

THE NEWS.

Dr. J. Edwin Sprinkle was rearrested in Hanover, Pa., for furnishing liquor to persons of intemperate habits. Miss Eunice Johnson was burned to death in a fire at her home in Charleston, W. Va. James H. Barton was indicted in Richmond for fraudulent dealings. The boys in Smyrna, Del., set fire to the Spanish flag. Rev. M. C. Elliott, of Parkersburg, W. Va., was suspended for ten days for using church money for purposes other than those for which it was intended. A receiver has been appointed for the De Moines Loan and Trust Company on petition of a shareholder. It is alleged that the capital stock has decreased from \$230,000 to \$30,000, due to mismanagement. The sale in James Schmidt's grocery store at Peoria, Ill., was blown up by burglars, and it is said that the robbers secured booty to the amount of \$10,000. Schmidt is also agent of the Pacific Express Company. Archibald C. Pascoe, aged forty-eight years, a prominent citizen of South Easton, Pa., and a well-known Republican politician, while standing on the tracks of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, was struck by a passenger engine and instantly killed. Earnest Goetz was arrested in Philadelphia and held for extradition papers from the German government, being charged with robbing the German banking-house of S. Bleichroeder of \$26,000. There was another exciting scene in the joint Assembly of the Kentucky legislature, but the ballot was without result. Dr. Arthur Duestrow was sentenced at Union, Mo., to be hanged April 22. The torpedo boat Ericson was libeled at New London, Conn., by Darrow & Comstock, ship chandlery. The factory of Burgland & Shead, makers of sails and woodenware, at West Pullman, Ill., was closed by the sheriff. Assets, \$90,000; liabilities, \$40,000. Nearly 800 cases of tobacco were burned at Lancaster, Pa. At Vicksburg, Miss., the Clarkdale Oil Mill was burned, with a large quantity of seed. Loss, \$100,000. Partial insurance. The steamer Alameda, arrived at Honolulu, brought over news of the safety of the missing steamer Rio de Janeiro, which put in at Honolulu for coal. The Pope Manufacturing Company's building in Boston, was burned; loss, \$350,000. One thousand seven hundred new bicycles were burned. The Youth's Companion Building and the Hoffman House were badly damaged by water. At Trenton, N. J., Judge Van Sickle, in the Supreme Court, granted a writ of habeas corpus in the case of Editor Betner, of Elizabeth, who is in jail in default of \$13,000 bail on twenty-six charges for libelling Mayor Rankin, of Elizabeth. Elias Lindsay, colored, was arrested near Mannington, W. Va. He is charged with criminally assaulting a girl. B. H. McDonald, Jr., president of the defunct Pacific Bank, of San Francisco, was acquitted of falsifying the records of the concern. McDonald was arrested two years ago after the failure of the bank. The schooner L. S. Wynn, of Boston, sunk off Wellfleet, Mass. Her crew of four escaped. A freight elevator in the saddlery and carriage house of W. C. Bruce & Sons, at Memphis, fell sixty feet by the cables breaking. Four men on it were injured, one fatally. They are: Frank Beale, both legs broken, may die, Andy Bowen, ankle broken; Gus Chism, hip broken; Sam Bell, internal injuries. At Fairmont, W. Va., Joseph T. Inghell was convicted of bigamy and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. The fall of snow in parts of Virginia and West Virginia was heavy. Ensign F. L. Chadwick, of the cruiser Raleigh, was slugged and robbed in Portsmouth, Va. He was badly hurt. Two freight trains, collided on the Northern Central Railroad about thirty miles from Williamsport, Pa. Brakeman H. H. Van Nest, of Elmira, N. Y., was killed, and fireman R. C. Cummings, seriously injured. The engineer on one of the trains is alleged to have disobeyed orders. Minnie Swanger, aged twelve, at Hollidaysburg, Pa., pleaded guilty of giving "Bough on Bats" to members of the McGreggor family. The Grove Lined Oil Works at Greenwich Point, Philadelphia, were partly destroyed by fire. Loss, \$30,000. Two respectable women were strangled to death in their rooms in San Francisco, and it is believed that the mysterious man who murdered women of the same class in the same way in Denver has begun his fiendish work in San Francisco. Nearly one-half of the large plant of the E. T. Atkins Company, saw manufacturers, in Indianapolis, was burned. The fire started in the paint shop. The loss will be between \$75,000 and \$100,000, with insurance of \$56,750 on the portion burned. Ex-Senator John Q. Abbott, of Ohio, on trial for accepting a bribe while senator, two years ago, in connection with a pharmacy bill before the Senate, was found guilty by the jury in Columbus. A motion was made for a new trial. A thief snatched a tray of diamonds worth \$5,000 from Gotteseben's jewelry store in Denver, and got away with the jewels. George Evans, the negro convict who killed Deputy Sergeant Cook, in Danville, Va., killed himself to avoid being overtaken. Fidel Fitzher shot his wife and himself in Allentown, Pa. Bertha Paradis, a woman of the town, was found strangled in her room in San Francisco. Fire destroyed the Milhalovitch, Fletcher & Co., distillery in Cincinnati. The steamer Commodore cleared from Charleston, S. C., with arms, evidently for the Cubans.

CLOSE OF A NOTED HOTEL.

The "Exchange" in Richmond Has Made an Assignment.

The once-famous Exchange Hotel, in Richmond, for half a century the rendezvous of most prominent statesmen in Virginia and other Southern States, made an assignment and will be closed.

During the late war the hotel was the stopping place of the leading Confederates and cabinet officers. Here, too, when he visited the country in 1859, the Prince of Wales stopped. The goblet from which he drank his first mint julep is still retained there.

Every governor nominated by the Democrats in Virginia for the past quarter of a century has had his headquarters in this house.

The property was owned in part by the estate of the famous Confederate cavalry chieftain, Gen. Jeb Stuart.

BLOODY WORK.

Many Crimes Committed by Spanish Guerillas.

WERE WILLFUL MURDERS.

Thirteen Persons Assassinated at Once in the Town of Guanama. Several of the Victims Were Peaceful Traders.

Fidel Pierra, in charge of the Cuban bureau in New York gave out the following statement:

"From a letter dated Santiago de Cuba, February 28, the following paragraphs are copied:

"Although Gen. Weyler says that nobody will be punished in any way unless he is convicted of some crime, assassination proceeds on a large scale. In order that you may judge to what extent it is carried on, I will give you a few instances.

"On the morning of the 14th instant, in the ward of Maravilla, in the town of Guanama, the following persons were found murdered:

Celestion Perran, colored, planter, fifty years old; Luciano Faure, colored, planter, forty years old; Policarpio Baro, colored, planter, thirty-five years old; Manuel Monos, colored, planter, twenty years old; Miguel Perez, colored, laborer, fifty-eight years old; Felix Casado, white, planter, forty years old; Rufino Luque, white, planter, thirty-eight years old; Blas Jimenez, white, planter, forty years old; Jose Gomez, white, planter, twenty-nine years old; Ramon Maleta, colored, laborer, forty-five years old; Tomas Specht, colored, laborer, twenty years old; Rafael Barbonelli, colored, laborer, fifty years old.

"The first of the individuals named had left the city on the previous day for Guanama with his stepdaughter. He was the owner of a small coffee estate. Another of the murdered men had arrived with six horses, loaded with 1,200 pounds of coffee. He was accompanied by a lady and a child of one year. The coffee was sold by the men of the guerillas of Goyer Romero, and the proceeds distributed among them.

PEACEABLE PEOPLE MURDERED.

"In Hongoleso, district of Cobre, in a coffee plantation, a Spanish guerilla cut to pieces a lawyer from Seville, also several others whose names have not been ascertained. They were all peaceable people engaged in their agricultural occupation.

"In the Maniel, a Spaniard, an old man, a farmer, named Cortez, and another by the name of Viente, fifty years old, whose only crime was to have a relative with the Cubans, were manacled, five others, whose names have not yet been ascertained, and they were all shot at different places in the district of Cobre.

"In the district of Songo the Lieutenant of the Guerilla Tegoda, and the negro Carvajal robbed and murdered Victoriana Dominguez, forty years of age, a Spaniard, and owner of a small shop. The lieutenant in his report says that he had an encounter with the enemy, killed one of them and suffered no losses. Near by the sugar estate Sabanilla, and an old man of about sixty-five years were found dead, and Peladero, a Spaniard of about sixty years, was also found dead, murdered. The guerilla of Guanama had passed by those places. In Palma San Juan, first the husband was killed in the bushes near by, and when his wife, Sofia Cabauana, went to see what they had done with him she was also killed."

WALTER GRANT DYGAR'S IMPRISONMENT.

Acting Secretary of State Rockhill cabled Consul General Williams at Havana to investigate and report as soon as possible on the case of Walter Grant Dygar, who, it is said, is a citizen of Illinois, and confined in prison at Guines by the Spanish authorities.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

Senator McPherson has come back from his visit to California much improved in health, but will not return to Congress for some time.

Dr. Chantemesse, of the Pasteur Institute, of Paris, has discovered an anti-typhoid serum with which he has made experiments on three patients. Immediately after the first injection the disease in each case passed at once through the ordinary stages, and the patients entered into a state of convalescence.

The Marquis de Mores, renowned for his good looks, who killed a man in a duel, kept a ranch in the United States, ran a railway in Tongking, led the Socialists in Paris and was deprived of the control of his fortune by the French courts, is now at work trying to prove that British gold is stirring up the Sudan against France.

Dr. Jameson is quite the craze in England, and on his arrival hundreds of letters awaited him, many containing offers of marriage. One was from a lady of good position, who asserted that her friends considered her still handsome, but she was the mother of two marriageable daughters. She informed Dr. Jameson that he could have his choice of the three.

Rev. Dr. William S. Rainsford, of St. George's Church, New York, is quite the pastor of his people, and as his labors are confined to the poorer regions, he is in complete touch with the laboring world. His latest idea is that the Church should stand by organized labor and recognize that a thorough and comprehensive organization among all branches of wage-earners is needed.

Charles H. Hemming, of Gainesville, Tex., who has just given \$20,000 for a monument to the Confederate dead, to be erected in Jacksonville, Fla., is a native of that city and served in the Confederate army throughout the war. The monument is to be sixty feet high, surmounted by a heroic bronze statue of a Confederate private soldier, with life-size statues of Lee, Jackson, Albert Sidney Johnson, and General Dickinson, of Florida.

The Pope Manufacturing Company's bicycle factory, on Columbus avenue, Boston, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$125,000. About 1700 bicycles, 5000 tires and a quantity of machinery were destroyed.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

HOUSE.

SEVENTY-SIXTH DAY.—The House witnessed the perennial attempt to cut off the appropriation for special mail facilities between Boston, via New York and Washington, to Atlanta and New Orleans. The motion to strike out the appropriation was defeated—aye 33, nays 116. The postoffice bill was not disposed of. A bill was passed making a year "continuous residence in a Territory a prerequisite to obtaining a divorce in said Territory."

SEVENTY-EIGHTH DAY.—The House passed the postoffice appropriation bill. The feature of the debate was the attack on the "spy system" in connection with letter-carriers. Provision was made for the employment of 30 additional regular inspectors under the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General, increasing the appropriation from \$176,000 to \$212,000. Mr. Quigg led the fight against this increase, and after a protracted debate his amendment to reduce the appropriation to \$176,000 prevailed. After the bill was reported to the House Mr. Brownell, of Ohio, offered an amendment to strike out the appropriation of \$196,000 for special mail facilities from Boston to New Orleans, but this motion was defeated on a yeas-and-nays vote.

SEVENTY-NINTH DAY.—The House, after passing some bills of minor importance, entered upon the consideration of the Aldridge-Robbins contested election case from the fifth Alabama district, with the understanding that three and a half hours should be had on each side. Considerable partisan rancor was thrown into the debate. Mr. Moody, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Linney, of North Carolina, was especially bitter in his denunciations of the Democratic election methods in the South.

EIGHTIETH DAY.—After two days' debate the House unseated Gasten A. Robbins, from the fourth Alabama district, and decided that his republican opponent, W. F. Birch, was elected, and returned to the seat. Birch's case was taken up the House passed a bill requiring the officers of American steamers to be citizens of the United States and repealing the laws exempting from tonnage duties vessels from countries which extended similar exemptions to our vessels.

SENATE.

SEVENTY-SIXTH DAY.—In the Senate Mr. Lodge, of Massachusetts, arose to a question of personal privilege and in vigorous words rebuked the Spaniard who had introduced a resolution to the effect that the Senate should not be strangled by the mouth of the Spanish minister. Mr. Hoar asked that his resolution postponing the entire Cuban subject until April 5, go over. This aroused Mr. Sherman to an energetic protest. He declared that Mr. Hoar's resolution was a reflection on the committee on foreign relations and an effort to shove the Cuban resolutions after weeks of discussion to the end of the session.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH DAY.—The speech of Senator Hoar was the eventful feature of the Senate. Mr. Hoar set forth the conservative view of the subject and urged postponement of action until April 5. This developed many sharp controversies with Mr. Sherman and other Senators. Mr. Hoar's resolution for postponement lost its parliamentary status and went to the calendar. Mr. Sherman announced that from this time forward he would press the privileged question—the conference report accepting the House Cuban legislation and the claim of Mr. Dupont for a seat in the Senate.

SEVENTY-NINTH DAY.—Senators Sherman and Hill were the conspicuous figures in the Cuban debate in the Senate. The New York Senator forcibly urged the mercenary character of the new resolutions, while Mr. Sherman upheld them with another graphic arraignment of Spain and General Weyler. Sen. or Hill urged that the resolutions be defeated in order that they might be amended and the mercenary features eliminated. Mr. Sherman declared that war in Cuba was a flagrant and the evidence of it abundant. In the course of his speech Mr. Sherman paid a tribute to the patriotism and fidelity of Freilund and his readiness to uphold the country's flag.

EIGHTIETH DAY.—There was a spirited reference to Cuba in the Senate, when it developed during an explanation by Mr. Lodge that the committee on foreign relations had received from Secretary of State Sherman a resolution to the effect that Mr. Sherman should be put in possession of this important testimony. Mr. Cookrell, of Missouri, spoke on the financial question from the silver standpoint, and Mr. Hoar, in the course of an inquiry stated that it was the ablest silver speech he had ever listened.

A NEW DEPARTMENT.

Proposition to Consolidate a Number of Official Bureaus at Washington.

Senator Frye's bill providing for a department of commerce and manufactures is receiving many favorable comments from members of Congress. It is not altogether a new measure, as bills of similar character have been before Congress at different times. It has long been conceded that the Secretary of the Treasury has a great deal more work attached to his department than any one man can properly care for. To look after the finances alone is enough in the belief of the members of Congress for any Secretary of the Treasury to do efficiently, without including a great deal of other work which does not pertain in any way to the finances of the country.

The National Board of Trade and other organizations have taken this matter up at different times, and Mr. Frye's bill is in line with views expressed by those organizations. His proposal to include the Consular Service in this new department will meet with objection because of the fact that many of the Consuls have to be relied upon for more or less diplomatic work.

From the general talk among members of both the House and the Senate such a measure as that proposed by Mr. Frye will be very apt to become a law if it is reached before this session ends. But the probability that the appropriation bills can be got out of the way so that final adjournment will take place, perhaps in May, does not promise well for the consideration of any new measure of this kind.

Senator Frye's bill contemplates the transfer to this department of the Treasury, of the Life Saving Service, the Light House Board, the Marine Hospital Service, the Bureau of Steamboat Inspection, the Bureau of Navigation, the Coast and Geodetic Survey and the Bureau of Statistics; also the Bureau of Statistics of the State Department, the two bureaus of Statistics to be consolidated into one.

It is generally believed in Japan that China has some deep scheme in sending Li Hung Chang to Russia to be present at the coronation of the Czar.

BLOWN TO PIECES.

Mysterious and Fatal Explosion of a Locomotive.

WHOLE TRAIN DEMOLISHED.

Only One of the Train Crew Escaped Unhurt from the Disaster. A Fifth Man Wounded and Likely to Die.

By the explosion of the boiler of a locomotive on the Delaware, Susquehanna and Schuylkill Railroad at Gum Run, ten miles west of Hazleton, Pa., soon after 1 o'clock P. M., four men were instantly killed and one so badly injured that he may die. The victims of the horrible accident are: John Chambers, engineer; Jonas Stewart, fireman; Michael Boyle, brakeman, and Frank O'Donnell, injured; William Timmony.

All the men are residents of the borough of Freeland. William Tully, another brakeman on the train and also a resident of Freeland, was a considerable distance back from the engine and escaped the explosion.

Gum Run, where the accident occurred, is near the crossing of the Pennsylvania Railroad, between Tomhicken and Derringer. The engine which blew up was used for hauling coal freight to and from the Derringer collieries, which are operated by Cox Brothers.

The engine was hauling a train of cars in the direction of the colliery. The crew had passed the signal tower, and Chambers, the engineer, waved his hand good naturedly to the operator, who signalled the men.

They had not got far when the tower man heard a roar and a crash which shook the hillsides. Realizing in a moment what had happened, he turned the signal against approaching trains and ran toward the wreck. He met Brakeman Tully, who was thrown from the cars by the crash and was somewhat dazed by the concussion. Both hurried to the rescue of the other men. A horrible sight met their gaze, for lying in different places were the mangled remains of four of the crew. While making a hasty inspection of the wreck they heard a moan coming from beneath a pile of debris, and found Brakeman Timmony pinned to the ground by a large beam which lay across his breast. He was extricated and made as comfortable as possible.

The men hastened back to the tower house for aid assistance. An engine and physician came from Drifton, and aid was sent from Tomhicken. The injured man Timmony was hurriedly conveyed to the hospital. Of the dead men Chambers, O'Donnell and Stewart leave wives and families. Boyle was unmarried.

No one can tell what caused the explosion. The engine, which was comparatively new, was blown to pieces, and the nine cars attached were also badly demolished.

A Brakeman Killed and a Fireman Fatally Injured.

One man was killed and another fatally injured by a head-on collision on the Northern Central Railroad, at Penbryn, Pa. The collision was the result of a northbound freight attempting to make a siding to permit the regular southbound freight to pass. Brakeman Van Nest, of Elmira, was instantly killed, and fireman Ray Cummings was so badly injured that it is believed he will die.

The coroner's jury censured the railroad employees for carelessness.

EATEN BY HOGS.

While Being Bared to Death a Mother Saw Her Child Devoured.

A horrible story comes from Geneva, Ala. Mrs. Fannie Dawson, wife of a farmer, went to a field, which was being cleaned to burn trash. She took with her, her three months old babe, which she placed upon a quilt near a large pile of trash she applied a match to it. While her back was turned as she was standing near the fire her dress was ignited and the fire blazed up in an instant. She fought the flames furiously as they enveloped her body, but the fire burned fiercely, quickly divesting her of all her clothing and eating into her flesh. She screamed for help and finally fell in an exhausted condition. About this time three large hogs attacked the infant and seized it began to tear it to pieces as it cried piteously. Mrs. Dawson, though in a dying condition, made a desperate effort to drag herself to the help of her child but failed. After the hogs had torn the babe limb from limb and devoured its flesh, crushing its tender bones between their teeth, they attacked the dying woman as she lay on the ground.

Just at that moment, Dawson who was working in an adjoining field and had heard his wife's screams arrived and by use of a large pole drove the vicious brutes away. He removed the dying woman to her home. She lived only long enough to tell the horrible story of her own fate and her babe.

AN ART COMMISSION.

The Bill Establishing It Passes the Senate—It Will Tend to Elevate Art.

The Senate passed the bill reported by Mr. Hansbrough from the Library Committee to create an art commission to pass upon all works of art purchased by the Government, or accepted by it, for exhibition in any public building or ground. The bill was slightly amended from the way in which it was originally reported, so as not to exclude artists or sculptors from serving on it.

If the House agrees with the Senate there will be an end of the monstrosities in the way of statues, or the daubs in the way of pictures which are put up by the Government in Washington. Heretofore this matter of deciding on works of art has been left to Congressional committees, and a good deal of log rolling and charges of improper influence have frequently been the result of this method of deciding on the merits of paintings and statues. The probabilities are that the bill will pass the House and become a law.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Epitomes of News Gleaned From Various Parts of the State.

Thomas McIntosh, a young school teacher in Victory Township, is delirious and wandering about the country as the result of a terrible beating inflicted by friends of a pupil he had punished. The assault took place about a week ago, McIntosh being attacked after dark and left for dead on the road. He was picked up and taken to Salem, where he received medical attention. He has been mentally unbalanced since.

The tramp nuisance in Huntingdon has become so intolerable that the borough authorities have been compelled to interfere in behalf of the long-suffering citizens. The police have been furnishing the best class of tramps with lodgings in the lockup during the winter, and when they were turned loose each morning the town would be overrun with them, begging for something to eat and frightening women and children. The complaints have been so numerous that council has taken advantage of the vagrant acts and passed an ordinance providing that any tramp or vagrant convicted before the Chief Burgess or any Justice of the Peace in the borough, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$1 nor more than \$10 for every such offense, and upon failure to pay the fine shall be committed to the lockup for a term not exceeding five days, or compelled to work on the public works or streets for a term not exceeding one day for each dollar of fine imposed.

Mrs. Harry E. Doebler, aged 22 years, died at her home in Williamsport after a long and terrible illness from trichinosis. The woman contracted the disease early in the winter by eating pork supposed to be infected. The tissues of her body were almost entirely consumed by the disease.

A movement will be started among the retail grocers in Greensburg and in other towns in the county looking to the formation of an organization for the purpose of testing the pure food law, under which the State agents are acting in this county. In the past few days about twenty informations have been made against retail grocers in the county, alleging the sale of impure vinegar. Members of the Legislature and leading lawyers in this county insist that the act has been misconstrued, and that the spirit of the law tends to protect the retail grocers and consumers against dishonest wholesalers. If the law has been violated it is held that the party who sold the foods to the retailer is responsible. Upon this ground, at least, the merchants will take action.

One of the most unique suits for criminal libel which has ever been tried in the Schuylkill County Courts was that of Louis Sileo, now deceased, against Fred Farnie, of St. Clair, which was just concluded in Pottsville. Farnie was shot in the head several months ago, and he subsequently made an affidavit charging Sileo with the crime. The latter brought suit for libel, but died before the case came to trial. His son, however took up the case to vindicate his dead father's name, and the jury brought in a verdict of guilty.

Wesley Weaver, son of Engineer Richard Weber, of Dunmore, was accidentally shot at the Spencer rifle range in Dunmore, and it is thought fatally injured. He is about 12 years of age and is employed at the range to wipe off the targets. While thus engaged W. S. Potter, who was practicing at the target, accidentally fired at the target. The ball passed through the boy's abdomen, coming out at the back. The injured lad was taken home and several physicians summoned. Mr. Potter is aiding as much as possible in having the injured lad cared for. The gun club whose members practice at this target are all well-known men.

Highwaymen and thieves are becoming unusually bold in their operations in Shamokin and vicinity of late. Willie Wm. Howells was returning to his home at Natalie he was held up by three armed men at a point of the road about a half mile beyond Hickory Ridge and relieved of \$25 in cash and his watch, and John Hibush, of Shamokin, was ordered to "deliver up" within a half-hour of his house shortly after nightfall, but fortunately his pockets were empty. While George W. Brewer and his wife were milking their cows thieves entered their home in Irish Valley, and secured \$60 in cash.

Joseph Johnson, an inmate of the Delaware County Almshouse, attempted to commit suicide at that institution by cutting his throat with a razor. The wound was serious but not necessarily fatal, as he did not succeed in cutting neither the trachea or jugular vein. The commissioner's surgeon, Dr. Harvey, of Media, dressed the wound, which required several stitches. Johnson is 60 years of age, and formerly of Clifton Heights. He has been in a melancholy state for several weeks.

Catherine Deemer, employed as a domestic in the McNair family on North Church street, Hazleton, missed her footing at the head of the stairs, and falling headlong to the bottom and received serious injuries. Her sister, Elizabeth, who is also a domestic in the same house, and who was in another room, heard Catherine's impact at the bottom of the stairs, was so overcome with excitement that she fell to the floor in a faint. Elizabeth is subject to heart disease and the shock has so seriously affected her that it is feared she cannot recover.

A new independent military company is being organized at Lebanon. John Bordeway, a farmer of South Annville Township, was run over by a seed drill and seriously hurt.

John W. Jones, 60 years of age, was squeezed to death by a fall of slate and rock, in York Farm Colliery, Pottsville.

Jacob Swanger, proprietor of a hotel near Jonestown, was arrested and held in bail, charged with selling liquor to minors. Unknown thieves robbed the smokehouse of ex-County Commissioner David C. Elliott, in Londonberry Township, and secured 600 pounds of smoked meats. There is no clue. Burglars ransacked the house of Benjamin Glader, 431 East Lehman Street, Lebanon, and stole all the money in the house and a lot of provisions. The exact amount of the loss cannot be ascertained.

New York parties, representing a tobacco syndicate, closed negotiations in Harrisburg for the starting of a cigar manufacturing plant to employ 300 hands. A portion of the Hickok machine building has been secured and the work of making necessary changes has been begun. In a few weeks the plant will be started.

BODIES IN A BARREL.

Mutilated Remains of an Old Man and Baby Found in Chicago.

Carefully concealed in a barrel and covered with a mass of old rags and cotton the dead bodies of a gray-haired man and a new-born babe were found in an alley in Hyde Park, Chicago. In consequence the police are working what they consider a double murder. On one clue is in their possession, and on the discovery of the identity a woman, as yet unknown to the police, depends the possible solution of the mystery.

Early in the forenoon the office in Halston's Hyde Park Morgue was rung up on the telephone and a woman, who declined to give either her name or address, asked if the body of a man had been found in Hyde Park. The office attendant replied in the negative and then questioned the woman, but his best efforts failed to get any information of a decided character, although she told the clerk she was looking for a man who was missing. She was finally prevailed upon to give his description, which she did in minute detail. She astonished the morgue attendant by saying in conclusion that he would certainly learn more about the case later on.

Four hours later the barrel, with its ghastly contents, was discovered in the rear of the house at 429 Indiana avenue. The body of the man tallied in almost every description furnished by the mysterious woman over the telephone wire, and the police unhesitatingly connected her with the case. In the barrel was also the body of a boy not over 10 days old.

J. A. Nurse, residing on Prairie avenue, while emptying a pan of ashes in the alley at the rear of his home discovered a barrel, which aroused his curiosity. Breaking open the head of the receptacle, he was horrified upon seeing the body of an old man inside. It was entirely nude and was frightfully mutilated. Covering the corpse was a thick layer of cotton.

The police were at once notified, and the barrel was removed to the morgue. The head and trunk gave every evidence of foul play, the skull showing several deep wounds. On the left forearm were tattooed five spots close together. There was nothing else to give any clue to the man's identity. After the several pieces of the body had been lifted from the barrel, the body of the babe was found. It was nude, save for a thin flannel shirt, and there were two marks on the side of the head, apparently made with a blunt instrument.

The body of the elder male was that of a man between 65 and 70 years of age.

The police laugh at the theory that it was the work of medical students, and are positive in their statements that the man and child were murdered.

French radicals and socialists are angry that the cross of the legion of honor should have been bestowed upon Prince Henry of Orleans, and the matter will be debated in the Chamber of Deputies at the earliest opportunity.

General Weyler has issued a proclamation intended to soften the severity of the proclamations issued soon after his arrival in Cuba and which will make submission easy for the insurgents if they desire it.

MARKETS.

BALTIMORE.

GRAIN ETC.

Table with market prices for flour, wheat, corn, oats, hay, straw, and other grain products. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

CANNED GOODS.

Table with market prices for tomatoes, peas, corn, and other canned goods. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

HIDES.

Table with market prices for city steers, city cows, and southern cows. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

POTATOES AND VEGETABLES.

Table with market prices for potatoes and onions. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

PROVISIONS.

Table with market prices for hogs, clear rib sides, hams, mess pork, lard, and best refined. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

BUTTER.

Table with market prices for butter, fine cream, under fine, and creamery bolts. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

CHEESE.

Table with market prices for cheese, N. Y. flat, and skim cheese. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

EGGS.

Table with market prices for state eggs and North Carolina eggs. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

LIVE POULTRY.

Table with market prices for chickens, ducks, and turkeys. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

TOBACCO.

Table with market prices for tobacco, Maryland Inferior, and fancy. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

LIVE STOCK.

Table with market prices for beef, sheep, and hogs. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

FURS AND SKINS.

Table with market prices for muskrat, raccoon, red fox, skunk, opossum, mink, and otter. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.

NEW YORK.

Table with market prices for flour, wheat, rye, corn, oats, butter, eggs, and cheese. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.