## MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD.

CITT SUPERINTENDENT NUMBELE MAKAS SUM B SUNG BBSIUNG.

His Communication Referred to Un How the Free Books Will So Provided and (leverned-Transfer of Tenchers-The Hills That Wore Ordered Paid.

The August meeting of the Lancaster city school board was held on Thursday evening, with the following members present: Mesers. Bernard, Breneman, Brosius, Byrne, Urban, Darmstetter, Eberman, Erisman, Evans Griest, Hartman, Lichty, Marshall, McComsey, McCormick McKiligots, McKilipa, Ocha.
Owens, Pontz, Raub, Ringwait, Schwebel,
Shirk, Snyder, Sprenger, Warfel, White,
Wickersham and Dr. Levergood, president.
The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved.

Arrangements of Schools.

Mr. McComsey, chairman of the superin-tending committee, submitted the following report as to the arrangement of schools in the new building at the corner of Walnut and

In obedience to the direction of the board your superintending committee report the following recommendations relative to the transfer and organization of schools in the new building on Walnut street, and the

transfer and assignment of teachers:
Transfer Miss Downey and herschool from
James street to the new building on Walnut atreet.
Transfer Miss Curtis from the chapel, on

ing.

Transfer Mies Stahl and her school from the old building on Chestnut street to the new building.

Transfer the school formerly taught by Mies Yonker, from Chestnut street to the

new building.

Transfer Miss Robit's school from Chestnut street to Manor street to take charge of Miss Raub's chool.
Transfer Miss Raub from Manor street to

Rohit's school.

Promote and transfer Miss Breneman from Miss Spindler's school to the James street building, to take charge of the school formerly taught by Miss Sener.

Promote and transfer Miss Hoch from Miss Spindler's school to the new building, to take charge of the school formerly taught by Miss Yonkers.

Assign the newly elected teachers—Miss Zahm and Miss McGrann—to Miss Spindler's school, Miss Zahm to take charge of Miss Hoch's school, and Miss McGrann that of Miss Brereman.

diss Brereman.
It is believed that this arrangement will

accommodate all the surplus scholars in the James street and Wainut street districts, and The recommendations of the committee

The Free Hook Pinn.

Mr. McComsey also submitted the following report as to the plan adopted for the carrying into effect of the free book system Your committee having been instructed by the board to prepare a plan for putting in operation the system of free books recently adopted by the board, beg leave respectfully to report the following:

to report the following:

1. Books and stationery will be supplied to
the pupils on application to the teacher, but
pupils are recommended to retain and use
the books they now have until they require

under contracts duly reported to the board.

3. The city superintendent shall make known to the committee from time to time to time the kind and quantity of the books and supthe kind and quantity of the books and sup-plies needed by the schools; and, in connec-tion with the committee, shall have charge of them when purchased, shall see that the books are properly stored, classified and labeled, shall deliver them to the teachers of the several schools upon their requisition, shall have watch concerning their abuse, shall

shall deliver them to the teachers of the several schools upon their requisition, shall keep watch concerning their abuse, shall receive and receipt for such as shall be returned to his office and shall prescribe all forms and make all regulations required for the proper accounting for and reporting of the books and supplies used.

4. Each teacher shall draw the necessary quota of books and supplies for his or her achool, shall keep a careful account with each pupil of such books and supplies as may be received by him, shall see that the books are not abused or the stationery passed by an examination at regular stated times, shall hold the pupils responsible for any damage done to the books in their possession and at the end of each term make a report to the city superintendent.

5. All pupils are required to have neat covers put on their books within three days from the time receiving them. No pupil is allowed to write his or her name in one of the board's books or to deface it in any way. Any pupil losing or defacing a book will be required to replace the same.

In addition to the presentation of the above, your committee desire to say that at their request the city superintendent has prepared a series of forms necessary in carrying the free book system into effect which meet their approval.

Your committee being without experience in matters of the kind were obliged to avail themselves of the experience of others, and by correspondence secured the plans adopted in a number of other cities where the free book system has been long in operation. Figure the formulated in a plan thought best suited for our own use. While it is as near perfect as we have been able to make it, experience will doubtless develop deficiencies and suggest modifications.

Wh. McComsey,

J. P. Wickersham,

J. HAY Brown,

M.R. Cochran sa'd there was one clause in the

r sport as to the parents of the children furnish it so as to make it read that the board also have the books covered. The year and nays were called and Mr. Cochran's amendment was defeated by a vote of ayes to nays, as fol-lows: Mesers. Byrne, Cochran, Hartman, Lichty, Marshall, Raub, Shirk and White voted aye, and Mesers. Bernard, Breneman, Evans, Griest, McComsey, McCormick Mc-Elligott, McKillips, Ochs, Owens, Pontz, Ringwalt, Schwebel, Snyder, Sprenger, Wariel, Wickersham and Levergood, 22, voted no.

Mr. Hartman moved that the blank committee in the report to purchase the books be filled by inserting a special committee of three and the motion was adopted, and the chair appointed Mesers. Hartman, McCormick and Brown as the committee and the report of the committee was then adopted by a manimum rest.

Mr. Evans, chairman of the finance com-mittee, reported that the following bills had been examined and found correct and on his motion the treasurer was ordered to pay the same:

Lancaster Frie Presse, advertising, \$7.50;
R. C. Lawrence, painting, \$12; janitors for
July, \$189; Charles E. Broome, labor and
materiais, \$81.81; McLaughlin & Gessell, on
account, \$500; J. B. Myer, paint and painting, \$2.50; J. W. Hamson, brushes, \$21.57;
Albert Yost, repairing chairs, & 1, \$7.50;
Fred. Brimmer, carriage hire, \$4; McLaughlin & Gessell, on account, \$1,000; P.trick
Cherry, coach hire, \$9; Lancaster Examiner,
advertising, \$11.50; Lancaster Inquirer, advertising, \$3.25; McLaughlin & Gessell, on
account, \$1,000; Alfred Blober, paper, &c.,
\$6.28; R. S. Oster & Bro., repairs, \$1.75.
Mr. Hartman, of the property committee,
reported that the contract for coal for the
achools had been awarded to George Shulmyer, the lowest bidder, and that the committee had awarded the contract for painting
the several schools, fences and buildings to
the lowest bidders.
Mr. Byrne, of the text book committee, said

the committee was not ready to make a final report as to the curriculum for the schools. He reported, however, that the committee, with a number of the members of the board had met the teachers of some of the schools and talked the matter, but have not yet come

Dr. McCormick of the committee on furni ture and apparatus, reported that the school furniture had been inspected and found generally in good order and in need of less repairs than usual. He also reported that there will be a room and shelves needed for the storage of books and supplies, under the free book system.

all the necessary arrangements for the accommodation of the board's books and the motion was adopted. Ony sepertatondent's Report.

Following is the report of the city superin-

LANCASTRE, PA., Aug. 4, 1887.

To the Roard of School Directors:

Gentlemen: Your city superintendent submits the following report for the month of June.

The whole number of pupils in attendance was 241 in the high schools, 300 in the grammar, 503 in the secondary, 708 in the intermediate, 37 in the ungraded and 1,306 in the primary; total 3,007.

The average attendance was 227 in the high schools, 275 in the grammar, 461 in the secondary, 614 in the intermediate, 29 in the ungraded and 1,002 in the primary; total, 2,668. The number of pupils never absent was 1,008; the average percentage of attendance was 88. The number of visits made by the city superintendent was 103; those made by directors were 67, as follows: Dr. M. W. Raub 11, C. Schwebel 3, Wm. McComesy 23, Dr. Levergood 3, J. W. Byrne 2, W. W. Greist 16, T. Erlaman 1.

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REGULARITY OF ATTENDANCE.

The accompanying statistical report will show the number of pupils enrolled as well as the average attendance in each school, both for the month and for the term. A comparison of these figures with those of last year, will show an increase of one per cent. In the total enrolment of two per cent. In the monthly enrolment, and of three per cent. In the average attendance. Part of this gratifying increase which shows more regular attendance is no doubt due to the improved accommodations provided for the primary grade in the northern part of the city, but I am inclined to attribute part of it to the weekly and monthly certificates and to the testimonials of approbation given for regular attendance, good deportment and diligence in study.

The names of the pupils in the grades below the high school, who were present every day of the term are as follows:

Grammar Grade—Jennie Pool, Mary Keener, Ada Kiefer, Mary Smaling, Annie Weaver, Ida Groff, John Baker, Clarence Bausman, Frank Thurlow, John Pritchy, Annie Thompson, Emma Stormfeltz, Sudie Hostetter, Elia Mckiroy, Estella Kiefer, Viola Cooka, Floy Hartel, Mary McMullen, Margie Zeller, Maggie Arnold, Sus Benedick, Katle Rote, Andrew Kamm, Herman Ganter.

Secondary Grade.—Martha Givler, Lillie Fraelich, Ella Widmyer, Minnie Metzgar, REGULARITY OF ATTENDANCE.

Margie Zeiler, Maggie Arnold, Sue Benedici, Ratie Rote, Andrew Kamm, Herman Ganter. Secondary Grade.—Martha Givier, Lilie Fraelich, Eila Widmyer, Minnie Metzgar, Edith Barr, Bertha Hiller, Maggie Kauthold, Frank Auxer, Ed. Wiley, Erederick Ponts, Mamie Morria, Zillah Cumminga, Louisa Ernst, Mabal Miller, Mary Beck, Annie Witmer, Harvey Houseal, Harry Metzler, Wm. Reed, Jacob Shaub, Soott Baker, May Stauffer, Alice Raub, Esther Eggies, Harry Koehler, Olga Riske, Bessie Houser, Elia Wolfe, Laura Torrey, Carrie Herr, Miriam Herr, John Keplinger, Katle Metzgar, Minnie Boos, George Kautz.

Intermediate Grada.—Odnel Relfsnyder, Harry Kaufhold, Emma Young, John Gerber, Mary Gerber, Willie Volmer, Ida Buckwalter, Minnie Buckwalter, Annie Mowery, Harold Diefenderfer, Emma Landau, Emma Leibhard, John Dorwart, Lena Haefel, Dora Booz, Mary Garvin, Charles Fisher, George Arnold, Willie Herman, Elam Root, Maggie Gaebel, Annie McEiroy, Carrie Titua, Annie Voehringer.

Primary grade—May Axer, Emma Raub, Edith Landia, Lizzie Hubert, Mary Bonash, Emma Norris, Etue Keller, Harry Snyder, Cleten Buckwalter, Willie Landau, Naomi Hunter, George Sheets, Bertie Shafer, Lizzie Slough, Ida Lyona.

BOOKS FOR THE POOR.

BOOKS FOR THE POOR. The number of orders for books for the poor during the past term was 160, granted by directors as follows: C. J. White, M. Brosius, G. F. Sprenger, J. H. Brown, S. J. Owens, J. Shindle, each 1; C. F. Eberman, T. B. Cochran, J. Pontz, S. K. Lichty, W. McComsey, Dr. M. L. Herr, each 2; Dr. R. M. Bolenius, W. Wohleen, Hon. J. B. Warfel, W. O. Marshall, each 4; Hon. J. P. Wickersham, 6; George Darmstetter and J. W. Byrne, each 7; Charles Schwebel, 8; Henry Smeych, 10; Jno. McKillips, 11; John Ochs, 16; Dr. J. Levergood and Dr. D. R. McCormick, each 19; A. J. Sayder, 23. The number issued during the previous term was 112, and the term preceeding that only 69. The increase in the number of orders is out of all proportion to the increase to the number of pupils, and reveals either greater leniency on the part of the granters, or less reluctance to make application on the part of the poor. Probably both causes contributed to the result.

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EXAMINATION PERCENTACES.

With a view to lessening the pressure and preventing remarks and comparisons often unjust to pupils and teachers and thus leading to very great evils, the percentages obtained at the annual examinations were withheld from all but the respective teachers, and they were strictly enjoined not to give them to either the pupils or their parents. The pupils were, however, informed whether or not they were entitled to promotion. In this way, it is believed, the studying and teaching for high averages will be checked; at all events, attention will be withdrawn from the marks, and we trust more largely centred on the regular work of the school—the training to good habits of study, and the developing of good traits of character. This course will be pursued in future unless the board should order otherwise.

DINNER-CARRYING.

One of the evils with which we still have to contend, especially in the primary and intermediate grades, is the departure of pupils from half an hour to an hour before the time for closing io the forencon, for the purpose of carrying dinner. Such pupils, as a matter of course, lose the lessons then taught and are therefore detained longer in these grades, so that in many cases they never get beyond them at all. The teachers in the German and English school on South Duke street and those on Manor street have found it necessary to open at 8½ o'clock a. m. and dismiss at 11½ o'clock, which as far known gives universal satisfaction.

PAFER-CARRYING.

PAPER-CARRYING.

A similar evil in the secondary, grammar and high schools is the paper-carrying. For this purpose, pupils leave these schools daily at about 31; to 4 o'clock p. m., thus really attending only about three-fourths of the time, and of course missing the lessons recited during the remaining fourth of the school day. No doubt, they, in some cases at least, obtain parental consent by the persuasive pies that they can get along just as well, but such is not the case. There is work enough at school for every lad in attendance if he but do it well.

INJURY TO EYES.

in this connection, it should also be stated that the lais hour of closing in the afternoon, not only entails extra expense, which, as it is not very great might be overlooked, but is a source of injury to the eyes of the pupils attending the high schoots. The girls' high school room, especially, is entirely too dark after four o'clock to study in without injury to the eyes, and yet, as the darkness comes on gradually, the evil is unperceived and goes on unchecked until the injury is done, when all that can be done is to reveal the wrong inflicted by the wearing of glasses over permanently ruined eyes. The boys, in whose room artificial lighting is not provided for are often of necessity dismissed before the time.

RECOMMENDATION TO CHANGE TIME OF

All these evils would be partially, and most of them estirely, removed by opening the schools as 8:30 o'clock a. m. and at 1 o'clock p. m., and closing at 11:30 a. m. and at 2 p. m. all the year round. This change so advantageous to the children of the poorer of the working classes, would also do sway with the swkward change of programme now measury on the first of October and on the first of March.

female pupils; of the former, the average attendance for the term was 73, and of the latter 37. Since the population for whom these achools are intended, resides chiefly in the southern and northeastern escatons of the oity, and rather on the outskirts, the pupils, more particularly the girls, are obliged to walk entirely too far, especially since this must be done at night, and in the winter when the weather is often incidement and disagreeable, in order to attend them, and hence the attendance is comparatively small and irregular. Instead, therefore, of requiring the pupils from the 4th and 8th wards to pass the South Mulberry street buildings, or those from the 3d and 7th wards, the South Duke street, and walk from one-half to three-fourths of a mile farther to attend the achool on Prince and Chestnut streets, is which there teachers have been appointed, I would recommend that one school be opened on South Mulberry street, one on South Duke street, and one on Lemon street, with one teacher in each. I would recommend the same for the boys, but substitute West Chestnut for Routh Mulberry street, who no teacher in each. I would recommend the same for the boys, but substitute West Chestnut for Routh Mulberry street, Thus at no greater expense, much better accommodations could be offered to those more expecially in need of the best facilities, seeing their directmentance in life prevent them from attending the day schools.

Very respectivity, your obedient servant, R. K. Bush st. E.

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That part of the report in reference to night schools was referred to the night school committee; that in reference to the opening and closing of schools to the committee on the revision of the rules, and that in reference to the withholding of percentage of pupils to the superintending committee.

Dr. Levergood, chairman of the committee on the revision of rules, said he would be absent from the city a great deal and could not give the duties of that committee proper attention, and he asked to be excused from any further service. The board declined to excuse the doctor, but increased the com-mittee by adding Dr. Wickersham to it.

Mr. Griest offered the following, which was referred to the committee on the revision of

the rules:

Immediately upon the adoption of this rule the board shall select from among its applicants for schools two persons, who shall, thereafter, receive instruction in the art of teaching, in the primary schools, under the direction of the city superintendent, in such manner and at such times as the superintending committee shall direct. The persons thus designated shall receive or give no compensation on account of this training; but they shall, when substitutes are needed, be employed in preference to others. And when vacancies in the primary grade cocur they shall be appointed by the board of their original selection, and the board shall, in such case, at once proceed to designate others to take the places of those elected regular teachers.

in the Duke street schools, was presented and accepted. Miss Emma Brimmer was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation.
Visiting Committees.

President Levergood announced the following visiting committees:

ing visiting committees:

Northeast Division—Dr. McCormick, chairman; Charles Schwebel, S. J. Owens.

Southeast Division—Dr. Belenius, chairman; Philip Bernard, Jacob Shindle.

Southwest Division—Dr. Raub, chairman; William Shirk, W. W. Griest.

Northwest Division—George F. Sprenger, chairman; William Wohlesn, Charles J. White.

Yesterday's championship games were played with these results: At Philadelphia: Athletic 10, Mets 3; at Brooklyn: Baltimore 7, Brooklyn 4; at 8t. Louis; 8t. Louis 7, Cincinnat 2; at Louisville: Louisville 2, Clavaland 1.

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In the League the Philadelphia club knocked the Chicago out in a ten-inning game to the tune of 13 to 9.

With the acore 11 to 6 against them, the Detroits in the ninth inning of yesterday's game went in and pounded the ball in every direction, scoring six runs and winning the game.

It would be well for the Association to award the perpetual championship to St. Louis. The other clubs of the organization are no match for the crack team from the Mound City, and if the Browns would jump to the League there would be some equality in the playing strength of the rest of the clubs.

Bixamith, formerly of the Ironaides of this city, has signed with Buffalo.

The Active club, of this city defeated the

The Active club, of this city defeated the Little club yesterday at Penryn park iby the score of 27 to 3,

A 2040 OF THE SHAROM.

I hear the wild bee wind his horn,
The bird swings on the ripsaed wheat,
The long green isnoes of the corn
Are tilting in the winds of morn.

FATE OF FOUR CHILDREN. ORB OF TREM POURS COAL OIL OR THE

BRATER STOVE Scatters Fire Over Thom-Their Parents;

the Others Patally Burned.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 5.—By an explosion of an oil can last night the four children of Owen Hade, living near Etna, Pa., were so badly burned that the baby, aged 16 months, died in a short time, and the other three

The children in some way got possession of the oil can during the absence of their mother, who had gone to the Imbelia furnace with her husband's supper.

Eddis, the oldest child, aged 8 years, poured the oil on the stove as he had fre-

quently seen his mother do, and the explo-sion followed, setting fire to the house and

All were terribly burned before the flames were extinguished.

The parents are crased with grief.

Buckwor Has a Sale Majority.

The Louisville Courier-Journal has re-7 per cent. of the entire vote of Kentucky in 884, when Cleveland's majority was 34,839, 1884, when Cleveland's majority was 34,839. In these counties the reduction of Cleveland's vote has been 9,228. Applying the same rate to the remaining counties the reduction in Buckner's vote will be 11,988. This will leave a Democratic majority of 24,851. The returns during the past twenty-four hours show that the Republicans do not maintain their previous gains.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 5.—Complete returns from 78 counties give a Republican

gain of 27,103, an average of 348 in each county. If this average of Republican gain is maintained in the remaining forty-one counties yet to hear from, Buckner's (Dem.) majority will be 3,029. With 57 counties heard from last night the average Reuublican gain was 337. Hence an increased Republican gain is apparent in returns from the mountain counties received last night. The Democrats have elected sixty-two mem bers of the legislature; Republicans eighteen Union Labor two ; Prohibition five ; not yet reported seventeen. This is a Republican

Warren and "The Spider" to Fight. BOSTON, Aug. 5-At last the noted feather weights, Tommy Warren and Issac O'Neil Weir, the "Belfast Spider" are to come ogether, as the following letter from John Donaldson, of Minneapolis, will show :

DEAR SIT : Your letter of the 29th at hand DEAR Sir: Your letter of the 29th at hand, and in reply I would state that we will match Tommy Warren with the Spider for a ten round contest with two ounce gloves, the fight to take place within five weeks, the weight to be 120 pounds. I will forward the articles in a day or two for Weir's signature, and expect both men to put up a deposit as a guarantee of their weight and presents. The light will take place at the rink in Minneapolia, and the date will be decided on later. The winner will take 75 per cent. of the gate receipts and the loser 25 per cent.

Butler Knows Better. BOSTON, Aug. 5 .- During the recent convention of colored veterans in this city it was stated in the discussions that the first colored troops enlisted in the late war came from Massachusetts. Ben. B. F. Butler to-day publishes a letter in which he states that this s a mistake and asserts that in 1862 be enlisted three regiments of colored troops in New Orleans and had them in action a long time before colored soldiers were used else where. He writes the letter, he says, to cor-

rect an error in history.

At Washington, to day, the Siamese visitors were introduced to the president.

The brass and Ironwork factory of W. F. Washburne at Yonkers, N. Y., was damaged by fire this morning to the extent of \$20,000.

Hon. Samuel J. Randall and Chairman

Daniel Lyons, the alleged murderer of Joseph Quinn, the athlete, entered a plea of not guilty when arraigned in New York to-

day.

Thirty-eight Frenchmen employed on the railroad and residing at Avricourt, Germany, have been expelled.

This is the last day of the great Chicago boodle trial. The court room is filled with people eager to hear the result.

The achooners, Argonaut and French, whose boats were selzed by the Canadian authorities while they were still outside the limit, arrived al Gloucester, Mass., this morning.

ing.

The fifteen Hungarian cigarmakers who have been on a strike at New York for the past six weeks have been given one more day in which to go back to work. If they do not return they will be ejected from their tenaments.

How stanford. Huntington and Others Profited by the Central Pacific.

Daniel W. Strong, of San Diego, Cal., testi-tified before the Pacific railway commission in San Francisco on Thursday that he was

one of the original stockholder and member of the first board of directors of the Central Pacific. He stated that Huntington, Hop-kins, Crocker, Stanford and Miller really composed the board, and that they managed

composed the board, and that they managed the road regardless of the opinion of the majority. The witness stated that there seemed to be a disposition to take advantage of the stock subscribers, and finally he concluded to resign from the board, and made application for his stock, but did not receive anything for it, and never made an effort through the courts to recover it, though strongly advised to do so.

A letter written by Strong was also produced before the commission, in which he stated that during the construction of the road through the Sterras Stanford and Crocker swore to affidavits that the foot hills commenced at Aroade Creek instead of Dry Creek, as laid down by T. D. Judah and himself, who was other assistant. The witness also claimed the subsisty was \$16,000 per mile for the foot hill section, a distance of twenty-two and one-half miles. Huntington & Co.'s affidavit, which Judah refused to sign as well as himself, gave \$32,000 per mile, while there was not a cut or fitting of three feet in the whole distance.

Strong was asked for the papers to verify these statements, and promised to produce

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Strong was seked for the papers to verify these statements, and promised to produce them. He also denied having received several sums of money, amounting to nearly \$10,000, payment of which was credited on the company's balance sheet, in 1865.

American Dental Society Officers. In the American Dental Association, Niegara Falls, Thursday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Frank Abbott, of New York; first vice president, Dr. R. C. Butler, of Cleveland, Ohlo; second vice president, Dr. F. B. Walters, of Baltimore; corresponding secretary, Dr. F. A. Levy, of Orange, New Jersey; recording secretary, Dr. G. H. Cushing, of Chicago; treesurer, Dr. G. W. Keely, of Oxford, Ohlo; executive committee, L. D. Shepard, of Boston; A. H. Hunt, of Iowa City, and A. W. Harian, of Chicago.

Brooks' Execution to be Deferred.

A dispatch from Block Island, Mo., states that P. W. Fountieroy, one of the attorneys of Hugh M. Brooks, alias Maxwell, presented the case of his client on Thursday to Justice Milier, of the United States supreme court, who is stopping at the Ocean View hotel there, and obtained from him a writ of error in the case. The effect of this order will be to bring the case of the chlorotormer before the supreme court for a hearing on constitutional points, and will defer the execution of Brooks, which was set for the 26th of this month.

Catholic Total Abetinence Union.
The Walnut street theatre in Philadelphia was packed on Thursday with those who liked to hear the Catholic Total Abstinence Union denounce the drinking habit. The

Union denounce the drinking habit. The convention was presided over by Archbishop Ryan. A committee was appointed to formulate plans for celebrating the pope's golden jubiles.

A resolution which precipitated an animated discussion was as follows:

Resolved, Therefore, since intemperance is not only a personal vice, but productive also of crimes against the public weal, public order and law, that we indorse and support the legislatures of our different states that courageously seek to repress these orimes and to thus guarantee us a fuller enjoyment of our citizens of life, liberty and happiness.

Father Doran stated that a minority of the committies objected to this resolution as committing the convenion to the support of legislative movements for the entire restriction of the liquor traffic. A comewhat confused debate followed, several delegates wanted the resolution stricken out, while others argued for the adoption of the entire report.

The resolution was finally stricken out. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Rev. Thomas J. Consty, of Worcester, Mass.; vice president, Rev. Thomas E. Walsh, of Notre Dame collegs, Indianapolis; tressurer, Rev. Philip J. Garrigan, of Fitchburg. Mass.; secretary, Philip A. Nolan, of Philadelphia; provincial vice presidents, Cincianati, William A. Manning, of Cleveland, Ohio; Baltimore, Frank McNerhamy; Boston, Rev. J. J. McCoy, of Westboro; Chicago, Hugh J. McGuire; Milwankes, Rev. M. E. Murphy, of Stillwankes, Rev. M. E. Murphy, of Stillw

BRIEF STATE NOTES.

President Cleveland is to be invited to the state fair in Philadelphia.

Frank Drake has been held in \$10,000 ball for cansing the death at Easton of Christopher Gibbona.

Rev. D. D. DeLong, D. D., of Annville, has resigned the presidency of Labanon Val-

has resigned the presidency of Lebanon Val-ley college, to take effect immediately. Officer Geyer has arrested E. H. Blundin in Philadelphia. He is a fugitive from Har-risburg, where he is charged with attempted

ristory, where he is charged with attempted poisoning.
Since the death of School Tax Collector Joseph E. Yingiing, in Allentown, it has been discovered that he was short between \$5,000 and \$6,000 in his accounts.
While a boating party of six were enjoying themselves on the Ohlo river at Pittsburg, the boat suddenly overturned and Mrs. Henry Monath, Jr., was drowned.
J. R. Miller, station agent at Allentown of the Lehigh and Susquehanna division of the Central railroad of New Jersey is a defaulter in the sum of \$1,000. He has disappeared.
The miners at Pottaville are determined to enforce the law, which orders the payment of their wages semi monthly.

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Meliville Reese Dill, brother of United States Marshal Dill and a prominent lumberman of Myerstown, Somerset county, died from the effect of ether at the Bingham house, Philadelphia, on Wednesday while undergoing a surgical operation.

The Platform of Virginia De The platform adopted by the Virginia Democrats enlogizes President Cleveland's administration, and then gives these tariff planks:
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"We demand the immediate repeal of the internal revenue system, a relic of the war, and no longer necessary to meet the demands of the government, because it is oppressive, fosters monopolies and is obnoxious to the interests of our people.

"We favor raising the revenue requisite for the support of the Federal government by a tariff upon imports, limited to the necessities of sovernment consulting of sovernment consulting of sovernment.

committee of government economically admin-letered and so adjusted in its application as to prevent unequal burdens, encouraging productive interests at home, the devalopment of our material resources, and afford just compensation to labor, but not to foster monopolies."

On the debt question the platform favors

the Riddleberger bill. It declares that the state should provide for the indigent widows of soldiers who fell on the field of battle or

The trouble in the transportation of troops o Mt. Gretna growing out of the differen between the Philadelphia & Reading and the Cornwall & Lebanon railroads was cettled Cornwall & Lebanon railroads was settled Thursday evening after an interview between General Passenger Agent Hancock, of the Philadelphia & Reading road, the Cornwall & Lebanon road officials, and Adjutant General Hastings. In order to facilitate the business of the state the Cornwall company officials agreed to permit the transfer of the troops from the Philadelphia & Reading to the Cornwall & Lebanon road at Lebanon, leaving the trouble for future adjustment by reference to Governor Beaver. After a day's detention at Cornwall peace now reigns.

B. Frank Eshleman, esq., a private in the Philadelphia City Troop, will leave for the Mt. Gretna encampment this evening. He will ride from this city to the camp and be accompanied by Aiderman W. J. Fordney.

A Strange Story From Norristown.

John Fry, aged 30 years, and for several years an attendant at the state hospital for the insane, at Norristown, disappeared from that borough about a week ago, and was seen in Philadelphia Saturday. Again he disappeared, and Wednesday his wife received a telegram from Harrisburg stating that her husband had drawn \$20,000 out of bank, had been robbed and headly injured. Mrs. Fry was importuned to come at once. Not long ago Fry had a fortune estimated at \$100,000 leit him, the money being deposited in a Harrisburg bank. He drew \$1,800 and started on a spree, which included the peculiar feature of treating children in Norristown to candy, fruit and cake until their mothers had to put a summary stop to Fry's generosity. Not a cent of the \$1,800 remained when Fry left Norristown.

Should Be Ousted.
From the Heading Telegram.
The Lancaster INTELLIGENCES has create The Lancaster Intelligences has created a sensation by exposing the miserable condition of some patients at the county hospital and their ill treatment by the officials. It publishes over two columns of affidavits of persons who confirm its statements in every particular. One of the immates, Harry Metzger, who was sent there with a crushed foot says he "has tough meat and rice soup every week with little black bugs in it." He was put in a room by the doctor who "did not see him for a week or more." Joseph Conway says "we had barley soup, and often found worms in it half an inch long." Those Lancaster officials needed a raking up and should be outed by the court.

A harvest home picnic will be held in Piper's grove, near Alexandria, on Saturday Piper's grove, near Alexandria, on Saturday of this week. Great preparations have been made for this event, which promises to be one of the largest ever held in the vicinity. Four bands, an orchestra and the Alexandria gies club will furnish music for the coossion. Prof. C. A. Harnish, of Franklin and Marshall college, Lancaster, Pa, and other prominent gentiemen, will address the assemblage.

Got the Wrong Medicine, From the Easton Argus.

Lilian, the two-year-old daughter of Robert H. Hayre, of the Lehigh Valley railroad, died at Bear Creek on Monday night, from the effect of being poisoned by some medicine not intended for her and of which the child in some way came in possession. A special train was sent up from Bethlebem on Tuesday morning for the remains. The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon.

The election returns on the prohibition question are coming in rapidly. All counties in Southern Taxes are giving large majorities for the anti-Prohibitionists. The present returns, carefully estimated, indicate that the Prohibition question will be answed under by a majority of \$6,000.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug 5.—The state Board of Health met yesterday. Dr. Fritsche reported on a number of county buildings he visited. The jails in Lawrence and Perry counties, he says, are unfit for human habitation, and in the first named the stench was so dreadful he was unable to stay in the cells a minute. The sewerage in both is very bad and he recommended the condemnation of both. The poor house of Lawrence county was in a horrible condition, and he said the overseer pockets the proceeds of the lebor of all the inmates that he could hire out to farmers at \$1.75 per week. Young children were forced to sleep with old inmates who were inflicted with all sorte of diseases. These Are Serious Charg

John Sinks Tops of Thousands NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—The following card is published in to-day's issue of John Swin heavy loss to myself for every week of each year, I have edited and published John Swinton's Paper. These losses continue up to this day. I cannot longer bear them. My

means are no longer sufficient to bear any further strain. I have been wrecked by this paper, and by the labors associated there-with—in which during the past four years i have sunk tens of thousands of dollars—all of it out of my own pocket. The publica-tion of John Swinton's Paper must now, therefore, be brought to an end. There will

DUNKIRK, N. Y., Aug. 5.—At 11 o'clock last night fire was discovered in the western part of the St. James hotel, and although the full fire department was promptly on the scene, the flames spread through the build-ing in every direction and connected with the Eastern hotel adjoining. In a very few minutes both were in flames and at 12:30 spread to the buildings in the rar, but were soon extinguished. The hotels are a total wreck. Insurance small. The tire is thought to be work of an incendiary. No one was hurt. The total loss will probably reac

How a Chicken Thief Was Caught. Indianapolis, Ind., August 5,—John Volmer, a West Indianapolis poultry breeder, recently contrived a novel idea for catching thieves, who visited his chicken roost. It was so arranged that whenever a robber entered the poultry yard a weight would drop upon Volmer. Last night he was awakened by the alarm. As he stepped out of his door with his shotgun the thief ran and refused to obey a command to hall Volmer fired and the fugitive feil. He then found that the thief was a woman named Sarah Ott, and that the entire load o shot had entered her body.

Four Believed to Have Drowned. Council Blurra, Iowa, Aug. 5.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers held a pionic at Lake Monomowa, a pleasure resort near this city, yesterday. Several pleasure steamers ply on the waters of the lake. One of these, with a party of bathers on board, sprung a leak during a squall and sunk. A portion of the canopy remained above water and to this the people clung until rescued. Four persons are reported missing—Charles Ferson, of this city, Joseph Newman, of Omaha, and two others those names are unknown.

Races at Seretoga SARATOGA, Aug. 5 .- Fourth extra day. First race, purse \$350, one mile. Alfred won, Rosalind 2, Broughton 3. Time 1:45. Odds

Second race for 2-year-olds, five furlongs. After a long delay at the post the sixteen starters got off. Kingerab won, Fleurette second, Peeweep third. Time 1:06. Odds 4 to 1. Third race, sweepstakes for all ages, one mile and a furlong. Wahoo first, Swift sec-

Fourth race, mile and seventy yards, Chance won, Unique 2, Santa Claus 3. Time

NELSONVILLE, Ohio, Aug.5.—Local mines of the district resumed work this morning, the operators beaumed work this morning, pay notices and agreeing to adopt the same system of payment as will be settled upon by the larger companies of this and other districts. It is thought the semi-monthly system will be unanimously agreed upon.

Mormons May Locate in Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 5.—About 100 Mormons from Salt Lake City made application to the Dominion government for homestead lands in the vicinity of Medicine Hat, N. W. T., with a view to forming a settlement of the faithful. The matter is now under conthe faithful. The matter is now under con-sideration. The minister of justice strongly

A Disastrous Wreck.
SANDUSKY, Ohio, Aug 5—A misunderstanding of orders caused Lake Shore treight
trains 52 and 47 to collide on a curve near Ceylon on the shore of Lake Erie last night.
The trainmen all escaped injury by jumping.
Fifty cars were hurled from the track, some of them plunging into Old Woman's creek.
The loss is between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

opposes the introduction into the country of

New York, Aug. 5.—Mrs. Julia E Hushey, an elegantly attired lady who says she is the wife of an ex-sheriff and merchant of Philadelphia, was held to ball here to-day on a charge of shoplifting. She indignantly denies the charge, but the detective of the store where she was arrested swore positively that she took a parasol up and pulling the

He was Henry Demett.

BAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—From letters found by officials it is learned that the real name of the man who was brutally murdered in the county jail Monday night by the Greek prisoner is Henry N. Demett, and that he was the son of wealthy and respectable parents at Clifton, Passale county, N. J. He assumed the name of George H. Marshall to hide his identity from the world.

Bacd for Atleged Libel.

BERLIN, Aug. 5.—The house of Krupp, the gunmaker of Resen, is about to institute legal proceedings against several French and Italian newspapers for having published articles alleging that the famous establishment had become pecuniarly involved to the extent of downright failure.

London, Aug. 5.—The pope is said to have resolved to take an active part in Italian politics, and has organized an electioneering committee to canvass the country in the interest of Vations candidates for seats in the Chamber of Deputies.

London, Aug. 5—Fully 4,000 engineers and firemen employed by the Midland railroad are on a strike, and the diseffection is spreading. Freight traffic is almost suspended.

HARRISDURG, Aug. 5—A. Penn Luck, a well known contractor of public works, died in this city this morning in his 66th year.

PRICE TWO CENT

THEY ARE NUMEROUS. THE PRESIDENT SATS HE IS

ING TOO MANY INVINATION

My With Min to Not Post Th Gity in His Western Trip, But Do Hat Receive a Dofinite Answer,

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—A determine of fourteen leading business men and unable pai officers of Memphia, called upon the mident to-day, to invite him to risk that day the result to-day, to invite him to risk that day they were accompanied by a number of pressure. Tennesseema, residents of this city. Judge Retes presented a neatly engraved invitation ontaining the resolutions adopted at a members of the citizena, urging the president of Mrs. Cleveland and members of the cabine and their wives to visit Memphia while aroute for or returning from Atlants. Judge Estes said that his associates and himself had been appointed to express the desire of the citizens of Memphia, regardless of politics, that the president should visit them. The invitation was carried, so earnest that the people would not assept the president's suggestion that a written invitation should be seen but a series. earnest that the people would not need the president's suggestion that a written invitation about be seet, but permissed in sending the delegation to meet him face to face, and to urge him not to pass by the city of Memphis without accepting its hospitalities. Memphis lay in the president's path by the most enjoyable route from Kaness City to Atlants. It was in the richest part of the bouthwest, and after many mistortunes it had become a healthful, beautiful and most pregressive city, and which the president should see and know. The people of Memphis see and know. The people of Memphis would esteem it a great privilege to have the president as their guests, and a cordial welcome and generous hospitality awaited him, while a visit would be in the line of public

It was fitting that the highest officer of the government and the most exalted represent tive and champion of American citizenshis should come in contact with those who held American citizenship as a priceless jewel. His visit would be in every way useful and

The ladies of the South—her Southern also ters—extended a most cordial invitation to Mrs. Cleveland that they might do honor to so eminent an example of modest grace and womanly dignity, exercising an emobling influence from an exalted position. He concluded by pressing the president to accept the invitation.

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The president replied that he was greater in the president replied that he was greater in the contract of the The president replied that he was gratified by the invitation and the manner in which it was extended. He regretted only that he could not announce his unqualified acceptance of the invitation, prompted by a restiment which he knew to be generous said sincers. He was becoming more and more embarrassed by a multitude of invitations. Almost every hour brought a new one. The requirements of public duty and limitations of time must be recarded. He however of time must be regarded. He, however smoorely desired to visit Memphis, and wendeavoring to map out a route that wou enable him to do so. If he came, his vis would be very short. In a few days he would make a definite announcement of his programme, and would rigidly adhere to it.
The president has about decided to stop at Indianapolis and Columbus Ohio on his

A LITTLE BOY'S TREBIBLE PALE While Attempting to Got Out of a Pos

New York, Aug. 5.—A 9-year-old boy was this morning seen to crawl out of a rear fourth story window of the tenement house No. 21 Spring street, reach the fire escape and attempt to descend. He had not got half way down when, either from weakness or dissipations. down when, either from weakness or dis fell to the yard, turning two complete some saults in the descent. The little fellow struc-on his back and received injuries from which he will probable dis-

on his back and received injuries from which he will probably die.

The Italians who live in the vicinity, as usual, tried to prevent the police from obtaining any information concerning the accident, but it was learned that Saverio Vicino and Debora Basilonia, the parents of the boy, always locked him up in the fourth story room, where they lived when they went to work at 5 o'clock in the morning, and left him without food. When Joseph, the boy, awoke this morning after his parents had gone, he had been without food for twenty hours. Hunger impelied him to try to make his way to the street in the hope of finding some scrape of food.

He Killed His Desgater.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Frank Pittmen, who stabbed his daughter Rechel last night, was brought to the coroner's office to-day. He looked the picture of despair and kept his face buried in his hands all the time. A brief hearing was held and the prisoner remanded to the Tombs. The mother saked the coroner for a certificate of death to enable her to obtain some insurance money on the murdered girl in order to defray funeral expenses. The father on hearing the request started up and quickly wrote an order on a bank for \$110. The inquest will be held on Tuesday.

Gold Pieces as Big as Feas.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—News has just been received here from Bouthern California that prospectors have come into San Diego with specimens of ore which have set expert miners wild. Lead was discovered near Han Diego about a week ago. The ledge was broadened to four feet wide, with a great quantity of credited with free gold in sight. One specimen of gray quarts weighing four pounds in filled with pieces of pure gold as large as peas, as other mineral being present. It has not yet been assayed. Companies are forming to work the mines.

The Emigrant Duebarged.
New York, Aug. 5.—Judge Lacoust to-day dismissed the case of the emigration commission against Ingjerd Joseon, it Swedish emigrant woman whom the commission are endeavoring to have adjudged pauper and sent back to Sweden from whom she came. In dismissing the case the judgest and: "The normal condition of every body in this country is that of freedom. The woman is restrained of her freedom is the determination of the board of case the accretary of the treasury, its higher authority, and there is nothing just for the court to do but to dismiss the case and decharge the woman."

Volunteer Wine the Rose,
NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 5.—The horber how
this morning was fairly alive with small
crafts fisting about among the yachin to an
the sating rose for the Goslet oup. The catries are: Volunteer, Sachem, Furthan, Allantic, Iroquele, Palmer, Princilla, Monflower, Huron, Titania, Mischiel, Tranks
dour, Resolute, Dare, Fombania, MonConcord, Bedouin, Gracie, Asieus, Familie,
Phantom.