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 high-presBure sye
State legislation. Judging from thair asual neglect of their
legitimate antiee, they might have slambered
on forever in bliestal forgetfolnees of the doon forever in blissal forgetfriness of the do-
atruotion of life and property anased by ex-
plosions, if a scheme had not been devised Whereby corrupt legialators and the owners of
cortaln patents coold eurich themseelves. The oertaln patents coold eurich themselves. T
subjeot, intensely dry and repulsive when
garded as a daty, beoaneme endowed with sorbing interest, as soon as a zealons borer
oonvinod them, by the arguments to whioh
legisiative reason lis so oharmingly's
thanoeptible,
 As the matter now stands. the Hoise has
passed, or is abont co pass, a bill which, under passed, or is abrotext, will not only oreate a new
an insidious pre
horde of ofliciale who are to be unduly reWarded for their servioes as inspectors, but
levy an enormons tribate on the indastrisl
intereats of the State for the enriohment of the owners of two patents whioh may or may not,
for all the legisinora know, be the grand "Iook-np saffety valve" and "low-water indi-
oator" which they are represented to be.
In the blll, Osas is on Pelion piled to compel oitizens of Peansylvania to buy these Now
York pstents. In prinoiple it is the greatest leginalative monstrosity of the session, and the
men who support it, in its prosent shape,
after fally underatanding its provisions, must after fully understanding its provisions, must
have reaohed that last and most shameless stage of oorruption, whare they cease to
juatify their deeds nuto themeives.
Brery owner of a stam boiler will be comBvery owner of a steam boller will be oom-
pelled to buy a new-fangled "look-up aafety valve" and a "low-water indioator,"" whioh
will be mannfactured at an enormons proft Wy the favorred patente and his legisiatative
partaers, if this bill beoomes a law and the oontemplated programme is carried out in all
its ramifoations. To ensare this result henvy
fines and penalties are showered upon the atabborn or negleotful Bteam-boilers ownens own
Whe fall to patronize the grand new legisls-
tive asfety-valve company; and to make asse tive safety-valve company; and to make assu-
ranoe doubly sare, thore a seo tion setting
forth that if the boiler of any person who to buy the high-priced patents blows ap, he
"ahall be deemed gaity of masalsughtor,
and apon conviotion shall be seatenced to and apon conviotion shall be sentenced
confinement at hard labor for a period not excoeding ten years, and shall also be oivilly
lisblo to any person injured for all damages to
peraon and property by reason of any such
explosion !"
Hion, after this exbibition of legisistive rapa-
oity, it the session should wind up with rian gentonoing to denth every oltizen of Philadelphis who, after the Twelth and Sixteenth
Streets Passenger Railway is completed, rides north and sonth on any other line. If decency
and juatioe are to be violated for the enriohment of legisiative cormorants in one instanoe,
Why not in the other? And if one ollass of men are to be sent to prison for ten years beonuse they will not patironize the Legiliature
in its "Iook-up zafoty-valve" oapoity, why
should not another olase be murdered outright for refasing or negleoting to shower its dimes
upon the legislative passenger-railway pet? The only thing that enrprises us is, that
the Legislature, instead of pluadering the people piocemeal, does not advanoe boldiy
its favorite task by appropriating all
money in the State Treasury at once to money in the State Treasury at onc
insatiable leeohes, and then levying
petaal tax for their exelusive bened.

## This Fonians have been quiescent for

 thime, and aensible people have indulged inhopes that the absardity of their pretended offorts for the liberation of
ontent to anbside and be
in a torpid state during t
with the advent of spring
innagurate a new compaign. It is announood
thast the Fenian councoils have determined to oelebrate St. Patriok's day by assessing each one partionlarly the Iriehwomen, in the country will be oalled apon to contribute a like amount, for the parpose of carrying the war
into Britain. Of courre, no one oan be oompelled to pay lolis assenswen, to the great Penian army wat the managers of the great Hilbernian ham but will spare no effort, and will omit no


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