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# RAIDING THE "FORESTERS."

TWO READING OFFICERS AND A R PORTER BAG SOME FAGRANTS.

Black and White Living In Huts and Hovels A Good Deal of Sensation Manufacfuced Out a Rather Easy Capture. Reading Again to the Front.

Officers Kershner and Lyon, of Reading, went up into "The Forest" yesterday, on the border of Berks and northeastern Lancaster county and raided a miserable lot of people, who have been living there in squalor and without much regard to age, sex, race, color or social condition. The place in which they were found is a stony ridge, back of Churchtown, near where the mysterious murder of old John Weller took place some ten years ago. It is a poor, scraggy country and the denizens of it are suspected of sallying out therefrom and raiding the barn-yards and hen-roosts of the farmers of the Conestoga valley, and adjoining portions of Berks and Lancaster counties. It was upon the complaint of some of these that the Reading officers visited the place and according to an Eagle reporter who accompanied them they had warrants for the arrest of Robert Springer, Martin Springer, Rachel Springer, Mary Stroninger, Samuel Trate, John Benin, Eliza Coleman, "Scabby "Smith, Benj. Rice and Wm. Frankheiser. Several farmers spoken with on the way commended the officers for their pluck, saying that stealing was entirely too frequent.

"The Forest" is about 14 miles from Reading, and the ascent is very steep and gradual. The huts occupied by the gang stood in the midst of a wide clearing, and as the detectives and reporter approached smoke was seen issuing from one. They are mere hovels, two being formed by upright chestnut santings covered with leaves and a thick layer of mud. This is baked hard and dry in the sun. When the officers approached a young colored woman ran out of one of these primitive structures, and said : "Lord, bless us, who be you? I'xpected you, 'cause just a bit ago I seed three black spiders, and I sez, sez I : Three white folks will soon be aroun' here sure," She was followed out of the same but by a your spider out of the same hut by a young white man, and out of another came running an old man, a woman with a white baby on her arms, another elderly col-

The detectives stated their business when they all expressed surprise stating that there must be some mistake as they were all honest folks. The women were only about balf-dressed, but they were all told to get ready to accompany the officers to Reading, against which they loudly protested. It was finally decided to take only the clderly colored man, who gave his name as Rev. John Francis, Annie Dunmoore, his step daughter and John Millichsock, the young white man. Francis is a well-known colored camp meeting exhorter, but can neither read nor write. Millichsock and Annie Dunmoore have been living together in one hut about six feet square, about one-third of which is taken up by their bed. The remainder is devoted to a

fire place, and the storage of several simple cooking utensils. The floor is the bare ground, and the sides are patched up with It was decided to allow the eldest of the It was decided to allow the eldest of the colored men, Robert Springer, who claims to be 100 years old, his "housekeeper," Rachel Getz, her daughter, Mary Alke Stroninger, and the baby, on the mountains, as they could be brought to Reading at any time. The visitors regretted that some of the principal gang was not at hand. Benj. Rice, they were informed, had gone to Lancaster, and "Scabby" Smith and Frankheiser over to the Welsh mountains, several miles away to see Welsh mountains, several miles away, to see the Buzzard boys. The party then left, the prisoners walking. A visit was next made to the house of Eliza Coleman, one of the accused. She is a married woman. She and er husband were found at home. The war-

THE FRESHEST STATE NEWS. The Scranton Truth is a year old and has been deservedly blessed with a big meed of prosperity. Sadie Walmer, 18 years of age, was fatally burned at Lebanon, by her clothes catching fire from a basket of hot lime, which she was

bittined at Lebanon, by her clothes catching fire from a basket of hot lime, which she was carrying on her shoulder. James Cody was crushed on Wednesday ovening, near Chester Depot, by a boulder weighing several tons, protruding from an embankment, falling upon him. Rev. James Swindells, of the Methodist faith, died Tuesday in Spring City, Chester county, aged eighty years. He was the father of the present presiding elder, Wil-ham Swindells, also of J. T. Swindells, pas-tor of the M. E. Church of West Chester. The town of Plymouth, Luzerne county, having a population of about 7,000, is suffer-ing from a severe epidemic of a disease bear-ing a close resemblance to typhoid fever. There is known to be in the neighborhood of 300 cases now under the hands of the doctors. The town contains fourteen physicians, and one of them has no less than sixty cases on his hands. George W. Gilbert and his wife Fanny, of

George W. Gilbert and his wife Fanny, of Womelsdorf can boast of a family of four children, who no doubt are the smallest chil-dren in that town if not in the county for their dren in that town if not in the county for their age. Ned, aged 7 years, weighs 45 pounds ; Horage, aged 4 years, weighs 23 pounds, and Stanty, a 9-week old baby, weighs 23 younds, and Stanty, a 9-week old baby, weighs 24 younds. The children are apparently all healthy and lively and the parents are of ordinary size. The number of corporations in Pennsylva-nia has largely increased the last two years, and about \$203,000,000 have been added to the capital stock of companies incorporated by capital stock of companies incorporated by the state. There are in Pennsylvania about the state. There are in Pennsylvania about 5,700 corporations, over 600 of which have been chartered the past two years. In that time railroad companies have been incorpo-rated with a capital stock of \$11,000,000.

A FARIETY PERFORMANCE.

Lawrence & Vidocq's Company at the Opera House Last Night.

Last evening Lawrence & Vidocq's Unique

Comedy company appeared in the operahouse at low prices. Owing probably to the warm weather the audience was very small. For some reason the performance did not begin until half-past eight o'clock, and for three quarters of an hour the small gang on the gallery velied and stamped with all their might. The performance given is a straight variety and it seemed to please the audience, which, however, was not a critical one. A feature of the entertain-ment is the exhibition of the foundain of real water, upon which different colored lights are thrown producing a pretity effect. Sam Roberts, attired in a dress suit, sang several songs in a pleasing style. Harry Lake gave an act which was a weak imila-tion of Frank MeNish. Miss Louise Lyle and Sam Roberts appeared in a sketch. The lady was suffering from a wretched cold and ber singing seemed rather hard work. John and Edna Vidoeq made a hit in a fittle gin until half-past eight o'clock, and for three and Edna Vidoeq made a hit in a little sketch entitled "Rehearsals." The former is a good comedian and created lots of fun. The performance ended with "Blizzards," which served to show the work of Mile, Lo-

# In Pursuit of a Fugitive. About a year ago James Findley, a young

raine to advantage. The company appear

again this evening.

man residing at Quarryville, was disorderly on a train between Lancaster and that place. A warrant was issued for his arrest, and it was placed in the hands of Reading railroad officers. Findley fled and remained out of the neighborhood for a time, returning recently. On Wednesday Officer Hoffman, of the railroad, who had the warrant, was in Quarryville when he heard that Findley was charry vite when he heard that Findley was about. He went to the place where the young fellow and his father were at work; on his approach the former took to his heels, The officer started in pursuit and chased the man for about a mile until he took refige in a woods. During the chase the officer fired a number of shots from a revolver at the fugi-tive, but luckily none struck, or the rash officer might have been in jail this morning himself for homicide

# BROCK BILLS IGNORED. THE GRAND JURY THINKS THERE WAS NO LARCENY AT THE POOR HOUSE.

Dennison Acquitted But Directed to Pay th Costs-The Ups and Downs of Twenty-Four Hours in the Court of Quarter Seastons

Wednesday Afternoon-Upon the re-assembling of court, at 2:30 o'clock, the jury in the case of commonwealth vs. George W. Frane, assault and battery, rendered a verdict of not guilty, and imposed the costs of prosecution on Daniel Rhoads, the com-plainant. John E. Dennison was charged on two in-

dictments with false pretense. John W. Mentzer appeared as the prosecutor in one case and H. C. Lintner in the second. Den-nison's counsel are S. H. Reynolds, Wm. A. Wilson and J. Hay Brown, and the com-monwealth is represented by H. M North, T. J. Davis and District Attorney Eberly. The testimony of H. C. Lintner was that in September last Hall & Albright, cattle dealers, called at his yards and purchased cattle, valued at \$799.70. Witness had a con-versation with John E. Dennison before the sale was consummated and Dennison told him that Hall was a man of means and had a large amount of money at interest. On the strength of these representations witness parted with his cattle, and took in payment therefor a note signed by Hall & Albright, with Dennison as socurity. The note went to protest, and witness claimed that the representations made by Dennison were false and he had him arrested for false pretense. Dennison assorted that he had been robbed of several thousand dollars and that was the reason he was not paid. Mentzer appeared as the prosecutor in one

was not paid. John W. Mentzer testified that he parted with a carload of cattle valued at \$1,015.52, on

With a carload of calife valued at \$1,01a.52, on September 17, on exactly the same represen-tations as made to Mr. Lintner. Lewis Hall, a member of the firm of Hall & Albright, testified that he had about \$300 at interest at the time the cattle were sold to his firm by Lintner and Mentzer.

The defense was that Donnison never made the representations testified to by Messra, Lintner and Mentzer, and claimed that the prosecutors sold the cattle to Hall & Albright on the endorsement of Dennison as their security; that Dennison has been unfortunate in business : could not meet the notes when they became due, then Lintner and Mentzer went into the criminal court to force the pay-ment of the face value of the notes. Demnison denied having made any arrangements with Hall & Albright by which he was to be benefitted by the purchase of cattle from Lintner and Mentzer.

On trial when court adjourned to 7:30 o'clock. GRAND JURY BETURN.

# True Bills-Henry Hess, Peter Hess and

Geerge Eckert, assault and battery ; John W. Grau and Lavinia Amwake, adultery James F. Hart, malicious mischief and felo-nious assault and battery ; Benj. Neimer, Jelonious assault and battery ; Geo. W. Carr, felonious assault and battery ; Frank King,

felomious assault and battery, Frank King, folonious assault and battery, *Ignored Bills*-J. D. Witters, perjury with John W. Hollinger, prosecutor, for the costs; Daniel E. Rice, assault, county for costs, *Wednesday Eccning*.—The whole of the evening session was taken up by the detense in the examination of witnesses and argument of the Dennison false pretense case by counsel. The court, in their charge to the jury, said there could not be any conviction of false pretense under the testimony, and that all they had to do was to make a dis position of the costs.

position of the costs. Thursday Morning.—Court met at 9 o'clock, and the jury in the Dennison cases rendered a verdict of not guilty, but directed the defendant to pay the costs. Samuel Miller plead guilty of being the father of an illegitimate child of which Annie Rettew is the mother. The usual sentence was immand

# A COLORED MAN BURNED TO DEATH. LONDON AGAIN SHAKEN. While Barning Brush on His Premises in Salls

 While Burning Brush on His Premises in Sallsbury Township, Jacob Nocho is Roasted to a Crisp.
GAP, April 23. – Wednesday afternoon about 12 or 1 o'clock, Jacob Nocho, an old colored resident and estimate citizen, resid-ing about three miles cast of Gap station, on the road leading from Gap to Compassville, was burned to death while cearing off his lot and burning the rubbish the con. It appears the fire made a rush toward the woods along-side his property, and he other was over-come by the heat, or fell tripping on a root or stone. When found his head was lying on a stone, and from what could be on a stone, and from what could be seen it appeared he tripped and fell, and was so much overcome by his efforts to quench the flames, that he could not rescue

himself from the infuriated fire. When found about 3 o'clook in the afternoon he was cold in death having been burned to a crisp almost past recognition. Every-thing was burned of him, except the lower parts of his boots.

Mr. Nocho was an industrious and respected citizen, having worked hard all his life. He had been in the employ of the old Henderson and Buckley families, when the forge was in operation between Gap and White Horse. He was about 72 years of age. He leaves a wife and several children ; most them are grown and well to do. This sad affair has cast a gloom over the whole neighborhood, following as it does so recently the Linville burglary. Mr. Nocho will be buried on Saturday at the P. E. burying ground at Compassville.

## A Dwelling House Destroyed by Fire. From the Mt. Joy Star.

The large and fine new dwelling house of John G. Kreider, near the Green Tree meetng house, in Mount Joy township, was entirely destroyed by fire on Monday afternoon. Some of the furniture was saved but the greater part was consumed in the flames, as was also his large' job printing outfit, con-sisting of press and many fonts of type, &c. The fire originated from a defective flue. The loss is partly covered by an insurance in the Mount Joy Township Mutual Fire Insurance company. Mr. Kreider was not at home when the fire started, he being in Milton Grove at the time, and considerable headway was made by the fire before he reached home. A number of the neighbors gathered and gave all assistance they could.

## Fire in the Weish Mountains,

By some means not stated a fire was started yesterday morning in the Welsh mountains, tack of Springville, and spread with great rapidity. The fire burned all day, envelop-ing a great area of country in smoke. Tast night the mountains presented a trautiful appearance as the flames leaped from tree to tree entwining the trunks like ravenous an tree entwining the tranks like rayenous and devouring serpents, hissing and crackling among the dry branches, and being borne onward and upward in the forest until hun-dreds of acres were a mass of ruin. The fire is yet burning, and will continue to burn probably until it shall be quenched by a heavy full of rain. heavy fall of rain.

Life Lost in Fighting a Brush Fires Joseph S. Yoder of Bethlehem, Pa., was Wednesday morning engaged with a farmhand named Roth in burning brush on his farm near St. Luke's hospital. The dames spread very rapidly and threatened to reach the hospital. Both men worked so hard the hospital. Both men worked so hard fighting the fire that they were overcome by the heat and smoke, and in falling Mr. Yeder received injuries from which he died at the iospital Wednesday afternoon. Roth is still

PRESETTERIAN INSTALLATION.

The New Pastor for the Memorial Church, South Queen Street.

The committee appointed by the presbytery of Westminster to install Rev. Thomas DYNAMITERS BELIEVED TO BE CON-TINUING THEIR FLENDISH WORK.

Government Building Badly Shattered by & Explosion-The Solicitor of the Admiralty Thrown to the Floor and Seriously Injured by the Shock.

LONDON, April 23.-Much consternation was caused throughout the city this morning by a report that the admiral's office had been blown up. Investigation proved the report to be much exaggerated. A package contain ing a quantity of dynamite is supposed to have been placed against the wall of the building directly under the solicitor's office, and set off by a slow fire and other contriv-

The building was badly shaken while all the windows were shattered. In Mr. Swainson's office not a whole pane of glass re-mained. He and his clerks were dashed to the floor by the concussion. Mr. Swainson was seriously hurt. The others escaped with slight injuries.

The explosion was heard for a long distance and people rushed to the vicinity of the admirality building expecting to find it in ruins. A strong force of police and military is now on guard and no one is allowed to approach the building. The authorities are vigorously investigating, with the hope of obtaining a clue to the perpetrators.

The officers are in a quandary and seem to be unable to account for the explosion. They now confess that they do not know whether it was caused by dynamite, gunpowder gas. Immediately after the explosion the police set to work to discover its cause. All

entrances to the building were instantly closed and no one was permitted to pass in or out. The name and address of every person in the structure at the time of the explosion were then taken as they left the building.

## THE THEORY OF THE POLICE.

The police incline to the belief that the explosion was the work of some of the same gang of dynamiters who caused the explosion in the Tower and Parliament buildings in January last, The physicians called to attend Mr. Swainson say that he is suffering from concussion of the brain, and that his injuries will probably prove fatal. The greatest excitement prevails in and around the building. The officials are thoroughly demoralized. At the time of the explosion the sun was shining brightly and the ness of the day was fairly under way. It is considered miraculous that so few persons were injured, as long lines of people were constantly passing in and out. Miss Mary Anderson was breakfasting

with Mr. Gladstone's family when the explosion occurred, and all present were much alarmed by the detonation, fearing that some

## terrible disaster had occurred. TWO SUSPICIOUS STRANGERS.

Two suspicious STRANGERS. The latest developments in regard to the explosion point to the belief that it was the result of a deep-laid plot of the dynamite fiends. Several persons have already, called on the police and informed them that two strangers were observed reconnoisering the building yesterday. Two officers also festi-fied that they are two men this morning ap-proach the building from the Horse Guard mande groundscarrying a tin can which they parade grounds, carrying a tin can which they placed in a recess in the main passage to the building. When asked why they did not take them into custody, these officers stated that they believed them to be workmen and attached but little importance to their movements.

MANY ROOMS TOTALLY WRECKED. Workmen have been recently employed

SHARPSBURG'S FIERY VISITATION. The Town Nearly Destroyed by a Fire Originating in a Saloon-Loss \$100,000. PITTSBURG, Pa., April 23 .- At 1 o'clock

this morning fire was discovered in Thoma Murphy's saloon, Sharpsburg. At 1:30 excited telephonic messages were wired to the Pittsburg and Allegheny fire departments to "come quickly for God's sake, if the town is to be saved."

The building in the vicinity of the saloon being frame, the fire spread with tremendo rapidity and it was but a short time before the block bounded by Main, Clay and Tenth streets presented a mass of fire. The inhabi-

tants of the town are aroused and crowding the streets. The fire has now burned an hour and a half and not a drop of water has yet touched it. The engines from Allegheny are on the

way but will not reach the scene for half an hour yet. The flames are spreading in different directions and it is not thought possible that the town can be saved. So far twenty families have been rendered home-

5:30-The firemen have now gained control of the flames. About fifteen buildings were totally destroyed and twenty-five or more badly damaged. Many of the houses were occupied by more than one family. The loss will reach and probably exceed \$100,000. The insurance cannot be estimated at this hour. Many of the inmates of the burned buildings had narrow escapes from their homes, but as far as can be learned, no one was seriously

injured. The Catholic church was the only building in the square where the fire started that was not burned.

# A DANGEROUS OCCUPATION.

The Experience of Boys Engaged in the Manu facture of Toy Rubber Balloons,

CHICAGO, April 23 .- The board of health has discovered that an industry is carried on to some extent in Chicago, which involves an occupation most dangerous to health and at which boys of 12 to 14 years of age are employed. The boys and the public generally are wholly ignorant of the hazardous charar ter of the work, which is a process in the manufacture of certain toys, of rubber baloons in particular. The boys are engaged in dipping the balloons in a liquid that gives he goods a glossy [surface and red color. This is bi-sulphide of carbon, and some coloring matter.

It has been found that boys following the ccupation for a few weeks become paralyzed in the hands and lower extremities, it is cared permanently. A physician says : One of the results is a form of intoxication. The mbjects are exhiliarated, become loquacious, and behave as if under the effects of alcohol This phase is transient, but the paralysis of certain muscles of the legs, and parts of other muscles, is more lasting, and permanont. The intoxication may come on after a

few hours of exposure to the fumes of th liquid, but the paralysis is not experienced till after a continued exposure to the poison for a number of weeks

> A STORY OF BREWSTER CANENON. In Which the Name of an Ex-Attorney General

Also Figures. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23.—In the Dickson trial to-day, Mr. Dickson continued his testimony relative to the alleged attempt by Bowen to bribe Dickson to secure a verdict against the Star Route defendants. Dick son said that he proposed to show that during the progress of the trial, the attorney general had invited him to call at his house. Before leaving the stand, witness begged the pardon of the court for the language he had used yes terday.

Captain Henry, marshal of the district at the time of the Star Route trial, was examined and created quite a sensation by ing an interview with Brewster Cameron, in which the latter said that Attorney Gen. Brewster would give \$25,000 for a conviction. Cameron had a list of statesmen for a panel whom he wished to be the jurymen, There was only one explosion. The chief as they were friendly to the government's case. The marshal refused to listen to him, and he was shortly afterwards removed on recommendation of Attorney Gen. Brewster Presidential Appointments. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23.-The president made the following appointments today: Postmasters-Christian T. Georgia, Unionville, Conn.; R. A. Mitchell, Opelika, Ala.; George W. Statler, Mansfield, O.; E. R. Debray, Clyde, Ks.; Benj. F. Mackall, Moorhead, Minn.; George D. Whittlesev, at New London, Conn.: G. B. Falconer, at Minneapatis, Kansas; Hugh V. Gavigan, at Columbus, Kansas; James T. Stuart, Van Buren,

A NIGHT OF TERROR.

FAMILIES AWAKENED FROMBLEEP BY THE ROAR OF RUSHING WATERS.

The Terrible Situation of Gainesville, Texas on Wednesday Morning-Houses Overthrown and Washed Down Pecan Creek-Seek-

ing Refuge Upon the Trees.

GAINESVILLE, Texas, April 23.-About 3 o'clock yesterday morning citizens were awakened by cries for help by the shrill sound of the alarm whistle and the roar of rushing waters. Rain had been falling in orrents all night and Pecan creek had risen o an alarming extent. Many families in the vicinity of the creek were awakened to find hemselves surrounded by water, and many houses were overthrown and washed down the stream. Help was promptly at hand. Ropes were thrown out and every possible means used to assist the sufferers, but the intense darkness hampered the laborers

Many persons had taken refuge in trees and the air was filled with shricks of women and children. Mothers with their babes in their arms remained clinging to limbs of trees for hours until rescued, almost dead When day broke, the banks for a great dis-tance were strewn with debris of all decription. The scene on Elm Creek, west of the city was equally distressing. Several families had been caught by the water and vere lodged in trees and were in danger of being drowned. Men, women and children were discovered, some swinging, and some clinging to trees. Rafts and boats were launched, but wers broken to pieces or sunk by the force of the current.

A MOTILER SEES HER CHILDREN SINK. In operinstance a negro succeeded in geting a woman and two children into a boat, when it upset and the frantic mother saw her children sink to rise no more. After six hours' labor the rescuers succeeded in saving the majority of the sufferers. It is impossible to estimate the damage done to property. Many families above and below here are in

great distress, and many lives are reported ost. Rescuing parties left here, but have not yet returned. Old residents say the flood is the most disastrous ever known in this part of the state. The water is two feet higher than it was 25 years ago, when there was a flood which caused great loss of life and property.

All the bridges in the city were washed away, and the east portion of the town was entirely cut cff from the business section, The rain continued all day yesterday and the rivers have risen rapidly.

GREAT BAINFALL IN THE WEST.

swollen streams Doing Dreadfal Damage. Thousands of Hogs and Cattle Drowned. PARSONS, Kansas April 23.—A hoavy' rain set in here about 10 o'clock Tuesday and con-tinued unabated until midnight. Thirteen tinued unabated until midnight. inches of water fell ; it was the heaviest min since 1878. The whole surrounding country is a vast sheet of water.

The Labelle siver, insually a and is now 3/ of a mile w = 0. Four wagon bridg = and tars r bridges located on this stream are swept away or render of un-ale.

Traffic on the Missouri, Kansan & railroad is wholly su pended for 10e oth ways from Pars A passenger train g mg cast from h

erday on the Fort Scatt & Gulf railroad WBN

wrecked one mile out. A large amount of tock was drowned at Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad stock yards on the Labelle river, a mile north of here.

to bring her to Reading and enter bail

After going several miles the party found, near the foot of the mountain a colored man and three women, one of them white, lying alongside the road in the dust, like so many alongside the road in the dust, tike so many bogs. They proved to be Martin Springer and Margaret, his wife, Catharine Elizabeth Susanna Amelia Rebecca Francis, wife of the old clergyman, and Ellen Springer, the young woman who accused, at last week's criminal court, a young white man with be-ing the father of her child. The young man was acquitted. She begged hard to be allowed to go on the mountain to take care of her baby and this was granted, and she will be brought to Reading at some future day. The three others very unwillingly were compelled to accompany the officers, The six men in custody were compelled to

tramp it as far as Bucher's hotel, when H. F & J. F. Boyer sent out a team and brough A J. F. hoyer sent out a team and brought them to Reading. They will all be committed to jail. From the facts already gathered the officers feel sure of laying before the grand jury some 25 separate indictments against these people. The officers found in an out-building an old skinny horse, so weak from exhaustion and lack of food that he was una-ble to the officer base how how an anble to rise. It would have been but an act of humanity if they would have shot him.

## SOME SENSATIONAL STORIES.

It is not certain, however, that this able correspondent can be relied on to give an in-telligent report of what was really seen and done; for John Francis, the campineeting exhorter whom he reports as having been cap-tured yesterday in "The Forest" is now in the Lancaster jail, having been committed there by 'Squire Spurrier about the same time that this account makes him captured twenty this account makes him captured twenty miles from here by Reading officers. The interview of the second casion of sending out from Reading a batch of the usual sensational dispatches, implicat-ing the poor vagabonds arrested yesterday in the recent barn burnings occurring in this county, the Weller murder and even the killing of Barney Short. All this part of the story is of course mere bosh.

# Base Ball Briefs

It is funny, but nevertheless true, that every time the Pittsburg club were beaten this season they were shut out.

Some of the papers give Mack as the first baseman in the game against the Philadel

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he catches for Sunth. This afternoon the Lancaster club is play-ing the Harrowgate of Philadelphia. To-morrow they will play the Dauntless of Mt. Joy and will go to Philadelphia on Saturday. where they play the Harrowgates on Saturday, day and Monday. If they fail to beat these clubs they will be provided with a bass drum. They must beat something. According to the Reading *Heroid* the Ac-tive base ball club of Reading, is to be re-organized in a few days by Samuel J. Field, the commended exclusively of Reading

organized in a few days by Samuel J. Field. It will be composed exclusively of Reading players, and centrally located grounds will be leased and enclosed. He has not yet so-lected his full nime, but has decided upon several, viz: John Meenan, first base; Morris, pitcher; Oswald, loft field; Gebry, one of the catchers; and Jackson, a strong batter, right field. Other players will be so-lected during the week. Mr. Field will be sole manager of the nime, and after the orsole manager of the nine, and after the or-ganization has been perfected the team will be put down to hard work preparatory to facing music in Lancaster, Columbia, York, Allentown, Harrisburg and Pottsville. Base ball yesterday—At Philadelphia : Athletics 9, Brooklyn 3 ; at Baltimore : Bal-imore 5, Metz 4 ; et Lonisville : Lonisville

timore 8, Mets 4 ; at Louisville : Louisville 11, Pittsburg 0 ; at Washington : Nationals 7, Buffalo 4 ; at Richmond : Philadelphia 4, Virginia 2 ; at Princeton : Boston 12, Princeton 4 ; at Hartford ; Yale college 5, Hartford

## Sexton Defeats Dion

The third game of the tournament of bil-liard champions took place between Joseph Dion and William Sexton at Irving hall, York, on Wednesday, and was wit-New York, on weonesday, and was wit-nessed by a large crowd of spectators. Sex-ton fluished his 400 points in the 50th iming. Dion had only scored 344. The time of game was about two and one-half hours. Dion and balv olay to night. Daly play to-night,

He Got the Best of the Director. A good story is told of a certain promine railway director, who is equally renowned for his ability to take or make a joke. A railway employe, whose home is in the country, applied to him for a pass to visit his family. "You are in the employ of the com-pany ?" inquired the gentleman alluded to, "Yes," "You receive your pay regularly ?" "Yes," "Well, now, suppose you were working for a farmer, instead of the company, would you expect your employer to take out his horses every Saturday high and carry his horses every Saturday night and carry you home "" This seemed a poser, but it wasn't. "No," said the man promptly. " I would not expect that; but if the farmer had his horses out and they were going my way, I should call him a very mean fellow if he would not let me ride. The employe came out three minutes after with a pass good for twelve months,

## Pennsylvania Railroad Changes

The following P. R. R. changes have been made : Sutherland M. Prevost has been appointed superintendent of transportation, b succeed John Reilly, who resigned on ac-count of impaired health, due to an accident last summer. Mr. Prevost is at present su perintendent of the Pennsylvania railroad division. Joseph A. Crawford, now superin-tendent of the West Jersey and Camden and tendent of the West Jersey and Camden and Atlantic railroads, was appointed superin-tendent of the New York division and A. G. Dayton, now superintendent of motive power of the Philadelphia & Erie, Northern Cen-tral and Baltimore & Potomae roads was appointed superintendent of the West Jersey and Camden and Atlantic railroads. Robert F. Pettit, at present superintendent of the New York division, was appointed superin-tendent of the Pennsylvania railroad, with

# headquarters at Altoona. Joe Huber's " Big Bill " Cannot be Paid.

From the New Era. Perhaps our city councils may derive som valuable information from a decision of the supreme court made last week, in the case of a contractor against the school board of Allen-town, who stied to recover for work done without authority from the board. The lower sourt decided in favor of the contractor, but this decision was reversed by the higher one, which held there was no responsibility under such circumstances, as work done without authority of the board was done at the risk of

the contractor.

Let the Water Run. Last night some one let the water spige open in the room on the third story of Locher's building, Centre Square, which is occu pied by Martin Rudy as a bicycle riding school. The waste pipe was clogged up with a piece of wood and the room was flooded. The water ran all nightand it soaked through The water ran all night and it soaked through the floor to the second story, which George W. Locher occupies as a cigar factory. A large quantity of valuable tobacco and cigars were utterly ruined by the water, which was dirty, and Mr. Locher's damage will be at least 50. A barrel which was standing on the floor of Mr. Locher's room was found to be held fold of successful to morning.

# e half full of water this morning.

**Fitty Spackled Trout Caught** Al. Rauch, the champion trout fisher, and AL Welchans, his companion, went fishing for trout yesterday, and in less than half a day, with rod and line, caught fifty fine speckled trout. The brock in which the fish were taken is within fourteen miles of Lancaster, but the fishermen decline to say in what direction.

The Virginia Bond Decision. Governor Cameron, of Virginia, states the he is unable to say what action he will take in the matter of calling an extra session of the legislature to consider the recent decision the United States supreme court upon the question of the state debt. He will take no action until he can procure and examine an official copy of the opinion of the court.

# Drinking Tincture of Iodine

A small child of Mr. Weidler, 434 South Water street, yesterday, got hold of a bottle of tincture of iodine, intended as a remedy for external application, and drank a quan-tity of it. Dr. Shirk was sent for and admin-istered an antidete to counteract the effect of the poison, and the child is now out of dan-

Edward Hummel pleaded guilty to com-mitting an assault and battery on Frank Wetzel, of Little Britain township. The testimony of the prosecutor was that the ac-accused sneaked up behind him and without any provocation, struck him in the face, humkad out one fronth and howeved soveral any provocation, struck him in the face, knocked out one (tooth and loosened several

others. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and costs of prosecution. Daniel Tammany, jr., was indicted for as-sault and battery. The testimony of Railroad Officer Roy, the prosecutor, was that on the evening of January 31, Tammany approached him at the Pennsylvania railroad station, and without any provocation, struck him a severe blow in the face, knocking him down. Several persons who saw the assault were positive in their identity of Tammany as the ossailant. The defense was that Tammany was not at the Pennsylvania railroad station on the evening of January 31, that he did not

ee Roy on that night, that at the time Ro was assaulted Tammany was in Gallagher harbershop, and when the crowd ran up North Queen street, he walked out of the harber shop to see what was the matter. Jury out. Henry D. Smith, colored, was put on trial for committing an assault and battery on John H. Presberry on March 23. The offense, it is alleged, was committed at the restaurant of Kitch & Stapleford, and occurred through Presberry tolling Kitch about the number of common created smith and a marky had played

cames of cards Smith and a party had played games of cards Smith and a party had played in one of the rooms. The defense was that Presberry was the aggressor and that Smith only struck the prosecutor after he believed he was going to be attacked with a razor. The jury rendered a verdict of not guilty and divided the costs between the prosecutor and the

Lorenzo Floyd was charged with an assault and battery on Gertrude Shay. The assault was committed on the 28th of March in the corridor of the court house, and occurred through a suit for the possession of a child. After Judge Livingston had directed the child to the father Miss Shay grabbed it, ran away with it and in the effort to get the child away from the woman, it is alleged that Floyd struck her. The defendant denied that he struck the woman in his effort to take the child away Lorenzo Floyd was charged with an assault

woman in his effort to take the child away from her. Jury out, John Shields pleaded guilty to an assault on Mrs. Fred Struck and to being a tramp, and was sentenced to undergo an imprisonment of four months. This defendant was only arrested and given a hearing yesterday. CUBRENT BUSINESS.

# John Holloway, who served a term for

misdemeanor, was discharged from custody by taking the benefit of the insolvent law. The forgery and perjury cases against The forgery and perjury cases against Amos B. Hostetter, were continued to the adjourned court in June, on account of the illness of defendant. GRAND JURY RETURN. True Bills .- Charles II. Seiler, seduction

ornication and bastardy; Gordon Arm Anneard M., neglect of duty; Samuel M. Hoss, false pretense; John Shields, assault and tramp; John H. Ettinger, larceny. *Iquored Bills.*—Clara Brock, Margie Brock and John Brock, larceny.

## The News in the Northeast.

LINCOLN, April 22 .- A party of men from his place wishing to enjoy a boat ride on Sunday last went to the creek near Ephrata, when seven of the party took the boat. About five feet from land the boat sunk, and all were thrown into the water, which was at east four feet deep. A short ride and wet clothes were the results.

clothes were the results. Rev. S. Sweitzer, of the Reformed church, has announced the following communion services; at Reamstown, April 25; Center church, May 3; Swamp, May 10; Lincoln, May 17; Muddy creek, May 24. Rev. Sweitzer has five congregations, with an ag-gregate membership of about600; he says his churches are all in a prosperous condition. Quite a number of persons will be admitted as new members on these occasions. Farmers are busy plowing and doing other necessary outdoor work. Arbor Day was not observed here ; at least no special ceremonies took place. Miss Ida Bueh was visiting friends in Roh-rerstown last week.

erstown last week. Rev. A. Zeigenfus will preach in the Evan-relical church on Sunday evening. Cigar business is moderately active. Mr. Jacob Kelper is erecting a coach trim-ning shop on his lot on Main street.

Thompson pastor of the Presbyteria Memorial church, South Queen street, will meet Sabbath evening. Mr. Thompson has been supplying this church since Jan. 1st, 1884. He preached the first morning sermon in Jan., 1884, that was ever delivered in the church, and the congregation has gathered sufficient strength to warrant the calling of pastor. The installation takes place on Mr. Thompson's birthday, April 26. Rov. Jas. Y. Mitchell D. D. gives the charge, the pastor's duty to the church ; and Rov. E. liaylord gives the charge the members' duty

o the church. Mr. Thompson, who takes charge of th church, graduated as a physician and was adjutant surgeon of the 22 N. Y. volunteers during the war, but has been in the ministry since the war.

## The Italians' Strike Broken.

Many of the Italians who struck for higher wages on the Baltimore & Philadelphia raiload, at Chester, Pa., and had their places filled by Americans have been given work by the contractors. Others have left the city in disgust. "Big Frank," a leader among the strikers in upper Chester township, was arrested in the face of about seventy-live of his fellow strikers and lodged in jail. No further trouble is feared, as the backbone of the strike has been broken.

## Foreign Missionaries Appointed.

The board of foreign missions of the Re formed church, during a meeting held at Harrisburg on April 22, appointed William E. Hoy, of Mifflinburg, Pa., at present a member of the senior class in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Miss Elizabeth R. Poorbaugh, of Berlin, Pa., and Miss Mary B. Ault, of Littlestown, Pa., a member of the senior class at the Kutztown Normal school, as missionaries to Japan. They likely will sail for their field of labor They very time during August.

# Ideally Pure Water.

"An ideally pure water," said Professo Willis G. Tucker, in an address before the Albany Institute, the other night, "should be clear, colorless, tastcless and odorless, though little such exists in nature, and these properties are not necessarily proof of purity. Water may be as clear as crystal, and yel carry typhoid fever from a hamlet on one side of a mountain to dwellers on the other, as in the celebrated case at Lausanne, Switz erland."

### By Bicycle From Philadelphia

Mr. George V. Morris and Mr. Wm. C Supplee left Philadelphia Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock on bicycles, and reached Lan caster Wednesday afternoon at 5:30. traveled for pleasure merely and did not attempt to make fast time. They spent Tues-day night at Coatesville. They say the trip was a pleasant one, though the weather was a little too warm for traveling up hill. They left for home this afternoon, going by rail a far as Paoli and thence by bicycle.

They Were Skating Rink Acquaintance Much excitement was caused Wednesday

in certain circles in Brooklyn, New York, by the announcement that Maud McAllister aged 15, had been married to Wm. F. Dar aged 15, had been married to with r. Dat-ling, 19 years of age, and Ella Jones, 17 years of age, to Charles L. Peckham, aged 10. The girls, who were married without their pa-rents' consent, gave ficitious ages to the cler-gyman who performed the ceremony. They were cases of skating rink acquaintanceship.

## A Wagon Backed too Violently.

This morning as Humphreville & Kieffer usiness wagon was being backed against he curbstone in front of a residence on South Queen street near German, where a new dove was to be delivered, it struck the curb so violently that it was upset, the stove thrown out and broken, the driver, Joseph Long, thrown to the ground and his hand badly contused, and the horse attached to the vehicle a good deal cut on the legs. Dr. Shirk attended to Long's injuries.

# ess of Lower End Citize

From the Oxford Press.

Emmor Bradley, of Little Britain township, had a paralytic stroke last Saturday night-one side being entirely paralyzed and was rendered speechless. Emmor Smedley, of the same township, is convalescing from his severe sickness.

around the building, making repairs and as sisting some surveyors who were taking measurements in and around the grounds. The officers say they can fully identify the men. Many of the rooms in the building were totally wrecked.

of the Scotland Yard detectives and the admiralty officials are now holding a consultation. Mr. Swainson, the injured man, is the solicitor of the admiralty.

THE SELECTION OF THE TIME AND PLACE. LONDON, April 23,-The passage in which the explosion occurred is the one usually used by the Duke of Edinburgh. When not at sea it is the duty of his royal highness to report himself at the admiralty every morning, and he generally walks over at a rapid pace alone, when in town, and enters by the hall now the scene of the wreck.

The time selected for the explosion at the admiralty, if it was really the result of design, was the hour at which most of the lords of the admiralty were arriving, or might be expected to arrive in preparation for the morning board meeting, the business of the lords being very urgent in consequence of the extensive war preparations ordered by the government, and the large number of iron-clads to be made ready for commission. The lord's board room is only a few yards distant from the spot where the explosion took place, and adjoining the public office com municating internally. But a few paces from the entrance where the cans were deposited, in the west wing, is the official residence of the first lord of the admiralty.

The passage by which the suspected dynamiters entered the building is in full view of the prime minister's private rooms, at No 10 Downing street, not fifteen yards below the scene of the explosion. A sentry of the guards was pacing in front of the guards' barracks, The east wing of the Horse Guards, occupied by the troops, furnishing guard, at the main gateway to St. James' park, adjoins the west wing of the admiralty, and within a few yards of the explosion. Divided only by a stone wall, and a tier of offices were the horses' stables and quarters of the troopers. There were police on duty in the park in the rear of the admiralty, and in the rear of Mr. Gladstone's, and in the courtway in front of the admiralty at the great gates ; four or five door-keepers at the main entrance, an office keeper at the end of the hall close to Mr. Swainson's office, and also one at the foot of the staircase leading to the offices of the admi ral on duty and the principal secretaries and clerks.

LATE SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

The Washington hall building and one adjoining at Mystic Bridge, Conn., were totally destroyed by fire early this morning.

Loss \$25,000. Miss Annie Ridgewell recovered to-day \$2,000 from Dr. Johnson, of Olneyville, R. I., for seduction. Both parties belong to Olney-ville. Miss Ridgewell is about 22 years of age. Sir Leonard Tilley, minister of finance, was taken suddenly ill at Ottawa, Ont, while at dinner last evening and had to be carried to his bedroom, where he has remained in ter-

rible agony ever since. General Grant, his wife, Mrs. Sartoris and Mrs. F. D. Grant went out driving in New York at 12 o'clock. The broeze was chilly nd the general wore about his neck and houlders a white shawl.

A Baltimore burglar, named Butler, has onfessed that he sold his stolen goods to H. Wenburn and one Solaski, pawnbrokers that city. Stolen property was found their premises and they were arrested.

# A Detainer for John E. Den

Louis Hall, a member of the firm of Hall & Albright, late cattle dealers, entered suit this morning against John E. Dennison for larceny as bailee before Alderman Barr. The with several hundred dollars to hand to John W. Mentzer and instead of doing so he ap-propriated the money to his own use. A detainer was lodged at the county prison where Dennison is confined awaiting trial on other charges. allegation is that Dennison was entrusted

Ark.; E. B. Williams, Ketchum, Idaho terri Collectors of Internal Revenue : Samuel B. Cooper, First district of Texas ; Frank J.

Pratt, Tenth district of Massachusetts. The president has appointed George B. Fife, of the District of Columbia, Richard Stockton, of New Jersey, and Middleton S. Guest, of Maryland, as cadets at large to the naval academy at Annapolis.

# The State of the U.S. Treasury.

WASHINGTON D. C., April 23.-Treasury balances to-day : Gold coin and bullion \$242,598,021 ; silver dollars and bullion, \$162, 760,235; fractional silver coins, \$30,885,278 United States notes, \$46,312,901 ; national bank notes, \$8,361,209 ; deposits with national bank depositories, \$10,885,895. Total, \$501,-802,530. Certificates outstanding : Gold, \$123,396,

260 ; silver, \$111,063,221 ; currency, \$24,660,-000, Internal revenue receipts, \$454,219; cus

torus, \$603,459.

# **Hot Weather Legislation**

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 23 .- The considration in the House of the Brooks bill to restrain and regulate the sale of various spirituous and malt liquors developed a trong temperance sentiment. In the Senate, Stehman introduced a bill which fixes the number of school days in a

nonth at 20. Bills were passed finally remiring licenses to be taken out and to create circuit court. A bill to repeat an act relative to payment of court costs in Lancaster county was favorably reported.

## Advancing its Premio

LONDON, April 23.-Lloyd's commercial agency advanced its premiums yesterday from five to fifteen shillings.

## WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

The Condition of the Barometer and Ther-mometer and Indications for the Morrow. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23.—For the diddle Atlantic states generally fair weather variable winds, generally shifting to south erly, slightly warmer on the coast, stationary temperature in the interior, except in extreme northern portion, slightly cooler, generally lower barometer.

Fair weather continues in the districts East of the Mississippi except in the Upper Lake region, where local showers are re ported ; local rain has also prevailed in the Northwest and Southwest. The temperature has fallen in the Upper Lake region and in the Northwest, it has fallen on the Middle Atlantic and Southern New England coast, and remained about stationary in all

other districts. The winds are from cast to outh except in the Upper Lake region, and Northwest where they have shifted to west and north. The temperature is below freezing n Colorado, where light snows are reported. For Thursday - Slightly cooler, partly cloudy weather and local showers are indiated for the Middle Atlantic States, the Ohl Valley, Tennessee, and the East Gulf states. Cool, fair weather is indicated for the Upper Lake region and the Upper Mississippi

valley.

A few farmers walked i and reported great de truction to fie herds. Judging from their reports and other indications, it would i em evident that thouands of hogs and catt a have been drowned. Owing to the rapidit with which streams rise in this country, it was impossible to ene the animals. A about dark Tue sie to res evening, a large num or of negroes from the "Exoduster" settle aent, on the Labelle river flats, deserted their houses came into town, reporting the others precarious condition. Teams and boats were secured and after many hours work all the imperilled people we v rescued.

## WILL FOLD THEIR TENTS.

The Oklahoma Boomers Wisely Get Out Fre Under-Concluding that President Cleve-land is a Mas of His Word.

ALEANSAS CITY, Kansas, April 23.-The boomers, after hearing Capt. Couch's report of his mission to Washington, grumblel a good deal at his a type to disperse, finally adopted the r port, which was to effect that the president had promised to drive the cattlemen out of the territory, and to see that negotiation a were opened with the Indians for the purps of securing the land for homestead settlement, as provided by wi of Congress. The fo lowing res adopted : Resolved, That in eder to aid the n

administration to carry out the more measures in good 1 ath, and to solve problem of settlement of Oklahouns as a as practicable, we do an it advisable to for a reasonable tim the contemp tion.

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