### NATION'S FIGHT AGAINST THE TRUSTS

Thirty-Six Were Indicted Under the Elkins Law.

FROM CLEVELAND TO ROOSEVELT.

Attorney General Moody Sends to the Senate a List of All Suits Instituted by the Government Under Anti-trust Laws -Divided late Periods of Presidential Administrations.

Washington, D. C., (Special) .- Attorney General Moody sent to the Senate, just before adjournment of that body, a statement of all suits that have been instituted by the Department of Justice under the Sherman Antitrust Law, the Interstate Commerce Law and the Elkins law, when brought, their character and final disposition. The statement is divided into periods by residential administratons, but attention directed to the fact that neither the Sherman Antitrust Law nor the Elkins aw was enacted until after the close of the first Cleveland administration, and the act regulating interstate commerce was in effect less than two years of that administration. The Elkins law was enacted during the administration of Pres-

Attached to the detailed statement, which will be printed as a public document, is a summary which shows cases brought under the act to regulate com-

Under Cleveland, 1885-1889, one indictment, which was nolle prossed.

Under Harrison, 1889-1893, 35 indictments, five convictions, four acquittals, f8 nolle prossed, seven quashed and one dismissed.

Cleveland's second term, 1893 and 1897, 19 indictments, six convictions, one acquittal, eight were nolle prossed, three quashed

Under McKinley, 1897 to September 14, 1901, 22 indictments; five convictions, one acquittal, four were nolle prossed and 12 not prosecuted.

Under Roosevelt, September, 14, 1901, to June, 1906, six indictments, five nolle prossed, one dismissed.

The cases brought under the Elkins act, under Roosevelt's administration were as follows: Eleven indictments for receiving rebates; 19 for granting rebates; 6 for conspiring to grant rebates, a total of 36, of which 9 were convicted, 2 acquitted, 3 nolle prossed and 22 are

These figures do not include petitions to enjoin departure from published rates, actions to restrain railroads from giving preferences and minor infractions of the laws to regulate railroad rates.

Of the \$500,000 appropriated to enforce these laws \$159,710 has been expended, \$45,000 transferred to the Interstate Commerce Commission and \$295,-290 remains available.

The resolution under formation was obtained was introduced by Senator Long, but was amended by Senator Foraker in order to procure a statement of the prosecutions under the Elkins act separately. He contended that it would be shown that under this act every instance of the granting or receiving of rebates could be reached if the law was enforced, and that the Railroad Rate Bill passed by the present session

#### is superflous law. DRAWS KNIFE IN THE HOUSE.

### Representative Bartlett Threatens to Cut Mr. Southwick.

Washington, D. C., (Special).-What promised to be a serious personal encounter between Representatives George N. Southwick, of New York, and Charles L. Bartlett, of Georgia, was prevented in the House Friday by the intercession of friends. Mr. Bartlett, holding a knife, told Mr.

Southwick the latter dare not say he "lied," or he (Bartlett) would cut him. It was while the House was awaiting conference reports that the incident occurred. Mr. Southwick was denouncing some of the members of the Committee on Accounts because of their failure to report a resolution in which he was interested. Mr. Bartlett, a member of the committee, took exception to Mr. Souhwick's remarks and at the same time drew a knife. The Speaker hammered with his gavel and directed the sergeant - at - arms to preserve order. Friends interferred and the incident was over in a moment.

### SEQUEL TO AN ELOPEMENT.

#### Father Shoots His Daughter, and Husband Kills His Father-in-law.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., (Special).-While attempting to shoot his 15-year-old daughter, who three months ago eloped with Joseph Withe, Rafael Marsicano, of Hazleton, was himself shot and killed, while his daughter is in the hospital with a bullet in her head and is in a precarious condition. The tragedy occured at Hazleton at midnight.

Marsicano never forgave his daughter or her husband, and, having brooded much over their elopement, it is believed that he went to their home with the intention of killing both. He reached there at midnight, calling his daughter to the door and shot her as soon as she appeared. Before he could fire agan Withe sprang upon him, and after a struggle succeeded in wresting the revolver from him and shot him through

the head, killing him instantly. Withe gave himself up and is in jail awaiting the action of the district at-

### Opposition to Ship Subsidy.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Representative Spright, of Mississippi, rank- of provoking an anti-Jewish outbreak. ing Democrat on the Merchant Marine Committee, takes issue with the published statement of General Grosvenor to the effect that the Ship Subsidy Bill will be reported and passed at the next session of Congress, saying: "The com- plaints of the treatment German goods dicted to the use of cigarettes have been mittee is composed of 18 members. It have been subjected to by the United found undesirable in the past and no would require to to report the bill. Nine States since March I. It is charged that more smokers will be accepted. It is or ten have expressed themselves as op- the United States is valuing German probable that the same rule will be apposed to the bill."

### LATESTNEWS INSHGRTORDER FOUR HANGED

DOMESTIC

Warrants were issued for the arest of 13 of the leading ice dealers of Philadelphia, all members of the Ice Trust and Ice Exchange, charging them with having entered into a criminal con-

By a decision of the New York Sureme Court, the Great Eastern Telephone company is barred from entering New York City to compete with the New York Telephone Company.

Two firemen were seriously injured, eight houses burned and \$50,000 worth of property destroyed by a fire at the yards of the A. Hubbard Lumber Company, in Paterson, N. J.

Theodore Gorman, 13 years old, son of John M. Gorman, former chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Pennsylvania, was drowned in Tunkhannock Creek.

A body found floating in North River was identified as that of Miss Helen Kuenlan, who disappered from her home in Plainfield, N. J., two months ago. In the hearing of the Dowie case in

the federal court, Chicago, a teller in the Zion City Bank testified that Dowie's account was overdrawn \$481,237. The French Line steamer La Provence and the Hamburg-American Line steam-

er Deutschland sailed from New York on a race across the Atlantic. A petition has been filed with the Attorney General of New York to have

the combine of bonding companies in New York declared a monopoly. The Standard Oil Company has notified all its customers that high-grade gasoline, testing 74 to 76 degrees, has

been withdrawn from the market. John Bodnar, who had killed Michael Sics during the festivities at a Hungarian wedding in Phoenixville, Pa., was

Herman Fisher, of Clifton, S. I., was dug out of a sewer trench in which he had been imprisoned for many hours. The schooner E. G. Hayes was cut in two and sunk by the steamer C. F. Tietgen in New York harbor.

Richard Croker has written a letter saying he favors Bryan for president, and that he has no doubt that Bryan was robbed of both former elections by the trusts.

A rumor that school children's throats were being cut caused a panic on the Lower East Side of New York, and 15 schools had to be closed.

Lewis Emery, Jr., of Bradford, was nominated for governor on the first ballot by the Pennsylvania Democratic State

directed the owners of 37 slaughterhouses in that city to abandon their establishments because of unsanitary conditions.

An increase in wages which will affect a majority of the cotton mill opera- British government had no legal power tives in Rhode Island will be announced to interfere in the matter.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dunbar died at Grandhaven, Mich., at the age of 108. Mrs. Stenton, mother of Mrs. Alice Kinnan, murdered in Upper New York, denied at the coroner's inquest that she

struck her daughter with a hammer. After three and a half years pumping at the rate of 5,000 gallons a minute, the Hallstead Colliery, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., has been cleared of water.

Governor Hayward, of North Carolina, has pardoned Hoyt Hays, who was twice convicted of wife murder, on the statement of a handwriting expert. Miss Josephine Hood, who married the alleged bigamist, "Lord Douglas," is

said to be in Ganta Anna, Cal., in a condition of pitlable poverty. Miss Cora Cooper, housekeeper of the Kesler House, in Northumberland, Pa., committed suicide by shooting herself.

Dr. J. Cumbine, secretary of the Kansas State Board of Health, reports that dogs will not eat preserved meat.

announced his candidacy for the United States Senate. Mrs. Wilson Mizner, former widow of Charles T. Yerkes, is dangerously ill in

Chicago. An insane negro with a razor ran amuck in the jail at Freehold, N. J. Fifty houses were wrecked by a wind-

storm in Oklahoma.

### FOREIGN

An anarchist named Chamorro has been arrested near the Arragona on suspicion of having been an accomplice of Morales, who threw the bomb at King Alfonso and Queen Victoria, May 31.

The Fourteenth Congress of the Interparliamentary Union will be held in London July 23, and a leading topic for discussion will be the proposals for general disarmament.

The sanitary committee of the corporaion of London reported recommendaions for the compulsory inspection at the time of the slaughter of all animals intended for food.

The Douma's efforts are now directed oward attacking the government by interpellation to strengthen its authority with the masses and oust the ministry.

Four natives were hanged and five were flogged near Tantah, Egypt, for an attack upon British officers. The manner of execution was a brutal exhibition, The seizure by Russia of the Aland Islands, which control the Gulf of Bo-

London as serious. Whitelaw Reid, according to rumor, may retire from the post of ambassador o England within a year.

It is reported that the Czar and Emperor William will meet in the Baltic Sea about the end of July. Serious disaffection has developed among the soldiers of the Russian garrison at Osowiec.

An ikon was destroyed by Russians at Usovsky, in the province of the Don, and charged to the Jews for the purpose A number of arrests were made

Red Cross Conference met and finally five vacancies four were found to be approved their reports, in anticipation of the plenary sittings of the conference.

The Cologne Gazette publishes comgoods higher than ever.

# AND FIVE FLOGGED

Several Women Witness An Execution in Egypt.

PUNISHMENT LONG DRAWN OUT.

An Example Made of Natives Who Attacked a Party of British Officers Near Tantah -One Man Left Hanging While Two Others Are Whipped...Then Another Is Hanged and Two More Whipped.

Cairo, (By Cable) .- As a result of he sentences imposed by the court which recently tried the natives concerned in the attack, June 13, on a party of British officers who were pigeon shooting at the village of Demshawi, near Tantah, four natives were hanged at Demshawai and five were fiogged. The prisoners, in carts left Shibinelkom guarded by infantry, the gallows and whipping post following. When the cavalcade arrived at Demshawai Captain Machell, advisor to the Egyptian Minister of the Interior, selected a spot close to the road and roped in a space measuring 60 by 30 yards, in the center of which the gal ows and whipping post were erected.

At 1.30 P. M. one of the prisoners was hanged and the body was left hanging while two of the condemned natives were whipped Then another man was hanged and two more were whipped, and then n turns two more men were hanged and the fifth man was whipped, each of hai, Canton, Tientsin and Hankow. these receiving 50 lashes with the cat.

A guard of soldiers surrounded the nclosure and hundreds of natives stood women wailed dismally as the lash was hanged. All the condemned men were for failure to keep their equipment in calm, but the blows of the cat caused groans and cries. The executions and whippings were finished at 4.30 P. M.

London, (By Cable) .- Answering a the bill. question put by John Dillon, Irish Nationalist, in the House of Commons, Foreign Secretary Grey said that he had telegraphed to Cairo for information renatives who took part in the attack on British officers at Demshawai.

The prisoners had a full and fair hearng and were defended by three of the best-known native advocates. The court was unanimous in pronouncing the men guilty, the evidence establishing premeditation and concerted action. The chief The Philadelphia Bureau of Health attack took place after the officers had given up their guns. The character of the tribunal was a safeguard that justice of the lock type, had been done. In conclusion, the Foreign Secretary

said he was further informed that the

### WOULD SHOW THEM UP.

#### Prisco Insurance Companies That Repudiate Policies.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Repthe floor of the House that more than one-half of the insurance companies doing business in San Francisco had signed a compact and had announced that under Office and the navy yards. no circumstances would they pay more than 75 per cent, of their losses. Some companies, he said, had repudiated their policies entirely, while 33 companies would pay their losses dollar for dollar. Mr. Kahn said the people of the country out to know the names of the companies that repudiate their policies and those who refuse to meet their just obligations. "And I hope," he continued that when Congress reconvenes next winter, to place in the Congressional Governor Beckham, of Kentucky, has Record the name of every insurance company that refuses to meet its just obligaions in that city, that the people of the country may know the unreliable com-

### TAFT FOR PRESIDENT.

#### Justice Brewer Names Him to the Yale Alumul

New Haven, Ct. (Special).-Justice David J. Brewer, at the Yale alumni celebration, referred to Secretary Taft to defeat candidates for Congress who as a man who had safely guided the are opposed to labor interests. country through the intricacies of the Philippine situation, and was at present carrying on successfully the great canal problem, and predicted "that he would carry to the presidency the same strength of character he has shown in dealing with the other problems."

"And when he is in the White House," said Justice Brewer, amid great applause, 'I hope, and I know he will, put into his administration those same high principles taught by Yale which he is already showing in his public life."

### Wendell Phillips Garrison Retires.

New York, (Special).-Wendell Phillips Garrison retires from the editorship of the Nation after 41 years of service. Hammond Lamont, for six years managing editor of the Evening Post, sucthnia, is regarded in diplomatic circles in ceeds him. With Mr. Lamont will be associated Paul Elmer More, now literary edior of the Evening Post. Harold J. Learoyd, the present city editor, succeeds Mr. Lamont as managing editor of the Evening Post.

> Procurator General Bouddouin, in the French Supreme Court, continued his argument in the Dreyfus case, detailing the errors made at the Rennes court-martial, warranting the quashing of the sentence.

### No Smokers Wanted.

Norfolk, Va. (Special).-The Navy Department wants no more apprentice boys at the Norfolk Navy Yard who The committee of the International smoke cigarettes. Of 10 applicants for addicted to the habit of smoking cigarettes. They were rejected forthwith by the examining surgeon. Apprentices adplied in other navy yards,

### LIVE WASHINGTON AFFAIRS.

The House adopted the report of the onferees on the Railroad Rate Bill, and nstructed its conferees on the Agricultural Bill to insist on the provision outting the cost of meat inspection on the government.

By a vote of 193 to 45, the House voted to stand by the House conferees on the meat inspection amendment to the Agricultural Bill and the conferees were reappointed.

The conference report on the bill creat. ng a United States district court for China was adopted by the House which passed the bill The House passed a bill appropriat-

ing \$20,000 for the recovery of Commo dore Perry's fiagship Niagara and its preservation at Erie, Pa. The House adopted a resolution au-

thorizing the subcommittee to sit during

the recess to investigate the Jackson-Smith contest. The resignation of Timothy D. Sullivan as a member of the House from the Eighth New York district was sent to the

President Roosevelt took active part the annual review and inspection of

he National Guard of the District. Senator Proctor reported to the Senate that the House conferees on the Agricultural Bill refused to listen to any compromise on the meat inspection amendment, but insisted that the cost should be borne by the packers.

A bill was passed in the Senate creating the "United States Court of China," and fixing its places of meeting at Shang-

The conferees on the "Immunity" Bill reached an agreement, accepting the Senate bill, which grants immunity from in a wide circle 200 yards distant. The prosecution only to natural persons. Attorney General Moody has directed applied and when the culprits were the prosecution of a number of railroads ferees. They were in the sections which

> proper condition. The General Deficiency Bill, the last of the big money measures, passed in the House with few changes in the text of

merchant, testified that his business was to furnish samples of such product for ruined by the Standard Oil Company. Chairman Gardner, of the House Comgarding the trial and sentences of the mittee on Labor, filed a favorable report

on the Eight-hour Bill. The treaty with Morocco will not be

Col. Oswald H. Ernst, of the Corps of Engineers, was placed on the retired list. The House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce authorized Chairman Hepburn to report to the House the Sen-

ate bill providing for an isthmian canal The House passed the Senate bill, which extends from 28 to 36 hours the limit during which live stock may be carried by railroads without a stop for

The House adopted the conference represerve the scenic beauties of the falls. subsequent offense.

The Senate in executive session ratified the treaty with Mexico concerning the resentative Kahn, of California, stated on division of the waters of the Rio Grande River for irrigation purposes. The President has issued an order

granting a Saturday half holiday to all employes of the Government Printing The Senate Committee on Interoceanic Canals decided not to go to the Isthmus

of Panama and take testimony in the canal investigation The conferees of the two houses were

priation Bill. Officials who are to conduct the Stand-Washington.

The House adopted an immigration judgment of the court is to be published. bill which opens the door freely to immigrants escaping from religious persecution, reduces the head tax and provides for a commission to investigate the expediency of an educational test.

The resolution calling upon the Department of Justice for a statement of all prosecutions under the anti-rebate and anti-trust laws was agreed to in the Senate. President Samuel Gompers issued an

appeal to labor men to go to the polls Joseph W. Ripley, general superinten-

dent of the Saulte Ste. Marie locks, has injuriously affecting its quality been selected to construct the Panama strength; when any substance has been Canal locks.

tending the coal and oil investigation into elevator and grain buying business. The Senate Committee on the Judiciary decided that Congress has no authority to regulate insurance.

It cost the government \$100,000 to extradite Greene and Gaynor from Canada. Col. James Regan, of the Ninth Infantry, died at Guartel dee Espana, P. I. if in whole or in part of a filthy, decom-

### FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Jersey Central's net profits in May decreased \$231,260 as a result of the coal strike. Chicago & Northwestern's gross earnmgs in May increased over 10 per cent.,

or \$494.622. Insurance men say that not over a tenth of all the losses in . San Francisco have yet been settled.

W. L. Bull telegraphed to Winthrop Smith & Co.: "The traders have changed their attitude toward the market and sence of any bad news from Washington the market should do better." With only a week of the crop year

missing it is possible to give quite accurately the exports of wheat and corn for the year ending June 30, 1906, compared with the year 1905. Up to date the wheat exports have been 132,143,000

short of United States Steel some days ago and then used his great influence with the Southern iron people to smash the pool down there in order to break the price of Steel stocks.

## THE PURE FOOD BILL IS SETTLED

Interests of Canners Protected By the Conferees.

SOME HOUSE PROVISIONS CUT OUT.

House Amendment That Does Not Require Canners to State on the Caus the Quantity of Contents Accepted by Senate Conferees -The Bill Defines What Will Be Regarded as Adulteration and Misbranding.

Washington, D. C. (Special). - The conferees on the Pure Food Bill reached in agreement on that measure Wednesday afternoon. Representative Mann, of Illinois, was instructed to draw up the report, which will be signed by all six conferees. The conference agreement provides for a number of changes in the measure, but they are not considered uch as will result in further disagreement between the Senate and the House.

Under the agreement reached respecting the Pure Food Bill the House amendment to the bill providing that if canners state on the labels of their goods the quantity of the contents in terms of weight or measure such statement must be correct has not been altered by the conferees. This was the amendment which was won after a hard fight in behalf of the canning industry and all that remains to complete the victory is the acceptance of the conference report.

Two provisions of the House Bill were eliminated entirely by the conauthorized the Secretary of Agriculture to fix the standards of the various articles of food as to the wholesomeness or unwholesomeness of the various preservatives and which would compel the Lawrence S. Nicolai, a bankrupt oil person selling drugs or articles of food

the purpose of analysis. The bill as agreed upon makes it : misdemeanor for any person to manufacture, sell or offer for sale any article of food, drug, medicines or liquors which reported to the Senate until the next is adulterated or misbranded, or which contains any poisonous or deleterious substance. It prescribes for each offense a fine not to exceed \$500, one year's imprisonment or both, within the discretion of the court, and for each subsequent offense a fine of not less than \$1,000 or

one year's imprisonment Section 2 prohibits the introduction nto any State or Territory, or the District of Columbia, from any other State, Territory or district or any foreign country, or the shipment to any foreign country of any article adulterated or misbranded within the meaning of the act under penalty not exceeding a fine of port on the bill to restrict the use of \$200 for the first offense and \$200 or one the waters of Niagara Falls in order to year's imprisonment or both for each

Concerning shipments to a foreign country it is provided that no article shall be deemed misbranded or adulterated when no substance is used in conflict with the laws of the foreign country for which it is intended. This clause, however, does not exempt any person from prosecution if the article is offered for sale for domestic use or consumption Section 3 provides for rules and regulations for carrying out the act. Sec tion 4 provides for examination of specimens of foods and drugs in the Bureau of Chemistry of the Department of Agunable to agree on the meat inspection riculture. Owners are to be given hearamendment to the Agricultural Appro- ing, and if it is found any provisions of that act have been violated the Secretary of Agriculture is to certify that ard Oil prosecution are gathering in fact to the proper United States District Attorney for action, and the adverse

> All United States District Attorneys are obligated under Section 5 to conduct prosecutions without delay for the enforcement of penalties. Section 6 defines the terms drugs and foods, and Section 7 defines what shall be deemed adulterated in the case of drugs, confectionery and foods. The standards for drugs are those recognized in the United States Phamacopia or Na-

tional Formulary. Confectionery is held

adulterated if it contains any ingredients or coloring matter deleterious or detrimental to health Foods are held adulterated if containing any substance reducing, lowering or substituted wholly or in part for the ar-The Senate adopted a resolution ex- ticle; when any valuable constituent has been abstracted; when mixed, colored powdered, coated or stained to conceal damage or inferiority or any poisonous or deleterious ingredients added. The use of preservatives by external application s permitted when the directions for the removal of such preservatives are printed on the covering or the package.

Food products are declared adulterated posed or putrid animal or vegetable substance or of any portion of an animal unfit for food, whether manufactured or not, or if the product of a diseased animal or one that has died otherwise than by slaughter. The terms misbranded apolies to foods or drugs whose package or label bears any statement, design or device false or misleading or if falsely branded as to place where manufactured

or, produced. Any article, however, which does not contain any added poisons or deleterious ingredients shall not be deemed adulterated or misbranded when known under its distinctive name as an article of food, seem to think that in view of the ab- and it is not an imitation of another article, or if compounds, imitations or blends or plainly indicated.

### No More Saloons In Chicage.

Chicago (Special).-After July 31 of this year no more saloons than are in existence can be opened in Chicago until bushels, against 61,677,000 bushels last the population of the city is nearly dou-Corn exports were 100,480,000 bus- ble that of the present time, according to hels this year, against 77,711,000 in 1905. an ordinance passed by the City Coun-A street story, not vouched for, was cil Tuesday night. The ordinance limits to the effect that Gates went heavily soloon licenses to those in force on the soloon licenses to those in force on the last day of July, prohibiting any new ones until the population has so increased that new licenses can be issued at the rate of I to every 500 persons. measure received little opposition.

### THE KEYSTONE STATE

The Latest Pennsylvania News Told in Short Order.

Orders for the encampment of the Third Brigade at Gettysburg, July 21 to 28, were issued by Brigadier General C. B. Dougherty. The various organizations will proceed from their home headquarters on the evening of July 20 to reach the camp by 7.30 the following morning. Battery C and the Governor's troop will be detached during the camp and be attached to a provisional battalion in command of the senior officer present. Commanding officers will be held strictly responsible for any violation of discipline en route. Camping parties of five men, cooks, regiment commissary and quartermaster will proceed from each organization and reach camp at noon July 19 to erect tents, etc. Brigade headquarters will be established at

noon, July 20. J. W. Haywood, aged 18 years, living on a suburb of Pottsville, was attacked by an eagle while he was picking lruckleberries on Tumbling Run Mountain. Haywood saw the hugh bird swoop down beside him and seize a rabbit in his talons. The young man kicked at the bird, which dropped the rabbit and attacked him. He picked up a club to defend himself and struck the bird several blows. The eagle in the first swoop at Haywood clutched one side of his pail with his talons and dashed it and huckleberries it contained to the ground. The big bird fought Haywood for fifteen minutes. It was knocked down twice but renewed the battle with fresh vigor, When it finally flew away with blood streaming from its badly battered head Haywood was about exhausted. His face and hands were bruised where the bird's wings brushed him and his cloth-

ing was torn by the eagle's talons.

James A. Church, aged 39, who has no arms and is totally blind, was mar-ried to Nellie B. Eames. Both live a Douglassville. Church lost his arms and sight in an explosion at Birdsboro.

According to the expense account filed in the office of the Prothonotary at Media it did not cost any candidate for office to secure his nomination : sum exceeding \$50, which is certainly true reform in Delaware County. The Finance Committee of the Lincoln party filed a statement showing that the committee collected \$278.38 for campaign purposes and spent \$241.76. A. J. Dal ton, nominee on the Republican ticket for Prothonotary, is the only Republican who so far has filed his expense account un

der the Act of Assembly At a meeting of the Board of Direc tors of the Bethlehem Steel Company attended by Chairman C. M. Schwab the following resignations were received E. M. McIlvain, as president; A. E. Borie as vice-president, and Archibald Johnston, who was the general superintendent succeeds President McIlvain, and H. S Enyder succeeds Vice-President Borie B. H. Jones, auditor and superintendem of accounts, was promoted to the office of treasurer and secretary. E. G. Grace was elected general superintendent in

The second annual convention of the Pennsylvania Retail Coal Merchants' Association was held at Paxinosa Inn. Easton, with about 350 members in attendance. Mayor March welcomed them A response was delivered by J. H. Palmer, of Wallingford. After a business session and dinner the dealers became the guests of the Lehigh Valley Railroad and left on a special train for New York City and Coney Island. They will rcturn to Allentown, where they will adjourn. The President's report dealt with short weight in railroad lots. President Crowell said that his firm, with headquarters in Philadelphia, has lost \$3000 in the last year by short weight cars. He advocated a united effort on the part of retailers to get a law passed which will provide the same punishment for mine operators who sell short weight measure that is provided for retailers who deliver short tons to customers. "If the retail dealer should be sent to jail, so should the operator for a like offense," the speaker declared. President Crowell's report was unanimously accepted. The action was an acceptance by the retailers of his proposal to wage

a campaign against short weight selling operators. The Philadelphia and Western Railroad Co. got first blood at Media, in the contest to determine whether or not the company has the right to connect its track with those of the Philadelphia and Delaware County Railroad Co. at Sixtythird and Market Streets. Judge Johnson decides in an opinion handed down that the plaintiff road is entitled to the appointment of a jury to pass upon the conditions of connection. The Court holds that under the act of 1868 the P.

& W. Road has the right to connect with the other road. Simultaneously with the resumption of the collieries in the Mahanoy district, after an idleness of over a week, due to recent heavy rain, came the announcement that commencing this week the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron Company Collieries will be idle for one week. Twenty-five thousand men and boys will be affected by the suspension

A burglar got into the residence of Michael Dewigg at Wilkes-Barre, some nours after the wedding of Miss Agnes Dewigg managed to get all the silverware and other valuable presents together and packed up, but he was discovered as he was about to leave by the bride's brother, who was out late and returning saw a window open.

As the culmination of several day's suffering with violent pains in the head, 9-year-old Alice Delaney, of Lakeside, was stricken blind. Physicians are puzzled by the case and entertain little hope for the recovery of her sight.

Frederick May, a wealthy contractor and builder of Hazleton, tried to stop a runaway lumber car in his yard and in doing so stumbled and fell under the He narrowly escaped decapitaion. He was dragged several feet. His collarbone was smashed and he sustained

internal injuries which may prove fatal. President Aikens has contradicted the report that the Lutheran Theological eminaries of Pennsylvania, College of Gettysburg and Susquehanna's charter and endowment fund require that institution to maintain a separate theological department.