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DEMOCRATIC WARD MEETINGS. The Democrats of the city of Lancaster are requested neet at the following named places, on SATURDAY EVE-NING NEXT, the 22d inst., between the hours of 6 and 8 o'clock, to settle candidates, to be supported at the ensuing tion on Tuesday the 1st day of February, for the officer of Mayor, High Constable, City Constables, Assessors, Aln. Judges, Inspectors, and Select and Common Councils. At said meeting each Ward will appoint three delgates. to meet in Convention the same evening at 9 o'c'ock, at Messenkop's flutel, East King street, to add up the returns for Mayor and High Constable, and declare the nom inses of the party :

PLACES OF MEETING.

N. W. Ward-Troute Hole. West Orange street. B. W. Ward-Pitpatrick's Hotel. South Queen street. N. E. Ward-Viller's Hotel, East Chemot street. B. E. Ward-Willinger's Hotel, South Queen street. The Democrats of the City are requested to meet at above mentioned places, on Wednesday (to-morrow) even-

ing, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of placing in nomination all the candidates who desire to be supported at the nomi nating meetings on Saturday evening. BY ORDER OF THE WARD COMMITTEE.

COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETING. The Democratic County Committee met at Shoher's Hotel, on Saturday las, and fixed on the 19th of February as the time for holding the Delegate Election, and the 23d as the

time for assembling of the County Convention. We shall give their proceedings at length in our next.

A GREAT SPEECH.

We publish on our first page the truly able and eloquent speech delivered by Vice President BRECKINRIDGE, in the Senate of the United States, upon the occasion of that august body leaving the old Hall, hallowed by so many memories. It is one of the finest productions we have ever read, and we think our readers will agree with us in this opinion when they have given it a careful perusal.

We also publish the Veto Message of Gover nor PACKER, of the Insurance Bill passed at the close of the last session. This, too, is an able production-sound and conclusive in its reasoning-and is highly creditable to its distinguished author.

We have on file an excellent speech deliv ered by Senator BIGLER, on the Pacific Railroad Bill, and shall publish it in a week or two.

LANCASTER CO. LEGISLATION. Col. PRICE has presented a petition in the House, from citizens of Lancaster county. praying that the Coroner in and for said county be allowed a salary of \$300 per annum.

The same gentleman also read a bill in place, directing that the taxes arising from collateral inheritances now applied and appropriated to the sinking fund of the State, be hereafter applied to the school fund of the city and county wherein such taxes are collected.

Col. PRICE moved that the committee to whom the application was referred, be dis charged from the further consideration of the bill entitled "An Act extending the time of commencing the Columbia and Octoraro Railroad," and that the House proceed to the consideration of the same ; which was agreed to, and the bill was taken up and passed finally.

The same gentleman also read a bill in place, incorporating the Conestoga Gas light Company of Lancaster.

UNIFORM BANK NOTES. The Germantown Telegraph urges upon the Legislature and banking institutions, the

notes for all the banks of the Commonwealth.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 10. SENATE .- The Senate met at 3 o'clock this afternoon Speaker Creswell announced the fallowing Committees: Finance-Mesers. Gurney, Bandall, Welsh, Coffey, and egg. Sudiciary-Bell. Brewer, Miller, Scofield, and Finney. Accounts-Wright, Gazzam, Gurney, Baldwin, and Fet-

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

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ons and Gratuities-Finney, Hood, Harris, Kally, d Frazer nd Frazer. Cerporations-Bright, Steela, Shell, Shaaffer, Garram. Library-Brower, Francis, Schladell. Banks-Marsells, Shell, Garsam, Keller, Myer. Canals and Ioland Navigation-Steels, Myer, Blook

a Miller. ds—Randall, Craig, Steels, Coffey. Finney Districts—Scofield, Marsells, Parker, T

renchment and Reform, Gazzam, Nunnem Artifeuennen, and Artifeuennen, and Artifeuennen, Welsh. Schindel. Finney. Yardley. Education-Miller, Welsh. Schindel. Finney. Yardley. callon-Miller, weikl. Schnoel, Finder, Failer, iciture and Domestic Maufactures-Fetter; unnemacher. Bidwin, Schindel. ifa-Brewer. Biood, Fetter, Harris, Shaeffer. ds and Bridges-Nunbemacher, Baldwin, ds ad Thommer. Militie Reads ford. Thompson. mare Bills- Viver, Keller, Wright, Francis, Tardley. and Immorality-Schindel, Fincis, Palmer, Wright, Compare Bills—Mye Vice and Immorality arris. Private Claims and Damage Bhell, Craig, Steele, Shaef-Rutherford. Public Printing-Keller, Palmer, Maraelis, Tardley,

Traiz. Public Buildings-Carg. Shell and Gurney. New Counties and County Seats-Blood, Gurney, Keller, Gregg and Mell. .

House The Speaker announced the follow ing Standing Committees : We find Means-Messrs. Chase, Lawrence of Washing tory mith of Berks, M'Dowell, Green, Thorn, Wilcox, Wal

Wigton. liciary-M'Clure. Irish, Goepp, Nill, Thompson, Ketch

, Gisiman, Gratz. Is and Gratuilies—Dodds, Bose, Brodhead, Dui-ler, Hottenstine. Wolf. -Williams of Bucks, Hardiog, Baird, Wagonseller,

Claims-Williams of Bucks, Harding, Baird, Wagonseiler, Akbott, Witherow. Wolf. Jarout. Williams of Backford. Eidention-Fester, Kinney. Nill, Pugh, Styer, Hill, Zol-Er, Graham. Smith of Philadelphia. Lurd. Donnetic Manufactures-Bayard, Dodds, Warden, Peirce,

od, Mann. Walker. r. rton, Willistan, Shields, Barlow, Wood-Accounts-Pinkerton, Willistan, Shields, Barlow, Wood-ier, Pennell, McCurdy. Vice and Immorality-Abbott, Graham, Oaks, Boyer of chui kill, Evans, Woodring, McCurdy, Rouse, Campbell, Militia, System-Wilson, Rouse, Neall, Wiley, Good,

Minite System (1995), 1992, 19 , Fekman, Bainsley. tanks-Lawrence of Washington, McClure, Smith of lad-lplit. Barlow, Patterson, Mabaffey, Glatz, Williams Jocks, M-Clain. States and Eschents-Taylor, Williston, Smead, Rohrer, son, Thumpson and Rosa

states and Escheats-Taylor, Williston, Smeau, Rouses, son, Thompson and Rose. Ands and Bridges-Pennell, Smart, Durbaraw, Hotten-n, Quitely, Campbell and Walker, or prations-Millor, Hammersley, Ellmaker, Quigley, ter Glafz, Price, Church and Fisher, Bedford, Boyer cond Appropriations-Wiley, Williams of Bedford, Boyer

cker Glatz, Proc. Church and Fister. Local Appropriations-Wiley, Williams of Bedford, Boyer Colearfield, Wood, Porter, Sheppard and Staneback. Land-Acker, Stephens, Whitman, Neall, Miller, Custer

nd Stuart. Divorces—Hammersley, Foster Gray, Witherow, Gritman

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irce. Library—Church, Goepp, Irish. Canals and Inland Navigatic Canals and Inland Navigation-Patterson, Hamstein, Ward. D. Oaks. Keneagy, Elimaker, Bayard. Railroads-Walborn, McDwell. Thorn, Smith of Berks. Church, Lawrence of Washington, Styer, Evans, Burley, Ketchum, Wilcox, Price and Patter-on. Printing-McDowell, Ramsdell and Wigton. Public Buildings-Green, Wagonseiler. Kinney. Miues and Minerals-Puzh. Taylor, Fearm. Porter, Pin; kerton, Broadhead, Bryson, Pisher, Wilcox, Boyer of Schuyl-kill, Neal, Hill, Whitman.

FROM KANSAS.

The Territorial Legislature of Kansas had met at Lecompton and adjourned to Lawrence, with the sanction of Governor Medary. The Governor's Message had been received .-According to the Comptroller's Report, the amount of taxable property in the Territory \$25,000,000, and about three millions of acres of land have been sold and pre-empted. Several papers from southern Nebraska represent public sentiment there as almost unanimous in favor of its annexation to Kan

The Governor strongly reprehends the conduct of the persons who are creating excite ment among the inhabitants of Linn and Bourbon counties. He says he is prepared to unite with the Assembly in the most cordial manner, for the adoption of such measures as will restore order, and will bring to their aid all the power placed at his discretion by the Executive. He hints that Kansas will be Lkely to get more liberal favors from Congress by continuing as a Territory than by immedi

> ately becoming a State. THE PHILADELPHIA ARGUS.

We accidentally omitted to mention in our last that this spirited and able Democratic necessity of a law requiring uniform bank journal-which has always been one of our most welcome Philadelphia exchanges-has

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11. SENATE .- A bil! was introduced yesterday, by Mr. Slidell making an appropriation to BAUGE.-It is with regret we announce the death of Rev. facilitate the acquisition of the Island of Cups by negotiation. The bill eave that-Whereas, The Island of Cuba geographically possesses a commanding influence over the large and annually increasing trade, hoth Val nd coastwise of the Mississippi foreign ley, and the Island, in its present olonia ndition must continue a source of injury and annoyance, endangering the friendly relations between Spain and the United States by the aggressions of its local authorities

CONGRESSIONAL.

upon American commerce and citizens, for which tardy redress can only be had by cir cuitous demands on Spain. And whereas, In the opinion of Congress and in accordance with the views of the Presi-dent as the last means of settling the existing difficulties, it is expedient that negotiations for te purstrase of the Island should be renewed. Therefore, Resolved, that thirty million dollars he placed in the President's hands for

expenditure either from the cash in the sury, or be borrowed on five per cent bonds of a thousand dollars each, redeemable in twelve or twenty years.

h Spoliation bill, which House .- The Fre was received in the House yesterday from the Senate, provides for an amount not exceeding \$5,000,000, but the act does not extend to such claims as are stipulated for and embraced in the Convention between the United States and the French Republic, concluded April 30, 1803; nor to such as were paid in whole or in part under the Treaty with France in 1831. There have been twenty eight reports of Committees in favor of the bill. At different periods, Messrs. Everett, Livingston and Choate, pre sented very elaborate reports in favor of the claimed. The Senate has voted indemnity nine times in favor of the bill, and the House twice; but Presidents Polk and Pierce vetoed the bill, after it had been passed by both

Houses. Mr. Buchanan, while he was in the Senate, voted for it. The death of Hon. Thomas L. Harris, late nember of the House of Representative from

linois, will be announced in Congress on Monday pext, at which time it is expected that his successor, Mr. Hodges, will arrive and ake his seat. The reception at the Executive mansion,

this evening, was quite brilliant in beauty and ashion. The bill introduced into the Senate to abol-

ish the franking privileges to members of Congress after the present session, provides that each member is entitled to receive annually \$150 in postage stamps, to be delivered at the beginning of each annual session.

Strenuous efforts are being made to get Congress to grant the right of way for a Pasenger Railway track along Pennsylvania avenue. The capital for the enterprise is all eady. Over a half a million of dollars were expend

ed during the past year in the United States armories at Springfield, Mass., and Harper's Ferry, Va.

THE STATE DEPOSITS---LETTER FROM THE STATE TREASURER.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, HARRISEURG, Jan. 10, 1859. ence, Speaker of the House of Reg Hon. W. C. A. Lawr

ular Bank notes were in the Treasury on the first of t month, as it is not customary to assort them except at it time of the payment of the interest on the public debt, wh

time of the payment of the inferest on the public debt, when all the Banks redeem their notes in specie at Philade'phia. The item of \$25,200 deposited in Girard Bank, remains a charge against the Treasurer until he produces the cou-pons, which are his vouchers, to the Auditor General. The interest has always been paid at the Girard Bank, and the money is deposited there when the interest faile due The payments to the various departments of the govern-ment are settled quarterly, and the receipts for advances, from time to time, are counted as each until settlements e to time, are counted as cash until settl from time to time, are conduct an arrest of the first of April last, failed to re-arr made. The Warren Bank, on the first of April last, failed to re-deem its liability to the Common weath, consisting of the sum of \$4.144 09, deposited there by the officers of the Warron County Bank, and \$24.00 of its notes, received imm-diately before that date at the Tr asury. The ettire indebtedness has since been secured, payable on the st of approximate.

ext month. Very respectfully, II. S. MAGRAW. \$2,798 96

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CITY AND COUNTY APPAIRS.

DEATH OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT CRUM syaopsis of the proceedings in our next. JOHN S. CRIMPAUGH, County Superintendent of Schools .-The sad event took place at his late residen King street, on Thursday morning last. Mr. O. had been in a bad state of health for several years. His death create a void in the community, and especially among the ardent

friends of the Common School system, not easily filled .-Mr. C. was for some years Principal of the Male High Sobool, the very responsible duties of which he discharged with ity and fidelity. He was afterwards called to take charge of St. John's Lutheran Church. which congregatio ments: he was instrumental in establishing, and was the first Pas tor. He was an eloquent and impi ressive pulpit orator. Of

his abilities in the last post which he filled there cannot e a question; in fact, he ranked, we think, as the ablest County Superintendent in the State. He was highly eseemed as a man and citizen, and was a sincere and devout ler. Her hristian. Many a silent tear will be dropped over the TAVE OF JOHN S. CRUMBAUGH, whose spirit has fled "to that

from whence no traveler has ever returned." -The following preamble and resolutions were adopted the vestry of St. John's Lutheran Church, at a meeting

hursday evening: WHERE'S. It has pleased Almighty God to call fi midst. by death, the Kev. John S. Crambaugh. the four and first Pastor of St. John's Lotheran Church in city: therefore. we, the Vestry of snid (Church Aceply pressed by this visitation of Providence, give expression and the state of the state of the state of the state of the state and the state of the

essen by this visitation of rior tables, give expression to resonants as follows: Resolved, That whilst we bow in humble submission to is decree of "the Bather of mercies," we will sere cheriah the memory of the deceased the most sincere and prothe memory of the contract of the afflicte with the afflicte *Resolved*. That we deeply sympathize with the afflicte in this, their sad bereavement, an

Recited, That we deeply sympathies will use anisone idow and relatives, in this, their sad bereavement, and hat we here by eatend to them a beartfelt condolence. *Recited*, That whilst we mourn his untimely departure, we are assured that 'our loss is his gain." *Recided*. That we will attend the fueeral in a lody; and ihat as a mark of respect for his memory, we request of the bereaved widow and family permission to bury the body of our este-med brother, on the ground in front of the Church he loved so well, and for whose prosperity he so

f our esteemed brother, on the phurch he loved so well, and for The City School Board held a special meeting on Friday evening, and the following preamble and resolutions were

nnanimously adopted : Divine Providence having removed from the scene of his earthly labors, our fellow citizen, the Rev. John S. Crum-baugh, it is the duty as well as the sad privilege of this Board, to express the feelings occasioned by the event and the selimate of his character and public services. Therefore, *Rev-lred*. That in common with the citizens of the county of Lancaster, we deploye in the death of the Rev. John S. Crumbaugh, the loss of a County Superintendent whose barning, call, urbanity and sound presided serves in the manimously adopted : in the

learning, zeal, urbanity and sound practical sense. in the discharge of the various and difficult duties of the offic were unsurpassed. Resoluted, That while a teacher in the highest station in the gift of this Board, the impress made by him on the moral and intellectual condition of the youth committed to his care was such as entirely to justify that important

ust. Resolved, That as member of this Board, his deportment

Was such as both maint into contributions to the transmission of the same of John S. Crumbaugh may be added to the list of the most or John S. Crumbaugh may be added to the list of the most worthy, as that of one whose brief life is a record of learning, usefulness and bonor. Recoived, That the officers of this Board present to the family of the deceased, a copy of these resolutions, as a tribute of our respect for his memory and of condolence with them in their affliction. Recoived, That we attend his funeral in a body, and forwer pupils of the Mise High School, also to attend. The funeral on Sunday Afferdoon was attended by an

The funeral on Sunday afternoon was attended by an nmense concourse of people. The funeral procession neaded by the City School Board, and many of the former and present pupils of the Male High School. On arriving at the Church, the coffin was taken inside and placed in

front of the altar. Appropriate, eloquent and affecting addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Hodgson, Messrs. Har augh, Steck, (who preached the funeral discourse,) Krotel. Powell and Laitzle. The exercises were opened with a solemn dirge by the Choir of St. John's Church, and closed with the singing of a hymn by the same. The remain ere interred in a vault in front of the Church

THE HOWARD EVENINGS-REV. MR. ROSEN MILLER'S LECTURE .- The lecture of Rev. Mr. ROSENMILLER on "The Crusades." on Tuesday evening last, was wel onceived, admirably written, well delivered, and was attentively listened to by an appreciating audience. The discussion was very spirited and interesting. The speakers were Judge Hayes, John Wise, Esq., Maj. Ditmars, A. H. Hood, Esq, Capt. Sanderson, Rev. Mr. Harbaugh John S. Dougherty, Esq., Professor Porter, Mr. Eichelber ger, and a gentleman from New York, whose name we did

ot learn The next lecture of the course will be given this evening (Tuesday.) by Lieut. EMLEN FRANKLIN. Subject : "Holiday nd Public Festivals as Civil Institutions." From the wellknown talents of the lecturer we anticipate a rich intellec ual treat upon the occasion, and would again urge upon our citizens, in view of the benevolent object of the meetings, to turn out and fill the Hall to overflowing.

DEMOCRATIC WARD MEETINGS AND CITY CONVENTION .--- It will be seen by the call of the Ward Com nittees, published in another column of to-day's paper that the Democratic meetings for the nomination of Mayo High Constable, and the various Ward officers, will be held at the following places, on Saturday evening next, January 22d, between the hours of 6 and 8 o'clock :

 W. W. Ward-Trout's Hotel. West Orange street.
W. Ward-Fritzparick's H. del, South Queen street.
K. Ward-Wilt's liotel. East Chesnut street.
E. Ward-Wilt's Hotel, South Queen street. The Democratic City Convention, for the purpose adding up the returns from the Wards and declaring the nominees of the party for Mayor and High Constable, wil be held the same evening, at Messenkop's Hotel, East King street, at 9 o'clock.

QUARTER SESSIONS COURT. -- The January term of the Court of Quarter Sessions commenced on To the Senate and House of Representatives of sterday-Judge Harzs presiding. We shall give a GENTLEMEN :-- On the last day of the Legis-

THE FIRST ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF THE HIS. lative Session of 1858, a bill was presented for JGAL, ACHICULTORAL AND MICHANICS' INSTITUTE-We, my approval, entitled "An Act further to THE FIRST ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF THE HISprovide for the incorporation and regulation of Insurance Companies within this Commonhave already published the names of the general committee which has in charge the Mechanical, Horticultural and wealth." Floral Exhibition, to be given by the Historical, Agriculand M-shanles' Institute commencing on the 18th is very voluminous, with great cars, and have devoted much time and attention to its considday of June next. and below, will be found the list of subnittees, appointed by the chairman of the general eration. Finding many of its provisions wise, and well calculated to exercise a beneficial committee, who will have charge of the respective depart

influence over the management of the various insurance companies of the State, and recog-I-John Wise, Chairman; John A. Sheaff, David nbiuu Horticultural and Floral-E. C. Darlington, Chairman; H. Lefever, James Black, Joseph Konigmacher, Dr. H. the subject, it is with regret I announce to the

Jenberg, Arts-John W. Jackson, Chairman; J. K. Alexan-nry Musselman, Hon. A. L. Hayes, H. L. Zahm. *al Committee on Hall and Arrangements*-James K. der, Chairman; John A. Sheaff, John W. Jackson. We have no doubt from the seal already manifested the bition will be a magnificent affair, and fully the patronage and aid of our citizens.

RELIGIOUS .- Rev. JOHN COOKMAN. of Philaelnhis, the youngest son of the lamented COORMAN, who was lost in the ship President some seventeen years ago,

will preach in the Duke Street M. E. Church on Sunday The elder COOKMAN was considered one of the mo eloquent and gifted pulpit orators in the country, and th is said to possess much of his father's power for magery and gorgeous picturing of Scripture incidents.

DARING OUTRAGE-A LANCASTERIAN WAY-AID AND ROBBED .- We learn from Friday's Express the articulars of the attacking and robbery of Mr. G. W. Gorcht, grain fan manufacturer, of this city, by three ruffians n Chester county, one of the boldest outrages we have for ae time been called upon to record. It seems that as Mr. Gorrecht was passing through Vincent township, on Tuesday, he was stopped by three ruffi ins, who demanded

his money, which was refused. They then attacked and beat him in the most cruel manuer, shooting at him twice, to the proper court of the county, which court the balls passing through his hat. Mr. Gorrecht defended himself bravely, and the fight was a desperate one. He cut the company or association, from transacting one of the ruffians three times with a pocket knife, and the business of insurance. And, if the knocked one of them down with a stone. They finally insolvency reported by the Commissioners shall verpowered and robbed him of \$380 in money, and promis appear to be correct, the court is to appoint a ory notes amounting to near \$100, and then tore off his coat and cut the boots off his feet, supposing, probably, and distribute its assets after the payment of hat he had more money concealed on his person

expenses ratably among the creditors of the The operations of the villains were finally interrupt company. reach of Mr. John J. Mieley, when they made off. Insurance Companies of the city of Philadel phia to provide an office for the Commisioners Mr. Mieley found indications of a hard struggle, the ground eing spattered with blood, and Mr. G. lying on his back in which a record of their proceedings is to be almost naked, and unable to get up. By the time Mr. M. had assisted him to put on his clothes, and he was kept. ufficiently restored to walk, the villains had got out of

heir reach, and the bujured man still too weak to ride fast Commissioner to inquire into the condition It is to be hoped, however, that they will be identified and brought to justice.

THE DOUGLAS AND SLIDELL AFFAIR. and the exercise of such a power would During the late Senatorial contest in Illinois of the public : but this section requires every

statement appeared in the Chicago Tribune to the effect, that the slaves belonging to Senator Douglas, in Mississippi, were cruelly and inhumanly treated. When pressed for the author of this calumny, the Tribune gave Dr. BRAINARD, of Chicago, who, it alleged, received the information from Senator SLIDELL .-Both these gentlemen denied the imputation ; Mr. SLIDELL of having held any communication with Dr. BRAINARD on the subject of

Mr. Douglas' slaves, and Dr. BRAINARD of having communicated the matter to the editor of the Tribune. Mr. SLIDELL published a communication some time since on the subject, wherein after a positive denial that he gave

currency to this offensive rumor, he said that "Mr. DougLas has by authorizing and coun tenancing anonymous attacks upon methrough a person officiating as his private Secretary, lost all claim to the explanation that I would otherwise have promptly volunteered to give him." On the 7th inst., Mr. DougLAS address ed a card to the States, in which he emphatically denies the truth of this implication, and says, "it is not true that I have authorized or countenanced anonymous attacks upon Mr.

SLIDELL." This denial again brings out Mr. SLIDELL, in the Washington Union of the 13th inst., in justification of his accusation that a person officiating as the private secretary of Mr. Douglas had been making anonymous attacks upon him, (Slidell) with the implied sanction of Mr. Douglas. The following are the circumstances, as parrated by Mr. Slidell,

mutual insurance companies now incorporated under which the charge was made: and located in the cities of Philadelphia "This declaration imposes upon me the Pittsburg, or Allegheny, or having agencies necessity of showing the grounds on which I therein, as well as all such companies here made that charge. During my visit to New Orleans in November last, an editor of a paper after to be incorporated, wherever located, are forbidden from issuing any policy of insurance

VETO MESSAGE -- INSURANCE BILL. The right or liberty to settle the terms and conditions and form of the contract, is neces-early included in the general grant of power the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania :

I have examined the bill before me, which

nising the great necessity for legislation of

General Assembly that I found the bill in

some of its terms and details so extremely objectionable that in my judgment is ough

duty of the Judges of the District Courts in

the cities of Philadelphia and Pittsburg

annually to appoint three Commissioners, who

shall in each year examine the statements made by the Insurance Companies in their

respective cities, and in the county of Allegheny, and where the Commissioners are

satisfied that any such company is possessed of the amount of capital named in the section,

the Commissioners shall certify to the fact

and, upon obtaining said certificate, the company may lawfully transact the business

of an Insurance Company, subject to the annual renewal of the certificate. But in the

event that the Commissioners shall find upon

examination that the company or association

is insolvent, or without the capital required

the act, they are directed to report the fact

s required to issue an injunction to restrain

ceiver to wind up the affairs of the company,

The power of the Legislature to appoint

of Insurance Companies, and to authorize

judicial proceedings in case of such as are

elieved to be insolvent, is unquestionable

robably be highly beneficial to the interests

solvent company to obtain annually a certifi

cate in the nature of a license to transact

business, and this applies to all companies

now existing, as well as those which may hereafter be incorporated. It is questionable

whether such a restriction, or condition, can

be imposed upon the legitimate exercise of

nowers already granted. The various acts

neorporating Insurance Companies, give the

right to commence and continue the business

f insurance on certain terms therein specified

This bill proposes to alter these terms by

imposing others which may interrupt their

business, though they may be perfectly solvent and even prosperous, and it also subjects them

o other than judicial control : and finally, it

ourt of the State, as by the 19th section the

The section is moreover incongruods and

imperfect; for, while it requires the Commiss-

oners to report to the Court such companies

as are found to be insolvent, or without the

requisite capital, it only authorizes proceedings

igainst such as are reported to be insolvent,

naking no disposition whatever of such as ar

The second section makes the refusal or

neglect of any company to comply with the

ture of the charter, and imposes upon the Pre-ident and Secretary, upon conviction, thereof, a fine of five hundred dollars. It is

difficult to perceive why the President and Secretary should be liable to conviction and

punishment for the neglect or refusal of the company, acting through its Board of Mana

gers, to comply with the requirements of the

Under the fourteenth section of the bil

olvent but without the required capital.

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decision of the District Court is made final and

deprives them of an appeal to the Supren

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and it is also given expressly in very many charters. The conditions, liminations, modifi-

cations, covenants and warrantees, in policies

of insurance, are as various as the risks, and

heretofore the parties to the contract were at

liberty to make their own bargain But this

section requires the companies to agree through

shall be used in every case. Even in the

conveyance of real estate this is not practicable;

but in matters of contract which relate to an

infinite variety of risks and contingencies it

is, in my opinion, impossible. It is the pulicy

of our law to leave all who are competent to

contract free to agree for themselves, stipulat-

ing, however, for things lawful, and observing

good faith; and, to my mind, the attempt to produce uniformity in contracts of insurance

is such a departure from that policy-confirm-

ed, as it is, by the experience of ages-as to render the experiment neither practicable nor desirable. It is quite impossible to foresee

what special conditions it may be necessary to

place it out of the power of the parties to provide for such contingencies. The result of

the adoption of this provision would undoubt-

edly be that no prudent company would take

any risk that was not sufficiently provided for

by the contract settled by the convention ; and

consequently parties wanting special risks nsured would be compelled to go out of the

State to get gheir insurance. It will afford me great pleasure to co operate

with the General Assembly in providing addi-

tional checks and making other salutary regu

lations for the government of insurance companies, so as effectually to protect the

public against the impositions and fraudulent

practices of dishonest institutions. But for

the reasons already assigned, I cannot approve of of this bill. It is, therefore, herewith

returned to the House of Representatives

where it originated, for reconsideration. WM. F. PACKER.

A MURDER REVEALED BY A DREAM.-A

miraculous discovery of a horrible murder is

related by a Belgian journal of a recent date,

Two brothers, Jews, set out from Gyrek,

ith a view of placing their two daughters at

boarding school in the town of Grosswardein.

During the night of their absence, the young-

est daughter, aged ten, who was left at home,

woke up suddenly during the night, and cry-

ing bitterly, declared that she saw her father and uncle, and all being murdered. The

mother, for some time, took no notice of the

child's declaration, but, as she persisted, and

would not be pacified, she began to be alarmed herself, and the next morning took the child

before the mayor of the town, to whom she

declared her dream, stating at the same time

that the murderers were two men living in the

neighborhood, whom she deliberately pointed

out, and added that the murder was commit

ted at the entrance of the forest, on the road

The Mayor, after this revelation, thought

the child, when

it prudent to make inquiry after the two

singularly enough, they were discovered to be absent from home. This suspicious circum-stance induced the Mayor to dispatch some

officers to the forest alluded to by the child, who discovered the horrible spectacle of five

bodies extended on the ground, which were

those of the two brothers, the two daughters

and the driver of the vehicle in which they all

took their departure. The corpses appeared

to have all been set on fire, so as to destroy their identity, and the vehicle was nowhere

officers to examine the whole neighborhoud,

when they fortunately pounced upon the two neighbors at a fair not far distant, as they

were in the very act of changing some notes on which some spots of blood were visible. On

being seized, they immediately confessed their crime, and on the child's dream being revealed to

hem, acknowledged the finger of Providence in

part of the child, and its fulfilment, excited an

SNOW STORM IN THE OLDEN TIMES -The

year 1717 is memorable in the history of New

England on account of the unusual quantity of

snow which fell February 20th and 24th of that

year. In those storms the earth was covered

places twenty feet deep. Many houses of one

naths were dug from house to house under the

now-drifts! The visits were made by means

of snow shoes, the wearers having first stepped

man wishing to visit his "lady love," walked

three miles with snow shoes, and entered her residence as he left his own, namely by the

hamber window. He was cordially received,

out of their chamber windows.

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Harrisburg, January 6, 1859.

of which we make a summary :

of of this bill.

introduce into a policy, and it, is unwis

and adds that the different notes under such a system, will be so few, and so well executed, and their general appearance become so familiar to the masses of the people, that it would be next to impossible they could be successfully counterfeited. A bill to this effect has been introduced into the House by Mr. HAMERSLY, of Philadelphia, and the presumption is that the measure will be favorably considered by the Legislature.

We think the idea is a good one, and should have no objection to see the experiment tried.

STATE TREASURER.

The election for State Treasurer takes place to day. Hon. ELI'SLIFER. of Union county, (former State Treasurer.) is the can didate of the Republicans, and will, of course be elected. In the Republican caucus which assembled on Friday evening to fix upon the candidate, the following was the result of the ballotings: 1-4 04 04

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Un the second ballot, Mess WALTERS were withdrawn.

POLITICS IN KENTUCKY.

The Democracy of Kentucky, met in conven tion, on the 8th inst., and nominated Beriah Magoffin, for Governor, and Linn Boyd, for Lieutenant Governör, and adopted a platform endorsing the Cincinnati platform and the Dred Scott decision, encouraging the acquisition of Cuba, denouncing sectional agitators in the North, and Know Nothingism, endors ing the National Administration, and propos ing that the determination of their differences upon minor and unessential points, such as Kansas and Lecomptonism, shall not be nermitted to disturb the harmony of the Democracy of Kentucky.

THE LATE COLD SPELL .- We Pennsylvanians, who live in a temperate zone, were shocked and horrified on Monday week, when the mer cury in the Fahrenbeit thermometers went down to three or four degrees below zero .--But it was far worse in the Arctic regions of New England. Here we give a summary of thermometrical reports at various places :

Boston, Mass., Janu	ary 11th, 1 A. M.	16 below	zero.
Ch-lsea, Mass., "	10th, midnight,	13 "	4.
W. Roxbury, "		18 "	"
Concord, "	11th, 5 A. M.	22 "	64
Medfor i. "	" 7 A. M.	25 "	**
Townsend Centre, "	" 6 A. M.	36 "	"
Theiferd, Vt. "	10тh, 11 р. м.	81 "	46
Bethlehem, N. H., "	" 7 A. M.	25 "	41
Great Fills, N. II , "	11тh, 8 л. м.	30 "	"
Durh m.	" 7 л м.	32"	44
Qu-chee. Vt., "	" 7 л. м.	:8 "	"
Littlet n. N. A., "	" 7 л. м.	39 "	**
All through	Maccachucatta	Varmont	

All through Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire, the mercury ranged from 15 to 30 degrees below zero on those memorable days, the 10 h and 11th of January, 1859 .---How comfortable and almost tropical was our sub zero weather of those dates compared with that of the Arctic States of New England.

TAMMANY CELEBRATION .- The Tammany Society, of New York, celebrated the fortyfourth anniversary of the battle of New Or leans, at their Hall, on Monday evening week. The "Old Wigwam" was splendidly decorat-Among the toasts were the foll ing : James Buchanan, President of the United States-The integrity, interests and honor of the Union are safe beneath his guardianship. John C. Breckinridge, Vice President the United States-Young, gallant and gifted. High as he already stands in the hearts of the people, there is a brighter future hefore him. A name embalmed in our country's gratitude-We drink in silence the memory of Andrew Jackson.

117 Bay We are indebted to A. J. GLOSSBREN-MER. Esq., Sergeant-at-Arms of the U. S. tor, for six years, in place of Hon. Charles E. House of Representatives; for a copy of the Stuart, Dem., whose term expires on the 4th Patent Office Report of 1858.

been changed from an evening to a morning paper, and put upon a footing of the highest efficiency. Its circulation is at once to be increased by a thorough system of canvassing, which has been successfully put on foot, to at leist fifteen thousand copies. It cannot fail, under the able editorship which controls its columns, to exert a salutary and powerful influence upon public sentiment. We take great pleasure in copying the prospectus of

the Argus: TO THE PUBLIC .- The proprietors of the 'Evening National Argus" design issuing the same on and after Monday, January 10, West Branch Bank

1859, as a morning paper, to be published at Warren County Bank ... ONE CENT PER COPY, OR THREE DOLLARS A fork Bank ... EAR IN ADVANCE, OR THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS when sent by mail, payable in dvance. This change has been decided upon from the fact that a reliable organ of true lemocratic principles, published at a rate which places it within the reach of етегу nechanic and laboring man, is demanded by the people of the city of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania. The working men are the true democracy of the country, and it is to them that the principles upor

which our republican system of government is founded should be explained. They are the bones and nerves of our confederacy, and just proportion as democratic principles are made plain to them will the success of that party, be advanced, and the great interests of ur country be maintained.

A morning democratic paper that will be free from the control of all cliques or factions -that will be the organ of no personal ambi ion or interests-that will do justice to all egardless of denunciation from any quarter -is a desideratum long desired in Philadelphia. The corrupting power of corporations, and the tainting influences of private schemes, has operated to reduce the character of many newspapers among the honest masses. It will be the object of the National Argus to woid all these contaminating and debasing bjects. There can be no doubt that the emocratic party has been injured by men who used it as a means of accumulating wealth or gratifying personal preferences of It is time that these men should oreiudices. e checked and exposed, and that the party

should again become what its founders in tended it to be-the brotherhood of patriote and the conservator of freedom and equality. The Evening National Argus has attained an enviable reputation for its fearlessness and soundness upon all great national questions but the sphere of an evening paper is neces sarily limited. As a morning penny paper its circulation can be vastly increased, and its usefulness more widely disseminated

While the political sentiments of the pape will undergo no change, additional care will be taken to collect the latest and most impor tant news, and no subject of interest to th public will escape unnoticed. The publish ers design making it a newspaper worthy the great party to which it belongs, and deserving f the liberal patronage of a reading publi The many friends of the Argus are re

quested to use their influence to extend its irculation, and any favors extended to it by the press of the country will be cheerfully reciprocated when opportunity offers.

For the Intelligencer.

SURVEYOR GENERAL.

SURVEYOR GENERAL. MESSRS. SANDERSON: As the time is drawing near when the Democracy of Pennsylvania will assemble in Conven-tion at likerishing, to settle State Officers and Clerkships at likeriships of the last twenty-five years have been sel of editors for thera counties, and frequently from counties that the Democracy while the Democrate vote of Lar-caster county has on more than one occasion decided the State election. In view of the justice of our claims, it is the duty of our delegates to select candidates of known qualifications for the officers of allist denotes the unader to sugget the names of Col. J. FRANKIN REGAR, the present Recorder of Lancaster city, as a genitemm whos qualifications are indiguinate. for the Surveyor Generalship. Col. REGART is a practical Engi-met, and to may the is better acquainted with Surveys and Land Titles. He would make almost compr tent and efficient officer, and his acive exertions for years past to surger, and his acive exertions for years past to surport of Predident Boonkarn and Governor PACLER deserve the favor of the Convertion. A LANCASTER COUNTY DEMOCRAT.

U. S. SENATOR ELECTED .- On Saturday

week the Legislature of Michigan elected Ex Governor Bingham, Republican, U. S. Senathat in the comfortless dwellings of the poor. of March, 1859.

Rank of Chambersburg.... Bunk of Chester Valley..... Bank of Beaver County.... Farmers' Bank of Lancaster... Farmers' Bank of Schuylkill... Farmers' Bank of Schuylkill... Girard Bank... Harnisburg Bank... Harnisburg Bank... Homes, M'Allister. Hale & Co... Loh T. Hore Indiana... 7,39 (0 3,142 John T. Hogg. Indiana.......... John T. Hogg. Indiana......... Japorte. Mason & Co...... Laporte. Mason & Co...... Lancaster Savings Institution. 27.922 1,124 59 845 20

Lancaster Savings Institution. Lawieburg Bank. Bank of Middletown. Merchants' and Manulacturers' Bauk of Pitts-burg. Merchants' Savings Bank, Harrisburg. March Chunk Bank. 85,930 463 130 William Russell, Lewistown...... Reading Savings Fund..... Tradesmen's Bank, Philadelphia. Union Bank of Reading..... 300 (134) 4.144 (

For the Intelligencer

TEACHERS' INSTITUTES. Lest some unthinking person should be misled, (none ther could be misled.) by the article in your last paper igned "Tax Payer." I have a few strictures to make upor

signed "Tax Payer." I have a lew Strictures to make upon it in reply. Pirst. I notice a strange feeling of bitterness in "Tax Payers" article. Its esems very much out of bumor, and, wanting to fight somebody or something, attacks those very inoffensive organizations called "Teachers Institutes." He strikes what he evidently supposes to be such telling blows against member, instructors, lecturers, superin-tendents, and all concerned in Institutes, that in his own malicious farcy he sizedy imacines that he has annihi lated them. He does it all with such if feeling, instructes so much, makes so many allosions to somedody, sea guilty party, that any one can see that under the make of seeking the public good, he is merely seeking to graffy some per-sonal spite.

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would certainly frighten away both instructors and teach-ers. If any persons attend these Institutes to glorify others or to be glorified, to tickle or to betickled, to be called doc-tors or professors, to cashier faithful teachers for doing their duty, to enable superiots andents to demonstruct that they have done much when they have done nothing, to advertise thems-lves as learned philosophers or elequent lecturers, when they know little or are stereotyped. ss "Tax Payer" alleges. I admit that it is very naughty in them, and they should verily be ashamed of themselves. [Query? Dit "Tax Payer" find all this in the newspapers?] Teach-ers, bunt up this immeulate "Tax Payer" and invite him to lecturers, and mange the next Institute. I'd answer for him—he's a parage.

ers, hunt up this lumine the set Institute. I'll answer for to lecture and manuge the next Institute. I'll answer for bim-he's a paragro. But it is hardly worth whi'e to add anything further about the matter. Teschers and all other intelligent per-sons who have here watching their working, approve of "Taschers's Institutes." Who "Tax Payer" is I do ont know, and do not care to know. Judking from his arti 'eb I suppose that he lives in Lancaster, since be speaks of 't this eity." It hat be has not her public importance, which, in his generosity, be thinks be desretes; and that having nursed his fancied wrongs until he has become chemically named his fancied wrongs until he has boome chemically sourced ard venoumed, he is reckless as to what he attacks. This known, and he is doubles harmless. With much pity "Tax Payer" is dismissed. in the hope that a more wholesome regimen and the application of the Water Cure may improve his health and disposition. JUNIUS.

THE INTENSE COLD WEATHER .- The cold i aid to have been more intense at noon on Monday week, in New York, than it has been for seventy years. Quite a number of persons were severe sufferers, and one, an omnibus driver, was frozen to death on his box.

At Oswego, there was a foot of snow, and the thermometer is reported to have stood at 29 degrees below zero, in the suburbs of the town; at Ogdensburg, Watertown, N. Y., Burlington and St. Johnsbury, Vt., the thernometer stood at 30 degrees below; and at one or two other places, it was even lower than At no place north of the city of New York, was it higher than 17 degrees below zero. With such unprecedented weather there must have been a terrible amount of suffering

224 In view of the importance of the ensuing City Elect we hope to see a full turn-out of the Democracy on this occasion. THE DORCAS SOCIETY .- The Ladies of this

nevolent Association acknowledge their indebtedness to Mrs. E. C. Reigart, Mrs. S. R. Slaymaker, Hon. I. E. Hiester and Mr. John Herr, for liberal donations. The Society has appointed the following Ward Visiting

Committees N. E. Ward-Mrs. Jacob Griel, Miss Miller. N. W. Ward-Mrs. R. Hubley, Mrs. G. B. Kerfoot, Miss

N. W. Ward-Mrs. R. Hubley, Mrs. G. B. Kerfoot, Miss Weaver, Miss Mathiot. S. E. Ward-Mrs. John Meizgar, Mrs. Henry B. Slay-maker, Miss M. Humes, Miss E. Eicholtz. S. W. Ward-Mrs. Geo. Sandervon. Mrs. Geo. H. Bom-berger, Miss Slaymaker, Miss Loulea Hayes.

THE LANCASTER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AND ECRANICAL SOCIETY .- The annual meeting of this Society tas held at Shober's Hotel, North Queen street, on the forh inst. In the absence of the President, Joseph Konigacher, Esq., Mr. J. E. Kreybill was called to the chair. The annual reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were ead. We have prepared a short synopsis of the Society's nancial operations, gathered from these reports, as follows The Treasurer received from tickets, subscriptions and

moorary loan the sum of \$4,888.94, and paid out \$4,647.97, leaving an amount due by him of \$240.97. A number of orders have been issued, but are not yet paid. There was so received for rents and tickets, \$716.38, which sum did not go into the hands of the Treasurer. Out of this sum \$703 30 were paid, leaving a balance of \$13 08 in the Secretary's hands. The assets of the Society amount to \$2895.40. and the liabilities are \$2028.16, leaving a balance of assets

of \$867.24. The following report of the Managers was also read: The Managers of the Lancaster County Agricultural and fechanical Society, in submitting their report for the year anding this day, beg leare to offer to its memb-re, and to il who are interested in its welfare, their sincere congratending this day, beg leave to offer to its members, and to all who are interested in its welfare. their sincere congra-clations upon its prosperity and usefulness, and the con-stantly increasing interest in its success which is every day manifosted by the ditizens of all parts of the connty. The grounds of the Society have been permanently se-cured, and all the buildings stalls, &c. are held in readi-ness for another year, which will relieve the Society for the future of the very heavy expense necessarily incurred in their preparations for their last Exhibition, and enable them to offer to exhibitors more liberal premiums. They take pleasure in calling the attention of the Society for the Secretary and Treasurer. Taking into consideration the facts, that the Society roums nor dir is last year with an empty treasury—with a deficiency of the year previous to be made up—without grounds or any of the buildings necessary to holding a fair, its members may well congrat-ulate themselves upon its present very prosperous condi-tion.

ncessary to holding a fair, its members may well congrat-ulate themselves upon its prosent very prosperous condi-tion. It is believed that another year, equally successful with the last, will relieve the Society of a very large share of its indebtedness, while it is conceded by all that an annual assemblage of the products of the fields, the orchards, the gyrd-nes and the workeshops of our county is mast benefi all to the intelligence and pecuniary welfare of the people...-We feel a just pride in the fact, that nowheng else can a more noble display of Agricultural wealth be dommanded, than the farmers of our county can at any time produce, and our mechanics hear a reputation for skill and ingenuity, the products of which will bear any comparison, without dishonor to them-elves. We refer with pleasure to the very complete success which attended our Second Annual Exhi-bition, held on the 5th, 6th. 7th, 8th and 8th days of Octo-ber last. The extert and variety of the display in stork and be mechanic arts, far surpassing that of our first exhibition, is sufficiant proof of the interest foil th the success of the Society by the farmers and mechanics of our conty. Mode that we own to the lastice of our city and conny a special acknowledgment of our oblications to them for the zeal and nervy beautiful contributions to our exhibition... The display in the kalled department was an achievement in skill and industry of which the itar arizons may well be proud and the blanders day refore to the fact that during the entire fair their department was an achievement in skill and industry of which their ar izons may be inter-tent and very beautiful contributions to our exhibition.... The Mangers also itender their thanks to the several Committees of Judges in attendance, as well for, their in the real and verse of Judges in attendance, as well of the theor inn, as if or the sails ender their thanks to the several Committees of Judges in attendance, as well for, their innor sof the sails attendance, as well for, their inno

erality in responding to the call upon their time and atten-tion, as for the satisfactory mauner in which they dis-charged their duties. The Society then proceeded to the election of officers for

e ensuing year, with the following result:

President-Joseph Konigmacher. Vice Presidenta-Col. J. Franklin Reigart, C. A. Shafiner Manazers-J. E. Krephill, S. P. Spencer, A. K. Bowers Lark Connell, Jr., S. W. Beecher, Wellington Yundt. Treasurer-Benjamin Mishler. Secretary-Col. D W Patterson. Librarian-Cyrus N. Herr.

HUMANE FIRE COMPANY, No. 6.-At a meet ing of this company held at their Hall, Manor street, on Friday evening last, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Davis M. Fraim. Vice President—Henry Schaum Secretary—Edwin E. Snyder.

Becretary-Edwin E. snyder. Treasure-John Lorontz. Rogineers-Grorge P. Killian, Christian Haar, Henry Dropperd. George Shay, Michael Huitnagie. Directors-Joseph Brown, John Beckel, Michael Flear, Wm. 8. Kautz. Jacob Snyder, George Troyer, Henry Schaum, E. E. Snyder. Becting Committee-Christain Haar, George Troyer, East, E. Snyder. E ecting Committee-Christain Haar, George Troyer, Edwin E. Suyder. Trustees-H. Schaum, D. M. Fraim, E. E. Snyder, George P. Killian, Joseph Brown.

Solicitor-Bartram A. Sheaffer. NEW BERLIN LYCEUM.-Col. W. HARVEY EFERA, of this city, and whilom of The Intelligencer is expected to deliver a lecture before the New Berlin Lyceum on Thursday evening next. We can promise ou friends at New Berlin an able and eloquent literary treat The last lecture was delivered by Dr. HENRY REEMENTDES, of Ephrata.

ished there who is a friend and na of Mr. Douglas, (but who at the same time is not unfriendly to me.) informed me that he had received an anonymous letter from Chi cago for publication in his paper, commenting very severely upon me, and that he did no ntend to publish it, but desired me to see it. He accordingly produced the paper, and read to me certain portions of it extremely vituper ative. I told him I had heard enough of it, and insisted on knowing the name of the author; he said that it had been sent to him n an ordinary form of newspaper correspon

dence, either without signature or with 81 assumed one, and had been accompanied by r letter from James R. Sheridan. I requested im to give me the name in writing, which he lid. I have it now in my possession. I had eard that this Mr. Sheridan acted as aman nensis for Mr. Douglas, had accompanied him through his late canvass, reported his speeches, &c., and I also asked the edito hether Mr. Sheridan did not stand in this relation to Mr. Douglas. His reply was that he so understood, having had no other letters from him. I then declared to the editor, in the presence of another person, and subse quently repeated the declaration to other riends, that on my arrival in Washington, where I expected, of course, to meet Mr. D oug as, I should call on him for a categorical re ply whether or not be had authorized this let ter of his secretary, and should be governed in my course towards him by his answer."

MAIL ROBBERS DETECTED. The following, which we clip from the Chi ago Tribune & Press, shows that our friend Dr. LEIB, the efficient Mail Agent in Illinois, to a single county or neighborhood, let it be entirely abrogated. Besides, the provision s after the mail robbers with a sharp stick. under consideration directly interferes with The Dr's vigilance in the matter is what might have been expected from his well-known energy of character :

out the Commonwealth. ARREST OF A POSTMASTER AND HIS SON FOR ROBBING THE MAIL .- Charles Leib, Esq., the Special Agent of the Post Office Departm and Deputy Marshal Dougherty, on Saturday afternoon arrested David Martin, Postmaster at Palatine, and his son, Abial Martin, Assis tant Postmaster, for robbing the mail. For some time past, packages of valuable letters passing from the Chicago Post Office to Fre mont Centre. Lake county, have been missing while others have been rifled of their content and remailed for their destination. After considerable investigation, the special agen was satisfied that the robberies were commit ted at the Palatine office. On Saturday las Dr. Leib, the special agent, mailed a decov letter, containing \$5-two \$1 bills and one \$3 bill-which were carefully marked, to Thomas

dollars of

premium notes; and

H. Payne, Fremont Centre, Lake county required. The bag containing the letter was placed in charge of the mail agent on the St. Paul and nd insurance associations respectively, Fond Du Las Railroad, and by him delivered to Martin, the Postmaster. The next day Mr. Smith, a clerk in the Chicago Post Office went to Palatine, and received one of these marked bills from the younger Martin, and Mr. Williamson, of Palatine, received another from the elder Martin. This left no doubt of the guilt of the parties, and they were arrested as above stated. Yesterday the father and son were brought before United States Commissioner Hoyne, and held to answer, the former in \$1500 and the latter in \$1000. The their adoption, and published by the father is a man of some 65 years of age, and declares his innocence with a good deal of sang froid, while the son, who is a poor crip--being compelled to go about on his hands, nlehis legs being entirely useless—is greatly distressed, and moaned pitifully. He has heretofore been a sort of itinerant phrenologist, necromancer. &c.

The Mr. Smith spoken of in the above was formerly a resident of this city, and a clerk in Philadelphia or county of Allegheny other Herr's Dry Goods' Establishment.

THE FIRST REGIMENT TO CROSS THE CONTI NENT.-The Sacramento (Cal.) Union of the

20th November, mentions the arrival there of the 6th regiment of U. S. Infantry, which left Fort Leavenworth, Mo., on the 27th May, and performed the march across the continent in 190 days, or, as the regiment remained in

camp on Sundays, 162 marching days. They averaged about 100 miles per week, and reachd California without the loss of a man, and only about 80 mules died out of 1100 .- A portion of the route was over a country rep resented, hitherto, as inhospitable and even hostile, while the latter part of the season has been unfavorable and even inclement. the one agreed upon in convention.

intil they have a subscription list of reons desiring to be insurad members, whose premium notes shall amount in the aggregate fifty thousand dollars. Such companies are also required to confine their risks to the ounties in which they may be severally located, and the adjoining counties; and are erjoined from issuing any policy until notice of the form thereof shall be published in one or more newspapers of the county where such company shall be located.

as he was the first person the family had seen provisions, in my opinion, are unne om abroad for a week! Cotton Mather has sessarily stringent and severe upon mutual left a manuscript account of "this great snow, insurance companies. Some of the most sub stantial and reliable companies in this Comand the many marvels and prodigies attending monwealth are based upon the plan of mutual liability with premium notes assessable for BRUTAL ASSAULT ON LEWIS D. CAMPBELLasses-their insurances extending to every city and county in the State, amounting in aggregate to many millions of dollars, and as well secured as they can possibly be by any joint stock companies. Why should such companies, so organized, and which make no dividends of profits, whether located in the cities of Philadelphia or Pittsburg or Allegheny, or elsewhere, be confined in their risks to the county in which the particular company may

HIS LIFE IN DANGER.-We are pained to learn that Mr. Campell, ex Congressman, was struck by some ruffian, and seriously if not fatally njured, while on his way from his office to his residence on Tuesday night. Mr. C. says that he left his office between twelve and one o'clock and was struck by some one who came up behind him. It was about three o'clock when he recovered his consciousness, and was able to reach home, having laid insensible on the ted and the counties adjoining thereto; street for more than two hours. There is a while joint stock companies, that are the sub severe wound in the back of his head-the ject of speculations, and that declare large skull being broken in-and the blow is supprofits, are given a charter extensive as the State? I have looked in vain for a sufficient posed to have been given with a slung shot. reason for making this distinction. Mr. C. is in a very critical condition. Common intervals he converses rationally, but most of justice requires that all shall be placed by law the time his mind wanders. A printer from on an equal footing, and that none shall be Dayton-so says our informant-had been favored or proscribed ; then, if either system arrested on suspicion of being concerned in prove unworthy of confidence, let it be conthe assault upon Mr. Campbell.-Dayton demned, and instead of limiting its operations

CONVICTION OF A MURDERER.

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the powers and privileges already solemnly granted by charter to mutual insurance BALTIMORE, Jan. 11 .- The Jury in the case of Marion Cropps, who has been on trial some mnanies, to extend their business through days, at Tonsontown, near this city, came into Court, this evening, with a verdict of "Guilty of murder in the first degree."--Again, would not the provision which equires premium notes to the amount of at Cropps is quite a young man, but has led a very disreputable life. The facts of the case east fifty thousand dollars before a policy can be issued, prevent any company from going are these; A policeman named Benton arrestinto operation on the mutual principle, at least in the interior of the State? If two and ed several rioters, and while ou his way to the Station House he was shot dead by a young half per cent. be taken as average rate of man named Henry Gambrille. The murder insurance, it would require property offered to be insured amounting to two millions of dollars to produce the required fifty thousand was witnessed by officer Rigdon, and he accordingly testified against Gambrille, who was convicted, and is now under sentence of when it is death. After the verdict had been rendered recollected that no insurance could be effected Rigdon went to his residence, and shortly after his arrival there he was shot dead, in the utside of the county where the company may presence of his wife, by Cropps, and an ace located, and those immediately adjoining , is obvious that in many sections of the State complice, named Corrie. Separate trials were granted, and the latter will be tried to morwould be nearly or quite impossible to btain the amount of applications thus row.

The eighteenth section is also objectionable Governor S----, of South Carolina, It provides: "that the insurance companies was a splendid lawyer, and could talk a jury out of their seven senses. He was especially of the city of Philadelphia and of the city of Pittsnoted for his success in criminal cases, almost burg, insuring property against loss by fire always clearing his client. He was once shall, after obtaining the certificates required nunsel for a man accused of horse stealing. by this act, appoint one delegate each, to meet He made a long, eloquent and touching speech n convention in the city of Philadelphia, on The jury retired but returned in a few the last Tuesday of September next, and adopt moments; and proclaimed the man not guilty. such uniform fire policy or policies as such convention shall deem necessary and proper, An old acquaintance stepped up to the prison-er and said: "Jem, the danger is past; and copies of which shall be filed with the insu now honor bright, didn't you steal that horse ?" To which Jem replied, "Well, Tom I've all rance commissioners in said cities, and also with the Auditor General immediately after long thought I took that horse, but since I've heard the Governor's speech, I don't believe I companies in each of said cities for at least did l"

AMALGAMATION.-The daughter of a wealthy Abolitionist near Pontiac, Michigan, recently eloped with a black man who was in the emincorporated by or doing business within this ploy of her father as a farm hand, and fled to commonwealth thereafter to issue any policy Canada, where the pair were married. The of insurance against loss by fire in the city of brother of the girl followed the runaways, and, ascertaining her whereabouts, went to her and implored her to return. She was contented. however-loved her ebony half-was happy policy in violation of this section, shall forfeit | in his arms and couldn't think of going back The emotions of a brother at such a sight can any such policy to the party so insured. Provided that this section shall not apply to men would have blotted out their of men would have blotted out their disgrace with a single blow, but he had been taught This section deprives the companies therein | that it was no sin against God or man that named of the power of making contracts of his young sister should repose in the embrace of a negro, and at the same time calmly look him in the face and say that she was content. The Free Press says the father was a red

the nature of the property, or of the risk, or ed. He went home, as he had come, alone, wherever it may be situated, and whether the The Free Press says the father was a r hot Abolitionist and has always advocated amalgamation, and the girl has been reared under the demoralizing influence of such abhorrent priciples.

one week in two daily newspapers having the argest bona fide circulation therein, and said policies shall on and after the first day of December next, become of general use; and it shall not be lawful for any insurance company incorporated by or doing business within this than in the form of the policies so agreed upon and adopted ; and any company issuing any and pay the amount of insurance specified in

companies exclusively mutual." insurance on such conditions and terms as may be agreed to by both parties. Whatever contract be made through an agent or by an immediate officer of the company, no form can be used, under a heavy penalty, except