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# ARGUMENT CONTINUED. THE CASE OF JAMES B. JACOBS TO BE HEARD

# BY THE PARDON BOARD ON JUNE 14.

A Commutation Of the Death Senten of Samuel Johnson-Reasons For the Board's Action.

The board of pardons did not have time on Wednesday to hear argument of coun-sel to continue the application for a com-mutation of the death sentence of James H. Jacobs. The date of his execution is H. Jacobs. The date of his execution is fixed for June 25, and there will be no reg-ular meeting of the board of pardons until that day. Counsel for Jacobs were anxious to have

the board hear the testimony taken as to Jacobs' sanity and to give them an opportanity to present it. The board fixed Thursday, June 13, for the final hearing in

If the board should decline to interfer with the sentence nothing further can be done to save Jacobs' life, and his execution will follow on such date as the governor

will follow on such date as the governor fixes. The celebrated case of Samuel Johnson, accused of the murder of John Sharpless, of Delaware county, was decided on Wed-nesday night by the board of pardons, com-muting his death sentence to imprisonment for life. The board of pardons gives the reasons for its action at length. It says this case has been considered very carefully and patiently. It has been five times before the board—the first hearing August 16, '87—having been argued at length on three formal hearings, and nearly as &chaustively on two applications for re-hearing. A vast amount of testimony was submitted, in all aboat 4,500 pag s, much hearing. A vast amount of testimony was submitted, in all about 1,500 pag s, much of it irrelevant and some of it wor hiess for the purposes of which it was submitted as for any other purpose. It is therefore im-practicable to recite at any length the facts attempted to be proved by this vast mass of evidence, and the conclusion which the board has reached is based not so much on their minds as upon other considerations heir minds as upon other considerations bereinafter set forth. The board says it is unable to say that the

innocence of Samuel Johnson has been proven, or that the fact that John Sharp-ess was murdered by any other person has been shown by such evidence as carries weight and conviction of its truth. At the ame time, witnesses have sworn to facts in onsistent with the guilt of the defendant. consistent with the guilt of the detendant, and if this testimony were worthy of belief serious doubts would exist as to his guilt. This testimony, however, taken in connec-tion with the various contradictory and unsatisfactory statements made by the prisoner himself as to his whereabouts and novements and his admittedly fulse de-mations, does not seem in any degree to ave dispelled the mystery and doubts sur-

rounding the case. The board attaches some importance to the testimony of Mrs. Sharpless, taken by the coroner's jury after the murder, when she stated that she noticed that the features of the man who murdered her husband of the num who murdered her husband seemed immovable and that there was no change of expression in his face and hence she had the impression that he might have been disguised. This fact was not called out by her testimony at the trial. Refer-ence is made to the subsequent doubt thrown upon the testimony of Alexander Pritchard and Charles Slevens, leading witnesses for the commonwealth at the trial. Had their evidence been thus dis-redicted at the trial the board thinks it edited at the trial the board thinks i probable that sufficient doubt would have been raised in the minds of the jury to have prevented Johnson's conviction. Referring to the trial of Chogaz and Wilson, the board says the first indictment

Wilson, th as quashed on account of some irregular-in impaneling the jury, and the second ty in impaneling the jury, and the second indictment was ignored. The fact, howA WATCHMAN BADLY WOUNDED. truck by a Lumber Dealer While Try-

struck by a Lumber Dealer While Try-ing to a Collect a Fee. A man, known as Frank Rafferty, a dock watchman employed about the lumber dis-trict, near Twenty-third street and Elev-enth avenue, New York, is lying at the New York hospital with a wound that may prove fatal, inflicted by Charles R. Part-ridge, one of the firm of H. M. Partridge & Co., at Twentieth street and Eleventh avenue. ridge, one of the firm of H. M. Partridge a constant and the street and Eleventh Rafferty has been accustomed to watch imber left upon the docks over night, and to collect pay for the work from the lum-bermen. Some of the lumber of H. M. Partridge & Co. lay on the dock, at the foot of twenty-first street, for two nights last week, and Rafferty watched it. On Satur-day he called at Partridge's office, and asked for 41 for watching the lumber. Charles R. Partridge said that he knew nothing about the matter, had never or-dered any watching. Foreman james Thompson, of the lumber yard, says that when Rafferty was head in 'You ill Partridge at vile name and said : 'You ill Partridge at the don't pay me that dollar. ''. M. Tuesday ovening Rafferty came to the humber yard again. A quarrel enused when ended in Rafferty's being struck on the head near the base of the brain by a baster of the story. Mr. Partridge says that fatterty assailed him with abusive lan-sing and came at him in a threatening manner, putting his hand behind him as if to stave a pistol. Mr. Partridge says that fustor and staterty was drunk. The doctors reported that they could not be the tarfferty was drunk. The Sahara Desert.

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From the Cornhill Magazine

painted.

Shirk.

ment Exercises of the Litits High School Are Held on Wednesday Evening.

LITITZ, May 30 .- The fifth commence-LITITZ, May 30.—The fifth commence-ment of the Lititz high school was held in the Moravian Sunday school chapel last evening. The decorations consisted of a pyramid of flowers at each end of the plat-form and one in the pulpit recess, in the space formed by the looping back of two heavy red curtains. At 7:30 Prof. F. Van

LADIES AND FIVE YOUNG GENTLEMEN.

Next began to play a march on the plano, to the music of which the principal, the graduates, the teachers, the directors and the rest of the high school pupils marched into the auditorium in procession. First on the programme was a prayer, offered by Rev. D. C. Tobias, and this was onered by Rev. D. C. Tobias, and this was followed by an anthem by the singing class, "O Lord Our Governor." William A. Tobias delivered the salutatory oration, "Step by Step," in a very spirited manner. Next came a thoughtful essay by Sophie Bucher, entitled "The True Gentleman."

Piano solo, "March Timpani," (W. F. Raymond,) was rendered by Wm. A. To-bias with remarkable felicity of expression. Barton K. Swarr gave a recitation, "The Debate," by Will Carleton, in an excellent manner. The high school ora-tion, "High Schools," was delivered by Violetta Barr, class of '88. This was a

composition of exceptional merit, to which the young hedy's distinctness of utterance did full justice. A vocal dust, "A Spring Greeting" was charmingly sung by the Misses Katie Halsch and Elsie Huber. The Sahara Desert. From the Cornhill Magazine. The Sahara as a whole is not below sea and it is not the dry bed of a recent ocean, and it is not as flat as the proverbial pan-cake all over. Part of it, indeed, is vory mountainous, and all of it is more or less varied in level. The Upper Sahara con-sists of a rocky plateau rising at times it descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand," but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand," but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand," but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand," but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand," but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand, "but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand," but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of clay and sand, "but still for h descends by a steep slope, is "a vast depression of the Upper Sahara is less than 1,300 feet high-a good deal higher how aportion of the country; the soil around h descinctent lakes, now much shrunk hresh is considerably salter than the sea. That, how ever, is always the case with fresh water takes in their last datage, as Amer-ing to Sir Lambert Playfar, our best noth divisions of the desert, but, accord ing to Sir Lambert Playfar, our best noth divisions of the desert, but, accord not more than one-third part of the clay and muddy lake are the prevailing datages, the product of preven authority on the subject, it occurs is not more than one-third part of the clay and muddy lake are the prevailing is not more than one-third part of the clay and muddy lake are the prevailing is not more than one-third part of the clay Misses Katle Halsch and Elsie Huber. Harry Tshudy read an essay on "The Newspaper," brief but full of good points. "The Last Will and TestA-ment of the Class of '89," read by Elsie Huber, was spicy to the last degree. Mr. J. A. Miksch, the gifted tenor of the Moravian church choir, rendered a vocal solo, "The Magic Song," in his happiest manner. Another oration, "Fallen Heroes,"

an excellent production, was well delivered by Haydn Ringer. Mary Barr recited that thrilling incident in "A Fool's Errand," "Lilly Servasse's Ride," with remarkable elocutionary power. "Hercules' Galop" (Blake), an instrumental duet, was played by our gifted musicians, Mesars, Tobias and Van Vleck. Charles Bricker delivered the oration "Dangerous Signals," which gave evidence of the greatest maturity of thought and thoroughness of knowledge. Miss Mary Tshudy, a former graduate, sang "Come Where the Lindens Bloom in an exquisite manner. At this juncture diplomas were presented to the following young ladies and gentlemen by Director Israel G. Erb: Carrie Tshudy, Elsie Huber, Sophie Bricker, Mary Barr, Wm. A. Tobias, Chas. Bricker, Haydn Ringer, Harry Tshudy and Barton K. Swarr.

Carrie Tshudy now delivered a valedie tory oration on the class motto, "I Serve,'f which was characterized by devoutness o' feeling and beauty of expression. The principal, M. W. Metzgar, made a few remarks expressive of his entire satisfac-tion with the class, the school and the audience. He also stated that he had resigned the principalship. The exercises ended with a gles by the singing class, "Dickery, Dickery, Dock" (Alfred Allen).

MARRIED IN COLLEGE CHAPEL. E. Coblentz We Minule Apple. tz Wed

college, last evening, Rev. Lloyd E. Cob-

entz, of Middletown, Md., and Miss Min-

nie, daughter of Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Apple,

were united in marriage. The ceremony

was performed in the presence of a large

number of invited guests and friends of the

family, by the father of the bride, assisted

by Rev. C. S. Slagle, of Westminster, Mary-

and. The maid of honor was Miss Eleanor

E. Dubbs and the bridesmaids were Misses

Bessie Appel, of Lancaster, Eva Coblentz, of Middletown, Md., and Mary Slagle, of

Hanover. The groomsman was Rev. Er-nest Wagner, of Allentown; the ushers were P. A. Kunkle, of Harrisburg, Prof.

Joseph H. Apple, of Clarion, Theodore Guild, of Newark, N. J. and W. N. Appel, of Lancaster. The bride was given away

by her brother, John W. Appel, of this city. The chapel was well filled with guests

and the chancel tastefully decorated with

flowers. The three bridesmaids swept the

aisle from pew to pew as they marched abreast before the solitary maid of honor

and the bride and her brother. The re-

sponses were firm and loud, and the whole

ceremony made as impressive and pretty a

wedding as could be imagined. After the

marriage a reception was held at the resi-

dence of the bride's parents. There were

many very beautiful presents. After the reception the couple left on a trip to New

York and Philadelphia. The groom re-

cently graduated at the theological semi-

nary, and for several years was college

correspondent of the INTELLIGENCER. He

has accepted a call to go to Altoona to

Awarded a Coal Contract.

nesday evening opened bids for coal for the city water works. George Shulmyer offered

to furnish Baltimore colliery at \$2.75,

Hazelton at 2.78 and Mahanoy or Shenan-

deah at \$2.85 per gross ton, delivered in bin at the railroad near the works. C. J.

Swarr & Co., offered to deliver pea coal,

from Pennsylvania mine at \$2.50 per ton

Supposed Mad Dogs. There has been a great deal of excite-

ment in Quarryville over a mad dog scare.

A few days ago a dog which some one im-

agined to be suffering from hydrophobia,

bit several other animals of the village. The dog was shot, and since that time there has been a wholesale slaughter among

A dog supposed to be mad caused con-siderable excitement in Columbia avenue

Taken to the Insane Asylum

William J. Rice, hotel-keeper, of Church-

town, was taken to the county insane asy

hum on Wednesday, by Constable Clark

and Dr. Irwin. Some months ago Mr.

brain became affected. On Sunday he be-

came very violent, broke the furniture in

his house and made two attempts to com-

A Narrow Escape.

escape from being killed on Tuesday after

noon. He was riding on a passenger train of the Quarryville railroad and on attempt-

ing to get off at Lemon street he fell and

Sent to the County Hospital.

The First.

Joseph C. Dick was the only inmate of

"Toodler" Richardson made a narrow

mit suicide by hanging himself.

almost had his legs cut off.

Rice was stricken with paralysis and his

and was awarded the contract.

the canines of the town

last evening, and was killed.

The water committee of councils on Wed-

preach.

WHAT TUCKER SAYS. NINE GRADUATES. He Denies the Stories That Served to Cut Off His Head. DIPLOMAS ARE PRESENTED TO FOUR TOUNG

A REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL

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berlain's, "I have not seen Mr. Blaine," he said. "He was down the river vesterday, you know, and I have notbeen to the st.t. de partmemt to-day, so I know nothing about the situation. I do not know the reason for the withdrawal of the appointments of the commission nor what is contemplated in the matter. It would be only surmising to attempt to discuss it and I cannot, of course, do that. do that

do that. "As to the sensational stories about my being associated with conspiracy and the like attacks upon me, the whole thing is without an iota of truth. All that was an-swered in my address to the people during Johnson's administration. The only posi-tions I ever held under the Confederate overnment were a perfectly logitimate tions I ever held under the Confederate government were a perfectly legitimate mission abroad to purchase quarter-masters' stores, and a mission to Canada to exchange cotion for meat. I had nothing whatever to do with any of the military operations of the Confederacy, their guins or their soldiers or their military plans in any way and I was in absolute immorance or metrisoidiers or their military plans in any way, and I was in absolute ignorance of them. I was in Canada to trade cotton for meat, pound for pound. President Lincoln and Secretary Seward were aware of my mission, knew its character and all about it." "The fact appears," broke in Judge Ran-dobb Tacker when

"The fact appears," broke in Judge Ran-dolph Tucker, "that some of the enemies of Mr. Blaine are trying to hit at him over my brother's shoulders. It is a feeble at-tempt to hurt Mr. Blaine, I presume," "The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Inquirer* says the friends of Mr. Blaine are beginning to get quite worked up over the Tucker incident as they look into the intrigue which led to the summary withdrawal of the appointments of the flaytlan special envoys. As they see that it was the work of his enemies they begin to bristle with indignation, and there is very serious talk of Secretary Blaine's resignation, if the hasty act is not re-paired. Gen. Wallace expressed his pleas-ure at having Mr. Tucker associated with him. There is some talk of abandoning the mission, as later information indicates that Legitime is being disposeesed of his that Legitime is being dispossessed of his stronghold and means of carrying on the conflict. Minister Preston has been op-posed to the commission and assures the posed to the commission and assures the department that no interfarence on the part of France will be permitted by treaty with Logitime's government. If the commis-sion scheme should be carried out there is a disposition on the part of Secretary Blaine to insist upon Mr. Tucker's reap-pointment as the rehash of certain offences shows that he was entirely innocent of the charges brought against him.

shaled by Walter Suydam, of No. 120, and J. G. Goodman, of No. 177. Disabled veterans in carriages. Fire department, commanded by Chief Vendersmith. FLOWERS FOR THE DEAD. GRAVES OF SOLDIERS IN THIS CITY DECO-RATED WITH IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY. The parade moved over the following

cieties From New York, Philadelphia and Reading Remember Gen. Reynolds and Thaddeus Stevens.

The flowers will fade, but not the memory Of valiant service done by those who sicep, But dying, left their land a legacy That generations yet unborn will keep.

Memorial Day was generally observed. All industrial works suspended operations, the public schools, banks and public offi-

all the stores were closed. The morning opened with sky clouded and there was slight sprinklings of rain at intervals during the day.

Leonard and George W. Huffnagle.

morning. The graves decorated were those of J. C. Biggs, George Beck, Wm. Kahl and J. C. Beecher, in Lancaster cemetery and John Shaffner in Zion's cemetery. This morning the floral piece for the

A. R. "

of the Golden Eagle, placed a handsome floral tribute on the grave of John Brenner, one of their members, who died during the

Stevens council, No. 252, Junior Order of American Mechanics, was placed on the grave of Thaddous Stevens, in Shreiner's cemetery this morning. The emblem is the shape of a shield, made of white straw flowers. At the top are the figures 252, the

ARRIVAL OF AMERICAN MECHANICS About Four Hundred From Philadel-

A special train arrived at the outer Read ing depot at 11:30 o'clock from Philadelphia,

This morning a committee decorated the having on board a large number of Junior soldier's graves at Denver and Reamstown, American Mechanics, who came to this city nd and

rades.

# A BIG BARN DESTROYED.

FIRE CAUSES A HEAVY LOSS TO FABRIER JOHN SIGLE, OF BIRD-IN-HAND.

Spark From a Lantern Iguiton Straw and the Building With Much of Its Contents Is Consumed.

A large barn, owned by John Sigle, of Bird-in-Mand, which was situated on that gentleman's farm, on the road from the Horseshoe turnpike to Monterey, was destroyed by fire last evening. The flames from the burning building could be seen from the burning building could be seen so plainly in Lancaster that an alarm of fire was struck from box 34, at Ann and East Chestnut street. The fire department re-sponded very promptly, and hundreds of people flocked to that part of town, only to find that the fire was in the country.

The barn which was destroyed was oc-cupied by John Mowrer, who farms for Mr. Sigle. It was one the largest in that section of the county, being in size 115x50 feet. Somewhere in the neighborhood of nine o'clock one of the employes of the farm was engaged bodding the horses. A spark from the lantern that he was using fell and set fire to the straw. Everything was done to extinguish the flames, but it was of no avail, as the whole building was soon on avail, as the whole building was soon on fire and was entirely consumed together with a very large tobacco shed, cors crib and another shed. Among the things that was burned in the barn was two self-binders, horse rakes, horse power and jack, separator, several wagons, 200 bushels of corn a lot of cett straw and other corner. orn, a lot of oats, straw and other crops. Mr. Mowrer and his folks made a great

effort to save the live stock and were very successful, although one horse was burned so badly that it is feared he will die. Mr. Mowrer, in rescuing the horses, had his whiskers scorched off, and one side of his face terribly burned. His son was badly kicked by another horse, and one of his legs is seriously injured. Mr. Siegle had an insurance on the barn, but the loss on the contents to Mr. Mower will be total. The loss on both contents and building

will be very heavy.

The chief engineer and firemen of the department were very much vexed be-cause the alarm was struck. They think anyone with half an eye could see that the fire was away off in the country and there was no reason for the alarm.

What Harrison Told O'Connor. LONDON, May 30.-At a meeting of the Parnell commission to-day the first wit-ness was Mr. Arthur O'Connor member of ness was Mr. Arthur O'Connor member of Parliament. He testified that while he was in Indianapolis last year, Gen. Har-rison, now president of the United Stati said that every honest man and loveed liberty would rather share the company o Mr. William O'Brien is Tallamore fail than that of the viceroy in Dullin Casto. Mr. O'Connor said that when he look: of los in the League ha found many of the Mr. O'Connor said that when he look' of-fice in the League he found many of the books fragmentary and in arrears. It was impossible to do anything with them. He did not know whether the books which the government seized during the adminis-istration of Chief Secretary Forster had been destroyed. Presiding Judge Han-nen ordered that inquiries be made about these books.

Mr. O'Connor repelled as a calumny the suggestion that tenants had understood his advice to them to boycott land grabbers as a hint to murder or use violence upon them. He admitted saying that it was not unnatural that a man who saw his family flung into the roadside should shoot the

# From West King and Prince to[Hazel, to Woodward Hill cemetery, to South Queen, to East King, to Lancaster ceme-tery, to Lemon, to North Queen, to Chest-nut, to Mulberry, to Orange to North Queen, to Centre Square and dismiss. At the Woodward Hill cemetery Fost The flowers laid on countiess graves to-day, In memory of the nation's bravest sons, Are but a fleeting tribute that we pay Willing and proudly to our failen ones. No. 405 held services at the grave of Capt. R. A. Smith. When the procession reached Centre Square on the road to the Lancaster cometery, rain began falling very fast and num-

bers of the marchers left the ranks. The

Knights of the Mystic Chain left in a body

and marched to their rooms, where they

At the Lancaster cemetery special sor-vices were held at the soldier's lot, by Post

4, and at the grave of General Reynolds

by General Reynolds Council, of Philadel-

phis, The oration was delivered by John J. Waterman, of Philadelphia.

At Shreiner's cemetery special services were field at the grave of Thaddeus Sto-

vens, by Stevens council, of Reading. Cyrus T, Fox, of Reading, delivered the

THIS EVENINO'S EXERCISES.

A special programme of exercises has been prepared for this evening at the court

house, to which all are invited. The

pration will be delivered by Rev. N. B.

Durell, of Lebanon, and there will be some

At Elizabethtown.

ELIZABETHTOWN, May 30 .- The morning

was damp and threatening rain, but not-withstanding crowds of people came to town to do honor to our dead heroes. At 8

o'clock a. m. the Elizabethtown cornet band proceeded to the square, where the

bind proceeded to the square, while John procession was formed as follows: John M. Good Post, No. 502, G. A. R., the Knights of the Mystic Chain, Independent

Order of Odd Fellows, citizens, ladies and

gentlemen and boys and girls. They pro-ceeded to the cemetery to a stand that had been erected. Rev. W. J. Grissinger offered up a prayer, invoking God's bless-

ing upon us as a nation and thanking God

for liberty and for this free country of ours.

E. K. Martin, esq., of Lancaster was intro-duced by Dr. Nissley and he delivered

grand address to the crowd that had gathered. At the close of his remarks he

in a beautiful manner presented to the

John M. Good Post a fine flag of the nation

Thanks for the same was tendered by Dr. Nissley, after which the band favored us

with a fine section of music. The graves

of our fallen heroes were then decorated

to the Lutheran cemeteries to decorate the

graves of the soldiers. From the last

named cemetery they moved to the Moun-

tain Springs lawn, where services wereheld

Rev. L. R. Kramer, Squire Martin, of Ephrata, and Rev.E.P. Hughes, of Lancas-

At 6:30 the members of the post will

meet again at their room and march to the

U. B. church, where services will be held

in commemmoration of deceased con

ter, delivered memorial addresses.

fine music,

vere dismissed for the day.

Intelligencer.

Long as the glorious flag they loved waves high O'er the united land they fought to save. The men who for their country dared e'en die, Will live in every heart that, loves the brave. —Prom the N. Y. Herald.

cers were closed all day and this afternoon

Members of the local Grand Army posts

assembled at their post rooms this morn-ing at 8 o'clock, and decorated the graves of soldiers in all the cemeteries, other than those at which ceremonies were held.

A handsome silk fing sent by Thaddeus Stevens Post, No. 255, of New York, was placed on the grave of Thaddeus Stevens this morning by representatives of Admiral Reynolds Post, No. 405, G. A. R. The services where the flag was placed were conducted by Dr. J. S. Smith, Chaplain

Dr. S. T. Davis, Joseph C. Rooney and Chaplain Leonard, a committee appointed by Encampment No. 14, Union Veteran Legion, decorated the graves of the deceased members of the legion, five in number, this

grave of General Reynolds, in the Lancaster cometery, which is sent annually by the General Reynolds Post, No. 71, G. A. R., of Philadelphia, arrived and was taken to the cemetery. The piece is an arch made of straw flowers and in size 5 by 51 feet. It is the finest ever sent by the post. In the centre is a red, white and blue shield. On the keystone of the arch is the word " Reyuolds," in blue letters. Across the piece below in similar letters are the words Gen. John F. Reynold Post, No. 71, G.

Blue Cross Commandery No. 5, Knights with flowers. Ephrata and Vielnity. EPHRATA, May 30.—To-day the Grand Army was the only organization that paraded. They assembled at their hall at past year. 12:30 p. m., where line was formed. They marched to the Cloister, to Bowman's and

A handsome floral tribute, the gift of number of the council, and below the em-

phia and Vicinity in Town.

ver, remained that sufficient evidence wa produced to a grand jury of Delaware county to convince it that a prima facie case of guilt against persons other than Johnson had been made out, and this fact has prot-ably tended to increase the doubt already existing as to the guilt of Samuel Johnson. While the board cannot say that they ave no doubt of Johnson's guilt, yet it is jot certain that such serious doubts have een raised in their minds as would alone nduce them to recommend executive in-erposition; but it is a fact, shown by peti-ions and letters of men of this state of alghest standing and intelligence, and by unnerous petitions filed with the board, mbracing the names of nearly five thou-and citizens, that a serious and widespread een raised in their minds as would alon and citizens, that a serious and widespread oubt of the prizoner's guilt has been pro-uced in the state, and with a harge number if people this doubt has grown to a con-letion of his innocence. The board is onvinced that this feeling is so strong that he exceution of the sentence would pro-uce a moral shock on the many people and be regarded as a judicial murder. Con-tanuing they say:

nd be regarded as a judicial murder. Con-muing they say: "It is important not only that the law hould be justly and impartially executed, ut that the people should believe and feel nat it is justly and impartially executed, nd the board bases the recommendation hich it makes very largely upon this idespread doubt of the guilt of Samuel ohnson which has been proved to them to xist." In this connection they especially all attention to the representations of ostmaster-General Wanamaker, ex-Gover-nor Hoyt, General Hartrant, ex-Gover-ier Pollock, Senator Cooper, ex-Congress-ian Broomall and many others. In conclusion the board say they are not tisfied that Samuel Johnson is innocent r they would recommend his pardon.

they would recommend his pardon, hey are not satisfied beyond all doubt at he is guilty on they would take no op to interfere with the execution of the w. They believe there are some ground w. They believe there are some grounds pon which doubts of his guilt may rest hd do rest in the minds of a large portion the community, and that while such idespread doubt exists and the further eling that possible future developments by increase this doubt or demonstrate his nocence the execution of the death penty is not advisable.

The commutation of this penalty to im isonment for life is hereby recommended as imposing a punishment regarded in any states as fully commensurate to the ime committed, and still leaves it in the wer of the executive to interpose a sav-g hand in case hereafter such additional ets shall be shown as to satisfy him be-ond a doubt that the prisoner is not ulty.

ong other decisions rendered Among other decisions rendered was e following: Harriet Burrows, of Phila-lphia, murder in first degree, com-uted to imprisonment for life. A rdon was granted John W. Giles, of rks, for larceny, while the case of Chas. Adler, of Philadelphia, for assault and divery will be given a rehearing. Sevdtery, will be given a rehearing. Sev-al pardons were refused. Among them F. Cox, of Northumberland, for man aughter; Thomas J. Cole, of Philadelphia, r murder; Joseph White, of Bucks, for arglary, and Frederick Hermans, of arglary, and Frederick from without hiladelphia, for selling liquor without

#### A Sample Postmaster.

There are some dandies among the new stmasters, who have been appointed rough the state. A letter has been re-ived from one of them by the postmaster this city, in which he says: "I have ently taken charge of this office, and ad a letter addressed to William G. Meliger, postmarked at Lancaster, January

Will you please supply the correct Idress." He seems to think that the Lanster postmaster knows the exact whereouts of Mr. Mellinger.

#### Going to Ireland.

Bernard Dougherty, of 461 South Prince reet, will sail on Saturday morning on steamship Furnesia, of the Anchor ie, for his old home, Londonderry, Ire-nd. The ticket for the voyage was aght from George Rohr, of the Freie

#### In the Contest.

Among the students of Mt. St. Mary's liege at Emmittsburg, Md , who will con-st in clocution for a gold medal on June th, is Mr. F. H. Lee, of this city.

in Prussia 83 years ago and came to this country in 1819. He learned the trade of a potter and for a great many years past has arried on the business on Manor street, where he died, Mr. Gast was a Republican in politics and represented his party in the school board for many years. He was also a candidate for councils at different times. He was a prominent member of St. Paul's Reformed church. He belonge to Lancaster lodge of Odd Fellows and Eeshahkonee tribe of Red Men. In former years he was a member of the Empire Hook and Ladder company, in which he took a great deal of interest. He was twice married. His second wife survives him together with four children, as follows: Harry, William, Levi and Mrs. Jacob

DEATH OF HENRY GAST.

The Well-Known Potter Dies on Wednesday Evening. Henry Gast, an old and respected citizen of Lancaster, died rather suddenly at his

home on Manor street this morning.

had been suffering from heart disease for

some time, but last evening he was up and

able to be about. His death took place at

a quarter before six. Mr. Gast was born

Green Gloves. From the June Table Talk.

From the June Table Talk. Who would have thought a few years, nay a few months sgo, that a woman with the least pretension to style would consent to draw a pair of green gloves over her white hands. The advance reports that green gloves had "obtained" in Paris, and were to be accordingly submitted to our judgment, filled us with a feeling akin to horror. But the green gloves have come, been seen, and in a sense they have con-quered. One wily merchant, anxious to test the innovation, boldly divested one entire show window of its wealth of dainty tan, gray and softly tinted gloves, and entire show window of its wealth of dainty tan, gray and softly tinted gloves, and filled it with glace kid and Suede gloves, running the gamut of tints from silvery green to unquestionable grass shades. It will require perhaps some little time to accustom our eyes to this striking hand gear; but, meanwhile, it may be asserted that green gloves look by no means bad when adopted with soft all-white toilets that serve to temper their high color.

# COL. SAMUEL SHOCIPS WILL

#### He Gives the Shoch Library of Columbia 3,000 Volumes.

The will of Col. Samuel Shoch, of Coumbia, was admitted to probate late on Wednesday afternoon. He names James A. Meyers, president of the Columbia Naional bank, as his executor.

There is nothing of a public nature in the will except as to his private library, which he gives to the Shoch library, with all his maps, charts, atlases and globes.

His estate goes to his wife and nieces. Of the latter Misses Sue, Rebecca and Hannah Holbrook live in this city. The value of his estate is about \$175,000.

He makes a provision in his will that if my person files a caveat or advises a caveat to be filed against the admission of the will to probate or attempts to make void any portion of the will he or she shall be forever disbarred or excluded from participation, ownership or interest in his estate.

#### Farmer Kelly's Barbed Wire Strike. From the Indianapolis Journal.

The barbed-wire patents, which have netted fortunes to their owners, have an interesting history. The first patents were issued to a man named Kelly, living down East. About two years later a farmer at De Kalb, Ill., conceived the idea of keep-De Kalb, Hi., conceived the idea of keep-ing his unruly cattle in the pasture by put-ting short barbs on a wire and then twisting it with a plain wire. This is known in the market as the Gidden wire, heing named after its inventor, Joseph F. Gidden. One day while he was experi-menting with it a neighbor going by shouted: "Joe, you better be out harrerin" in your oats instead of foolin' away your time with patents!" Gidden thought other-wise, and in less than two years received wise, and in less than two years received a bonus of \$00,000, with the guarantee of a royalty on all made under his patents. For

# one year his royalty exceeded \$174,000.

A Farmer Forger. A telegram from Harrisburg reports that Henry Goss, a farmer, forged the name of Martin Goss, his father-in-law, to notes amounting to \$1,300, had them dis-counted at Progress and disapecared, leav-ing a wife and several children. the station house last night. He was a cripple, and said he was on the way to the Philadelphia hospital to be treated for white swelling. The mayor sent him to the county hospital.

#### Ascension Thursday.

To-day is Ascension Thursday, and services were held in nearly all the city churches. Astrich Bros. to-day hoisted a forty-two star flag. This is the first flag of that kind to be displayed in this city.

charges brought against him. In the chapel of Franklin and Marshall A MAN WITH TWO HEARTS.

And He Has An Extra Set of Ribs-Examined by Physician

From the Chambersburg Valley Spirit A middle-aged colored man, William King by name, arrived in town vesterday. There was nothing peculiar about his ap-pearance and no one who saw him walking about the streets supposed for a moment that he was the possessor of more than one heart or the allotted number of ribs. Noth-ing but surprise, therefore, was depicted on the countenances of several physicians and a few non-professional enlockers yesterday evening when King baring the upper part of his body proved apparently to the astonished spectators that he had two distinct hearts, capable of being moved about at will, and a double set of ribs possessed of a graceful perpendicular motion. about the streets supposed for a moment that he was the possessor of more than one

about at will, and a double set of ribs possessed of a graceful perpendicular motion. King's phenomenal physical make-up was exhibited about seven o'clock in the office of a West Market street physician. His ribs were first examined and were found to be normal in numbers, size and position. Then King went through a few studied contortions after which a second examination was made. To the surprise of all present a new set of ribs had appeared. The abdomen instead of being flabby as before was hard and beneath the skin could be feit a series of genuine ribs beginning immediately below the upper set and ex-tending to the lower part of the abdomen. Having feit the latest arrival of ribs until all were satisfied King threw himself into several unmatural positions and, presto, the the entire lot of low er ribs had disappeared. The rib part of the performance being completed King proceeded to show what a man with two heards could be with them. With a stethoscope the pulsations of the heart could be heard equally distinct on the right and left sides of the body. Then of his own free will the colored paradox would drop either his right or left heart, as he designated them, from a hear's custom-ary elevation in the body to the lower part of the abdomen, where the beatings could be addomen, where the beatings could be abdomen, where the beatings could be abdomen, where the beatings could be abdomen where the start's custom-ary elevation in the body to the lower part of the abdomen where the beatings could be easily felt while all in the supposed by the the dropped at a time, which fact caused Mr. King considerable worry, he preferring, as he said, to lower both at once. He, however, made up for this de-ficiency by his ability to stop entirely the pulsations in both hearts, remaining for a time apparently pulseless. All who were present were nonplused by the exhibition of such

himself before many leading physicians of the country, and his case has attracted much attention in medical circles. He says much attention in medical circles. He says he was born in Massachusetts, but refuses to give his age. He is a wonderfully mus-cular man, his legs and arms being splendidly developed. He bent a three-quarter inch irofi cane by striking it against his arm, and straightened it out again by hitting it on the opposite side. He earns a living by traveling about and exhibiting himself to members of the med-ical profession. King was here about cal profession. King was here about eighteen years ago.

#### The Largest Pension Payment

A certificate for a pension was on Wed-nesday granted to Philip Flood, formerly a private in Company E., Forty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry. The amount of arrears allowed by the pension office in his case is \$15,289, his disability dating back to No-vember 14, 1862. This is the largest first payment on record in the pension office.

#### Three Fatally Injured.

During a barn raising at Loyal Oak, Ohio, on Wednesday, one of the large beams fell upon a score of workers. Frank Eirich, Jacob Kurtz and Milton Boerstler were fatally hurt; William, Charles and Joseph Bauer received internal injuries, and a dozen others were budly cut and bruised, several receiving broken limbs.

# Drowned in a Vat of Cream. William B. Scott, of Deposit, N. Y. a prominent merchant and creamery man, on Wednesday fell into a cream vat and was drowned. He leaves a family.

**Discharged With Costs** Emil Helm, charged with disorderly conduct before Alderman Pinkerton, was discharged last evening of payment of costs. The prosecutor was George Cooper.

to take part in the Memorial services with the Grand Army Posts.

Their special mission is to place flora tributes on the graves of Gen. John F. Reynolds in the Lancaster cemetery and Thaddeus Stevens in Shreiner's cemetery, after whom two of the visiting councils are named.

The councils that arrived on the special train are Washington Council, No. 1, Winona, No. 63, General Reynolds, No. 43, and Chestnut Hill, No. 243, of Germantown, and delegations from Southwark Council, No. 144, Philadelphia, Resolution Conneil, No. 6, Philadelphia and Thaddeus Stevens Council, 252, of Reading.

The Germantown Councils brought with them the Columbia cornet band of Ger-mantown, and Washington Council had its own drum corps of 18 pieces. Southwark Council also had a drum and fife

corps. The visitors were met at the Reading lepot by a committee of the Junior Me chanics councils of Lancaster, and escorted to the King street rink. There they were welcomed to the city on behalf of the breth ren by J. P. Winower, to which Lewis Harmer, of Germantown, made an appropriate reply. After the speech the visitors were given a collation and all did justice to the good things spread before them. After the collation the visitors were dis-

missed, and were given a few hours to view the city. Among the visitors accompanying the

deasant prospect, for the rain fell only dechanics are State Council Secretary lightly and at irregular intervals, while Edward S. Deemer, of Liberty Council, No. 35, Philadelphia, W. H. Varnick, of Resoas the morning wore on the rain ceased entirely, and the sun at times almost broke through the clouds. All public buildings lution Council, No. 6, Philadelphia, and displayed their flags at half mast, but there Cyrus T. Fox, city clerk of Reading. was a very meagre display of bunting else-

#### THE PARADE.

#### A Large Turn Out of Grand Army Men and Soldiers.

the line were taken up by sightseers at an The parade this afternoon was particiearly hour, and the reviewing stands were pated in by a large number of men. The turnout was much larger than usual on well filled before the parade started from 58th street. The line of march was a short Memorial Day, and was the biggest demone, down Fifth avenue to 14th street and onstration seen in this city on that day for thence to Broadway and around Union many years. The hour designated for the starting of square.

the parade was 2 o'clock, but it was half an hour later when the command to march was given. The parade moved in the following order :

R. Breneman, commander, Dr. S. Davis, adjutant.

Davis, adjutant. George H. Thomas Camp, No. 19, Sons of Veterans, Edward D. Sprecher, captain. Hearse, containing flowers. Blue Cross Castle, No. 46, Knights of Golden Eagle, Jacob Nestel, marshal. Lawrence hand. head. The parade was reviewed by Gov-ernor Hill, Vice President Morton and

a rule, being held on the Sunday pre-ceeding Decoration Day. The Grand Army men in the past have been so fortunate as to obtain the attendance Committee of arrangements of Lancaster

Councils. Lewis Harmer, chief marshal of visiting Junior Mechanics and aids. Columbia cornet band of Germantown. Reynoldscouncil No. 143.

Washington conneil fife and drum corps. Washington Council, No. 1, and deloga-gations from Winona Council, No. 63, Chestnut Hill, No. 243, Southwark, No. 144, Thaddens Stevens, No. 252, of Reading.

THE OBSERVANCE ELSEWHERE.

President Harrison Attends the Cere monles In Brooklyn.

times the sun shone brightly. The day was generally observed as a holiday, all

public offices and nearly all business house

being closed. The ceremonies inciden

to the decoration of soldiers' graves

were more than usually interesting. The 36 Grand Army posts of the

city decorated the graves in 98 ceme

teries located in the city and adjoining counties. A number of Philadelphia com-

rades also left the city to attend ceremonies

at the graves of General Grant, in New York; General McClellan, at Trenton; Gen. Reynolds, at Lancaster, and Gen.

Hancock, at Norristown. The most inter

esting decoration ceremonies in this city were at Laurel Hill cometery, where George

G. Meade post was assisted by Lafayette

post, No. 160, of New York, and was ac-

companied to the cemetery by many promi-

nent invited guests, the most notable of

Observance In New York.

NEW YORK, May 30.-Though the early

morning did not give promise of a fair day yet it could not be said to be a very un-

where, except at hotels and newspaper

offices. Even along the line of march of the

parade there had been no attempt at elabo-rate decoration. Points of vantage along

The most elaborate feature of the decora

tions was noticeable at Union square,

where Lincoln statute was beautifully

adorned. Around the base and within the

railing verbenas, geraniums and flowering

plants were massed in a solid bank. The

pedestal was covered by bunches of flowers,

laurel leaves and green vines with the in-

signia of war traced in flowers. The Wash-

ington statue, at Union square, was also beautifully decorated and the Seventh

Regiment monument in the west drive in

Central park was also the centre of attrac-

tion to lovers of flowers as tributes to the

The parade was started promptly at nine

o'clock, with General O. O. Howard and a

battalion of marines and soldiers at the

Mayor Grant. After the parade, members

of the G. A. R. went to the various ceme-

teries and decorated the graves of their

The Day in Brooklyn

BROOKLYN, May 30.-The celebration of

Memorial Day in Brooklyn, was, as it has

been for many years, an unqualified suc-

of Presidents Grant and Arthur in the

reviewing stand, and to-day they had a

Grand Army veteran, Gen. Benjamin Har-

vison, president of the United States, to re-

view them. The president was assisted by

another veteran, Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy,

secretary of the navy. The president break-

fasted early at the residence of Joseph F. Knapp, in company with secretary Chapin. (Continued on Fourth Page.)

patriotic dead.

dead comrades.

whom was General Wm. T. Sherman.

Mr. Justin McCartby, member of Par-lisment, was the next witness. He testi-fied to the horror and dismay which the PRILADELPHIA, May 30 .- Although the sky was overcast with clouds, which frequently became ominous, there was no Phoenix park murders had caused among rainfall here during the morning and at the Parnellites.

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Heavy Damages by Storms. PARIS, May 30.—Sovere storms prevail throughout France. The greatest damage has been done in the departments of Seine-et-Marne, Aubs Yonne, Haute-Soane and Ardennes, where in some places the country is almost devastated.

Hono Kono, May 30.-A heavy storm has been raging for three days. Inmense damage has been done.

A Betrothal Announced. LONDON, May 30. — The betrothal of Princes Militza, second daughter of the Prince of Montenegro, to the Grand Duke Poter, of Russia, son of the Grand Duke Nicholas, and cousin of the czar, is announced from Cettinge, the Montenegrin capital.

#### Only One Killed.

EMPORIA, Ks., May 30 .-- Captain Milton Brown was the only person killed outright in the Clements tornado. His wife, however, is not expected to live, having had her leg terribly mangled and almost torn from her body. Their son Edward had his leg and shoulder broken. Miss Sarah Brown had an ankle broken and is internally injured, and the baby is also badly hurt.

Special Weather Bulletin. WASHINGTON, May 30.—Rain will prevail in New England, the lower lake region, Southern Michigan and thence southward to the South Atlantic and East Gulf coast, with severe local storms in the Mi\* dle, South Atlantic, East Gulf states 3b the Ohio valley, followed by cooler weather on the Atlantic coast on Friday.

One Hundred Rioters Arrested. BELGBADE, May 30. -- One hundred arrests have been made in connection with the riot here on Monday night. Among those arrested is ex-Premier Garasharine, who is accused by witnesses of having incited the Progressists to attack the opposing party.

It Was a Fatal Dose. PITTSFIELD, Mass., May 30.-George Wagoner, the prisoner at the jail who took poison Tuesday night, remained uncon scious until this morning, when he died. Wagoner was charged with the rape of a 16-year-old girl.

#### THE AGRICULTURISTS.

# The June Meeting to Be Held in the Borough of Lititz.

The June meeting of the City and County Agricultural society will be held in Lititz on Saturday afternoon. An interesting programme of exercises has been prepared An address of welcome will be delivered by Dr. Brobst, chief burgess of Lititz, and by Dr. Brobst, chief burgess of Lititz, and responded to by President Landis, John C. Linville will read an essay on "More light needed in farming." Among the referred questions to be answered are "How can farmers' boys be induced to become far-mers and remain on the farm?" "Is fruit growing more profitable than other pur-suits in farming and how can it be made  $\infty$ ?". "Does the application of phosphate so?" "Does the application of phosphate leave a profit for the farmer?" "What is leave a profit for the farmer?" "What is the cheapest plan of improving the soil of our farms in Lancaster county?" "How would the proposed amendment affect the agricultural interest of the farmers of Lan-caster county?" Thos. J. Edge, secretary of the state board of agriculture, will be at the meeting and deliver an address.

# lowing order: Platoon of police, commanded by Chief of Police Smeltz. Chief marshal, John E. Schum. Aids, F. H. Arndt, J. W. Isenberger, Major C. H. Fasnacht and Milton Swope. George H. Thomas Post Drum Corps. George H. Thomas Post, No. 84, G. A. R., J. D. Landis, commander. Admiral Reynolds Post, No. 405, G. A. R., Dr, J. S. Smith, commander. Spring Garden Drum Corps. Camp No. 14, Union Veteran Legion, H. R. Breneman, commander, Dr. S. T.

Chief marshal, J. P. Winower, of Ameri-can Mochanics division.
 H. C. Biggs, of Empire No. 129, and Geo.
 Kauffman of George Shiftler council No. 177, aida

cess. The parade is always made the especial feature, the services at cemeteries, as 177, aids.

Golden Eagle, Jacob Nestel, marsnal, Iroquois band. Blue Cross Commandery, No. 5, Knights of Golden Eagle, F. W. Hoffman, captain. Mountville band. Red Rose Commandery, No. 20, Knights of the Mystic Chain, Hiram McElroy, cap-