AGAINST DRAWBAUGH.

THE TELEPHONE DISPUTE DECIDED BY

THE U. S. SUPREME COURT.

The Ball Company Declared to Have Valle

Claim to the Patent-Judge Blatchford

Reads a Longthy Decision to

s Crowded Court Boom.

### THE COMING CONTEST.

WHAT THE RIG AND LITTLE BOSSE HAVE BEEN DOING THIS CAMPAIGN.

The Issues on Which the Congressional Can didates Expect the Dear People to Send Them to Washington-Candidate Landis Campaign in Good Shape.

The blizzard of last week had one good effect. It kept the numerous candidates for office at the Republican primary from annoying their country constituents. But the 14th of April the county will be thoroughly traveled over by at least the

candidates for the principal offices.

Each of the candidates for Congress i seeking that office on an issue. Dr. Re on his red, white and blue card, says that the country districts have 16,523 Blaine voters and give a Republican majority of 10,000 that the city has had that office for thirly years and it is now the turn of the country have it and as he is the only candidate from the country he should be the man.

Marriott Browing asks for the office as the only soldier candidate and announces himself as the man who said : "I love my party better than any wing or faction of it and only less than I love my country." Mr. Brosius' love of party is very strong beyond a questior. He was approached on the alternoon of the day of organization of the school board and asked to pair with a Democrat, who did not desire to participate in the organization by reason of the death of his wife, but wh would be present if necessary. Mr. Brosius arose and majestically replied: " I will not pair with him. Some people" misfortunes are other people's opportuni-ties." His love or party might have required

Col. B. Frank Eshleman wants to be elected because he was raised on a farm, is a successful lawyer and forcible speaker, and is familiar with the wants of the people of Lancaster county.

Congressman Hiestand does not pub

licly announce his platform, but those who know him best say he wants a renominstion because it is a pleasant office to bold, and above all has a handsome compensa-

tion attached to it.

That much for their platforms. Now for their chances. It was the belief of politione of the candidates and that would leave the fight between whoever was agreed upon by the bosses of each of the rings. When the big bosses and little bosses go together the other day to fix things there was a row. A majority of the Bull Ringers wanted Hiestand, but Eshleman had sufficient friends to kick vigorously against the Commodore's being slated, and the result is that some of the best workers are for Hiestand and some for Eshleman. The result will be that Hiestand will be run in some districts and Eshleman in others by that

The same trouble occurred when the Hog Ring manipulators assembled in sol-emn conclave. Mentzer wanted Roebuck, while a majority of his lieutenants awore they would not touch him. Mentzer is under political obligations to Roebuck and he must consistently be for him, and will be for him. He will probably be able to get some of the kickers of his faction into line, but some of his good men he cannot. They will be for Bresius.

The passage of the bill giving Lancaster a Hiestand. He is at a disadvantage this year in not being able to be at home to look after his interests, but he is working the garden seed racket from Washington for all it is worth and that will go a great way with some farmers.

Many of the young men of the country are for Col. Eshelman, and a gentleman well posted in local politics, remarked a few days ago, that in his district, and it a big one, if the Eshleman forces had leader his vote would surprise some poli ticians who imagine they run that district The colonel has made a thorough canvas of the county and feels greatly encouraged. He expects a good vote in the city, a heavy vote in some of the scuthern townships and that he will hold his own in the north

Brosius will get his principal strength in the south and he will be run with Lan dis in that senatorial district. He will have the support of the Inquirer and if the New Era takes a hand, which is hardly probable, be will also have that. His friends are confident that he will pull through.

A sporting men in this city offered to be \$100 last week that Roebuck would be fourth in the fight, and although there were some of Roebuck's friends within hearing, the bet was not taken.

A number of parties who are supposed to be posted were asked their views as to the congressional fight. Their answers showed that the contest is a puzzle to them Some thought the fight was between Brosius and Hiestand, others between Eshieman and Hiestand, still others between Eshleman and Brosius. There is not a man in the city of Lancaster who believes that Roebuck has any chance of winning From a careful review of the field it looks to the INTELLIGENCER to-day as if Hiestand had the best of the figh', with Eahle man a good second. The situation may change in the next two weeks. Matters in cident to this canvass will be noted from

FOR STATE SENATOR. The Bull Ring politicians are greatly exercised lest Sonator Mylin should be bester, and they are paying more attention to this contest than they are to the congresssional fight. Landis' candidacy was amus ing to the bosses for a time, but within the past few weeks his strength has alarmed them. Canditate Landis got a good bit of cheap advertising as the prosecutor of the Indiantown and Sixth ward election boards and the discussion of those cases has caused him to be known in every household of the county as the champion of a fair election and honest return. His campaign card bears on it s white plume and this extract from one of Blaine's speeches, "A fraud in the count is the destruction of Republican government." Rather suggestive that, in view of his prominence in bringing to justice those who violated his election law. Mylin's great strength heretofore was in this city. His friends concede that Landis will get good vote here, but they do not believe that he can carry the city. Landis' friends say that he can and will. It Landis gets the vote in this city his friends look for, he will

RECORDER OF DEEDS. There are three candidates in the field for recorder, Ed. Reinhold, H. C. Lehman and Justice John Moore, of Drumore. 'The last named is well known in the southern section of the county and would make a good officer, but unfortunately for him he is no in the fight. The other candidates will be years longer," supported by the respective factions. It is going to be a close contest unless something en is developed in the next tem

# THE LEGISLATIVE FIGHT.

contest for legislature for the city district to say that Brinton is not in it. The Bull Ring faction will support Franklin and the other faction John B. Long. The latter claims that he will get the soldier vote and the support of the Mentzer faction. Frank-

'lin was the first in the field and has made the most active canvase.

In the Southern district Peoples and Baldwin will be run by one combination and Heidelbaugh and Chandler by the other. Dr. Gatchell, who now lives in West Lampeter township, and who received great notoriety while in the legislature as a champion whitewasher, is making a great effort to get on one of the co.abinations, but he will not succeed. Neither faction can afford to go into the fight handicapped with Gatchell. His vote will be a scattering one and so small that the election scattering one and so small that the election officers will not have much trouble in

has, it is said, gone over to the Mentser faction and will be run by that combination with Boyd and Ranck. The other fellows will run Kemper and Smith and have no decided as yet as to the third man. It looks as if Smith, Boyd and Kauffman would be the winning candidates in this district.

The remaining county officers have not been talked of to any great extent. In a week or two the slates as to them will be ablished in the INTELLIGENCER

## RED ROSE COMMANDERY.

The Fair of the Knights of the Mystic Chair

Will Be a Success.

The fair for the benefit of Red Rose Commandery, Knights of the Mystic Chain, was opened on Saturday evening in the large room in Centre square, formerly occupied by Burger & Sutton. It was opened under suspicious circumstances, and indications point to a very successful fair. The room has been handsomely decorated for the occasion, and the tables are loaded with goods, fancy and ornamental, which are offered for sale at reasonable prices. The only trouble appears to be that there is not sufficient space to show to advantage the many articles that have been made and do nated to the managers of the fair.

fair was appointed several months ago and bave been hard at work all that time in gathering together the materials for the fair now in progress. The president of the ladies committee is Mrs. H. McEiroy; vice president, Miss Annie Brown ; secretary, Miss Bertha Barr ; treasurer, Miss Louise

On the left of the room as you enter is the table of the Knights of the Mystic Chain. This in charge of Mrs. H. McEiroy, with the following assistants: Mrs. William Hennecke, Mrs. Jacob McCorkie, Misses Debbie and Mary Gibson, Jennie and Lizzie Rebman, Daisy and Carrie Mo-

Adjoining this is the I. O. O. F. and G A. R. table presided over by Miss Annie Brown, with Mamie Detry, J. Hassler, Carrie Baker and Kate Keyport as assist

The Golden Eagle, Fulton Home Com munion (S. U. H. F.) and Knights of Revolution table comes next. Mrs. John High is in charge of it, with Misses Louise Ault, Kate Barr and Carrie Benedict as

Rebecca at the well occupies a space in the centre of the room. The ladies who personate Rebecca are Misses Bertha Barr

The confectionery table on the west side of the room is in charge of Mrs. A. T. Salziger with Mrs. C. Heckert, Mrs. Charles Falck and Misses Carrie Rhoads, Annie Sheetz, Mary Salziger and Mary Hoffman as assistants. Here everything to be had at a first-class confectionery may be bought at very reasonable prices. The P. O. S. of A. tab

Mrs. Fannie Stiffle, who has as her assist auts: Mrs. Carrie Felsinger, Miss Han-nah Musser, Mrs. John De Bolt, Mrs. Fred. Acres, Miss Ecoms Stiffle, Miss Mary Stiftie and the Misses Rattew.

The Knights of Pythias is the lunch table and is in charge of Mrs. Mary McCauley. Here all the delicacies of the season may be procured.

Before you leave the room you should visit the cigar table where the finest Havanas may be bought from Miss Effic

Elliot and Sad e Gibson, who have charge of this department. The wheel of fortune occupies the south end of the room and appeared to be the centre of attraction on the opening night.

It is in charge of Mr. Acres. Among the articles to be voted for are ladies' gold watch, three gold watches for gents, silver watch, pair of bracelets, banjo, cornet, bed room suite, parior suite, four rifles, two sets of chins, chamber suite refrigerator, gold-headed umbrella, base

ball outfit and set of boxing gloves.

Among the articles to be chanced 'off are four tollet sets, two cushions, two wax

There is a handsome doll on exhibition which will be given to the party fortunate enough to guess her name.

The attendance on Saturday night was arge. Over three hundred tickets were sold at the door. The fair will be kept up until the night of March 30th. The organization is deserving of patronage and will no doubt receive it.

Arrival at St. Authooy's Catholic Church o Suest-Tongurd Messengers.

The peal of belis which St. Anthony's Catholic church has for some time be awaiting has arrived, and the three bells which form the peal now hang in their frames in the east alsie of the church. After the high mass on Sunday they were tested and gave great satisfaction.

The bells are from the McShane foundry in Baltimore. The largest weighs 1,870 pounds and is the gift of Joseph Haefner, the brewer. It is inscribed "Te Deam Laudamus," and is a bell of rejoicing. The second bell weighs 1,300 pounds and is donated by Mrs. Maria Rapp, in memory of her late husband, Charles Rapp. It is called St. Joseph's bell and is rung to an nounce the death of an adult member of the parish and at funeral services. The third bell is the gift of Miss Mary Kaul and it weight 900 pounds. It is called the "Av Maria bell, and is rung at the Angelus hours and in announcing the death of s

The bells will be dedicated on April 2 Easter Monday, and the ceremony will be the first of a public nature conducted by the new prelate, Bishop McGovern. The latter is expected to arrive on the 8:10 s. m. train and will be received by the children of the schools and will probably be entertained by the young ladies of the Sacred Heart Academy. The dedication cere-monies will begin at 2 p. m., and St. Authony's society will participate thereic.

A Reader for Sixty-Five Years. Mr. Samuel Bomberger, of Philadelphia

writes: "I have been taking the INTEL-LIGENCER since 1825, and my father took the paper under William Dickson's time and afterwards from the widow. I have been reading the paper for over sixty-five years, and hope I may live to read it many

Joseph Summers, aged eighteen, of Chicago, killed his stepfather, Frank Wick-ham, on Saturday, and escaped from the

This is the feast of St. Joseph in the Cath olic church, and special services were held A BOY HANGS HIMSELF.

WILLIAM ZELLERS TAKES HIS LIFE AT BIS FATHER'S RESTAURANT,

The Supposed Reason For Committing Salete A Companion Discovers the Unfortunate, But Life Was Estinct When the Body Was Cut Down-How It Was Done.

The mania for suicide continues, and

within the past month no less than seven people have taken their lives in this city and county. The last event of this kind happened this forenoon, and the suicide was but 16 years of age. It is rather unusual for a boy to take his own life, and this affair created a great deal of excite-ment. The victim was William Zellers, son of John Zellers, the well known huckster, who resides on the corner of Mary and Grant streets. He took his life in the basement of the Western market on West Orange street. Mr. Zellers had rented this basement, where he has been carrying on the cyster and fruit business all winter. When in town he gave his attention to the restaurant, but he spends a great deal of his time in the country selling goods with his team. When he was away he left the restaurant in charge of his son William. This morning at an early hour Mr. Zellers lett for the country with a load of goods, going in the direction of Mil-leraville. William was about the ceilar all morning and was seen by several of his young companions. For a time before his in the restaurant. Shortly after nine o'clock Walter Forrest, a boy residing was a playmate and close companion of young Zellers went over to the restaurant to see his friend. When he entered he was shocked to find Zellers hanging by a rope to the iron railing, on the stairway, leading from the basement up stairs. The boy's body and legs were on the stairway and he seemed to be lying on his back, but his head was elevated. The rope around his neck was a piece of wash-line. Although terribly frightened the little fellow picked up a knife, which was near by and quickly cut the rope. He Mr. Zellers house, where he informed the boy's mother of his discovery. She ran to the market house where several men soon gathered. They found that the body of the boy was yet warm, but life had fied. Coroner Honaman was at once notified. He empanneled a jury consisting of George Bressler, D. W. Miesse, John Spangler, H. B. Greenwalt, Frederick Banker and J. B. Fies. Dr. Bolenius examined the body and found that the boy had died strangulation. The verdict was suicide. Only one cause for the boy's commission

of this dreadful deed can be assigned. It seems that he did not like to attend the restaurant, but preferred to sell goods in the country. This morning he desired to go to the country, but his father thought it tend the restaurant. Young Forrest and other boy, who have been intimate with the deceased, my that he never spoke to them of taking his life. He had one of the best homes in the city, and everything that

MRS. ALICE L. BARRY DEAD. After a Lingering Illnow, a Well-Koown

Lady Partie Away. John M. Barry, died at her home, No. 215 East Orange street, a little before three clock this morning of a complication o diseases, the chief of which was atrophy of the liver. She was 49 years of age and had been for a long time confined to he house. She was the eldest child of the late Hugh Fitzpatrick, who was one of the railroad pioneers of this section forty years ago. The deceased was educated i Lancaster public schools and lived nearly er whole life in this city. She pos great vivacity of character, was endowed with rare intelligence and was the centre of a social circle that was bounded by no limitations of creed or class. Her unos-

poor whom she befriended. She was a devoted member of St. Mary's Catholi church, and until ill-health overtook her some years ago, she was a constant attendant at all the services. She leaves surviving her three children Mrs. Richard M. Relliy, John F. and Miss Elizabeth Barry. A brother, John J. Fitzpatrick, and a slater, Mrs. Charles W Eckert, also survive to cherish the mem ory of a devoted sister. In her death her

tentatious charity was known only to the

children are sadly bereaved, as she was a most indulgent and affectionate mother whose Christian life and death will be treasured remembrance for her children. Her funeral will take place on Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock from St. Mary's Catholio church ; interment at S'. Mary'

Shouting in Mount Joy. After the fire at George Carpenter's store at Mount Joy on Saturday morning, some of those who work about the fire, got into a fight at the young man named Bugless fired five pistoi shots at one of his companions; only one bullet struck him and that was a glance shot on the elbow. Bugless has fled the town. The men had been drink-

Halted by the Buzzard, Walter R. Dinmore, business manager of the Miller Soap company, of this city, returned home yesterday from a ten days business trip. During two days of that time he was snow-bound between Philadelphis and New York, and leasted upon ginger cakes and snow.

Shamrocks From Ireland. Mary McManus, who lives at D. A. A. tick's, received on St. Patrick's Day an envelope well filled with shamrocks from relatives in Tipperary county, Ireland. This is the eixteenth year that she has received shamrocks from the same source on St. Patrick's Day.

Mr. E. P. Stofer, of the Mount Joy Sta and News, was in Lancaster to-day and called at the INTELLIGENCER office. The bright newspaper which he represents will soon move into larger quarters to accommo date its increasing patronage.

Appointed Notarica C. C. Kauffman and Scott Patton, have been re-appointed notaries public by Governor Beaver, and their commissions were received at the recorder's office this morning.

The Democratic County Convention. At a meeting of the Democratic county ommittee this morning it was decided to hold the county convention on Wednesday, April 25. The primaries for electing delegates will be held on Saturday, Apri

Martin J. Ciark and Hezekiah Best iraudulent judges of the late municipal election of Baltimore, were sentenced on Saturday to two years each in jail. TERRIBLE RAILWAY DISASTER

Twenty-Three Killed and Over Thirty Injured, The Train Plunges Through a Bridge in

Georgia.

The first section of the south-bound fast mail train went through a treatle just north of Blackshear, Ga., on Saturday morning. The wreck was fearful, cars being emashed to pieces and piled on one another. The secident was caused by a broken rail, which throw the baggage car off the track about quarter of a mile before it resched the bridge at Hurricene river. The baggage unted the track, but the train passed

over the bridge.

Immediately on the other side of the bridge there is a trestle several hundred feet in length. When the baggage car struck this trestle work it gave way and the entire train, with the exception of one car, was completely wrecked. The train consisted of a combination car, three baggage cars, smoking car, one coach, two Pullmans, sleepers and the private car of President Wilbur, of the Lehigh Valley railroad. This private car stood the fall of forty feet and is in fair condition, but its inmates were not spared.

The engine ran at once to Flackshear, physicians in the place were present, be-sides many who were ready to render sesistance in getting out the dead and rescuing

the wounded.

The following is a revised list of the killed: William A. Martin, Unton News company, Bridgeport, O.; W. B. Gleger, of Savannah; C. A. Fulton, master of transportation of the Brunawick & Western railroad; F. M. Smith, the Pultuman conductor; John T. Ray, of Blackshear; John H. Pate, of Hawkinsville, Ga; E. P. Thompson, of New York; Mrs. G. W. Kelly, of Palatks, Fla.; W. A. McGriff, of Columbia; Mrs. W. A. Suaw and daughter, of Jacksonville, Fls.; M. A. Wilbur, son of K. P. Wilbur, of Bethlehem, Pa; J. H. Hurlbut, of Pfiladelphia; Charles Pear and Coffee Williams, of Valdosta; Lioyd Dawson, Capar Foster, and Moses Gate, of Wayoross; five unknown colored men.

The revised list of the injured is: Milton Lawrence, of Savannah, slightly; William L. Griffie, of Savannah, conductor, dangerously; J. A. Thompson, editor of the Prople's Journal, Jacksonville, Fix.; Charles ouary; J. A. Thompson, editor of the Prople's Journal, Jacksonville, Fig.; Charles Brown, of Savannah, badly; C. D. Helmbold, traveling agent of Armour & Co.; George J. Gould and wife, of New York, elightly; Mrs. Daniel McClinch, of Philiphia, internally; Miss Alice Simpson, of New York, internally; Miss Alice Simpson, of New York, internally; Miss Alice Simpson, of New York, internally; Samuel Ames and wife, of Providence, k. I., badly; Dr. Booth, of New York; E. P. Wilbur, president of the Lehigh Vatley railroad, Bethlehem, Pa.; W. A. Wilbur, of Bethlehem; R. I. Wilbur, of Bethlehem; internally; A. G. Broyle, of Bethlehem, internally; A. G. Broyle, of Bethlehem, internally; A. G. Broyle, of Bethlehem; A. J. Fair cloth, of Warestoro, Gr.; E. Butterfield, of New York; L. B. Mallard, of Savannah, arm broken and cuus on the head; T. B. Thompson and wife, of New Orleans; Capt. O. W. Wallace, traveling agent of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, dangerously injured internally; W. D. McClinch; — Austin, Savannah; Henry Sueed, of Savannah; C. E. Van Vorst, of Savannah; John Papy, Fernandius, Fia.; General Ferrere and wife, of New York, tadly; J. Spirro, of Newark, N. J.; Walter Goodyear, of Savannah; Samuel Allen, of Savannah, badly; Fred Maynard, of New York, reported killed, was from Udea, N. Y.; he was not killed, but slightly injured.

Some of the dead have been sent to their former homes and others will be embaimed and sent. The severely wounded are s ill at Waycrosa. Mr. Gould and his wife and the Wilbur family are at Bisckshear, near the scene of the accident, and a special car has been placed at their disposal by the Savannah; Forida & Western railway.

The treatie of Hurricane river is about eight bundred feet in length, and the break includes four hundred feet at the west end, the tender and the engine lodging against

includes four hundred feet at the west end, the tender and the engine lodging against the abutment. The baggage car left the track on the treatle, which accounts for the accident. The ties show where the trucks

eut deep into them. It was this car that careened the rear care, and by its strain dragged the tenderdown, the engine having safely crossed over. Had it not been for the presence of mind of Engineer Richard Weich, a much more horrible fate would have been in store for the wounded. Hurriedly dispatching the engine with a fireman to Blackshear, he ran down to the wreck and, with the assistance of the porter of Pullman car Minervs, ex-tinguished the fire which had broken out

n the baggage car. The trainmen and the uninjured passen gers at ouce set to work to rescue the living and extricate the bodies of the dead. For tunately there were sxes on the train, and with these the splintered timbers were out away. The people of the neighborhood flocked to the scene and lent all possible

flocked to the scene and lent all possible aid, some bringing wagons and carriages, on which the wounded were conveyed to the village of Waycross.

The part of the treatle which was destroyed is being rebuilt, and direct connection will be reopened with Florida Tuceday Liorning. The accident is the first of the kind that has ever occurred on the road since it was built, thirty-five years the road since it was built, thirty five years

age,
Mr. George J. Gould, son of Jay Gould,
was one of the fortunate survivors. He
said to a reporter: "My party, consisting
of my family—that is, Mrs. Gould, my
child and nurse—escaped, much bruised,
but still all right, as I believe in a few days
and the still all right, as I believe in a few days

but still all right, as I believe in a few days we will all have recovered from the sbock. The only injury I received was a slight cut on one ear and one on the forehead, which did not amount to anything.

"An accident occurs so suddenly that one has not much time to take notes, you know. All that I can say is that at about 935 o'clock, as we were speeding along, the accident happened. The whole train, with the exception of the locomotive, broke through the treatle. It was an awful moment. The cars piled up on each other and then the wreck took fire, and had it not been for the promptness with which the flames were extinguished a great many more lives would have been lost. You see, a great many passengers were injured and were pinned in by the wreck and could only be released by being wreck and could only be released by being

cut out with axes. cut out with axes.

"It was dreadful to hear the cries of the wounded and those who realized their awful danger. The passengers worked hard to relieve the sufferings of the injured, and strove valiantly to extricate those who could not get free. Men showed their grit and nerve, while the women were as plucky as could be. In our siesper nearly everyone was killed or seriously injured. one was killed or seriously injured. It was badly smashed. The people around were exceedingly kind to all those hurt,

were exceedingly kind to all those hurt, and could not have been more so.? Mr. George J. Gould was very modest about his own personal actions, and his fellow-passengers say he was one of the hardest and plucklest workers in helping the men clear the wreckage off from the unfortunate ones and assisting the wounded. Mrs. Gould also acted like a brave little woman. The entire party is much unnerved by the dreadful calamity, but they are very thankful they escaped with their lives.

Being asked the object of his visit to Fiorida, Mr. Gould replied: "I came down to meet my father, whom I expect to arrive a: Fernandina in his yacht in a day

The soup house was closed on Saturday for the season. It was opened on Decem ber 20, and closed on March 17. Rations were distributed on 77 week days, and the number distributed by months was as follows: December, 1,522; January, 6,317 February, 5,454; March, 2,004; total, 15, 394. The number of families relieved was 151. Mayor Morton will prepare the annual statement of receipts and expenditures and publish the same in a few days.

James C. Aldridge, colored, had a hear ing before Alderman Spurrier on Saturday e ening on charges of assault and battery and surety of the peace, preferred by his wile Amelia. In default of ball he was committed for trial at court.

FATAL TENEMENT FIRE.

AN EARLY MORNING BLAZE IN A FIVE STORY STRUCTURE.

A Woman Pails From the Fifth Floor at She Meets Instant Death-Several Severely Isjared-Exciting Work of the Faremen in Besculag the Occupants,

NEW YORK, March 19 - Shortly after o'clock this morning three engines were summoned to Fifth avenue and 86th is located. The building was enveloped in flames when the firemen arrived.

ond floor at 6:45 a. m. On account of the huge piles of snow in the streets it was rived, and by that time the whole interior of the flat was burning. The inmates, who hastily awakened, but so quickly did the flames spread that the escape of many o them was cut off. On the sills of the upper story windows several men, women and children had taken refuge and were scream ing lustily for help. Nettings were stretched on the sidewalk under the windown and a lad leaped from one of the windows into the net. He was picked up insensible. A revolving wrial ladder was hoisted and a fireman ascended to a third story window with a scaling ledder, which he bung on the sill of the windowahove. A man who had been waiting for the ladder started to descend by it. Just at that moment a sheet of fire burst through the window at which the firemen was standing and to save himself he icaped into the net. His arm was broken and he was rendered insensible. Another ladder was raised for the rescue of a woman who was at a window on the fifth floor, but before it could reach her she either fell or jumped to the side walk. She died instantly. A number of the occupants were carried down the stairs or ladders by the firemen. It was reported that several children were unaccounted for and it is feared they were suffocated. It was 40 minutes from the discovery of the fire to the time that the first stream of water was thrown upon the flamer. Many people dropped from the lower windows and re-

ceived but alight to juries. At 8:50 the fire was under control. The killed and wounded so far a learned are : Killed-Frances Westlake, widow, aged 45 years.

Wounded-Addie Westlake, daughter of Frances Westlake, aged 24 years, contusions and internal injuries; Frederick West lake, a son, 23 years, contusions and inter-nal injuries; Mrs. M. A. Tynburg, shock and contusions from jumping from a sec ond story window ; William Quirk, assistant foreman of engine 23, left arm fractured by jumping from the third story. The wounded were all taken to the Presbyterian Capt. Patrick Donahue, of engine No. 29

who had charge of the fire, says that when he arrived at the scene Mrs. Westlake, her daughter and her two sons were either hanging from a fourth-story window, or looking out of it, crying piteously for help. Scaling ladders were immediately go out and life-saving nets spread under the windows. Just before the nets were spread Mrs. Tynburg jumped and was carried away insensible. A ladder was being put up to the Westlakes, when Miss Westlake, window sill and slipped down, striking the sidewalk violently. Her brothers jumped into the net, but their weight caused it to give and they struck the sidewalk with considerable force. Their mother overcome by the amoke fell back died. When the firemen reached her i was a question of leaving the body to be burned or throwing it out The latter alternative was decided upon and the body was thrown into the net. The net was not sufficiently taus and her corpse struck the pavement with such violence as to badly mutilate her head and body. This is the woman mentioned as the one seen by the spectators believed to have jumped from the window. As sistant Foreman Quirk had a narrow escape when he rescued the third floor he hooked secaling ladder to the wall above. He had hardly done this when the flames poured out in great volume from the window, on the sill of which he was standing. The net was brought under the window and he jumped into it, but when he was picked up it was found his arm was broken and he had received internal ir juries. Several other fire menhad to get out of the burning structure at an instant's notice, but all escaped un scathed, with the exception of a lew small burns and bruises. No one knows how the fire originated. One version is tha a servant in the employ of the Tynburgs lighted the kitchen fire with kerosene, and that an explosion followed. building was known as the "Elber-on." It was five atories high, 100 teet on Eighty-fifth street, and 20 fee front and rear. The ground floor was fitted up for stores. There were no fire escape On the second floor was the family of Jos. Siddenburg, who escaped unburt. On the

fourth floor was the family of M. A. Tyn burg, the top floor by the Westlakes. The building is owned by Henry Hill berg. The loss to the building is \$15,000 insured. The occupants lost everything It is not known what their loss will

A Couple Leave Town Rather Hastily.

Miss Lillie Stains disappeared from the home of her father, John T. Stains, on South Prince street, at an early hour Sunday morning. When the family arose she was missed and search was made for her. It was then learned that she left town for Philadelphia on the 2:20 train Sunday morning. She was accompanied by young man named Lawrence Johnson and the impression is that they went to New Jersey to be married. Johnson has been employed at the livery stable of Haverstick & Son, in this city, for some time past. On Saturday night he had bu \$5, and unless the girl had money they could not get far. Miss Stains is quite young, and last summer she figured in a similar affair when she went to Altoon with a young printer of this city. The father of the girl has gone to Philadelphia

W. P. Campbell, disciplinarian of the In dustrial school at Carlisle, who has been visiting friends in this city for a few days past, left for his home in Carifale this after noon. He "took in" the appliances of the Athletic club, of this city, with the view of adding some of them to the gymnasium of the Indian school, which when fully fur-nished, will be one of the best and largest gymnasiums in the state.

The War Views.

On Saturday evening the last of th Brady war views were shown in Fulton opera house to a large audience. series were very entertaining, and Admiral Reynolds Post, under whose suspices the exhibition was given, have added quite a sum to their treasury,

THE NEW GERMAN EMPEROR His Condition Serious and Great Efforts Made to Keep it Secret, BERLIN, March 19—There is now no

toubt that the rumor of the relapse of Em traordinary efforts to prevent the real state of things from being known are now taken, but the secret is out. The correspondents of the London dailies who came here with six or seven secretaries apiece, princes of high and low degree and many others to whom the health of the emperor is of great importance, have suddenly decided not to leave to day. according to previous arrangements, and are waiting anxiously and uneasy for further news. The utmost pressure was brought to bear upon Prince Elsmarck Jes-terdsy, but he would not pronounce the emperor's condition better. He said for publication : "H.s majesty's condition was sbout what might have been expected ! the physicians expected a relapse of a se encouraging. It is known that the emperor only slept one hour Friday night, eatisfactory last night. Dr. MacKenzie re ports that he is under imperial orders to refuse all information. He wishes it known, however, that he has never predicted the recovery of the emperor. The desperate t tuation of affairs may be gathered from the fact that the government, which means the iron chancellor, has ordered that Dr. MacKenzie should have a special guard of soldiers to protect him from the alleged German doctors who are jesious of him. The meaning of this is said by men who are well informed to be that Dr. Mac-Kenzie is to be guarded so that he cannot give any information to the public. No known journalist is permitted even to send a card to him since the guard was estab lished. If Dr. MacKenzie is quoted by the average correspondent now, it may be put down as a fabrication. Even his mail is under the eye of men who are trying to calm the public excitment. The Prince of Wales left last night for London. Before the train started the Prince of Wales rushed back and held an excited conversation in whispers with Germany's next emperor. Both princes were greatly excited. It had a great effect. The people rushed away talking wildly to the four quarters of the city. Later information came direct to me from Prince Bismarck's son that no change for the better had taken place in the emperor's condition. This information was secured at the official resiterms with the palace.

KNIGHTS OF LABOR OF LANCASTER. What They Will Try to Prove of the Condi-

The Philadelphia Record publishes a long letter from the "Lancaster Knights of Labor" which is introductory to a series in which an attempt will be made to prove that the inequality of conditions complained of by Henry George exists not only in the great cities but all over the country. The Knights' letter gives a great deal of space and elequence to a historical review of the great crisis in the history of civilization with the purpose of showing that they have all been brought on by movements of the working masses of the people. It finds in the profound interest of the people in abstruce and complicated economic problems no less than in the general discontent

The Knights then turn their attention to

sake is at last tottering to its grave." The letter quotes DeToequeville's famous saying, "among the novel objects that attracted my attention during my stay in the United States, nothing struck me more forcibly than the general equality of conditions," and sake what foreigner traveling in this country to-day would "find nothing to strike him more forcibly than the general equality of conditions." It may be said that this is only true of the great cities where extremes meet "and the millionaire jostles the tramp on the crowded streets, and that there are "thousands of towns and smaller cities throughout the republic where you will find the great masses of the people in comfortable circumstan neither very rich nor very poor, where you can find much wealth but no enervating luxury; where you may, indeed, discover some poverty but no abject want, no de-graded wretchedness."

If this is true, the letter goes on to state then the almost universal discontent is wholly without any real, much less just,

" But is this true? It is our purpose t endeavor in these papers to answer this question. It behooves us above all things to answer it honestly, and if we can to as-certain the truth. For this purpose we shall not leave our own home. The streets of Jerusalem were kept clean by each man

sweeping his own pavement "We shall cite therefore actually existing abuses—grievances endured at the present time. We shall choose them all from one city of not more than 30,000 inhabitants, and the centre of the wealthiest agricultural county in the United States; a city whose markets are unequaled in the variety quality and cheapness of their products, and where all the necessaries of life are found in the greatest abundance, and prices rents and taxes are phenomenally low. The City of Lancaster, Ps., possesses, ludeed, as a place of residence almost unequaled advantages. It once was, and still should be, a paradise for the laborer. Yet we propose to show that in many industries of this favored city child labor is employed; that eleven hours (and in some instances more) constitute a day's work ; that the 'hands are paid monthly instead of weekly; that the 'store order' infamy exists as go 1erally as it has ever existed in the mining regions, and, in short, that there flourishes here to-day nearly every grievance of which abor has ever complained."

### A BOY'S LEG CUT OFF. Harry Evans Terribiy Injured While At

tempting to Jump Upon an Engine. QUARRIVILLE, March 19 .- An accident courred here on Saturday that has cast a toom over the boys of the neighborhood and one which will no doubt prove a warn amping on cars while in motion. Shortly after the arrival of the four o'clock train from Lancaster, and while the crew wes engaged in shifting it into position for re turn, Harry Evans, a boy of about 15 years of age, son of Martin Evans, atempted to jump on the step of the ter lu doing so he missed his hold and fell with both legs under the engine. He succreded in getting one out, but the left one was run over and terribly crushed. He was discovered by Baggage-Master Hoopes and, strange to say, the boy had

limped fifty yards from the place of the accident before examining his wound After being placed in the station until the arrival of the doctor, he was removed to his nome in the village and his injuries atsinded by Drs. Raub and Rohrer, who simputated the leg above the knee. Young Evans is a bright and active boy, and baving a robust constitution, is getting long as well as could be expected. There is a great deal of sympathy ex-pressed for "Polly," and while exhibiting

the nerve of a soldier he gives to his play-

mates the advice which he unfortunately

WASHINGTON, March 19 —The decision in the telephone cases was read by Justice Biatchford in the United States supreme court to-day. It comprised a very elaborate review of all the inventions of the tele

phone which have come up to claim prisufts which have been conducted in the Justice Biatchfard holds that the I Justice Biatchfard holds thus does not require at the time application is made for a patent that there shall have been obtained a high degree of perfection;

satisfactorily at first in order that the paice \$ may issue and stand sgainst the assaults of others; that the electrical undulation effects sets forth by Beil in his application have been fully attained, and that the vibration is identical to bis description. It is first necessary to describe the process, then the

There is nothing requiring the ope of instruments before patent issues. It is the practicability of the process that is to be shown. It is true that when Bell got his patents he thought the magnetic process best, but that does not prevent him from using the electrical process and attaining the same results. Bell discovered the way to attain the results we have now in trans-

mitting articulate sounds by electricity. A lengthy review followed respecting the investigations by various electricians about the time of the issuance of Bell's patent and the conclusion was that there was nothing to show that anyone had invented an apparatus prior to that invented by Bell, although vibrations by electricity by Beil, although vibrations by electricity had been transmitted by wire prior to 1856 It was left for Bell to discover the principle and this he adopted and subsequently per

No others have shown that they ever No others have shown that they ever thought of it. It is the difference between failure and success. Bell took up the work and carried it to success where others had left off. The telephone is now conducted on the principle of the electrical telegraph—that is, by making and breaking circults.

In the review of the illigation in various courts to test the validity of the Bell patents, the claims of Drawbaugh ware

ents, the claims of bandled very tersely. the claims of Drawbaugh The justice cited newspaper stateme tending to show Drawbaugh was the original discoverer of transmission of articulate sounds by electricity and that combinations were firming with his inventions as a nucleus which would compail Gray, Bell and others to pay Drawbaugh a

royalty or quit the field. At present Bell has more than 100,000 electric speaking instruments in successful operation, and parties to the suits to set aside his patents have done nothing to develop the telephone. Drawbaugh hisself seems never to have told suyone of his discovery till called as a witness against the Bell patent, although he claims to have had an instrument in operation in a little town in Pennsylva some years prior to the centennial exposi-tion at Philadelphia, in 1876, where Bell made successful exhibitions of his inven-tions and which Drawbough witnessed Drawbaugh as a witness referred to what he had accomplished with his "talking machine" prior to the Philadelphia centennial, but there is no evidence to show that for years afterwards he made any reference to it, although be did continue his efforts to improve of inventions. He seemed, according to his own statement, to have lost all interest in his "talking machine" after witnessing the exhibitions of the Bell telephone in 1876.

There was no testimony that Drawbe ever took the telephone out of his own town prior to 1879—a year after Bell's tele-phone had been in use. It was hardly likely that Drawbaugh would have re mained stient in view of the wide newspaper notoriety on telephone m The instruments produced in court by Drawbaugh were not understood by any-one but himself. The history of the tests of Drawbaugh's instruments, the judge said, was that they were unes The court therefore decided that the

Drawbaugh defense had not been me The Gray case was next taken up. The judge said it had been alleged by the counsel in this case that the cavent filed by Gray in the patent office had been e by representatives of the Bell telephone people by means of collusion and under-hand methods. He analyzed the charges and testimony taken in support of the allegation and then ruled that the charge was not made out in the face of affidavits of reputable scientists and officials.

The cialms of the American Telephone company were then considered and dism'ssed as not proved. In conclusion the decision affirmed the

findings of the lower courts in favor of the Bell Telephone company, and reversed the decision rendered against them in the co on the molecular theory. The decision is therefore in favor of the Bell Telepho pany by making permanent the injunct The dissenting opinion of Justices Har-

lan, Field and Bradley was read by Jus-tice Bradley, sustaining the claims of Drawbaugh to priority of invention. The supreme court room was crowded to suffication, and the greatest interest pre-vailed during the reading of the decision.

Marder and Saleide, WABRENTON, Ma, March 19 .- Late Saturday night Green Humphreys, living six miles from here, became involved in a

quarrel with his wife while she was dree, sing and in response to a request to leav the room he fired three shots at her inflict ing fatal wounds. While under arrest in his home yesterday he committed suic by shooting himself in the presence of his wounded wife. Humphreys was a promis-

nent and wealthy citizen.

STILLWATER, MIND., March 10. - Convict Carlin, who escaped from the Minner penitentiary last fall with the notorie Landers and who was recently captured in Chicago and brought back, now as himself as the murderer of Amos J. Sa the Chicago millionaire, presumably with the notion that he may be pardened here so as to stand trial for the murder at Chicago.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—For Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jar-sey: Warmer, light to fresh southeasterly winds, except brisk on the co fair followed by threatening weather occasional light rains.

Siain by an Unknown Assessin.

William Rau, aged 65, the wealthy proprietor of Beile Mead, near Bound Brook, N. J., was murdered Saturday night while attending to the cattle in his barn. Miss body was found with the head terribly crushed and a blood-covered club lying beside him. There is no clue to the murderer.