York and the South at four o'clock in the morning and it is not known from which direction he came.

No New Developments.

Sr. Lot 18, Mo., April 45. There are als utely no new developments in the murder mystery. Preffer's body remains at the morgue and the police are taking active steps to discover the whereabouts of Maxwell, but decline to make public an account of their proceedings. They say, however, that important developments may be expected.

The Victim's Cousin, a New York Business Man

Gives His Theory of the Case. NEW YORK, April 15.-Police Inspector Byrnes was called on to-day by Mr. Frank Schlessenger, a cousin of the murdered man, and a member of a Broome street business house. Mr. Schlessenger told the inspector that there was no doubt but that the body found in the Southern hotel was that of his cousin, and that there was little doubt in his mind that he was murdered by his companion, Maxwell. Mr. Schlessenger is inclined to the opinion that Maxwell, after murdering and robbing Mr. Prefler, returned East, instead of proceeding

to Australia as he intended. All the leading hotels in the eastern cities are to be scarched for Maxweil, and the police in London, Liverpool and other foreign ports are to be notified to watch all

steamers from this county.

Preller while in New York was seen to have bills of exchange tor several thousand doilars. His companion Maxwell, is understood to have had little or no money.

Mail Contract Awarded.

The contract for carrying the mail on route 8,249, between Lancaster and Strasburg, has been sub-let to Norman Waidley, by Z. F. Rice, of Newport, Perry county, the first contractor from the government. Mr. Waidley was the successful man out of a dozen hidders. He has been carrying this mail for the past eight years in which time he has made many friends. He is kind and obliging to the record above his contenual that the will to the people along his route, and they will be glad to learn that he will be on deck for

our years more. Mail route No. 8,239 from Goss to Salisbury, has been curtailed by omitting Salisbury, so as to end at Pequea, this county. CHURCHMEN INSESSION.

LANCASTER, PA., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 1885.

burg Convocation in York—Meeting of the Chester Presbytery in West Chester.

The York Daily states that St. John's P. E. church, of that place, was filled on Tues-day by delegates to the third session of the Sunday school institute and an interested

audience.

The delegates present were as fellows: St. Paul's parish, Columbia,—Rev. F. J. Clay Moran, rector; Miss Mary Wright, Miss Emma Richards, Miss Emma Hess, Miss Laura Moran, Miss Emma Hess, Miss Laura Moran, Miss Mary B. Gordon, George M. Richards, Miss Mary B. Gordon, George M. Richards, Miss Mary Miller, Miss Rachel B. Jacobs, Miss Carrie Jacobs, Mrs. S. S. Detwiler, St. James Parish, Lancaster—Dr. C. F. Knight, rector; Miss F. Marks, Miss L. Marks, Miss N. Reynolds, Mrs. E. F. Messersmith, J. Edward Pratt, Miss Mariha E. Hartman, Miss Emma Gast, Miss Jennie Vogan, Miss Lillie Diller. St. Paul's Parish, Manheim—Rev. John Graham, rector; Miss Manie Dasher, Miss Emily Henderson. All Saints Parish, Paradise—J. McAlpine Harding, rector; Miss Eliza Eshleman. St. John's Parish, Marietta—Rev. John Graham, rector; Mr. and Mrs. Eagle.

rector; Mr. and Mrs. Eagle.

Holy Communion was celebrated at 10, a. m., and after preliminary business the model lesson to a class of seven boys was most interestingly given by Mr. G. H. Richards, of Columbia, on the subject of the "Nobleman of Capernaum," the text being from St. John's gospel, chapter fourth, forty-third to fifty-fourth verses inclusive. Various comments were made upon the lesson by those present.

At the opening of the afternoon se At the opening of the atternoon session, an interesting paper was read by the Rev. C. F. Knight, D. D., of Lancaster, on the "Canon of Holy Scripture," which was discussed by Rev. L. D. Baker, of Harrisburg, Rev. F. J. Clay Moran and Rev. Arthur C. Powell. Assistant Bishop Nelson Rullson, then deliv-ered a strong address on the "office of the Sunday school teacher." Next in order was a model lesson given by the Rev. Moran to the infant class on the subject of "Jesus in

The Rev. John Graham offered a resolution f thanks to the ladies of St. John's for their entertainment, which was unanimously car ried, and with one or two resolutions in egard to time and place of the next meeting which were not fixed, the session adjourned, the visitors being invited to partake of re-

freshments in the reading room before returning to their respective homes. The opening service of the Harrisburg con-ocation was held in St. John's church Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The procession entered the church singing the 341st hymn There were sixteen clergymen in the proces sion. Evening prayers was said by the Rev. F. J. Clay Moran, D. D., rector of St. Paul's parish, Columbia, and the Rev. W. Chaunev Langdon, D. D., rector of St James parish Bedford. The sermon was by the assistant Bishop of the diocese: text: Job xiv, 14, "If a man die shall he live again?" and was a masterly presentation of the doctrine of im-

Meeting of the Presbytery of Chester.

Tuesday morning the presbytery of Chester met in the United Presbyterian church in West Chester. It includes the Presbyterian ministers of Chester and Delaware counties and one small church-Upper Octoraro-in Lanaster county. The presbytery numbers forty-two ministers and thirty-eight churches 143 elders, 684 communicants and 7,183 members of the Sunday schools.

At the last annual meeting there was re ported \$72,639 of contributions, the most in portant of which were; Congregations, \$57,-226; home missions, \$3,122; foreign missions, \$3,861; educating candidates for the ministry, 1.215; church erection, \$854; and miscella

eous purposes, \$5,90s. The presbytery of Chester was made by the synod of Philadelphia in 1879. The presby-tery was opened with prayer by Rev. Thomas J. Aikins, of Chester, fafter which a hymn was sung, and Rev. James Roberts, D. D. of Coatesville, read a portion of the scrip-tures and offered a prayer. He was followed by Rev. W. T. Kruse, the retiring moderator, who preached a farewell sermon, his text the sermon a bymn was sung and a prayer was offered by the moderator. The Rev. Thomas J. McCauley, of Chester, was unani-mously elected moderator for the ensuing

to a Lancaster Scrap fron Pile. It will be remembered that a short time go the INTELLIGENCER published an ac court of the finding by Wm. B. Middleton, of a rusty scabbard in a lot of scrap-iron that had been shipped from Baltimore to the Peni Iron company of this city. The inscription on the scabbard showed that it had been pre sented to an officer named Wiegel for serv ices rendered to Gen. B. F. Butler. A letter was sent to Gen. Butler to find whether he

ould throw any light on the mystery and from the real owner of the long lost scabbard No. 650 DRUID HILL AVENUE, BALTIMORE, APRIL 14, 1885. W. U. Hensel, e.q., Lancaster, Pa. DEAR SIE:—Your letter of the 9th inst

requiring if "(1) you have any knowledge (Wiegel, please let me know,&c.," has been eccived by me. In reply, let me assure you that I do know

I am the identical Wiegel to whom the word (of which Wm. B. Middleton has th cabbard) was presented.
The sword was presented to me in Decem-er, 1861, by the citizens of Lowell, Massa. husetts, for services rendered Genera B. F. Butler, upon whose staff I was then serving. I wore the sword from that time until July 8th, 1861, at Monocacy June-

tions, Md., when I was badly hurt, and there lost the sword, but found it again shortly after and wore it during the rest of my tern of service, until mustered out February the sword on the pavement in front of my house (which is near the city limits) playing therewith, when it was stolen by a colored

boy, who came with a crowd of others from a base ball game, and I have not seen it since If in the condition you describe it, or rather described in the slip enclosed in you letter, it has evidently seen its best days, and only the inscription could be of any value.

I thank you for your interest in the matter With respect, yours truly, WM. H. WIEGEL Late Colonel and A. A. General U. S. Vols.

LA TE STATE GLEANINGS.

Hon. Chauncey F. Biack has been re-elected president of the Jefferson association of York.
Elwood McIntire, of Oxford, who started arp poud three years ago is taking out fish

office at Oxford was entered by thieves and robbed of a lot of mail matter.

The Dauphin County Historical society las evening, in the Harrisburg court house appropriately celebrated the one hundredth

anniversary of the laying out of the county The only places in this state where auge are manufactured are two in Philadelphia and four in southern Chester county. This branch of industry is confined mainly to

New England.

A desperate prize fight took place at Kit-tanning on Monday night, between William Robinson and Joseph Johnson, for a purse of \$500. In the nineteenth and last round Robinson struck Johnson a terrific blow on

private sale \$1,000 Laneaster city 10-20 year

5 per eent bonds at 103,25; 15 shares Lancas-ter and Marietta turnpike at \$35 per share; 5 shares Eastern market at \$60 per share.

the neck, the latter falling utterly exhausted. Robinson was declared the winner. Valentine Volk, a German, was found with his throat cut, Tuesday morning, under a tree in a meadow near Morrisville, Bucks county. As a case knife was lying in the grass near him it is supposed he attempted suicide. He is still alive and is being cared for by the township authorities.
In the case of James E. Lane, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, against the executors of the estate of James H. Brown, deceased, Pittsburg

millionaire coal merchant, to recover \$2,000, alleged to be the balance due on a gambling debt of \$53,000, contracted at Hot Springs, in February, 1882, the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the defendants. their injuries. Jocob B. Long, broker, sold yesterday at

SOUND THE WAR TOCSIN!

THE ENGLISH CABINET HASTILY SUM MONED TO SECRET SESSION.

The House of the English Consul in Arme Wrecked and the Official Himself Wounded. More Signs that the Russian-English War is Not So Very Imminent.

LONDON, April 15, 330 p. M. The men bers of the cabinet were again bastily sum moned to a cabinet meeting this afternoon and at this writing they are still sitting. An Act of Violence in Armenia. LONDON, April 15 .- A dispatch from

Erzeroum, the capitol city of Armenia, in Asiatic Turkey, via Trebizond, states that marauders entered that city and attacked the British consulate. The building was wrecked and the consul wounded. The English government has made a demand on Turkey for the arrest and punishment of the offenders and that proper reparation be made to the An Entirely Unprovoked Attack. LONDON, April 15 .- In a speech delivered

o-day at La Hare, the capital of the Punjaub, Lord Dufferin, viceroy of India, said that the recent attack by the Russian General Komaroff on the Afghans, appears to have been cutirely unprovoked. He added that while he was anxious for peace, it was impossible at this moment to foresee the end of the present crisis.

Caring for Wounded Alghans.

MESHED, April 15 .- Many of the Afghan counded in the recent encounter near Penjdeh are arriving at Tingul where Sir Peter Lumsden has arranged for their care.

The Ameer's Coming Decision.
PESHAWUR, April 15.—The Ameer of Afghanistan, it is expected, will reach Cabul on the 18th inst. He will then announce his decision for peace or war.

Signs of a Peaceful Settlement. LONDON, April 15.-The result of to-day's cabinet council is stated on the best authority to be as follows : Subject to a satisfactory explanation from Russia of the conflct between her troops and the Afghans, near Penideh. England and Russia have agreed on the basis of frontier delimitation between Afghanistan and Turkestan. This arrangement includes the cession by Afghanistan to Russia o

It is understood that the ameer has given his consent to this proposition, the acknowl edging that his title to the latter was in doubt and that in order to reach a peaceful settle ment he would waive his claim.

GEN. GRANT'S CONDITION.

After Eight and a Half Hour's Sleep, Incline to Be Cheerful and Chatty. NEW YORK, April 13 .- 9 A. M .- General irant has enjoyed a refreshing sleep of eight hours and a half hours. His pulse is 74 and of fair volume ; temperature normal. He is inclined to be cheerful and chatty. He has at present no pain in his throat, nor has he suffered from any during the night.

GEO. F. SHRADY, M. D. A Night of Unbroken Rest.

NEW YORK, April 15.-General Grant passed another night of comparatively unbroken rest. From ten o'clock last evening until daybreak this morning he slept almost constantly, awaking only a few times to cough, or to clear his throat of mucus. He slept in his chair, and Dr. Shrady propped himself up in the bed and dozed lightly while his charge slept.

When the general awoke at 5:30 the doctor's eyes were closed. For nearly a quarter of an hour the general allowed him to sleep until the entrance of Harrison. His coming awoke Dr. Shrady, who got up quickly. The general's face bore an expression of serious

comfortable?" the doctor asked. "Only a little while, and I am feeling all right." replied the sick man, but it pains me to see you suffering such privations and discomforts for my sake. I never knew what untiring vigilance was until now, when I see you and Dr. Douglas, night after night, and here his voice broke, caused partly by the emotion and partly by the deprecations of

The general said no more and the physician commenced to prepare the nourishment He went direct to General Grant's room and chatted with him and Dr. Shrady for an hour.

HOSTILE TO GENERAL GRANT. A Michigan Scuator's Opposition Causes His

Constituents to Denounce Him. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 15,-An in dignation meeting was held here last night and was attended by an immense crowd of all political parties to denounce the action of State Senator and Mayor-elect John L. Cur tiss, for having refused to vote in the Senate on resolutions of sympathy for Genera Grant, leaving the Senate because the chaplain prayed for Grant, and saying that it Grant died, and if a flag was put at half-mast on the capitol, he would not enter the build-

Curtiss was elected senator, and afterwards mayor on the Democrat-Greenback Fusion ticket. The chairman was Col. McReynolds, an old Democrat. Speeches were made de nouncing Curtiss' action and resolution were adopted, arraigning him for outrageous conduct and language and demanding his resignation as well as his seat in the Senate

THE LATEST NEWS.

Intelligence From All Parts of the Coun Flashed Across the Wires To-day. Gen. Graham's scouts have captured prisoners and 500 sheep near Suakim.

The Pacific Mail Steamship company ha declared a quarterly dividend of to per

day the Vanderbilt direction was continued. \$64,000,000 of stock was voted on. After a pleasant voyage Henry Irving Ellen Terry and their company reached Queenstown to-day and were received by their friends with a most enthusiastic wel

Attorney General Garland has given his opinion to the president on the question of Minister Lawton's political disability, and

At five o'clock this morning as a colony of their breakfast on the line of the Pennsylvania railroad near Philadelphia, they were surprised by the police. One of them stepped on the track in front of an approaching train and was instantly killed.

MATAMORAS, Mex., April 15.-Monday afternoon a sad accident occurred at the Vaquett ranch, 10 miles from this city. A woman went to pay a visit to a neighbor, leaving three small children in her house who, while playing with matches near a can of kerosene, ignited the latter. Within a few minutes the house was in flames. The mother rushed to her house and succeeded in rescuing two of the children, who were badly burned. The other child perished in the house, which was destroyed. The mother was terribly burned. Neither she nor the two rescued children can possibly survive

Albany's Twelve Woman Suffragists. In the Albany, N. Y., charter election on Tuesday the Democrats elected all their andidates by from 1,100 to 1,300 majority. About a dozen women availed themselves the law permitting them to vote for sch

A M ERCHANT, TAILOR CREMATED. an Old Gentleman who Was Opposed to the

William Schwalb, merchant tailor, died on Sunday last, of paralysis, at his home No. 145 St. Nicholas street, Carmansville, a suburb of New York, in his 71st, year. Tuesday evening a telegram was received by the officers of the Lancaster crematorium, from Wm. Schwalb, jr., asking whether the re-mains of his father could be cremated in Lancaster on Wednesday. An answer was at once sent to him stating that the cremation at once sent to him stating that the cremation could take place, when another message was received stating that the remains would leave New York for Lancaster at 9 o'clock this morning, and arrive at 2 15 this afternoon.

At 2:15 the remains arrived in this city and were taken to the crematorium, which had been prepared for their reception. They were in charge of William and Robert Schwalb, sons of the deceased. Mr. Schwalb was a German and an ardent advocate of cremation, and it was his particular design to

cremation, and it was his particular desire to have his body disposed of in that manner, His sons, and indeed his whole family, favor the same mode of disposing of the dead. They are very intelligent, genteel-looking people.

The incineration took place at 4 o'clock this afternoon, and the ashes will be r from the retort to-morrow morning.

A Cremation Company Incorporated The Cremation Cemetery company of Baltimore, Md., was incorporated on Monday by John W. Hall, Frank H. Hambleton, Charles Weber, jr., Benjamin F. Hortwitz, Henry G. Hilken, Louis Mueller, Owen A. Gill, Charles Glaser, Jacob Alexander Preston, John W. Middendorf, Gustavus W. Lehman and John R. Rennuous, all of Baltimore, The corporation is formed "for the purchase r lease of land in or continuous to the city of Baltimore for the purposes of a cremation cemetery and doing all such acts and things as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out said purposes and objects." The capital stock is \$15,000, divided into 600 shares

UNIFORM RANK K. OF P.

Meeting of the Pennsylvania Brigade in Wil

hamsport-Local Delegates Attending. A meeting of the Pennsylvania brigade, Iniform Rank Knights of Pythias, is being held in Williamsport, having opened this morning at 10 o'clock. The objects of this meeting are to adopt a constitution and by-laws for the future government of the bri-gade. Also, selects time and place to hold he annual meeting of the brigade, to elect officers for the completion of those regiments that have completed their quots of divisions; also, any other business that may be brought up for the benefit of the uniform rank to the

Those attending the meeting are as follows Commissioned officers, sir knight commanders, lieutenant commanders and herald. The brigade is under command of S. S. Simmons, brigadier general. It is composed of three regiments as follows:

First—David A. Biggard, of Phiadelphia, lieutenant colored, beatcapters at Protected. lieutenant colonel : headquarters at Philadel phia. Composed of divisions Nos. I. 2, 3, 4, 11 and 13, in Philadelphia and vicinity. Second—M. M. Barton, lieutenant colonel; headquarters at Lancaster. Composed of divisions Nos. 6 and 7, Lancaster; 9, Allentown; 12, Lebanon; 14, Easton; 17, Susquebanne, 5, Williamster.

town; 12, Lebanon; 14, Easton; 17, Susque-hanna; 19, Williamsport.
Third—John P. Linton, lieutenant colonel; headquarters at Johnstown. Composed of divisions Nos. 5, 8, 10, 15, 16, 18, 29 and 21; all situated west of the Alleghenies.
The brigade is composed of 1,000 members. The representatives from this city left for Williamsport, this morning at 120. They are as follows: Henry Short, sir knight toun-mander; Michael Howers, sir knight lieu-

mander; Michael Bowers, sir knight lieu-tenant commander; H. M. Raub, sir knight herald of Division No. 6: B. F. Zook, sir knight herald of No. 7; and John L. Vogan, major, Second regiment.

LANCASTRIANS AFTER CONTRACTS.

Two Firms Secure Sections of the Reading & Pottsville Railroad.

There were thirty bidders on Tuesday in Pottsville for the contracts for work on the Pottsville & Mahanoy road, Drake, Stratton & Co., of New York : Thomas F. Kerns, Pottsville, and E. J. Gaynor, Pottsville, and Timothy Caven, Washington, were the suc-cessful ones. The sections awarded will complete all of the road except six miles. At the same time all but four miles of the Read ing & Pottsville line was given out, Abraham Keller, of Lancaster; Nolan & O'Reilly, Reading; John T. Dyer, Norristown; Kenedy Crosson, Keller & Bush, and Charles McFaiden being the successful bidders.

Following is a list of the Lancaster bidders:
Leba Keller, Abram Keller, Bernard E. Ma-

John Keller, Abram Keller, Bernard E. Ma-lone, R. A. Malone & Son., R. J. Medrann, & Co., and J. D. Gonder & Bro. Among the bidders that were unsuccessful were J. F. & W. R. Dolan, of Elizabeth, N. J.; E. I Smith, Philadelphia, and P. S. McTague Co., Philadelphia.
On the Reading & Pottsville road Abram Keller got sections 53 and 54; commencing at Stony creek and ending near Auburn.

The remainder of the work between Port Clinton and Pottsville, being of a much lighter character, will not be put under contract just yet. The successful bidders will be notified at once to come on and sign the contracts, and will be expected to get to work within ten days. Below Port Clinton. within ten days. Below Port Clinton, Kennedy Crosson has section 34 and 35; Nolan & O'Reilly, of Reading, sections 36, 37, 38 and 39; John T. Dyer, of Norristown, Bush, sections H and 45; and Charles McFadden, section

INJAIL NOT DIVIDED.

Iwo Married Couples Sent to the Lancaste County Prison For a Term. Louisa Moltz made complaint yesterday afternoon against her husband Fred Moltz, before Alderman McGlinn for drunkenne and disorderly conduct. Fred was arrested byOfficer Ritchie and when he was taken be fore the alderman he made complaint agains his wife for the same bilense. She was also arrested and the couple spent the night in the station house. This morning Alderman Me Glinn heard the cases and committed Moltz and his wife to the Lancaster county prison

IMPRISONMENT FOR A NASTY NUISANC

COMMITTED, George Bennett and Victoria Bennett, hi wife, residents of the Sixth ward, were committed to the county prison this morning for failure to pay \$400-judgment obtained against them in the suit brought by John H. Hol-linger. The parties were neighbors, living on North Queen street, and Hollinger claimed that the Bennetts threw filth in their well of water. The trial lasted several days, and resulted in a verdict in favor of plaintif concluded to surrender them sheriff this morning. The Bennetts are the owners of some personal property, and this will be sold by the sheriff. They will be kept in prison sixty days.

WASHINGTON D. C., April 15.—Treasury balances to-day: Gold coin and bullion, \$242,077,408 ; silver dollars and bullion, \$161, 904,037; fractional silver coins, \$30,800,387 United States notes, \$44,836,934; national bank notes, \$6,956,933; deposits with nationa bank depositories, \$10,009,568, Total, \$496,

Certificates outstanding : Gold, \$120,619, 830 ; silver, \$111,869,931 ; currency, \$24,555, Internal revenue receipts, \$227,863; cus

Memorial Day Arrangements.
The committee appointed by the Grand Army posts of the city to make arrangements for a proper observance of Decoration Day office. The following arrangements were reported as made:
Rev. J. T. Satchell will preach

May 31. The Prisoners of War association have been assigned to the right of the line of parade.

Invitations were directed to be sent to all the organizations of the city to participate in

ENTHUSIASM IN CORK.

THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES GET A WARM RECEPTION.

Streets Jammed With Enthusiastic Spectators and the Prince Presented With an Address of Welcome_Nothing Suggestive of a Hostile Demonstration.

CORK, April 15 .- The Prince and Princess

of Wales arrived here this morning. The

weather is beautiful; the sun shining brightly and the air is balmy and spring-like. As the train bearing the royal party steamed up to the station, a deafening cheer arose from the multitude gathered in and around the depot, while numerous bands of music played loyal airs. The streets in the vicinity of the station were jammed, while the enthusiasm surpassed the expectations of the most sanguine. As the prince stepped from the train he was met by a duputation of the officials of the city, who presented him with an address, welcoming him to the city of Cork, and attesting their undving loyalty to the queen and the members of the royal family. The prince a d party were then ex-Hee to carriages in waiting, and dr through the principal treets. All alone route the royal part was enthusiasti buildings were fueely decorated wi dags and bu while across the stree: stretched triumphal a Contrary to all exp

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together with the bill of rights of Sep nd the new bill of rights will be sent Middleton. Gabriel Domont is the most active man in the rebel ranks, and compels many followers, by threats of death, to stand out. He denies having incited the Indians, and says they e avenging their own suffering ng the government that they will not submit to Dewdney any longer. The rebel leaders say that if they are driven out of the Saskatchewan country, they will go to Pease

river and form a territory of their own and not submit until new officials are appointed. Depredations by Indians. WINNIPEO, Man., April 15 - A Battleford dispatch says the country north of ther- was travelling westward. All the farms on both ides of the river wer raided and horses and cattle driven away. The garrison, however, are powerless to do anything except to hold

itself in readiness to prevent an attack.

THE LINCOLN ANNIVERSARY. The German Turners Lay Fragrant Memorials on Lincoln's Tomb.

SPRINGFIELD, III., April 15 .- Despite the onfavorable weather the twentieth anniversary of the death of Abraham Lincoln was observed here to-day with imposing ceremonies. The early-trains from all directions brought large crowds of participants. Over five hundred representatives of the German Turners, and other organizations with several bands of

music, coming from Chicago alone, Representative Germans from all parts of the West were present, it having been decided by the various societies to make a national tribute to the memery of the martyred

Numerous offerings of Iragrant dowers were placed around the tomb at an early hour, and at the time appointed for the cercmonies it was surrounded by a vast throng. Orations were delivered by Governor Oglesby, Hon. J. S. Conkling and others, twenty-seven memorial wreaths contributed by the Turners' organization of the United States. Instrumental and vocal music by the societies brought the cere monies to a

CHICAGO, 11ls., April 15.-The fifth quad ennial congress of the Loyal Legion of the United States, was opened at the Grand Pacific hotel this morning. At ten o'clock, over 100 delegates were in attendance, and were welcomed by R. B. Hayes and Generals Logan, Bragg and Hawley. In accordance with the rule adopted at previous meetings, the doors were closed immediately upon the congress being called to order. To-day and to-morrow will be devoted to deliberation pertaining to business affairs of the order.

Order of the Loyat Legion.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES. The Condition of the Barometer and Ther-WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.-For the

Middle Atlantic states, increasing cloudness and rain, winds shifting southerly and southeasterly, slight rise in temperature, lower Rain prevails in the Lower Lake region, the Northwest and in the Ohio valley. Generally fair weather continues in the Southern, Middle and New England states. The temperature has risen from 10 to 20

degrees in the Lake region and then south-

ward to the South Atlantic and Gulf coasts;

it has also risen in the Mississippi valley. It is slightly colder in the Central Rocky mountain region and the temperature has remained about stationary in New England. The winds are westerly on the New England and Middle Atlantic coasts and from cast to south in the Lake region, the Ohio and Upper Mississippi valleys and the

Southern states; variable winds are reported from the Missouri valley. For Thursday-Local rains and partly sloudy, warmer weather are indicated for the districts on the Atlantic coast, and from Lower Lake region southward to Gulf coast.

Legislators Disscussing Anti-Discrimination HARRIBURG, Pa., April 15.—The House debated Huling's anti-discrimination bill for Memorial day sermon on Sunday evening, nearly two hours and a half to-day, without making much progress towards its passage. The argument was principally had on the section requiring publicity of freight rates