

PRESIDENT GRANT is about to write a book.

WASHINGTON is overrun with office-seekers.

Another revolution in Mexico is working its way to the surface.

PRESIDENT HAYES refers office-seekers to the heads of Departments.

AND now we have the question, "Are theatres designed for education or amusement."

THE Rebellion raised in the South a new order of office-holders. Hampton and his class, if they succeed, will retire the order for some years to come.

NEW YORK CITY has overbuilt her self, and the consequence is that real estate in that city has declined in value at the rate of an alarming percentage.

RUSSIA borrowed one hundred millions of dollars from the bank of France, to pay the interest on the national debt. So says a foreign despatch. If such be the truth relative to Russian Finance, she had better think of something else than going to war with Turkey.

Taking the Bull by the Horns.

The country generally became quiet in demeanor and expression over the invitation that President Hayes extended to Wade Hampton to come to Washington to help strengthen the Southern question. Everybody, or nearly everybody, passed the question, and as far as the people were concerned the question really went a begging to get some one to say yes or nay on it. Last Wednesday, however, the stillness was disturbed by a vigorous shout from Massachusetts, where the question was introduced into an ecclesiastical body of Methodist ministers. As the saying goes, they took the "bull by the horns." The case is briefly stated in a despatch from Boston, under date of April 4th, as follows:

The New England conference of the Methodist Episcopal church opened this morning at Lynn. Resolutions on the Southern question were presented by Rev. W. F. Mallott, D. D. of Boston, and upon being read were received with great applause, and by a vote of the conference were referred to a special committee of five, to be appointed by the Chair. The preamble to the resolution reviews the blighting effects of slavery and the two final resolutions are in substance as follows:

Resolved, That we are alarmed and filled with apprehensions for the future when we contemplate the practical sale of one of the great political parties of the republic by two politicians of that party who have held and now hold very intimate relations to the President; thus sacrificing principal and party; and righteousness for the sake of temporary success.

Resolved, That we protest most earnestly against the action of the new administration in making terms with the chief of the Ku Klux and instigator of the Hamburg massacre, M. C. Butler, and still more earnestly do we protest against the official recognition by the administration of that arch enemy of the republic, who long since ought to have been hung for treason, Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, and who now by threats and intimidation under the very roof of the White House, as well as on railroad platforms and in other public places, defies the Government and bullies the President into compliance with his traitorous and wicked usurpations.

A. Oakley Hall—The Same Old Story—The Woman with Him.

The name of the gentleman who heads this article has been the prolific subject of articles in New York city papers, all caused by his sudden leaving of New York; by his going away without telling his family, or other friends. Multitudinous were the conjectures as to what had become of him. Many believed that he had been murdered. Some believed that he went to the Old World, and consequently all ships that landed in England and Europe, were asked for him. By despatch it is announced that he is in London, and has a woman with him; and now the mystery is solved. It is the "same old story." Mr. Hall is a man of great intellectual attainments. The woman with him is described by despatch as follows: "She is about thirty-eight years of age, five feet five inches in height, has a good figure and brown hair, clear complexion, large eyes and large mouth. She has a wart about two inches below her left ear."

Mr. Hall had a large law practice in New York city.

Marriage in Vienna.

"The marriage in Vienna of Miss Manie Beale, daughter of our minister to Austria, with M. Bakhmeteff, lately the Secretary of the Russian Legation in Washington, who is enormously wealthy, has just been announced. Gen. Beale is well known in California, and owns one of the largest farms in that State. M. Bakhmeteff is a member of one of the oldest and most aristocratic families in Russia."

The latest who had lived forty-one years, more or fewer, in a cave near Dinwiddie's Ferry, Pa., and found frost to death in a snow drift, is said to have married in his youth a rich Yankee girl, and to have developed abnormal religious tendencies after her death.

Do You Understand It?

In the last issue of the London Court Circular is narrated a queer social tragedy. Among the guests who were assembled at a dinner party was a lady of exquisite form, whose delicate plumpness was the theme of unusual admiration. To her was presented a small bunch of flowers by an admirer whose duty it was to escort her to dinner. She gracefully accepted the gift, and in a thoughtless moment fastened it to her bosom with a pin searching and far-reaching. By the time she reached the dinner table she was a mere wreck. The pin had perforated her bosom, not wisely, but too well, and that bosom was merely a part of the outer India-rubber woman which concealed the real residue from the gaze of deceived society. Of course there was nothing left for her to do but to faint, and she promptly did so. Her friends gathered her exuberant charms into a narrow but compact bundle, and resorted her to her carriage. And this, we are left to infer, is the way in which the beauty and fashion of England is constructed.

To understand why the body of the lady withered when the flower-pin was fastened through her clothing is to realize that her body was surrounded with an India-rubber covering, the shape of her person, which was filled with air. The pin made a hole in the "rubber" covering, and thereby came the collapse. Doubtless her cheeks, too, were pouched.

Attacked in a Railroad Car.

Six men attempted to abduct Mrs. Geo. Watson, a wealthy lady of Massillon, Ohio, on the 6th inst., from a Rock Island train, between Rock Island and Iowa City. Under pretence that she was a lunatic, they kept her gagged and held her down at each station. She, however, managed to escape from them at Wilton, after a desperate struggle, during which she sprained her ankle. The object of the men was probably money, as she was richly dressed.

Blew Out the Gas.

Mr. John Brice, that old citizen of Bedford, who went to Philadelphia and blew out the gaslight when retiring, which came near resulting in his smothering to death, was so badly effected with the quantity he inhaled as to cause his demise, at his home in Bedford, March 30. He is seventy-two years of age.

A Foot Race.

Judge John Hanna, of Ursina, who will be eighty-two years old on the 20th of the present month, and another young fellow aged sixty-five, from the same neighborhood, ran a foot-race from Bevin's to the Somerset House on Monday last. The Judge came in a length ahead.

A Hopeless Case.

A gentleman on Shelton street thought of having a telephone put in his house, so as to enable him to hold sweet converse with his business partner, but his aged mother protested against it earnestly. "Robert," she said, "if you bring one of those dreadful things in here I'll never close my eyes for fear it may break out and sweep us all into eternity, and as not a but the wiser." He tried to persuade her that it was an innocuous instrument, but she said, "No, no; look at the thousands and millions of poor Hindus it killed last fall." "Why," said he, "that wasn't a telephone—that was a typhoon." But the old lady lowered her glasses, and looking at him over the rims thereof, said he couldn't fool her—that she mightn't know much, perhaps, but she did know that the typhoon was the President of Japan. The gentleman has given it up as a hopeless case.—Chicago Tribune.

Just the Man.

The Chicago Tribune relates the following: "When Mr. Beecher called to retain Mr. Everts as his counsel, the latter without hesitation replied: 'I cannot be of any use to you, Mr. Beecher; I have never taken part in a case of this character, and I could not do it unless I were perfectly certain of your innocence.' At these words Mr. Beecher rose, and in his impulsive way brought his hand down on the lawyer's shoulders as if it were Plymouth rock. 'You are just the man I want,' said he. The next morning began a memorable meeting between the emotional, electrical preacher and the cool balanced, logical lawyer. At the end of two hours Mr. Everts said, 'I am satisfied of your innocence, Mr. Beecher; I will take the case.'"

Clothing-Torn Off.

On Thursday evening last Mr. D. R. Beynon, an employee of the rolling mill, was undressed from head to foot in about two seconds. We believe Mr. Beynon was not working in the evening, but had on a long tailed coat and was walking through the mill, when as he passed the large fly wheel, which was revolving at a fearful velocity, the wheel caught him, but Mr. B. with great presence of mind caught some projection, and had muscle enough to hold on until every stitch of clothing was torn from his body. He was considerably bruised, though not dangerously injured.—Tamaqua Courier.

Distilleries.

There are in Berks county 30 distilleries and the other 23 are "fruit distilleries" for the manufacture of "apple jack." These latter, excepting three, are all in the northern part of Berks, in the townships of Albany and Greenwich. Lehigh county, however, is far ahead of Berks in the number of fruit distilleries, having no less than 50 of them where whiskey is made from apples.

William Calhoun, aged about twenty-three was run over by a sleeping-car at Harrisburg, Pa., on the 6th inst. hour. He gave his name as 'Chas. Ward of Baltimore, but his name was subsequently ascertained to be Calhoun and his residence Look Haven, Pa.

CITIZEN IN THE UNIFORM OF A BOY IN BLUE, TO THE GOVERNMENT—Yes, Uncle Samuel, I know that you are in real earnest about the question of "Local State Government." It is a question so plausible in its theory that many Statesmen in the past have been carried away by it, to such a degree that the rights of the overlooked. It has always been a mistaken policy to crush the rights of individuals to maintain the so-called rights of States. Such political acts have been the fruitful source of revolutions in other countries than ours. I trust, I hope and pray, Uncle Sam, that the Government is not again to drift into the political heresy that I have just mentioned. I trust that the SHOT GUN POLICY, or any other iniquitous policy that tends to crush out the rights of individuals, will not be countenanced.

Murder in Lebanon County.

The Lebanon county Times of April 3rd, says: One of the foulest murders was committed yesterday morning between the hours of six and nine o'clock, in broad day light, in which one of our most estimable citizens, Joseph T. Miller, was the victim, living in Heidelberg township, Lebanon county, about one and one-half miles northeast from Schaefferstown, on the road leading to Newmansport.

It appears that the deceased wanted to take some money consisting of about \$600 to a friend at early morning, when some bold and cowardly assassin was laying in ambush about two hundred yards away from his home and there committed a most brutal murder. The forehead was entirely mashed in with some heavy blunt instrument; there was a stab wound above and below the left eye; a stab wound about 2 1/2 inches deep on the left side of the neck, severing the wind pipe. On the back of the head he must have received several upward blows, chafing the skin and hair; otherwise there were no other marks upon the body.

It appears that after the assassin had his victim down upon the ground the blows upon the forehead were given, and according to the victim's position as found, it seems that mercy was begged while the slayer plunged the deadly knife into the throat and face of the victim. The murderer hastily tied the club with which the deed was committed, under the fence, and then returning to his victim, rifled his vest pocket of a pocket-book contained \$600 in money.

It appears from all the transactions made by the perpetrator of the deed was acquainted with the ground, as well as Mr. Miller's business relations.

The murdered man was a highly respected and esteemed citizen, aged about 72 years.

David Risser, a tenant on the farm of the murdered man, Joseph T. Miller, was arrested charged with being the murderer. The evidence against the accused is strong, bloody axe having been found at his house.

A late despatch says that Mrs. Miller has also been arrested as a party to the murder.

Some three thousand people attended the funeral of Mr. Miller.

A Case of Bigamy.

We condense from an account, as published in the Altoona Mirror, the particulars of a bigamous transaction, in which a prominent church member of Newburg, Huntingdon county, South Elbert by name, has been playing a rather deep game, and with considerable success up until recently. He had been a successful business man for years, and accumulated considerable property, but some time ago he became embarrassed in his financial affairs, and failed. Then he entered a Philadelphia store as salesman allowing his wife, grown son, and two grown daughters, with also a younger son, to remain at Petersburg. His salary was a good one, and he sent them means occasionally, besides paying a visit to his home at distant intervals. Finally the remittances ceased to come to his wife, and the eldest son was compelled to seek employment at Kenova, to which place the mother and the other children also removed some two or three months ago. Shortly after they were domiciled in their new home Mr. Elliot visited them, remained half a day, and then said he must go to Philadelphia, but as it was subsequently ascertained, he took his departure for the West.

It now appears that two years ago as a single man, and succeeded in fascinating a widow lady, whom he married. The name of this second venture is withheld, but the Mirror man saw the certificate of the marriage, and also an additional certificate in the shape of two children that had been born to them. In his hasty flight west he abandoned both women, and it was owing to his non-appearance in the city that the inquiries set on foot revealed the above state of facts. Wife No. 2 went on to Kenova a few days ago, and took tea with wife No. 1, but did not reveal the duplicity of Elliot. She had intended doing so, but pity for her companion in misfortune induced her to refrain. The story soon leaked out however, and is now the excitement of the hour among those who know the parties.—Huntingdon Journal.

Mr. Wilkins, of Harrisburg, owns the only pure Spanish bloodhound known to exist in the North, a fendsibly terrier beast with enormous jaws, ears twelve inches long, red eyes, and an impressive looking to eat everybody he sees. His owner values him at five hundred dollars.

Hydrophobia in Berks County.

The citizens of Amityville, Berks county, and vicinity, have been thrown into the wildest state of excitement over the fact that their dogs and cattle have been seized with hydrophobia, and are doing much mischief. Sad to relate the depredations of these rabid animals have not been confined to these alone, but three ladies have also been bitten, and are suffering great anguish of both body and mind.

It appears that about two weeks ago a rabid dog passed through the township, and but little attention was paid to it until Friday last, when a valuable Alderney bull belonging to Mr. Jeremiah Shafer, of Amityville, was attacked with hydrophobia. It was at once placed in a lot where its movements were watched with great interest by persons from far and near. It continued to have the most dreadful spasms until Sunday, when it died.

On Monday following another cow, an Alderney, was attacked with rabies, and was put in a wagon house. Her actions were distressing to witness. She would at times stand upon her hind legs and dash herself against the sides of the building until the boards were covered with blood and mud. She continued in this manner until Thursday night, when she was killed. Several other cows belonging to Mr. Shafer, and it is feared some of his horses, have also been bitten by his two dogs, which have been seized with this dreadful malady.

A gentleman who passed through Amityville on Thursday morning, in foras us that on Friday last one of these dogs bit in the hand of one of Mr. Shafer's daughters. On Sunday the first dog that went mad, proceeded to Shafer's Hotel and bit four or five fox hounds, all of which are now running at large over the county.

A dog of Mr. Moses Yocum, near by, has also bitten one of his daughters in the hand.

Another dog belonging to Mr. Levi Fisher bit his wife in the hand, inflicting a frightful wound. This dog it is discovered was rabid.

A war of extermination was been declared against all the dogs in that neighbor hood, which from present appearances, will be extended to several of the adjoining townships.—Pollstown Ledger.

News Items.

Reading has thirty-four churches. The Bethlemites now have four brass bands.

Ten thousand young lake trout are to be put into the West Branch of the Susquehanna at Renovo.

Gas for Williamsport street lights is hereafter to be supplied for \$18 20 a lamp per annum.

Martin Rupert, of Bloomsburg, has an Easter egg that has been in his possession for fifty years.

The Berks county Commissioners have just borrowed \$25,000 at five per cent., payable in a year.

Vagrants last year cost Montgomery county \$10,000.

Fayette county can go up head. It brings forward seventeen Democratic candidates for sheriff.

What is supposed to be the Bender family has been arrested in Arkansas.

The poppy is to be cultivated in Berks county for opium manufacture.

A new disease of distemper among cattle has made its appearance in Upper Salsford, Chester county, and is the cause of much anxiety among the farmers in that neighborhood.

The Board of Commissioners of York county have reduced the valuation of all real estate in that county fifteen per cent.

A Topeka woman recently knocked down three burglars, one after the other, her husband meanwhile admiring her from the top of the attic stairs.

The Empire Bank, Allentown, which has just closed, owes its depositors \$76,000, simply reduced.

A Grangers' insurance company has been organized in Bradford county, with its headquarters at Troy. It takes no risks except for Patrons of Husbandry.

Mr. Buschman, a butcher, who has come to this country from Holland to buy fat cattle for the European market, himself weighs four hundred pounds.

A Rhode Island cow drank up a pot of green paint the other day, and speedily turned to a loud yeller.

Two large bags of skunk, or polecat skins were shipped last week from Adams county to a New York furrier.

News Items.

The Supreme court will meet in Harrisburg on the 7th of May.

A Lancaster tailor boasts that he has lately measured a lad not quite 18 years old, whose breast measured 56 inches, waist 60 inches and hips 72 inches.

Oregon farmers are raising Angora goats, and find the business profitable. Some of the wool raised brings as high as ninety cents per pound.

Mr. Smith Elliott, who has a wife and two children in Philadelphia, it seems has a wife and some children also at Renovo, wife holds the first mortgage.

Cleaver K. Supple, conductor on a "shifter" on the Reading railroad, had his leg crushed by the Chester Valley train at Bridgeport on Tuesday week.

Two boys have been arrested in Pittsburg for robbing an office and a butcher shop. They also acknowledged stealing \$48 from the contribution box of a Catholic church in Allegheny.

At Lathrop, Mich., last week, Geo. Cook shot and killed Wm. B. Dady, his sister being about to leave home with Dady, who was a person of bad morals. Cook says he feels that he hid his duty, and he is out on bail.

A streak of lightning passed through three houses and struck two of the occupants, at Norristown, last Wednesday. Beyond splintering a few rafters and displacing a few bricks and some slate no damage was done.

Here is a queer bequest: "Miss Maxwell Graham, of Williamswood, Eng. land, has left £20,000 to four charitable societies, wherewith to relieve poor Protestants who are named Hutchinson or Maxwell, and to educate their children."

A young man named Dudley Coner, a logman, was killed on Trout run, Clearfield county, on Monday a week. He was assisting in breaking a landing at Walk's camp and was on top of a pile of logs that contained 12,000,000 feet, when the pile gave way and the rolling logs carried Conner down into the stream. Search was immediately made for him and when found he was dead his body being literally mangled to a jelly.

Shamokin has experienced unusual depression since the first of the year. The Sunbury Daily says: "Many business houses have been closed, but a few of the collieries have worked and then at only about half time, and many families that have heretofore been in comfortable circumstances are now suffering for the necessities of life. The solitary offices are besieged by employes begging for orders for work not yet done, and keep them from starting."

On Friday last, Emma, aged nine years, a daughter of D. M. Lott, residing at Hileman's Mills, this county, was accidentally shot by her brother, about her own age. It appears that the children, while at the residence of their grandfather, were playing with an old pistol which had long been about the house and no one believed it was loaded. In their play the pistol was discharged and the contents entered the eye of the little girl and lodged near the left temple. She lingered until Sunday when death ended her suffering.

Legal Notices.

Administrator's Notice.

WHEREAS Letters of Administration on the estate of David H. Uhl, dec'd.

WHERAS Letters of Administration on the estate of David H. Uhl, late of Spruce Hill township, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims will please present them without delay to said administrator.

JACOB ESH, Adm'r.

Pleasant View P. O., Juniata Co., Pa. April 11, 1877.

Prothonotary's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Pleasant View Saving Fund and Loan Association will make application to the Court for an amendment to its charter, on Wednesday, April 25, 1877, when all persons interested can attend if they see proper.

JACOB BEIDLER, Prothonotary.

Prothonotary's Office, Mifflin town, April 2, 1877.

Assigned Estate of John Benner.

WHEREAS John Benner, of Delaware township, Juniata county, Pa., and Amanda Eliza, his wife, by deed of voluntary assignment, have conveyed all the estate and effects of the said John Benner to the undersigned, in trust for the benefit of creditors, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said Assignor to come forward and make payment forthwith, and those having claims will present them, duly authenticated for settlement, to

ROBERT McMEEN, Assignee.

March 29, 1877.

JOB PRINTING OF EVERY KIND done at this office.

Legal Notices.

LIST OF DEALERS AND VENDERS of Foreign and Domestic Merchandise in the county of Juniata for the year 1877, as approved and classified by the Mercantile Appraisers.

MIFFLINTOWN.

Names. Class. Amt.

Elias Tilton, merchant, 12 \$12 50

John Yeakley & Son, dry goods, 12 10 00

B F Kepper, druggist, 12 7 00

W F Snyder, furniture dealer, 14 7 00

Banks & Hamilton, druggists, 14 7 00

J W Kirk, merchant, 14 7 00

Solomon Books, merchant, 14 7 00

J S Thomas, merchant, 14 7 00

J W Miller, merchant, 14 7 00

John Eika, merchant, 14 7 00

J C Moser, liquor dealer, 25 00 00

J E Shaffer, merchant, 14 7 00

Francis Harkness & Co., 14 7 00

L A Seigelbaum, clothier, 14 7 00

D W Harley, merchant, 14 7 00

A M & M -tambough, merchants, 12 12 50

Buyers & Kennedy, grocery, 14 7 00

J B McArthur, real estate agent, 14 7 00

Emil Schott, fancy store, 14 7 00

Joseph Musser, flour, feed, &c., 14 7 00

J E Hullobaugh, restaurateur, 40 00 00

J F Hollibaugh, merchant, 5 50 00

James Murray, hotel keeper, 5 50 00

Jacob Will, hotel keeper, 5 50 00

Frank Shields, hotel keeper, 5 50 00

DELAWARE.

Samuel Schlegel, merchant, 14 7 00

Winey & Custer, merchants, 14 7 00

TREBET.

N Hertler & Son, merchants, 13 10 00

WALKER.

Thompson & Motzer, merchants, 14 7 00

C A Thompson, coal dealer, 14 7 00

Jacob H. Hullobaugh, merchant, 14 7 00

William H Kurie, merchants, 14 7 00

N D Van Dyke, merchant, 14 7 00

Jerome Hetrick, merchant, 14 7 00

Buyers & Kennedy, grain, &c., 14 7 00

GREENSBORO.

Kreely & Smith, merchants, 13 10 00

Haldeman & Sellers, merchants, 12 12 50

Eliza James, confectioner, 14 7 00

Elihu Benner, grain and coal, 13 10 00

SENEGAMUND.

A Dinger, merchant, 14 7 00

Jacob Weiser, merchant, 14 7 00

H H Specht, merchant, 14 7 00

Jacob Weiser, hotel keeper, 5 50 00

GREENSWOOD.

J T Dinn & Bros., merchants, 14 7 00

Thomas Cox, hotel keeper, 5 50 00

TEBORG.

Mauger & Menninger, merchants, 13 10 00

J C Crawford, merchant, 14 7 00

J F Ferguson, merchant, 13 10 00

Cyrus M Furlong, merchant, 14 7 00

Wan Van Swearingen, hotel keeper, 5 50 00

John A Newcomer, hotel keeper, 5 50 00

LACK.

Caupbell & Robinson, merchants, 13 10 00

R H Patterson, merchant, 13 10 00

MILFORD.

S T McCulloch, grain, coal, and lumber, 14 7 00

WATER GAP.

De J P Stierdt, druggist, 14 7 00

Robert Logan, confectioner, 14 7 00

Harry E Oves, stove dealer, 14 7 00

James F Koons, confectioner, 14 7 00

Cyrus M Furlong, merchant, 14 7 00

J S M Gibson, merchant, 14 7 00