THE PACKERS RECRIVING THE NE WEED IN LARGE QUANTITIES.

One-third of the Crop Purchased-A Buyer Wi Says the White Veln in Havana Seed is Not So Bad as Painted-A List of the Transactions of the Week.

Five or six hundred cases of old leaf were disposed of since our last report, including 200 cases of '81 and 100 of '83, sold by Skiles & Fry; 65 cases of '81 and 70 cases of 83 by D. A. Mayer, and 99 cases '81 by C. A. Reese Mr. Trout bought of Bach 60 cases of '83, The receipts of new tobacco at the city warehouses were large, several packers receiving

as much as 30,000 or 40,000 pounds each. It is estimated that about one-third of the crop of '84 has been bought, and a number of buyers are yet in the field, though they say that they are buying but little and that they have difficulty in securing good leaf; that comparative small proportion of the crop good, and that it is held unreasonably hig by growers, considering the low prices that rule in all other branches of trade. So they

say. And as grain is now advancing in price perhaps they will be willing to offer better prices for tobacco. We shall see.

An experienced packer who is not wont to built the market said to us on Monday that while there is a good deal of white vein in the Hayana seed of '84 the crop is going to be a seed of the control the Hayana seed of 84 the crop is going to pan out much better than is generally sup-posed. He has sampled a couple hundred cases packed largely in the season and he de-clares them to be "beautiful," and is going to buy more of the same sort. He has no doubt that Lancaster county is the favored spot for Havana seed, and contemplates the crop will be much freer from white than that of '81. Growers, however, do not take a very may

view of the situation. A correspondent writing from the lower end says: There have been very few lots disposed of the couraged, and a far less acreage will be the result for the value of the couraged, and a far less acreage will be the result for the couraged, and a far less acreage will be the result for the current year."

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A Providence correspondent says: "To bacco buyers are moving around over this section and have been making a few pur-chases. Mr. Peter Domel has bought for Mr. J. G. Zook, three-fourths of an acre of seed leaf from J. R. Stokes at 10, 5, 2. One acre from Mr. Elias Coble, at 6, 2. One acre Ha-vana from Mr. Rudolph Miller, at 6, 2. Mr. John Hiland for the same firm bough to ohn O'Brien I acre seed leaf at 4½ round. A Bart correspondent says:

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A Since our last report some little life in the weed has been manifest, but nothing near as exciting as in former years. We can report

To Dehaven, Auron Hartman Liere Havana, 12 through, and Lacre seed leaf, 14, 4, 2. To Friend, Thes. Russell D₄ aere, 16, 2. To Kendig, S. Piekel 2 arres seed leaf, 9, 3, 2; S. Hamer 21; acres Havana, 10, 3, 2; J. Draucker 1 acre 16, 3, 2; S. Hamer 4 acres seed leaf, 9, 3, 2. To Martin & Fritz, J. Thompson 14 acres, 6, 214; M. Girvin 14 acre, 8, 2; J. Baugh-

In Bart township near Nine Points, the following sales of Havana tobacco took place

To Eager: W Bentley, I acre at 814, 3 and 2: David Minn, lacre to same, private terms. Erubaker bought of Jos. T. Evans 3 acres at 19, 6 and 3. William DeHaven bought of Daniel McGowan I acre at 8, 4 and 2 and of William Rice I acre at 10, 3 and 2. H. Baugh-William Rice I acre at 10, 5 and 2. H. Baughannan sold to Hensel 3 acres at 83, 4 and 2. John F. Graham, of Sadsoury, to Friend, 1)4 acres at 17, 5, and 2. Geo. Graham to Hershock, 1)4 acres at 1845 5 and 2. Henry Graham 2 acres to same at 23 through.

oner John Gingrich s his crop of three acres of Havana tobacco to a Baltimore firm at 20, 4 and 2. Severa other parties in the same township sold their tobacco to the same firm at about the same

A Drumore correspondent reports the fol To Bunzl, Geo. Lefevre 2 acres 13, 4, 2; Simon Rissler 2 acres 11, 4, 1. To DeHaven, G. O. Phillips 1 acre 8 through. To Levy, il. Shaub 4 acres 14, 4, 2. To Skiles & Fry,

On account of the extremely cold weather very few farmers have as yet prepared their seed-beds. Those who have done so have the beds covered with glass.

We summarize from the Tobacco Leaf the state of the market in New York for the past

Western Leaf-The sales the past week were not large, though the inquiry was no-ticeable. Regie buyers having been among the seekers for goods available and unavail-

able. Low grade old Burleys were taken among other sorts, as also were new dark Virginia Leaf-Sales of dark leaf for ex port and of old bright smokers comprised the bulk of the transactions in Virginia leaf

ed Leaf-The market continues dull and dreary, with nothing to break the monotony of its humdrum tone. Sales of ISSI B's and C's are readily made, and at pretty fair prices too. They are becoming scarce and appear to be finding considerable favor in the eyes of manufacturers. The new Wisconsin and Housatonic Hayana seed still hold the trade' good opinion, and we way expect to hear of an appreciable movement in these tobaccos

ere long. Spanish—Havana fillers were taken to the extent of 300 bales to 68c to \$1.15. The trade seems to be awakening to the fact that there is more truth than poetry in the reports of the partial failure of the new crop. More life was shown in the market this week, and prices, though not advancing, continue firm Sumatra-150 bales were disposed of in jobbing way at \$1.20 to \$1.60. One able feature was the sale of a lot of se at \$1.85. Seventy-five cents duty had been paid on this lot. Very little fine tobacco is to be had now, and a great deal of picking is done in consequence. Insteal of taking fifty, seventy-five and one hundred bales at a time, as was done by buyers a year ago, the seventy buy small lot of ten, fiftern purchasers now buy small lot of ten, fifteen and twenty-five bales. They don't make a purchase unless they really need the to-

bacco.
Plug—The past week seems to show a slight improvement in trade, and the impression is that trade will continue to improve when navigation opens and people get to work again. Some of our jobbers seem to be doing a very fair business, and their stocks wil

Prices are very firm, with no present pres-pect of a decline. Exports, 162,717 pounds, against 88,355 last week.
Smoking—A fair demand for all grades of

smo. ing tobacco is reported.
. Cights—The cigar market has continued moderately active. Gans' Weekly Report.

Sales of seed leaf tobacco reported for the INTELLIGENCER by J. S. Gans' Son & Co., Vork, for the week ending April 13th, 1885: 400 cases 1883, Pennsylvania, 86/12½c; 200 1881 Pennsylvania, 56/11c; 120 cases 1883 New England, 106/13½c; 25 cases 1882, Ohio, p. 1: 140 cases Wisconsin Havena, 815 (630c; Total, 885 cases.

Philadelphia Market. Prade in manufactured tobaccos is unchanged, with prices steady. Fine cut, smokin, tobaccos, snuff and eigars move off

The deman, tor eigar leaf tobacco the pas week has been moderate, and confined largely to low grade and medium styles of tobacco. A few fine wrappers of the erop of tobacco will be sold low, while the wrappers will be fine and yield largely in quantity, has grown to a general belief among manufacturers; therefore business continues light, purchasers buying only as they need. Prices still remain very low, while transactions are unsatisfactory. Sumatra sells in limited quantities.

pure pasers.

Resulpts for the week:—250 cases Connecticut, 3f6 cases Pennsylvania, 116 cases Ohio, 131 cases Vork state, 67 cases Wisconsin, 35 Jules Sumatra, 127 bales Havana and 187 dahds Virginia and Western leaf tobacco.

Sales for domestic use:—100 cases Connecticut, 364 cases Pennsylvania, 72 cases Ohio, 58 cases York state, 81 cases Wisconsin, 20

bales Sumatra, 92 bales. Hayana and 17 hhds Western leaf in transit direct to manufactur.

ers, Exported of leaf tobacco—To London 23,-819 pounds; to Liverpool 39,325 pounds; to Havana 1,713 pounds; total, 64,857 pounds. Baltimore Market.

Receipts of Maryland tobacco continue very small, on account of the unfavorable weather for bandling, and business there-fore is much restricted. All desirable samples find ready buyers at firm prices. Of Ohio we hear of no sales. Stock in ware-houses small and prices held firm. Connecticut Valley Leaf Market.

from the American Cultivator. Quiet reigns in the tobacco market through out the valley of the Connecticut. Sales are rare. Mud is abundant. There is a strong effort to buy the crop at nominal figures, not because of any overproduction, but because the dealers or packers have lost immense smis in their purchases in Pennsylvania for the last three or four years. Tobacco ruled as high as 20 cents through in Pennsylvania, and now thousands of cases are sold at from 6 to 12 cents for wrappers and binders. The

6 to 12 cents for wrappers and binders. The same men are now buying with the view of shouldering their losses upon the producers. Out of a list of 28 sales, reported in the Marietta (Pa.) Times, the prices of Havana seed range from 5 and 20 cents to 9, 3 and 2 cents assorted, averaging about 7, 3 and 2 cents assorted, barely filter prices.

The same game would be played in this valley if it were possible. A prominent New York house has authorized their agents to take such crops as he can obtain for 7c., that are good. Our best growers will not sell at those figures. Nor will they give away the present crop for the purpose of growing another. The few sales have been confined to small lots, at least 5c. lower than similar lots sold for six weeks ago. Some of our lolots sold for six weeks ago. Some of our lo-cal packers have finished work for the season. Fairchild, of Sunderland, has packed 1,200 cases. Farmers hardly know what to do about growing tobacco this season or what variety to grow. Our advice is for the bulk of our farmers to grow Havana seed, with not less than 8,000 plants to the r

The Baldwinsville Leaf Market. From the Baldwinsville Gazette. We are sorry to say there is nothing of in terest to write about in a tobacco market Dullness prevails throughout the whole tobacco country. Occasionally there is a sale at prices ranging from 10 to 12 cents, but these sales are becoming less numerous. If grow-ers are willing to sell at such figures, we cannot see the reason for buyers keeping away. The present crop contains as good tobacco as was ever grown in this section.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN PROVIDENCE The Favorable Impression Made by a New Min ister-Dynamite for Blowing out

There may be some white vein, but it is the

exception rather than the rule

Stumps-Other Notes. SMITHVILLE April 13.-Sunday morning Rev. G. Read, the newly appointed minister for Mt. Nebo circuit preached at Clearfield M. E. church. The reverend gentleman chose for his subject Mathew v.16; "Let your light shine" etc., which text he handled in quite an able manner, Mr. Read is a man of middle age, of most pleasing address and musical voice. His sermon showed con siderable depth of thought with an aptness of illustration, which combination will always ommand the attention of an audience,

command the attention of an audience.

Mr. Simon S. Lehman has been experimenting with dynamite in blowing out stumps on his place and reports favorably of the results. He considers it very effective and practicable for that purpose.

Mr. Benj. F. Herr, merchant and limeburner of Refton, has purchased fifty acres of fine timber land on the border of Martic township, and is clearing the same and contownship, and is clearing the same and con verting the timber into posts, rails, and wood, for use and shipment. It is under the supervision of Mr. Peter Miller and is giving on the site of his old residence, which he has

cleared away. He has already started the masons and carpenters to work on it. The farmers are getting into the ground slowly, but spring work seems to have a reg ular set-back, and very little life is manifest ed yet by them; though a few are preparing to seed outs, but are impeded by the weathe and wetground. Every one seems anxiou for the opening of spring.

Mr. David Fland has vacated the old tayern

stand, well known to the traveler as the "Blue Bell," and Mr. Benjamin Heisler has rented this ancient hostelry, and now occupie

ing and accommodating landlord.

Mr. John Riley has moved back to his old home, near Hickory Grove, and the house he vacated is occupied by Mr. Ellis Harlan.

PENNSYLVANIA'S ARBOR DAY. The Arrangements Made to Celebrate it By Our Schools.

The teachers of the public schools of this city appreciating the liberality of the board of school directors shown in the purchase of trees and vines for the ornamentation of the school grounds, have made special preparations to celebrate Pennsylvania's first Arbo Day with appropriate exercises. State Supt. Higbee, ex-State Supt. Wickersham, City Supt. Buehrle, Dr. J. Levergood, president of the board of school directors, and Marriott Brosins, esq., have promised to address some of the schools. Devotional exercises will be conducted by Rev. Drs. Gast and Mitchell and Revs. Hark, Houpt, Reed, Fry and Mayser. Some of the schools have not yet completed their arrangements, and no doubt

pleted their arrangements, and no doubt other names will be added.

The teachers on South Mulberry street, under the leadership of Prof. Matz, have prepared a large programme, of which one of the special features is a song by the Lancaster Mænnerchor. The exercises here will com-prise German and English selections. All the leachers extend cordial invitations to the directors, especially the visiting committee to be present, and hope they and the patrons of the schools will thus encourage them in their efforts to make the governor's Arbo Day proclamation productive of great good.

The exercises at the schools will begin as

and West James street schools at 8 o'cloc a. m.: New street schools at 9 a. m.: High schools and Prince and Chestnut street schools at 10 a. m.; Lemon street schools at 11 West Chestnut street schools at 1 o'clock p. m.; West Chestnut street and South Prince street schools at 2 p. m.; Rockland street schools at 3 p. m. and Manor street schools at 4 p. m.

REV. DR. TITZEUS COMING.

Some Account of the Good Work Done in the Field That He Leaves. Rev. Dr. J. M. Titzel, late of Altoons, and the new pastor of the First Reformed church of this city, preached his farewell sermon to his Altoona congregation on Sunday evening. His text was: "Finally, my brethren, fare well." The church was crowded with an in-terested audience. Under his charge the congregation there increased in numbers from 297 to 407; the church was freed from debt; 221 persons were received into full communion-96 by confirmation, 125 by tificate and renewed professions of faith. He baptised 94 infants, married 50 couples and conducted the funeral services of 60 persons. 21 of whom were communicant members of

The Altoona Times, in noticing the depar ture of Rev. Dr. Titzel and family, who are expected in Lancaster to-morrow, says: "Dr. Titzel not only has the satisfaction of knowing that his work was fruitful in the charge he is leaving, but must appreciate the fact that he has the love and confidence of the that he has the love and connectee of the people of the city, as well as of those to whom he ministered. The people who went to hear him preach his farewell sermon hast evening attested by their numbers and by their many evidences of warm feeling the high regard they entertain for him. We can ill-afford to lose such men as Dr. Titzel—a minister and a teacher without reproach, an eloquent pulpit orator, and a Christian gentleman who casts sunshine all about him—but as such can rec-ommend him to the people to whom he is

Samuel Hess, auctioneer, sold on Monday at public sale, for Paniel Logan at his sale and exchange stables Lancaster city, 21 head of Ohio horses at an average price of \$186.50 JOHN BENSON ARRESTED.

THE ABSCONDING LEBASON LAWYER PICKED UP BY OFFICER PYLE.

Arrested in the Harrisburg P. R. R., Static at One O'clock in the Morning-Brought to the Lancaster Jall and To He Taken to His Old Home.

Railroad Officer Wash Pyle has arrested John M. Benson, the Lebanon lawyer who skipped from that town on the night of Mon day, March 23, after he learned that his defal cations of many thousands had become pullie. The arrest was made shortly after one

o'clock this morning. When the Philadelphia express train from the West arrived at Harrisburg at that hour, Officer Pyle heard a man on the train call an officer. Railroad Officer Myers was at the station, but he did not respond to the call and Pyle told him he would go and see what was wanted. He did go and a man who turned out to be a resident of Lebanon, who knew Benson, who had come on the same train and was himself going through to Philadelphia, said to the officer : "There goes John M. Benson, the Lebanon lawyer, who is wanted for embezzlement and forgery."

Benson overheard the conversation and started to run away. He was followed by Pyle and caught. Benson turned on the officer and showed fight, but when he saw that Bute. that Pyle meant business he surrendered and acknowledged that he was the man

wanted.
Pyle kept him at Harrisburg until the Fast Line arrived, and on that he brought him to this city and locked him up at the station

A telegram was sent by Pyle to the Lebs non authorities and a reply was received sta-ting that a Lebanon officer would be here on the first train. Benson was searched and in his pocket book were \$128.61. He told the officers several stories. One was that he was on the road to his home at Lebanon to arrange his difficulties; that for \$2,600 he could settle all the prosecutions against him and that his property there was worth \$10,000, against which there were only \$3,300. Another story he told was that he just came from home, where he had been for several days. BENSON'S EMBEZLEMENTS.

The following was the account of Benson's difficulties published on the second day after he had absconded from Lebanon:

"John Benson, aged 55 years, a prominent lawyer of Lebanon, disappeared Monday night, and his whereabouts is unknown up to Il o'clock Tuesday night. In his flight it has been learned that he took with him \$25,000 belonging to persons of Lebanon, which he had received for the purpose of safe investment. The money was given to Benson mostly by ladies, in sums ranging from \$500 to \$1,000. The defaulter was well known the purpose of the purpose well known throughout the county, and was a church member. He leaves a wife and four children. Benson had property to the value of several thousand dollars, but on exvalue of several thousand dollars, but on ex-amining the records at the court house it was discovered that it was mortgaged to its full value, leaving nothing for his family or creditors. The disappearance has created the greatest excitement and is the sole topic f conversation. Benson's friends endervored at first to keep the matter quiet, but as the sums appropriated by him were so large, and the aggregate increasing every minute, they were at last compelled to acknowledge that he was a defaulter to many thousand dollars."

WHAT HE HAS TO SAY. A representative of the Intelligences saw Benson in his cell at the station house this morning. He was pacing the cell, appeared to be in great trouble and was not disposed to be communicative. He denied that he had run away from home on account of any forgeries and said that when taken nto custody he was on his way t being his attention to walk from Harris-ourg to his home. When asked why he inended to walk when he had money to pay his fare he could not give any answer. He declined to say where he had come from, but one story he told Pyle was that be came from Williamsport on the Philadelphia express. The fact is he could not have come from Williamsport on the Philadelphia express. lamsport on that train.

THE LEBANON OFFICER ARRIVES. Chief of Police Isaac Leedom, of Lebanon, rrived in this city in the morning train. His statement is that Benson is wanted to answer a charge of embezzlement and forgery, on a omplaint made by Catherine Light. She entrusted \$2,950 to Benson in the early part of 1881, and in return received what she thought was a judgment bond on real estate. A short time ago she learnest that Benson had forged the judgment, and she notified him that unless he refunded her money she would prosecute him. He was unable to raise the money and abscorded from the town. In the chief's opinion fast wome were the cause of Benson's downfall.

A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS T. J. Davis, esq., counsel for Benson, med out a writ of habeas corpus this morning. upon which Benson was taken from jail to have a hearing before Judge Livingston at 2 p. m., but his honor refused to hear the case on the ground that there had been no final

hearing.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon Benson was given a hearing by Alderman McConomy and handed over to the Lebanon chief of police. Benson will be taken to Lebanon or

CLEAN THE DIRTY STREETS.

The New Street Committee Proposes to Take Measures to Avert Epidemics. The street committee of councils organ zed on Monday evening for the ensuing year by the election of William Riddle as chair

nan and Edwin S. Smeltz as clerk. Chairman Riddle had the following section of the city ordinance, in reference to the duies of the street commissioner and police officers read; "That it shall be the special duty of all officers of the police of the city, and officers concerned in the execution of the laws and ordinances of the same, to inform of, to prosecute for all offenses agains the said laws and ordinances, which shall come under their notice, or within their knowledge; and that as far as may be in their power, they shall inquire and find out their power, they shall inquire and find out the names of persons who may have committed any nuisance or other offense, which may come under their observation and of such persons, also, who may neglect or refuse to fulfill any provision of the law or ordinances. And it is hereby also ordained that the street commissioner shall, at least on the first Monday of every month visit and go through the various parts and the whole of the city and examine for, and ascertain what nuisance, (if any) exists; and to see that the several laws and ordinances, on the execution and fulfilment of which depend the health, cleanliness and good depend the health, cleanliness and good order of the city are well and faithfully obeyed and complied with. And he shall immediately thereafter give information to the mayor, aldermen or justices, of the nuisances, violations and omissions which he nuisances, violations and omissions which he may have discovered; and if any officer aforesaid shall herein offend or neglect, or refuse to perform the several duties herein required of him, or shall neglect or refuse to inform of any nuisances, or violation of the ordinances of the city which may come to his knowledge, he shall forfeit and pay for every such offense, the sum of thirty dollars and he liable to be removed from office." such offense, the sum of thirty do.

RESOLVING AGAINST CHOLERA. Chairman Riddle offered the following re solutions, which were unanimously adopted solutions, which were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, By the street committee that in view of the fact that the cholera may become epidemic throughout the country during the coming summer, and in order to provide against any such epidemic in this city, that the street commissioner be and is hereby insructed to carry out the requirements of the above-named ordinance. And that the mayor be requested to call the attention of the police to the same, in order that they may cooperate with the street commissioner in the execution of all laws on which depend the health, cleanliness and good order of the city. Recution of all laws on which depend the health, eleanliness and good order of the city. Resolved, That the several newspapers be requested to call the attention of all property holders and citizens to the importance of proper sanitary measures in their respective localities, in order that the present healthy condition of the city may be preserved.

TWO TERRIBLE ACCIDENTS.

Seven Men Buried Under 500,000 Bricks-Fall of New York Tenements.

A horrible accident occurred in Osceola, Mich., on Monday at 4 p. m. While George Fulton, Joe Biddle, Tom Mitchell, George Gordon, Frank Maynard, John Hartwick and a man whose name is unknown were clearing the brick out of the smoke stack of John Gram's mill, the bottom tier gave way and the seven men were buried under 500,

The burners, which fell with the men, were about 100 feet high and thirty feet across. The men were inside, about thirty feet from the ground, repairing the brief walls when their scatfolding gave way and brought down the mass of bricks and lumber apon them. Most of the men have families Five of the men were killed outright— Hartwick, Biddle, Mitchell, Maynard and the unknown. Fulton was severely but not fatally injured, and Gordon, aged 17 years, was dangerously injured.

The Accident in New York.
Eight five-story tenement houses on the south side of West Sixty-second street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, that had Monday afternoon while efforts were being made to brace them up. Half a hundred workmen were at work in or about the buildings at the time. At least thirteen of them were injured, none fatally. The most superficial examination of the debris showed the cause of the disaster to be

wretched workmanship and poor material.
The mortar contained little or no sand, but loam or mud instead, and was wholly unfit for use. This and the fact that the building ad been erected during the cold weather, of wet and frozen bricks, were directly the

wet and frozen bricks, were directly the cause of the collapse.

The builder, Charles A. Buddensick, who was responsible, left the neighborhood in a carriage immediately after the disaster, and drove to his residence in East Seventy-seventh street. Where he went from there nobody could learn. The policemen who arrested the master bricklayer, Charles Frank, could not find the builder. rank, could not find the builder

The erection of the building had been going on since last December, during all the cold weather. The fourth-story walls showed weakness in a sudden thaw before the fifth story was reached, and had to be taken down. Workmen were forbidden to carry home of timber left by the carpenters. builder's order these were to be used in filling in the walls to save bricks, which were sometimes put in by the armful. When a good thaw set in the walls began to weaken and steps were taken to brace them up from both ends so that they would stick together until the roofs could be put on and the end walls rebuilt. The walls stood thus for a week or two without, so far as could be learned, exciting the curiosity of the building department, under whose nose the imi tation mortar was used. The heavy warm rain of Sunday morning completed the work segun by thaw. On Monday it was seen that the three houses at the west end were in im-minent danger of falling. The foundation had bulged noticeably, and the walls were

shaky. Builder Buddensick's attention was called o the structure. He set men to work to fix up the walls and foundations. Four stone-masons and eighteen carpenters were at work on this when the crash came. There were roofers, painters, lathers and plumbers numbering perhaps thirty at work about the premises at the time.

At midnight it was thought that four persons still in the ruins

Searching for the Baried Men NEW YORK, April 14.-The work of digging out the unfortunate men supposed to have been buried in the ruins of the fallen buildings in Sixty-second street, was continued all night and this morning scores of willing hands are still digging away in the hope of recovering the bodies of the men sa

to be in the rains. A large crowd of laborers gathered around the rains this morning, in the hope of being set to work on the debris, but their services were not needed. Many of them insisted or helping in the work of rescue, and at times became so demonstrative that it was feared there would be trouble. A strong force of police, which was on guard, however, kept the more turbulent spirits under control. Up to 12 o'clock no more bodies had been recovered.

THE CONTRACTOR ARRESTED. Buddensick, the contractor and builder of the houses was arrested at 1 p. m. to-day. One of the victims has died and the case against the builder will be vigorously pushed. The mortar he used was little better than mud : the walls were of second class brick and the beams and rafters were of the smallest dimensions and worst quality.

MASKED BURGLARS AGAIN.

They Enter a Toll-Keeper's House, Severely Beat and Finally Rob Him. A burglary and robbery not unlike that which took place some weeks ago at the residence of Mr. Linville, in Salisbury township, took place at the residence of John R. Royer, toll-keeper at the gate on the turnpike half a mile from Ephrata. At one o'clock Monday morning three masked burgla:s cut a panel from the door, entered the house, and by the aid of a dark lantern stole their way to Mr. Royer's bed room, rudely awakened him and with cocked revolvers pointed at his head demanded his money or his life. He refused to tell them where his money was and attempted to teat the mask from the face of one of the burglars A scuffle ensued and Mr. Royer was beaten. One of the robbers proposed to shoo him, but the others prevented it. Mr. Royer's daughter, who was awakened by the scuffle and saw her father at the mercy of the rob-bers, begged of them to spare him, and then told them where to find the money about \$50, which was concealed in a bureau

drawer.
The affair has created great excitement in Ephrata and vicinity, and it is believed that the robbers are a part of the Buzzard gang, the rooters are a part of the hazzard gaug, or of the jail-breakers who escaped from Dover jail a few days ago, and who are known to have gone in the direction of the Ephrata mountains. They are a dangerous crowd, and the local police will be shy of them unless a sufficient reward shall be offered for their arrest.

MAINNERCHOR ENTERTAINMENT.

Enjoyable Concert and Sociable, the First of A good audience was present at Mænnerchor hall last evening at the first concert and sociable by the Mænnerchor society since the Lenten season. As usual with all the entertainments given by this society, that of last evening was most enjoyable. In the concert that opened the festivities the trained selected male voices sang very finely in solo, quar-tette and chorus. The most notable of the vening performances were Sachtgesang" by a quartette, and the sole Wenn einer glucklich Hochzeit Macht." following is the concert programme:

Orchestra—Medley Overture—"Blossoms of 1884" (Beetiger.) Chorus—"s Teeppele" (Koschat.) Quartette—"Sindenten Nachtgesang" (Fisbor), H. Schmidt, G. Pfeiffer, A. Ball, C. Schlotthauer, Orchestra—Gavotte—"Bose of Erin" (Moses.) Solo—"Wenn Einer Glucklich Hochzeit" Macht (Meilleker), H. Schmidt, Chorus—"Abschied vom Walde" (Mendels-sohn.) ohn.) Orchestra—Overture—"Night" (Brooks.) Chorus—"'s Rœserl' von Wærtersee" (Kos-

orehestra—" Tally-Ho Galop " (Bernstein.) The different portions of the programme were well rendered and vigorously applauded. After the concert was concluded, dancing was begun under the inspiring strains of Taylor's orchestra, and was continued until the early

On Thursday night thieves broke into the

moke-house of Frederick Dagens, Pequea township, below West Willow, and stole therefrom the meat of three large hogs and about one hundred pounds of dried beet. Received His Pension. Abraham Maxwell, market-master, this morning received a check for \$1,494 back pension and a certificate entitling him to \$10 per month pension from this date. THE WAR CLOUD.

IT THREATENS TO OVERCAST THE EN-TIRE BASTERN SKY.

Harriedly Summons His Cabinet a Prolonged Secret Council-Significant Conferences With the Representatives of the Turkish Government.

LONDON, April 14.-The members of the abinet were hastily and unexpectedly summoned to a meeting by Mr. Gladstone this evening and remained in session fully eighty minutes. It is believed the government is in receipt of further important dispatches in regard to the affair on the Kushk river.

After the meeting Lord Granville, minis ter for foreign affairs, held a projected interview with Musurus Pasha, the Turkish ambassador, and Fehmy Pasha, the special envoy of the Sultan. The hasty summor ng of the cabinet has set London once more agog, and it is fully expected that important developments will occur before another forty-eight hours have passed.

Lloyd's underwriters have advanced the premiums on vessels bound for ports in the Black sea, and Seas of Azof and Baltic to double the amount ordinarily charged for risks. War preparations are going on as actively as ever The government has received dispatches from Bombay announcing that transportation arrangements for hurrying troops and supplies to the Afghan frontier have been almost completed. Seventy housand transport animals, heavily laden with stores and munitions of war, are now en route to Pishin The Harbor of Bombay has been laid with

torpedoes, and every precaution taken to prevent Russian men of war from entering that port in case of war. These dispatches also announce the re

cipts by the Bombay officials of 4,000,000 eartridges from England.
Gladstone Speaks to the Commons LONDON, April 14 .- In the House of Com-

mons this evening Mr. Gladstone stated that the reports of further advances by the Russims troops on Afghanistan had not been confirmed and that he had received assurances from the St. Petersburg officials that the Russian officers now on the Kushk river and along the Afghan boarder had been instructed to keep from making any further forward movement. The announcement was received with

derisive laughter and cries of "Oh," "Oh," from the Conservatives.

THE FOREIGN WARS.

Signs That the Russians Want to Get Their Vessels Into Safety. LONDON, April 14.-Telegrams from St. Petersburg state that the Russian Mediterranean squadron has been ordered to the Baltic. This intelligence creates the impres sion that the negotiations between London and St. Petersburg are making no progress and that Russia is making haste to move her war vessels to places of comparative safety before an actual rupture occurs between the two governments.

LONDON, April 14.—A dispatch from Shanghai says that the negotiations which have been in progress between M. Patenotre, the French ambassador to China, and the Chinese officials, with a view to the arrange ment of a definite treaty of peace between their respective countries have been sus pended, a hitch having arisen from certain demands made by the Chinese government,

A Haughty Minister. CAIRO, April 14 .- Nubar Pasha, Egyptian prime minister, has declined to entertain the request of the French embassy for reparation in the matter of the seizure of the journal Bosphore Egyptian.

The Action of the Nationalist Leaders Con-demned By the Conservatives. DUBLIN, Apr. 14.—There was a terrible row t Mallow Junction, County Cork, Monday afternoon, on the arrival of the Prince and Princess of Wales from Dublin, on their way o visit the Earl of Listowel at his seat a Connamore. A large crowd broke through the police lines, and were driven back at th point of the bayonet. Messrs, O'Brien, Redmond and Harrington, Irish members of Parliament, were in the crowd and were badly mauled. The news of the affair created great excitement in Cork, where John O'Connor made it the text of a violent appeal to the Irishmen to rebel against Eng

The papers to-day all contain comments on the disturbance and nearly all unite in condemning the action of the National leaders Some are exceedingly severe in their remarks and especially single out and lash Messrs, O'Brien, Harrington and Deasy for the part they took.

MINGLED CHEERS AND THREATS. CORK, April 14.—The Prince and Princess of Wales arrived at Carraghmore, to-day The royal train passed through Lismere and Dungarvan, where enthusiastic crowds were it the railway stations, and tendered them ovations. Over the Temperance hall, at Dungaryan, however, there floated a black flag bearing the legend, "Down with Castle

IN A BAD WAY.

A U. S. Vessel That Can Neither Get Up Stream Nor Down. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14 .- A private letter received from an officer on board the U. S. steamer "Juniata," yesterday, dated February 27, says: "The Juniata has been at the Pagoda anchorage on the Min river, eight miles below Foo Chow, for two months and we are unable to move. We cannot ascend because of the shallowness of the river; we cannot descend because the mouth of th river is blockaded by torpedoes."

Reports of the condition of the Juniata have reached here unofficially, but the authoritie have denied emphatically that the vessel was

The State of the U. S. Treasur WASHINGTON D. C., April 14.-Treasury balances to-day: Gold coin and bullion \$242,053,761; silver dollars and bullion, \$161. 771,627; fractional silver coins, \$30,800,157 Inited States notes, \$44,904,138; nations bank notes, \$7,114,418; deposits with national bank depositories, \$8,804,998. Total, \$495,

080 ; silver, \$111,759,431 ; currency, \$24,540, Internal revenue receipts, \$197,331; cus toms, \$710,032.

Certificates outstanding : Gold, \$170,609,

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—The secre tary of the treasury has appointed Supervis ing Architect Bell and Surgeon General Ham-ilton a committee to devise a plan for immediately improving the sanitary condition and ventilation of the treasury building. The report of a chemist who recently made a careful examination of the building, states the the sanitary requirements of ventilation are more completely ignored in the treasury de-partment building than in any penitentlary

Good Prospect For Grain.
BERLIN, April 14.—The prospects of the vinter grain crop in Prussia are good, except in the provinces of Saxony, Posen, Pomerania and Schlesioz.

in the United States.

LEGISLATIVE ROUTINE. Committee Appointed to Ascertain Whether Certain Hospital Grant Was Obtained Under False Representations. HARRISHURG, Pa., April 14.—In the Hous

to-day a committee was appointed to inquire into the charges that \$12,500 were obtained from the state treasury for the establishmen of a hospital at Connelisville by the false representation that a similar amount had been raised by private subscription, in accordance with the requirements of the act which conlitioned the payment of the state appropriation on the payment of a like sum by the people

of Fayette county. Harwick, of Lehigh, made an unsuccessfu effort to pass a resolution for the adjourn-ment of the Legislature, to enable the members to participate in the Arbor Day cere

House bills were passed finally as follows: Requiring the erection of fire escapes, or other suitable appliances, on the outside of hotels, factories and other buildings; making sales of seated and unseated lands for arrearages of taxes valued and effective whether seated or unseated at the tim of assessment; providing for the publication of the Pennsylvania archives; arthorizing Philadelphia to borrow \$3,000,000 at 31/2 per cent., to increase it water supply; authorize izing cities of the first, second, third and fourth classes to pay firemen and policemen or the loss of time consequent on the injuries received while in the service of the city. In the Senate the House bill to permit de fendants in criminal cases to testify was negatively reported. Steele introduced a bill for the better protection of life and limbs of horses, cattle and other live stock in public places. The Senate bills that passed third reading with amendments were as follows: Relating to the duties of the city treasurers in third-class cities ; supplement to the act dividing cities nto three classes; regulating the passage of ordinances providing for contracts, etc.; and providing for the incorporation and governnent of cities of the third class.

SUCCEEDING HOPES AND FEARS. fter a Good Night's Rest Grant Asks for His

NEW YORK April 14, 630 A. M.—General iranthas slept well and naturally all night, only waking to take his nourishment. He says he feels better than he has for several weeks. His throat has required no attention other than gargling. Pulse 72, temperature J. H. DOUGLAS, M. D.

The Patient Says He Feels "Good." New York, April 14.-The past twentyfour hours has been a time of succeeding hopes and fears in the home of General Grant. During the early part of last night moments of reassurance were constantly followed by periods of alarm. When the patient would be dozing most profusely he would be startled from his rest by violent fits of coughing and choking. The latter part of the night was passed quietly, however, the patient sleeping almost constantly. The general awoke at daybreak.

Dr. Donglas asked him how he felt. "Good," replied the patient; "I feel sur prised at myself." The general was given a partial sponge

bath with water and prepared to pass the day n his reclining chair. He surprised both the doctor and Harrion, the valet, by asking for his breakfast. When Dr. Douglas left the house at 10

. m. he was asked about the improvement in the general's condition. He said he could make no predictions; he only looked at the dition of the that was surprising, but he feared the change would be only temporary. THE AFTERNOON BULLETIN. New York, April 14.-2:45 p. M.-General

Grant continues in the improved condition noted in the last bulletin. The general is now sitting in his library reading the morning papers. He has not complained of pain during the morning. Pulse 82, temperature

J. H. Douglas, M. D. normal. LABOR AND CAPITAL.

islied St. Louis Foundry Employes-Strike of Illinois Miners. St. Louis, Mo., April 14.-A large nun ber of the employes of the Missouri Car and Foundry company held a meeting last night and appointed a committee to wait on the superintendent of their works and lay their grievances before him. Their wages have seen cut from 5 to 20 per cent, and some of them have quit. They say they will not resume till their wages are restored, but the outlook is that the company will not accede to their demand and a formal strike will

result. STREATOR, Ills., April 14.-At a meeting of the Chicago, Wilmington & Vermilion coal company miners, yesterday, they decided not to accept a reduction of five cents a ton, and so agreed to strike, which threw about 1,200 men out of work.

A Thieving Western Bank Cashler. Омана, Neb., April 14.—Six months ago, harles Stolle, cashier of the First National bank of North Platte, Neb., severed his connection with the institution and left town. Two weeks ago he appeared in Omaha, and representing that he was about to start a bank at Gothenburg, Nels., purchased \$1,000 worth of fixtures on credit, shipping them to Gothenburg. He sold them for cash to a bank and fled. Meantime expert accountants from here were examining the books of the bank in North Platte, and so far they have

found a shortage of \$8,000 to \$10,000. A day or two ago it was learned that Stolle was hiding in San Jose, Cal., and a telegram was sent there ordering his arrest. Last night a telegram was received here announcing that he had been captured. He will be brought back to Nepraska for trial.

WHITNEY, Texas, April 14.—The storm of Saturday night did much damage to buildings, but no one was killed. The principal hotel was partially destroyed, many stocks of goods were badly damaged, and eight residences were unroofed. The cyclone came from a little south of west and was of great torce. It is feared that much injury to farm property and crops in Western Central

CHICAGO, April 14.-Dr. Simon Quinlin one of the judges of the third precinct of the Third ward, who swore out the warrant for the arrest of William J. O'Brien, charging him with complicity in the ballot-box bur glary, was arrested at his home 2,125 Wabash avenue at 1 o'clock this morning, for al leged false imprisonment. The complainant is W. J. O'Brien. At the hour named Dr. Quiniin was taken to the residence of Justice Hotaling, where he gave ball for his appearance to-day.

Died After Fasting Sixty-four Days LACROSSE, Wis., April 14.-Mary Moore, of a Crescent, Minn., has just died, after a fast of 64 days. She could only retain small quantities of water. For thirty-two days no ttempt has been made to administer food in any way. Previous to that time food was rejected instantly on being taken. The cause of the trouble is supposed to have been cancer

O'Donovan Ressa in Chicago.
Chricago, Ill., April 14.—O'Donovan Rossa arrived in Chicago last night, and was driven to the Clifton house. A few prominent Irishmen called upon but there was no demonstration. To-night a committee of 100 will except him to the West Twelfith street Turner hall, where he will speak. O'Donovan Rossa in Chicago

PRICE TWO CENTS. FIREMEN BURIED IN RUINS

A DREADFUL CATASTROPHE IN NEW YORK KARLY THIS MORNING.

fire Inddies Who Were Working on the Third Ploor of a Barning Plano Factory Precipitated on Their Comrades Below. Nine Taken From the Rains.

NEW YORK, April 14.—The four-story brick building occupied by John F. Hainer as a piano factory, in the rear of the lots Nos. 511 and 513 West Forty-second street, was guited by fire early this morning. The building was situated in a tenement house district, and there was great excitement among the tenants. The loss is estimated at \$20,000;

At 2:45 o'clock, when the fire was practically out, a number of fireman were on the second and third floors washing down the walls. The third floor was burdened with a number of heavy burdened with a number pianos and suddenly the charred beams sup-pianos and suddenly the charred beams sup-with a snap. The porting it gave way with a snap The men on that floor went through to the second and with the broken thubers fell upon their comrades. Cries and groans rose up from the interior of the building and the discount for the building and the second state. the building, and the firemen who were in the streets made a rush into the courtyard in front of the factory. Ambulances soon rat-tled through the streets and drew up in front of the piano factory, where 100 men were at work bringing out the firemen. It was believed that some were dead, and the excitement was intense. Man after man was brought out alive until nine bruised and wounded fellows had been placed in the ambulances and driven away to Roosevelt

Their names are Lieut, Samuel Reed and Firemen Henry T. McBride, John S. Price, and Mich'l Campbell, of Engine 54; Fireman Gorge W. Green, of Engine, No. 254; Capt. John Colby and Lieut. Oliver O'Rourke, of Hook and Ladder, No. 4, and Firemen Thomas Duffy and Richard Gorman. Gorman and Green it is believed are fatally injured. The wounds of the other men are considered very serious."

BIXTY GIRLS PANIC-STRICKEN

The Heavy Lores of Business Mer From a Big Fire in Chicago. CHICAGO, I.I. April 16.—The Render Reed building 77 and 79 Wabara avenue, is burning. A general alarm has in. The loss will exceed \$125,000.

The flames are supposed to have originated in Smith & Paragreen's photographic establishment, and a nong the losers are Deno, Foster, Dawley & Co., druggists a sunares & McLean and Retterer, whole ale design in strong

LAT R PARTICULARS

The fire is still raging, but is believed to be under control. The losses are roughly placed at \$100.

About sixty pais working in Heriig's etgar factory and Clagen's hair factory became panie-stricken, although out of the reach of danger, and several were hijm a lin rushing down the stairs

Among the loses are the following: Ma-Lean & Rettere, stove manufacturers, \$25, 000; Dean, Foster & Dawley, \$20,000; John R. Barrett, book-binder, 88,000; Smith & Patterson, \$6,000; Review printing company, \$,000; Schott, importer of toys, \$2,000; Lowenthall, Kaufman & Co., cigars and

TELEGRAPHIC TAPS.

Afternoon New by Wire in Condensed and Readable Form.

The Hebrew conference in session in Phili-adelphia to-day after taking action having regard to Sablath school and educational work, adjourne to meet in Baltimore, on

October 13.

Mr. Wm. Hayden Edwards, who has for some years been chief of the diplomatic bureau of the state department, has resigned to accept the position of private secretary to October 13. Mr. Isaac Bell, recently appointed minister to the Netherlan is. Mr. H. Sydney Everett, son of Edward Everett, and formerly secretary of the legation at Berlie, has been ap-

David H. McLeod, an agent for the Prudential life insurance company, was killed to day while passing some new houses on Preston street, Baltimore, by being struck on the head by a falling board, which was blown down by the wind. He was 51 years old and leaves a wife and several chil-

After a suspension of fourteen weeks work was resumed at the Pennsylvania colliery, Mt. Carmel, this morning. The mine gives

employment to 800 men.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES. The Condition of the Barometer and The mometer and Indications for the Morrow. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14 .-- For the Middle Atlantic states, fair weather, slight rise in temperature, winds shifting to east and south, falling, preceded in northeast por-

tion by rising barometer.

A storm of considerable energy has developed on the cast slope of the Rocky mountains, and is now central in Western Kansas. Generally fair weather prevails on the Southern, Middle and New England states, the Ohio valley and Lower Lake region, and light showers are reported from the Lake region and the Northwest. The winds are northerly on the Atlantic

coast and variable in the Lower Lake region. They are from east to south on the west Gulf states, the Mississippi, Ohio and Mis-souri valleys and Upper Lake region. For Wednesday—Warmer, partly cloudy weather is indicated for the districts on the

Atlantic coast, followed by light showers during Wednesday evening. Light rains are indicated for the Lake region, Tenness e and Ohio valley, with warmer weather. Committed to the Home. William Holloway was indentured by the managers of the Home for Friendless Chil-

dren to a farmer residing near Fairmount

some months ago. Yesterday the boy ran away from his home, walked to this city, and spent the night at the station house. He said he was badly treated, and that is the reason he ran away. He was returned to the Children's Home this morning. Matthias Heinsen, on complaint of Conrad schaeffer, has given bail for a hearing before Alderman McGlinn, to answer a charge

of perjury. Complainant alleges that Mr. Heinsen in a suit between the parties swore to certain facts, and in a subsequent suit contradicted his own testimony. The hearing will take place on Wednesday evening. At the Station House.

One drunk and eleven vags spent the night at the station house. The drunk—Wash Craig—an old offender, was sent out for ten days, and the lodger was discharged. One gas and twenty-seven gasoline lights failed to burn last night. David W. Greybill and Hiram B. Greybill, of Petersburg and Adam B. Greybill, of Petersburg and Adam B. Greybill, were arrested on Monday by Constable Hollman, on charges of conspiracy to defrand, preferred by Simon W. Elchenberg and George S. Buch. They entered bail for a hearing before Alderman Fordney on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

Driver Appointed.

Harry Auxer has been appointed driver of, fire engine No. 4, in place of Henry S. Resh, resigned. Mr. Auxer was connected with the volunteer fire department before the establishment of the paid department.