

# VOLUME XXIII-NO. 141.

## LANCASTER, PA., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1887.

SHOT THROUGH THE EYE.

LIFE WITH A PISTOL.

Found to the Closet of Eshleman's Building

With Life Extinct-lie Had Been in Li

Health for Some Time-The Uoroner's

Inquest-Shorch of Ille Career,

The people of this city were startled this

## PRICE TWO CEN

Ten Thousand Dollars Paid for the B s Ball gringer.

BIES ROLLT'S BBLB408.

# REV. DR. J. H. DUBBS' ADDRESS.

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For the Ilistorical Society-Dr. Egie, of Harrisburg, Makes Some Suggeets

The executive committee of the Lancast City and County Historical society met on sel, with the following members present Mears. Martin, Dabbs, Hark, Steigerwait Eby, Sisymaker, Hipple, Thompson, Griest Sener, Wickersham and McElligott.

Dr. Wm. H. Egle, of the Harrisburg His-torical society, was present as an invited

guest. Rev. Dr. Dubbs read the following essay: The organization of the "Lancester County Historical society" is, we believe, an event of no ordinary importance. For many years the establishment of such an institution has been recognized by some of our citizens as eminently desirable, but no one seemed will-ing to assume the initiative. Now that the Ing to assume the initiative. Now that the first step has been taken we may be met by the question : " What is the use of such a society ?" We might perhaps respond with the question which Benjamin Franklin pro-pounded to the man who asked him the use of his electrical discoveries : " Of what use is an infant ? Make it of use !" The commu-nity, has, however, the right to demand of us a more extended reply to the ancient question : " What doest thou here ?" and it therefore appears courteous and proper to

us a more extended reply to the ancient question: "What doest thou here?" and it therefore appears courteous and proper to devote the present occasion to a brief consid-eration of our field and work. Let it be understood, first of all, that the L ancaster County Historical society does not propose to place itself in a position of rivalry or antagonism towards any other similar in-Some of us are members of th Historical society of Pennsylvania, and av Pennsylvanians we should all be proud of Pennsylvanians we should all be proud of the achievements of that superb association. Others of our number are actively interested in the work of historical societies under the asspices of the religious denominations with which they are severally connected. Our membership in the Lancaster County Histor-for associations to which we possibly owe a prior allegiance. It is our purpose to attempt the cultivation of a field to which other so-cieties have, in our opinion, been unable to devote the attention which is its due. Our very name renders us local, but our field is pol, for this reason, narrow or unimportant. , for this reason, narrow or unimportant We believe that an important work is before us, which will result in real benefit to our eutire community.

#### OUR FIELD.

The field which we propose to cultivate is certainly sufficiently extensive. Lancaster county is celebrated throughout the land. In extent it is a principality—in fertility a garden. In these respects our county speaks for itself, and its excellence has never been for itself, and its excellence has never been called into question. We are, however, often pained to observe the admiration which is seconded to our good old county is mainly superficial. It is praised for the fertility of its soil and perhaps for the sturdy honesty of its soil and perhaps for the sturdy honesty of its people, but when strangers attempt to relate our history, to depict our social life, it becomes painfully evident that they do not understand their subject. The theme is fascinating, but it caunot be satisfactorily treated by every tyro. It demands not only study but affectionate sympathy. The study of our history and social life is rendered intricate by the various elements which have successively collered into our population. Not to speak of the aborigines-whose relics have for some minds a peculiar

population. Not to speak of the aborigines-whose relics have for some minds a peculiar fascination-there have been several success sive waves of immigration, each of which demands carnest and minute study. First, we have the Swedish and French traders, who passed away leaving bardly a trace be-hind them; then the English, represented on the one hand by the Quakers and the other by the colonial gentry; then the Scotch lrish, or Uister Scots; a tew Huguenots; and almost simultaneously the Germans and irish of Usier Scole; a few Higherous; and almost simultaneously the Germans and Swiss, most numerous of all but greatly divided among themselves by national and ecclesiastical distinctions. Wheever would learn to know our county must study all these various elements. They furnish the

created considerable merriment and his dignity as Judge was noticed chiefly in the twist of his mouth. But the two characters that if the work had been seriously under-taken fifty years ago, and continued without intermission to the present day, results might have been attained which are now beyond our reach. Books might then have been had for nothing which now could not be purchased for "a kingdom." The manuscripts of our great men of the revolutionary period were then almost intact; now they are as irrovocably scattered as the leaves of autumn. But it is never too late to undertake a good work, and even in this respect estmest labor will accomplish wonders. Much that appears to be lost may be regained, and as we proceed it may be our good fortune taken by Cors Nellson, Nancy Williams and Billie Piper, were the tangled ones that were finally brought out in great shape. Miss Nellson has dramatic powers that all along enlisted close attention to her. The minor parts were well cast, and everybody was pleased with the play and actors. The company will no doubt draw well. to the crowded house last evening how the silverware would be given away. and as we proceed it may be our good fortune to preserve much that would otherwise be doomed to destruction. It has been well said that every historical society should hold fast to the scriptural injunction : "Gather up the fragments that nothing be lost." "French Spy." Miss Nellson appears as the Spy, a character in which she has few if any superiors. She is a tine swordswoman and

#### OUR WORK.

DECRAASED FALUE OF COAL LANDS Five Thousand Acres Bring Only Balf What They Sold For in 1867.

OUR WORK. The work of the society may perhaps be sufficiently described by enumerating some of the objects and purposes of the founders and members of this society. 1. We desire to promote and foster the study of the history of our country on general scientific principles. To this end we shall institute researches on important special historical facts and carefully preserve the results of such investigation. We shall also encourage the erection of monuments or memorial tablets wherever they may be deemed necessary to keep in memory the localities of important events. In this way we hope to prepare the way for the composi-tion and publication, when the time shall come, of a "History of Lancester County" that will do justics to its thems. 2. We propose at our meetings to read and discuss original papers on subjects that per-tain to the matural resources of our county or the development of its social life. By such One of the greatest coal deals ever con-summated in the Monongabela Valley was plosed a few days ago in Pittaburg. New York and Philadelphia capitalists who were in Pittaburg recently formed asyndicate, and In retaining the second process and through an agent have carried on those negotiations which were completed Friday and Saturday by the signifures of nearly all the holders of the coal land to the agreement which gives the purchasing syndicate an option on the whole block for six months. A nearty of a million of delivers in the agreement

the development of its social life. By such means we expect to render our meetings interesting and instructive. Whenever it is interesting and instructive. Whenever it is deemed advisable we propose that these papers shall take the form of public lectures and for this purpose meetings may be held in various sections of the county. 3. We expect, as circumstances permit, to publish a selection of the papers read at our meetings. Occasionally it may be deemed desirable to print an ancient document or to issue a translation of a German work which is not generally accessible. It is, per-

which is not generally accessible. haps, not too much to anticipate that we shall be able occasionally to publish a volume of "Transactions" which will of course be fur-nished gratullously to members of the society, but which by a judicious system of society, but which by a judicious system of society, but which by a judicious system of exchanges may become the means of secur-ing valuable additions to our collection. 4 We expect to begin immediately the col-lection of a library. It should, in our judg-ment, contain besides the general historical works which are necessarily found in such libraries, a copy of every book ever written or published in Lancaster county. Such a collection, we need hardly say, would num-ber several thousand volumes. Our library should also contain files of neswspapers and other periodicals published in this county and a full collection of maps, surveys and engravings illustrative of our history. It may not yet be too late to secure some his-torical documents, or a part of the correspon-dence of the eminent men of former genera-tions. These should be arranged and pre-served with scrupulous cars. They consti-tute the most precious materials of his tute the most precious materials of his-tory. 5. We are anxious to secure as soon as pos-sible a permanent place of meeting. This is the purpose which above all others must constantly be kept in view. It its altogether likely that, like most similar smoolations, we shall have to struggle for years before we are able to secure a place which we can call our home; but it is certain that we shall never be able to do the highest order of work until this end is reached. The elements of permanence and spect our library to become the depository of tute the most precious materials of his reached. The elements of permanence and security must be at hand before we can ex-pect our library to become the depository of the rich st historic treasures of this commu-nity. We hardly venture to express the an-ticipation, that when the objects of our so-ciety commend themselves to the approba-tion of our people, means for the scetcion or purchase of a hail will not be lasking. Cer-tainly a weatby and liberal son of Lancaster could erect no nobler monument—he could in no way more honorably connect his name with the history of his county—than by pro-yiding this society with a permanent homs. Our historical society has at present but few members—it ought to number them by hundreds, it commends itself to the favor of the entire community, and craves the aid of all who take an interest in its work. As a great man once asid on a similar coussion : Let each one do what he can, and he will do exactly what he ought." "Some can give good feeling and good words." But, what the present generation may stone in some degree for the neglect of the past, and our noble county rejoice in the prosperity of an institution which labor solely to promote her honor. At the conclusion of the reading of the en-

in gold. Ekstches of representative people should be formed, beginning with your own members, and views of old buildings should WILLIAM A. WILLON, MAU. MADA MIS preserved.

The doctor concluded his address by presenting the society a copy of the plan of Lan-cester county as originally isid out in 1780, a copy of the Historical Register and the Cen-tennial. The society extended a vote of thanks to the donor. Merses, Diffenderfer, Eby and Slaymaker were appointed a committee to procure per-

A discussion followed as to the best plan to eccure matters of local interest and it was finally decided that the president should appoint committees on archeology, topo-graphy, biography, county history, books in, efucition and such others and publics as shall suggest themselves to him. The next meeting of the society will be in April, when Dr. Egie will deliver an address

"The Daultes" he crowded into the com

bristling scenes and honest manners of life on the frontier that does not fail to engage

close attention from beginning to end. The Waite company is strong throughout and

bring forward admirably the points that once

convulse the auditors and again draw on the

pathetic side of their natures. Mr. J. R. Waite, as Parson, inpersonated the king of

miners in good style ; W. A. Moriarty, as

Sandy, little less than the roughest, succeeds in capturing the "widder" that floated into

camp in an interesting way ; Mr. B. M. Mann,

whose appreciation of "the glorious climate of California" was seemingly unbounded,

Monday of March.

has a pretty form.

which is in one of the first rooms of B. Frank Eshleman's new building, on Duke street. Shortly after 9 o'clock the other occupants o the building heard the report of a pistol which seemed to come from the rear of the building. It was believed that some one was on Lancaster county history in the Revolutionary war. The next meeting of the city executive committee will be held on the third shooting sparrows. A few minutes later Harry Carpenter, esq., went to the closet and as he opened the door he found Wilson lying THE WAITE COMEDE CUMPANY. on the floor. He may that there was an ugly Futton Opera House Crewded and "The Danties" Ably Presented. When the "Post of the Sierras" composed wound on the right eyeand there was a pisto near by on the floor. Mr. Carpenter quickly

notified Alderman Fordney and other perof police and Mayor Morton, who were at the station house. When they arrived Mr. Wilson was already dead, although the body was still warm. The body was removed from the closet to the office of deceased, and an inquest was held.

THE INCLEST.

Coroner Honoman empanelied Christ A Gast, H. H. Holton, Samuel B. Cox, E. Schaeffer Metzger, Geo. W. Tomlinson and Thos. F. McElligott, as the jury to hold the inquest The first witness examined was B. Frank Eshleman. He testified that while he was in the rear end of the building he heard the report of a pistol; he said to Thomas Masterson, who was in the corridor, "that sounds like a pistol shot." Masterson said, "yes, I guess it is Judge Livingston shooting sparrows"; witness then went to prothonotary's to look at a docket and when on the office way back to the office was told Mr. Wilson had shot himself.

Thos. Masterson testided that Mr. Eshleman asked about the pistol report and he replied as above stated ; witness heard Mr. repertoire for the week is a good one, and the Wilson walking through the corridor towards Before the last act Mr. Walte explained the water closet and a moment 'afterwards heard the report : in about ten minutes Mr. Carpenter discovered Mr. Wilson's dead This evening the company will produce the

Harry Carpenter testified that he had occasion to go to the closet in the rear of the Eshleman building, and as he opened the outer door Mr. Wilson's head feli out. He was lying on the floor with his head against the jam ; he thought that Mr. Wilson had another troke, and he leaned down to raise him up when he naw the wound in the right eye: it then occurred to him that Mr. Wilson had shot himself, and he sent for Alderman Fordney and some of the lawyers in the neigh borhood and notified the mayor and chief o police. Dr. J. A. Ebler testified that about ten

days ago he was called professionally to see Mr. Witson. He found him suffering with functional derangement and a disordered condition of mind. In his judgment Mr. Wilson was of unsound mind ; a few days ago he remarked to witness that this world was not worth living for. His death was ed by a pistol shot wound which en-CAUS tered the campus of the right eye and entered the base of the brain.

Alderman Fordney testined that he responded to Mr. Carpenter's call and when he arrived he felt Mr. Wilson's pulse and it was gone ; his body was still warm. From the position of the body it was evident that Mr. Wilson had placed the pistol close to his face, with his left hand nearest to the face as i was black from the powder, and he pulled the trigger with his right band. The pistol

peculiar wit was seen to good advantage in addressing the court, and his bright way of saying things often carried him success-fully through serious situations. Within he was an able lawyer, and had been very prominently considered for the judgeship of the new orphans' court proposed to be estab lished. His death will be keepiy felt in the droise where bic kindly heart and unusual circles where his kindly heart and unusual talents were appreciated.

He leaves a widow, the daughter of the ate Philip Miller, of New Provider e, and one young daughter. His stepson, Redmond Conyngham, esq., has been occupying with the deceased the North Duke street law office The Appearance of His Office.

morning by the report that W. A. Wilson, esq., had taken his life. The story flew like wild-fire and proved to be but too true. This An examination of his office showed that Mr. Wilson had been at work this mornnorning Mr. Wilson went to his law office, ing. On the table in front of him was the 113th Pennsylvania Reports, opened at the case of County of Lehigh vs. Schack and Purdon's digest at the chapter "Of the persons liable for the support of others." A letter dated February 14th, notifying a party that his loan of \$500 of had been affirmed by the Building association, and a letter dated Feb-ruary 8th informing the purchaser that the sale to him of the property of the sesigned estate of Samuel Eby had been confirmed, were also on the table.

## AT THE KING STREET THEATER.

of the season appeared at the King street theatre. The audience was very large, the building, which is capacious, being alt full. The show was strong throughout and f attractions as good are given all season the patrons of the house will always be sure of getting the worth of their money. The comsany number about a dozen stage performent and nearly all do two "turns," making the performance run from 8 to 11 o'clock without any trouble. McEiroy and Goldie opened the entertainment with a funny negro sketch entitled " Pleasant Companions." Later they gave a musical act. Both are excellent per mers on a number of instruments and they scored a hit. The Gilmore Sisters, two pleasing young misses, appeared in their specialty entitled " Lawn Tennis," and were also seen in songs and dances. The girls are handsome dressers, good singers and fine dancers, and are certainly an attractive pair. Frank La Rosa gave an astonishing perform-ance on iron rings, which are fastened to ropes suspended from the roof of the theatre. Wenzel and Morris are a pair of good come dians and their dancing is a strong feature of heir set. Thomas T. Carter and Lizzie An-

derson gave what they call a dramatic sketch in which Mr. Carter assumes the stay-ou-late husband to perfection. They also sang well. Billy Golden and May Jackson did not arrive in the city until long after the show had opened, but they were not too late to do their work. Golden is a wonderfully clever "wench" performer, and in the sketch of "Fun in a Kitchen " Miss Jackson gave him strong support. They introduced a number of negro songs and did well. Frank Forrester, the female impersonator, had a good make up and his imitations of a serio-comic pleased. Joe. Royer played the banjo, sang ongs and told some funny stories in happy style. The entertainment closed with a farce entitled " Kitty and the Baby." The orches tra did not seem to have had sufficent rehearsal with some of the performers, and the latter were somewhat rattled at times in consequence. This will come all right in time lowever. This evening the show will be repeated with some changes of programs. This evening the result of the elections will

e read from the stage. To-morrow after noon a matinee will be given, and the prices to these performances are very low.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

An Interesting Occasion at St. Stephen's Evan-The elections are progressing very quietly in this city to day, and a light vote is polling. As usual in city elections there is considergelical Lutheran Church.

The Lutheran Sunday-school teachers' institute held an interesting session for the fifth time on Mouday evening in SL Stephen's

# EDWARD UNGER'S TRIAL FOR THE MURDER OF SDWARD BUELS,

# THD TRUNK VIUILN.

The Son of the Defendant Tells the Terrible Story of His Father's Orime, and Thus Assists in Fastening the Halter Around Him-How the Tragedy Occurred.

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TRADE DULLAR BILL.

The House Amendments to be Reported Ad

The Pacific Railroad

ferrees on the trade dollar bill.

versely by the Senate Finance Committee. WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 .-- The Senat

 a mail stayes.
Michasi Kally, the right fielder of the same ball olub, was on Mousing risks and signed a contract to play with the field of the second state same ball, and the second state same same is the base of the second state same same same will give him a comparately base, and will give him a comparately base of the Kotty dash is "ortically a trade, by which Ginescon a ball taxes bourn for Kelly. I am not ready to be that the League committee would lead to such a bargain without regendence rights of other clubs." NEW YORK, Feb. 15 .- The trial of Edward Unger for the murder of Edward Boble was resumed to day in the over and terminer court. The chief witness for the prosecution, Edward Unger, the son of the defendant, took the stand. The accused man mi between his

two daughters, both of whom wept copiously during the testimony of their brokher which in no small measure, went to fasten the hal-ter around the neck of their father. Young Manager Watkins said : " If Bay a Manager Watkins said : "If Day set ding, working for their own istance dominate President Toung, the third ber of the committee, at the expense rest of the League, they may freeze cal troit as soon as they please. They will however, that if the committee can do of a player, the League can dispose of a chies, and that, if the League chooses, the Louis and Kanass City players much where it dictates." Unger testified that on the night of January 20, when the murder was committed, he came home, and not seeing Bohle, asked for him ; that his father told him that Bohle had gone to Chicago, adding that he (Bohle) was "no good," and that he did not wan him hanging around any longer. The witness further testified that on the night of Boohle' where it dictates."

Boston, Feb. 15.-A Chicago special to Herald quotes Captain Anson as man "When Spalding first mentioned the man disappearance the lamp was not lighted, as usual, but in its stead his father was burning a candle. Witness slept with his father of Kelly's release to me and named the that night and next morning went to work without knowing Bohle had been murdered. I said, 'Let him go.'" "What !" says Spalding, " get slong ?

out Kelly ?"

When he returned in the evening, he noticed that his father's trunk was missing ; "We can get along without anybody," mid, "who does not want to stay with un there is anyone else dissatiafied let him he asked where it was; his father said be had sent it to Chicago. The remainder of the boy's testimony was merely a recital of his too.

"I tell you, gentlemen," addressing crowd, "the Chicago club without Kelly is stronger than it ever was be Yes, I admit he is the best individual for all around work, but we don't need around work this year. We've got men ista. Oh, well, you may howl, but I tall y we'll be around next fail, as usual, when print is given out"

finance committee to-daydecided to report ad-versely to the House amendmentato the trade losson, with whom An dollar bill, and ask for a conference with the George S understanding that conferees will accept the principal amendment made by the House. The committee also decided to hold special playing billiards, said : "Anson may as as loud as he pleases ; the Chicagos have their playing card." meetings throughout the week to pass upon

This, adds the dispatch, is the general timent. BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 15.-George We

pending matters affecting the national banks and the currency. After disposing of the business on the spoaker's table in the House, Mr. Henderson (Iows), called up the resolution discharging BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 15.-George With mays the Bostone must be congratulated securing Kelley who is not only a p player, but one that can infuse his like spirit into his associates. As a field means Kelly has all Anson's ability, takes it must naturedly, never loss his head, and is to to bring out what playing ability a mean have. Despits his espers on the diamond is popular, for people like to use his white if the other side fail to detect them it is suffer. The price paid will be more made up to the Bostons in their motion home games with the Chicagos. One the committee of the whole from further consideration of Senate bill granting a pen-sion to Mrs. Mary A. Logan, and making the bill a special order for to-day. Debate en-The Senate took up the Cameron bill providing for the increase of the naval establish-

made up to the Bostons in their we home games with the Chicagos. On Morrill was delighted with the sequility Kelly and predicts that he will become uable as a base runner, coach and catalog (Senate special) .- Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, has introduced in the Senate a resolution reciting a provision of the Thurman funding bill to the effect that if either of the

Pacific railroad companies fails for viz months to perform its requirements, such To Tax Tolograph Companies. BISMARCE, Dak., Feb. 15.-The bill fo failure shall operate as a forfeiture, and directing the attorney-gen-eral to advise the Senate whether taxation of telegraph companies parties House yesterday. This bill provides in taxation of this property as property of uiduals, and that the tax shall be sixty the Union or Central Pacific companies have thus failed, and if so, if judicial proceedings per mile for the first wire, thirty mile for the second and twenty mile for each additional wire. It have been instituted against them for the purpose of judicially enforcing the forfeiture of all rights, privileges, etc. The resolution was referred to the committee on the judiciary. mile for each additional wire. It pro-in addition that telegraph companies take out license, and a failure to pay the abrogates the license. At the request a suthor of the bill, the Elliottibill, giving railroad companies power to fix mathe-rates of freight, was made a special case to day and it will pass unless the rails Senator Sherman to-day appointed Sena-tors Morrill, Jones (Nev.) and Beck as con-A Light Vote Polled In the Different Wards co convert some members

L bas s'gains WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 .- It is now ally believed among the best informed cials that the president will, during the clais that the president will, during the week of the sessions, submit to the flat and Jordan. Mr. Jordan will probably main in office for some time after the mo-nation of his successor, to assist him in millarising himself with the duties. Secretary Manning's departure will change the treasury bond call polar, department will continue to call these ont bonds as rapidly as the revenues per at intervals of not more than thirty days, extinguish the three per cent. funded a

extinguish the three per cent. fur within three or four months.

Great Damage by Fields. FORT MADISON, LOWS, Feb. 1 breaking of the levers on the edge of river, eight miles northeast, Thursday filled fifteen square miles of low less

water averaging five feet in depth. negro resident and his wife, while from their home to higher land drowned. Great damage is doue to corn and hay in stacks.

Entirely Satisfa

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 .-- It is t

that the president has been entirely as to the legality and propriety of the of the treasury which were called in

tion by Measrs Wenver, Warner,

others.

Large Audience Witnesses a Strong Variety Company Lost Evening. Monday evening the first variety company

threads out of which our social life

We sometimes complain that our peop have not received the place in the history their country which is manifestly their due. Our echool histories relate at length the story of New England, though the pioneers et Fennsylvania—whether German or Scotch-Irlai—endured trials compared with which those of the Pilgrim Fathernsink into insig-nificance. It is, however, not well to become displeted until we have inquired whether we are not ourselves, in part, at least, to biame for this neglect. Bancrott says—speak-log particularly of the Pennsylvania Ger-mans of the Revolutionary period : "Neither they nor their descendants have laid claim to all the praise that was their due." Here the secret is rovealed. It is because we have not laid claim to what is our due that we their country which is manifestly their due the secret is revealed. It is bocause we have not laid claim to what is our due that we have not received it. Drake in his "Biogra-priced Dictionary" excused himself for dis-proportionate space to the worthles of New England with the remark that "in the Middle and Southern states the necessary materials for such work are exceedingly rate." INTO

Under such circumstances are authors

Under such circumstances are authors to be greatly blaned for neglecting to give us the consideration to which we are justly en-titled? Can we expect to receive justly en-titled? Can we expect to receive justles be-fore we learn to plead our cause? In the work of representing an entire com-munity an individual can accomplish little, but if we had an active, emergetic historical society-mot hostile to similar institutions elsewhere but supplementing their labors in a field which for obvious reasons they cannot properly cultivate, a society to which men of letters all over the land might confidently turn whenever they desired information con-cerning our county—we should, I apprehend, no longer have reason to compisin of the errors into which so many authors have un-wittingly fallen. wittingly fallon.

The word history signifies "search," and though the subject has grown beyond its name, the latter still indicates that historical study amounts to very little without perse voring original research.

It need hardly be said that there is an ex-In the history of our spiendid county is an of the second ing to modern methods of historic study, in the history of our spiendid county; and it might be added that it is just this kind o carnest labor that historic science in America might be added that it is just this kind of earnest labor that historic science in America at present especially needs. At our last meeting, it will be remembered, we con-versed in a free way concerning the interest-ing themes which our history addrds, and, as if by magic, dozens of subjects for investi-gation and literary composition suggested themselves to our attention. We began by speaking of the aborigines who have left their names on our waters, and whose last linguring company—the Constours—were alan and buried here. We spoke of the Swedes, of the boundary line which they ran through the forest and the outpost which they placed on the bank of the Susquehama. We referred to the brilliant warriors of the provincial period whose fams was in some degree eclipsed by the national importances of the Revolution, suggested a multitude of minor themes. "The Contenents Con-grees in Lancester," "The Hessian Prisoners," the schievements of such dis-tinguished officers as Hand and Atlee—these and many other themes were incidentally mentioned. We referred to later conflicts, and especially to the promineet part which was taken by Lancester county in our most resent and greatest war. Yet is was not these warlike themes that

and especially to the prominent part which was taken by Laboaster county in our most recont and greatest war. Yet it was not these warlike themes that damed our highest interest. The topography of our county suggested such subjects for con-sideration as "The Origin of the Names of our Streams, Townships and Towns," "Early of Old Ronds and Bridges," These we passed almost inperceptibly to the contemplation of nature and the natural sciences. "Our Early Forests," "Early Boientific Re-serve for abandomed mines and quarties, as also of early mesufactures—inor-works, the glass works at Manbeim, the old old millions of abandomed mines and quarties, as also of early mesufactures—inor-works, the glass works at Manbeim, the old old millions we passed to the bloor of the brain, and some one suggested "Our Authors and Publishers" as a function theme for an easy or for many comys. There have how hun-tereds of these and the position have comys

At the conclusion of the reading of the es-say a vote of thanks was extended to Dr. Dubbs for his very able paper.

### Dr. Egie's Romarka.

Dr. Egie's Remarks. Dr. Egie was called upon for his views as to how the Lancester society about precess, and how the Harrisburg society was organ-ized and conducted. The doctor stated that the county commis-sioners gave the society a room in the court house, which was fitted up by the society, which number 70 members. Of these only six or seven attend the meetings. All con-tribute, however. He would recommend the tribute, however. He would recommend the appointment of a committee on county history, who should keep a scrap book of inst-ters of iccal interest, committees on history, biography, genealogy, state biography and archeology. There are many indian relics in this county which should be preserved, and many private grave-yards of great his-toric interest. He favored the election of people in all sections of the county as corresponding members. A committee on Lancaster imprints would be one of the member of Congress from the district should brain, for and easy a hun-many of them are not worth anything now, in a few years some are worth their weight tory, who should keep a scrap book of mat-

option on the whole block for all months. A quarter of a million of dollars is the aggregate of the transaction. The effort was under to get the entire block from the Monongahela to the Youghlogheny river at the uniform rate of \$50 an acre. But this was not wholly successful. In most instances \$50 was the price agreed upon, but near the river as high as \$60 and \$65 were paid. The entire block is supposed to contain about 5,000 acres. Twenty years ago coal was bought in the same field at \$100 an acre right alongside of tracks which in this deal go for \$50. This tells the story of the depression in the coal business in the valiey under the combined in-fluence of competition by natural gas and the lockage tolls. But the extent of the deal shows faith in the future of the business. Besides this tract, the same syndicate is deal shows faile in the same syndicate is Besides this tract, the same syndicate is understood to have sequired what is known as the Howell purchases, comprising 1,800 acres of coal in Elizabeth township, bought acres of coal in Elizabeth township, bought years ago.

## Elizabetatowa Notes.

ELIZABETHTOWN, Feb. 15 .- Mr. Joseph Oaschger, formerly of this place, but now of the Chicago Tribune, is at present rusticating with friends and relatives in this vicinity. Communion services were held for the

first time on Sunday in the Lutheran church here. The audience was very large morning and evening. About 100 partook of the Lord's supper.

This evening the fourth lecture of the series will be given in Horst's hall, by Rev. J. W. Johnson, of Reading. The subject is " Love, Courtship and Matrimony." A large attendance will greet him. The last lecture will be given on March 1st, by Col. Cope land on "Saobs and Saobbery," which is looked for with great interest.

Mt. Nebo and Vicinity.

Mr. James Hershock held public sale of his household goods on the 7th inst. It is Mr. Hershock's intention to remove to Wilmington, Delaware. Mr. Frank Brown enlisted in the army

Mr. Frank Brown enlisted in the army of Benedicts on the 21 inst. He was married to Miss Ecoms Seliers by Rev. G. Read. Mr. J. A. Alexander met with an accident recently which will disable him for some time. He was engaged in sawing wood with a circular saw, when his right hand came in contact with the saw in some manner, cutting and tearing his fingers and hand in an ugly manner.

manner Mesara Isaac and Clem Patton bave re-

turned home from Ohlo. Revival services commenced in the Mt. Nebo M. E. church on last Sunday evening, under Rev. G. Read, pastor.

### The American Cardinals

The propaganda at Rome will give a banquet in honor of Cardinals Gibbons and Taschereau after the consistory. The American patriard at the pope's reception to-day will present his holiness with a diamond ring from the

his holiness with a diamond ring from the sultan of Turkey. Numerous visitors, both lay and ecclesisatic, called upon Cardinal Gibbons, among them being Cardinals Jacobini and Parrocchi. Cardinal Gibbons Monday visited several members of the Sacred congregation. Besides receiving visitors the cardinal is busily occupied with various matters. Cardinal Tasoheresu resides at the French seminary at Santa Chiars.

#### Eating Under Difficulties,

From the New York Sun. Country Groom (to bride, who has ordered a Chariotte Russe at a venture)-How's the

puddin', Mariar ? Bride (easying paper cover and all)-The flavor is about the best I ever tasted, John, but the crust is tough an' hard to swaller.

A Child's Query. From the Boston Common wealth.

"Mamma, do you suppose Maudie Green rill go to our heaven ?" "Wby, there is will go to our heavon ?" will go to our heaven "" "Wby, there is but one heaven, Sadia." "Well," with a long-drawn sigh, "I suppose she will come along to meand say 'blab-blab-bla." That's the way she always did here."

\$400,000 a Year for the Militia. The act appropriating \$400,000 a year for the coupment of the militia has become a law without the president's signature, by the expiration of the constitutional limit of ten days. "His failure to sugn the bill is regarded as an oversight as he was not known to object to any of its provisions."

Hern Burned

A large barn and all outbuildings on the farm of Andrew Spear, near Sanyrna, Del., were destroyed by fire Sunday night. Three mules, two horses and four cows, with all the hay and grain in the barn, were burned. Los., \$5,000 ; pattly covered by insurance.

tell from his hand to the seat and Mr on fell to the floor. The verdict of the jury was that he came

to his death by shooting himself in the right eve while insane.

HAD BEEN IN ILL HEALTH.

Mr. Wilson had been in ill health for some time past. He suffered from insomnia and was unable to get the rest that he needed. Last wock he was taken home from his office sick. For some days past his friends noticed that he talked strangely, and his mind seemed to be affected. None of them, however, had the elightest lites that he contemplated self-destruction. Lately he did not appear to be unusually depressed, although

e was not as bright as at other times. Some time ago Major Reincohl, who was an intimate friend of Mr. Wilson, borrowed a revolver from him. Monday atternoon he met him on the street and told him that he would bring the pistol down the first time that he thought of it. In the evening the major had business at his office and he put the revolver in his pocket so that he would not forget it. After inishing his work at his office he went over to that of Mr. Wilson, He handed over to him the revolver, which was unloaded, and Wilson placed it away. The two then sat down and had a pleasant chat for about twenty minutes. Mr. Wilson said that he felt tetter, and he seemed to be in good spirits. They spoke of some law business that they had to gether, and Mr. Wilson floally said that he thought of taking s trip to Florida. Major Reincehl advised him to do se, as he thought

it would be beneficial to him. When the major left it was about 8 o'clock, and Mr. Wilson was then amoking a cigar.

The pistol returned by Major Reincehl was the one with which the shooting was done, It was a revolver with five chambers and the balls used were of about 32 calibre. When found this morning, after the shooting the revolver yet had four loads in it. Mr. Wilson kept cartridges for the weapon in his mee, and it is supposed that he loaded it this morning.

#### THE DEAD MAN'S LIFE.

Mr. Wilson was bern in Elizabethiown on December 27, 1839. He was a son of James Wilson, who still realdes in that borough The deceased graduated at the Millersville State Normal school, and for a time was professor of Greek at the institution. During the war he served as quartermaster under Col. Wickersham. Upon his return from the war he came to this city and read law in the office of George M. Kline, esq. He was admitted to practice on September 19, 1865. He then entered the office of Samuel H. Rey. noids, esq., with whom he remained for a number of years. Mr. Wilson had been an active member of the Lancester city school board, and also

served in city councils. At one time he was an unsuccessful candidate for district attorney of the county. In 1879 Mr. Wilson took a trip scross the continent, and in 1881 made a tour of Europe with Samuel H. Reynolds and family. He was a prominent Mason, having joined the order in 1865. He was a member of Loige 11, past high priest of Chapter 43, a member of Goodwin Council No. 19 ; a member of Lancaster Commandery Vo. 13, Knight Templars, and also of Lancas

ter Lodge of Perfection. He also belonged to Lodge 67, I. O. O. F.

Mr. Wilson was an active member of the Lancaster Athletic club, and was avaiduous in his devotion thereto. He was a great admirer of physical strength and cultivated a good share of it himself. He was a man of the utmost geniality of character, despite his occasional attacks of melancholv. At the annual bar dinner he was always the leading spirit and his don mots on such festive occane were the talk for days thereafter. His

Evangelical Lutheran church. Rev. E. Meister presided. The first topic was "The Work of the Pastor or Superintendent at the close of the session." This was assigned to Rev. E. L. Reed, followed in general discus tion by Rev. C. L. Fry, Prot. R. K. Buehrle, Miss Musselman and others. The second topie announced was: " The Essential Qualideations of a Successful Sunday school Superintendent." The interesting paper on this subject was'read by Mr. S. S. High, and it was ordered to have the paper printed for publication.

Rev. Mr. Moister read the following ques tions, which were answered by different members of the institute: 1. How often should a Sunday school teacher visit his pupils (at their homes? 2. Which do you consider more advisable-rotation in office or permanence? 3. Has a Sunday school teacher a right to attend a theatre ? 4. Should visitors ever be invited to address an infant class?

The exercises were closed with the bene diction by Rev. C. L. Fry. The next session of the institute will

### held in Trinity chapel on March 14. They Had & Good Time.

William Rosenfeld, who is better known as "Dutchy," recently disposed of his back line, and this morning at 1:35 left for Minneapolis, Minn., where he will engage in busi-ness. He was given a royal send off by his friends. Early last evening the Weise's Island Fishing club, of which Rosenfeld is a member ; met at the Lancaster County house and heated by their band marched to the home of Rosenfeld, who lived with his sister, Mrs. Vogelsaug, on South Queen street. Here the band played several selections after which they were taken to the hotel of Johnny Borger, where they were entertained by "Dutchy" with refreshments of all kinds. There was a speech by J. K. Barr ; jig danc-ing by Frank Parker, and songs by Mess rs. Resented, Flynn, Robinson and others. About midnight the party with their band marched to the Menerchor hall, and for a time participated in the festivities of the Liberty band ball. Upon leaving the ball they all went to the Pennsylvania railroad station, where they remained until the train had left.

The Liberty Band's Big Ball. The Liberty band, which is quite a popular musical organization, heid a concert and ball in Mænnerchor hall last night. The band started from their rooms on West King street and made a short street parade before going to the hall. There was a great crowd present, the ball being one of the largest of the season. During the first intermission the concert was given by the band, who played remarkably well. The programme was as follows: "Grand Medley," overture; "The Rambler," (Theo. Moses); specialty cornet solo, by Geo. Schweikert (G. Hazel); grand overture, "Idyll Forge in the Forest" (Theo

Michaelis). After the concert dancing was resumed and kept up until a late hour this morning. Towards the close there was some fighting and Special Officer Babel was somewhat in-jured in quelling the disturbance. Law auits will likely be the result.

### The New Jersey Benatorial Straggie.

The New Jersey Senatorial Straggie. The Republican members of the New Jersey legislature held a cancus Monday night and it was announced that William J. Sewell had received the senatorial nomina-tion. "It is understood that there was trouble in getting several of the Republicans into the caucua, and it is believed that Phelp's name was presented." The New Jersey assembly met last eve-ning. The galleries were crowded with spectators expecting the report in the Haines-turing cause to be brought up. The Demo-crata, however, noticing several vacant seats on their side refused to attend and, there teing no quorum, the House adjourned.

At some of the polls so litt interest was taken that at times there were not more than half a dozen persons standing around. It was expected that there would be a big contest for Alderman in the First ward between Alderman H. R. McConomy and C. F. Eberman, but this morning the latter withdrew. In the Fifth ward there is a big fight between the Citizens' ticket and that of the Republicans.

TO-DAT'S BLEOTIONS.

the City.

The vote of to-day as compared with that of Vebruary 1886 at 3 o'clock is as follows ; Wards. 1886 First. 327 1587

Wards. 1 First. Second Third. Fourth Fight. 292 365 213 285 381 423 412 486 362 Sixth..... 4,141 3,219

### What Changed His Slind.

A young man in the Fourth ward, who cast his first vote to-day, was handed a Republican ticket at the polis and scanning it carefully, said that he thought most of the candidates have been holding office all their lives. The persuasion of his father did not deter him from polling a full Democratic ballot.

Officers Elected.

Wonnded an Emergency Man DUBLIN, Feb. 15.—A body of moonlin lying in ambush at a place called B shot and mortally wounded an "emergen man named Byers and also severely we Police Sergeant O'Cennor and another gency man named McManus. At a meeting of the Lancaster Lodge of Perfection No. 14, A. A. S. R., held last evening, the following officers were chosen; T. P. G. M., Joshus L. Lyte; D. G. M., Joel S. Eaby; V. S. G. W., J. Gust Zook; V. J. G. W., S. Clay Miller; grand treas-urer, H. E. Slaymaker; grand secretary, R. M. Bolenius; grand orator, B. Frank Breneman; trustees, Henry Carpenter, Wil-liam A. Morton and B. Frank Breneman. Greety to Be Chief Signal Offen P WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.-The preside nominated Capt. A. W. Greely to be signal officer with rank of brigadies

#### Quests From Canada

also Horace E. Morse, of New York, collector of customs at Cape Viscon York. Among those registered at the City hotel are A. M. Polley, the well known horse dealer, and Jonathan Miller, a young man York. weighing 327 pounds. They both come from Gadrich, Canada, Mr. Miller being a promi Fow Go Back. NEW YORE, Feb. 15.-Fow of the handlers or longshoremen have gone work at the place. nent hotel keeper of that place.

#### Finding Iron and Coal.

Iron ore and coal pronounced of time quality has been found on the farm owned by Mrs. Abram Hirsh, of this city, at Karthense Clearfield county. Several springs of different kinds of mineral water were also found Directors Choses

Will Pat the Bridge Back

place, which was taken away by the ice.

Died in Phila delphia.

organize.

Hill demotory.

Inter-State Commerce Commer WASEINGTON, Feb. 15.-The At a meeting of the Lancaster Improve-ment company held in Eshleman's Hall last evening, the following directors were chosen : J. C. Hager, George M. Franklin, C. A. Fon-deremith, J. P. Wickersham, J. Fred Sener, J. D. Skilles, J. W. B. Bausman, and R. A. Evans. This evening the board will meet to devoting several hours a day to the ation of candidates for the inter-merce commission.

# Congress from this district.

Deficiency Estimates WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—To-day General Garland sent to the House estimates aggregating \$4,500 to cover see of the marabal for Alasks.

Boss Carpenter W. K. Beard, of the Penn-sylvania railroad, went to Safe Harbor to-day with a large force of men who will be put to Death of an Old Anothern Robert Downey, the oldest are Lancester county and perhaps the stable died in the borough of Monday afternoon, aged 61 years, a family of several soms and damp are well-known olderes in and a burg, and quite a number of gran work at re-erecting the railroad bridge at that The remains of Mrs. George Eberman, who died in Philadelphis on Sunday, were brought to this city this afternoon and taken to the residence of Mrs. H. W. Villes, 244 South Prince street, from which place the funeral took place. Interment at Woodward Hill dometers.

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WASHING P

R. R. Balat and other

Samuel Hees, auctioneer, sold at public sale on Monday for Daniel Logan at his cale and exchange stables, this city, 16 beed of Uaneda hornes at an average price of \$252,19 St of o