SOLID OFFIERES AURD.

holders of that company in this city and county. These policy-holders contend that

they are not liable to pay assessment charged them, as they allowed their policies

to lapse at a date prior to that on which the

The full list of those against whom suits have been brought are Emanuel Long, John

M. Moedinger, Christiau Woerner, Christine Woerner, Joseph Nobs, R. W. Wireback, Henry Broomali, Isaac Evans, Jacob S. Trout, Otto Pachelbel, Robert Clark, W. U.

Hensel, Samuel Brubaker, Jacob K. Barr, Samuel M. Myers, John F. Echternacht,

Wm. N. Brady, Thos. C. Wiley, Mary L. Martin, H. C. Martin, F. C. Ostermayer

David Zecher, Jacob Zecher, Thos. Hum-phreyville, D. P. Bitner, Elias M. Sheetz, D.

H. Kulp, H. R. McConomy, Geo. P. Brue-derly, A. S. Killian, F. W. Haas, B. S. Schip-

die, Davis Kitch, P. E. Gruger, Thos. C. Whiteon, A. L. Kolp, M. V. B. Coho, A. A. Herr, Dr. A. J. Herr, Geo. W. Styer, John De Haven,

H. H. Witmer, Wm. S. Connelly, Jacob Z. Eaby, Peter Wirth, Fred Goos, John F.

Geo. Russ, A. C. Reincehl, Dr. M. L. Herr, Henry Gerhart, Catherine A. High, A. F.

Retrochi, Henry Shaub, Dr. E. H. Witmer, Lizzie Davis, Cyrus Bruner, Eli Goll, R. M.

Agnew, Dr. J. M. Duniap, Dr. J. F. Duniap, Abraham Kline, D. W. Erb, Elizabeth Goos,

Gottleib Finkh, Sophia Finkh, Peter K. Wolfert, Harry D. Shults, E. R. Lyle, Alfred S. Mozson, Margaret A. Pullyman, James M. Duncan, W. W. Huber, John Zuercher,

All the above parties are sued for amount

ranging in amounts from \$30 to \$300. The

arge polley-holders of the company, it is

plaimed, owe over \$300, and these parties will

be sued in the court of common pleas, the

Leaman represents the receiver, and Major

A. C. Reinchl about one-half of the above

time, and a meeting was held several months ago of the policy-holders and it was decided

to resist payment, on the ground that they were not liable to the company. The policy-holders represented at that meeting retained

Major Reincehl to represent them in the suits

AN BARLY MORNING BLASE.

in East King Street Fire by Which a Famil

Was Nearly Soffocated.

A fire occurred this morning in the building owned by Miss S.M. Sryson, Nos. 343 and

345 East King street. There are two main

rooms in the front. The one on the wee

side is occupied by Philip Schmidt as a sad

a dry goods and notion store. The fire started in Schmidt's shop, and it was dis-

covered by Officers Cramer and Stormfelts

who in passing was attracted by the bright

They quickly aroused the firemen in the

m slarm was struck from box 14 at Snippen

and East King streets. The whole depart

ment responded, but their services were no

required as the fire was extinguished with

n awakening them. At one time it was

smoke, but they finally got out the back way.

How the fire originated no one knows. It

well and contained but a slight fire. The

sides and celling of the room were well filled

nearly all of which were burned sufficiently

to be of little value. Schmidt's stock is in

sured for \$250, but he does not think that will

cover his loss. Considerable water passed

and some of her goods were ruined. She

has no insurance on her stock, but has on the

building. The inside of the saddler shot

was scorehed, but the damage to the build-

TO REPRESENT WEST VIRGINIA.

United States Senstor Lucas Gets the Place

Through Gov. Wilson.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 28-Daniel B.

fight on Camden because of his alleged affli-ations with the Standard Oil company, Balti-

ations with the Standard Oil company, Batti-more & Ohio railread and other corporations. Lucas is a man of very short stature, a hunchback; and he has never taken very

high rank as a lawyer or statesman. His ap-pointment by Wilson was anticipated and will be alike resented by the Republicans and the great body of Democrats.]

Mardered His Brother.

OWENSBORO, Ky., Feb. 28 - William Bryant, an unmarried farmer, was killed

near here yesterday morning by his brother

Noah Bryant. Bryant had taken quite a fancy to Noah's 12-year-old boy, and was

taking the lad home with him whem they

were overtaken by the father, who shot

William dead. The fratricide is in the lockup

Choked on Meat.

Sabina, Ohio, Feb. 28.-Matthias Bish,

blacksmith of Richland, Ohlo, choked to

death on a piece of beef Saturday. He was

50 years old, of extensive acquaintance and

In the Weather Without Clothing

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 28 -Yesterday

norning Maggie Thompson, aged 20, of low

intelligence, was found in an out house yes terday, thinly clad, half unconscious with

her feet frozen. She says she was driven

Killed by a Mill Stack

CLEVELAND, Feb. 28.—About 10 o'clock this morning one of the great stacks at the

steel works of the Cleveland rolling mill

company fell, instantly killing lease Ed-

wards and fatally injuring Martin Henderson

and Michael Bittner. Six others were seri

ously injured. The men killed and injured

this morning were all at work outside the

Judge Barrett to Ba Witnets.

New York, Feb. 28.-Ex-Alderman Clear

appeared for trial this morning in oyer and

erminer, accompanied by his counsel, in-

cluding Hon. Daniel Dougherty, of Phil-

adelphia. Mr. Shafer announced that the defense would like to call Judge Barrett as a

witness, and as the court could not hear its

own testimony, asked a two days' delay so

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—Per kastern Pennsylvania: Warmer, fair weather, westerly winds, becoming var-

that the case could be called before some other

here and will have his trial to day.

leaves a wife and three children.

from home by her father.

steel works building.

judge.

into (Miss Bryson's side of the

ing is slight.

plug stream of engine No. 3.

Jacob S. Smith and Henry G. Rush.

nagistrate not having jurisdiction.

named parties.

when brought.

Reed, Dr. S. T. Davis, J. A. E. Carper

outs were levied.

MRS. - DRUSE HANGED.

SHE DIES ON THE SCAPFOLD A HERKIMBE, NEW YORK.

A Wife's Murder of Her Husband and the Gree Interest It Excited in Every Quarter. The Woman's Confession-Story of the Naussating Crime,

HERRIMER, N. Y., Feb. 28.-Mrs. Drus was hanged for the murder of her husband. William Druse, at 12:01 p. m. After hanging

The morning of the day fixed for the execution of Mrs. Hoxsians Druse, for the mur-der of her husband, dawned bright, clear and cold. The condemned woman slep little during the night. She did not retire until midnight and then she refused to un dress, saving it was hardly worth while as she expected to get little sleep. When she did sleep her mutterings indicated scute mental torture. At short lutervals during the balance of the night Mrs. Druse would jump up and nervously resume her writing. She wrote letters to her friends and appeared to find relief in the occupation. Some flowers accompanying a letter from cuse penitentiary for life, which were brought to her last night, seemed to affect her deeply. She wrote a touching note to her daughter in reply. At times she wept quietly, particularly when writing to Mary Druss. Her bearing, however, as a whole was resolute and her resignation to the inevitable appeared to increase as the night wore on. Her fear of approaching death was nev ertheless made apparent by occasiousl excla mations of despair. At times during the night the watchers thought the untortunate woman had found relief in alcep, but they were generally mis-taken. And thus the night wore on and And thus the night wore on and the miserable woman at break of day was still making a vain effort to obtain a little rest. At last finding it impossible to aleep, she arose, bathed her face and began making preparations for the ordeal through which she was soon to pass. Within the fall preparations for the hanging had been fully completed and everything possible had been done toward a successful consummation of the law. There were very few per sone in town when day broke, but at an early hour, teams drawing all sorts of conveyance began coming in, notwithstanding the bad condition of the roads and low thermometer. The people for the most part, especially the

COULD NOT BAT BREAKFAST. manner, putting on a black cashmers dress, the murderess sat down to breakfast, but could not eat any of the food. She was then joined by the Rev. Dr. Powell, her spiritual edviser, who prayed with her and in every way tried to comfort her. He seemed to have great influence over her, and at times the seemed much composed. Several hymns were sung in which she joined with apparent fervor, and her voice could be heard strong and clear. The morning was spent in praying, writing and singing with now and then hysterical periods on the part of the condemned. At about 11:18 . m. the jurors, deputies and other persons appointed to witness the execution were led patairs to the cell of the condemned woman by Deputy Sheriff Mannion. The Rev. Mr. and Superintendent Terry, of the Onondaga penitentiary, were also present. The death warrant was read to Mrs. Druse in her cell by Sheriff Cook. Dr. Suiter, who worked up the medical legal evidence against Mrs. Dross, then entered the cell and took her pulse, which was beating at eighty, having ome down from one hundred in forty min utes. Mrs. Druse then broke down almost have to be carried to the gallows. She, how ever, having received some encouragement from Dr. Powell, recovered her composure, and the procession to the scaffold was formed. Sheriff Cook led the way, followed by the prisoner, leaning heavily on the arm of Rev. Dr. Powell. Her face was greatly flushed, but no tears were shed, although ar expression of utter hopelessness and resignation, even despair, was plainly visible.

women, seemed to deeply sympathize with

ON THE SCAPPOLD. Upon reaching the fatal spot Mrs. Druse stepped to the middle of the board platforn built upon the ground, and knelt while Dr Powell offered up prayer, lasting about three minutes. Happening to cast her eyes upware she caught sight of the dangling noose which she had not noticed before, and a convulsive tremer shook her slight frame. She als sobbed gently at intervals. At the end of the prayer both prisoner and clergyman arose when Dr. Poweil, grasping her hand, bade he good bye and stepped outside of the enclo-sure, so as not to witness the hanging Previous to this, however, Mrs. Druse leaned over and whispered to Dr. Powell a request to thank her friends who had labored so long and faithfully in her behalf. Mrs Druse still held in her hand the bouque which her daughter had sent her. These sh gave to the doctor. The executioner ther stepped forward and pinioned her arms and legs together. The noose was adjusted and the black cap drawn down over her face.

THE DROP PALLS. At this point the prisoner again showed signs of collapse and screamed and shricked at the top of her voice in a bysterical manner but the drop of the 213 pounds weight choked her cries in her threat and the body of the murderess, whose awful crime has shocked the entire country, was sent flying upward about four feet, shooting forward to the right and setting back to within a foot and a half of the platform. Drs. Sulter and Kay stepped forward and examined the pulse bests which were almost imperceptible. After the laps of one minute a spasmodic clenching of the fingers occurred, followed by efforts to draw up the legs. The pulse also began to bea very mapidiy, about 102, although very feeble. This increased at 3 minutes to 140, although still quite weak. The pulsations were then less rapid, decreasing two minutes later to 120. The heart beats at this time were 47 per minute. The pulse continued to get slower until 15 minutes after the drop fell, life was pronounced extinct by Dr. Suiter. The drop fell at 11:48, life was pronounced extinct at 12:08 and the body was lowered into the stretcher at 12:14, according to the watch of the representative of the United Press. nest imitation resewood ceffin was brought When the black cap was drawn back it was found that death had resulted from asphyxia. The neck and lower portions of the face were much discolored and the rope marks were plainly visible. The poose had cut a bunch of flowers and some lace which she had worn at her neck and forced them into the flesh. The body was at once put into the coffin and turned over to Dr. Powell, who will probably take the remains to the receiving vault of Oak Hill cemetery and look them up until be determines what final disposition to make of them The date of the funeral has not yet been deci ded on. Thus ends this horrible tragedy the revolting details of which have shocked

HER LAST NIGHT.

The Legal and spiritual Advisers With Her and Making Arrangements.

Herking A. Y., Feb. 28.—H. D. Luce, Mrs. Druse's counsel, left here at 11 c'clock lest night, having been with her from the close of the service which Mr. Powell held.

That is all I can tell. Gates put up Frank to tell what he did to shove it all onto me, but he will get his reward sometime. Now, you must not tell any one this until I am gone, and not let it get into any paper until after 12 o'clock to morrow. I don't care how many

To Mr. Luce Mrs. Druss expressed her ap preciation of his interesting the second and those who have prosecuted her. She is fully prepared to go and is calm and com posed. If the people of the state want to hang her, she says, she is brave enough to although she does not deserve such a

Mr. Luce says: "She is the bravest little

Mrs. Drose told him what he should say to Mary when he saw her, and she also sale ore morning she should write letter to Mary and George. All her effects, as far as possible, have been sent to Mary at Syracuse. One box remains and this is packed,

ready to go.

Before Mr. Luce left the jail Mrs. Druse wrote her eignature for his memorandun book. The writing is a round, old-fashioned hand, all down strokes being shaded. Mr. the morning.

RECONCILED TO HER PATE.

Rev. Mr. Powell called on Mrs. Druse again at 10 o'clock, and left her directly after Mr. Luce. Dr. Powell says she is reconciled to her fate, but not as to the manner of her death. She would not mind death so much but the thought of hanging in an enlightened country like this is awful. Mrs. Druse he says, has been greatly misrepresented by everyone. On the contrary she is as affe tionate and devoted as one could ask. She said Mr. Powell, "is this not touching He held up the letter for inspection. At the top was a lock of Mrs. Druse's bair, tied with a small piece of cashmere from the dress she will wear at the hanging, underneath were some verses which she had just written him expressing her thankfulness for all that had been done for her. Mr. Luce was of the opinion that Mra Druse would say nothing on the scaffold. In regard to this point, Dr. Powell said : " I think she will try and say a little something before her execution. She would like to say down. I shall offer prayers and read a selection of scriptures, and if she says nothing may say something mysell."

THE PUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS. " What about the funeral ?"

"The funeral will take place immediately after the execution," Dr. Powell said. "She wanted a public tuneral, but I could not ge the court house and for certain good reason I do not wish to ask for the use of a church The expenses of the funeral are to be paid by backs. We will go immediately from the words. Next Sunday I propose to preact her funeral sermon."

At her request, she has selected the text which is: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Mrs. Druse is now alone with her watchers Mr. and Mrs. Waterman. Mr. Terry, super intendent of the Onondago county peniten tiary, is here, from which fact it is surmised that he may have a message from Mrs. Druse

from her daughter Mary,
At 1:30 a. m. Mr. Terry brought down to Mrs. Druse a farewell letter together with a bouquet of flowers. Mary feels very badly over the prospect of her mother's execution and is willing to die with her.

THE HOM IN A CONSESSION.

Slaughter-The Hody Burned and

ROME, N. Y., Feb. 28 - The Sentinel's Herkimer special says: At 9 o'clock yesterday morning Dr. Powell received a message from the fall requesting his presence at once, mediately went to the cell of the doomed woman, who greeted him very warmly. The attendant was requested to leave them in seclusion, but refused to do so. Sheriff Cook was appealed to, and his request was granted. Mrs. Druse then said : "Mr. Powell, I have sent for you to make a confession, you listen?"

Yes, certainly," replied the doctor. "What I am about to say to you has neve been made public before, and I assure you or the honor of a woman standing on the brini of the grave that I am speaking the truth. The world has turned against me, but I know I have one friend left and that is you. Nov you must promise that you will not say word of this until I am gone. Then you can publish it and let this cruel world know the truth of the matter. I don't want to take my more of your time than I can help so I will begin: I must take you back before the murder and tell of a conversation had with Charles Gates in reference to the killing of Druse. It was about December lat, on Wednesday night. Druse was away as he usually was a big part of the time. Gates came in and asked me if I was alone Secrete and Frank were out riding down hill and Mary was upstairs. Gates asked me if I did not want to get rid of Druse. I told him I was nearly dead now and did not care what happened. He asked me if I had the pistol he gave me yet. It was in the pantry and I told him so. I went and got it and showed it to him. He saw it was not loaded in all the barrels and he put in some more cartridges and gave it back to me. He wanted to know if I could tire and I went to the door and snapped it. It did not go off and I put in another cartridge and said: 'Well, you know how to do it and that is nough.' He then said : 'Now, if anything happens you can depend on me to help you. Then he went away and came back on De ember 17th, the night before the murder and told me to hurry up, and take the first chance I got. He said I should not burn the head and that he would get the buckwheat at the same time and save any cause of sus picion. The next morning I saw him coming up the road just as Druse sat breakfast. This was just after he had raised the axe to strike me and I ran into the buttry. I got the pistol and came out. He was sitting down at the table. He swore awful about the tea and sugar and I raised the pistol and shot. I hit him in the neck and only stunned him. Gates then sho through the window and he fell to the floor. Gates then shot again. I only shot once. Gates shot three or four times. I took the axe and cut the head off and chopped him up. The head was wrapped in paper and carried out to the dahed. It was put in a lot of buck wheat The body was all burned up and none was given to the pigs. That part is not true. It was all burned and then boiled. Gates came that night and I told him what had happened. He grasped my hand and said I had done nobly. He said he would come for buck wheat to-morrow morning, which he did. He took Druse's head with him. It was buried one mile from Richfield Springs where I could find it if I wished. Charles Peet overheard us talking about it once, but

he is dead now and can't talk. Gates is the

only one who knows snything about it.

There was another man with Gates when he got the buckwheat and that was Elwood.

His name was Bill. It took eight hours to

burn the body and it made an awful

smell. I nearly fainted several times. Georgie and Frank Gates were there some of

the time, but they did not see much. I sent

them down to the woods and had them carry

shingles. I killed Druse because I could not stand it any longer. He was a brute,

and I had not slept with him in 12 years. That is all I can tell. Gates put up Frank to

know it then. I trust to you to see it is all right. You can say, too, that on my dying day I am more innocent of the orime than those who put me up to it. I freely forgive e who put me up to it. I freely forgive them all—all who so cruelly deserted me. There are some names on that petition sent from Warren which I could cover with shame, but I die in peace with every one."

After she had fluished Dr. Powell, out of observance of the holy day, offered a short

dered, Dec. 18, 1881, lived on a farm of sixty scree which was given to him by his fath many years before, and which was situated in the township of Warren, in the southern part of Herkimer county, near the Otsego county line, and only about four miles from Richfield Springs. He was known as a shift-less, worthless sort of a fellow, who abused his family outrageously, but who was always ready to help a neighbor to the neglect of his own work. He was 54 years old at the time of his death. His wife, who is to be hanged for his murder, is now but 45. The two were married on the 27th of November, 1864, and they had three children. Mary, the eldest, who is now in Onendaga penitentiary under a life sentence for participation in the murder of her father, is now 24 years of age; she was 19 when the crime was committed. The next child in age was Neille, who was half-witted, and who died at the age of 10. George, the youngest, who is now only 12 years old, and who was barely 7 when the horrible tragedy took place, and of which he was a partial witness and even a partial participant, is now left with no one to look after him, his guardian, Mr. Charles Pett, having died only part of Herkimer county, near the Otsego quardian, Mr. Charles Pett, having died only

That Druse made his wife and his children lead the lives of dogs there is no manner of doubt. From his boyhood up he was noted for his ungovernable temper. He seemed to be half dait in some ways. As the years of their married life dragged on, things went gradually from bad to worse, and Druse be-came more and more unbearable in his con-duct. He choked his wife until she was in-sensible at one time, beat her with a horse whip at another and kicked and cuffed her whip at another and kicked and cuffed her more or less nearly every day of her life, and rarely spoke to her without a voiley of oaths. His children he treated in much the same way. Naturally enough his family hated the sight of him. Between the mother and children, on the other hand, there was the warmest affection. Mrs. Druse was, from all accounts, a woman of by no means a bad disposition. She was born but a few miles accounts, a woman of by no means a bad disposition. She was born but at the age of 10 years she was left without father or mother and had to get on for herself as best also could. She worked out in the various farm houses and in the season picked hops. It was on one of these hop picking occasions that Druse first met her. Her maiden name was Rowalana Terff.

THE MORNING OF THE MURDER. It was on the morning of the 18th of Decem. ber, the morning of the murder as it afterward transpired, that a peculiar state of affairs was noticed about the Druse house. A farmer who was driving by noticed two things: first, that newspapers were pinned up at the front windows of the house, and second, that from the chimney and from a hole in the side of the house through which pipe from the parior stove issued there were coming dense volumes of thick yellowish smoke which had a very nauseating odor. About the premises there were no other signs

A few days later it was noticed that Far-mer Druse was not about as usual. Nobody had seen him. Notwithstanding his cytirepute he was not wholly disliked by the people of the country. He was always obliging to everybody save his own family, and he was rather welcomed in the dull winter days as a good, gossipy companion. The absence of hardly any one in the neighborhood sence of hardly any one in the neighborhood would be more quickly noted than that of "Shiftless Bill Druse." The vague wondering at his disappearance began at length to take the form of pointed inquiry. It was thought odd he should have gone away and said nothing about it. He was always talking so much of going that an actual departure could hardly have been other than a subject of much conversation on his part. At least an inquiry was made at his his part. At last an inquiry was made at his house. It was met by Mrs. Druse herself with the statement that her husband had gone to New York to look after a patent wheel at which he had been for a long time tinkering. He meant to stay sometime, she said, for he had taken his best coat with him. This explanation was accepted for a day or two, but it did not wholly allay the half suspicion of semething wrong which had settled upon people's minds. The miserable life the family led was notorious. The suspicion grew as the days went on and still no tidings of Druse came, and at last the demand for more information as to his whereabouts because the demand and the demand for more information as to his whereabouts because the demand and the demand the dema came clamorous and so stern that Mrs. Druse went to Richfield Springs and telegraphed to her brother, Amon L. Tefft, who lived in New York at the time and at whose house she said her husband was staying, telling Tefft to come at once, as their sister, Mrs. Gates, was very iil, and to bring "Bill," her husband, with him. This quieted things for the time being, but after three or four days had elapsed, and there was still no news of Druse, the inquiry took a sterner and more definite shape. Impetus was given to it by the accidental discovery near Little Lakes, a short distance away, of a new axe, which was indentified as having recently belonged to William Druse, who had bought came clamorous and so stern that Mrs. Druse belonged to William Druse, who had bought it at Buchanan's hardware store, in Richfield, Springs. There were stains on the axe, which proved to be blood stains.

A GHASTLY STORY. A meeting of farmers of the neighborhood was held in the little town of Little Lakes, and Justice of the Peace Daniel McDonald and Clarence Marshall set out to make a thorough investigation. They did their work quickly and well. They went first of all to Frank, the youngest of the Gates boys. They knew that he was much at the Druse

They knew that he was much at the Druse house, and was more likely to talk of anything he knew than was his older brother, Chester. In the barn on his father's premises Frank was kindly but firmly questioned, and told a story so ghastly that his hearers could hardly give it credence.

He had staid away from school, he said, to play with George Druse, and he went to the Druse house and remained all night sleeping with George. He (Frank) was the first one to get up in the morning, and he lighted the first get up in the morning, and hellighted the fire in the kitchen stove. Druse then got up and came into the kitchen in his usual nasty tem-per, and grumbled because there was not a warmer fire. He then went muttering off to the barn to do the "chores." When Druse the barn to do the "chores." When Druse came back from the barn Mary Druse and her mother had come into the kitchen. Druse at once commenced abusing them, taking as his text the size of a grocer's bill which had been augmented by his own purchases of tobacco. Over this, and over a threshing board which had been cut up, he stormed and swore like a madman. Druse at last sat down to his breakfast still swearing and the guard, still reging furfaces in the wife and down to his breakfast still awearing and the quarrel still raging furlously, his wife and daughter retorting to his abuse. During the height of the battle of words, Frank says, Mrs. Druse whispered to him and to George Druse to go outdoors. They did so, and a few minutes later heard a pistol shot. They started to go into the house, and as they reached the door Mrs. Druse, in a state of creat entitation during the door Mrs.

started to go into the house, and as they reached the door Mrs. Druse, in a state of great agitation, flung it wide open. She held a pistol in her hand, which she shoved at Frank Gates, saying:

"Shoot him; I can't make the pistol go off. Shoot him; I can't make the pistol go off. Shoot him, or I will shoot you."

Farmer Druse was then sitting in an obscure corner of the room, on a chair. Blood was flowing from a wound in his neck, and about his neck there was also a rope tightly drawn, to the end of which Mary, Druse's daughter, was holding with all her strength. Druse was struggling foebly. Frank took the pistol from Mrs. Druse and fired it at Druse until it was empty. Mary then took the pistol and tried to reload it, but a cartifuge exploded and narrowly escaped wounding her. Druse, when his daughter let go of the rope, fell to the floor with his head toward the hearth. He was still living and conscious. His wife seemed to be in a state of frenzy, with all the concentrated hate gathered from years of abuse fully let loose. As her husband fell she seized an axe and raised it aloft. Druse, lying on the floor, saw her and fully realized her intention, for he moaned out feebly:

"Don't ROXY, DON'T."

" DON'T ROXY, DON'T." "Don't, Roxy : don't."

Mrs. Druse hit him a sickening blow on the head with the axe. It killed him as he lay. She then hacked away at the dead man's neck with the dull-edged axe until the head was severed from the body.

During all this both Mrs. Druse and her

daughter seemed to be more like maniacs or demons than sane women, yet there was no lack of deliberate calculation in their actions. As soon as Mrs. Druse had severed her hes-band's head from the body she wrapped it in a newspaper and carried it into the parior.

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band's head from the body she wrapped it in a newspaper and carried it into the parior. Then ane put newspapers up at the parior windows, and sent the boys up at lirs after an old mattress. On this she piaced har hus band's headless and dragged it into the parior, and sent the boys to the brush for the new axe, the one which was subsequently found near Little Lakes. Then she told the boys to go and get wood and shingles, and with these roaring fires were made in both stoves, and on the kitchen stove was placed a boiler full of water. Mary and her mother were shut up in the parior with the dead man's remains for several hours, and the boys were set to work cleaning up the blood stains. It was after dark before the work of burning up the remains was completed and the fires were all allowed to go down. The next day the asher from the stoves were taken up and put into a box and a bar, which were placed in a cutter. from the stoves were taken up and put into a box and a bag, which were placed in a cutter. Frank Yates, Mrs. Druse and her daughter, Mary, got into the cutter and drove to a swamp, where Frank, at Mrs. Druse's direction, hid the box and the bag in a spot which Frank indicated to his questioners and where they were subsequently found. From the swamp Frank said that he and Mrs. Druse and Mary drove to his, Frank'a, own home. This story of the traredy was in all its sub-

This atory of the tragedy was in all its substantial points confirmed by subsequent investigations. The entire Druss family were arrested as were Frank Gates, his father, Charles Gates, and the young man, William Elwood. Elwood and Charles Gates at the preliminary examination proved satisfac-torily that during all the day of the tragedy they were engaged in chopping wood at a long distance from the Druss house. They were released. The public indignation against the Druse women was so great that there was grave danger of their being lynched, and they were removed to the Herkimer jail as quickly as possible.

"OB, WHAT A NIGHT."

The Audiences at the Theatres Affected by The weather and the walking were so bad on Saturday night persons preferred to stay at home rather than face the storm to attend the theatres. The result was bad businers. more than one-third full, and the performweather was not the only cause of poor bustness at this place. The majority of the company had been here for two weeks, and people has become tired of seeing several of and with different companies each week the theatre will draw. This evening the Ham-Of the company that closed on Saturday evening the Gilmore sisters went to Williams'

academy, Pittaburg, and Goldle and Mc-Eiroy to the Bradenburgh's museum, Phila-Prof. Christ Burger, whose arrival from New York was noticed in this paper several days ago, has taken charge of the orchestra at the King Street theatre, and will lead to during the remainder of the season.

At Fulton Opera House, was given for the benefit of the Witmer Brothers, and it is pretty certain that they were benefitted very little financially. To audience was very small. In the parquette was a darkey. The circle was but one third full, while the gallery contained a fair crowd. The entertainment was one of the kind usually given by local talent, and the acts have often been described in the columns of this paper. The list of performers who appeared in their different specialties included the Witmer Brothers, M'lle, Titiens, Pease and Sprecher, George and Lucy Cummlogs, Cochran and Costello, John Riley, John Car rol, Sam Frankford, and others.

Base Sali Notes.

Nick Bradley is a little late, but he has just signed a contract with the Haverbill club. Ren Deagle wants to be an umpire in the

Big Hamilton, of the Ironsides in 1884, will play first base in Lawrence, Masa. the clubs of the Pennsylvania association. The League Guide of 1887 will have cuts of Anson, Kelly, Brouthers, Connor and

O'Rourke, five hard hitters. The base ball managers are all kicking because they will be unable to get low rates or railroads owing to the inter-state commerce

picture of Billy Zecher, the well known short stop of this city, who will play with and captain the Altoona club the coming season. Some time ago Spalding said that Mike Kelly would eat grass if he did not sign with his club. Mike wrote to him the other day and said, "I shall out strawberry short cake

There have been many funny stories told in the papers lately concerning Dan O'Leary The Scranton people might tell some funnie ones if they cared to. Dan is now managing Martin J. Dann, a champion " horseshoo

Van Haltren, the left-handed pitcher of San Francisco, was recently signed by President Nimick, of Pittsburg. Now the former is kicking to get away. It is said that Nimick made the pitcher and his father both very drunk and signed the young fellow for less money than was offered him elsewhere.

Local Notes From Trade Journals, The Philadelphia Commercial List Price Current printed recently a fine sketch with illustration of the Keystone Standard

Watch company of this city, Lumber, a weekly New York journal deroted to the lumber interest, had last week an excellent portrait and notice of Dr. Wash ington Cottrell, head of the firm of W Righter's Sons, lately of Columbia, but now of Philadelphia and Williamsport. Dr. Righter resides in Philadelphia, and is described as reserved and quiet in bearing, making friends slowly but surely, generous, self reliant and a thorough business man.

27 Pounds of Butter Take Wings Jacob B. Strine, of Stewartstown, York ounty, attended the York market on Satur day. While he had his back turned a thief carried off a basket containing twenty-seven pounds of butter which had been ordered by discustomers, who were greatly disappointed He says if the party who stole the butter will return the basket and cloths next market day no questions will be asked.

Leg Broken by a Fall.

Charles Peterman, butcher by occupation, living with his brother, George Peterman No. 438 South Duke street, fell on the pave ment in front of his home about 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon and broke one of his legs in two places below the knee. His brother witnessed the accident, hurried to his assist mee and summoned Dr. J. K. Shirk, who set the limb.

Called to the Far West Rev. A. Marcellus, pastor of the Christiana and Atglen Presbyterian churches, has received a call to take charge of a church at Snohomish, Washington Territory. A special meeting of the presbytery of Chester has been called for March 8 to consider his request for a dissolution of his present pastoral relation.

* Two Centenutarians Dead, Lowell, Mass, Feb. 28,-Two centen. niariana died here yesterday, Paul McAloon, aged 101, and Rose Maguire, 103 years.

Cut His Throst. Boston, Feb. 23.-William A. Wikadai aged 46, a resident of Canton, Ohio, com-mitted suicide last evening at the Metropolitan hotel, by cutting his throat with a pocket A ROMANTICISTORY.

WHY MRS. MINNIB BRAUNLEPT BROOK. LYN AND CAMB HERE.

Her Musband Follows Her Up and Traces Her Here Where She Became a Domestic, They Meet, Become Reconciled and Will Go Home Together.

On the 14th of February the New York World published an account of the disap pearance of Mrs. Minule Braun, wife of P. W. Braun, a saloon-keeper, at No. 217 Maujer street, Brooklyn. She took with her \$200 of her husband's money. The couple were married five years. She is 24 years old; they reason for her leaving home. For two or three days prior to her departure she com plained of feeling unwell. On the day of her departure her husband was in New York on business and during his absence she left. When he returned home and found her gone he at once instituted search for her. He traced her to the house her for several days. It was believed that she had gone to Europe, and the authorities ers were notified to be on the lookout for A few days ago the husband received infor

mation that his wife was in this city. He communicated with Chief Smith, and the matter was pieced in the hands of Officer on South Prince street, where she boarded. When she learned that her husband knew of her whereabouts she left that boarding house and went to live with Wm. G. Foebl, the East King street jeweler, as a domestic. Her husband came to this city on friend by telegram of his departure from Brooklyn for this city, and she left Mr. Foehl's place. She was traced, however, to her new place of residence in the southern part of the city, and there her husband had an interview with her. It ended in a perfec reconciliation, and she agreed to go back to Brooklyn with him. The reunited couple will leave for their home to-night or to-mor

Mrs. Braun is not disposed to talk about the reasons for her leaving. She said they were entirely of a private nature, and her

TWO DISTINGUISHED PREACHERS. Dr. Atleman at St. John's Lutheran Church

Rev. S. Stall, of St. John's Luthers: church, this city, and Rev. B. F. Alleman, D. D., of Shippensburg, exchanged pulpite Sunday. Rev. Alleman preached morning and evening and in the afternoon made ad dresses to the main Sunday school and the sermon was the third serse of the sixty-third " Because thy loving kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee." The text chosen for his evening sermon was : Alleman may be forty-five years old ; he is a man of fine physique and impressive manner. He has a clear, distinct utterance, and keeps close to the subject be discusses. He pulpit, and his discourses to the Sunday school children pleased them greatly.

At the Moravian Church. The Sunday morning service at the Moravian church was conducted by Reva. Mosely H. Williams of Philadelphia, and J. Max Hark. Dr. Williams, who is an editor school Union, delivered an interesting and thoughtful sermon from Matthew 12, 44: "The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field." He compared the Bible to the field in which the treasure was found and eternal life to the treasure. Incl. dentally the speaker gave a summary work of the Sunday School Union.

He preached at Millersville in the afterthe evening.

THE BAYCK'S MILL PURCHASE. Description of the Property That Now Be longs to the City.

We had time on Saturday merely to mention the purchase of the Ranck property on the afternoon of that day by Mayor Morton for the city, and to state the price of the purchase, \$21,980.

There were several bidders present. The first bid was \$20,000, and from that amount the bidding went on by small advances until the property was knocked down to the mayor for the use of the city at the price above

The property consists of a large four-story brick flouring mill on the west side of th reek, furnished with first-class machinery throughout, in good running order, and one one of the finest water state. There are over thirteen acres of land, an elegant house, good barn, sheds, wagon house, &c. On the east side of the Conestoga, opposite the mill, in East Lampeter township, there is a tract of land containing sixteen acres whereon is erected the complete two-story brick dwelling house and other improvements. The two tracts purchased contain a little more than two nine scree of ground, valuable for farming purposes apart from its value as a water power. Payment is to be made to Mr. Ranck's resignees on the 1st of April next.

Accidents to a Tobacco Hayer

Mr. Reuben D. Zech, tobacco agent, o Columbia, went through a number of mishaps and narrow escapes this week white engaged in his work in this section. On Monday norning as he left Willis' livery stable, and while going around the corner of King and George streets, the wheel of his buggy flew off, throwing Mr. Zech against the dasher. The buggy had just been greased and the nut was forgotten to be acrewed on which caused the accident. On Tuesday Mr. Zech caused the accident. On Tuesday Mr. Zech had the misfortune to break his buggy and on Wednesday he had an upset in the woods of Mr. Kunkle, about three miles from town, but fortunately nothing was broken and no one hurt. On Friday, while in Hellam township, stopping at Mr. Druck's to bargain for some tobacco, when he came out found his horse lying down in the road, sick. He had to leave the horse at the hotel at Hellam, and to leave the horse at the hotel at Hellam and return to York and get another horse. He went out to Mr. Louck's, below town, and in crossing the narrow guage railroad came near being struck by a train, the cars barely escap-ing the wheels of the buggy.

Articles Chanced Off.

At Weidler's cigar store a drawing for watch, pipe and cigar smoker was held. For several months each purchaser of cigars or tobacco was given a numbered ticket entitiing him to a chance for either or all the above articles. The lucky numbers were 8,455 for the watch, 6,854 for the pife and 6,781 for the eigar smoker. Up to noon none of them had been presented.

Slight Accident at Penn Iron Works. There was a slight accident to the ma ing, causing a partial suspension of work, but the whole is in operation again this

Mr. W. U. Hensel, says the Harrisburg Tel gram, will lecture for the benefit of the paronage of the Second Reformed chur the court house, on the evening of March 17.

A BIG FIRE IN NEW YORK. A Big List of Thom in an Action by the Re

It was briefly noted in the Inventor of Saturday that J. M. Wiestling, the receiver of the New Era Life Insurance company, had entered suits before Alderman Fordney against some sixty of the policy-THE HORY AN ATBAMOBIL LINE DO BURNAD THIS MORNING.

roon the Flames and the The Lon Methods of a Mil

PRICE TWO CENT

NEW YORK, Feb. 32.—The Morgan steamship dooks were takely destroyed fire this morning. Low, \$1,000,000.

The Lone Star, one of the seasons of line, was bedly damaged and three line loaded with cotton were consensed. A morthwest wind prevalled which que carried the flames beyond control the men. The pier was loaded with line cotten, hides and other merchandles were quickly in a blass, comb blinding smoke which greatly institute firemes in their efforts to due the flames. The police book and the fireboats and an army of tage summoned and the most desperate of summoned and the most desperate made to save the shipping. The Lone Star, which was lying slongside dock, was towed out in the stream with rigging and woodwork ablase. She to nately had little or no cargo on board. The

the stiention of his men to saving adjoining property, as the dock was doomed. The men of Engine Company 27 came very said losing their lives, for some of the sparks in ited the cotton and the dock between the and the action and the dock between them and the street was impossible to pass. They gained the string plece of the dock and ware taken off with much risk by a tug. Half an hour after the fire broke out the roof of the pter fell with a tremendous crash. On the lighter "Lorena" was 1,100 bales of cotton on the lighter "Anderson" 1,100 bales and both will prove a total loss. The "Lorena" sunk. The lighters and their carroes. sunk. The lighters and their cargoes with Nothing can be learned about the or

out this morning in Barr's rectains
Northampton which was entirely comes
The flames spreed to the Morrison hos
large hotel, which will probably be desir
Eight figures of Lumber Semade

HARRIBAL, Mo., Feb. 28—The mest destructive five in the history of the city, year terday, destroyed eight blocks of lumber had longing to Dubsch & Co., and the Herrisan & Card lumber building. Loss, 2000,000.

UNPINIOUSD APPROPRIATIONS. An Extra Session of Congress Thought to B

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—It begins to le as though there would be an extra session.
Congress. At a meeting of the Sension committee on appropriations this morning every
member, Democrats with Republicans. in which the House has held back the priation bills, and their wrath was visi out stint upon the head of the House mittee. Every member of the Se engine and truck house near by, and mittee expressed the unqualified bet an extra session was unavoidable. declared that they have grown weary of the plactice of the flouse in taking months awork which the Senate has been forced to over again in a few hours; that it was a pation of rights, and was unfair. The pressed the belief, further, that this propitious occasion for teaching the He Schmidt and his tamily were sleeping in a room over the shop, and it was with the greatest difficulty that the firemen succeeded lesson. It is believed by many that if an extra session is avoided it will be by i passage of joint resolutions extending leared that they would be suffocated by the of the regular appropriations and per the House bills to die. and may have started from the stove, which, however, was standing several feet from the

The House labor arbitration bill has a

ADMITTING A ROPELESS STRUGGLE. made speeches indicating that the Book cannot possibly give the remaining appropriation bills the time necessary for the proper consideration, and that they do n see how an extra session of Congress

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.-It is un that Mr. Randail has already preparet a resolution to be submitted to the Houseon as it is absolutely certain that the eral appropriation bills cannot pass, ing for the extension of the last laws

The House bill to prevent the emp The House out to place upon public of convict or alien labor upon public or alien labor upon public of convict or alien labor upon public or al ings or works has passed the Se

Lucas was to-day appointed United States senator from West Virginia by Gov. Wilsonsenator from West Virginia by Gov. Wilson—
[Daniel B. Lucas is a lawyer, about 60]
years of age, residing and practicing law in
Charleston, West Virginia. He is a member
of the House in the present legislature of
West Virginia, and though a professed Democrat, has been very conspicuous in the disorganization resulting in the deadlock that
has been turned to his advantage. He and
the present governor of the state, Wilson,
have been prominent in their sympathy with
the so-called granger and anti-monopolymovement in the state; and have made the present
fight on Camden because of his alleged affili-TWO CORRESPONDENTS AT WAR

They Fight With Their Fens in Their in Which Brings Fists to Action.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 28.—On erable excitement was caused less by an afray in the Nashville rotunda. About 8 o'clock. W. Muse, of the Louisville Courter-Jose who was stopping at the hotel, statished the house. Coming to the front dear it. John B. Colyar, of the Nashville Turkey stepped saide to jet him enter. stepped saide to let him enter. Muse hovercoat on one arm and hissish in the As Colyar entered he said to Muse; are the Courier-Journal correspond him by the throat and struck him a liblow on the back of the head with the stick he was carrying. Muse struck but missed Colyar. He then caught and threw him heavily to the fice which he gave him several ble head with his fist. Bystanders or him up." Muse released him, taken out and resuscitated with White Colyar was unconscious took a platol from him. Muse the his room. There have been no a The cause of the afray was left-his plumants. Muse and Control of the stray was left-his plumants. pliments Muse and Colyer have changing through their respective Colyar says he will run Muse out of

BOSTON, Feb. 28 .- Perry's London to the Herald says likiihood that the emperors of trin and Germany will meet on of the Kaiser Whilbelm's 90th b casr will send the Grand Dake one of the young grand dukes to in the festivities at Berlin, while is of Austria will be represented by Prince Rudolph.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb 28 - Seturday Attorney George C. Randolph dead in his room from an overdoo phine. Randolph graduated in New where he practiced ten years. At can he ranked as one of the foremost manifest the har of Months. the bar of Montana. Lately he had a spondent and dissipated. He was a of the great Randolph family.

New York, Feb. 22.—Policons
J. Rourke, who was convicted of
the second degree for shooting a
Roundsman Robert A. Management

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Wincenstram, Ohio,
this morning the testio
Miller's now mill, and
Joseph Resery, a rejured by a large,
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