

**A BOLD BURGLARY.**

**MONEY AND A GOLD WATCH TAKEN FROM CASPER KOEBLER'S HOUSE.**

The Thief Enters the Residence From a Balcony and Steals Half a Dozen Rooms. Mr. Koebler's Apartment Visited and His Treasures Depleted.

A bold robbery was committed this morning between 1 and 3 o'clock, at the residence of Casper Koebler, brewer, 827 and 829 Church street, the thief ransacking half a dozen rooms and stealing several dollars in money and a valuable gold watch. The thief was evidently acquainted with the premises and with the habits of the family. Mr. Koebler closed the bar-room at 12 o'clock, midnight, and retired to bed before one o'clock, and the brewers came to work about 3 o'clock in the morning, and it was between these hours that the thief made his visit to the premises. Adjoining Mr. Koebler's residence is another house owned by him. There is a staircase leading from the yard in the rear of this house to a rear balcony on the second story. All the doors on the second floor were open, and one of these doors opens on another balcony connected with Mr. Koebler's residence. This balcony is on the second floor above described, passing from one house to the other, none of the inside doors being locked, passed into Mr. Koebler's sleeping room, stole \$3 or \$4 in change from his trousers pocket, then skipped into another room occupied by Mr. Koebler and stole a watch, and then Mrs. Koebler's purse containing a few dollars, and then went into an adjoining room occupied by a hired woman and stole her purse containing a dollar. The thief then descended the staircase to the parlor, dropping Mr. Koebler's trousers at the foot of the stairs. In the parlor he stole a pair of clothes and other valuables which the thief left undisturbed, but stole from the vest pocket a valuable double-cased gold watch and chain, and then, probably, escaped from the premises by the same route by which he had entered them.

**AT THE STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.**

**MILLENVILLE, May 16.**—The students of the Normal school in many of the people of the village had the pleasure of hearing two excellent addresses this evening. Prof. Woodruff, for many years superintendent of public schools in Chester county, delivered an excellent address upon "The Attributes of the Teacher." In an easy, practical manner he brought out the characteristics of a good teacher. The teacher should be well born and have good health. The common opinion is that the feeble should enter a learned profession and the strong should work in the open air is wrong; by the contrary to this is true. The next qualification of the good teacher is poverty. The speaker never knew of a rich person being a good teacher. Poverty gives a determination to overcome difficulties and urge the teacher to make a success of his undertaking. Vigor and energy are also necessary attributes as well as executive ability and good address. No investment pays a younger man as well as an investment in kindness. Text to do the right thing at the right time is also necessary.

The teacher should also carry sunshine with him everywhere and be able to communicate to those around him a hopeful spirit. He should also have knowledge of himself and of the things he has to do, and things he does not know other things; finally he must have professional knowledge and a good moral character. The end of all education is the culture of the individual, the development of his mind and his body, so that he may be the better prepared to do his appointed life-work.

The speaker gave the young teachers present some very good advice concerning examinations and teaching the first day of school. The address was closely listened to and frequently applauded.

Dr. E. L. Taylor, principal of the Carlisle Indian school, Mr. Pratt gave a short address upon the Indian question. His talk was exceedingly interesting. He spoke of the various plans tried by the government to settle the question and of the success of the plan by sending the Indians to the States. There are 200,000 Indians in the United States. These speak 70 different languages. The proper way to civilize them is to separate them and bring their children into the public schools, and thus assimilate them. We assimilate every year from 300,000 to 500,000 foreigners simply by separating them and changing them under the influence of the public school. The Indian is as susceptible of civilization as a man of different color and all that is necessary is for us to help him to be a man and then let him be one.

**Great Council Officers Elected.** The present session of the Great Council Improved Order of Red Men held at York, Pa. is the largest ever held, over 200 delegates being present. At their session on Wednesday the following officers were elected: Grand Sachem—Thomas D. Tanner, Easton; Great Sachem—W. G. Myers, Philadelphia; Grand Junior Sachem—John M. McQuilly, Lancaster; Great Prophet—Robert P. Morton, Philadelphia; Great Chief of Records—Thomas K. Donnelly, Philadelphia; Great Chief of War—George E. Keane, Philadelphia; Representatives to Great Council of the United States—Frank Oliver, Philadelphia; James Maloney, Philadelphia; Joseph F. Edward, Philadelphia; Henry Ommert, Pittsburgh.

The officers elected will be installed tomorrow. The reports of the committees on laws, finances and state of the order were heard, and the laws governing the rank of Pooshant degree were acted upon. Allentown, Pa., has been agreed upon as the next place of meeting of the Great Council. The present Great Council will probably adjourn at noon to-day.

**Wednesday's Session of the Methodist Conference.** After religious exercises in the Methodist conference in York, Pa., on Wednesday Dr. E. L. Taylor, D. D., and William Swidwell offered a resolution providing for a two-thirds vote to constitute an election of a bishop. Motions to refer the election to the committee on episcopacy and to lay it on the table were subsequently made and lost, and the resolution was then adopted by a vote of 202 to 131. The consideration of the report on ministerial and lay representation was, by general consent, postponed until Friday, at which time a supplementary report will be considered. Prayer was offered by Bishop Fox, which included addresses were made as follows:

**Matthew Simpson,** by Rev. Jacob Todd, D. D., of the Wilmington conference; **Bishop Isaac Wiley,** by Rev. W. W. Joyce, D. D., Cincinnati conference; **Bishop William Taylor,** by Rev. W. W. Whitlock, D. D., North Ohio conference; **Rev. Daniel Curry, D. D.,** by Rev. Joseph Pullman, New York East conference; **Rev. Marshall W. Taylor, D. D.,** by Rev. W. R. Hammond, Lexington conference; **Rev. D. D. Weedon, D. D.,** by Rev. J. M. Bockley, D. D., of New York conference.

**A Dinner to the Supreme Judges.** A complimentary dinner was given Wednesday evening to the judges of the supreme court of Pennsylvania at Boldt's restaurant, in the Bullitt building, Philadelphia, by the members of the Lancaster bar. The dinner was given at the Lancaster bar. The dinner was given at the Lancaster bar. The dinner was given at the Lancaster bar.

**The New Water Works.** Mr. Davidson of Northampton, is in this city to attend to the moving of this plant to the old works.

**A Proposed Inter-County Bridge.** County Commissioners Gingrich, Worth and Leber, went to Baltimore, on the Cornwall and Lebanon railroad, this morning to confer with the Lebanon county commissioners in reference to the building of an inter-county bridge in that vicinity. They will return to this city this evening.

**High School Annual.** The executive committee of the high school alumni met on Wednesday evening and decided upon a banquet for the evening of commencement day, the date fixed for their annual reunion. Another meeting will be held on next Wednesday evening when the full programme of exercises will be decided upon.

**A VERY HEATED DEBATE.**

**GOVERNMENT SCOTTS AND DAISEL HAD A PERSONAL DISCUSSION.**

In the Talk in the House on the Tariff Bill, Mr. Scott and Mr. Daisel had a Personal Discussion.

The tariff bill was debated in the House at 10 o'clock and evening sessions on Wednesday. Mr. Baker (N. Y.) cited the prosperous condition of industry in his district as attributable to a high tariff. Mr. Bond (Pa.) opposed the bill; Mr. Farquhar (N. Y.) called attention to the fact that the committee on ways and means, to which great commercial and financial interests were committed, was composed of eleven lawyers, one cotton planter and one railroad manager; Messrs. Byrns (Pa.) and Laird (Neb.) thought the tariff bill, as framed by Weaver (Ia.) showed an honest effort to relieve the people.

Mr. Fletcher (I. T.) said the people of his district in New York city had elected him (a Republican) to Congress mainly because the Democratic candidates refused to support the tariff bill. He said he had voted against consideration of the Morrison bill (Appeals on the Democratic side) in favor of the tariff bill. He was in favor of revising the present tariff without waiting for the Republicans to get control of the House. He proposed to do what he thought best for the people, regardless of his party on the subject now when he had the opportunity. He did not care whether the tariff bill was framed or framed if the gentleman who denounced it would prepare a better bill he would certainly be glad to accept it in preference to any other. But if he should be asked to oppose the bill, not so much on grounds of expediency as on account of its unpopularity and history, he would decline to do so, even if he should stand alone on his side of the House. [Applause.]

Mr. Daisel (Pa.) said the tariff bill would force the origin of the bill in considering the question whether it was in the interest of the constituent. There was considerable opposition to the bill in his district. The Indian is as susceptible of civilization as a man of different color and all that is necessary is for us to help him to be a man and then let him be one.

**The New Public Building.** The text of the law for the new public building for Lancaster is as follows: "Be it enacted, &c., that the secretary of the treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized to direct and supervise the acquisition, construction, or otherwise provide a suitable site and to erect thereon a building to be known as the new public building, with fire-proof vaults, for the use and accommodation of the public office, and for other government uses. The site and the building thereon, when completed according to plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the secretary of the treasury, shall not exceed the cost of one hundred thousand dollars nor shall the sum of \$50,000 be expended under the direction of the secretary of the treasury. Provided, That if the site to be used is not in the United States, and the state of Pennsylvania shall cede to the United States all the land in the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal law and the service of any civil process therein."

**FURTHER DEBATE ON THE TARIFF.**

**Arguing For and Against the Measure Proposed to Retain Tariffs.**

**WASHINGTON, May 17.**—In the House to-day Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, presented the committee report on the Cincinnati exposition bill and it was agreed to.

The House resumed consideration of the tariff bill in committee of the whole. Mr. Peters, of Kansas, argued that if a protective tariff was robbery, as asserted by the other side, then the Mills bill only so identified that robbery. If protection was robbery, and the Democratic party was not in favor of free trade, every Democrat who supported protection was a robber, and if the Mills bill was not a free trade measure, every Democratic member of the ways and means committee was a robber.

Mr. Anderson, of Illinois, opposed the protective system for having enriched a chosen few and for having accumulated a dangerous surplus in the treasury. He demanded that a return to a revenue basis reduce wages, or that the protective system be limited to the manufacturing industries of Illinois.

**DEATH OF THE OLDEST MILLER.** John Fry, of Ephrata Township, a Well Known Citizen, Died of Dropsy.

John Fry, the oldest miller in Lancaster county, died at his residence in Ephrata township, on the morning of Wednesday last, aged 73 years. He died in the house in which he was born. The cause of his death was dropsy and congestion of the lungs, and he has been a sufferer several months. Mr. Fry went to learn the milling trade when he was 16 years old and followed that business until a short time ago, a period of nearly 57 years. His father and grandfather, who were also millers, carried on business where he was engaged for so many years and he has two sons, also millers, who will succeed him in his business. Deceased was well known and respected in his community as a man of the strictest integrity. He filled a number of important positions and always faithfully discharged the trusts reposed in him. He was the last of four brothers, all of whom were prominent in their neighborhoods. He leaves a widow, eight children and eleven grandchildren. The funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock on Saturday. Among his children are John H. Fry, a member of the Bar, Mrs. B. C. Keady, Mrs. William Kilmer, of Terre Hill, and Mrs. John Selmdridge, of Ephrata.

**IN TERRIBLE CONTIDION.**

**AN OLD MAN NEGLECTED HIMSELF AND IS FOUND NEARLY DEAD.**

His House, Which He Occupied and Kept Locked, is Broken Into by Neighbors and They Find Him Nearly Dead.

Christian Topp is the name of an eccentric old man who for many years has been living in a house on the corner of Church and North Shippen streets. The buildings are old and dilapidated, and in the rear and on the south side is a small lot. Topp is a baker by trade and in former years carried on the business at his place of residence. He had quite a reputation as a baker and his bread was very well known. He gave up the business some years ago and has since been very secluded. He would come out of the house at times but had little to do with his neighbors and seemed anxious to be let alone. He had not been seen for two weeks until last day. The neighbors who saw him were very much surprised to see him in such a condition. He was found in a window, the shutters of which he had just opened. Mr. Stewart asked him if he was sick and he replied that he was not, and quickly closed the shutters. The neighbors all missed him and people began to inquire about his whereabouts. They were so worried to make an investigation of the matter. A number of men went to the house. They rapped at the front door, but receiving no response they forced open a pair of shutters. The pane of glass in the window was covered with dirt and it was impossible to see through them. The sash was raised and several men crawled into the room, which was almost pitch dark, with the window closed.

In one corner of the room, lying on a very dirty bed, without covering, was an old man, who was nearly dead and was quite thin. His eyes were swollen in his head and his face presented a haggard appearance. When asked if he was sick he replied that he was not. He seemed very angry and did not give the visitors much satisfaction. On the other hand he seemed to regard them as intruders. The whole house was found to be in a filthy condition, and the stenoh was strong that it was almost impossible to remain in the building for any time. Everything was covered with dirt, and the appearance of the whole place was ghastly. An old dog, which had been brought into the room, was lying in the room with him. Like his master the animal is very thin and he looks as though he had not eaten for some time. He was so weak that he could scarcely stand on his feet. He managed to bark and growl at everybody who came near him but was unable to get up to bite. After an examination of the premises had been made by the visitors, they left. The case was reported to the mayor and this afternoon the chief of police was sent up to investigate the matter. In case Topp refused aid or medical attendance he will be removed to the hospital. This afternoon two reporters visited the house and found everything as represented. They pulled open the shutters and rapped looking out set up a great howl. Old Topp was standing immediately inside of the window. He was very angry and they think that he should be removed. They think on account of his filthy condition he pronounced a nuisance. Many of the neighbors speak in a mysterious way of the man and some think that he has money in the house. The property which he lives in is owned by him, but there are about \$600 in cash in the house. The old man and the dog have managed to live during their close confinement no one knows.

**THERE WERE TWO REPORTS.**

**THE COMMITTEE ON THE TENURE OF BISHOPS IS DIVIDED.**

**CONFERENCE CONSIDERS TO TABLE THE REPORT.**

**NEW YORK, May 17.**—Bishop Fox presided at the Methodist Episcopal conference in the Metropolitan opera house to-day. Mr. J. O. Peck, of the New York conference, conducted the devotional exercises. After the reading of the journal of the majority report on the judiciary was read, it stated that the members were reluctant to dissent from the views of the majority on the limit of the bishop's office. They believed the restrictive rule guarding the exercise of the episcopacy, but does not touch its limit, and that it is competent for bishops to fix such limit to the effect that no bishop is to be elected as in his wisdom is deemed best.

Mr. J. M. Mackley and others opposed the report and it was ultimately laid on the table. The majority report on the judiciary presented a very important paper, in which it looked occasion to state the election of presiding elders by annual conference cannot be permitted, as such an assumption of authority would be a violation of the third restriction. The committee also decided that the presiding elders could not have coordinate authority with the bishops in fixing the appointments of the preachers unless first submitted to the annual conference for their decision. The report was laid on the table.

Bishop Taylor is out in a card to day which has created a decided party feeling. He says: "I am sorry to learn that certain statements contained in my quarterly report relating to the proceedings of a synodical conference in 1887 were so effectively misquoted in an official report that I should retract them as untrue and sign a paper to that effect which I could not conscientiously do but promised to examine the subject carefully and if an error is detected then a correction will follow. The statements in my quarterly report are true and are not to be corrected as can be proved by the published records of said committee of 1887."

**THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OPENS.** Six Hundred Delegates Attending the Session in Philadelphia, May 17.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian church, North, to-day opened its sessions by a meeting at the First Presbyterian church of Philadelphia, at Seventh and Locust streets. The church South simultaneously convened in Baltimore, and on May 24, in Lancaster. The session is a grand celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the general assembly, presided over by Moderator Rev. T. Smith, D. D., of Baltimore.

The delegates to the number of nearly six hundred met this morning at Historical hall and marched in a body to the First Presbyterian church. As the procession of delegates entered the church the organ pealed forth its solemn and melodious strains and the audience, which had already occupied the portions of the building not reserved, rose in massive welcome.

Among those who were especially conspicuous were the moderator, Dr. J. O. Peck, of Baltimore; Dr. Howard Crosby, of New York; Rev. G. P. Ayres, who was moderator two years ago; Horrie Johnson, of Philadelphia; Rev. W. L. Williams, of Chicago, and President Cleveland's pastor, Rev. Byron Sunderland.

Among the lay members present were Gov. Beaver, of Pennsylvania, and Gen. Prim, of New York. After the opening exercises and a prayer by the moderator, the session opened with the reading of the 1824 Psalm and a portion of the third chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Romans. Rev. W. L. Williams, of Chicago, read the 1824 Psalm and a portion of the third chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Romans. Rev. W. L. Williams, of Chicago, read the 1824 Psalm and a portion of the third chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Romans.

**THE UNITED LABOR TICKET.** Robert H. Oudry Nominates For President, and W. H. T. Wakefield For Vice President.

**CINCINNATI, May 17.**—The United Labor (single tax) convention, the national nominating Robert A. Coudry, of Chicago, for president of the United States, and W. H. T. Wakefield, of Council Grove, Kansas, for vice president. Coudry is a native of Indiana, but has resided in Chicago since the fall of 1870. He is a practical chemist and editor of the *Chicago Journal*. He left the Republican party in 1876.

Wakefield was born in Kentucky; is a lawyer and farmer and was one of the original members of the party.

**CHARITABLE REQUESTS.** The will of Hiram Best, of Carnarvon township, was admitted to probate to-day. He gives one half of his estate to his wife during her life time and directs at her death the following charitable bequest to be paid: \$100 to Friends of the Society of Philadelphia conference of Methodist Episcopal church; \$500 to Board of Education of the Methodist church; \$600 to the Educational society of the Philadelphia conference, the interest to be applied in helping young men who are poor, in preparing for the ministry; \$200 to Board of Church Extension of the Methodist church. He also provides that in case his son dies before he arrives at the age of 21 years, his share of the estate shall be equally divided between the above named charities.

**Using His Grandfather's Bell.** An auctioneer's bell, which called buyers to many sales during a hundred years, is now in the possession of Joseph L. Haines, auctioneer and real estate agent of this city. The bell was used by his grandfather, who died in 1832, and was used by him until the death of Mr. Haines, the bell was presented to George Diller, father of Isaac Diller, who was also an auctioneer and who died 21 years ago yesterday. Mr. Isaac Diller presented the bell, which is an excellent one, to auctioneer Haines, and he will put it in use.

**An Early Morning Wedding.** A. C. Coble, a salesman in the New York store, and Miss Zona Hess, sister of William J. Hess, were united in marriage to-day. The ceremony was performed at the Presbyterian parsonage by Rev. J. M. Mitchell, D. D., and at 8:10 the newly made man and wife left for New York.

**Visiting His Friends.** Thos. H. Osborne, of San Francisco, is visiting his friend, Mr. Isaac Broops, of this city, who recently returned from San Francisco after an absence of several years, and is now in the grocery business on Congress street. After visiting some of the Eastern cities Mr. Osborne will call on Dublin, from which point he will continue his trip through Europe. He goes in the interest of his trade, that of a carriage manufacturer.

**The Patti Tucker Swindler's Victim.** Benson, the Patti Tucker swindler, committed suicide Wednesday night at the Ludlow Street jail, in New York, by jumping from the second tier to the ground.

**Another Boy Hanged Himself.** The 13 year-old son of H. M. Vaughan, a well-to-do farmer living near Jackson, Ga., hanged himself in the barn Tuesday night with wagon staves. He was the family pet, and died after a slight whipping with a switch administered by his mother is supposed to have been the cause of the suicide.

**Miss Wetmanning Believed to Be Insane.** From the York Daily, May 17.

Mr. Isiah W. Boutin, Jr., and wife, of near Fort Deposit, Md., with whom Miss Wetmanning had been residing in her confinement to the mayor on Monday, had resided for the past thirteen years, came to York Tuesday evening. They say that Miss McCumming's mother died when she was only about three years old, and that the child was taken by a relative named Drennan, in Fayetteville, this county, who raised and educated her. After the death of her foster father she made her home with the Boutins, and was known by the name of Sadie Drenning. Her relatives say that Sarah's father was confined in a Lancaster asylum for insanity for several years and that the lady had a very symptomatic aberration of mind for the past few weeks. She has always been highly respected by her acquaintances, and her confession to the mayor has surprised all who know her. It is believed now that she is insane. A hearing will take place to-morrow.

**Base Ball News.** The League games yesterday were: At Indianapolis, Indianapolis 4, Philadelphia 2; at Detroit, Detroit 2, Washington 1; at Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh 2, New York 1; at Chicago, Chicago 2, Boston 1.

The Association games yesterday were: At Philadelphia, Athletics 9, Baltimore 0; at Cleveland, Cleveland 3, New York 2; at St. Louis, St. Louis 7, Kansas City 2; at Cincinnati, Cincinnati 5, Louisville 3. Emma defeated Allentown by 17 to 9 yesterday.

The League clubs put up some of the best games of the season yesterday. Detroit, is contending to the top, and it has taken New York's best players, including Gus Alberts, of Cleveland, and a home run on the longest hit ever seen on the home grounds of the club. His dollar to cents that some of the Central League clubs will go under before the season is very old.

The meeting of the Athletics, began hitting yesterday and the Press thinks it was owing to the encouragement given him by their base ball editor. Hiscock made his first appearance with the Howlers for some time yesterday, but he is by no means well yet.

The Phillies have taken out of their tails at Indianapolis yesterday. But four hits each were made of Boyie and Casey.

**Officers of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F.** At Wednesday's session of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., in Allentown, 736 delegates were present. All the items were adopted in the expense account for the current year, the only one meeting with opposition being \$75 appropriation for committee on superintendence at Pittsburgh. The total amount is \$20,385. An appropriation of \$800 was also made for a stenographer and type-writer for the grand secretary. The proposition to reduce the membership to 18 instead of 21 years was rejected by a vote of 490 to 24. A number of appeals were heard and referred.

The grand officers elected and their votes follow: M. W. grand master, James P. Robbins, 8,606; R. W. deputy grand master, David Gray, 8,587; R. W. Charles D. Freeman, 8,569; R. W. grand secretary, James R. Nicholson, 8,546; R. W. grand treasurer, G. R. Richards, 8,547; R. W. G. Rep. to G. L., Robert E. Wright, P. G. M., 859.

**Three Horses Ran Away.** This morning a number of men were engaged taking horses up Orange street on the way to the work yards, from where they were to be shipped to Boston. One man had three animals in charge and at Rehner's stable one ran down. The others became excited and ran down North Queen street. Near the postoffice they ran in a wagon but luckily none were injured. They were then stopped and secured when new halters were put upon them and they were taken to the place of shipment. For a time it looked as though they might do some damage.

**Disappearing Reports.** The outlook for crops regarding the outlook for crops are being reported from all parts of Indiana. In many counties hay and corn have suffered severely from the drought, while in the southern half of the state corn-fields are being devastated by the cut worm.