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THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING of the Pennsylvania Editorial Association will be held in the Senate Committee Rooms, Capitol, Harrisburg, on Thursday, Jan. 22d, 1880, at two o'clock, P. M. Election of Officers for the ensuing year. By Order of

H. G. STAHLE, President. R. S. MENAMIN, Sec. and Treas.

GENERAL CHAMBERLAIN has refused to acknowledge Gov. Lamsen's authority, to act as governor of Maine.

THE New York legislature is taking up the question of the manner of electing a president.

MAINE now has two bodies claiming to be the legal legislature. The Supreme Court has decided that the later organization (which is Republican) is the legal

GEN. GARFIELD has been elected U. S. Senator to succeed Thurman. Thurman was supported by the democrats but was defeated by a vote of 66 to 44 in the assembly and 20 to 13 in the senate.

MAINE ought to be a well governed state. At least it has numerous governors, as it has a " Military Governor," an " Acting Governor," an elected " Fusion Governor," besides several other men who hope to be elected governor, by the legislature which is now supported by the Supreme court. Taking it altogether political affairs in Maine are sadly

A TERRIBLE STORM visited Oregon last week. At Portland great damage was done by the wind, and great suffering was caused by the severe cold. At Tacentie, Washington Territory, a tree was blown against a school house, demolishing it. Twenty children were in the building. A son and daughter of John W. Bartlett were instantly killed and another daughter seriously injured. No damage to the shipping at Astoria. At Vancouver several houses at the garrison were prostrated. No lives were lost. Much damage was done at Salem. A portion of the roof of the State House was blown off, also that of the Academy of the Sacred Heart.

SUPERINTENDENT WICKERSHAM is now preparing and will this week issue warrants to school districts in the State covering the year ended June, 1879, for one million dollars, the amount due them from the State for that period. According to the Superintendent's estimate the Commonwealth owes the schools about \$2,500,000. State Treasurer Noyes says the Treasury will be in a condition to cash about half the amount of the warrants the present month, and the remainder will be honored by the 1st of June next. Auditor-General Schell will state in his annual report, which will be out in a week, that by a rigid collection of taxes under the revenue law, the deficiency in the Treasury, amounting to over \$1,700,000, will be made up in two years.

Choice for President.

The Philadelphia Times in giving the choice of the Democratic press of the State for President, sums up the answers of sixty-eight of them, as follows: For Tilden, 15; Bayard, 18; Hancock, 11; Seymour, 9; anybody, 11; the nominee, 5; the field, 4. The preferences of 1:6 independent papers are as follows: For James G. Blaine, 24; anti-third term and anybody to beat Grant, 10; for U. S. Grant, 8; for W. S. Hancock, 8; for Thomas F. Bayard, 6; for Samuel J. Tilden, 6; for John Sherman, 5; scattering, 16; no choice, 32.

Sixty-six Republican papers heard from show the following result:

For Blaine For Grant For Sherman For the Field For the Nominee For the Best Man

THE WHEAT MARKET is in a singular position. There is now a grain blockade of prodigious proportions in Chicago; the elevators of the city, which contain total of sixteen million bushels, are lmost filled, and several railroad comanies are refusing to receive grain for e Chicago market, because when it rives, there are no accommodation for

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The trouble is that grain cannot be hipped to Europe at anything like esent rates of freights, unless at a loss to the shipper without an advance in price at the other side. This does not

at present seem probable, and the chances are that there will be a break in the market. Already prices are lower, and the demand is still decreasing. The quantity of wheat held in the Chicago elevators is several millions of bushels greater than ever was known.

A Singular Case of Premonition.

The Port Bryon, N. Y., Chroniele contains the following strange account of George Edson's premonition of death; The strangest true case of a person being forewarned, or having a promonition that their death would take place at a given time, of which we ever heard, was that of George Edson, of Seneca Falls, who died last week. He had been visiting Richard King, of this place, who was his uncle, for about three weeks, and went home on Monday, December 29th. New Year's morning he arose in his usual good health.

During the morning he took a gold ring from his finger, and handing it to his sister-in-law, said; " Kate, take this ring, and always keep it as a memento of me; it is the last gift you will ever receive from me, for I am going to die to-day." She tried to laugh him out of his fancy, as she thought it, but was unable to do so. By his request she accompanied him to the village post office to see one of his most intimate friends, to whom he broke the same sad news, and with tears in his eyes bade him good-bye and a last farewell. He then visited each person he wished to act as pall-bearers, and received from them their promises to act as such at his

He also invited the members of the band to which he belonged, and requested them to attend his funeral in a body. He then returned home and made an urgent request for his brother to come home early in the afternoon, as he wished to talk with him. During the afternoon he gave his brother full instructions as to the disposition to be made of his worldly goods, and the necessary arrangements for his funeral. About sundown, the same day, he was taken with hemorrhage of the lungs, and at 10 o'clock the next morning he was a

The funeral was held on Sunday. The persons he selected and engaged for bearers were present, and officiated as such. The band was also present, dressed in uniform, according to his last request. This is one of the strangest cases on record, and it is beyond human power to account for it. That he knew or felt sure that he was going to die at a certain time, although he was perfectly well at the time of making the statement, and that his death did take place as he had predicted, is indeed remarkable.

A Pleasant Incident.

A little waif away down in Maine wrote a letter and placed it in a glove which she had been knitting for a manufacturing firm. It was found by one of the salesmen of a Chicago fancy goods house, and was read aloud to his associates. It ran: "I am a little girl only eight years old. My name is Cora Nor-wood. I live in Bucksport, Me. I knit these gloves for eight cents a pair. I wish the gentleman who buys them would send me a wax doll for a Christmas present as I have none and want one very bad." The clerks immediately purchased a splendid wax doll and forwarded it to her by the United States Express. The way-bill was filled out as follows: "Consignor, Keith Bros. & Co., Chicago, Ill." "Address, Cora S. Norwood, Bucksport, Me." "Collectnothing." "Prepaid with love." "Remarks: Be happy." Across the face of the way-bill was written : "The letter pasted on this way-bill is a request found in a pair of gloves, and this box contains the desired wax doll, being the gift of the employees of the firm selling the gloves. Please let this way-bill go through and be delivered with the doll. Those who handle the way-bill may indorse on the back their Happy New Year." B. Schermerhorn, agent," When the young lady received her doll the way-bill bore testimony to the good wishes of the transfer clerks all along the line.

Trouble Among Chicago Pork Packers.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.-There was considerable excitement at the stock yards this morning, owing to an assault made by the union men, who being unable to secure their old places in the packing houses, busied themselves going about the yards abusing non-union men, stoning them and striking them with sticks as they passed in and out of the gate. About 400 in all were engaged in these outrages, and several of them were arrested and marched to the police station, at the muzzle of the revolver, followed by the hooting crowd of their friends. Most of the strikers, and all more reasonable ones are at their halls, but should the arrests be continued it is feared that they will join in the trouble and cause bloodshed. The police authorities regard the situation as critical, and have transferred a large force to the

stock yards. While a mob of Union men were attacking a workman named Andrew Dechman, on Halstead street this morning, he drew a butcher knife and stabbed Frank Gough, a leader of the malcontents, who is largely responsible for the excitement, inflicting serious but probably not fatal injuries. Dechman was arrested and taken Into a street car by the police, whereupon the mob nearly demolished the car with sticks and stones. The superintendent of police has ordered all the saloons in the vicinity of the stock yards to be closed for the present.

Almost Drowned in Oil.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 .- Several workmen were engaged late last night in filling one of the large oil tanks at Pratt's Astral oil works, at the corner of North Twelfth and First streets, Williamsburg, when there was a terrific explosion. The top of the tank was blown off, its contents burst out, and the oil, of which there was a large quantity, was quickly spread over the whole premises.

The men who were employed at the works had a miraculous escape from death. Three men were slightly injured and all came very near drowning in oil. Fortunately there was no fire, the explosion having occurred from generated gas in the tank.

An Entire Family.

The Ebensburg Herald of last week says six years ago this month when diphtheria swept over that place and vicinity, and when old and young fell victims to the terrible scourge, the entire family of Mr. V. S. Baker, his wife and two lovely little children were taken from him. On Sunday last his only child, an interesting little daughter, died of catarrh fever.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14, 1880. The "Evening Star" of yesterday said, and, I think correctly, that while there might be financial discussion during this session of Congress there would probably be no financial legislation; that the desire for an early adjournment was general, and that Representative Wood's 31 per cent. bond bill was gaining favor. I am able to say in relation to Mr. Wood's bill that it has the support of financial men, of the very highest standing, and that Mr. Wood will, during the discussion of the subject, place before the House assurances sufficient to convince any one that his proposed bond can be negotiated at par. In the Senate yesterday, Mr. Morrill, a supporter of Secretary Sherman's four per cent. bill, introduced the following resolution;

"Resolved, that the Committee on finance be instructed to inquire as to the practicability of refunding any part of the National debt at a less rate than 4 per cent. interest, and also as to whether or not some effective provision can be made whereby bona fide subscriptions for sums in moderate amounts may be made available. and report by bills or otherwise."

Representative Henckle yesterday submitted to the House a resolution of the Corporation of Annapolis, Md., favorable to the erection, by the general government, of a monument to Baron De Kalb. I hope that Congress will 'make the necessary appropriation - not a large one - for the purpose. The Baron's distinction as a soldier in the American army was won in a war in which all sections participated, and the results of which we all enjoy to-day. The more of such men we honor the better for the country.

It now seems probable that bribery, etc., caunot be proved against Senator Ingalls of Kansas, in connection with his last election. He will keep his seat. The Louisiana case- Kelloggs-drags its slow length along in the Committee on election. Probably, in the sea of lies sworn to in this case, the Committee will be unable to find any satisfactory proof that a Senator was

The House yesterday resumed discussion upon the amended rules, the question still being on the adoption of the change by which the Appropriation Committee is authorized to pass upon the River and Harbor bill. Opposition to any further concentration of power in the hands of this Committee is very strong. Still I think there is a clear majority in favor of the rules as amended.

It is now pretty generally believed, as long ago stated in this Correspondence, that Superintendant Walker of the Census Bureau will appoint his supervisors without regard to party influences. He will endeavor to get the best men. He has sought advice from every proper source. The list recommended by him has been handed to the Secretary of the Interior and will be sent to the Senate in a few days.

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Miscellaneous News Items.

An old gray-headed man is going to school in a district school-house in Washington, Gratiot County, Mich., in order that he may learn to read and write and thus correspond with friends in Europe.

LT A Troy family were prostrated by

severe attacks of vomiting, caused by eating fowl which when purchased had not been drawn, and which had been cooked

A Bay City youth who atole a sack of flour from a business firm has been forgiven and taken into the employ of a member of the firm, who thinks he can do more toward reforming a boy than a prison can.

At Morgan's lumber camp, Farwell, Mich., there is a tame bear which has become so far civilized as to drink whiskey, smoke a pipe, chew tobacco, etc. They are now teaching him how to dance round

Alice Beers, the beautiful daughter of a leading citizen of Bath, Northampton County, fell dead on being told that her runaway marriage with a strange printer was illegal, he having a wife and two children in New York.

Cyrus Morrison, residing near Beartown, Lancaster Chunty died a few days ago from paralysis, caused by poisoning his system through the excessive use of hair dye on his beard. He was about fifty years old and leaves a wife and a large family of children.

The young ladies of Valdosta, Ga., enjoyed themselves hugely at a leap year party the other night. The Times says they brought the young men in on their arms, waited on them, and that "the boys were successfully cornered and courted, after the nineteenth century style, until a late hour."

0. Williams, of Imlay City, Mich., lost his hat and one ear while making : night of it recently. The ear was chewed off by another man, but he doesn't know how he lost the hat. The man who sold him his beer is now willing to settle with Mrs. Williams for the Ldamage done her husband.

At Middletown last Tuesday morning, Thomas Newman, colored, accidentally set fire to the buildings at Cameron furnace, and the tunnelhead and part of the gangway were destroyed. Newman was burned to death. The loss by the fire will not exceed \$2000.

WILKESBARRE, January 13 .- Warrants were issued at Kingston yesterday for the arrest of William Allenbaum, of Plymouth, Wesley Williams and a man known as "Big Yank," both of Plains, who are charged with the murder of, William Keating in 1872. It is charged that Keating was beaten to death and his body burned with brush. Allenbaum has been committed to jail.

Two ladies of Racine, Wis., walking home from church, Sunday evening, were grossly insulted by a couple of loafers, one of whom was instantly compelled to kneel in the mud and apologize. The ladies didn't run or scream, but one of them had a trusty revolver and knew how

Joseph Hæfner, of Andalusia, Bucks County, was committed to jail at Doylestown last Sunday evening on the charge of murdering Jacob Gerber by shooting him in an altercation about board money. His wife and child called to see him next morning, but when his cell-door was opened, he was found dead in bed, having cut his throat from ear to ear.

A vile outrage was committed in Pittston, Pa., on Saturday morning, the victim being Miss Hopkins, a beautiful young lady of 18 years, who was alone at home, and the perpetrators two tramps, one an old man of perhaps 50 years of age and the other of youthful appearance. They bound her, gagged her, and then assaulted her in an indescribable manner.

The Middletown Journal states that Jas. Young, Jr., exhibited in that office about a half pint of corn that came all the way from the Andes mountains in Peru. It was sent to Colonel James Young by D. R. Jackson, Esq., of San Francisco, who obtained it from Messrs. Parrott and Co., of that city. The latter party were twelve years in securing it. It was carried a distance of 1,100 miles on the back of a mule, and the lack of facilities for transportation in that slow country, with numerous detentions from different causes, allowed twelve years to pass away before it reached its destination. The grain is enormous in size, as compared with our own Indian corn.

On Tuesday of last week a car loaded with lumber by some means became uncoupled at Bridgeport, a town on the right bank of the Susquehanna, opposite Harrisburg, and ran on the Cumberland Valley R. R. bridge, the grade of which is considerably down toward the left bank. Of course the speed of the car increased rapidly; but it kept on the track and when it reached Harrisburg it was going with almost lightning velocity. Fortunately all the switches were right, and no obstruction in the way. The car shot past the depot like an arrow and was not stopped until near the stock yard. Had a switch been open, or any cars in its way, a bad wreck would have been inevitable.

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