A Woman's Fatal Jump from a Fourth-Story-The Thrilling Estate of Mrs. Murray and Her Child.

Fourteen fire engines at 8 p. m., Saturday, poured water into the Laugham hotel, Chicago, which was a mass of flame from basement to garret. The fire originated in one of the lower rooms from a kerosene lamp which was accidently overturned. At the time the restaurant of the house contained 100 guests at supper, and as many more were in the resums. The people in the restaurant had no trouble in getting out, but several persons in upper rooms had a narow escape. The flaines spread with rapidity, and before a second alarm was given the roof was on fire. A general alarm was given half an hour after the five broke out. but all the engines which could be broke out. the engines which could be brought to play on the flames could not subdue them notif the building was destroyed.

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rs. Belknap, an elderly woman, talled by jumping from the fourth story into an alley. Subsequently a cry was raised, that the wails were falling and that Bull-that the wails were falling and that Bullwinkle's insurance patrolmen were inside the building. A portion of the south wall was seen to totter and then it came down with a crash. Six patrolmen and two truck-men have since been taken out, some of them herribly mangled.

DETAILS OF THE CALAMITY. The fire which destroyed the Langham hotel Saturday night proved much more dreadful in the loss of life and physical injuries entailed than was supposed. It is now knewn that at least five persons were killed and four injured. Just before the south wall of the hotel fell upon the Faxon building, a numer of persons, besides those of the fire insurance patrol, were inside the latter building, assisting to save goods, as no immediate danger was apprehended.

There is no means of knowing just how many of these volunteer helpers were in the structure at the time, but the excavations have proceeded to an extent which justifies the hope that all the dead have been found, As far as known, those at work in the Pakon building when it was crushed by the falling hotel walls were the following: Captain Edward Sheppard, James Boyd, Knute Thime, Patrick Mullins, John Walsh and Frederick Bean, a piano tuner, and John Hemsessy, a clerk, both employed in the building.

Mullins and Thinne, being near the rear of the building, were forced out through one or the windows by the rush of air as the wall feil, and not dangerously burt. Captain Sheppard and Boyd were pinned down by falling timbers, and were rescued alive about railing timbers, and were rescued alive about inidnight. Both are seriously hart, but, it is believed, will recover. Walsh and Jones were taken out about one o'clock Sunday morning, both crushed to death. Bean was ive when found, and was taken to the unty hospital, where he died at five o'clock Sunday morning. The body of Hennessy was recovered.

was recovered.

Soon after the walls tell the wrock took fire, and the breams on the blazing mass to save their comrades from being reasted to death, though at the imminent risk of drowning them. The water was ice cold and drouched the poor imprisoned fellows, chilling them to

Mrs. C. V. Belknap, who was killed by jumping from an upper window, was the by widow of Colonel Belkmap, who died some years ago at New Orleans. She has many friends in Cincinnati. Her remains are still at the city morgue.

MRS. MURRAY'S ESCAPE. The two patrolmen who were buried under the falling walls of the hotel, were rescued by their comrades after four hours hard work. The two norn are badly in jured, but will probably recover. The escape of Mrs. J. A. Murray and her child was so marvelous as to be almost incredible. The lady, with her fusiand and child, occupied rooms on the fifth floor of the hotel. The

husband was out of the city.

Mrs. Marray was not aware of the danger to herself and child notif the halls were ulled with smoke. Awakening the child, ske ran with him to a window near the fire escape; with the infant's arn, s clasped fightly about her neek, she began the fire escape; her neck, she began the descent. At each story there was an iron grating, with a hole in the centre too small to admit of the passage through of herself and child. She during the descent to seat the upon the grating, lower heiself ever the upon the grating, lower heiself ever the edge to it to the round of the escape below and reach up for her boy. She reached the ground without assistance, and when seen quarter of an bour later had wholly recover

ed from the effects of her terrible experience.
The total loss by Saturday night's fire, in eluding the hotel and furniture and go cossessions, and on the adjoining bail and contents, is estimated at \$150,000.

A Village Devastated by Fire. Fire destroyed almost the entire business portion of Lonaconing, Md., Sunday mornng, entailing a loss of about \$50,000. The fire broke out about 3 o'clock in a frame structure on the main thoroughfare. Nearly all the water in the place was frozen and the fire department was unable to successfully fight thanes, which spread rapidly and quickly consumed seven buildings, with their con-tents. The fire is believed to have been the work of incendiaries.

## 1442123 FIGHTING NEAR SUAKIN.

An English Detachment Surprised by the Arabs and Nearly Beaten.

While detachments of English and Indian infantry were making a zereba seven mites southwest of Suakin on Sunday, they were suddenly surprised by a rush of Arabs, had been massed and concealed in the defiles west of Hasheen. The English formed a square as quickly as possible, but the camels, mules and horses were driven back in confusion on the troops, eausing a stampede, and amid clouds of dust the Arabs penetrated the south and north sides of the square Meanwhile the marines and Berkshire regiment, who were on the east and west, sides of the square, maintained a continuous fire, holding the enemy at lay, while a charge of the cavalry and the fire of the gans from the Hasbeen zereba checked the onslaught of the Arabs, which, at the outset threatened a serious disaster to the British.

Au official estimate places the British killed at fifty-two, and wounded at eighty-tive. Nearly all the casualties were due to spear thrusts received in hand-to-hand engage-ments. The Arabs got between the transport train and zeroba, and speared the men of the transport corps, and killed the animals. They fought savagely, refusing to give or take quarter. General McNell, who was commanding the zerela, reports vaguely that there were several thousand rebols in the fight, and that over 1,000 were killed or wounded. Gen. McNeil is blamed for not

working of control of the state The desert is dotted in every direction with ranaway animals. The enemy's loss must be heavy. The camp at Saukin was prepared for a renewal of the attack, but was unmo-

Almost Buried Alive, Benjamin Forsythe, Freeport, Ohio, aged sixteen, died apparently last Tuesday and was prepared for burial, to take place to-day. He preserved a life-like appearance and at was opened. A slight moisture attracted at-tention and the body was removed to a house near by, where, after several hours' incessant abor the boy was restored to consciousness

and will now, it is believed, recover. Will Address the Irish Revolutionist

United States Senator Riddleberger has a cepted an invitation to attend a meeting of the Irish revolutionists in New York next Sunday and speak on the question of the right of the Irish people to revolt and or the Irish in the United States to assist their HRAT WOULD BE SAID?

A Comparison That Shows How the Politica Standard Has Been Ruised. From the New York Evening Post, Ind. Rep. How great the advance is no one can thor sighly appreciate without a little retrospec tive comparison. Suppose President Cleveland had immediately on coming into power removed an old, experienced and upright Democrat from the charge of the pension burear and put in his place a hardened and notorious political back and had acknowledged publicly that he knew that it was

edged publicly that he knew that it was wrong, but could not help it, that he had been eempelled to vield to 'presseure," what would be said? And yet President Garfield did this very thing in the Bentley case.

Suppose that humediately after the election President Cleveland had done to a Democratic dinner given to Higgins in Baltimore and in his speech had chuckled over the fact that Higgins had carried the state of Maryland by the n.s. of 'Scap' and the aurilence had laughed, knowing well that by "soap' he meant money, what would be said? And yet this very thing President Arthur did in this gase of Horsey.

Suppose that subsequently he had ap-

Suppose that subsequently he had ap-pointed another Higgins, a notorious lobbyist and jobber, to be secretary of the navy in spite of the protests of all the best members of his own party and were to support him steadily in corrupt and debasing use of the patronage to oblige politicians of the lowest class, what would be said? And yet this President Arthur did in the case of Secretary

Suppose, on coming into power, he were to find in the New York postoffice, not Mr. Pearson but a Democrat of long standing—an old, experienced servant of the government, who had read to the contract of the government, who had made himself conspicuous as a promoter of civil service reform and were, when the occasion offered itself, to kick him out incontinently, what would be said? And yet President Arthur dod this very thing in the case of Colonel Burt

A MILLIONAIRE'S ESTATE.

His Widow Claiming Dower Right in Valua-ble Chicago Property. Among the cases soon to be heard in the hicagorefrenit court, are eight or ten important dower suits brought against the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroad, the Chicago & Western Indiana railroad, the Chicago & Grand Trunk Junction railroad, the D. B. Shipman white load works, and others, involving valuable property between Statestreet and the river and Twelfth and Twenty-second streets, Chicago.

In 1831 Benjamin Wilder, then a man in the prime of life, came from Vermont and bought about seventy acres within the above described finits. He settled on it, and a few years after married a Virginia belie. He was wedded to the old ideas, and when the shrick wedded to the old ideas, and when the shriek of the first becomotive was heard in Uhicago in 1852, and busy, pushing men came to him to buy his land for railroad purposes, he thought he was financially ruined and the city's prespects destroyed, and he sold off large blocks of his property to get out of the way of the railroads. This property is now thickly covered with buildings and is worth many millions. Wilder's wife died in 1851, at Cherry Valley, Ill., he married his housekeepsr's daughter. They lived together till 1871, when Wilder died, his wife in the meantime having practically conthe meantime having practically con-ucted his business for him till 1873, when sen, Jacob, was appointed conservator of is estate, which was estimated to be worth early \$2,000,000 when Wilder died. Four oar later, however, it is alleged that the state had shrunk in value to \$200,000. His date was divided up, be having left no will and the widow received about \$55,000 as her share. In September, 557, only three months after Wilder's death, she became the wife of a man named Dunkle, now a salcon-keeper. In March, 1884 she commenced nine suits against various parties, including the railroads named, claiming dower in certain lands which had been been conveyed to them by her husband without her signature.

The officers of the Central railroad of New Jersey had received no positive assurance from the Philadelphia & Reading railroad about the payment of the April interest. The recent application to the courts by the Reading company is said to be a clear admission that the company has no money with which to meet the April payments. President Little, of the Jersey Central company, said that the Reading had until Menday to indicate its intentions, and before that the

he did not care to predict the action of the

Surpany.
Frederick A. Potts, who formerly was a director of the company, expressed the opin-ion that both reads would suffer foruclesure. "The Reading cannot pay the April inter-st apparently," he said, "and the state is ressing the Jersey Central for taxes, I suppose that both payments amount to some \$500,000 or \$500,000. It is a scandal on the escy courts that the receivership has not on restored. The securities for the payen restored. nient of the previous receiver's certificates have depreciated in price until they are worth fittle or nothing. I cannot see how the lease has been continued to this time when the Reading has defaulted not only on the guar anteed dividends, on the stock, but contin-

nally on the bonded interest. Bayard's Diplomatic Reply. Earl Granville recently asked the United States government to prosecute the persons who published an offer of a reward for the oody of the Prince of Wales, dead or alive. The British secretary reminded the United States, that Great Britain has more than once prosecuted the enemies of foreign states for less grave offences than the publication of such an incendiary and mischievous offer. A reply has just been received from Mr. Bay-ard, in which he assures Great Britain that the present administration in the United States will do everything possible to sup-press overt acts of hostility against any lendly government.

Married the Other Man.

Near Nutbush, Va., fived a pretty girl of 19, mucd Effic Morgan. The belle of the vicinity, her hand was sought by a score of young fellows. The favored one was thought be a young man of Bunkeville. Indeed the engagement was announced and preparations for the marriage went busily forward Thesday morning last the girl was missed and search failed to reveal her whereabouts. Friday she returned, in company with the son of a neighboring farmer, who was supposed to be at school. The couple amount their marriage, greatly to the surprise of whole community and the late prospective groom in particular.

Insanity Ends in Suicide.

Additional particulars of the suicide Sat urday of Frank Cottrell, the insane actor, at Harrisville, W. Va., are received. He fretted constantly the last three or four days for his wife, Bessie Ciark. An effort to reach her to wire was made, but without avail. Saturday he was seen poring over a letter which he had in his pocket. Later in the day he became possessed with the idea that it was from his wife and that she refused to come and see He could not be persuaded otherwise g the absence of the watchman self to the window grating with his and during the absence ilk handkerchief. The letter was simply a

Held for the Lillian Madison Marder

The cor oner's jury investigating the cirunistances connected with the death of Fanme Lillian Madison, whose body was found in one of the Richmond reservoirs on the 14 h inst., have rendered a verdict that "Fannie Lillian Madison came to her death on the night of the 13th of March in the old reseroir, and that Thomas Judson Cluverius was irectly or indirectly the cause of it." Cluverius has secured the services of eminent counsel, and the trial promises to be one of the most exciting held in Richmond in many

Wholesale Hangings in Corea.

The Corean advices state that the father, norther, wives and children of Kin Giouku-kin, J. Sarhutzir, and J. Kohan, leading members of the Independent party in Cocca, were hanged at the palace gates on February 2. Eleven other Corcans who sympathized with the caused were hanged with them. The parents, wives and children of four of these latter were also hanged. Kin Gionku-kin, who sangth refuge in Jarag will see kin, who sought refuge in Japan, will soon come to the United States.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRD DAY'S SESSION IN DETAIL.

ocal Preachers Elected to Deacon's Orders A Young Candidate for Clerical Honors Who Would Not Promise to Abstain From the Use of Tobacco.

The third day's session of the Philadelphia . E. conference, at Chester, opened Saturday morning. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. L. Gray. The case of Rev. T. C. Pearson, of Cheltenham church, who asked to be granted a location, was taken up and Rev. T. B. Neely that he had a letter from Mr. Pearson, in which he still pressed his request. He was granted a location and a resolution commending his efficiency was passed. The following local preachers were elected to deacon's orders ; Franklin F. Bond, Samuel Beeby, James Burns, Edward P. Phreaner, Henry S. Watt, Abraham N. Vivian, John Flint, Theodore L DeBow, John Boehm, William W. Kyle, Peter Hunter, R. Kelso, Vincent Nichols, Charles B. Johnston, Osborn Congelton, W. W. Cookman, David T. Smyth, Jacob E. Grauley and Nathaniel W. Clark.

The order of the hour was suspended to allow Rev. Dr. J. Buckley, editor of the Christion Advocate, and Rev. Dr. John Miley. president of Drew theological seminary, five minutes each to make speeches. Their addresses were attentively listened to, and at the close Rev. Samuel W. Gehrett was continued in charge of the subscriptions to Drew

WOLLD NOT RENOUNCE TORACCO. The tifth question, Who are admitted into full connection? was called up, and Stephen H. Evans, Oliver E. Stryden, George B. Burns, George E. Kleinhaun, John Buill Hiram J. Black, David T. Smyth, William W. Bookman, Nathaniel W. Clark, Jacob E. Grauley, presented themselves as applicants. The prayer upon receiving these young men was made by Rev. W. C. Robinson, and the was made by Rev. W. C. Bebinson, and the address to the class of applicants was made by Bishop Foss. He spoke for nearly an hour, giving them much advice and threw hour, giving them much advice and three beautiful and or edical suggestions. out many solid and practical suggestions for their consideration. The church was througed and everybody seemed interested in his logical and most timely discourse. A number of ritualistic questions were pro-counded to the class and all but two answered bem affirmatively. Mr. Cookman could not conscientionally premise to abstain from the use of tobacco in any form during his minis erial life. It was shown, however, that he had given up the use of tobacco more than a year ago and proposed to do without the weed, hergafter, and that he had conscientious scruples against making such a solemn pledge for fear necessity would at some time compet its use. Mr. Burns could not conscientiously promise to abstain from the us f food when required tooloso. These an-wors were passed and the entire class were

Bishop Edward 6. Andrews was intro-duced to the conference. Rev. Kawamura Keichiro and Matsumato Sogo were transferred to the Japan conference. The confer-cuse temperance society held its anniversary in Madison street church in the atternoon, when addresses were made by Rev. C. B. Mer. is, D. D., and Joseph L. Bailey, esq.

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The ordination of deacons will take place
Sunday morning in Madison street church.
Sermon by Bishop Foss. The ordination of
elders in the afternoon at Trinity church,
sermon by Rev. G. W. Miller, D. D.

The ordination exercises in both the Methodist churches on Sunday were very largely attended, the edifices being-througed to their greatest expacity. The ordination of deacons of nincteen men received the orders lows: Franklin F. Bond, Samuel Bee James Burns, R. Kelso Carter, W. Cookman, Nathaniel W. Clark, Theodore L. DeBow, John Bohen, Edward F. Phresner, Henry S. Watt, Abram N. Vivian, John Flint, William W. Kyle, Peter Hunter, Vinngelton, David T. Smyth and John E.

The ordination of chlera took place in Trinity church in the afternoon, the exercises being in charge of Rev. G. W. Miller, D. D., who preached the sermon. The order who preached the serman. The order was conferred upon thirteen gentlemen, as fol-lows: Stephen H. Evans, Joseph Duffy, John W. Fryer, George W. Clark, Robert S. DeBow, H. R. Robinson, W. Redheffer, Christian L. Gaul, C. S. Mervine, R. F. Callen, J. G. Bickerton, F. B. Lynch and William Powiek. William Powiek.

The hishop and presiding elders are busy adjusting the list of appointments and it is giving considerable trouble this time, owing the possidiarity of the vacant places. It peculiarity of the vacant places. will be ready for announcement at the adjournment of conference, which, it is thought, will be on Tuesday or Wodnesday.

TWO LOCAL RELIGIOUS EVENTS.

The Pastoral Visitations of Bishop Howe-Rev. J. M. Titzet at the First Reformed On Sunday Right Rev. M. A. DeWolfe Howe, bishop of the diocese of Central Pennsylvania of the Epseopal church, paid a pastoral visit to the churches in this city, and administered the rite of confirmation.

At St. James in the morning, the congre gation was very large, every seat being taken. The rite of confirmation was administered to a class of twenty-three, of whom one was a deaf mute. A number of deaf mutes were present and the service was interpeted into the sign language by Rev. Kochler. The bishop was assisted in the service by Rev. Dr. Knight, rector of St. James, and Rev. Lucius M. Hardy, master of Yeates' Institute. The bishop preached an interesting discourse on prayer, taking for his text the words found in Luke 11th chapter 10th verse-" For every one that asketh receiveth."

The music of the boy's choir, under the firection of Prof. Carl Matz, was very excel-

In the evening Bishop Howe visited St John's Free church, where a very large con-gregation assembled to hear him. The full vening service was given, the bishop being assisted by Rev. Dr. Knight of St. James Rev. Harding, of Paradise; Rev. Hardy, of Yeates Institute, and Rev. Pratt, rector of St. John's. A class of seven was confirmed by the bishop, who preached an eloquent sermon from the text "Except vo be con-verted and become as this little child ye can-not enter the kingdom of heaven." The choir furnished time music during the ice, Mrs. Henry Elias singing very prettily the solo, "Nearer my God to Thee, Bishop Howe left Lancaster this morning

Rev. Dr. Titzel at the First Reformed. Rev. Dr. J. M. Titzel, pastor-elect of the First Reformed church, although he has not yet been installed as pastor, preached as a supply in that church yesterday, to very arge congregations, and made a most tavor-ble impression on those who heard him. In the marring he based bis remarks on the text, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cases of Christ," He spoke for almost

In the evening Dr. Titzel was again greeted by a great crowd and delivered an instructive discourse. The music furnished by the choir, morning and evening, was excellent.
Dr. Titzel will soon remove his family to this city, and will preach his introductory sermon as pastor on the first Sunday after

Gone to Canada \$7,000 Short.

R. Edward Dorsey, aged 25 years, for two years past paying teller of the banking house of McKim & Co., corner of Baltimore and St. Paul streets, Baltimore, disappeared on Monday last, and it is said he has gone to Canada. An examination of his accounts since his absence has developed a shortage of about \$7,000. Dorsey has been with the firm six years, beginning as clerk. He was wellknown in social circles, and moved in the best society. Of late years he has been lead-ing quite a fast life. His family is highly connected and quite wealthy.

NO CHANGE IN THE SHIFTS.

Evidence Going to Show that the Policeman'
Lot is Not a Happy One.

When the eighteen policemen of the city answered to their names at the station bouse on Saturday evening at 7 o'clock, they were surprised to hear an order read by the chief of police that on and after Sunday the hours of duty would be changed; instead of the present work, each shift would be on duty welve hours, and the shifts would alternate between day and night duty, being one week All of the officers, without exception, were

opposed to the change, and a committee waited on the mayor to induce him to rescind the order. They evidently proved to the mayor that a change would not be beneficial, for he rescinded the order and the officers were so notified when they reported at 9 At present one-half the officers go on duty at 7 o'clock in the merning and remain on duty until 4 o'clock the following morning. Those who come off duty at 4 o'clock can sleep a few hours and have the balance of the

steep a 1sw hours and have the balance of the day to attend to business, such as serving warrants, subpoenas, &c.

Under the proposed change those on duty during the day would be required to be in their own wards and would not be able to do much business and those on duty at night would not be able to do much business. would not have much time to de bu because they would not be relieved from duty until six o'clock in the morning and would have to take several hours sleep so as to be able to do their duty during the night.

GEN. ANSON STAGER DYING. ome Personal History of One of the Earlies

of Telegraph Operators in Laucaster. Gen. Anson Stager, aged 60, the famous electrician, is lying at the point of death at his residence in Chicago. He is a native of Western New York, and when 16 years of ige engaged in printing, under the instruction of Henry O'Reilly, who aftewards be-came a pioneer in the building and operating came a pioneer in the building and operating of telegraphs. O'Reilly induced young Stager to follow into this undeveloped enterprise, and when he had connected Philadelphia with Harrisburg the young man took charge of his first office at Lancaster, on this line, in the fall of 1815. To him is due the credit of the fall of 1846. To him is due the credit of first economizing batteries by charging many wires at the same time from the same source. He also connected long lines, and so saved time and risk of repetition of messages. He became very prominent as a superintendent of telegraph lines and in organizing the various interests leased by and consolidated with the Western Union telegraph company: use the organization of telegraph company; upon the organization of that company he became its general superin-tendent. The extensive and elaborate system of railroad telegraphs in use on all the railroads in the West and Northwest owes its origin to him. He aided Gen. NcCtellan luring the war in establishing military tele graphs and rendered other valuable service ater he has been superintending Western non interests, telephone, electric light and

Saturday Afternoon's Session of Court, At the Saturday afternoon session of court the application of David Bear, of West Earl township, for a hotel license, was argued Mr. Bear's house was a hotel for a number of rears, but a year ago the proprietor declined o subscribe to the affidavit presented by the ourt and the license fell. The depositions of a large number of witnesses were read show-ing that the traveling public required hotel

ecommodations at this point. The court re-Christian H. Hershey was appointed guardian of the minor children of Elan S. Hershey, deceased, late of Earl township. An issue was granted to try the right to ertain properly levied on by the sheriff a the goods of John Harmes, in which John H

Kauffman is named as plaintiff and Benj. G. Herr as defendant. Adjourned to Tuesday, March 31st, at 10

Death of Mrs. Henry Omit.

From the Harrisburg Patriot.

Mrs. Omit, wife of Colonel Henry Omit, died early on Sunday morning at the residence of her husband, on Fourth street, helow Walnut, in the 70th year of her age, Mrs. Omit was born in 1815, at Marietta. Her fathwas Richard Robinson, a Quaker, and a was the oldest of nine daughters. She is married to Colonel Omit in 1825 by Rev. Samuel Sprether, then paster of the Fourth street Lutherian church. Mrs. Omit fived in Dauphin county until the year 1817, when she moved with her husband to this city, and has resided here ever sine was a consistent member of the First Lu-theran church, Fourth street, for many years and was highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances for her many vir-tues. Her Lusband, Colonel Omit, is now in

the 82d year of his age. Corner-Stone Laying. Father Grotemyer, postor of St. Joseph's Catholic church, announced at the several masses on Sunday that the corner-stone of his new church will be laid on Easter Mon day morning between 9 and 10 o'clock. The ceremony will be performed by Bishop Shanahan, of Harrisburg, and will be assisted by a large number of priests. Invitations to participate in the exercises have been sent to all the Catholic societies of the city and to a number of societies in adjoining cities. If the weather is favorable on that day, there will be a large turn-out of Catholic or ganizations.

Terribly Beaten With a Club. At an early hour Sunday morning Fritz chneider, a German, living in Allegheny City, was found by his wife lying on the floor of the kitchen in a pool of blood, with his skull fractured, three ribs broken and his face mashed to putp. In the yard evidence of a sculle was to be seen and a bloody club was found in an outhouse. Schneider, who cannot recover, stated that he was assaulted three blocks from his home by Patrick Rodgers, a follow workmen. His story, how-ever, is doubted by the police authorities. Rodgers has been arrested. He strongly protests his innocence.

A Great Year for Oysters in England. Owing to the immense and almost unpre-cedented fall of oyster spat since the begining of 1881, the English oyster beds have

filled up with such a rapid growth of the bivalves that prices this season have been reduced as much as 65 per cent. The best native oysters hest year sold at wholesale for two shillings and sixpence per dozen, and the same quality of oysters are now selling at a shifting a dozen. The result is a serious diminution in American importations. A Successful Eugagement Closed. On Saturday afternoon the Harris opera

ompany gave a matinee at which "Chimes of Normar dy" was sung. In the evening hey closed their week's engagement by singing "La Mascotte" to a very large audi-ence. The casts of both operas was the same as when they were sung before during the ence. The casts of both op as when they were sung week. The engagement of this company was a great success, and the citizens of Lancaster were pleased with the members of the troupe both on and off the stage.

husband resolved upon revenge. Running out to the sidewalk, where the stone-cutter was conversing with some friends, he opened fire upon him, his third shot making a seri-ous wound in Giovanni's side. The assailant is in custody.

On Saturday Jacob W. Gruel purchased at private sale a two-story brick house with lot, at No. 406 North Queen street, from John S. Rohrer, for \$3,750. The store property and residence belonging to the estate of the late Harry A. Gundaker, was sold at private sale on Saturday to George D. Sprecher, for \$18,000. The store room has been occupied for the past two years as a hat store by Harry Shultz.

Bents are High This Year. From the Pittsburg Telegraph. "Itents are high this year," sadly mur mured the trump as he borrowed a pin with which to hold his coat-tails together. SHOT IN THE NIGHT.

PROBABLE MURDER NEAR GAP BY MASKED BURGLARS.

Edward Linville Intercepts Two Midnight Rob bers in Their Work and Receives a Fatal Bullet-A Young Boy's Sad Suicide-Killed by the Cars.

A burglary and probable murder was comnitted last night at the residence of Edward Linville, near Pequea meeting house, five miles from Gap station, on the Penusylvania ailroad, in Salisbury township,

From the few particulars thus far received it appears that Mr. Linville hearing an unusual noise in the sleeping room of his sister, got out of bed and went to her room to see what was the matter. He encountered two men, who were in the act of tying and gagging his sister. One of them instantly turned on him and pointing a re volver at his breast fired, the ball passing through Mr. Linville's lung making a proto bly fatal wound. The burglars then fled from the premises,

Mr. Linville is 40 or 45 years of age, a son of Josiah Linville and a cousin of John C. Liuville. He is unmarried and his sister keeps house for him.

Later Particulars.

special Dispatch to the INTELLIGENCES. GAP, Mar. 23. - Edward Linville, a highly frespected citizen residing three fourths of a mile from the White Horse, Salisbury township, was fatally shot last night by two masked burglars entering his house. He heard a noise in a room occupied by his sister. On opening the door he was shot at, the ball striking a rib and glancing off. Another shot was fired, the ball entering above the heart. This wound will prove fatal. His sister attempted to tear the mask off one of the burglars, but failed, he threatening to shoot her. They seemed seventy dollars and escaped.

A BOY'S SUICIDE

Hangs Himself in the Garret of His Father's House, Near Mountville

Sunday night Albert Gamble, a young son of George Gamble, who resides in Manor township, one mile south of Mountville, ommitted suicide. The family had comoany during the evening when Albert disapseared. It was believed that he was on playing with some other boys and would go o bed. This morning some of the family went to his room to call him, but received no reply. Search was then made and his dead ody was found longing by a strong rope to a rafter in the garret. From the appearance of the body, it is certain that the boy took his life last night.

The deceased was between 15 and 16 years id, and a quiet, unassuming boy. The family are utterly at a loss to assign any reason for his terrible act. Mr. Gamble is one of the lead-ing citizens of Manor township and carries on an extensive business in blacksmithing on the road from Mountville to Breneman's tayern The boy had a good home and was always treated kindly. Coroner Honoman was noti-tied to hold an inquest.

The coroner, accompanied by Dr. A. K.

Robrer, as his physician, held an inquest, The verdict of the jury was that the boy com-mitte suicide by hanging. The coroner's jury were J. R. Myers, George Drumm, John M. Frachek, Christian Robrer, John C.

KILLED BY THE CARS. A Brakeman Struck by An Engine at Glenloch

William Henry, a brakeman sylvania railroad, was fatally injured at Glentoch on Saturday morning. He had been standing on the engine of the train to which he belonged, and just as he stepped down the engine of mail train west struck him, throwing him over one hundred feet. He was picked up and Dr. Engle, of Eagle, was sent for. It was found that he had an ugly hole in the back of his head and another in the front. He was also badly bruised, but strange to say, no bones were broken. The injured man was placed in a caboose to be taken to his home in Harrisburg, but he died about the time the train reached Conestoga, just east of this city. Henry was twenty-five years of age and married, but had no chil-

Death From a Fall.

It will be remembered that last summe Adam Harkness, of Little Britain, fell from a small cherry tree, sustaining injuries from which he had been suffering since, until last Saturday, when he died.

He was aged 76, and had for a long time been proprietor of Harkness' mill on the Octoraro, about two miles south of Oak Hill, where he conducted a large business and raised quite a family. Among his sons are Alfred and Joseph, the former the cashier of the Quarryville National bank, the latter of tebacco firm of W. J. Smith & Co., o

Philadelphia.

Mr. H. was a popular and a live business man and his death is a serious loss to the community.

The Corince opera company which was to have opened a week of 10 cent opera in this city next Monday, have cancelled. Harry L. Hartmyer will take the show over the following route, playing a week in each town Pottsville, April 13th, Reading 20th, Altentown 27th, Harrisburg May 4th. It is a great pity that this show did not appear in Lancas-

ter, as it is very fine,
Michael Keenan, who has been a stage carpenter at the opera house for 15 years past, has resigned and John St Clair will hereafter be "Bert" Rinehart's assistant.

The "Patience" opera company, which is very large, is quartered at the principal hotels in the city. Upon their arrival in town at 9:45 this morning, the hotel porters made a lively bid for them. Quite a skirmish took place near the depot between a hotel proprietor and a porter, both of whom were auxious to secure the bulk of the company. As it terminated each secured a share,

uadly Scared Chicken Thieves 'Squire Henderson, of Salisbury township,

has suffered greatly from chicken thieves, who have time and again visited his bennery and earried off his best fowls. Recently nery and carried off his best fowls. Recently he set an old gun so that it would be discharged by the opening of the door to the chicken house. A few nights ago theves visited the premises, and in attempting to open the door "bang" went the gun, and away went the thieves, teaving behind them two horses and a wagon, and in the wagon was two bags full of feed. The horses and wagon bave been identified by a neighboring farmer as having been stolen from his farmer as having been stolen from his premises, but nothing has yet been heard from the thieves.

At the Station House

Pascal Marrioni, a rag-picker, and Briganti Giovanni, a stone-cutter, both Italians, live in the same shanty. No 9 East Ninety-first street New York. Pascal's wife complained Sunday afternoon that Giovanni had com-Between Saturday night and this morning he largest number of persons ever accommodated at the station house in that time, were cared for in that institution. The number nited an indecent assault upon her, and the was eighty five, of which eighty-one were lodgers. A number of those who applied for lodging were questioned and they said they had been to the county almshouse and could not be accommodated there, and that before dark the tramp house, which will hold about seventy-five, was tilled. The lodgers were discharged by the mayor upon their promise to leave town at once.

Seven gas and eleven gasoline lights were reported as not burning on Saturday and

> Drowned While Duck Shooting. George Wilson and George Dickinson, o Hamilton, III., were duck bunting in a cance near Kookuk, Iowa, on Sunday when they were struck by a cake of ice and they were struck by a cake of ice and upset. Dickinson sank at once, but Wilson floated upon a piece of ice to a bridge a short distance below, where he grasped a rope let down to him, but was not able to retain his hold, and falling into the water was also drowned.

DISGRACING THEIR UNIFORMS. The Misconduct of Some of the Pennsylvania

lilitia Officially Complained of The following letter from the commissioners of the District of Columbia has been forwarded to the governor of Pennsylvania : forwarded to the governor of Pennsylvania:
Sin: The commissioners regret that the
praise due the volunteer regiments from
Pennsylvania for their general excellent appearance, discipline and behavior during
their visit to the national capital, upon the
occasion of a presidential inauguration, must
be qualified by the bad conduct of a few members of the Fourth, Eighth, Fourteenth and
Eighteenth regiments. Complaints come to
the commissioners that while these regiments
were waiting for the train in South Washingthe commissioners that while these regiments were waiting for the train in South Washington some of the soldiers, regardless of discipline, morals and law, forcibly robbed several small dealers in that neighborhood of their wares, refusing payments and conducting themselves in other respects disgracefully. These complaints have been investigated and found to be supplied by trust gated and found to be sustained by trost-worthy evidence. A brief report from the police department, of which a copy is enclosed, is believed to state the facts without any ex-aggeration, together with the names and ad-dresses of some of the witnesses regarded as

aggeration, together with the names and addresses of some of the witnesses regarded as worthy of belief. Payment to the injured parties, who are not able to sustain the small losses, and a suitable apology from the wrong doers would seem to be so proper that they will doubtless be tendered voluntarily by the regiments. Beyond this the commissioners have no suggestions to make, as you will determine what is due to violated law as well as to good discipline and the honor of the service. If further information is desired of the commissioners they will gladly furnish the same so far as may be in their power.

The report of the superintendent of police The report of the superintendent of police eferred to shows in effect that the soldiers broke into a beer depot and carried off several barrels of beer, robbed several bucksters' wagons, completed gutted several stores and wantenly destroyed private property. In

one case they entered a small shop kept by a widow and drove her daughters from the house with insults. WHAT THE GOVERNOR WILL DO. Governor Pattison says when such complaints are made he will do all in his power ferret out the offenders and have them punished. The Fourth regiment is made up of companies from Allentown, Columbia, Reading, Catasauqua, Hamburg, Pine Grove, Pottsville, and Siatington. The Eighth is from Harrisburg, Lancaster, York, Tam-auqua, Girardville, Carlisle, Wrightsville, St. Clair and Mahanoy City. The Fourteenth

and Eighteenth regiments are from Pittsburg and neighborhood

A Hornet on His Travels. He came from Lattle Britain, down "Quarry hill" into Quarryville, at three o'clock in the morning; his battle cry, "I am a hornet from h-11," resounding at every step. The step was none of the steadiest. His war-whoop wakened up the town. Into the railroad hotel he bounded. "Ginnie a drink whisky," he shouted.

"Not bruch, my gentle friend," said Mr. Well, then, gimme a eiger," said " the

hornet."
The eight quieted him life took the first train, but when he had got us far as these station, he concluded it was too early and he got off hooded it back to Quarryville; took the second train, on which he was safely carried to Lancaster. He has not yet returned. Hopes are entertained that he has joined Wild Bill's teamer. Bill's troupe,

C. Martin Hess, esq., of Quarryville, has bought the one-half interest in the ore bank west of Quarryville, known as "The Geiger Bank," It was formerly owned by the late firm of Bair & Shenk, who were mining it up to the time of the death of Major Shemk.
Mr. Hess intends opening it up about the
first of next month, and a large force of workmen will find employment. The mine is an l one and has been very profitable he

bank on the Brook larm. It is a very rich deposit. The ore of excellent quality. They are using it at the Conestoga furnace, and have been taking a large quantity for the last

A Former Lancastrian's Suit.

The case of McTague vs. Rehill is being heard at the arbitration room in the court house at Norristown, before John W. Schall, William Strond and S. T. Beerer, plaintiff, Peter McTague, and the defendant. Patrick Rehill, were in partnership as rail-road contractors from 1895 to 1875, when the firm was dissolved. McTague claims that him. They built the Madison bridge. Potts. town, six miles of the Colebrookdale rail-road, a rolling mill and reservoir at Phon-ixville, etc. The plaintiff was on the stand all of Thursday afternoon and Friday morn-

Information Wanted. Chief of Police Haines has received a letter from Gratis, Obio, asking for information about one Henry Rodgers. The letter states that Rodgers served during the war in Company K., 73d New York volunteers, and a few years ago was an inmate of the sol-dier's home at Dayton, Ohio. He left that in-stitution on March 10, 1882, and bought a ticket for Lancaster, Pa., since which time nothing has been heard of him. The writer of the letter, John Skinner, states that he has important news for him if living, and for his heirs, if dead. Any person having infor-mation is requested to communicate the same

to Chief Haines. Charged With Committing Perjary. Some months ago John W. Hollinger, a Lititz, was tried on a charge of keeping a disorderly house, convicted and sentenced to pay a fine and undergo an imprisonment. He was released from custody at the expira tion of the term for which he was sentenced and on Saturday he madea complaint against Jacob Witters for perjury. Witters was one of the material witnesses for the common-wealth when Hollinger was tried, and he alleges that Witters swore falsely on that occa-Witters entered bail for a hearing on

Friday next, at 10 o'clock.

This afternoon Witters waived a hearing and entered bail for trial at court, A Pleasantry Directed at Mr. Bergh.

EDITORS INTELLIGENCER: Shall we burn or shall we bury? is a question that is getting itself discussed with a good deal of zeal, but so far the discussion has been carried on by the people only and for the people. No menber of the great party most deeply interested in the matter has been heard. The worm have been stlent and ignored in the discus-sion; though it must be clear to every person capable of reflecting a little that what is merely cremation for us means starvation for the worms. Is Mr. Bergh asteep? Lancaster, March 23. JUSTICE,

The Loss at St. Joseph's Academy. Friday's fire at St. Joseph's academy, near Emmittsburg, Md., will result in greater loss than was at first reported. Therefectory and the sisters' department were entirely destroyed, entailing a loss of fully \$50,000. Provisions and clothing belonging to the sisters and valued at \$2,000 were also lost, and the infirmary was damaged to the extent of \$2,000. The insurance will only amount to

PUTTSBURG, Pa., March 23.—The striking miners at the Scott Haven mines were noti fied this morning to leave the company's houses by to-morrow morning, and if they do not leave peaceable they will be ejected by force. The miners, who have made no provisions for this emergency, seem to be entirely satisfied with the situation of affairs. The strike remains unchanged.

Grant Not so Well as Yesterday. NEW YORK March 28 .- Grant is not feeling s strong to-day as yesterday, owing to undue excitement yesterday and wakefulness last night.

WEATHER INDICATIONS. WASHINGTON March 23.—For the Middle Atlantic states, fair weather, stationary temperature, followed during Tuesday by warmer weather, northeasterly winds, shift ing during Tuesday to southwesterly.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

WHERE LIGHTNING STRUCK.

A LIST OF THE MINISTERS NOMINATED FOR FOREIGN COURTS.

The President Sends to the Senate for Confir mation Four Appointments to Important 'Positions-Death of E. D. Clark, the Assistant of Secretary Lamar.

WASHINGTON, March 23 .- The president o-day sent in the following nominations for ministers abroad : To Great Britain, Edwin J. Pheirs, of Ver-

To France, Robert M. McLane, of Mary-

land.

To Germany, George H. Pendleton, of To Mexico, Henry R. Jackson, of Georgia.

SECTION OF THE NOMINEES. Edwin J. Phelps, who was nominated to-day as minister to England, is a prominent lawyer of Burlington, Vermont. He is about 60 years of age, and the possessor of a moderate fortune. He is an ex-president of the Moderate fortune. He is an ex-president of the American Bar association; has practiced before the supreme court, in Washington, and is highly esteemed as a lawyer and a man of culture. He has several times seen the Democratic candidate for governor of Vermont, but so far as known here never held public office. For two years past he has delivered office: For two years past he has delivered lectures on law to the graduating class at Yale college. Mr. Phelps is a son of ex-Senator Phelps, of Vermont. Senator Edmunds was his legal preceptor.

Rob. M. McLane was born; in Wilmington, Del., June 23, 1815. He is a son of Louis McLane.

Lane, who was secretary of state during Jackson's second term. Robert graduated from West Point in 1837; was admitted to the Washington bar in 1843 and removed to Bal-timore where he has been engaged ever since in the practice of his profession. He since in the practice of his profession. He has been a member of the Thirtieth and Thirty-first Congresses, In 1833 he was appointed commissioner to China, and at the same time accredited to Japan, Siam and Cochin-China. In 1859 he was selected as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentary to Mexico. He was elected to the Marchand state Sanata in 1874 and was a Maryland state Senate in 1876, and was a member of the 46th and 47th Congresses. He is now serving as governor of Maryland. His appointment represents the highest impulses

f the Democracy,
Mr. Pendleton's career is familiar to the
bemocracy of the country. He has been their candidate for vice president and retired from the Senate on March 4. He is an able and cul-fured man, who will adorn his post.

tored man, who will adorn his post.

Mr. Henry R. Jackson is a resident of Atlanta, Ga. He is a young man, not more than 10, of splendid lineage, taking a high rank in his profession and is a social favorite in the South. He has been prominent in Georgia politics, and is a strong man. The New Assistant Secretary of Interior Dies

WASHINGTON, March 23 .- E. D. Clark, of

Mississippi, the newly appointed assistant

secretary of the interior, died here early this morning. He had been suffering from typhoid-pneumonia for about ten days. Sim Attendance in the Senate. WASHINGTON, March 23-[Settate.] We true the Senate met at len o'clock, there were only

four members present, and ten minutes later there being then also members present, the Senate went into executive sessi The Senate immediately confirmed the

animation of ex-Schator Pendleton to be ninister to Germany secretary Fairchild Suffering From a Cold. WASHINGTON, March 23.-Fairchild, assistant secretary of the treasury, is confined to his room with a severe cold.

The New York Postmastership. WASHINGTON, March 23.-11 was said at the White House to-day that the president will take no action regarding the postmastership at New York for some time yet, and

meanwhile Pearson will continue to serve NEWS OF SUNDAY'S BATTLE. Gen. McNeill's Force Now Well Entrenched

Near Suakin-The Killed and Wounded on Both Sides. SUAKIN, March 23.-The guards at an early hour this morning were sent out to the zereba, erected vesterday by Gen. McNeill to render such assistance as might be needed. After the battle of yesterday Gen McNeill was left unmolested. He was found to be well entrenched in the zereba, which is situated about seven miles southwest of Suakin. The guards were sent back by Gen. McNeil for water and provisions. They succeeded in making the return journey without being molested. A force of intantry and cavalry, with supplies of water and provisions for the zeroba escorted by a convoy of the guards, was at once dispatched to Gen, McNeill, The total British losses during Sunday's battle was 5 officers and 51 privates killed and 170 men wounded. The Arabs, it is estimated, lost 1,500 men in the rush made by Osman Digna's men. They broke through one corner of the zeroba. The British recovered promptly and killed every Arab who had got behind the lines. A number of heavy guns have been landed by the seamen, and will be at once forwarded to the front.

GRAHAM TO MEET OSMAN TO-MORROW. It is expected that Gen. Graham will reach Tamai and give battle to Osman Digna totorrow. Osman has 25,000 men. It will be a pitched fight and probably greater and more decisive than any hitherto waged in the Soudan.

THE FIRE RECORD.

Fourteen Business Houses Consumed in a North Carolina Town. RALLIOH, N. C., March 23.-Fire this norning at Henderson, 45 miles from Raleigh, destroyed fourteen business houses, The loss is roughly estimated at from \$50,000

A Hermit Burned in His Shanty. BLAIRSVILLE, Pa., March 23.--Fire last right destroyed a difapidated frame building in Diamond, and cremated its occupant

Robert Maul, a German hermit. Terrible Effects of a Boiler Explosion. CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 23 .- A botter in Rufiner Bro.'s grocery exploded this morning, setting the building on fire. The flames communicated to the Hale house next door, and it was destroyed. George Welcker, a porter, was killed by the explosion, and his body burned. Another man was seriously hurt by the explosion. The total loss will

aggregate \$80,000. A Blue Works Destroyed by Fire. NEWARK, N. J., March 23-Heller Merzs' dtrane marine blue works, at the foot of Hamburg place, was destroyed by fire this m orning at 5 o'clock.

The loss on Heller & Merz's ultra marine blue factory is \$150,000; insurance, \$250,000. HALF-BREEDS AND INDIANS.

They Seize Government Stores and Make Prisoners of the Officials.
Winniped, March 23.—Advices from Prince Albert and Carlton show that the rising among the Saskatchewan half-breeds is somewhat serious. They have been joined by a large number of Indians and have taken possession of the government stores at Carlton, made prisoners of the officials and threaten the fort there. Over one hundred mounted police have started from Swift Cur rent for the scene of the trouble, another de tachment will leave the same point in a day or two. A squad stationed at Winnipeg starts over to-morrow morning. The tele graph line has been cut west of Humboldt, and dispatches have to be brought to that

point by messenger. Illinois' Senatorial Deadlock. SPRINGFIELD, 18ts., March 23. In joint

ssembly to-day, 13 senators and 44 representatives answered the roll-call. On the first vote for senator, Morrison received 21, Black 2, and Ward 1. The assembly then adfourned.