THE LANCASTER WEEKLY INTELLIGENCER, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1868.

News Items.

Chicago has a pane of glass seven and a half by fifteen feet.

Both New York and Boston elect Mayors next month.

Signor Blitz is amusing the young folks of Newark, N. J.

Bank runners in New York have their wallets chained to their wrists.

About one million of postage stamps are used in the United States daily.

Gas has just been introduced into the City of Mexico.

Spain has 117 seaports, 675 miles of railroad, and 94 miles of canal.

Canada is garrisoned by 12,500 British regulars.

On the Suez canal 14,853 laborers and 58 dredging machines are employed.

"Peacock feathers" in "bandit hats" are the latest female display in New York.

The John Allen style of prayer meeting has lately been introduced into England.

A barber at Knoxville, Tenn., has been fined $5 for shaving a man on Sunday.

Twelve per cent. of English criminals are said to be under sixteen.

The "Grant hat" has already appeared on the promenade in New York.

The Drew party came out about a million and a quarter behind in the late fight in Erie.

Mr. Sidney Mount, the artist, died at Setauket, Long Island, on Thursday, at the age of 62.

The Tennessee Legislature yesterday elected A. J. Fletcher, Secretary of State, and J. E. Rout, Treasurer.

An old lady recently died in Massachusetts who had eighty-eight living grandchildren.

On the big earthquake day in San Francisco, 2,000 dispatches were sent east by telegraph.

A man in Buffalo spoiled eight hundred dollars' worth of ale by getting drowned in it.

Fourteen new locomotives, for the Iron Mountain Railroad, arrived at St. Louis on the 19th, from Patterson, New Jersey.

The "golden hair" mania seems to be as catching among the belles of America as it has been in Europe.

New York has twelve clergymen who are each paid over $10,000 a year, and a hundred others who don't get $1,000 each.

A youth at Rondout, N. Y., recently stole his pockets full of powder and met the fate of bad boys by blowing himself up.

The New York papers are agitating for a bridge across the East river, as a preventive of future ferry boat disasters.

The Fejee Islanders have recently eaten up a Spaniard and his wife. They kindly spared their children.

In one-fourth of a square mile, surrounding St. Paul's Cathedral, London, there are forty churches.

New Jersey papers complain that game is scarce in that State, and that the supply is diminishing yearly.

Two hundred persons are announced to be anxious to obtain the nomination of Governor of New Hampshire.

The corner-stone was laid, Monday afternoon, of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, in Seventy-fourth street, New York, by Bishop Potter.

The Mayor and a committee of the City Councils of Cleveland are inspecting the public works and taking a general view of St. Louis.

A call for a Temperance Convention of the New England States, to meet in Boston on the 24 of December next, has been issued in that city.

An unknown vessel was burnt at sea, opposite the village of Bridgehampton, Long Island, on Tuesday night, during the storm. Nothing is known of those on board.

A New York paper says "The West is bound to be the bread basket of the world, and to furnish flour enough to feed all creation."

One hundred and fifty thousand hogs heads and boxes of sugar have been landed in Boston since January 1st, the largest receipts ever known.

Philadelphia has taken steps to import a thousand English sparrows, which will be let loose in the public squares and parks next spring.

The Boston Transcript quotes pumpkins in that market as higher priced than the best sugar-cured ham, so the foundation of good pumpkin pies ought to be.

A New York paper thinks General Grant can not be a politician, because he "paid promptly for the overcoat he bought" in that city on Monday.

Over $10,000 was expended in keeping alive the John Allen prayer meetings in New York, and now Water street is worse than ever before.

At a meeting of the Cuban filibusters, in New York, on Thursday night, a letter from an ex-Confederate General was read, offering to join the expedition with 10,000 men.

It is stated that the largest collection of stereoscope pictures in the country is owned by a clerk in the Postoffice department, at Washington. He has spent $15,000 upon it.

The President's message is completed, so far as its general features are concerned, and will be presented to Congress at once if the Department reports were in his hands.

The Union Pacific Railway is so crowded with the construction material going forward to the end of the track that large quantities of freight are accumulating at the eastern terminus.

The vote cast in the State of Illinois at the recent Presidential election was about 106,000 larger than previously polled. This would indicate an increase of population in one year of fully six hundred thousand.

A proposition is pending in Leavenworth for the construction of a railroad from that city to Atchison, to connect with the Central Pacific, thence to Fort Kearney and the Union Pacific.

The New York Albion comes to the rescue of the ladies. It points an article to prove that our great-grandmothers were decidedly ahead of us in aggravated extravagance of dress.

Mr. M. H. Shannon, of Brookeville, Pa., while going to Pittsburg on the mail train, had his pocket picked of government bonds and money to the amount of $6,000. No clue to the thief.

In reply to a young gentleman who wishes to know which magazine will give him the highest position "quickest," the Petersburg Express says "a powder magazine, if you contribute a fiery article."

The present headquarters of the Freedmen's Bureau will be removed after the first of December to Howard University, when it is believed there will be a considerable reduction in the force.

A little boy of Ft. having placed a penny on the railway track at Brunswick Me., to see the locomotive crush it, one of the train hands threw a stick of wood at him and he was instantly killed.

Mrs. Pattie B. Johnson has commenced suit against the Pacific Railroads and St. Louis Railroad Company for $25,000 damages, for alleged carelessness on the part of the employers of the company, which resulted in the death of her husband, Thomas C. Johnson, on August 8, at Mattoon, Illinois.

Dispatches from San Francisco of Tuesday give particulars of the earthquake of October 18th, which state that the Indians have commenced a vigorous warfare. Four successful raids have been made against the whites near Prescott. Two men were killed and five wounded. The people were greatly alarmed at these unexpected attacks, and appeared helpless. General Halleck has been implored to send troops to their assistance.

THE eruption of Mount Vesuvius will probably relieve the countries of Europe from the threatened earthquakes. The mountain, as reported by Atlantic cable, is in a very vigorous condition, the steam is at times filling and overflowing the long, deep crevices in the side. The direction of the current is the same as during the eruption of 1855. On the night of November 16th the upper crust discharged columns of ashes, occasionally illuminated by flashes of fire. Crowds of visitors were speeding by rail to Naples to witness the grand sight.

Queen Isabella in Paris.

Paris (Oct. 8) correspondence of the London Times.

The Parisians are curious to get a sight of Isabella, ex Queen of Spain, who, with her suite of more than thirty persons, is lodged in the Hotel du Pavillion de Rohan, Rue de Rivoli. People loiter about and look up at the windows; but the view of the vulgar public has yet caught a glimpse of her fallen Majesty. Great curiosity, too, is excited by Father Claret being among us, as well as the gallant Marlori, who seems to be as indispensable to the Queen as her spiritual confessor. There are many police hanging about in uniform and out of uniform, for our royal Spanish guests are expecting a violation of hospitality. Strict orders are given to the people about the Queen not to give any information, especially if journalists inquire what is going on. The train arrived at near midnight on Friday, and great precautions were used to prevent any one seeing the royal travellers. At Mon, the ex-Queen and the Ambassador at Paris, has made all the police arrangements. The Parisian journals have spoken so much about the scandals of the Spanish Court, the confessors of the Queen, by as well as ecclesiastical, the number of political executions which took place during the reign of Isabella, that it is by no means impossible to imagine a class of our population, who greet the ladies of the *demi monde* when in their carriages with a *charivari*, doing the same to a lady who is regarded with little respect by the Parisian workmen. However, we get to know a little of what is going on despite the precautions taken. Queen Isabella either assumes or really feels a haughty indifference to all who attide with sympathy to her fate. She speaks with confidence of her son's return to the throne, and adds that she has no desire herself to resume the responsibility of rule. Her Majesty grows very animated when referring to the military men of the revolution, and would evidently like to have them in her power. Her Majesty has brought with her some holy relics, some cases of jewels and the golden rose which Pius IX, bestowed on the good Queen as a reward for her virtues. The King Consort, who is scarcely mentioned in the newspapers, is, I believe lodged in a floor above the Queen. He, I am told, takes all that has occurred as a matter of course. He has one or two intimate friends with him, and amuses himself in his own way. Don Sebastian has come up from Pau with his artistic baggage. He, too, cares nothing about political events.

Buying a Queer Customer.

During the first part of the present week the unclaimed packages and parcels in the office of the Merchants' Union Express Company in this city were sold at public auction at the rooms of Scott & Smith, on Fifth, near Pine street. The sale was largely attended throughout both days of its continuance, and many and ludicrous were the incidents attending it. To mention one of these only, will serve to answer our purpose.

An elongated box was brought underneath the auctioneer's hammer, very like a shoe box, some four feet in length and about one and a half high. It was labeled "Dr. Kane, showman," and also bore the words "New Orleans." It had evidently circulated freely on railways. When it was brought under the hammer the bidding was lively. It was finally knocked down to a market woman living in the suburbs. She forked over three dollars to the auctioneer, her son shouldered the box, put it into the market wagon, and away they drove at a speed accelerated by their desire to inspect its contents. Not until the wagon stood still before the doorway of the old lady's domicile was it suspected by her that she had possibly bought a live stock. The jolting along the way had evidently worked a wonderful change in the contents of the box. When it was lifted out of the wagon and deposited on the sidewalk there was a violent thumping and knocking within, so violent that the old lady dropped it in terror. Her husband came and with him the balance of the household, and when they had gathered around, the mysterious monster within the box made seemingly a desperate effort to effect an exit. The old man stood aloof, and the children ran away. In less time than it takes to tell it, all the women and children of the vicinity were gathered around. The old woman, questioned on all hands, told them "she had dropped in at the auction and invested three dollars, and how she hoped it was a pig, or a calf, or a sealmere goat." The violent hammering in the box continued, and the staring crowd of women, children, negroes, and idlers constantly multiplied. The old lady, at length, offered an Ethiopian standing by, a dilapidated jackknife to open the box. Sambo essayed the task with evident trepidation. He was confident "there was spirits in dar." With the edge of an ax, by a violent effort, a side of the box was knocked in. The box was turned over and there rolled out, floundering and writhing, and casting his tail high in air, a jolly young alligator. The crowd was dispersed as if a bomb had fallen in their midst. The women shrieked, the children screamed, and Sambo's woolly head started from their sockets, and in helpless and speechless terror he beheld the devil bodily for the first time. The alligator crawled slowly away, pursued at a good distance to the rear by the crowd.—*St. Louis Times.*

Quick Time Across the Continent.

We conversed with a gentleman yesterday who has been twice across the continent since the 10th of October. He made the trip from Philadelphia to Sacramento, California, and back, between Saturday night, 3 P. M., October 10, and Monday, November 9, 12:20 P. M., and he could have been back on the night of the 7th. The time through to California via Salt Lake City, Union Pacific railway, and Wells, Fargo & Co's stages, is seven days to the hour, and the time through to Omaha to reach the Union Pacific Railway was via Pennsylvania Central to Pittsburg, the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago railway to Fort Wayne, and from thence to Quincy, Illinois, by the Toledo, Wabash and Western railway, and from Quincy, Illinois, to Omaha, by the Hannibal and St. Joseph railway.

The end of the track of the Union Pacific railway is at or about Fort Bridger, within one day's staging of Salt Lake City, from which point in a few days, it will only be some two and a half to three days staging to the eastern terminus of the Central Pacific railways.—*New York Commercial.*

Sad State of Affairs in Russia.

A letter from Russia in the Vienna *Presse* gives a melancholy picture of the present condition of that country. The harvest in Russia is insufficient for the wants of the population, and incendiary fires are the order of the day. Only recently, in the government of Vladimir four hundred and fifty thousand roubles have been stolen out of the public chest, and similar robberies have been discovered in Ratzan, where fifty-six thousand roubles are deficient, and at Moscow, where the loss amounts to forty-five thou and roubles. These thefts are generally ascribed to officials, and several of them have been dismissed in consequence. At Nijni Novgorod forged fifty-rouble notes have circulated in such quantities that several merchants have sustained considerable losses.

Vacancy in the Electoral College.

The death of Ex-Governor Tod, of Ohio one of the Grant Senatorial electors of President and Vice President, leaves a vacancy in the Electoral College, which is to meet in December to cast the vote of the State. In such cases, as in that of a resignation, or a refusal or neglect to serve the electors present, at the time designated by law for the college to meet, shall, before casting the vote of the State, proceed to fill all vacancies in the Electoral College.

The Wedding of Spencer Colfax with Miss Nellie Wade took place on Wednesday last, at Andover, Ohio, the present home of Miss Wade, who resides with her step-mother, her father and her mother both being dead. Miss Wade is the niece of Senator Wade. The groom is fifteen miles from Andover. She is about thirty years of age, of medium size, good figure, dark hair, brown eyes and has a pleasing face. Miss Wade was one of the Lincoln party on the Senator's visit to Denver. Mr. Colfax came some hour being cut off by the Indians on their Rocky Mountain trip. The wedding will be a very quiet affair, only the most intimate friends of the bride and the immediate family of Mr. Colfax being present.

Latest by Telegraph!

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The question of authority between Collector Cake and Secretary McCullough, will be submitted to the Cabinet at the meeting to be held this afternoon. It is considered certain Cake will be suspended, and Cummings or Marks will be appointed until the meeting of Congress.

With reference to the telegram sent from this city yesterday to the New York *Post* and other afternoon papers, setting forth that despatches had been received by the state department giving a full account of the complete settlement of the Alabama claims.

Secretary Seward authorizes the following contradiction:

The despatch in question is entirely incorrect. Mr. Johnson, our Minister to the Court of St. James, only reports progress in his late despatches to the State Department. The question of the peaceful adjustment of the Alabama claims is approaching a settlement and all things look favorable, but there has been no definite conclusion reached upon any important point, and up to this time Mr. Johnson and Lord Stanley have not even agreed so far as an agreement upon the protocol.

There has been a good deal of correspondence between our Minister and the British foreign Secretary, and a very friendly feeling pervades all this correspondence, but the negotiations have not yet developed is that prospect for an amicable settlement is favorable. It will not be wise for the papers in this country to rely upon and publish all rumors which leak out from the British foreign office, and are sent abroad through the columns of London journals as truth.

Mr Johnson has not been authorized from the State Department to vary in any particular from the instructions given to him on the eve of his departure to assume the duties of his official position at the Court of Her Britanic Majesty.

From Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 21.—A special despatch from Washington to the *Bulletin* states, that Senator Cameron denies unequivocally the statement that he has been interfering in the difficulty between Collector Cake and Secretary McCulloch, to procure Mr. Cake's removal. It does not appear that the Secretary has any present intention of suspending Mr. Cake.

No new developments have taken place concerning the murder of Mrs. Hill on Sunday night. The Coroner will hold an inquest this afternoon.

From Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 24.—There is now a considerable movement towards resuscitating the North Carolina copper and gold mining interests. Parties have recently gone down to the mines from New York, Baltimore and elsewhere.

H. Rives Pollard, editor of the Southern Opinion, at Richmond, who was shot this morning, and instantly killed, is a brother of Edward A. Pollard, author of the "Lost Cause."

From St. Johns.

ST. JOHNS, Nov. 21.—There is a better feeling in financial circles to day, and hopes are entertained that the crisis is past. The St. Stephens Bank Directors are sanguine that the business of the bank will shortly be restored. Scovil's liabilities are greater than at first reported, rencuing, it is said, half a million dollars.

Dispatches from Halifax says the fall mackeral fisheries have been almost a total failure. It is feared there will be much distress again this winter.

A Murderer Convicted.

ST LOUIS, Nov. 24.—Lewis Davis was this morning convicted of the murder of D. P. Skinner at Independence, a few weeks since.

Nominations for Mayor.

BOSTON, Nov. 24.—Isaac M. May has received and accepted the Workingmen's nomination for Mayor of this city.

The Republicans of Charleston have nominated E. L. Morton for Mayor.

An Editor Shot.

RICHMOND, Nov. 24.—H. Rives Pollard editor of the *Southern Opinion*, was shot and killed this morning at 10 o'clock while passing near his office by James Grant. The cause of the shooting was a publication in the *Opinion* reflecting on the character of a member of Grants family.

General Butler's Health.

LOWELL, Mass., Nov. 24.—General Butler's health is improving. He has not been as ill as represented. He has not been confined to his bed.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Gold closed at $1.34⅜.

Local Intelligence.

Court Proceedings.

Tuesday Afternoon.—Court met at half-past 2 o'clock; Judges Long and Libhart present.

Com'th vs. Samuel Arms, indicted for larceny. The prosecutor in this case was Henry Siple, of Washington borough. It appeared from the evidence on behalf of the prosecution that the defendant, Samuel Arms, had taken certain stones and logs from a fish-dam or battery belonging to Henry Siple & Co., situated about 130 yards from a fish-dam or battery belonging to said Arms, the defendant, and had conveyed them to (Arms') battery and had converted them to his own use. The taking of these stones and logs was, moreover, alledged by the prosecution to have been felonious, as they were conveyed away secretly at an unusual hour.

The defence was that the defendant, Mr. Arms, owned an island in the river and also possessed a fish dam or battery appurtenant to it. That the right of Arms to enjoy the priviledges of this fish-dam was unquestioned, and that the fish-dam or battery erected by Siple & Co., interfered with the enjoyment of the defendant's right to his battery. That the act of taking away stones and logs from Siple & Co.'s battery was but a rightful abatement of a nuisance and that, instead of said stones and logs being taken secretly or feloniously, they were taken publicly, two men being with defendant and assisting him in taking away the alleged stolen property.

The jury, after a short absence from the Court-room to deliberate upon the evidence presented in the case, returned a verdict of not guilty. Atlee and Dickey for prosecution; North and S. H. Reynolds for defence.

Two surety of peace cases were next heard, in both of which an excitable old darkey named Perry Martin was the prosecutor; Michael High was the defendant in the one case, and Catharine High the defendant in the other. The Court, after hearing the statement of the prosecutor, dismissed both cases and directed the county to pay the costs. District Attorney Brubaker for prosecution; W. S. Amweg for defence.

Com'th vs. John McElroy, indicted for making a felonious assault and battery upon John Stotts, Jr., with intent to murder him.

John Stotts, Jr., testified that, on the 18th of last June, while passing along Front street, in the upper end of the borough of Marietta, he learned that his father was engaged in fighting in a drinking saloon. He then stepped in to interfere on behalf of his father, when he was struck a very severe blow on the head by some one, and by it was immediately rendered insensible. McElroy subsequently confessed to witness that he struck him, and stated that he was very sorry for it.

Dr. Withers testified that Stotts' skull was fractured by the blow, and that the injury sustained by him was of a very serious character.

Jacob Franke swore that the defendant, McElroy, was the man who struck Stotts; witness stated that he saw him strike him with a chair, and that immediately on receiving the blow Mr. S. fell insensible.

I Am very positive that McElroy is the man who struck Stotts; as soon as he struck Mr. S. and saw him fall he ran out of the saloon. Witness was not intoxicated at the time, but was in possession of all his faculties.

Several other witnesses were called, who testified to the circumstances of the fight in which the old man, Stotts, and other parties were engaged inside of the saloon, but did not see anything new concerning the assault made by defendant on John Stotts, Jr.

The prosecutor, John Stotts, Jr., was recalled by defence. Witness stated that McElroy and himself were on good terms; that the defendant, McElroy, told him that he did not know it was him when he struck him with the chair, but thought he was another man who had previously threatened to kill defendant, and that when he struck the blow with the chair he did it for the purpose of rescuing the prosecutor's father, old man Stotts, from the hands of his assailants.

The counsel for the defence argued that the testimony elicited by the cross examination of the witnesses for the prosecution showed that the blow was not struck by McElroy for the purpose of injuring Mr. Stotts, Jr., but that it was intended for another party, and that therefore there was no intent on the part of defendant to murder or severely injure anyone.

Atlee for prosecution; S. H. Reynolds for defense.

Wednesday Morning.—Court met at nine o'clock; Judges Long and Libhart present.

A considerable portion of the morning session was occupied with the addresses of the Counsel to the jury, in the case of the Com'th vs. John McElroy charged with assault and battery with intent to kill.

John Herchelroth plead guilty to the larceny of about $17 from William Billman, on Mount Joy Borough, on the 10th of September last; Herchelroth was sentenced by the Court to undergo imprisonment for the term of nine months in the County Prison.

The jury in the case of the Com'th vs. John McElroy, tried for assault and battery with intent to kill, returned a verdict of guilty of *assault and battery* only. McElroy was sentenced by the Court to pay a fine of $100 to the county, to undergo the costs of prosecution, and to stand committed until the sentence was complied with.

The case of the Com'th vs. Leonard S. Seltzer was continued to the next term of Quarter Sessions, on account of the illness of the defendant.

Com'th vs. Henry S. Lease, indicted for larceny.

The defendant in this case was entrusted with a bank-book belonging to Mr. Aaron Dissinger, a storekeeper in the borough of Elizabethtown. The bank-book was a book containing an account of the deposits made by Mr. Dissinger, the prosecutor, in the Lancaster County Bank. The bank book was wrapped in a piece of paper, was tied with a string, and contained upwards of $700 in currency and three checks amounting in all to $1007.08.

This bankbook, according to the testimony of Mr. McAllister, the clerk of Mr. Dissinger, was given to the defendant to bring to Lancaster and to hand to the clerk of the Lancaster County Bank. The bankbook was given to defendant on Saturday morning, the 11th of last April, and by the direction of Mr. McA. and two bystanders was placed by defendant in his pantaloon's pocket for safekeeping. On the following Monday, the 13th of April, the defendant, Mr. Lease, came to Mr. Dissinger's store in Elizabethtown and, after inquiring for Mr. D., stated to the clerk, Mr. McAllister, that he had lost the bankbook given him on the previous Saturday morning, after having first deposited the money it contained in the Lancaster County Bank, as he was directed to do.

Geo. Smith and Mr. Breneman were called to corroborate the above testimony of Mr. McAllister.

Daniel Timmony was called to bring his daughter, Bridget, a little girl of 11 years of age, to whom the defendant confessed the missing bank-book with the three checks, in Ann street, Saturday afternoon (April 11th), this city. She gave the book and the checks to her father who testified that he gave them to Mr. Joseph Clarkson, who wrote to Mr. Dissinger informing him that his bank-book and the three checks had been found.

Mr. Peiper, the cashier, and Mr. Champneys, receiving teller, of the "Lancaster County National Bank" severally testified that no money or checks were credited on their books to Mr. Dissinger, on last April the 11th, the day alleged by the defendant as that on which he had deposited the money in said Bank.

The examination of witnes-es for the prosecution here closed.

Wednesday Afternoon.—Court met at two o'clock.

The trial of the case of the Com'th vs. Henry S. Lease, indicted for the Larceny of certain money from Aaron Dissinger, of Elizabethtown borough, was resumed on the part of the defence.

Several witnesses were called to testify that the defendant, Mr. Lease, was somewhat under the influence of liquor when he received the package containing the bank book and money from Mr. McAllister, the clerk of the prosecutor Mr. Dissinger. One of the witnesses, Mr. Mentz, stated that the defendant was quite intoxicated when he received the package from McAllister. It was also alleged by the defence that there was a misrepresentation made to defendant by McAllister, when he told him that there was only $2,50 or $3 in the package, and that this tended to make the defendant take less care of the package entrusted to his custody, than he would have done had he known the real value of its contents. The defence also alleged that the defendant was not a bailee for hire, and therefore was not responsible like an Express Company, for a package entrusted to his care; the defendant was only bound to take the same care of the package as he would have done of his own property, and particularly when he supposed that it only contained some $2,50 or $3. On the part of the defence it was further stated that the defendant was in the habit of becoming intoxicated, quite frequently, and that on the day the money was given him by McAllister, Mr. Dissinger's clerk, to deliver to the Lancaster County National Bank, the defendant became very much intoxicated, and while in this condition, was robbed by some one of the package containing the money and bank book, on the way after his arrival at Lancaster. The defence also produced a very large number of witnesses, from Elizabethtown and vicinity, to testify to the general good character of the defendant.

Kline and Atlee for prosecution; W. A. Wilson and S. H. Reynolds for defence.

A Surety of the Peace Case was heard in which Jas. A. Harvey, of this city, was prosecutor and Emanuel Baughman defendant. The defendant made his home with the prosecutor, Harvey, and was in the habit of frequently getting intoxicated. Harvey thereupon gave notice to several Saloon keepers not to sell defendant any more liquor, this made defendant so angry that he threatened to *brain* the prosecutor. The Court, after hearing the testimony in the case, ordered the defendant, Baughman, to give surety for his keeping the peace for the space or three months in the sum of $100, to pay the costs, and stand committed until the sentence was complied with.

John Eichorn, at the instance of his wife, Christianna Eichorn, was bound over in the sum $100 to keep the peace for the space of three months, or stand committed, as it appeared from the testimony that the defendant had threatened to maltreat and injure the complainant.

A surety of the peace case was next heard, in which a family of "colored folks" from Martic township was concerned. The complaint was made by Benjamin Green, colored, against three defendants, his brother, Wm. Green, his brother's wife, Sarah Green, and his niece, Mary J. Green. It appeared from the evidence that the complainant and his housekeeper and all the defendants lived in one house as an "Unhappy Family." It being sworn by complainant that William Green threatened to slay him with an axe, William was bound over in the sum of $50 to keep the peace for three months; and pay the costs, or stand committed until the sentence was complied with. The charge against the defendants Sarah and Mary J. Green, not being sustained, the Court dismissed them from further custody. W. S. Amweg for defence; District Attorney Brubaker for prosecution.

Court adjourned until 7½ o'clock P. M.

Wednesday Evening.—Court met at 7½ o'clock.

The jury in the case of Com'th vs. Henry S. Lease, tried for the larceny of money from A. Dissinger, of Elizabethtown borough, returned as their verdict that defendant was not guilty.

Com'th vs. Wm. Marshall. The defendant was indicted for stealing, or being implicated in the stealing, of the sum of $6, from the store of Mr. Wm. Freyborger, at Mt. Alary, Salisbury township. After hearing the evidence the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. Reed and Rosenmiller for defence; Atlee for prosecution.

Com'th vs. Barbara Boerger, charged with larceny. It was alleged on the part of the prosecution that the defendant, in last August, purloined from the prosecutrix, Mrs. Susan Kelnz, a butter kettle containing about 30 pounds of butter, the value of which was about $2.00. A number of witnesses were examined on the part of the Commonwealth to sustain this charge of larceny.

On the part of the defence it was alleged that the kettle came into Mrs. Boerger's possession in a lawful manner, it having been purchased from a third party. A large number of witnesses testified to the general good character of the defendant.

Atlee for prosecution; Col. Pyfer for defence.

The Grand Jury found a true bill of indictment against the parties accused of riot, and assaulting persons, in this city, on the occasion of the Republican Mass Meeting held, in this city, in the latter part of last September.

Thursday Afternoon.—Court met at half past two o'clock.

The addresses of the Counsel, in the case of Com'th vs. Barbara Boerger, indicted for the larceny of a tin kettle containing four pounds of butter from Mrs. Susan Kelnz, of this city, occupied a large portion of the morning session.

The case of the Com'th vs. William Stall, indicted for committing an assault and battery upon George Klemm, was continued for trial at the next term of Quarter Sessions Court.

Com'th vs. George P. Colwell, colored, indicted for larceny. The defendant resides near Springville, this county, and was charged with having stolen from Mr. Amos Lefever, who also resides near Springville, some oats, feed, buckwheat, and also a two bushel bag.

The prosecutor, Mr. Lehman, testified that a pass-book with defendant's name written in it was found in the house shortly after the larceny was committed; this led him to suspect the defendant, Colwell, as the party guilty of stealing the missing articles before enumerated. A search warrant was procured and, on searching Colwell's house, a bag was found, which being produced in Court, Mr. Lehman testified that it was the same bag that was stolen from him. The Constable of Mount Joy township, testified to finding the bag in Colwell's house, but stated that none of the other articles taken from Mr. Lehman were found at Colwell's. The larceny was sustained to have been committed about the 17th of last August, and the missing oats and feed were taken from the entry of Mr. Lehman's barn.

A large number of witnesses were examined on behalf of the defendant, Colwell.—One of them swore that the bag alledged to have been stolen from Mr. Lehman, had been in Colwell's possession some eight months previous to the time and place the larceny was committed in August last. And that Colwell had obtained it in a lawful manner. The defence also plead an *alibi*, to sustain which several witnesses were produced to testify that the defendant was at another place about the time that the larceny was committed at Mr. Lehman's barn. It was alleged by defence that the evil disposed persons, who committed the theft, had stolen defendant's pass book and used it in the stable of Mr. Lehman, in order to fasten the crime upon Colwell, and thus escape punishment themselves. Evidence was produced to sustain this theory. A number of persons from Springville and vicinity testified to the general good reputation of the defendant for honesty.

Atlee for prosecution; S. Eaby for defence.

Friday Morning.—Court met at 9 o'clock. The jury in the case of the Com'th vs. George P. Colwell, colored, tried for the larceny of certain articles from the barn of Amos Lefever, near Springville, rendered a verdict of not guilty.

A verdict of not guilty was rendered in the case of the Com'th vs. Barbara Boerger, of this city, tried for the larceny of a tin kettle and four pounds of butter from Mrs. Susan Kelnz.

Com'th vs. Caroline Green, *alias* Smith. The defendant, a negro woman, was accused by Jacob Plank of having stolen from him, during last August, about two cords of Oak bark. The bark was worth about $12, and was taken from the prosecutor's woods at the Welsh Mountains. Two witnesses were examined on the part of the Commonwealth, no witnesses were examined on the part of the defence. District Attorney Brubaker for prosecution; Brosius for defence.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation of the prisoner to the mercy of the Court.

Com'th vs. Bernard Rokum, indicted for the larceny of a new bed quilt, worth $5 and a travelling bag, worth $1 from Mrs. Anna Wolfert, proprietress of the Hotel at the corner of East King and Lime streets, this city. This larceny was proven to have been committed on the 17th of last October. Brubaker for prosecution; Brosius for defence. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty, and the Court sentenced the prisoner, Rokum, to undergo an imprisonment of 8 months in the County prison.

Com'th vs. James Stotts, colored, the defendant was charged with stealing a $10 bill in National Currency from Edward Lloyd, colored, of Columbia, on the 2nd of the present month. There was nothing sufficient positive proof of the defendant's guilt and the Court directed that a verdict of not guilty be rendered, District Attorney Brubaker for prosecution; Sanderson for defence.

A verdict of not guilty was taken in the case of the Com'th vs. Mary Ann Shreiber (colored); this defendant having been in prison two months the District Attorney did not press the prosecution; the offence for which she was indicted was Assault and Battery. Reed for defence; Brubaker for prosecution.

The Court in the case of Com'th vs. Caroline Green, *alias* Smith, colored, found guilty of the larceny of bark from Mr. Plank, sentenced the prisoner to undergo an imprisonment of one month in the county prison.

Com'th vs. Wm. Kofroth, indicted for fornication and bastardy. The prosecutrix was Mary Jane Herr, of Mount Airy, Salisbury twp. This case was a peculiar one, the mind of the prosecutrix being weak, the question was raised by counsel for defence whether her testimony should be admitted. After hearing her answers to some questions the Court ordered her to be sworn. The defence offered in evidence the Records of the Court setting forth that on the 18th of March, 1864, an inquisition was held and the persons composing it had decided that the prosecutrix was incapable of taking care of her property, and accordingly a trustee was appointed to take care of it for her. The prosecution alledged that the prosecutrix knew enough to be aware of the punishment awaiting those who swore falsely, and therefore insisted that her evidence should receive due consideration from the jury.

Eshleman and Atlee for prosecution; S. H. Reynolds for defence.

Friday Afternoon.—Court met at half-past two o'clock.

Com'th vs. Margaret Dingleberger, indicted for Mallicious Mischief. The prosecutors in this case were Herman Ville and Mary Ville, his wife, who reside in South Queen street, this city. Mrs. Ville testified that during the progress of a quarrel between the defendant, Mrs. Dingleberger, and herself, on the 10th of last August, she threw some foul water on Mrs. D., who in return endeavored to enter Mrs. Ville's house, the door of which was fastened. It was then alledged that the defendant struck the door some five or six times with a wooden bucket, breaking out one of its panels, and for breaking said panel this prosecution was instituted.

On the part of the defence it was alledged that Mrs. Dingleberger did not strike the door with the bucket, but only threw it after Mrs. Ville, when it happened to strike the panel of the door; that the panel was old and cracked and therefore was very easily broken out. Evidence was also presented to show that Mrs. Dingleberger possessed a good reputation for being peaceable and quiet. Brubaker for prosecution; W. B. Wilson for defence.

The jury in the case of William Kafroth, tried for fornication and bastardy, and in which Mary Jane Herr, of Mount Airy, this county, was prosecutrix, rendered a verdict of guilty. The counsel for defence, S. H. Reynolds, esq., made a motion for a new trial.

Saturday Morning.—In the case of Margaret Dingleberger, of this city, complained against by Mary Villee for malicious mischief, a sealed verdict was presented by the jury, finding the defendant, Margaret Dingleberger not guilty, but directed her to pay the costs of prosecution.

In the case of the Com'th vs. John Mowrey, indicted for the larceny of a watch, the District Attorney entered a *nol. pros.* the prosecutor having obtained the stolen property and removed out of the State.

The Court dismissed the complaint against Sarah Herman, charged with assault and battery, and ordered the prosecutors to pay the costs. The surety of the peace case against the same defendant was also dismissed.

A complaint was made by Lavinia Engles, of Safe Harbor, against her husband, Chas. Engles, for deserting her. A number of witnesses were examined on behalf of the parties interested. The complaint was dismissed and the Court directed the parties to endeavor to live together in a proper and peaceful manner. Atlee for complaint; E. Franklin and R. W. Shenk for defence.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

The Grand Jury made the following report:

To the Honorable, the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Lancaster County:

The Grand Jury inquiring for the body of Lancaster county, of the November term, 1868, respectfully reports that they have acted upon 110 indictments, of which 59 were ignored and 53 returned as true bills, and approved the applications for three bridges. It is a matter of congratulation that while the number of bills presented for action exceeds the general average, yet the offences were of a comparatively light grade.

The Grand Inquest visited the County Prison, Alms House, and Hospital and were pleased at the general evidence of care and good management exhibited. The inspectors have had finished at the Prison five iron-clad cells at a comparatively light expense which are deemed strong enough to securely keep the most desperate prisoner so that in case it be deemed expedient hereafter that more room be provided in the Penitentiary at a considerable expense to the County can be confined in our prison and be made to contribute by their labor to their own support. The Four House we visited requires repairs and is not in good condition. A new boiler for cooking purposes has lately been added. The new Hospital is now finished and is a credit to the county, the apartments are roomy, conveniently arranged and provided with the appliances of comfort. The ventilation in the chambers is really admirable, and the arrangement of the building, grounds, etc., reflects Honor upon the various officers.

The attention of the Jury has been called to the rather cowering habit of Attorney's brow beating witnesses, and while we disclaim any discourtesy toward the Court, we beg leave to advert to this discreditable practice in the hope that this evil will be speedily abated.

To the Sheriff, Jacob F. Frey, esq., for his uniform courtesy and many kind attentions; to the District Attornies, Atlee and Brubaker, and more particularly to the Honorable Court the Grand Jury would return their thanks.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. R. Diffenbach, (Foreman,) James Collins, Abram Miller, Jacob Bausman, Jno. S. Given, Isaac Brubacher, Jacob H. Brackbill, D. A. Altick, John Shertzer, John Crawford, John F. Wiest, John Hunsicker, Daniel Evans, Christian Overholser, Wallace, Edwin Cook, Henry Herr, Stewart A. Wylie, John Smith, (carpenter, Coney,) William Chandler, Simeon B. Pownall, A. B. Groff, J. P. Cooper.

Adjourned.

Common Pleas Court. The regular term of Common Pleas Court for November commenced yesterday (Monday) morning—Judges Hayes and Libhart, presiding. The following cases were ready for trial during the present week: Merritt Smith vs. The Lancaster County National Bank; John L. Landis and others vs. Daniel Greybill; Same vs. Same; John Hildebrand vs. James Eckman and others; Jacob Brinhall vs. J. J. Sprenger; James F. McClowery vs. Nathaniel Burt; George Brubaker, Esq., vs. Frederick Seiler; H. & J. Myers vs. Hiram Hess; H. Watkins, Agent; Same vs. Same; Same vs. Same; Frank Bitzer vs. James M. Hopkins.

The following cases were continued:—John Dorwart vs. B. B. Martin and others; Christian Strohm vs. George Menges, Benjamin Reinhold and others; Same vs. Same; Same vs. Edward Reilly; Jacob G. Leber vs. Samuel Longnecker; John and Martha Shiley vs. Jane McCaffrey; Same vs. Same; Christian Beiter vs. The Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company.

The following cases were, for the present, passed over: Abraham King vs. Jacob S. Kauffman; Henry Baumgardner vs. Walker & Co.; Same vs. Same. The case of S. & H. Grosh vs. George Mays, has been settled.

In the case of Robert M. Dysart vs. Redfield & Rice's Manufacturing Company, in which the title of plaintiff to certain personal property in this city was tested, resulted in a verdict in favor of plaintiff establishing his right of ownership in said property. S. H. Reynolds for plaintiff; Landis for defendant.

B. Trauerman & Arnold vs. Victor Kasser. This was an action brought to recover the value of a lot of liquor sold by plaintiffs to defendant. The jury returned a verdict in favor of plaintiffs in the sum of $271,61 cents. Hiester for plaintiffs; Atlee for defence.

The case of John L. Landis, and others, vs. David Greybill was attached for trial this morning.

BURGLARY IN SALISBURY TOWNSHIP.—The *Inquirer* gives the following account of a burglary committed in the neighborhood of the Gap, in Salisbury township, on Tuesday night, the 12th inst.: Two old maiden ladies, named Elizabeth and Anna Leech, living by themselves in a house about one-half a mile from the Gap, had retired to bed as usual, when two men entered the lower portion of the house by taking out a pane of glass from one of the windows: then they struck a light and lighted a candle which they had brought with them, and proceeded to the upper portion of the house where the ladies were sleeping. They were in separate be