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NEW BLOOMFIELD, PENN'A. Tuesday, October 31, 1871.

GOVERNOR GEARY HAS appointed Thursday, the 28d of November, as a day of prayer and thanksgiving in this State.

THE official majority of Stanton for Auditor General is 14,490, and of Surveyor General 20,870. The temperance vote of the State for Auditor General was 3,175.

ON the night of the 14th inst., the steamer "Colburn" en route from Duluth to Buffalo, was wrecked on Lake Superior, and about fifty persons were lost.

THE New Yorkers are making fools of themselves over the arrival of the Russian Prince Alexis. Various committees were appointed to tend to his wants, and ten thousand militia were drawn up in line to receive him.

Pardons.

THE "peculiarities" so frequently exhibited in the exercise of the pardoning power, lead many persons to believe that justice is not the blind goddess that she is usually represented to be.

"Governor Geary has pardoned Neeley, the other Alleghany county Commissioner, convicted for bribery. When M'Gee was pardoned, the Governor's friends attempted to excuse the outrage by a statement that the convict's health was in such a condition that further confinement would positively result in death; but that flimsy excuse even, is not left them now.

Fish Baskets.

THE State Journal says that "a basket between the island and the Perry county shore, just above the P. R. R. bridge needs special attention. Our informant saw, the latter part of last week, a man throwing nearly a bushel of young shad, caught in one of these baskets, upon the river shore, to rot, and others have captured numbers of black bass, put into the river at various points, at a great expense."

A terrible riot occurred last week at Los Angeles, California between citizens and the Chinese. The mob surrounded the Chinese quarters and succeeded in hanging fifteen of the Chinese, and burning many of their houses.

The Forest County Republican of the 17th says: Miss Sarah A. Dallas lost \$650 in greenbacks, by fire; her house having burned and the money being concealed in carpet rag balls.

The Chicago fire not only burned up the records of courts, and the indictment of rogues, but the libraries of the lawyers! That is what may be designated as "cleaning the docket."

Governor Hoffman has appointed the 28d day of November as Thanksgiving day in the State of New York.

The Ku-Klux.

The Ku-klux seem to be mostly confined to Georgia and South Carolina. Advice received from Spartanburg in the latter State, say that on the evening of the 18th inst., a Ku-klux "den" consisting of a chief and twenty members surrendered to United States Marshal Johnson, with their arms and disguises.

The officers of the law are proceeding steadily with their work, and before the arrests are all made they will, it is affirmed, show the existence of a deep and wide conspiracy against the State, the laws, and all who sustain them.

The Hon. J. B. Beck, of the Congressional Ku-klux Committee, has returned home after a personal investigation of the state of affairs in Alabama, and represents the condition of things there as perfectly quiet and orderly.

Melted Coin from Chicago.

A few days since the counting of the melted coin from the Assistant United States Treasurer, at Chicago, was begun at the Mint, in Philadelphia.

The coin was taken from the large iron chests in which it had arrived, and spread upon tables where it was examined. By instructions received from Secretary Boutwell, an accurate count of this money must be made.

Considerable of the gold and all of the silver will have to be re-melted and re-coined before it can again be used by the Government. Most of the gold has been badly oxidized by the action of heat and water, but from a test made on Wednesday by the Assayers it is thought that a greater part of the whole mass can be cleared and re-issued without going through the process of melting and re-coining.

Hurrah for "Free Speech."

The Catholics of Scranton on Sunday week, showed their opposition to free speech in attacking an Anti-Catholic speaker, who was announced to preach in that place. He had engaged Perfer's Hall, but the threats of the Catholics scared the proprietor so badly that he refused to open the room.

A thief was arrested in the town of Braidwood, Illinois, the other day, and, for want of a prison, was locked up in an empty freight car standing on the Chicago and Alton Railroad track.

A reward of \$3,000, has been offered for the recovery, dead or alive, of Wm. J. Slauson, contractor on the Midland Railroad at Franklin Furnace N. J.

The President has appointed General Thomas W. Bennett, of Indiana, Governor of Idaho.

A Respectable Farmer Arrested on Charge of Murder.

Considerable excitement was occasioned in parts of Lebanon and Dauphin counties, last week, by the arrest, of Emanuel Shaffner, a respectable farmer, of West Hanover, Dauphin county, on the serious charge of the murder of his wife by poison.

After the Mormons. On the 21st inst., in the United States Court at Salt Lake City, the jury in the complaint against Hawkins, the Mormon, who was accused by his first wife of adultery, came in with a verdict of "guilty."

The result of this trial will, it is thought, occasion a good many others, as many first wives have already applied to the prosecuting attorney to commence criminal proceedings against their husbands, and may, we hope, prove the downfall of Mormonism.

Dreadful Careless.

The St. Peter, Minn., Tribune says: On the last day of the State Fair, the evening train from St. Paul was delayed to accommodate the great crowd in attendance.

Mr. George F. Lincoln of Hartford, was visiting in Chicago, with friends, (three miles from where the fire originated.) The warmth of the locality may be estimated by the following incident: "A large quantity of silver, consisting mostly of wedding presents, was packed in a trunk and placed behind a brick wall, it being impossible to remove it to a place of safety."

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Botts who has been on trial for the murder of Pat Halstead at Newark N. J., has been convicted of murder in the first degree.

A Remarkable Robbery.

On the night of the 23d inst., at Union City, Tenn., while the passengers of a Mobile and Ohio Railroad train were at supper, three men jumped upon the engine and ran the train back on the track for two miles, while two others entered the express car and robbed the safe of about \$4,000.

The statement which has been made that all the prisoners in the jail under the court house in Chicago, including five murderers, were allowed to escape when the court house was burned, proves incorrect.

The aggregate value of the churches destroyed at Chicago, is \$3,000,000.

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