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FOR 1882.

Chairman—W. J. Young, Towanda.

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Athena Boro, 1st Ward—Dr. Bichell.

2nd Ward—Geo. E. Davis.

Athena Twp., 1st District—Frank S. Morey.

2nd District—Clarence Bieler.

Bethel—C. H. Johnson.

Bethelburg—T. Y. Morgan.

Bethelburg—C. A. Ford.

Bethelburg—West Isaac McLean.

Canton Twp.—Daniel James.

Canton Boro—F. A. Oren.

Columbus—James H. Strong.

Franklin—H. Kibbitt.

Groveport—J. C. Gandy.

Hancock—Henry Blesher.

LeBarryville—Geo. W. Brink.

LeBarryville—Charles McKinney.

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Twp.—J. D. Cummings.

New Albany—Daniel Brown.

Orchard Park—J. S. Tracy.

Pike—M. E. Warner.

Ridgeway—E. A. Cooper.

Rome Boro—Alexander Keese.

Twp.—

Schoolequin—U. E. Norton.

Smithfield—E. C. Chamberlin.

South Warren—E. D. Pettengill.

Springfield—Finley Hubard.

Standing Stone—

Stratton—

Terry—J. H. Schoonover.

Towanda Boro, 1st Ward—J. McPherson.

2nd Ward—C. H. Allen.

3rd Ward—L. Elbrec.

Towanda Twp.—G. H. Foster.

Towanda, North—D. T. Foster.

Troy Boro—P. Adams.

Twp.—Two—William Verbeck.

Towanda—William Shunway.

Warren—Howell Howell.

Westfield—Grinnell.

Wheatley—Geo. W. Chapman.

Winton—T. E. Waller.

Wyoming—James Donahue.

Wyrox—S. J. Rose.

The names for several districts have not yet been handed to the chairman by the delegates. They are requested to do so at their earliest convenience.

Since Washington editors and correspondents have engaged in killing each other Congressmen are enjoying a happy respite from the abuse of their pens.

Washington society did not go

there and delivered a lecture on high art in Lincoln Hall. His audience was small and unspectacular. The metropolitan press ridiculed him mercilessly.

A bill which has been reported to the House by the Committee on Banking and Currency authorizes the re-charter of national banks whose corporate existence will terminate within the next year. The bill provides in case that any minority stockholders object to re-charter, the stocks shall be appraised and paid for at full valuation. All banks, whether re-chartered, will be provided with a circulation of new device, distinct from the old, so that the banks can settle with the United States under their old charter, and let the United States derive all the profit from national bank notes lost and destroyed.

It is gratifying to find that there are some Congressmen who appreciate the necessity of fostering American commerce by means of efficient and judicious encouragement. The resolution which has just been adopted by the House sub-Committee on Post Offices is not so explicit and emphatic as could be wished, nor does it take that practical turn which the exigencies of the situation require, but in its recommendation that the American mail be carried in American ships, it recognizes the principle upon which legislation should be based. The French and English steamship lines are subsidized by the government, and American capitalists cannot compete with them without Congressional help.—North America.

The pressure for tickets to the Garfield memorial services in the House of Representatives is enormous. It is stated that the supply was long ago exhausted. Applications are pouring in from all parts of the country, and it is evident that the audience will be of an extraordinary character.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Post says: "The Democrats, as a party, have about decided to oppose the creation of a tariff commission in any shape. Many leading Democrats did not care to enter Saturday's conference, but will oppose a commission."

Mrs. Garfield denies the report that she has written to the President asking him to commute the sentence of Guiteau.

The Independent Eastern Express thus delivers itself: "To vote for any man or set of men merely because their names are by some means put upon the regular ticket or the independent ticket is to vote as the slave of a system."

The tide of immigration continues to swell. During January there arrived at Castle Garden the unprecedented number of 11,282, being an average of 364 a day, and almost a half larger than the immigration for the preceding January, which was, then surprisingly great.

The ASTHETIC WILDE REBUKED.

Oscar, in his knee-breeches and cocked hat, while in Washington visited the Capital, and attracted much notice on account of his peculiarity of dress. He presented his card to the messenger at the central entrance of the House while in session, and requested him to present it to Speaker Kellogg with his compliments, anticipating no doubt, that the Speaker would hasten to invite him to ascend on the floor, and order a recess to honor him. The Melvins were finally arrested.

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senger to inform Mr. Wilde that he would be glad to see him at his hotel in the evening. Oscar left in disgust, declaring that the representatives of the American people had no appreciation of the sublime grandeur of nature and the exquisite beauties of art.

POLOMAY GETS A BLACK EYE.

The House on Monday last, under a suspension of the rules, passed the anti-polygamy bill introduced by Mr. Burrows of Michigan. It defines the qualifications of Territorial Delegates in the House of Representatives, and provides that no person who is guilty of bigamy or polygamy shall be eligible to seat as a Delegate from any Territory. Mr. Burrows is in a great belle of the South. She is pale, slender and reserved. At a recent ball she appeared as the Marguerite of Beauharnais in a rose pink velvet and satin costume.

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POSTAL BANKING SYSTEM.

The House Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads has reported favorably a bill introduced by Mr. Lacey, of Michigan, to establish a postal banking system in the United States. The bill makes every post office a bank of deposit, to be first called in and then ordered to pay to the depositary at a more opportune time, in the privacy of home.

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The elegant bronze plate, to be attached to the bronze coffin containing the remains of President Garfield, was made by Tiffany & Co., \$8 by 18 inches in size, and bears a raised inscription, "Garfield, 1881." It possesses such intricacies of carving, that over three months were consumed in its construction. The inscription is surrounded by a wreath of leaves and acorns and at each end an open lily; each stem, twig and leaf being emblematic of the life and character of the dead President.

The Late President.

CLAIM MADE FOR THE EXPENSES OF HIS ILLNESS AND FUNERAL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The limit fixed by the committee, to audit the expenses of the sickness and funeral of the late President Garfield, in which claims and bills could be presented, expired yesterday. A large number of bills were filed, some of them of a character to excite surprise. None of the attending surgeons filed bills, but made statements tending to show the extent of their services. The committee will hold a meeting at once to examine and pass upon these claims. The feeling among members of the committee is against allowing any exorbitant amounts, and while the surgeons have intimated privately that they think they should have from \$20,000 to \$50,000 each, the probabilities are that Drs. Bliss, Agnew and Hamilton, and especially Dr. Boyton, will be given from \$7,000 to \$10,000. Dr. Reburn, \$5,000 and Mrs. Dr. Edson and Stewart-Crump from \$3,000 to \$5,000. General Barnes and Surgeon Wood have given members of the committee to understand that the would be paid, but say he could not be paid. The surgeon who had discharged the five chambers of his weapon, and then fought him by striking with his pistol. He Barton, attempted to use his weapon, but says he could not in the excitement, get it off. One chamber, however, was found to be empty after the meet, and it is thought he must have fired one shot. The struggle between the younger Sotelo and Barton, which began on the second floor of the building, was continued to the street, both rolling down the stairs together. By this time the police came upon the scene, and Sotelo the younger was arrested and taken to the Central police station. Barton was taken in a carriage at once to his residence accompanied by a physician, who dressed his wound and extracted a bullet which had lodged in his neck, but fortunately had not penetrated any vital part. His wounds proved not serious and he will soon be out again. Drs. Bliss and Sowers were immediately called to attend A. M. Sotelo, whom they found lying insensible from the effect of his wound in the Republican office. After an examination they pronounced his wound fatal, and he was removed in an ambulance to Providence Hospital, and his heart-striken wife was summoned to his bedside. His upper and lower limbs were completely paralyzed and consciousness was suspended. He regained consciousness for a few hours only, during which time his ante-mortem statement was taken, but which has not yet been given to the public. He lingered until ten o'clock on Saturday evening and expired. Thus ends a lamentable tragedy growing out of the fool-hardy indulgence of a brutal passion inflamed by over indulgence in strong drink, resulting from evil association and gross, immoral conduct. One life is sacrificed, another will be consigned to many years of imprisonment, while the third participant will wear the scars of the conflict to the end of his days. Barton showed great pluck, and is complimented for his heroic valor. His escape from instant death seems to be purely accidental.

IT WANTS NO COMPENSATION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The chairman of the Senate committee on Appropriations has received a letter from the President of the Pennsylvania Railway, saying: "Our company had not at the time, nor have we now, any intention to make a claim for compensation for courses extended to the railroads in the state of Connecticut. We felt it to be not only a duty, to increase the comfort and pleasure of the passengers, but also to the safety of the roads, to do what we could to increase the comfort and aid in restoring the health of President Garfield."

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Three hundred Jewish refugees from Russia sailed from Liverpool on Saturday, Feb. 4th, for the United States.

Thirty-one years ago E. H. Savage was appointed a policeman in Boston. He rose to be Chief and is now a police officer.

The philosophical and accurate conclusion reached by the Troy Times is that the average Democrat seems to hate the regular army with an implacable hatred.

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The general opinion of the Senators and Representatives is that the present session of Congress will not close before the latter end of July.

Then poison of small pox is contained in New York second-hand school books. A New Jersey school district cannot be convinced to the contrary.

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