Democratic Watchman.

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings.

-It didn't even snow the next day.

-Better government had great victories in Harrisburg and Pittsburg on Tuesday.

-Pittsburg has at last opened the door to the reform knocker, but Philadelphia continues on in her sin.

-The cannibals of New Guinea who ate up three French scientists a short time ago will be dying of dyspepsia ere long.

-If Philadelphia could only appear always as white and pure as she did on Tuesday morning, when completely covered by that great mantle of snow, how proud all Pennsylvania would be of her.

-To-morrow Prince HENRY will land and it will be awful mean if some of the English in New York tell him that the celebration, that will certainly take place, is all on account of WASHINGTON's birthday anniversary.

-We are to pay five million dollars for the group of the Antilles known as the Danish West Indies. We paid twenty million for the Philippines and the good Lord only knows what we have for the the expenditure.

-There were eight million lobsters caught in Maine last year, so lobster statisticians say, but we think the story a little fishy because the entire population of the State is only about seven hundred thousand and not all of them are lobsters.

-It is strange that the TAFT Philippine Commission should order the declaration of independence not to be read in the Philippines. Is it a document that we should be ashamed of or does Governor TAFT fear that it might inculcate the Filipino with the idea that he should be free?

-If the two masked robbers who held up a gambling establishment in Clinton, Iowa, early Monday morning, and took \$2,000 from the inmates would only start a crusade of that kind of work, they wouldn't meet near the opposition that CARRIE

NATION had in her saloon smashing career -The old Vets of the 148th were in town Wednesday and Thursday and it would be doing them an injustice to say that their yarns, as they were gathered about the hotel lobbies in the evenings, did not make the average fish story dissipate away into a pale little "fib." They had a great time

-ROOSEVELT has sustained the court of inquiry's decision in the SCHLEY court and official sanction has gone to the limit now in robbing a real hero of his glory in order that a bombastic paper sport may be exalted. Let us drop it. History may teach future generations otherwise traditions will tell them who the real hero

-It is too bad that Governor TAFT, of the Philippine Commission, has to pay his servants "out of his own pocket." You know he gets only \$20,000 a year, his palace, half a dozen clerks, several carriages and lots of other things thrown in so that it seems pretty nervy (?) for Uncle SAM to ask a man who is so poorly (?) treated to pay for his own household servants. It is a wonder he doesn't throw up the job.

-All the Easton Sentinel needs to do is to live and it will soon learn what a poor measure it takes of the WATCHMAN when it states that since the verdict in the HAR-RIS-li bel suit this paper will be decidedly wail about having to pay the costs and doesn't propose to and it will go up for all about the corrupt influences that are ruling in Penusylvania.

-The election is over now and the wise one good to remember such things or to certain inalienable rights, that among were. Perhaps this will be a more difficult undertaking for the vanquished than for the vanquisher but it is good advice, nonethe-less, and every candidate will find it to the opposite. In the first place it is assumhis interest to take it.

-NELAN'S conception of "the Retreat from Pittsburg" as portrayed in yesterday's Philadelphia North American, is a remarkable piece of cartoon work. While a more ridiculous caricature could scarcely be imagined there is a lesson in the picture that bears an awful portend for Governor STONE and Friday ELKIN. It is too bad that FLINN is too dead to see the picture and read its lesson also. The WATCHMAN predicted last week, that the five thousand Democrats who were all that could be found in Pittsburg last fall would possibly find many companions on Tuesday.

-Bishop SATTERLEE had a perfect right to scold Washington society for rehearsing for a charity entertainment on Sunday afternoon. It was desecrating the Sabbath JOE WHEELER to be an exceedingly acutejust as much as if they had busied them- minded people and it is natural to suppose money that is procured by breaking one of the Filipinos. the commandments and we are sure that the poor can get along without it also.



STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

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Keep Out the Crooks. As the time approaches for the selection ized by the Republican machine and with party is not entirely free from blame. That making nominations in certain sure districts, the Republicans would not have organized the House and the work of the session would have been vastly different.

have excited the cupidity of a number of the of the State. This is not entirely surprising. In other words as been repeatedly asserted there were rumors current during 000 a vote for two of the important measrine bill, the game bill and a dozen other measures were what the roosters call "producers" so that it was easily possible for a shows an appreciation of his own value. thrifty member to make anywhere from crooks are developing an ambition to go to the Legislature?

But the Democrats ought to see that not a single man of that type gets into either branch with a Democratic badge on his person. That result can easily be accomplished if the party workers are vigiliant is deserving of a Democratic nomination unless he is known to be absolutely incorcy sends any other kind of men to the Leger of the last House, QUAY would not be anthracite regions. secure in his seat in the Senate and none of the vicious legislation which disgraced the session would have been enacted.

Reading the Declaration Forbidden.

During the discussion of the Philippine tariff bill in the Senate the other day the fact was developed that the Philippine Commission, which makes the laws under which the islands are governed, has recently enacted a statute or adopted an order dock fires in Jersey city, several smaller forbidding the reading of the Declaration of Independence at public meetings over there. No reason is assigned for that ex- erty in these fires was immense, but happily traordinary action by American citizens the loss in life meagre. Only three lives but plenty may easily be conjectured. The Declaration of Independence is not consistent with the American policy or American practices over there and its reading is meeker. The WATCHMAN hasn't set up a forbidden because it is justly estimated that an understanding of the immortal document might encourage the Filipinos it is worth before being scared into silence to imitate the example of the American patriots in 1776.

The two fundamental principles expressed in the Declaration of Independence is man will leave all personal feelings to close first that all men are created equal, that with the closing of the polls. It does no they are endowed by their Creator with brood over them and the happiest way out these are life, liberty and the pursuit of of it is to feel grateful to your friends and happiness; and second, that governments not try to find out who your enemies derive all their just powers from the consent of the governed. The policy of our government as expressed in the administration of affairs in the Philippines is directly ed that all men are not created equal but on the contrary the twelve or fifteen millions whom we are governing as subjects are an inferior race, incapable of self government and must therefore submit to an enforced government by an alieu race. In the second place it is assumed that governments do not derive their just powers from the consent of the governed but through the dictum of the governing power.

Of course while enforcing such ideas at the point of the bayonet in the Philippines, the public reading of the Declaration of Independence was forbidden by the Commission which is not only authorized to make the laws but to enforce them. The Filipinos are not a stupid people. Ou the contrary they are pronounced by such keen observers as Admiral DEWEY and General selves killing and picking chicken, freezing under such circumstances that the reading ice cream, nailing up booths or doing any of the Declaration of Independence would be other kind of work in preparation of a fair inimical to our pretences in the archipeligo. or festival for the benefit of the church, it- When the Declaration was read in this self, on Sunday. The fact that the enter- country in the camps of the struggling patainment proposed was for charity doesn't triots it inspired them to renewed efforts militate against the Sabbath breaking re- in behalf of liberty and there is no reason hearsal for it. The good Lord doesn't want | why it wouldn't have the same effect on | Pittsburg on Tuesday. A combination of

Expenses of the Philippines.

The Governor of the Philippines, Judge of candidates for the Legislature for the TAFT, of Ohio, has been giving the Senate main until Spring, it is said, without utensuing election Democrats should begin committee on Philippine affairs some inlooking about, not only in order that fit teresting accounts of the expenses of himmen may be chosen, but in order that unfit self and his colleagues. He draws from being the case the public is left in doubt men may not be able to insinuate them- the treasury a matter of \$20,000 a year in selves on to the ticket. It would hardly be the way of salary and has a private secrejust to ascribe to the Democrats any part tary and a host of clerks. His colleagues of the responsibility for the venality of the receive \$15,000 a year each, with a private last session. Both branches were organ- secretary and several clerks thrown in, but ELKIN is slated and that the nomination they are obliged to pay rent, poor fellows, the help of the organization could control though at what rate is not revealed. The legislation absolutely. Yet the Democratic Governor, himself, is exempt from that burden, happily, for he lives in the palace, is if the party had not been careless in but he pays \$3,000 a year in wages to his their opinions that another will be chosen. servants and to borrow his own language, "out of his own pocket."

The expense of illuminating the palace, which is the residence of Governor TAFT, ISAAC B. BROWN, Deputy Secretary of In-The stories of venality in the last session amounts to \$125 a month, which charge presumably comes out of the treasury, for boodlers of both parties in various sections he tells us it is paid in gold and he makes no mention of his own pocket in connection with it. as he does in relation to the wages of his servants. He has "several carriages" and after the session that \$10,000 were paid the maintenance of which likewise is at the for votes for speaker and as much as \$25,- cost of the public treasury, it may be assumed. All these items taken together ures considered, namely the Pittsburg and added to the salary of nearly two "ripper" and the franchise grab bill. It thousand dollars a month make a grand Meantime, however, no thought is given is equally well know that the oleomarga- aggregate of considerable magnitude, but imperialism always did come high and we are inclined to rejoice that Governor TAFT

Meantime, however, we will be pardoned \$40,000 to \$50,000 during the session. It for wondering what all these expensive is small wonder, therefore, that political luxuries yield in return for what they cost. When the territory was acquired at the expense of all the cherished traditions of the country, we were assured that our compensation would come from an increased volume of trade with the Orient. There has been an increase in our shipments it is true but only to the extent of the commodities and faithful to their obligations. No man sent for the maintenance and equipment profit in that sort of trade. The maintehas cost something like a hundred million

The Epidemic of Fires.

Between Saturday evening and Monday morning, there was something like an epidemic of fires in this country. The series, if that figure of speech may be allowed, began with a destructive fire in Brooklyn the great conflagration in Patterson, New Jersey, which began during that night, the blazes in New York and one or two in Philadelphia on Sunday. The loss of propwere lost while more than a dozen million dollars worth of property was reduced to ashes. But in St. Louis on Sunday night the destruction of the Empire hotel though

human beings into eternity. Misfortunes usually follow each other in appeared in the papers of Monday morning. It was an unusually cold season and the papers attribute the conflagrations to fires however much they may fan them after they are started and it may be assumed that the epidemic of fire disasters within the brief period mentioned was attributable in the main to overheated furnaces or other warming agencies. That is to say in the effort to heat buildings to a comfortable temperature during the blizzard weather, pipes have been heated to a degree which caused adjacent hangings or woodwork to ignite with the disastrous result of extraordinary fire losses.

The lesson of those misfortunes is that greater care should be taken in the use and management of heating aparatus in buildings. The destruction of property to the value of a dozen millions of dollars is more than a local loss and though the people of the community directly affected are the greatest sufferers, the entire country feels the loss more or less indirectly. The property owners are usually reimbursed in part at least through the insurance companies but the taking of that much from the general wealth of the country and reducing it within a few hours to a state of worthlessness is a public calamity. Money stringency is certain to follow if no greater evil results and to avert-such things householders should exercise the greatest care in the management of the heating appliances in

STONE and ELKIN will both speak in whispers when they talk of the result in the same sort that elected LARKIN could just as easily elect a Democratic Governor Subscribe for the WATCHMAN, again in Pennsylvania, o being hos , hib a

Quay Off to Florida.

Senator QUAY has gone to Florida to retering a sound as to his preference for the Republican nomination for Governor. That in the towns there were more votes out as to which of the aspirants will be chosen by the convention which is scheduled to meet in Harrisburg in June. DURHAM continues to declare that Attorney General will be conferred on hin by a practically unanimous vote. But the friends of Colo nel L. A. WATRES and those of other factions of the party are quite as positive in

There is a coterie of politicians about "Capital Hill" in Harrisburg who are pinning their faith and fortunes on Major ternal Affairs. The Major, though a friend of QUAY, is outside of the ring breastworks and he feels confident that at the supreme moment the Senator will come out for himself for the office of Secretary of Internal RES for Governor. In this expectation the Major has been making an industrious but inexpensive canvass of the State and reports that the outlook is most encouraging. He has assurances that are very satis-

to the public service. Senator QUAY has just announced that he will not resign but he is going away for a protracted sojourn in the South, leaving the State unrepresented in part in the Senate, as it has been practically for the past half dozen years. The public interests may suffer by this arrangement, it is true, but that makes no private snap and if it suits QUAY and his associate bosses to be away from their field of duty the public can go to grass.

Women and the Schools.

There is a good deal of excitement in of the troops we keep there and there is no Brooklyn, New York, at present over the election of a principal for the girls' High and that is exactly what they were here ruptible and if any Democratic constituen- nance of the army and the civil government school of that city. Singularly enough all feeling that is ever developed in Brooklyn islature, they deserve the most emphatic re- dollars a year and the entire volume of the is over the schools and churches and one or buke from the honest Democrats through- imports and exports to less than a tenth of the other of these agencies of civilization is out the State. Except for the turpitude of that amount. That kind of trade is too always making trouble there. The present the six regreants who assisted in the elec- expensive. It is like growing tropical disturbance is because a woman, well equiption of WILLIAM T. MARSHALL for speak- fruits at the North pole for market in the pen for the work, is a candidate for the position, and some of the old fogies in control of the schools are bitterly opposed to her election. The borough president, on the other hand, is an active partisan for the lady and as he served for two years as president of the school board his opinions have much weight.

The lady who has, figuratively speaking, kicked up this row in the school affairs of on Saturday night which was followed by the city is Mrs. LUCY T. LEWIS, vice principal of the school. During a protracted illness of the principal she served in his place with excellent results and entire satisfaction and after his death, which occurred some time ago, she continued the work as if nothing had happened. But when it came to a question of giving her a regular commission, including the added salary which belongs to the place, the mossbacks balked. She is a woman, they declared, and no woman has ever held such a position in Brooklyn. Probably that is true, and maybe there has never before been a good reason for the election of a woman, though undoubtedly entailing small property loss carried eleven there is now.

Speaking on this subject it may be said that it is within the memory of men still in the flesh there were no women school quick succession but rarely so many great fires are recorded in a single day's news as a good while after they were introduced in the papers of Monday morn. d the same compensation that was paid to their brothers in the service. The experience has not been detrimental to the high winds. But high winds don't start schools, however, and it may be added that on the contrary the standards of our educational institutions have been raised by the admission of women as teachers. A few of the intelligent and industrious women of the country in the school boards would be another desirable acquisition it may be suggested.

The Same Kind of Justice.

Apropos to the Clearfield verdict that says not "guilty but pay the costs," a friend at Osceola after writing his congratulations upon the acquittal as well as his objections to the part of the finding that imposes the costs upon the "acquittal"

'That jury cannot apply for letters patent on their action for we had a justice of the peace here, in the early days of our town, whose decision, on a particular case, can whose decision, on a particular case, car hold them level.

A contractor named Blair had a journey man named Sweigart in his employ. Sweigart wanted an order on a shoemaker, known as "Dutch Johnny," at Sandy Ridge, for a pair of boots, which Blair gave him. Nothing more was thought of the transaction until Blair and Sweigart came to a settlement. Blair had Sweigart charged with the five dollar order. Sweigart protested that "Johnny" didn't have the kind of boots he wanted; and had lost the order. Blair wouldn't pay the money until he knew the order hadn't been paid; and put the burden upon Sweigart to prove it. Sweigart sued Blair before Squire Rodgers, of Osceola, and

The Squire, after carefully hearing both sides, and giving it a little consideration, said: "Well, I can't see but the defendant's said: "Well, I can't see but the defendant's action was correct; but certainly the prosecutor should have his money. The fault lies with the shoemaker not having the kind of boots wanted; I therefore decide that the defendant pay the prosecutor what he owes him, and that Dutch Johnny pay the costs of the suit. The little Dutchman hastily produced the money; and left instantly for Sandy Ridge, thankful that he had not been sent to jail. The parties to the suit frequently rehearse and laugh over it yet, but no one knows what has become of the Squire." NO. 8.

The Spring Election. The spring election passed off quietly in all parts of the county and while there was but a fair poll in the country districts than was the case at the general election last fall. The bright, fair weather had

something to do with it, but sharp interest

in local contests brought out the friends of

the contestants in great numbers.

The real surprise of the day in Bellefonte was the election of Dr. M. A. Kirk to council in the West ward. No one seemed to know that any canvass had been made in his behalf and when the result was aunounced even the workers on both sides were astounded. Party lines were almost entirely wiped out and the voting was very liberal indeed, as is illustrated in the result in the South ward where Fortney.

Democrat, had 171 of a majority over Cole, and Montgomery, Republican, had 115 majority over Dawson, Democrat. At State College all but three candidates on the Citizens ticket were elected over Affairs and incidentally for Colonel WAT- both Democrats and Republicans, though the big fight was on council in which the Bob Foster village party broke even with

> them entirely had the other candidate hustled. The contest was spirited, though friendly in all quarters and it is to be hoped that male opponent. any little squabbles of the day were considered closed when the polls closed. The results in the various precints in the county

the campus faction and could have beaten

are as follows THE RESULT IN BELLEFONTE BOROUGH.

Bellefonte N. W.—Judge of Election, Samuel B. Miller 210, R. G. Larimer 119; inspectors, Roger T. Bayard 226, John N. Lane 130; councilman, Wm. H. Derstine 250, S. Kline Woodring 110; school directors, Hardman P. Harris 257, Jas. L. Seibert 107; con stable, Robert V. Miller 215, Jos. Rightnour 150.

Bellefonte S. W.—Judge of Election, Thomas Donachv 139, Harry Walkey 171; inspectors, Henry Brown 155, Charles H. Hazel 151; councilman, E. S. Dorworth 118, George Mallory 132, 503,501 directors, J. Robt. Cole 70, D. F. Fortney 241; constable, H. H. Montgomery 214, William Daw-

Taten 79, Dominic Judge of 7; inspectors, A. V Smith 83, Jonathan Miller 63; councilman, C. 7 Gerberich 59, Dr. M. A. Kirk 90; school director Darius Waite 82, A. Lukenbach 65; constable Wm. Garris 77, Geo. Taylor 70 Centre Hall Boro .- John Spicher 22, W McClen

Centre Hall Boro.—John Spieher 22, W McClenahan 65; inspectors, B Fetterhoff 23, W Boozer 63; councilman, W Odenkirk 21, G M Boal 27, John Puff 64, C Luse 70, C Slack 65; school directors, A P Krape 21, W Boal 21, J Dauberman 68, W Strohmeyer 65, D Brisbin 130, J Smith 6; overseer of poor, J Sanders 22, Frank Arney 64; constable, J Meyers 17, W Runkle 70; auditor, J Reeseman 19, T Moore 63; high constable, L Sunday 69.

College Boro.—Judge of Election, Jas. M. Williams 140, A. Corrigan 33; inspector, James Stevens 83, A. J. Weibly 92; councilman, J. P. Pillsbury 94, T. F. Kennedy 79; C. L. Croyle 3, M. S. McDowell 2; T S Bailey 94, H D Meek 90; school directors, Joseph Hoy 106, George C. Butz 75; W. H. Homan 141, Joseph Ming: 16; 34; overseer of pocr, John J. Houser 80 Hezikiah Ewing 27; David Fulton 56. S. Garner 110, O F Shaw 71; constable, I. C. Holmes 97, John Corrigan, Sr., 28; W I Gilliland 55; auditor, T. A. Snyder 74, S. B. Moore 42; Geo. B Jackson 61; high contable, A. H. Evev 76, E. W Carson 92.

Howard Boro—Judge of Election, W. R. Hopkins 76, William Deihl 54; inspectors, Henry Smith 85, W. T. Loder 40; councilman, Frank Butler 86, G. W. Tipton 80, Jackson Kline 81, H. A. Moore 46, D. R. Wilson 43, W. B. Henderson 40; school directors, H. C. Holter 63, John H. Wagner 65; overseer of poor, W. P. Lucas 75, Peter Robb 57; constable, D. T. Allison 59, Lee Roy Leathers 69; auditor, W. V. Schenck 80, John H. Deihl 44; high constable, C. A. Walizer 82, William Wagner 45; treasurer, John Schenck 69, William Weber 34.

Weber 34.

Milesburg Boro.—Judge & Election, J Knarr 57.

E L Noll 30; inspectors, C Smith 47, E Groves 36.

councilmen, W Crain 84, J Green 45, J Baird 48,
J Noll 36, C Else 37; sehool directors, Z Harshberger 52, C Zimmerman 45, W Thomas 38, Ed.
Johnson 35; overseer of poor, W B Campbell 50.

Homer Carr 35; constable, J McKinley 51, Walter Smith 41; auditor, L Eddy 48, Geo. Stroop 35;
justice of Peace, J M Green 50, A G Rager 39.

Millheim Boro—Judge of Election, L J Noll 27, H Miller 92; inspectors, M Hartman 19, F Colyer 101; councilman, F F Wetzel 19, Stephen Moyer 28, Henry Miller 22, G Stover 102, A A Frank 101, Henry Breon 101; school directors, F E Gutelieus 28, J Spigelmeyer 36, Daniel Ulrich 25, A P Maize 103, J H B Hartman 94, S M Campbell 87; overseer of poor, A King 18, S Maize 110; constable, H M Hoy 4, P P Leitzel 95, Geo E Mench 12, Geo Zerby 15; auditor, Francis S Ulrich 31, B F Kister 91; high constable, Jesse Kreamer 19, G W Harter 102;

stable, Jesse Kreamer 19, G W Harter 102;

Philipsburg 1st W.—Judge of Election, D. Kirk
Tate 106, J. M. Malloy 54; inspector, H. K. Hoffer
105, Harvey B. Lingle 55; councilman, S. M. Miller 108, J. H. Munson 55; school directors, E. F.
Townsend 85, C. E. Murray 93, F. K. Lukenbach
85, W. B. Henderson 57; overseer of poor, D. F.
Copelin 111, C. W. Hoffer 49; constable, H. H.
Gunther 159; anditor, I. V. Gray 113, Juo. Botright 47; church trustees, Mrs. Elizabeth Simler
150, Mrs. J. G. Platt 149, Mrs. John C. Hicklin 151. 150, Mrs. J. G. Platt 149, Mrs. John C. Hicklin 151.

Philipsburg 2nd W.—Judge of Election, Owen
Hancock 113, Thos. Deaken 138; inspector, Harry
Ashcroft 133, H. M. Paul 116; councilman, David
Atherton 124, Dr. Chas. McGirk 137; school directors, E. F. Townsend 133, C. E. Murray 125, F. K.
Lukenbach 156, Dr. W. B. Henderson 95; overseer of poor, D. F. Copelin 147, C. U. Hoffer 102;
constable, C. H. Hutchinson 90, Ira B. Howe 159;
auditor, I. V. Gray 130, John Botright 113; church
trustees, Mrs. E. Simler 222, Mrs. John G. Platt
222, Mrs. John C. Hicklin 222. Philipsburg 3rd W .- Judge of Election, L.

Philipsburg 3rd W.—Judge of Election, L. C. Dom 145, J. L. Daugherty 49: inspector, S. F. Mitchell 145, Wm. Carey 59: councilman, J. W. Steene 124, H. W. Todd 76; school directors, E. F. Townsend 151, C. E. Murray 143, F. K. Lukebach 64, Dr. W. B. Henderson 34; overseer poor, D. F. Copelin 138, C. U. Hoffer 60; constable Harry Simler 140: auditor, I. V. Gray 136, Joh Botright 51: church trustees—Mrs. E. Simler 18 Mrs. J. G. Platt 179, Mrs. John C. Hicklin 178.

South Philipsburg Boro.—Judge of Election, Wm. Farrell, 42, Frank Batchelor, 9: inspectors, John Cunningham, 30, Chas. Frank, 15: councilman, Wm. Cunningham 37, John Hofman 35. D Moore 27, Peter Stout 17, Grant Showers 12, Joe. Gates 26, John Albert 20, Morris Frank 15; school directors. L. Ryver 20, 4. Bathgate 27, James Hellar 49, John Albert 16, Newt. Cameron 20: Overseer of poor, David Dutcher 45: constable, H. Stine 34, Frank Ward 16: auditor, Chas. Wilcox 44: justice of peace, Thomas Cameron 49.

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Spawls from the Keystone.

-The Chambersburg Methodist church gave \$1152.41 to missions during 1901.

-Cutting his throat with a razor. Henry Delabergne, of Corry, killed himself almo instantly.

-A syndicate has bought the Tumbling Run pleasure resort, near Pottsville, and will improve it.

-Edward Gouldner has been named by Congressman Patterson as the next postmaster at Tamanend.

-A one per cent. dividend has been declared in favor of creditors of the defunct Keystone National bank of Erie.

-Twenty families from Altoona, and vicinity, will leave in three weeks for Colorado, where they will engage in the raising of

-Hayes Williamson, of Jersey Shore, while skating on the river Thursday, fell and struck a sharp projection on the ice. The ends of two fingers of his right hand

-While standing on a chair to reach a blackboard at Renovo, the other day, the 5 year old son of James Qunglom fell and caught his cheek upon a hook that tore his right evelid loose

-At Osceola Sunday John Hughes, while intoxicated, attacked his brother Henry with a butcher knife and inflicted a serious wound on his throat. The would be murderer was taken to jail at Clearfield.

-John Fenner, an employe of a basket factory at Coudersport, was so seriously scalded by steam escaping from a pipe, that when his clothing was removed the skin and flesh from the knee to the foot came off.

-George Bosley, aged 55 years, a colored evangelist, was found lying beside the highway at Frackville Tuesday in an unconscious condition. He was removed to the Pottsville hospital and died shortly after his admittance.

-In the contest for the school directorship in the Fifth ward, Allegheny, Miss Kate Cassatt McKnight was elected by a majority of 33 votes in the face of the work of the Quay north side machine in favor of her

-After a deliberation of nearly twentynine hours the jury in the case of W. H. Pratt, who was tried at West Chester for killing his wife, rendered a verdict of "guilty of murder in the first degree." An effort will be made to secure a new trial.

-Judge Biddle, of Carlisle, recently sentenced Levi Smith and James Nicholson, white and Daniel Washington and Henry Jones, colored, convicted of stealing chickens near Shippensburg, each to pay \$100 fine, costs and to serve 2 years in the penitentiary.

-John Dawson, aged 50 years, was burned to death in a fire that destroyed the home of John Kirtland, at Academy Corners, near Wellsboro, Tuesday morning. Dawson, who was visiting the family, was asleep up stairs when the fire broke out and before he could be awakened his escape was cut off.

-3000 children participated in the celebration of the 44th anniversary of the Bethany Sunday school in Philadelphia Thursday evening. Hon. John Wanamaker, who has a class in this school, cabled from India-12000 miles-where he is touring, his greetug and best wishes

-Peach growers in Juniata say the peach buds last spring were small, shriveled buds owing to drouth the summer before, but the peach bud now is a full bud owing to the great amount of moisture last summer, and consequently they are looking for a peach crop this year, that will be fine and rosy and

-Monday afternoon the body of a fully developed male infant was found along the tracks of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg railroad at a point between Mt. Jewett' and Binghams. The child was dead when found but apparently had been born alive but a few hours before. The authorities are investigating.

-During the explosion of dynamite at Ralston Saturday, an Italian, who was in the employ of Sims & Co., contractors, was blown twelve feet into the air. The men ran, after the explosion, expecting to find the man blown to pieces, but found him alive, with one arm broken and one leg burned. He has a wife and four children.

-A Susquehanna county farmer had a dog, and he paid the tax assessed on that dog. The dog killed eight fine sheep for his owner, and was caught at the business redhanded, or rather red-mouthed. The owner promptly shot him full of holes, and then put in a bill at the county commissioner's office for the sheep. They paid the bill to avoid the costs of a law suit.

-John Edinger, who is employed in a factory in Williamsport, had his clothing caught by a rapidly revolving shaft on Saturday, and was whirled around until he received fatal injuries. The frontal bone of his head was fractured, as was his skull at the base, his left arm was broken below the elbow and at the wrist, and he was painfully bruised about the body. He died at the hospital, where he was taken immediately after his mishap.

-Charles Crownover, an aged resident of Manor Hill, Huntington county, was found dead at his home in that place by his nephew Friday afternoon. It is supposed that he died the day before. The coroner's jury decided that he came to his death by falling and striking his head against a stone, as a wound was discovered in the back of his head. The body was frozen stiff, and it was difficult to make an examination to tell whether he had a stroke of paralysis or heart failure. Deceased was the son of the late Hezekiah and Elizabeth Crownover.

-Messrs. Kerr & Patton, of Clearfield, have been awarded contracts for a large portion of the work of constructing the branch of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg railroad through Indiana county. The remaining contracts, it is stated, will be awarded in March. The construction of this road will open up the coal lands recently purchased by the Rochester & Pittsburg coal and iron company. The total acreage is between 30,-000 and 35,000 and represents an investment of nearly \$2,000,000. The route finally decided upon runs in almost a straight line from north to south.