

LOCAL NEWS.

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COLLECTION.—The carriers of the PATRIOT AND UNION beg leave to say that they will, as usual, collect their dues this morning.

THE Union Prayer Meeting will be held in the Presbyterian Church, on Market Square, this afternoon, at 4 o'clock, as usual.

NOTICE.—Rev. James Robertson will preach in the Baptist Church, on Sunday morning and evening next.

FUNERAL.—Johnny Landis' Ethiopian Minstrel Troupe will hold forth in Brant's Hall on Friday and Saturday evenings of next week. Johnny is an inimitable star in his profession, and he has a troupe hard to take down.

A NEW DRESS.—The Johnstown Echo, one of the very best of our exchanges, reached us yesterday in a new dress. Messrs. Smith & M'Pike deserve the most unlimited success for their publication a reliable and spirited Democratic paper.

FIRST WARD.—A Democratic meeting of Germans, and all others opposed to Lincoln and Hamlin, and in favor of voting the Reading Democratic Electoral ticket, will be held at the house of C. J. Jaus, this evening, at 7 o'clock.

A NICE MIXTURE.—A despatch yesterday stated that a Wide Awake procession took place in Baltimore on Thursday evening. The elements that composed it were Germans and "Plug Uglies." Wonder if the Plugs had the awls with them which they "prodded" the Germans in 1858-9?

GERMAN MEETING.—A large and very enthusiastic meeting of German Democrats was held at Dan Wagner's, on Thursday evening. Several very telling speeches were delivered, and a resolution passed to vote for the regular Democratic Electoral ticket formed by the Convention at Reading.

A CURIOSITY.—Any person who never saw a lemon tree can have their curiosity gratified by going to Smith's marble shop, in Market street. We noticed one standing in front of the shop yesterday, which had on it three or four full-grown lemons.

MUST HAVE THE POST OF HONOR.—The Boston Courier of Tuesday says—"The colored Widow Awakes having been assigned a place in the rear of the procession last evening, refused to march unless placed in the post of honor. The white men would not grant this, and thereupon the negroes withdrew."

ANOTHER AWFUL DAY.—Gloom and the rain together reigned all day yesterday. We should like to see a clear, sunny day again, just for the fun of the thing—see how a man feels on a bright, clear day. This dreary weather knocks the wit, as well as any thing like original ideas, entirely out of us.

ZOUAVES.—They have formed a Zouave Company in Johnstown, consisting of forty young men. Johnstown is about half as large as Harrisburg, and in addition to this new company, they have two others against our 000! We are a patriotic people—we don't think. Shall it continue? Who will move in the matter of raising a company of Zouaves.

POLICE.—Before Ald. Kline.—William Casey was yesterday bound over by Ald. Kline, on a charge of assault and battery proferred by Louisa Johnston.

John Kennedy was brought before the same Alderman last evening on a charge of disorderly conduct and profane swearing. He was held to bail on the former charge, and fined sixty-seven cents and costs for every oath uttered.

BAKED QUINCES.—Mr. C. D. Brigham has a new sensation in store for those who have never eaten quinces baked like apples. It is eaten with sugar and cream. His plan is to take fair, ripe quinces, bake them rather quicker than apples, cut them open and remove the core, which will come out if the fruit is properly cooked, like a nut from the shell. Sprinkle on white sugar, and eat them before they are quite cooled, adding milk or cream. Our informant says the fruit cooked and eaten in this manner has a delicious flavor which would scarcely be imagined.

A BAD EGG.—Cornelius Hefferman is a chap who comes under the category of a dirty dog. Yesterday, while intoxicated, he entered the house of a respectable family in the vicinity of Second and Paxton streets, where he made insulting propositions to the woman of the house, offering her all his personal property, consisting of half a dollar, three plugs of tobacco, and a bottle of whisky. He behaved in a very obscene manner, and was finally ejected from the premises by the husband. Officer Wickert arrested him, and Alderman Kline committed him for trial.

ROBBERY.—Some thieves broke into the coach manufactory of Jos. Sayford, in Walnut street, on Thursday night, by removing a back window. After ransacking the building above and below without finding anything worthy of their attention, except a knit jacket, they broke open the door leading to the front room, which is occupied by C. Grieb as a saddle and harness shop. They emptied a bag filled with hair and filled it up with a set of silver-plated harness, whips, leather and various other articles, amounting in value to about fifty-five dollars. The supposition is that they would have gutted the establishment of everything valuable, if they could have found ways to conceal them.

There is no question but what there is a regular organized band of thieves in our city, who carry on their operations with audacious boldness, and there can be little or no hope of their arrest so long as we are without a night-watch.

A DARK TRANSACTION.—Richard Allen is a black duck—a gay Lothario, who, despite the fact that he is legally married, decorates himself in flashy cast of clothing and gilt jewelry, and circulates extensively among the wenches, "lighting on their fancies like a possum on a fen," as the old song has it. In addition to this, Richard keeps a den into which he inveigles unsuspecting darks, and initiates them into the arts and mysteries of the games of "poker" and "old sledge." Not long since some victimized dark, who had bought experience at a rather high figure from the gay and fascinating Richard, had him jerked up and bound over for keeping a gambling house. A few days ago the volatile Richard made a new conquest on the person of Miss Louisa Butler, and to enjoy her society uninterrupted, he got up a fight between her and his legal spouse, after which information was laid before Alderman Kline, in hopes of getting Mrs. Allen in limbo. On a hearing, however, the plot developed itself. Don Ricardo's ball became indignant, gave him up, and Richard was escorted to the jug, and the late bondsman of Mrs. Allen became the bondsman of Mrs. Allen. Mrs. Allen brought a cross action against Mrs. Butler for assault and battery, and she being unable to procure bail, was also placed in durance vile. "The best laid plans of men and mice, oft go awry."

THE BLACK REPUBLICAN FRAUD IN THE FIRST WARD.—In to-day's paper will be found a card signed by Alex. Koser in regard to the fraud perpetrated in the First ward at the late election, and no less than three cards appeared in the Telegraph of yesterday. We shall pass Mr. Koser's own statement for what it is worth, and dispose of some of the rest. Conrad Miller, the man who tampered with the purity of the ballot-box, who voted when he knew he had no legal right to vote, undertakes to refute what he is pleased to call our "false charges." A man who votes illegally is not guilty of legal perjury, of course, so people may please; but the act of violation of the law by him is a crime, and he is liable to punishment therefor. The gentleman had plenty of money and paid his bills promptly. One day, some time after his arrival, Mr. Smith paid a visit to Mr. Adam Ehret, farmer, in Lehigh township, this county, and purchased some land from him—entering very familiarly into conversation with Mr. Ehret, he managed to find out his circumstances, as well as to learn how he spelled his name and what was the style of his writing, after which he left, leaving behind him in the bosom of the farmer no suspicions of his honesty.

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To Contractors.

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