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The New York Tribune
Has gained over 56,000 new subscribers since the first of August, and is still rapidly-increasing.

It has been apparent for some little time past that the President was resolved to treat Congress as an illegal and usurping body; and to commence on the Act of the late session equalizing bounties to Union soldiers and their families. The result was a manifestation of public opinion before which the President and his constitutional advisers have quailed. Instructions have been given to have the payment commence as soon as the requisite preliminaries can be finished. Now, we desire the preliminaries may be hurried up so as to begin the payment in good earnest before the October elections. Unless this shall be done, different orders may be given afterwards. However, that may turn, the President, notwithstanding his recent declarations to the contrary, has again been forced to acknowledge the legitimacy of Congress. We suspect he will recede from that, too, in less than six months.

MR. HARVEY, Minister to Spain, who conceived he was in the line of his duty, writing letters to Secretary Seward abusive of Congress, is surprised and indignant at the return of Congress in stopping his salary. He seems not to have understood that men holding office owe at least a decent respect to all departments of the government. The stoppage of supplies has doubtless enlightened him on that head.

THE President has a policy. So has Gen. Grant. He recently defined it in these words: "To ask any soldier to vote for such a man as Hiester Clymer (of, at one time known disloyalty) against another who has served for four years in the Union army, with credit to himself, and benefit to his country, *is a gross insult.*" That is a policy which it will do "to tie to."

WE would respectfully tender to our friends of the Press now in our city for the purpose of reporting the proceedings of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Convention, the free use of our editorial rooms during their sojourn in the city. We will endeavor to afford writing accommodations for all who may choose to avail themselves of our invitation.

The Republican prospect in Illinois for a great victory is said to be most excellent. The Chicago *Journal* says that good judges predict a majority of forty thousand, the election of eleven, and possibly twelve, of the fourteen Republican candidates for Congress, and an overwhelming majority in both houses of the Legislature.

THE telegraphic reports from Washington, published in Saturday's *Chronicle*, to the effect that Pennsylvania is safe for Clymer, were manufactured in that city by office-seekers, who are haunting the White House. They constitute the main argument for wholesale removals, but [illegible]

THE President removed Mr. A. M. Clapp, editor of the Buffalo *Express*, from the Postmastership of that city. The Republicans of that Congressional district have made him their candidate for Congress, and he will be elected by an immense majority.

THE Philadelphia *Ledger* says Mr. Bigelow, our Minister to France, is to be removed because he does not endorse "my policy," and that Henry J. Raymond, editor of the New York *Times*, is laboring hard to secure the position.

COL. ALEXANDER J. FRICK, of Montour county, has been nominated as the Union Republican candidate for Senator in the Fifteenth district, represented during the last term by the Hon. David Montgomery.

THE telegraphic advices from Canada are to the effect that the government has given magistrates authority to disarm all persons reasonably suspected of disloyal intentions.

IN the Senate district of this State, composed of Wayne, Pike, Monroe and Carbon counties, the Democrats have nominated Charleton Burnett, of Monroe, for Senator.

NO DOUBT whatever exists but the democrats are colonizing men from abroad into the Westmoreland district, to vote against Gen. Geary and Mr. Covode.

THE indications are that the Unionists of Maryland will elect three out of the five Congressmen in that State, which will be a gain of one.

GEN. SHERIDAN has made a formal report to the War Department that Louisiana and Texas are in a condition of anarchy.

THE Republicans of Clearfield county have nominated James M. M'Kay for Assembly.

GOV. HAHN, of Louisiana, is stumping Iowa for the Union cause.

MR. SEWARD was able on Saturday to call on the President.

Dr. Horatio Stone, the eminent sculptor, whose statues of Hancock and Benton are among the celebrated works of national art, his left Washington en route for Rome, where he is to execute a statue of Alexander Hamilton for the capitol, Congress having given him a commission and appropriated ten thousand dollars to that work.

## CITY ITEMS.

Cod Superior
Milk Biscuit at Marvin's, No. 54 Fourth street.

All Talk and no Cider,
Unless you go to Fleming's *Drug Store*, No. 54 Market street, and procure the genuine sulphate of Lime. By using it you will have good Cider all the year round.

Ground Rents. Ground Rents.
We would call attention to the sale of desirable ground rents, on Saturday, Sept. 29th, at the Court House, at 10 o'clock, A. M. See advertisement on the second page of this paper.

Philadelphia University of Medicine and Surgery.
The trustees and faculty of the above Medical College have issued "scholarships" at *seventy-five* dollars each, which entitles the holders to attend lectures until graduation or at many sessions as he wishes.
This renders a medical education cheaper than ever proposed by any University or Colleges in this country or Europe, possessing the same extensive facilities.
*There are sixteen Professors and every branch of Medical and Surgery is thoroughly taught.*
The student holding a "scholarship" can enter the college at any time during the lectures, attend as long as he wishes, and re-enter the institution as frequently as desired.
Persons wishing to obtain scholarships can apply to L. Dickson, M. D., Professor of Urinary Pathology in the above-mentioned College. His office and residence is No. 18 Grant street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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## VERY LATEST TELEGRAMS.

### LATEST FROM EUROPE.

**Peace Between Prussia and Saxony—Austrian Charge D'Affaire—Gold for America—Fenians Arrested in Liverpool—Empress Eugenie Going to Rome—Frankfort Independence—Austrian Commander—The Markets, &c.**

[BY THE CABLE.]

BERLIN, *Friday Evening*, Sept. 21.—The King has issued a decree of amnesty for sundry offenders.

PARIS, Sept. 21.—The Emperor is at Biarritz.

DARMSTADT, Sept. 21.—Peace has been concluded between Prussia and Saxony.

VIENNA, Sept. 21.—Austria has sent a Charge D'Affaire to Berlin, who will represent the government until a minister is appointed.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 22.—Noon.—The steamship Persia, which sails from here at noon for New York, takes out $85,000 in gold on American account.

Quite a number of Fenians were arrested here to-day. Arms and munitions of war, supposed to belong to the Brotherhood, were also found secreted in various parts of the city and were promptly seized.

PARIS, September 21.—It is said that the Empress Eugenie will shortly repair to Rome to condole with the Holy Father.

There is an apparently well founded rumor that M. Lavalette will remain the French Foreign Office.

BREMEN, September 21.—The *Gazette* of today, in an editorial says that the announcement of the conclusion of a peace between Prussia and Saxony was premature. It admits, however, that good progress is being made in that direction.

FRANKFORT-ON-MAIN, September 21.—A memorial is being extensively signed for the independence of Frankfort.

VIENNA, September 21.—Duke Albrecht has been made commander-in-chief of the Austrian army.

**Finance and Trade.**

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 21.—The cotton market has been quite active, and prices have advanced 1-16d at a penny per pound; sales of 16,000 bales of Middling Uplands at 12 1-16d.

The Breadstuffs market is unchanged; Mixed Western Corn 27s 3d. Red Western Wheat 10s 3d. Hog and lard are dull. Pork inactive. Bacon and Cheese quiet and steady.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—No change in the money market. Consols are at 90 for money and 90 5-8 for account. The live money of Illinois Central, 78½.

LIVERPOOL, September 22.—Noon.—Cotton opened easier and prices are 1-16d. Middling uplands are quoted at 12d. The estimated sales today were 10,000 bales. The market for Breadstuffs is dull.

LONDON, September 22.—Noon.—The money market is quiet this morning. Consols are at 89¾. American securities were quoted at the opening for Erie, Illinois Central, 78½; Five-Twenties, 72¾.

**The Additional Issue of National Bank Circulation—Finish of the Treasury.**

NEW YORK, September 22.—Specials from Washington contain the following: All the applications now made for the Paymaster General's office and at the office of the Second Auditor of the Treasury for the additional bounty authorized by the act of July 28, 1866, are to be returned to the applicants, containing the endorsement "Returned for amendment, in conformity with the regulations from the War Department of September 15th, 1866." Applications of heirs, for the bounty of deceased soldiers, and applications for bounties of every class accruing to colored soldiers, living or dead, must be made direct to the Second Auditor of the Treasury, and not to the Paymaster General.

National Bank circulation to the amount of $339,410 was issued during the week by the Acting Comptroller of the Currency, so the total circulation of National Banks is now $272,214,720. The securities held by the United States Treasury to-day amounted as follows: For circulation, $322,063,500; for public deposits, $17,000,000; total, $339,063,500. The following statement exhibits the amount of funds in the cash vaults of the Treasury Department at the close of Saturday's business: United States Notes, legal tender, $9,600,000; National Bank Notes, $23,365; Fractional Currency, 2,293,171; Gold, $32,000,000; Silver, $3,500; Three Cent Coin, [illegible]

The amount of fractional currency printed during the week was $183,000. The shipments made during the same period amounted to $108,000. The redemption and destruction of the Treasury canceled mutilated fractional currency to the amount of $448,000.

**A Bloody Tragedy in New York—Murder and Suicide.**

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—A dreadful tragedy occurred this morning in the 14th Ward, which resulted in the death of two Italians named Peter Fonani and Alexander Urani. Fonani was a maker of plaster of Paris casts in the basement of No. 145 Elm street. Urani was a journeyman moulder and lately had been an excellent artist. Fonani was about getting out a plaster bust of Madame Ristori which he was anxious to have finished immediately in order to take advantage of the premium of payment. This morning Urani, who was at work on the model, did not reach the shop until eight o'clock. This enraged Fonani who asked the workman what he meant by not coming there until half-hour. Urani coolly replied that he would come to work when he pleased. This led to an angry retort from the employer and the quarrel was soon involved in a quarrel. Fonani, who was a large and powerful man, advanced towards Urani, who was a smaller man, when the latter drew a single-barrelled revolver from his pocket and fired. The ball took effect in the left breast of Fonani, who fell to the floor and some friends removed him to his residence, No. 64 Mott street, where he soon as he had recovered his mind, fled to the street. He was pursued and caught when he shot himself and instantly expired. Fonani's wound is considered mortal.

**Denial of the Report of Negro Disorders in New Orleans.**

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 23.—Forney's *Press* publishes the following special.

NEW ORLEANS, September 22.—There is no truth whatever in the statement telegraphed to the New York *Herald* that the Eighty-second Regiment of colored troops, stationed here, ever contemplated, at any time, to order a riot in this city. No troops could possibly have behaved better than they have done since their arrival among us, and any report to the contrary has been manufactured for merely political purposes. General Sheridan is very much annoyed that such malicious falsehoods should be sent North, and intimated to-day that correspondents who in future send such lying messages, should be compelled to leave New Orleans.

**Constitutional Amendment Passed by the House of Representatives in Oregon—Harbor Improvements at San Francisco.**

SAN FRANCISCO, September 22.—A Salem, Oregon, dispatch last night says: The House passed the Constitutional Amendment. Ayes 32 and nays 28.

The Yam Hill contested election case was decided in favor of the trio setting union members. The summer fever is prevailing.

Columbia river, brings $55,500 in treasure.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners has adopted a plan to construct sea walls for the protection of a portion of the San Francisco harbor, at a cost of nearly two and a half millions of dollars.

**From Mexico—The French Not to Leave.**

NEW YORK, September 22.—The *Herald's* Vera Cruz correspondence, dated September 11th, states that there are no Italians on the withdrawal of the French troops. The Eighty-first French regiment was expected to leave for France on the 10th, but only one battalion came down. It is true that Maximilian desires to leave, but the French authorities, acting on instructions from France, object. Some skirmishing had occurred just outside the walls of Vera Cruz. A night the Liberals came quite close to the city. The Imperialists had met with a disastrous defeat in Michoacan. Report says the Imperial General had to abandon everything.

**Republican Congressional Nomination in the First District—Death of a Philadelphia Merchant by Poison.**

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 22.—E. C. Knight has been nominated by the Republicans for Congress in the First District. John F. Penton, a merchant long engaged in the West India trade, died suddenly last night of cholera at his residence near this city.

**Fearful Railroad Accident.**

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 21.—A late Mobile *Times* says: A collision occurred on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad between De Soto and Quitman. Seven persons were killed and seventeen wounded. Two locomotives and several cars were destroyed.

**Louisville Cholera Cases.**

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 22.—There were seven deaths from cholera yesterday and two to-day. The number of cases are not reported.

**Additional Telegrams on Fourth Page.**

**Justice.**—In our item detailing the drowning of a lad in the Ohio river, we cast reflection upon the conduct of a man paddling in a skiff near by, who refused to render any aid or attempt to rescue the boy from a watery grave. We have since been better informed, and learn that the gentleman did all within his power to reach the drowning boy, but no human aid could have saved the life of the unfortunate youth. We make this correction, since we learn it, but simple justice due the gentleman upon whom we so severely reflected.

**New Club.**—A base ball club has been organized in the fifth ward, Pittsburgh, Pa., under the title of Lafayette. The following officers have been elected: President—F. A. McMurray. Vice President—James Boyd. Secretary—Wm. Clark. Treasurer—J. O. Stevens.

**Coal Boat Sunk.**—On Saturday afternoon a coal barge belonging to Mr. Johnson, of Limestown, struck the pier of the upper Birmingham bridge and immediately sunk with everything on board. The boat was loaded with over fifteen thousand bushels of coal.

## CITY AND SUBURBAN.

(ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS ON THIRD PAGE.)

**The Soldiers' and Sailors' Convention—Arrival of Delegates—Preparations for their Reception.**

From present indications the great Soldiers' and Sailors' National Convention that convenes here to-morrow, promises to be beyond all precedent, the largest and most important convention that has assembled on this continent. It will not be composed of old political hacks, but men, noble men, who served in the hour of their country's need, who bared their breast to the enemy, and met the shock of battle and the direr calamities of war, in defence of their country and principles. In the profound tranquillity of a peace they have established, they now seek with to reaffirm their fealty to those principles, and their devotion to the best interests of their country. Who has a better right to dictate the policy of the Government than the savers of it? No one. Our citizens will appreciate this fact, and in their preparations to receive the brave men who will compose the Convention, they have fully sustained their well-known character for generous hospitality.

In addition to the accommodations from that at the several hotels, steamboats have been chartered which will afford comfortable and agreeable quarters to five or six hundred strangers at least. Many of our people have announced their willingness to throw open their private dwellings that those who cannot be accommodated in a manner may be suitably entertained while the Convention is in session. Among the officialties who have already arrived and those who are expected to-day are the following persons: Ben F. Butler, Massachusetts; General N. P. Banks, Massachusetts; Major General Collis, Philadelphia; Major General Fremont, Missouri; Brigadier General Sargent, Boston; Brigadier General Stewart, New Jersey; Brigadier General Straight, Indiana, (of Libby prison notoriety); Generals Cochrane, Foster and Barlow, with a delegation of about one hundred, from New York; Generals McAllister and Jordan, with Colonels Ward, Johnson and Cooper, of New Jersey; Colonel Cramer, Alabama; Colonel Charles E. Moss, of Missouri; Governor Fairchild, of Wisconsin; General Thos. Bennett, of Indiana, with a large delegation; Major Gen. Perry Moore, of Boston, Mass.; Colonel S. G. Gibbon, Vicksburg, Miss.; Captain James M. Hamlin, Mississippi; General W. Paschel, Texas, and Colonel Thomas H. Durham, Boston, Mass.

The Indiana delegation, which arrived yesterday, stopped at the Monongahela House. Many of the military celebrities that arrived yesterday and last night are also located at this house. Major Ben. Pearly Poore, than whom there is no man better known in the United States, honors the Union Depot Hotel with his presence, while the gentlemen from Mississippi, mentioned above, can be found at the Mansion House.

The St. Charles has been engaged for the accomodation of several western delegations, which will doubtless reach the city to-day.

There are a great many strangers here from all parts of the country who are coming down to see and hear what is going on. To-morrow will be a grand gala day if the weather proves propitious, and all the anticipations turn-out may be expected.

In a next issue we will be able to give the programme, including the route of the procession.

**Union Republican Rally in Birmingham—A Display of Fireworks.**

An unannounced rally of the Union Republicans of Birmingham was held in the Diamond Square, in that borough, on Saturday evening—a full acre of people being assembled to listen to the discussion of the great issues involved in the present important canvass.

A Brass Band and the Birmingham Glee Club enlivened the proceedings with excellent music, vocal and instrumental.

The meeting was called to order by John S. Lamble, Esq., on whose motion W. C. Aughinbaugh was called to the presidentship.

This gentleman, on taking the chair, alluded to the political situation briefly, but in a logical and argumentative manner. He reminded the speakers the attention of the audience; deprecated all interruptions of a disorderly character, and pledged his opponents a peaceful and orderly meeting—so far as his party is concerned—and invited all Democrats to meet in Birmingham. The speaker, in conclusion, introduced J. H. Miller, Esq., to preside over the meeting, which he did in considerable length.

In the course of his remarks he alluded to the proposed amendments to the Constitution and declared that the changes proposed would fundamentally alter the nature of that, that they were impartial, and were only objectionable to rebels and their sympathizers. The speaker also made some severe blows to "my policy" which were received with tremendous cheering. Mr. Miller concluded by calling his auditors to stand by the principles of the great party that had saved the country in war and invoke upon those who defeated it ought be preserved in peace.

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**Accident at the Wigwam—Fall of a Portion of the Structure in Course of Erection.**

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**The Johnstown Calamity.**

The Johnstown *Tribune* gives the following list of contributions received from abroad for the benefit of the sufferers, by the late terrible calamity at that place:

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| President Andrew Johnson | $500 |
| General John W. Geary | 200 |
| John Riley, Altoona | 5 |
| D. Naughton | 5 |
| Citizens of Mineral Point | 41 |
| Capt. J. H. Gazzop | 5 |
| Schoonacker & Lang of Pittsburgh | 100 |
| F. Sellers & Co., Pittsburgh | 50 |
| W. S. Haven, Pittsburgh | 25 |
| Gillespie, Zeller & Co., of Philadelphia | 100 |
| Hahn, Fernald & Wetherhold | 25 |
| John Hearne, of Philadelphia | 25 |
| Union League of Philadelphia | 500 |

The *Tribune* also says: Extensive inquiries lead us to believe that there will be not more than two or three additional deaths, if that many. Nearly all of the badly wounded are doing finely. Many, however, will be badly crippled for life, and nearly a hundred will be confined to beds for weeks.

It will be gratifying to our readers to learn that Miss Lucretia F. Cannan, who was at first reported to be fatally injured, is rapidly improving. Her injuries are not of a nature to disable or disfigure her.

**Death from Hard Drinking.**

Wm. Thomas, a resident of East Birmingham, died Saturday morning or Friday night, on the corner of Smithfield and Water streets, in the borough. The deceased had been leading a very intemperate life for a very long time. On Friday at dinner, he drank a quart of ale, almost at a draught, and in the evening he went to the tavern mentioned, and called for a pint of whisky, saying that his wife was very sick and he wanted it for her. The pint of liquor was put in the bucket he brought, and he complained that it was not good measure. The woman in attendance then turned in a tumblerfull more, and Thomas started for the door. Before going out he turned and remarked that it was not worth while to take so small an amount of whisky home, and before he could be interfered with, had drunk the whole quantity. He then sat down in the bar room and soon fell asleep, remaining thereat night. In the morning he was found dead. Coroner Clawson held an inquest during the forenoon, and a verdict of death from intemperance was rendered. Thomas was fifty years of age or thereabouts, and leaves a wife and two sons.

**Charge of Highway Robbery.**—Alderman Taylor received an information on Saturday morning from James Mahoney, of Mahoning Valley, on the Allegheny Valley Railroad, charging Timothy Curran with highway robbery. Mahoney, it appears, came to this city a few days since, and coming in company with Curran, they were carried up to the region of Seventh ward, where Mahony alleges, Curran knocked him down and went through him, robbing him of forty dollars in money, after which he decamped. The accused was arrested and committed in default of bail for a hearing.

**The County Agricultural Fair—Fourth Day—A Large Crowd—The Fair To-Day—Visitors Enlightenment and attractions—Speeches—Trill and Pony Race, &c.**

After a week of continued rain, and other disagreeable weather, Saturday, as though to make amends for the past, came out bright and beautiful. At first people looked suspicious, and thought probably they might be the victims of false pretences, but as the day advanced and old Sol continued to assert his supremacy, they ventured out—slowly at first, but eventually in swarms, until at three o'clock the Fair grounds were pretty well filled. In the meantime the mud had pretty well dried up, and except for the chilliness of the atmosphere, it was very pleasant. The stock had been removed during the morning, in order to place it in shelter and recruit it over Sunday, when it will again be brought upon the ground, besides which, this portion of the exhibition will be greatly augmented. The other departments were well represented, and the stands were mostly crowded with admiring visitors. The greatest fear among the exhibitors was that the fine day was only a delusion, and that Sunday would bring back the old stock of bad weather, and thus destroy the hopes that had been raised. We think, however, that the bad weather is now over, judging from yesterday, and the consequence will be that to-day the influx of visitors may be anticipated as being very large.

To-day there will be a number of attractions added to the Fair which the bad weather and other circumstances debarred last week. Several speeches will be made—among others, one may be expected from a distinguished horticulturalist and pomologist from Ohio. During the afternoon, in case the track should be in condition, there will be a race between some Shetlies belonging to Mr. James Andrews, of Allegheny City, and George Evans' small black bull. This will be very exciting as well as amusing. A number of new exhibitors will also be on the ground with displays of goods. The premiums of last week's exhibitors will be concluded to-day, and the awards made known. The Fair will be continued until Wednesday evening.

As the premiums are what almost every exhibitor on the grounds is striving for, and as the decision of the different committees will be considered by every intelligent person as the best evidence of the merits of their wares may become known will find it to their interest to make it known in the *Gazette*. We shall have a reporter upon the grounds all day, who will call upon the different parties and endeavor to receive such notices as they may desire to have made. We continue our notices of exhibitors.

TUNNAGNT AND BOOK-KEEPING.

There is scarcely an accomplishment so valuable to a young man just entering upon life as to be able to write a beautiful hand, and still it is an attainment within reach of all. To be conversant of what can be done with a pen, it is only necessary to examine the exhibition made by the Iron City College of Professor Lee's splendid specimens of Writing, Pen Drawing, Flourishing, and other proof of his skill with a pen. The specimens contain every possible style of penmanship, from the plain practical business hand, up to the most exquisitely Ornamental. There are lads of a person in this country who can equal Professor Cowley in the use of the pen. The Iron City College to which he is attached has become one of the most popular institutions in the country, and the success it has been the means of achieving, that they are placed under the necessity of occupying three different buildings for their purposes, one being Odd Fellows' Hall, or Opera House Building, one on the corner of Fifth and St. Clair streets, and the other in Phillips' building on St. Clair street, and all of them are filled.

MASON'S LIGHTNING RODS.

We have before referred to this lightning rod, manufactured and sold by Lockhart & Co., Duquesne way, just below the Point Bridge, and of its efficiency in protecting buildings from the effects of lightning, they have conclusive evidence in the shape of over three hundred of our citizens, besides many more from persons residing in different parts of the country, who have had the rod put up. If any thing was needed the sum for the best rod and the best point. At this it will not be out of place to mention, we would state that it may be seen in Mechanics' Hall, at the centre entrance, a small stick sticking towards the street in Birmingham. The speaker, in conclusion, introduced J. H. Miller, Esq., to preside over the meeting which he did in considerable length.

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**Thief Captured.**

On the eighteenth of this month, Philip Golden, of Hickory Hollow, near Oil City, made information before the Mayor, charging Wm. Ashton with having stolen from him a silver lever watch worth twenty-five dollars, twenty-five dollars in money, and a breast pin tipped with gold, worth two dollars. He alleged that a day or two before, he and Ashton were drunk together at the place mentioned, and lay down to sleep. Before going to sleep Ashton informed Golden that he would surely rob him. Sure enough, when he woke up in the morning Ashton was gone, and with him the articles mentioned. It was supposed that he came to this city, and hither Golden came and made information as aforesaid. Search was made but he was not found in the city. He was also searched for in New Castle, where he resided, but was not found there either. On Saturday afternoon, officer Scott of the Mayor's police, discovered the alleged thief on St. Clair street, in front of the Stwell House. The officer arrested the fellow and lodged him in the tombs. He will have a hearing to-day.

**Rafting Under Difficulties.**

On Saturday afternoon, owing to the high and turbulent state of the water in the Allegheny river, a raft of timber which had been hitched above the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad bridge, at one of the piers, was out loose, for fear that it would damage the piles by being driven against them. The raft floated rapidly down the river and struck the piers of the Sand street bridge, where it immediately went to pieces. Several men who were on the raft were deposited with considerable unceremony in the stream. All succeeded in saving themselves without difficulty except one. This man, whose name we could not learn, was a bold and excellent swimmer, but was overpowered and exhausted by the violence and roughness of the current before he could reach the shore. Two boys in a skiff came out to him from the Pittsburgh side of the river, and rescued him just as he was on the point of sinking. He was so exhausted that he had to be pulled into the skiff by the main strength of the boys.

**Terrible Fall.**

A young lad named John Jack, aged between fourteen and fifteen, met with an accident on Saturday afternoon, which may result fatally. He was employed in heating rivets on the new iron suspension bridge, now being constructed across the Allegheny river, for the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad. In walking along one of the girders at an elevation of thirty feet from the water, he slipped and fell into the river, striking in his descent one of the planks and injuring his side to such an extent as to make his efforts to keep his head above water feeble. A young man named Louis Hull, with wonderful presence of mind threw a board into the water, which young Jack grasped and clung to until rescued by some parties in a skiff, who, hearing the cries of the lad, came to his aid and rescued him. A stretcher was prepared and the boy placed on it and carried to the Eagle House, where he still lies in a precarious condition.

**A Discovered Heir.**

A worthy young friend of ours connected with the Pittsburgh press, has just received letters from eminent counsel in New York, asking him for the proofs of his relship to a deceased rich uncle who died in that city, leaving the greater part of Wall street in that city. This property is in want of an heir, and our friend claims to be the direct descendant of the original lessor of the entire tract, and is legally entitled to large share in the one hundred millions of dollars worth of the most valuable real estate in the metropolis. The discovery was made by a gentleman belonging to the legal fraternity of New York, who are engaged in the investigation. He claims certain data, and in his letter to our friend that the property belongs to them, seems to fasten beyond a reasonable doubt the relationship. If he is, he will abandon scissors, pen and pencil for a more congenial life than that of writing for the press. We shall sorrow for him.

**Grand Rally in the Elizabeths.**

We have rarely seen a more spirited meeting than that of the Elizabeths—borough and township—in the Town Hall, in the borough, on Saturday evening last. It reminded one of the good old Whig times, when those strongholds of that party used to strip for the fight. Mr. Robert Hamilton, President of the Court, Sprague, of the Boys in Blue, acting as Secretary. A telling speech, well received, was made by a Captain member of the Boys. Mr. Whitehead, who was followed by Hon. J. K. Moorhead, and John M. Kunzwiler, Esq., of this city, who, until an unusually late hour, engaged the attention of the large audience with a clear, logical and eloquent address on better than ever before seems abroad in the community, and we were assured the result will be fully justify the expenditure of time, certainly be greatly disappointed if it does not.

**Meetings To-night.**

The Boys in Blue of East Birmingham will hold a important meeting at the Academy, to-night.

The Boys in Blue of the Sixth Ward will hold a meeting to-night in the Public School House of that ward.

A Union Republican meeting will be held to-night at Sandy Creek, Jefferson township. Gen. Geary and other distinguished orators will address their fellow citizens upon the important questions of the day.

The Boys in Blue of the Fifth ward will assemble so-coordw evening at seven o'clock, to participate in the general rejoicing over the Geary man of the ward are invited to fall into rank.

The Boys in Blue of the Seventh ward will meet the same evening at the same hour, at the usual place.

The Geary Club of the First ward will meet at the school house, same evening at the same hour.

**Railroad Accident.**

At about five o'clock on Saturday evening, an accident occurred on the Homewood station, on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad, to the Erie Express coming to this city. Some new rails had been recently laid down there, and when the train came to the spot, they spread and the forward truck of the rear car was thrown from the track. The car was thrown from the track a short distance, but was pretty badly smashed. Some twenty passengers were in the car, and all of them more or less bruised and cut. One lady, Mrs. Dish, living near East Liberty, had her face pretty badly cut, and bruised her shoulder, and Mr. Henry P. Kane, of this city, also received injuries of a painful character. Mr. Kane and Mr. Moorhead, from Sharon, had one of his ribs broken and his ankle injured. None were seriously hurt, and the train was not long delayed.

**Fatal Accident.**

On Saturday evening last as Mr. John McNamara was returning home to his residence in Temperanceville, he fell through an unprotected part of the wooden bridge which passes over Saw Mill Run, near that borough, and sustained such injuries as to cause his death almost instantly. Yesterday afternoon Coroner Woods and M. McDougalgomery were appointed Secretaries.

The Town Marshall Glee Club of the Second ward of this city opened the meeting with some of their most popular airs, after which H. F. Lutze, Esq., delivered an interesting and highly interpretive speech, which was received with great applause.

After some excellent music Thomas M. Marshall, Esq., was loudly called for, and spoke for an hour and a half in his best style. During his remarks he was repeatedly interrupted by enthusiastic applause.

Mr. Hearey, the Chairman, made a few, but very impressive remarks, and, after three times three for Geary and the whole Union ticket, the meeting adjourned.

**Allegheny "Boys in Blue."**

An adjourned meeting of the Boys in Blue, of the First ward, Allegheny, was held at Siddons Hall, on Saturday evening, September 22d, 1866, Col. L. B. Duff in the chair, and James Robinson, Jr., Secretary.

On motion, the Executive Committee were instructed to order seventy-five additional lanterns from the County Executive Committee.

On motion, the Executive Committee were instructed to procure the accommodation of such as necessary for the accommodation of wounded soldiers who are unable to walk in the procession on the 25th inst.

On motion, citizens of the ward desirous of turning out on Tuesday evening, were cordially invited to join the ranks of the Boys in Blue.

On motion, the Finance Committee were instructed to purchase fifty Wide Awake torches.

On motion, Capt. Sam. C. Schoyer and Capt. J. G. Sweeny were unanimously elected Assistant Marshals.

On motion, adjourned to meet again on Monday evening at seven o'clock.

**Second Ward, Allegheny, Boys in Blue.**

An adjourned meeting of the "Boys in Blue," of the Second ward, Allegheny, was held in the School-house, on Saturday evening. In the absence of the President, Vice President Major Tyler in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. As reports from committees being in order, the report from the Committee on Finance was read and adopted, and a vote of thanks given Major Harris for his successful endeavors to place the organization in condition, to make a creditable display on the evening of the 25th.

On motion, sixty members of the "Boys in Blue," of the Second ward, is a committee to canvass the ward, in order to ascertain how many soldiers can be accommodated by the citizens of this ward, and report the names and number each can accommodate.

On motion adjourned to meet at the School-house on Monday evening.

The delegates of the Second ward, Allegheny, are requested to meet at 12 A. M.

By order of Captain W. E. STEWART.

**S. B. Howe's European Circus.**

As will be seen by the advertisement in another column, this large and popular circus establishment will exhibit in Allegheny City for four days, commencing on Wednesday next, giving two performances daily. The company is the largest in the country, and will appear in a varied programme, introducing all the arenic novelties of the day. The great street procession, which will take place on Wednesday morning in Allegheny City, and in Pittsburgh on Thursday morning, will surpass in magnificence anything seen here. Look out for it.

**DIED;**

QUINN—Died, in Johnstown, Pa., on the 17th inst., from the effects of injuries received by the fall of a platform on the 14th, MARY JANE QUINN, daughter of Thomas and Rose Quinn, aged 20 years, 5 mo. the and 19 days.

There is a beauty even in death. At the moment of dissolution, when the immortal spirit is leaving the earthly house in which it had been dom'eiled for years, an t says, "it will relois you on the day of resurrection, spotless and clear," rejoicing really should take the place of tears.

This young lady was the idol of the society in which she moved. Her genial smile, her generous heart, her nobleness—yes, her true and perfect womanhood—made her endeared to all who enjoyed her acquaintance.

The memory of Miss Quinn will long live in the "heart of hearts" of her friends. Life is but a span. They hope to meet her in a glorious immortality.

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