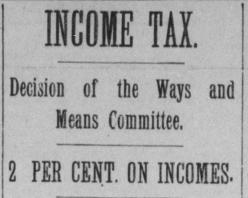
THE NEWS.

The bodies of the ten sailors recovered from the wrecked steamship Jason were buried at Wellfleet, Mass. ---- Charley Slusher of Louisville, Charles Vokes, of Covington, fought with five-ounce gloves for a purse of \$500 and the lightweight championship of Kentucky. The fight took place three miles from Louisville. Slusher won in the thirtieth round. ----.James S. Irwin, one of the oldest and best-known lawyers in Illinois, died in Pittsfield, aged seventy-four. He was a personal friend of and associate with Lincoln and Douglass, ---- Receivers were appointed in Albuquerque, N. M., for the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad, --- A banquet was given in Quebec to Hon. Wilfred Laurier the Liberal leader. --- Dr. W. H. Waters, who interfered in a duel between Charles Clay and Aaron Shannon, in Texas, was killed. -----Thomas and KateKinney, an aged couple living in Orange, near West Haven, Ct, were burned to death in their home, ---- J. R. Milsan, dealer in boots and shoes in Paris, the Democratic members of the ways and Texas, assigned his stock to James T. Hoover for the protection of home creditors to the amount of \$11,426 .--- Hon. Marius Schoonmaker, of Kingston, N. Y., died at the age of eighty-three years.

L burglar, who says he is Simon Wisman, of Philadelphia, was captured while escaping from the house of Philip Cohen, in Boston, where his presence had been discovered. He says he is thirty-seven years old, and he has the sallow appearance of a person who has been in confinement for a long time,-Fire destroyed the Opera House block in Sedalia, Mo. Seven business houses were burned .---- The jail of Mineral county, W. Va., at Keyser, was broken by five prisoners, all of whom made good their escape. One of them was Wm. Rhine, a crazy man, who tried to wreck a West Virginia Central Railway train a few days ago and afterwards tried to swallow a red-hot poker. Four of the five, including Rhine were recaptured. ---- Governor Peck, of Wisconsin, denounced the American Protective Association as a revival of the Know-nothing movement .----Judgments amounting to \$15,000 having been entered against J. M. Harris, a readymade clothing dealer of Coudersport, Pa., the store was closed by the sheriff. Levi Harris, a brother of the proprietor, holds the largest claim. ---- Two miners, named Peter Leavitz and John Zinks, both Polanders, were killed in the Twin Shaft at Pittstown. Pa., by a fall of coal and rock. They were engaged at the time in propping an unsale roof in one of the lower lifts in the shaft.

The National Bank of Augusta, Ga., and the Planters' Loan and Savings Bank will be conducted under one management, an arrangement having been made between H. B. Plant, of New York and J. B. White, of Augusta, large stockbolders in the respective institutions .---- Daniel Webster was killed, and his wife and three children poisoned, in Geneva county, Ala., by eating cheese from a zinc vessel ----- The Pan-American Railway was sold by the sheriff of Victory county, Tex., for #11,000 .---- Mayor Wanser, of Jersey City, has ordered the street and water commissioners removed from office for malfeasance .---- Miss Huldah Arnold, a Quakeress, died at Milford, Mass., aged 102 ----

Daniel Moore, a loom boss at Wilson's an mill, at Trenton, committed suicide



Ten Cents More a Gallon on Whisky, Including That in Hand, and Two Cents a Pack on Playing Cards. The Vote was Six to Five.

A two per cent. tax on incomes above \$4.100, an additional tax of 10 cents a gallon on whisky and a tax of two cents a pack on playing cards was the decision reached by means committee.

This conclusion was not unexpected, inasmuch as the committee have been known for some time to be evenly divided on the proposition to tax incomes, with Mr. Turner, of Georgia, occupying the only position of doubt.

The committee met at the Treasury Department at 4 o'clock and determined to settle the question of an income tax before adjournment. It was represented by such of the gentlemen as favored the proposition that a general income tax would yield the government an annual revenue of \$30,000.-000; that making the exemptions \$4, 00 would limit it to a class amply able to afford it, and that in view of the large deficit that will be caused by the reduction in customs duties there was no alternative but to adopt it. Some of the gentlemen who opposed the tax argued at length that the political effect would be fatal to the Democratic party, and that it would be better to limit the tax to corporations only and raise the additional revenue necessary from other sources.

Mr. Cockran, of New York, insisted that an income tax ought to be laid upon all incomes whether large or small, and that any other course was unwise and undemocratic. in that it did not fall on all alike.

THE VOTE 6 TO 5.

When Chairman Wilson put the proposition to a vote, 6 of the 11 Representatives present voted aye. These were Messrs. Mc-Millin, Bynum, Tarsney, Whiting, Bryan and Turner, and it was carried. Thetax applies to the net earnings of corporations as well as to private incomes. It does not, however, apply to inheritences, although that suggestion was one of the earliest advanced when the matter first came up for

consideration in the committee a month ago.

The additional tax of 10 cents a gallon on whiskey includes whiskey now in bond. With a view to making the tax fall as lightly as possible upon the owners of this whiskey it was decided to extend the bonded period to eight years. It is now three years. It was decided that the allowance for "ou age" shall be limited to six years. The term "outage" is technically used to express the ployment. liquor that is lost by evaporation and from other causes after its manufacture. FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.



morning resulted in four fatalities. The fire was quickly extinguished by the department and four bodies were discovered buddled together in the corner of the bedroom. They were the remains of Mr. John Cummings and wife, one child three years old, and Mrs. Margaret Fox, mother of Mrs. Cummings. Coroner Maul was summoned and took charge of the remains.

The story of the fire, as related by Tommie Fox, grardehild of Margaret Fox, is a pecular one. Mr. John Cummings had been ill in the bedroom adjoining the sitting room in which the family were seated at the time. The child was with the father. Tommie Fox said the mother, who was reading a book, rose from beside the stove and went in the room. Mr. Cummings overturned the lamp, which was standing on the center table, and the house immediately took fire. Mr. Cummings closed the bedroom door and according to the story of the boy, held it tightly shut. The four human beings were penned up and could not escape. They were burned to a crisp.

Mr. Nathan, a next-door neighbor, heard a woman cry : "My child, my child is burning !" and, looking out of the window of his house, he saw the mother trying to raise the window and make her escape with the child in her arms.

It was, however, impossible for her to get out, and she soon disappeared from the sight of Mr. Nathan, who rushed to give the alarm to neighbors, and if possible, to rescue the ill-fated prisoners. No help was able to reach the unfortunates, however, until the flames had been subdued by the firemen, and then a borrible and piteous spectacle met their gaze. Four skeletons, with nearly all of the flesh burned from the bones, were lying together in the corner. According to the story of the boy be endeavored to open the door and release those in the burning room, but in vain. When the fire burst into the room in which he was, he was driven into the street.

Cummings was a heavy drinker, and had been suffering from excessive drinking for some time. It is supposed that he had an attack of delirium tremens, and was in an insane state when he committed the awful deed. The damage done to the house was slight, the fire scarcely getting beyond the room where the trazedy occurred. The bed and other furniture were consumed.

WORK AND WORKERS.

The Crane Iron Company's furnace at Macungie, Pennsy.vania, which has been banked since the Lehigh Valley strike began. was put in blast again.

The Warren Foundry, at Phillipsburg, New Jersey, announces a 10 per cent reduction in wages, which the three hundred employes will probably accept.

The riverside Steel Works, at Benwood, Ohio, have closed down for an indefinite period. Six hundred people are out of em-

Regular meetings of the various orders the Railroad Federation were held in Easton Pa., but nothing was said or done about another strike in the "Lehigh Valley Railroad. The Iron Car Company, a new organization which supplants the Iron Car Equipment Company, announces that the works in Huntingdon, Penna., will resume at an early date. The Cleveland Rolling Mill Company has shut down its wire mills in Cieveland, Obio. The big sheet mill has been closed indefinitely. Eight hundred men are affected. J. S. Barnett, proprietor of a tannery in Little Falls, New Yo.k, has notified his 400 employes that their wages will be reduced 10 per cent., owing to the duilness of trade. A dispatch from Bellaire, Obio, says that the 1600 coal miners in that vicinity have decided to strike this week against the proposed cut in their wages from 70 to 6) cents per too, the latter being the price pail the West Virginia miners. The flieman employed on the Toledo, St. Louis and Kansas City Railroad claim that the Receiver of the company has made wholesale octs in wages, disregarding a yearly contract, and they propose to submit the matter to Judge Hicks, of the United States Cour., at Toledo. The United States Court at St. Louis, received a petition from the employes of the "Clover Leaf," asking that it "allow them to receive living wages." They claim that "the Receiver has reduced wages systematically until at present it is impossible for some to provide for their families."



A Magnificent Show in Golden Gate Pork, Overlooking the Pacific Ocean--Criental Architecture and Western Products.

The California Exposition has been informally opened in Golden Gate Park. The magic city sprung into existence in the space of but five months. The stars and stripes floates from the flagpole of every building on the ground, and bunting and banners are to be seen in all directions.

It was only in the latter part of last May. when the end of the Chicago Fair was in view, that some Californians in Chicago conceived the idea of having a fair in San Francisco. Shortly afterward it was decided to go ahead in the matier and Golden Gate Park was selected as the location for the fair. conceded by all to be one of the prettiest spots on the face of the globe. On the 24th of August, in the presence of fully 80,000 people, the enterprise was inaugurated by turning the first shovelful of earth, immediately after which the work of grading commenced, followed in a few weeks by the inauguration of work on the five main struc-

THE BUILDINGS.

tures.

These are the Administration, Manufacturers and Liberal Arts, Agricultural and Horticultural, Fine Arts and Mechanic Arts Buildings, all of which are grouped around a parallelogram in centre of which is an electric tower over 250 feet in height, several artictically oramental fountains, statuary and a wealth of palms, flowers and shrubs, This is known as the grand court. Many buildings surrounding the court and scattered in every direction over 160 acres, are special buildings crected by the different States, counties and concessions, (erected at the cost of the States, counties or individuals.) for their exclusive exhibits.

The Manufacturers and Liberal Arts Build. ing is the largest in the grounds. Its dimensions are 462x237 leet, covering 101,784 square feet of ground. This building is Moorish in design, with all the picturesque effects which that style of architecture readily lends itself.

The Mechanical Arts Building, second largest, is a scructure 450 feet long by 200 wide. It is nearly pure Indian in design and highly artistic in its rich oriental style. The grand entrance, in the centre of the building, is rectangular in form and is covered with rich decoration.

By far the most striking architectural feature of the exposition is the Horticultural grip. and Agricultural Building. It is in the Hox. MARTIN BELL, of Hollidaysburg, was sign, so much in favor on this coast. The Courts.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Epitome of News Gleaned from Various. Parts of the State

THE Republican State Convention, in session at Harrisburg, nominated Hon. Galusha A. Grow, of Susquebanna county, for Congressman-at-Large to succeed the late General William Lilly.

JUDGE CLAYTON, at Media, appointed a commissioner to determine the sanity of Professor Swithin C. Shortlidge.

County Commissioner Allen was arrested at Pottsville on the charge of perjury. W. W. Murphy was arrested in South Bethlehem on the charge' of robbing the

house of R. J. Thompson, of Melrose. A Coroner's jury at Scranton, finds that John Page was killed at Mayfield, by Michael

Lick. The latter has disappeared. Representatives of several potteries met at Pittsburg and decided to present to the

National Potters' Convention, which meets in Washington, a proposition for the adoption throughout the country of the English wage scale.

Two cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis have been discovered in the family of Martin Madara, of South Shamokin The victims are the two sons and they are in a precarious condition. These are the only cases of spotted fever known to exist in Shamokin during the past twenty-five years. CUMBERLAND County Agricultural Society met in Carlisle and organized by electing Charles H. Mullin, president ; W. H. McCrea, secretary : John Stock, treasurer ; superintendent, W. H. Miller. The directors are Charles H. Mullin, J. H. Bosler, W. E. Miller, I. Brenneman, W. H. Stonesifer, Niles M. Fissel, G. W. Rinesmith, E. J. McCune, W. Coffey, Joseph Woodburn and Theodore Cornman, Esq. The date of holding the fair was fixed for September 25, 26, 27 and

A BOLD robbery occurred about two miles west of Selin's Grove at a cross roads postoffice named Kaniz. I. B. Romig has a country store at this point. The robbers forced an entrance to the store and got away with perhaps \$400 worth of gold watches and miscellaneous pieces of jewelry. A reward of \$100 dollars is offered for their capture.

Ar Media attorneys for Professor S. C. Shortlidge petitioned Judge Clayton for the appointment of a lunacy commission, but the Court deferred action.

NEABLY all of the iron and steel plants in an l around Pittsburg resumed operations, in most cases at reduced wages.

THE proposition to issue \$5, 00,000 worth of bonds for improvements is agitating Pittsburg citizens.

MASKED men assaulted John Clark at West Pittston and robbed him of \$26 and a wold watch.

INTOXICATED Polanders had a free fight on Whisky Hill, near Wilkes-Barre, in which one man was fatally and a dozen seriously injured.

HENRY BALLMAN hanged himself at Williamsport while temporarily insane from the

Spanish mission style and is a low roof de. installed President Judge of the Blair County

CABLE SPARKS,

CHCLEBA, which it was thought had been effectually stamped out at Liege has again appeared.

THE Matabeles have been completely subjugated. King Lobengula has fled and bis warriors scattered.

It is thought that there will soon be a deelsive struggle at Rio Janeiro, as the government land batteries are being greatly strengthened.

THEEATS to destroy var.ous public buildings in Paris are continually being made by anarchis's, and the alertness of officials is annoying to the public.

GEORGE WILLIAM EUSTIS, brother of the American ambassador to France, has arrived in Paris. It is his intention to lease a residence there for three years.

A pamphlet arging France to form an alliance with Spain and Morocco to command the Mediterranean sea has attracted considerable attention in Paris.

THE police at Beziers, France, have learned that the alleged bomb explosion that occurred in the church there during the service of midnight mass was the work of a practical joker who set off a squib.

The Lon .on Times, in an article on Norway and Sweden, says that if the approaching election in Norway should be carried by the radicals the King may be forced to use arms to compel Norway to remain in the union.

RIOTING has been renewed in Sicily against the Octroi tax and in a conflict with troops four persons were killed. Frontier garrisons having been dep eted to strengtoen the army in Sicily, additional troops have been called out and H is expected that this action will increase the friction.

WHOLE FAMILY POISONED.

A Man and a Servant Girl Found Dead-His Wife Unconscious.

The home of George W. Reed, Independence, Kan., manager of the Long-Bell Lumber Company, was broken into by Al Brown, Mr. Reed's son-in-law, and neighbors who had become suspicious that all was not right in the house, no one having been seen stirring since Saturday evening. The discovery made was horrifying. The body of Mr. Reed was found sitting in a chair before a hot stove fed by natural gas. It was clothed only in a night shirt.

The dead body of Edith Scott, a domestic, was found lying on the floor of her room. Mrs. Reed and her five-year-old son were found in bed, the mother unconscious, and the boy in a dying condition. Mrs. Reed may possibly recover.

Asphyxiation, accidental poisoning and foul play are the theories current, but the two gas stoves were burning at fall force and the fact that no bruises or marks were found on either of the dead, rendered all theories almost incredible. This leaves accidental poisoning as the only cause to accept.

Mr. Reed and Miss Scott had plainly been dead thirty-six hours. The contents of the stomachs will be examined. Mrs. Reed has not yet sufficiently recovered to throw any light on the affair.

by throwing himself between two huge cog wheels in the power-room. He has been sick with the grip, and was crazed with suffering. He leaves a widow and two smail children .---- John M. Cronkhite, proprietor of the famous trout pavilion at Kaatskill Bay, Lake George, is dead, aged seventy-one years. He was one of the best-known hotel men in Northern New York.

Four men were killed and a number injured in a collision between two freight trains, near Lawrence, Kansas .---- The Easton Trust Company, of Easton, Pa., as trustee for the holders of \$50,000 in bonds of National Switch and Signal Company, of South Easton, foreclosed the mortgage, owing to the Switch Company having defaulted on the payment of the \$1,500 interest due October 1st, 1893. The company was started three years ago .---- The Park Hotel in Shamokin, Pa., was totally destroyed by fire. The inmates were obliged to make hasty exit from the burning building, but no one was injured. Loss \$10,000 .---- At Cleveland, Ohio, men and women proceeded to the City Hall, and when told there was no work or provisions for them, denounced the city government and threatened trouble,-The Montgomery Iron Company, of Port Kennedy, Pa, made an assignment. Liabilities, \$330,000.----William D. Lovitt, a shipowner, and reputed to be the wealthiest man in Nova Scotia, died of pneumonia.

DISASTERS AND CASUALTIES

Barbara F. Daubner, of Elizabeth, N. J., fell over a stove at her home and was fatally injured.

Richard Kittenreiper, an electric light lineman of St. Louis, was killed by the fall of a pole.

Three large buildings in San Francisco, composing what is known as "Printers' Row," were burned, the loss reaching about \$2.0.000.

Wm. RINDIG was found burned to death in a bon-fire, near Middletown, Pa. It is supposed that he fell in the fire when drunk and was unable to help himself.

A portion of a bridge over the Westfield river, at Chester, Mass., was carried away by ice, blocking the traffic of the Boston and Albaby Railroad.

PART of the west wall of the dining-room building at the Wernersville Asylum, Wernersville, Pa., collapsed owing to the high winds. It will delay the work of putting on the root

As a train of loaded coal cars was passing over the private bridge of B.rmingham & Keating, over the Des Moines river, at Boone, Iowa, one of the spans gave way and the cars were piled in the river below. Wm. Palmer, a brakeman, was caught in the wreck and killed.

A despatch from Ithaca, New York, says that the body of Miss Yearing, who was drowned in Cayuga Lake several weeks ago, was washed ashors near McKinney's Station on the Auburn branch of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Mrs. Yearing went rowing with Instructor Merriman, of Cornell College, some six weeks ago, and failed to return. They were undoubtedly drowned together by the capsizing of their boat

Senate.

15TH DAY .- The session of the Senate only asted 1 hour and 20 minutes, and half of ibat time was given to the consideration of executive business. Nothing of any public interest took place in the open session, ex-cept the offering of a resolution on the Hawaiian question by Mr. Frye, a member of the committee on foreign relations, which is now investigating that subject

16TH DAY .- The public session of the Senate occupied only an hour and an addi-tional ten minutes in executive session closed up the labors of the day. There were only two matters of public interest in the edings. One was a resolution offered by Mr. Hoar, calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury for a statement of the sums paid out of the Treasury to Mr. Blount as issioner to Hawaii, and as to hs authority for making such payment. The other was a motion made by Mr. Gray to take up for consideration the House bill to repeal the federal election laws. Mr. Hoar's reso-lution went over without debate.

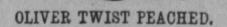
17TH DAY .--- The United States Senate was not in session to-day.

House.

15TH DAY. - The only business accomplished by the House was to swear in Mr. Adams, a suffeessor to the late Representative O'Neill, of Pennsylvania, and to act on the resigna-tion of Representative Fellows and Fitch, of New York. Contrary to expectation the tariff bill was not called up although Mr. Wilson sat patiently waiting his opportunity the whole time being spent in filioustering on the Hawailan matter.

16TH DAY .-- In the House, Mr. Boutelle adopted the same factics as on Wednesday, and started the Hawaiian ball rolling by trying to obtain the floor for his resolution censuring the President. The question of consideration being raised by Mr. McMillin, of Tennessee, the House settled down to a series of unproductive roll-calls until 1:40 o'clock, when as the Republicans declined to vote and the Democrats were unable to place on record a quorum of their own, the fight was given up for the day and the House adjourned.

17TH DAY .- The house gave another demonstration of its inability to transact public business against the will of an active and hostile minority. After a session of four hours spent in an attempt to reach a vote on a report of the Committee on Rules, it was realized that, in the absence of some forty or fifty Democratic members, and with the Republicans to a man declining to vote, it was impossible to make any progress, and that there was nothing left but to adjourn.



A Boy Used by a Gang of Barglars Betrays Them to the Police.

A telegram from Weston, W. Va., says a bad gang of burglars and housebreakers, who have been operating in Lewis and Braxton counties for several weeks, have been rounded up through the confession of a thirteen-year-old boy John Sims, who was employed by the gang to enter houses for them, after the fashion of Oliver Twist. Wednesday night the gang wanted Sims to enter Harrison and Warren's hardware store. The boy refused, when they made him drunk, and put him through a window, making him open a door. For this treatment the boy dividged their names to the authorities, and they were arrested.

A Denver despatcu says that the Arkansas Vailey smelter in Leadville will be started up next week and that city will then be able to give all its idle men employment. "Recent developments indicate the discovery of gold in the veins that will allow the mine owners to produce at a profit in spite of the low prices of silver.

END OF THE BIG STAMP3.

Their Issue Ended With the Death of the Old Year.

Postmaster-General Bissell has given his last order for the printing of the Columbian postage stamps, known in the department as the "big Columbians." This order was for 165,000,000, and it completes the 2,000,-000,0.0 contracted for by Mr. Wanamaker. The following circular has been sent to

postmasters in this connection : "Attention is invited to the following facts relative to Columbian stamps and envelopes :

"First-They will be good for postage without limit of time. "Second .- None will be furnished to

postmasters after December 39, 1893.

"Third-These stamps have been purposely sent to postmasters without requisitions from them, and all requisitions have been filled with these stamps exclusively between November 18 and December 30, 893,

"Fourth-The stamps so supplied must be kept for sale, as permission will not be given to return them or the Columbian envelopes for credit on the pretext that there is no sale for the particular issue. It is only by depleting their stock by sale that other stamps will be furnished."

All postmasters are treated alike as to this series of stamped paper.

great dome is 100 feet in diameter by 100 feet in height, and around this dome on the outside is a roof-garden. The extreme dimensions of the main building and annex are 400 feet in length by 19) feet in width. This structure contains greatest display of the products of the soil of California ever put together, and that is synonymous with saying that it is such a display of agricultural and horticultural material as the United States has never seen placed on exhibition.

The Fine Arts Building is intended for a permanent structure, constructed of brick and iron. It is simple in plan, being a rectangle, 12) feet long by 60 feet wide. The | tated. brick walls on the side are 49 feet high and to the apex of the pyramid it is 81 feet. It is an example of Egyptian architecture and the sculpture and columns are in harmony with it. The interior is arranged in two stories and representing the "stepped" construction of the pyramids.

The Administration Building, which contains the offices of the exposition management, the department of publicity and promotion, the foreign department, assemblyrooms for foreign commissioners, president's headquarters, the postoffice and information bureau, is the smallest of the five principal buildings, but the form of the structure is such that it is one of the most imposing. The design is oriental in outline, and in the detail of its ornamentation is undoubtedly Siamese. It consists of a centre square structure covered by a lofty and highly ornamental dome, with four pavilions, one on each angle of the square. This building, like its namesake at the Columbian Exposition, which faced the Grand basin, is directly in the rear of the allegorical fountain. In this the sculpture has tried to tell the whole history of the State, and much can be read from its design.

The concessional features of the Midwinter Exposition are both numerous and interesting. There is a modest counterpart of the great Ferris Wheel of the World's Fair in the Firth Wheel, which is 12) feet in height. There are Chinese, Japanese, Hawaiian, Esquimaux, Indian and German villages, an ostrich farm, a Colorado gold mine, a scenie railway, a Santa Barbara aquarium containing a dozen sea lions, a reproduction of old Cairo, a Turkish theatre, a moorish mirror maze, a reproduction of the celebrated Prater of Vienna, a Tomale house, a reproduction of Anna Hathaway's cottage, and last but by no means least, a '49 mining camp. This camp occupies a space 450 feet long and 250 feet wide. In the centre of the camp is a street 450 feet long, lined on each side with old-time shantles, which do service as newspaper offices, saloons, hotels, theatres and gambling-houses, as in the days of yore representing a typical mining town.

One of the most active aids to President Pelxoto's cause is Minister Mengonca, of Brasil. He makes frequent trips to New York, and his unsleeping vigilance and secrecy of movement have spoiled many a welilaid plan to send aid to the rebels.

JEAN INGELOW appears to be a very hospitable woman. She gives a dinner-party three times a week. Her guests are 12 poor people just discharged from the London hospi-

A Lehigh passenger train and a Pennsylvania freight collided near Brick Mountain Station and several passengers were slightly injured.

GENERAL ROBERT G. COX, for twenty-one years Prothonotary of Tioga County, was succeeded in that office by ex-Sheriff Francis M. Sheffer.

Ar the firemen's convention, Samuel M. Wagoner was re-elected chiefengineer of the fire department of Mechanic-burg. BENJAMIN ERE, JR., of Hampden Township, had his left hand so seriously injured by a fodder cutter that it had to be ampu-

WITH a population of 16.00 the death rate of Pottstown for the year 1893 was as follows : Males, 64; females, 69; children under 15 vears of age, 86; tota', 189.

FIRE'S AWFUL WORK.

Two People Burned to Death and F ve Fatally Injured.

four hours old when Buffalo, N. Y., was visited by one of the most fatal fires in her history. The scene of the bolocaust was Mrs. Annie Hackett's lodging house, 12 Swan street, a four-story brick building of the tumble-down order. The first floor was used for a saloon and restaurant, the second and third floors were used for +leeping rooms. The beds were in little compartments and like box stalls in a stable.

heard the large panes of glass in the saloon crack and a moment later a cloul of thick black smoke and a tongue of flame darted out of the place. Almost at the same time the front and side windows of the lodging house seemed to be alive with panic-stricken people. They rushed from one window to the other and called pitcously to the crowd

There were no ladders anywhere, no fire escapes on the building, no way to save the frenzied occupants. Two people were

SHOOTING WAS GENERAL.

Three Men Killed in Separate Affrays in an Alabama County.

News comes from Taliapcosa county, Ala., of three serious shooting affrays. At Denver, Jim Street and John Perryman, highly connected young men, were the principals in an impromptu duel, the result of a quarrel. Street was fatally wounded. Perryman is under arrest.

At Reedtown, a party of young men, who were drinking and baving a good time, got into a general fight. Pistol bullets flew thick and last. J. F. Golding was killed and another man wounded. It is not known who fired the fatal shot.

At Dadeville, the county-seat of Tallapoosa, county, Deputy Sheriff J. A. Carlisle, shot and killed John Hogan, who was under arrest and resisted. Hogan had cut another man, and en route to jail drew his knife on Carlisle and cut him severely, when the officer shot him dead.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

SENATOR MOREILL. OI Vermont, is 83 years of age-one year younger than Gladstone. He is the real "Father of Congress,"

MFS. LEVI P. MORTON spends a small fortune on shoes, shippers and other forms of footwear. She has them fitted thil not a wrinkle can be seen.

PETER THE GREAT is generally conceded to have made the best u-e or his autocracy for the benefit of his people whom he raied of all the kings of secular history.

REV. S. M. MCGREGOR, of Aberdeen, Scot land, one of the best shown clergymen of the Scotch Free Church, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Dwight L. Moody's church in Chicago.

To a young man asking for his opinion. Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes recently enumerated as the best three books "the Bible, Shakespeare's plays, and a good dictionary. say Worcester or Webster."

A Boston newspaper man speaks of the Hon. Josiah Quincy as the best listener he ever knew, and says that he is not always giving interviews nor speechifying on all occasions, as some men do, but he "saws wood. and his woodpile is a big one."

NAT SHOCK, who, on account of his wild extravagance during the Eurning Springs oil excitement years ago became widely known as "Coal Oil Jimmy," is now in charge of the Pullman dining-car "Continental," now running between Parkersburg and Cinconnati.

THE friends of Joseph L. Dion, who was once the champion bildard player of America, are raising a charity fund to maintain him in a private asylum. It is calle 1 "The Joseph Dion Charity Benefit Fund" and the collection is being made in Loxes in all the billiardrooms in New York.

ANOTHER representative of a foreign religion, Aurnshoung Ras Telang, a highcaste Brahmin, who has tarried in America since the Parliament of Religion in Chicago, is studying the manners and customs of the American people. He is at present in San Francisco, and is said to be gathering material for a book.

LONG-DISTANCE telephone service is becoming common in this country, and a growing demand for it causes a gradual extension. The longest continuous line now operated is from Boston to Milwaukee, a distance, as the line is run, of 1,300 milles. Five minutes is the unit of time upon which prices are based. Between New York and Washington the service cests \$2 for each five minutes? use, and between New York and Chi cago it is \$9 for the same service. It is claimed that conversation may be as distinctly heard at 1,000 miles as at one mile, and that in these long-distance communications the disagreeable buzzing so often heard in local service is not experienced.

PEIXOTO is a fighter, anyhow. One must admire his pluck, even if one condems his judgment.

The New Year was little more than twenty-

Shortly before 3 o'clock people passing

to help them to escape from the blazing building.

burned and about twenty others badly in-

iured, at least five of whom are likely to die.