What Our State Lawmakers Are Doing

at the Capital City. HARRISBURG, April 5.—Compulsory edu- Condensed Accounts of Importeation has taken a step forward by being finally passed by the house. The bill, which was introduced by Mr. Farr, of Lackawanna, chairman of the committee on education, requires that all children botween the ages of eight and twelve years shall attend school for at least sixteen weeks in each year unless satisfactory exruses can be offered by parents or guardians. Failure to observe the law subjects violators to a fine of \$2 for the first offense and \$5 for subsequent offenses.



The law is regarded as one that will bear with especial harshness upon very poor people who cannot afford to either send their children to school or pay fines. On the other hand well-to-do people can very easily afford to pay what to them are small

fines.

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Mr. Farr introduced the same bill last year and devoted his entire time to work-ing it through, only to have his work de-stroyed by the veto of the governor. Many believe that the present bill will meet the

The meeting of the temperauce union here this week brought the members of the legislature to a realization of the fact that there is every probability that the house will pass the local option bill drafted by ex-Chief Justice Agnew of the supreme court. Recently on a test vote 89 ballots were east in its favor and many who were not present at the time favor its passage.

Should the senate be of the same frame of mind as the house and pass the bill there is every probability that Governor Pattison will gladly attach his approval to the measure and the voters of the various counties will once again have an opportunity of de-ciding by ballot whether or not their lo-calistes shall have liquer in their midst. Nearly twenty years ago the legislature,

after a two years' trial, repealed the local option law enacted during the session following the adoption of the present con-stitution. Although local option has many friends in the house, there are compara-tively few who favor the bill prohibiting the sale or gift of liquor on Decoration day and there is every probability that it will be permitted to expire on the postponed

The members of the house are chafing under the abuse being dished out by the Philadelphia newspapers favoring the pas-sage of Senator Peuroge's bill abolishing the public building commission and many of them assert that unless these attacks cease they will vote against the bill.

Everybody who has not declared in favor of the measure is jumped on most vigor-ously and such men as "Uncle John" Cessna, of Bedford, and Representative Niles, of Tioga, resent such abuse.

HARRISBURG, April 5. - Senator Mitchell, chairman of the committee on mines and mining, will probably fix next Tuesday for a further hearing on the compromise bi-tuminous mine bill, which has been amended contrary to the agreement of the conference of operators and miners a few weeks go. It is understood that the bill will be reported to the senate in its original shape

JUMPED TO ESCAPE CREMATION.

Two Women Make a Bold Leap From Burning Building.

Indianapolis, April 5 .- A frame building occupied as a dwelling by Louis Fredericks, was burned yesterday. Fredericks had barely time to escape and his aged mother and sister were left in the building.

Fredericks rushed back to rescue them, but was so severely burned that he had to retreat and order the women to jump into his arms from the second story. His mother made the leap but crushed Fredericks to the ground. She is in a critical condition and may die. The sister jumped also, but is less seriously injured. Fredericks was burned about his body and face very se-

Business Enterprises Chartered. HARRISHURG, April 4.—There were chartered yesterday: National Chemical Company of Kushoqua, McKean county, to make acids, alcohol, and other products from wood; capital, \$80,000. Pittsburg Steel Hollow-ware Company; capital, \$50,-000. Cedar Ledge Creamery Company, Bradford county; capital, \$5,000. Watson-town Table and Furniture Company; capital, \$20,000. Burk & McFetridge Com-pany, printing and publishing, Philadel-phia; capital \$150,000. National Loan and Trust Company, Philadelphia; capital, \$1,-

Consul-General Morss Recovering. WASHINGTON, April 1 .- S. E. Morss, editor of the Indianapolis Sentinel, who has been appointed consul-general at Paris, writes from Asheville, N. C., that he is recovering from a recent attack of erysipelas and that he expects to go to his post of duty within a moth or six weeks.

Were Fined \$100 Each.

MONTREAL, Que., March 81.—Sheppard and Hamilton, on trial for fraud in connection with their employment agency, abruptly changed their pleas to guilty, asked for clemency and were fined \$100 aplece. They have operated extensively in New England.

Cleveland's Fatal Blaze. CLEVELAND, O., March 31. - An explosion in the storehouse of the Forrest City var-nish works shortly after noon yesterday, caused a fire in which Charles Boubleman

was burned to death. The storehouse was completely destroyed. Loss, about \$20,-000. Says the Report is Unfounded. Augusta, Ga., April 1.—Ex-Congress-man Thomas E. Watson wires the Chron-icle that the reported wishdrawal of his contest for the seat of Congressman Black is unfounded.

Fire at Cumberland, Md. OUMBRELAND, April 5.—Fire last night destroyed property in the business portion of the city, valued at \$250,000.

NEWS FROM ALL AROUND

ant Happenings.

SOLID FACTS BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The News Gathered from all Parts of the World and Put in Shape for the Convenience of the Busy Reader.

Mrs. Maria Walden Morris, wife of William H. Morris, died at her home in Orange,

Miss Mary Keiter, for thirty-seven years a public school teacher in Reading, died of The date for the reciprocity convention, to be held in St. Paul, has been fixed for

June 5. A passenger train on the Lehigh Valley road struck and killed John Roske of

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell Saturday appointed 107 fourth-

class postmasters. Cholera has broken out among the na-

tives at Wong Lee, China. An average of ten deaths are reported daily. Mrs. Nellie Grant-Sartoris, with her children, will return to the United States

and reside in New York city. Albert Hamlin, a brakeman on the Alton railroad, was cut in two by a train at Joliet, Ifi., while coupling cars.

Edward Sterrett, a laboring man of Auburn, Neb., shot his wife and then himself. Both will die. Jealousy was the cause,

The will of the late Colonel D. V. Ahl, of Newville, bequeathes \$1,000 to the Big Spring Presbyterian church at Newville. United States Treasurer Nebeker took charge of the New York sub-treasury this morning, relieving Sub-Treasurer Roberts. St. Barnaba's P. E. church was burned

in Baltimore. The fire started near the furnace in the basement. Loss, \$60,000. The wage trouble between the Ohio and Mississippi railroad and its telegraph opera-tors has been finally settled by a compro-

Governor Pattison issued a death war rant for Pietro Buccieri, an Italian murderer, who will be hanged at Reading on

June 1. An average of fifteen deaths a day for the past week have been reported in St. Peters-burg as a result of the cholera scourge in

John Price, a notorious character, was sentenced at Baltimore to seven years' im-prisonment for attempting the life of Car-

Owing to an accumulation of business Consul General P. A. Collins has postponed his departure for London from April 6 to A pril 22.

A Washington dispatch says that Mgr. Satolli has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to appear on the street again.

A lumber shanty in the woods near Calumet, Mich., was burned and its occupants, two men and a woman, were cre-Frank P. Slavin and Jim Hall bave been

matched in London to fight inside of two months for a stake of \$2,500 a side and the largest purse offered. William C. Elam, chief of the division of railroads, and Henry G. Potter, chief of the division of mineral claims, general land of-

fice, have resigned. Mike Chambers, in jail at Sacramento Cal., has confessed that he is the man who murdered Fred Fetterman some months

ago at Huntsville, Tenn. The Paris Temps states that Italy, fol-lowing the example of England and France, will raise her legation at Washington to

the dignity of an embassy. Senator Gorman, chairman of the senate committee on printing, has appointed F. and strength. Three I

s clerk of that committee. Peter Maher, the Irish champion pugilist, will travel with "Denver" Ed. Smith. He will be the Denver man's sparring part-

ner at a salary of \$100 per week. Joseph Dumas, a French lad, 14 years old, was run over at Putnam, Conn., by six box cars. Being small and keeping his presence of mind he managed to avoid the

wheels, but the last car broke his leg. Several arrests have taken place in Chicago as a result of the fist fight in the Presbyterian church there Monday afternoon. An effort is being made in the Windy City to bush the matter up and put

an end to the outrageous proceedings. Harpin & Batsford, the Philadelphia em bezzler, who, in company with A. A. Cad-wallader, the defaulting Wisconsin bank cashier, was brought back to this country has been given a hearing at Philadelphia and held for trial in the criminal court.

John A. Haney, who was some time ago released from Moyamensing jail, where he had been confined on the charge of murder-ing Ella Winters, died of consumption at the home of his brother in Philadelphia. Haney contracted the disease while in

Joseph Chambers, a former brakeman on Joseph Chambers, a former bracehan of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, who had lost two limbs, was killed by a freight train near Hinton, W. Va.. A note was found in his possession which read: "Rather than be a burden to you I will end my life."

A dispatch from Madison, Wis., says tha Senator Vilas has not yet been appraised of the death of his daughter, Miss Nellie Vilas, owing to the fact that his location in Florida cannot be ascertained by his friends. Over fifty telegrams have been sent and all have

failed to reach him. The fire in the Lattimer mine at Wilkes Barre has not yet been extinguished and fears are entertained that it will work its way over to the Milnersville colliery. force of men are still at work trying to subdue the flames, but are making little

beadway in the attempt. The contemplated strike of carpenters at the World's Fair grounds in Chicago has been averted by the demands of the men being granted. The carpenters are to receive an increase in pay and the contractors are to dismiss from their employ all of the non-union men employed in the construc-

tion of buildings on the grounds. Since Latimer's escape from the Jackson Mich., penitentiary, an investigation into instituted, in the progress of which gross irregularities on the part of the warden and guards has been unearthed. Many of the convicts have been allowed to go outside of the walls unguarded, whenever they side of the walls unguarded, whenever they saw fit to ask for the privilege, and one man, Dr. Mason, who is serving a five-year sentence, has been allowed to spend three nights a week under his own roof for many months past. The prison management is being thoroughly overhauled and a new warden will at once take the place of Captain Davis, who now holds that responsible position.

The Chameleon.

A FLORIDA VISITOR WHO THOUGHT IT WAS TIME TO SWEAR OFF.

From The Chicago Tribune. A tipsy traveling man took an im pressive vow never again to taste liquor vesterday. He was in earnest, too. He had good reason to be, for he thought he had 'em. This is how it happened: L. B. Dyke, a Colorado mine owner, on his way from St. Augustine, Fla., went into the bar room of the Great Northern.

Among other curious things picked up in the city of the Southeastern peninsula he had a fine chameleon, a little fellow with a body about an inch and a half long and a tapering tail two inches long. This he wore as a scarf pin, having it tethered to his tie by a fine gold chain. At the bar stood a traveling man, who was telling his companions, in a maudlin tone, of a wonderful concoction of mixed drinks he had discovered. Happening to glance at Mr. Dyke, he caught sight of the chameleon. The glance was a casual one, but soon became fixed in intensity. The chameleon seemed to fascinate him. He was able to look away from it but for an instant at a time, and then his gaze was diverted toward the untouched glass of liquor in front of him. Finally he seemed unable to stand the suspense longer and approached Mr. Dyke.

"Pardon me," he said in a husky voice, "but that's a queer scarf-pin you wear."

"You are mistaken sir; I wear no scarf-pin."

"What?" "I wear no pin in my scarf." As if to emphasize his denial he brushed his hand lightly over the pin. The chameleon ran rapidly to the end of the chain and rested on his coat collar.

"Great Heavens, man, it moved! 'It's on your coat collar now." "Oh, I guess you're mistaken. See, there is nothing there," and again the hand touched the animated pin. This

time the chameleon ran down out of sight beneath Mr. Dyke's vest. "No, there is nothing there," said the traveling man, slowly. He stood there fully a minute, apparently oblivious to all surroundings A fearful possibility seemed to present itself to him. Finally he raised his right hand. "I swear I will never touch a drop of

liquor again as long as I live. I've often heard of them but never thought I'd see 'em," and, leaving the liquor untouched he slowly walked to the elevator and had a bell boy show him to his room. "Chameleons are common in Flori-

da," said Mr. Dyke. "Ladies as well as gentlemen wear them for ornaments."

Specimen Cases.

S. C. Clifford, New Cassel Wis. vas troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Elec-

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill. had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Ka-tawba, O., had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by C. A. Kleim's Drug Store.

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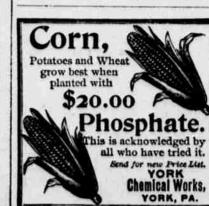
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PRESIDENT MeLEOD HAS RESIGNED.

ife Will Step Down and Out of the Reading! on May 1, Next.

PHILADELPHIA, April 5 .- Mr. A A. Me-Leading Railroad and Coal and Iron Comanies has tendered his resignation to take, fact May 1. He will also resign the receivership. The following is his letter to the board of managers:

the board of managers:

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.

To the Board of managers of the Philadelphia and Rending Railroad Company:

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby resign my position as president of your company to take effect on the 1st of May next. On that lay it is my intention to "resign my position as receiver of your company. My leason for thus resigning is my belief that preded financial assistance will not be accorded to the company as long as I shall continue to occupy the positions of president and resiever.

Yours truly,

A. A. McLeon.

A similar letter was also sent to the board of managers of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company.

THE NEW JERSEY FOREST FIRES.

4 Has Done Considerable Damage, But is Now Under Control.

MILLVILLE, N. J., April 3 .- The big forst fire south of this city, which started laturday, burned flercely all Saturday light, but was reported to be under control ast evening. A special train with a large jang of section hands left this city for the cene of the fire Saturday night and by sack firing kept the flames from crossing he railroad tracks, but did not succeed in sutting the fire out. The fire in the vicinty of Carmel, which started Thursday and vas supposed to have been extinguished, started up again yesterday and the high wind has aided in spreading it.

Joseph Jefferson's Villa Burned,

Buzzard's Bay, Mass., April 3.—Joseph Jefferson's beautiful villa, Crow's Nest, was lestroyed by fire Saturday afternoon, the lames originating from an explosion of gas n the cellar. So rapidly did the flames spread that it was with much difficulty that Mrs. Jefferson and the family made their escape. They had gone to the cottage some days ago to paper it for the spring ppening. The loss was \$125,000. Yester-

Four Thousand Houses Burned. MANILI, Philipine Islands, April 3 .- A destructive fire has been raging here in the suburbs of the town. Four thousand houses were swept away in the flames, and it is feared that some lives were lost. Many persons are known to have been injured while fighting the fire or endeavoring to save their belongings.

Valuable Property Goes up in Smoke.

New York, April 3.—The seven-story brick building, 709 and 711 Second avenue, was destroyed by fire yesterday. James B. Duke places the total loss at \$400,000. The loss is wholly covered by insurance, Be-tween 500 and 600 girls were employed in the building.

New York, April 5.—Albert A. Ced-wallader, the ex-president of the West Su-perior, Wis., National bank, who abscond-si with \$40,000 and was brought back

A Bank Cashier Goes Wrong. BATH, Me., April 5.-William R. Shaw, the old and respected cashier of the Lincoln National bank, is a defaulter. A shortage of about \$12,000 appears in the cash account, and it is supposed that there is upward of \$40,000 more, temporarily covered up by changing supposed the cash is

A Coal Exhibit for the Fair. POTTSVILLE, April 5.—The Philadelphia and Reading Coul and Iron Company has

Four Trainmen Billed. RED OAK, I. T., April 5.—Last evening engine No. 2, of the Choctaw Coal and Railway Company expleded as it was leaving the boundaries of this town, causing

STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKET.

Philadelphia Stock Market. PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—The stock market was dull and barely steady at the opening this morning. Subsequently prices declined under he joint influence of a bear attack and foreign killing orders.

Closing prices:

Philadelphia Produce Market.

Philadelphia. April 4.—Cotton sold in a mail way on a basis of 9 5-16c per pound for fiddling Uplands.

Feed was quiet and weak at \$18.00a\$18.75 ser ton for Winter Bran.

Flour—Demand was of a hand-to-mouth haracter. A few hundred barrels sold, including tilinesota clears and straights at \$2.76a4.16 fennsylvania roller straight at \$2.76a4.16 fennsylvania toller straight at \$2.76a4.16 fennsylvania toller straight at \$2.76a4.16 fennsylvania for the formal for the fennsylvania.

Grain—On call Wheat had 734c bid for april; 75c May: 734c June; 705c, July.

Onts—304gc, bid for April; 354c, May: 334gc, lune; 334gc, bid for April; 354gc, May: 334gc, lune; 354gc, July.

New York Stock Market.

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New York Produce Market. New York Produce Market.

New York, April 4. Wheat - Market tready, with 64,000 bush, for export, 165,000 bush, for export, 165,000 bush, for milling. No. 2 red, 7615c, elevator; 1545a755c, store; 7755c, editvered from store; No. 2 hard winter, 755a75c delivered; No. 1 Nor, spring, 83c, delivered; ungraded, 70a78c, Levator; do. 42a525c; delivered, No. 3,4555c delivered, No. 3,4555c devator; ungraded, 45a515c, steamer, 495a 1945c.

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day the scene of the fire was visited by thousands of curious people.

The Cadwallader Examination.

from Brazil by Detective Charles E. Henry, was arranged before Commissioner Shields in the Federal building. He waived examination, and was turned over to Detective A. L. Drummond, of the secret service, who left for West Superior with him last avening.

ered up by changing sums to the credit of depositors. It is supposed that speculation

and Reading Coal and Iron Company has stipped from here to the Columbian World's Fair at Chicago exhibition samples of an-thracite coal mined by them in that region. There was 163 boxes of coal in the ship ment, consisting of the following slees: Lump, steamboat, broken, egg, stove, nut, buckwheat, rice and culm.

the death of four trainmen.

Philadelphia Produce Market.