

THE PENJDEH TROUBLE.

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The remains of Mr. John Kercher, Jr., were laid to rest Thursday in the solemn services of the church cemetery, Matamoras. The attendance was large, the church being crowded to the utmost. The esteem in which deceased was held was fully attested by the presence of his principal teacher, Dr. T. G. Apple...

TEMPERANCE HYGIENE AGAIN.

Some of our temperance ladies look exceptionally to our editors of last week on the passage of the temperance hygiene bill. We would not willingly do an injustice to Mrs. Hunt, nor would we do to the subject, who is not a subject at all. We would not willingly do an injustice to Mrs. Hunt, nor would we do to the subject, who is not a subject at all.

MURDERED BY HIS MAN-SERVANT.

A tragedy which is likely to take a prominent part in the long list of sensational crimes in Paris was brought to light Thursday morning. The wife of a wealthy cotton manufacturer has lived alone in a suburb of the city for a year, while her husband is absent in Pondicherry, the capital of the French settlements in India, where he manages a cotton mill employing upward of 8,000 hands. Fabulous stories were told of her over a year, and his wife was supposed to be the custodian of a great part of his fortune. Her only companions in the house were a French maid and a young girl, the latter of whom the French maid discovered the body of her mistress lying on the floor clothed only in a night dress. The head had been completely severed from the body by a knife or hatchet, and there were a number of terrible stains in various parts of the body, through some of which the intestines protruded. It is believed that the woman's head was cut off after she had been stabbed, the murderer desiring to make doubly sure that his work was fatal. There is little doubt that the man-servant committed the bloody deed, as he has disappeared. The police have not yet obtained any clue as to his whereabouts. He was undoubtedly the motive for the crime.

A VERDICT FOR A LANCASTERIAN.

In the United States supreme court, at Philadelphia, on Friday, the jury without leaving the box in the John Sigle insurance case rendered a verdict against the London & Provincial Fire Insurance company for \$5,270—being for full amount of the policy which interested since the fire. J. L. Stinson and W. M. Houser were counsel for plaintiff, Sigle's insurance originally was \$25,500 in ten different companies. All the other companies had previously refused to pay the amount. A Provincial is now forced by law to the same step.

NOTICE FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS.

As will be seen by an advertisement printed in another column the superintendent of the water works will be at the mayor's office between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock on Monday and Tuesday afternoons to make corrections in the water supply. Parties who have sold properties will save trouble and annoyance by calling at the mayor's office and having the proper transfers made.

CLEVELAND TO COLORED MEN.

The President Gives Them His Conception of Democratic Principles. The delegates to the African Methodist Zion conference called on President Cleveland on Friday and congratulated him on his election. The president responded substantially as follows: "I am glad to know that this goodly number represents such a large portion of my fellow citizens belonging to a particular race. As religious teachers your mission is a most important one, and one which cannot be ignored, and should not be under-estimated by the magnitude of the mission, nor by any other person holding official places. In the church and in the Sunday school are taught religion, good morals, honesty and a proper regard for the established authority, all of which are exceedingly necessary to good citizenship. You have seen it refer to the Democratic party, to which I belong. My conception of Democratic principles embraces equal rights and justice for all citizens, whether in the United States, and I am glad to know that in the endeavor to enforce such a principle I shall have your confidence and support. I am pleased to greet you all and take you by the hand."

In an interview with a number of colored gentlemen who petitioned him in regard to appointments in that state, the president said: "I am glad to learn that you are determined to assert the rights and privileges of citizens by a proper performance of your duties as citizens. It has been thought that it desirable to give you the force of the vigilance to which I refer is based upon that intelligence and thoughtfulness which I refer to as the concentration of the more independent elements of the party upon him; but he is not regarded as within range of a nomination for either of our offices."

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ANOTHER BARN FIRE.

Barn Tobacco Shed, &c., Burned This Morning, Suspected on a Tramp. Another fire occurred in Manheim township this morning between 4 and 5 o'clock when the barn of Jacob Henney was burned. The building was situated about four miles from this city, between the Fruitville and Little turpicks. In the barn were a large lot of hay, stored in the flames, and a large lot of tobacco. It was supposed to be impossible to take them out in time. A tobacco shed stood near the barn, and the flames soon spread to it. The building, with the entire crop of last year's tobacco, consisting of nine acres, was soon reduced to ashes. The large lot of hay and tobacco, and the only buildings left standing on the premises are the house and one wagon shed. It is not known what caused the fire, but it is believed to have been started by a tramp. The man called at the house about 4 o'clock this morning and asked for something to eat. He was told that it was most too early for them to get breakfast. He left in a bad humor and walked towards the barn. Shortly afterwards the barn was found to be on fire. Mr. Henney, who was attending the market, having left home by a very early hour and knew nothing of the fire until informed by Mr. Henney's neighbors who came in. He left at once for home. There are different reports in regard to the number of cattle that were burned. It is also said that the man who started the fire by the incendiary he had operated at the barn. The buildings and contents were insured in the Penn township company, but the loss will not be covered.

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WITNESS TO A LITTLE LATE.

From the New York Times. Wife—I notice a statement to the effect that the seal is a very gentle and harmless animal. Assistant—Yes, when alive. But when he becomes a three-hundred-dollar sea dog, often causes a great deal of trouble.

CHARGED WITH THEFT OF HORSE.

John Helling, living on West Orange street, was arrested on Friday evening by Officer Rosen on a charge of larceny. He was taken by William Root, before Alderman Deen. Rose alleges that Helling went to his stable in the rear of Locust street on Friday morning and carried away a set of harness. Helling claims that he bought and paid for the harness. He was unable to furnish bail and was committed for a hearing on Monday evening.

SUIT AGAINST A CLOWN.

Manager Yeager, of the opera house, this city, issued against the goods of Alfred Mico, a clown, who has been playing "Humpty Dumpty" in Reading all week to immense houses. Mico failed to pay for an appearance. Mr. Yeager claims \$50 damages and the hearing in the case was set for Monday morning at 10 o'clock before Alderman Brownwell of Reading.

AT THE STATION HOUSE.

One drunk and one vagrant were the occupants of the station house last night. The drunk was committed and the lodgers discharged.

A POOR RAFTING SEASON.

Some of Its Causes—An Accident to a Raft, Masonic Installation—Progress of the Vigilant Fair. Regular Correspondence of INTELLIGENCER. COLUMBIA, April 18.—Pilot Warren Brown met with an accident, while taking a raft through the shoals yesterday. At the middle and largest of three breakers, an our became unshipped, and the raft becoming unmanageable was dashed against the shore. A current swung the raft end around and against Gout Rock, causing the raft to stem and break in three parts. They were swept through the shoals yesterday. At the middle and largest of three breakers, an our became unshipped, and the raft becoming unmanageable was dashed against the shore. A current swung the raft end around and against Gout Rock, causing the raft to stem and break in three parts. They were swept through the shoals yesterday.

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PRELLER'S BODY.

THE LATEST PHASE OF ST. LOUIS TRUNK MYSTERY. Belief that There is a Huge Conspiracy by Means of which Preller Was to Escape from a Shortage in His Accounts—The Body Never Positively Identified. ST. LOUIS, April 18.—The Southern hotel mystery is, if anything, increasing in doubt. Some of the detectives and many of the newspaper men who have followed the case formulate the theory that it is a huge conspiracy, and that the body in the morgue is not Preller's, but a corpse fixed up for the occasion. It has never been positively identified. In fact, it cannot be, because so badly decomposed. The coroner, at the first examination, said the body had been dead at least two weeks and this would corroborate the belief that it was brought from Boston. To support the conspiracy theory, it is intimated that Preller may have been short in his accounts, and being a sensitive religious man, had the matter before Maxwell, and a scheme may have been formulated. Dispatches from Boston show that Maxwell was looking for a corpse there. His trail is strewn with clues which seem purposefully left, and even the trunk containing the body has its initials on it. Preller disappeared the day before Maxwell did, and no effort has been made to trace him. The police hold to the theory that Maxwell was a crank and thus account for his lack of caution. There has been a theory advanced that it may be an attempt to defraud a life insurance company. In fact, nearly every one has a theory of his own. The mutilation of the corpse is unaccounted for; also its being stripped of clothing. A San Francisco dispatch says a Captain Robinson, of Boston, is on the steamer with Maxwell. Who is the crew of Maxwell's trunk is held at Port Huron for customs duty. It has been ordered to be opened. The inquest in the case opens today, but no new developments are expected.

THE INQUEST ON THE BODY.

At 10:30 this morning, the coroner's jury and witnesses viewed the body of Preller at the morgue. Thence they proceeded to the coroner's office and commenced the inquest. Cashier Hunt, of the Southern hotel, testified regarding the