Until February 1st, 1899.

Quay Tries to Dodge the Law. The public was not unprepared for the charges made in the pending QUAY trial, not for inculpating the Republican boss and Senator in the criminal use of state funds for of justice the accused did not show the eagerness of an innocent man to clear his process and prevent a judicial determination of his guilt or innocence.

Two judges of the State's highest tribunal have been so misguided in their action as to aid QUAY's evasive purpose through the agency of writs that may prevent his case from being brought before a jury. To this interference by the higher court, enforced by a writ of certiorari, the State's prosecuting officer, who is no other than the Republican district attorney of Philadelphia, makes answer in terms that have torn to shreds the flimsy plea upon which QUAY in their drawings. They had not the seeks to avoid the trial of the criminal charge against him before a court and jury. His petition for the immunity he may gain through a certiorari is answered by the tively valueless all that has been done or to floral baskets and magnificent horse averment of district attorney GRAHAM that he has evidence supplied by QUAY's own hand writing, and ready to be produced in the trial pending against him, which will prove that "the public funds of the missioners to assume legislative power or State have been used by him for his private and unlawful gain;" that he was allowed interest on state money deposited in the People's bank, such interest having been passed to his private account and checked out as his own money, and that the books of the bank show that "hundreds of dol- structure, so enlarging it as to provide lars of the public money deposited in the quarters for other departments of the people's bank were set apart for M. S. QUAY and were used by him," the books viewed in the light of the act, savors of an showing, moreover, "that hundreds of thous- usurpation of authority which is at once ands of dollars worth of stocks were bought for the said M. S. QUAY with this money."

This is the kind of evidence, ready for bodies that it will be more economical and presentation to court and jury, which the more business like to tear down everything incriminated Republican boss endeavors to avoid by seeking refuge behind a friendly certiorari while arranging for his re-election to the United States Senate by servile sup- are certain to extend into millions of dolporters in the State Legislature.

It was a well-known fact that the managers of the Republican machine were making improper use of the state funds by deposits in favored banks, but without such evidence as district attorney GRAHAM is prepared to produce it could scarcely have been believed that QUAY's corrupt thousands of the State's funds as if they were his own.

Will this arraigned culprit escape the punishment due him for what the law declares to be a criminal offense? Will there be such disregard for the law and miscarriage of justice that he will have the senatorial toga again fitted upon him instead of standing a trial for an offense which, upon conviction, would require him to be apparelled in the striped habiliments of the penitentiary?

The Passing of Our Historian.

In the death of Hon. JOHN BLAIR LINN his passing will be deplored by all who tor. realize the importance of the sphere he sphere he in the Congress, yet the people of the State filled so admirably, yet it was not as if he had carried all the treasures of his rare their representatives in their own localities. mind with him into eternity. He has It is true, another census will be taken gone, but there remains a monument to him in his history of Centre and Clinton General Assembly to have the data neccounties that will stand as long as time essary for making the apportionments. If

There are so few men gifted with the patience and persistent care that are the requisites of an historian that the passing census. This affords no excuse for failure of one is a matter of considerable moment. Even now, in the sincerest sorrow over Mr. LINN's death, this community does not realize the enormity of the loss it has suffered. Time, alone, will impress that upon us and in future years we will have reason to rejoice that man is no longer here he has left behind him a work such as had never been attempted before and is not likely to be improved upon in the future.

GOVERNOR HASTINGS' MESSAGE. Continued from page 1.

tiles. The walls of the House of Representatives are finished with burlap stained garnet, and fastened to the rough brick walls, also made of tile and brick. Although the act of Assembly requires that the building shall be 'made as nearly fireproof as possible,' the roof and most of the interior fittings are as combustible as possible. Furthermore, I am advised by a competent and trustworthy builder, who personally examined this building, that a fair estimate of the cost of the present structure would not exceed \$225,000 as it now is, and that it will cost to complete the building according to the plans adopted | candidates for a particular office. not less than \$2,500,000. This estimate, I am informed, is a conservative one and may be relied upon. It is more than probable that it will require twice that sum to complete the building, and it has been so deliberately planned as to require continuing appropriations which, in my judgment, will last during the present generation. In the condition that you find it at this time no one would hazard an opinion as to what the style of architecture

commended is the foundation, which is read and then Judge Simonton, of the local ample to support any building, even the court, administered the oath of office to the sioner to serve the unexpired term. Forme tion has been so planned as to leave an ex- election of a president pro tem. Senator

be supposed, however, that this elaboration the present brick walls by a veneering of ers have sworn to the court that the structure would be a complete building and within the limit of the present appropria-

The commissioners will not relieve themselves from just criticism by alleging that the appropriation was too small. It was them to say what the appropriation should be. The judgment belonged to the legislative branch of the government. It was the duty of the commission to erect which the law provides penitentiary punish- the building in accordance with the proment. In his arraignment before a court visions of the act. One of the provisions limited the expense to \$550,000. They distinctly averred before the courts that every provision of the act would be comcharacter by a speedy trial, but employed plied with and that a complete building such methods of delay as may retard legal for the Legislature, its officers and employes, would be constructed within the limit of the appropriation. The commissioners had no right to determine that the appropriation was too small. The Legislature had already fixed the amount. They had no right or power to ignore any pro vision of the act. That is violation of

> BETTER TO TEAR IT DOWN. payers of the Commonwealth an incomplete structure, which will require an expendi- hide the bare walls and conceal the temture of at least a million of dollars to make it habitable under their present plan and millions more to add the wings as set out right to expend the money appropriated in such a way as to the legislative branch of the government hidden by beautiful floral pieces, the gifts either to tear down and render compara- of admiring constituents. There were great add millions of dollars to carry out their and all manner of flowers and the recipients ultimate design. The commissioners were of these tokens of esteem sat behind them created by the Legislature to fulfill, in good faith, its solemn enactments, and it is insulting to the Commonwealth for the comto so administer their trust as to compel the taxpayers to take the hazard of expending large additional sums for the consummation of the unlawful purpose of commissioners appointed by them to execute their sovereign will.

The further plan of the commissioners to erect wings at the ends of the present state government, under one roof, as part and parcel of their general scheme, when illegal, unjust and burdensome to the people of the Commonwealth.

I respectfully submit to your honorable above the foundation walls and sacrifice the money already expended rather than to continue the commission and accede to its demands for future appropriations, which

APPORTIONMENT.

The last senatorial apportionment was made in 1874, twenty-four years ago, and the last representative and congressional apportionments in 1887. The mandate of the constitution requiring these apportionments to be made has been inexcusably neglected, and has resulted, in many instances, in denying to the people the repre disposition, to misapply public money, sentation to which they are by law entitled. would go so far as to use hundreds of and in others, by permitting a representation in both Houses of the General Assembly to which, under the constitution, the people are not entitled. The growth of our population has been far from uniform. many localities having doubled their populations in the past twenty years, while in others there has been but little increase. The present senatorial apportionment is directly in conflict with the theory of representative government. It violates the express mandate of the constitution, which requires that "the State shall be divided into fifty senatorial districts of compac and contiguous territory, as nearly equal in population as may be, and each district may be entitled to elect one Senator.'

Several of the present senatorial districts this community has lost a man who has fourth the population of other districts, been of inestimable value to it. While each being represented by a single Sena-While the two Congressmen-at-Large two years hence, but it cannot be comthe apportionments are not made at your present session, it will be impossible to make them until 1903, if they are to be made upon the basis of the next decennial to comply with the plain mandate of the

THE BALLOT LAW.

Experience with the present ballot law has disclosed a number of imperfections. It is incomplete, inperfect and incompetent in several particulars. The two methods provided for securing the right to though the dignified, learned gentle- an entire column on the State ballot sheet deserve this criticism. When a column on the official sheet is given to each political party which at the last preceding election polled one-half of one per centum of the total vote of the State, and additional columns are given to those candidates who file nomination papers, then the door is opened for confusion and fraud. While the columns necessary to represent the several political parties voting at the last election are limited, the columns needed to represent the tickets created by nomination papers may be prolonged to an indefinite extent. Any body of citizens under the present practice obtaining the requisite number of signers can secure a separate column for the State ticket and that column is on the State ballot sheet. A party entitled to a column on the State sheet should be a State party and not a fragment of a at the bride's home. local or county party. It would undoubtedly be better to collect in one separate group in a single column the names of all

Convening of the Legislature.

Snyder of the Senate and Farr of the House to Pre side over their Respective Bodies. A Straight Republican Organization in Both Departments. Nothing so Far but the Ordinary Preliminary Business of completing the Organization

HARRISBURG, Jan. 3 .- The opening session of the Senate was brief. Organization will be in the end, whether colonial or the Commonwealth Martin appeared and "The only part of the structure to be recent election for Senators. These were presented to the Senate the returns of the

tension on the outside surface of about ten William P. Snyder, of Chester, the choice inches for the brick wall. It can hardly of the Republicans was successful over H. W. Haines, Democrat, of York, by 34 to 12. of the foundation was made with the in- Senator Snyder, upon assuming the chair tention of inducing this or future Legisla-tures to hide the shameful appearance of and caution in the consideration of the measures that will come before the Senate marble or granite, because the commission- for action. He favored economical appropriations and sessions of the Legislature as brief as is consistent with the proper disposition of the public business.

These officers of the Senate were elected: Chief clerk, E. W. Smiley, Venango; jour-nal clerk, John M. Rhea, Cumberland; reading clerk, A. J. Leeds, Philadelphia; sergeant-at-arms, S. B. Cochran, Armstrong.

A resolution providing for the details of the inauguration of Governor Stone was adopted and the chair appointed Senators Flynn, John B. Mitchell, McCarrell, Osborn and Haines as the inaugural commit-

HARRISBURG, Jan. 3.—There were the usual scenes and incidents at the opening session to-day of the House of Representatives. There was added interest owing to the occupancy of the new capitol. The chamber occupied by the Legislators of the lower branch of the Assembly was a surprise for most of the Members. They expect de to meet in a barn-like uncomfortable hall without furnishings save those of the plainest description, but instead the spacious They had no right to foist upon the tax- hall is not only attractive but comfortable. The decorations are not costly but they porary finish of the big room.

A liberal use of burlap, with temporary panels and pilasters, and gilt decorations with shields and flags, gave a cheerful, if not magnificent aspect to all the surroundings. The desks of many Members were throughout the proceedings and there was a great interest in all that occurred.

after 12 o'clock by Chief Clerk Rex. Secretary of the Commonwealth Martin was introduced, after prayer by chaplain Sangree, and presented the certificates of election of the Members. The list was read bers presented themselves at the bar and were sworn in by Judge Biddle, of Carlisle. John R. Farr, of Lackawana, was nomi nated for speaker by William T. Marshall. of Allegheny, and William T. Creasy, of Columbia, by George R. Dixon, of Elk. Mr. Farr was elected by the full Republican vote of 127. Mr. Farr made a brief address of thanks, in which he promised to be fair and courteous in his treatment of the Members.

Jere. B. Rex, of Huntingdon, was re-Montgomery, resident clerk. The other officers and employes will not be announced before next week.

Committees were appointed to notify the Senate that the House is ready to proceed to business, to wait on the Governor and to formulate rules for the government of the House. A resolution was also adopted providing for the concurrence by the House to the arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor-elect. The resolution providing for final adjournment on April 20th, was adopted almost unanimously, after a motion to refer the resolution to the committee on rules was voted down.

After a very short session on Wednesday States Senate, to be voted for hereafter but which failed to succeed, both Senate and House adjourned to meet again on Thursday hopeful. Jan. 12th

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

-Lock Haven trolley cars are to be factory in that place.

-James Gower, who was married to Miss Ann Reynolds, of Buffalo Run, Nov. 26th, 1850, died at his home in Pittsburg on Dec. 23rd.

tated the closing of the upper ax works at the town. Mill Hall on Monday and Tuesday.

--- Thomas Mayes died at his home in South Philipsburg on Wednesday, Dec. 28th. He had been ill for some time with Bright's disease.

-Mining journals are predicting a general strike in the bituminous regions of Pennsylvania for April 1st, the time when the interstate agreement between miners and operators expires.

-On January 10th. Co. I, 17th U. S. Inf., will leave the barracks in Columbus, O., for Manila, going via the Suez canal. John and Perry Simler, of Philipsburg, are members of the company.

--- Claude Wysotzsky, a son of Daniel precincts. Wysotzsky, formerly of Bellefonte, has been given a scholarship on board th school-ship "Saratoga." The family a residents of Clearfield now.

--- The store of George Raup and So at Lamar was burglarized on Tuesda night and between seventy and eight pennies were taken from the money drawer The larger coin had been locked up. Noth ing else was disturbed

-Miss Madge Krebs, daughter of for mer judge David L. Krebs, of Clearfield was married to A. M. Liveright Esq., promising young attorney of that place yesterday. The ceremony was performe

-James Noon, one of the popular ba keepers at the Bush house, is telling bigge tales than ever and getting more drink mixed these days, all because a tiny little girl came to his home on Water street, or Tuesday morning. Both mother and daughter are doing well and Jim is slidin along as if on roller skates.

-Fred A. Rall, one of Clinton coun ty's commissioners died at his home, i Lock Haven, on Wednesday morning. H was 44 years old and died from the effect of stomach trouble. His death wil necessitate the appointment of a commis Capitol of the United States. This foundanew Senators. The next formality was the mayor James Jeffries, of Lock Haven, mentioned as a possible successor.

-Thirty-one new born babes in Clearfield county have been given the name of Dewey within the past six months.

-Beginning next Monday night the Wilson theatre company will open a week's engagement at Garman's at popular prices. A change of bill will be made nightly.

At the annual meeting of the Logan engine company, Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: John Knisely, president; Harry Jackson, recording secretary; Geo. Knisely, financial secretary; James Seibert, treasurer; Geo. Cunningham, chief; John T. Laurie, 1st assistant; Wm. Hogarth, 2nd assistant; R. A. Beck, 3rd assistant; Geo. Knisely, 4th assistant. Trustees-Thomas Shaughensey, James Harris and George Eberhart.

-Dr. George Thompson, a well known retired physician, died at his home at Mt. Union, at 4 o'clock Tuesday morning. He was a son of John and Lydia Blake Thompson, and was born in Half Moon township, Centre county, May 16th, 1826, and hence was aged 72 years, 7 months and 19 days. The deceased's education was begun in an old log school house on his father's farm in Half Moon township, and later he studied for two years at Allegheny college, in Westmoreland county. During the civil war Dr. Thompson was assistant surgeon in the Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania volunteers.

MRS. TONNER.-Mrs. Lydia Kreamer Tonner, widow of John Tonner, who was register and recorder of this county from 1839 to '51 and widely known in Methoout of sight. The galleries were crowded dist circles, and mother of Mrs. H. P. Harris, died at her home in Canton, Ohio, The House was called to order shortly at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. She was 86 years old and for months her health had been failing.

Of her family of six daughters and one son, Mrs. Henry P. Harris, Mrs. McClain, and the roll called, after which the Mem- Mrs. Underhill, Mrs. Charles Daugherty, Mrs. Brisben and Clark, survive her.

F. H. COTA HAS RESIGNED.—The resignation of F. H. Cota, general secretary of the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. for years, having been accepted at a recent meeting of the association, took effect on New Years day. Early in the fall Mr. Cota asked to be released from further service, but the board of directors was so loath to part with elected chief clerk, and A. D. Fetterolf, of him that action was deferred from time to time with the hope that probably something would intervene to detain him in the work in Bellefonte.

While the severance of his relations with the local organization by no means implies that the work is to be discontinued, yet it is a serious loss to Bellefonte that such a man as Mr. Cota has proven himself to be must go out of the town and out of the field where such work as he is capable of doing is so sorely needed. Bellefonte has herself to blame for the misfortune-it canat which the only business attempted was be viewed in no other light—for the in a trick to advance the interests of Senator different support given the Y. M. C. A. in the candidate for United | this place has been enough to paralyze the work of any man, however courageous or

As head of our Association Mr. Cota has probably accomplished more lasting, praise worthy results than had ever been done through those rooms before. We need not furnished with vestibules by the furniture cite cases. You know them well enough. The memory of the pure life of the late Emanuel Markel, after his connection with the Association, would be laurels enough, but there are many more. In his departure every parent of Bellefonte will lose a friend who labored zealously for the eleva---- The extremely cold weather necessi- tion of morals among the young people of

> Charley Case has been placed temporarily in charge of the rooms and will keep them in a hospitable condition until such a time as a permanent selection can be made.

NECROLOGY OF CENTRE COUNTY FOR 1898.—The record of the births and deaths that occurred in Centre county during the past year is a matter in which we are all more or less interested. From the returns of the assessors in the various precincts it will be seen that the population of the county is slowly increasing. The table below covers the returns by precincts from Dec. 1st. 1897 to Dec. 1st, 1898. It will be interesting to look over the widely divergent rates of mortality in the various

S			D.
	(North ward	32	1 23
e	Bellefonte, South ward	40	13
	(West ward	14	10
	Centre Hall borough	15	9
	Milesburg borough	21	6
1	Millheim borough	13	6
1	Howard borough	12	111
1	(First ward	16	14
1	Philipsburg borough, Second ward	27	6
1	Third ward	30	13
1	South Philipsburg boro	13	5
1	State College Borough	24	6
1	Unionville borough	11	
1	Vanish on a second		3
1	Benner township Northern precinct	19	9
i	. Southern precinct.	16	4
1	Northern precinct	10	3
1	Boggs township, Eastern precinct	6	7
1) Western precinct	27	8
1	Burnside township	13	2
1	College township	37	12
1	Curtin township	13	3
1	Farman tound :) Eastern precinct.	20	15
1	Ferguson township Eastern precinct. Western precinct.	9	4
ı) Northern precinct	11	6
1	Grown township Factorn proginat	22	9
l	Western precinct	25	
I			10
1	Haines township Eastern precinct	15	4
ĺ	Halfman tarmahin	28	14
١	Halfmoon township	14	2
ı	Harris township	23	10
۱	Howard township	22	13
l	Huston township	15	9
١	Liberty township	25	14
ı	Marion township	15	4
١) Eastern precinct	11	6
l	Miles township Middle precinct	19	5
-	Miles township Middle precinct Western precinct	9	4
ĺ	Patton township	28	8
İ	Penn township	27	9
ı	- Northern proginat	9	4
١	Potter township Southern precinct	31	19
I	post to a Northern precinct	31	17
ľ	Rush township Southern precinct	26	5
		43	
ı	Snow Shoe Twp. Western precinct		15
ı	Northern precinct	26	5
	Spring township Southern precinct	22	.7
ı	Spring township Southern precinct	37	17
	Toylor township Western precinct	39	13
	Taylor township	19	9
	Union township	29	7
	Union township Walker Twp. M. P	18	9
	Walker Twp. > M. P	13	7
) W. F	8	5
			7
	Worth township	18	

-Henry McCloskey, aged about 80 years, died at Potter's Mills last Friday and his remains were buried at Sprucetown on Monday.

-Mrs. Richard Gunsallus died at her home at Mackeyville on Wednesday morning. She was 70 years old and is survived by a husband and five children

-Frank Wallace, of Milesburg, the nember of Co. B, who was so seriously hurt by falling from the regimental train while coming home from camp at Lexington, was in this place yesterday for the first time since he was brought home. It was at first thought his injury would prove fatal.

K. G. E. OFFICERS ELECT.—The following officers have been elected to serve Bellefonte castle, No. 357, K. G. E. for the ensuing six months: Past chief, H. D. Gehret; noble chief, Jos. Garbrick Jr.; vice chief, B. D. Gates; high priest, William Ott; venerable hermit, Jas. Schofield; master of records, E. E. Ardery; clerk of exchequer, W. H. Taylor; keeper of exchequer, L. H. Wian; sir herald, W. Harrison Walker; worthy bard, A Lukenbach; worthy chamberlain, Wm. Fishburn; ensign, Geo. Hollobaugh; esquire, Roy Johnson; first guardsman, Ed. Gehret; second guardsman, A. V. Hamilton; trustee, John Noll; representative to the grand castle, James I. Mc-

A BEAUTIFUL SERVICE. -It is seldom that such a difficult undertaking is made by any of the Bellefonte church choirs as cantata "The Coming of the King" for the vive her, Her maiden name was Chatham. Christmas service. And a more pronounced success has never before been made of such a musical effort. From an artistic standpoint the cantata is a splendid work and displays, magnificently, the master-hand of the composer, Dudley Buck.

The choir at St. John's had been trained and though handicapped by the illness of the service was inspiring and delightful. Rev. Thomas LeVan Bickel, the pastor, sang the tenor numbers so effectively that none knew a change had been necessary. 'The Coming of the King" is the story of Christ's birth and discovery in the lowly manger told in chorus, solos and duetts set to music that is peculiarly sweet.

The service was repeated on New Year's night, when the church was crowded and the choir made a repetition of their Christmas day success.

THE COUNCIL IN SESSION .- All of the members but two, Messers Keller and Tripple, were present at Monday night's session of council. The business taken up was disposed of as follows:

Upon inquiry of Wm. Runkle Esq., it was learned that no action has been taken on the claim for damages presented by Miss Maggie Miles, daughter of former county treasurer John Q. Miles. About a year ago she fell on the ice on the pavement in brother, Emanuel, have returned home front of the home of Daniel Garman, on High street, breaking her arm. Her demand was simply for a sum sufficient to cover the physician's expenses.

The committee reports were of comparatively no interest except one matter presented by the Street committee. It was an offer made by A. G. Morris, owner of the Pike quarries, to fill the pike from the borough line to Frank McCoy's residence on east Linn street to a given grade. The committee recommended the acceptance of the offer and council acted favorably. The cow ordinance was presented as advertised, but was referred to the solicitor for investigation and report at the next meeting.

The question of borough lighting was again taken up and a very argumentative those in favor of a borough plant had been nia, using about the same light as Bellefonte, that pay from \$35 to \$75 a light. The average of the whole is \$64 per light per year, whereas the price paid in Bellefonte is \$105. This persuaded Mr. Shaffer that it would be the right thing to introduce a motion, offering the Edison company \$75 a light per year for 50 are lights, which he did. The motion was carried unanimously and it was announced as council's

ultimatum. Some of the councilmen who voted for this motion had in mind the doing away with all the small lamps and using nothing but arcs. At present there are 27 arcs and 53 incandescent lights in use at an annual cost of \$3,895. Under the new proposition there would be only 50 arcs in use at an annual cost of \$3,750. There are only fiftyseven street intersections in Bellefonte, where lights could be used at all, so it will be seen that the fifty arcs would come very near covering the town.

When seen relative to what that com-

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made as follows:		
Bal. due Treasurer Dec., '98 Boro orders paid Water "	\$590.85 530.75	\$1,366.5
Water " " Interest	225.00	1,346,6
Poold and the factor	1 501009 1	2,713,1
Rec'd acct.line fence (Curtin's)	3,00	
Ree'd acet. Water Com	9.73	12.7
Bal. due Treasurer Jan. 2, '99		\$2,700.3
Bilis were approved as	follows	and or
dered paid:		
Water Works Pay Roll		63.6
James Harris & Co., Hardware	supplies.	32.4
Jas. Harris & Co., supplies Wa	ter Works	67.1
Police pay roll		35.0
Street pay ron		44 1 12.5
Isaac Mitchell, 1 mo. as clerk		

J. E. Smith spent last week in our neigh

Harry Miller and wife spent Monday with her parents

K. A. Miller has returned home from his visiting tour to Lewisburg and other places. Warden and Thomas Ruhl, of Mill Hall, spent the last few weeks in and about town. An oyster supper was held in the hall by the United Evangelical church recently with

While returning from an entertainment at Rebersburg on Christmas night the axle on Herbert Swartz's buggy broke, emptying the occupants, consisting of two ladies besides himself, onto the walk. The gentleman and the horse were not injured but the ladies received several deep cuts in the faces and bruises which required medical attention. Some of the committees for the Farmer's Institute to be held at this place are holding

Centre Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Mader have the sympathy of the people of this community in the loss by death of their little daughter, aged about one year. Death claimed the little one on Monday last. Interment took place Thursday at Mifflinburg.

C. H. Meyer, wife and little daughter Meriam, have been the guests of D. J. Meyer and G. M. Boal. Mr. Meyer has been engaged in the livery business at Millerstown since last fall, and this is the family's first visit to the old folks at home.

Mrs. Cordelia Benner died on Monday morning and was buried Thursday in Lock Haven, her old home. An infant son a few was that of the choir in St. John's Redays old and several sisters, who came on to formed church to render the beautiful the funeral from Baltimore and Salona, sur-

A fire department was organized last week with J. C. Shaffer as chief and D. A. Boozer assistant. Some twenty-eight others have volunteered their services-fourteen at the north and fourteen at the south end of town. Each have a hose cart and hose, and in a short time the town will, no doubt, have an efficient department to battle with the flames by Mr. Charles M. Guthrie, organist at when their services are needed. Monday Franklin and Marshall college, Lancaster, night the south division experimented with the hose and the pressure the new plant fur-Mr. J. E. Lawrence, the leading tenor, nished. Two of the volunteers tightly gripped the nozzle end of the hose and the plug was opened half way, which was sufficient to upset the boys and caused the hose, with its one and one-quarter nozzle, to do the snake dance until the force was turned off. A later effort, however, proved successful, and the water was forced from an inch nozzle the distance of near two hundred feet. Properly managed the fire appliances at hand should prove effective should the town be so unfortunate as to have occasion to use them.

Later, a test was made of the force on the Diamond, and the exhibition of the pressure was far beyond expectations, and this without the use of the reservoir, the water merely flowing from the springs directly into the

Rebersburg.

Sleighing is excellent at present. The thermometer registered twenty degrees

Miss Belle Webner, of this place, left, Mon-

day morning, for Birmingham, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. James Markle, of Wall, Pa. who were here attending the funeral of their

J. H. McAuley and wife are off on a visiting tour. They are at present at Danville, Pa., taking in the sights, and expect to return home this week.

Ellis Gramley, son of James J. Gramley, is in from the West visiting his relatives and friends. The West seems to agree with him with the exception of the cyclones. He says they have blown nearly all the hair off his

The members of song service in the Reformed church elected their officers for the ensuing term, on Sunday evening as follows: Rev. J. M. Runkle, president; J. A. Miller, Rev. J. M. Runkle, president; J. A. Miller, vice president; Harry Clevenstine, secretary; Miss Sophia McEwen, treasurer; Miss Regina Hubler, organist; and Miss Ida Fisher, assistant organist. The subject for their next meeting is "The personal call of Christ." J. F. Best will lead the meeting, Mrs. J. W. Lee is speaker. Everybody should take an interest in these meetings. interest in these meetings.

The entertainment on Christmas evening again taken up and a very argumentative in the Reformed church was a grand success session was the result. It appeared that The church was filled to overflowing. The those in favor of a borough plant had been fortifying themselves for a controversy and produced a list of 28 towns in Pennsylvaa most excellent manner. An entertainment of this rank and character should surely be an incentive to parents to send their children to Sunday school, and have them take part in such entertainments. The program consisted of recitations, exercises, male qu artetts, solos, etc.

Pine Grove Mention.

On Monday morning the thermometer registered 30 degrees below zero. Miss Lizzie Rosecrans, of Loveville, is visit ing Tnez Krebs.

Misses Nancy and Mary Bailey are in Philadelphia for a month's visit.

Cyrus Woods, one of Greensburg's legal lights, is visiting his brother Dr. Woods. Wm. H. Sausserman, one of Altoona's tall men, visited his aged mother this week.

Newt. Hess and his little son Samuel spent the holiday season in Altoona sight seeing. Boalsburg has a new butcher as Peter Ishler has decided to take that little son into

partnership. Brakeman Frank Kaup is laid up with a broken arm and an incomplete fracture which is causing him much trouble.

Edward Rider, who was taken to Danville some time ago, is not improving and his friends will bring him home soon.

Mrs. Catharine Woods, mother of Dr. Woods is seriously ill from a partial stroke of paralysis which affected her entire left side. J. B. Ard has been confined to his room for several weeks with a sprained foot from which he has suffered greatly and at this writing it is not much improved.

Prof. Rothrock, of Millheim, and J. C. Williams were in town last Saturday interviewing our school directors as to the former's chance for the county superintendency next

The genial superintendent of public instruction of Clearfield county, G. W. Weaver, was here during the holidays. His friends are always glad to see his smiling