A BOLD BURGLARY.

FROM CASPER KORHLERY BOUSE.

The Talef Haters the Residence From a Bal cony and Rausacks Half a Dozen Rooms. Mr. Koshier's bleeping Apartment Vis-ited and His Trousers Deploted,

a bold robbery was committed this morning between 1 and 8 o'clock, at the residence of Casper Koehler, brower, 327 and 329 Church street, the thief ransacking hait a dozen rooms and stealing several dollars in money and a valuable gold watch. The thief was evidently acquainted with the premises and with the habits of the family. Mr. Koehler closed the bar-room at 12 o'clock, midnight, and retired to bed before one o'clock, and the brewers came to work about 3 o'clock in the morning, and it was between these hours that the thiel made his visit to the premises. Adjoining Mr. Koehler's residence is another hon owned by him. There is a stairway lead to a rear balcony on the second story. All the doors on the second floor were open, and one of these doors opens on another balcony connected with Mr. Keehler's residence. The thief mounted the stairway above described, passed from the one house to the other, none of the incide doors being locked, passed into Mr. Koehler's sleeping room, stole \$3 or \$4 in change from his trousers pocket, then skipped into another room occupied by Mrs. Koehler and her children and stole Mrs. Koehier's purse containing a few dollars, and then went into an adjoining room occupied by a hired woman and stole her purse containing a dollar. The this then descended the stairway to the parlor dropping Mr. Koehler's trousers at the foot of the stairs. In the parlor was a fine suit thief left undisturbed, but stole from the vest pocket a valuable double-cased gold watch and chain, and then, probably, esby which he had entered thein.

Mr. Koehler does not know the number is the inscription "Bock, a Paris, 6 mo. 1858," that being the name of the maker, and the date at which Mr. Koehler pur hased the watch in Paris. The watch and chain cost 350 france-about \$70.

Miss Welliammings Believed to Be Insane. From the York Dally, May 17.

Mr. Issish W. Boulin, jr., and wife, of near Port Deposit, Md., with whom Miss Sarah McCummings, who made the strange confession to the mayor on Monday, had resided for the past thirteen years, came to York Tuesday evening. They say that Miss McCummings' mother died when she was only about three years old, and that the child was taken by a relative named Drennan, in Fawn township, this county, who raised and educated her. After the death of her foster father she made her home with the Boulins, and was known by the name of Sadle Drenning. Her relatives say that Sarah's father was confined in a Lancaster asylum for insanity for several years and that the lady has shown sympoms of aberration of mind for the past fer weeks. She has always been highly respected by her acquaintances, and her conion to the mayor has surprised all who know her. It is believed now that she is

Base Ball News. The League games yesterday were : At Indianapolis, Iudianapolis 4, Philadelphia

2; at Detroit, Detroit 2. Washington 0; at Pittaburg, Pittaburg 6, New York 1; at Chicago, Chicago 2, Boston 1. The Association games of yesterday were:
At Philadelphia, Athletica 9, Baltimore 4;
at Cleveland, Brooklyn 12, Cleveland 9;
at St. Louis, 8t. Louis 7, Kansas City, 2;
at Cincinnati, Cincinnati 5, Louisville 3.

The League clubs put up some of the best games of the season yesterday.

Detroit, is climbing to the top, and it has taken New York's place at third.
Gus Alberts, of Cleveland, made a home
run yesterday on the longest hit ever seen

on the home grounds. It is dollars to cents that some of the

It is doliars to cents that some of the Central League clubs will go under before the season is very old.

Gunning, of the Athletics, began hiting yesterday and the Press thinks it was owing to the encouragement given him by their base ball editor.

Glasscook made his first appearance with the Hoosiers for some time yesterday, but he is by no means well yet.

The Phillies had the wind taken out of their sails at Indianopolis yesterday. But four hite each were made off Boyle and Casey.

Casey.
"Buster" Tomney has been hitting the ball right hard for Allentown. Officers of the Grand Lodge L. O. U. F.

At Wednesday's session of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., in Allentown, 786 delegates were present. All the items were adopted in the expense account for the current year, the only one meeting with oppo attion being a \$75 appropriation for commit-tee on superintendence at Pittsburg. The total amounts to \$20,385. An appropriation

total amounts to \$20,385. An appropriation of \$800 was also made for a stenographer and type-writer for the grand secretary. The proposition to make the eligibility to membership 18 instead of 21 years was rejected by a vo e of 490 to 240. A number of appeals were heard and referred.

The grand officers elected and their votes follow: M. W. grand master, James P. Robbins, 8,866; R. W. deputy grand master, David Craft, 8,887; R. W., Charles D. Freeman, 8,605; R. W. grand secretary, James R. Nichoison, 8,846; R. W. grand treasurer, M. Richards Muckie, 8,847; R. W. G. Rep. to S. G. L., Robert E. Wright, P. G. M., 8,859.

Grand Secretary Nicholson delivered an

Grand Secretary Nicholson delivered at oration at Music hall Wednesday Light on the life and services of Past Grand Sire John W. Stokes, and Past Grand Master Hickok read a poem on the same theme.

This morning a number of men was en gaged taking horses up Orange street on they were to be shipped to Boston. One man had three animals in charge and at Rahter's stable one fell down. The other become loose and ran down North Queen street. Near the postoffice they ran in o a wagon but luckily none were injured They were then stopped and secured when new halters were put upon them and they were taken to the place of shipment. For a time it looked as though they might do

For the first time in twenty years the veterans of the Fifty second regiment of Pennsylvania volunteers met in reunion Wednesday at Wilkesbare. Of the 855 members who went to the war only 158 are now living, and of this number 133 were in attendance. Ex-Governor Hoyt, of Palladelphia, who was the colonel of the regiment, presided. A banquet was tendered to them by Ety P. st, No. 67, at its hall on

The Board of Pardons at Harrisburg of

Tuesday heard argument on a motion to grant a rehearing to Dr Joshua Potts, con-

Discoursging reports regarding the out-look for crops are being received from all parts of Indiana. In many counties hay and cats have suffered severely from the drought, while in the southern half of the state corn-fields are being devastated by she out worm.

AT THE STATE SORMAL SOROOL.

R. Pratt to a Large Audience.

MILLERSVILLE, May 16—The students of the Normal and many of the people of the village had the pleasure of hearing two excellent addresses this evening. Prof. Woodruft, for many years superintendent of public schools in Chester county, delivered an excellent address upon "The Attributes of the Teacher." In an easy, practical manner he brought out the characteristics of a good teacher. The teacher about be well born and have good health. The common opinion is that the feeble should enter a learned profession and the strong should work in the open air is wrong; but the contrary to this is true. The next qualthe contrary to this is true. The next qual-ification of the good teacher is poverty. The speaker never knew of a rich person being a good teacher. Poverty gives a determi-nation to overcome difficulties and urges the teacher to make a success of his undertaking. Vigor and energy are also neces sary attributes as well as executive ability and good address. No investment pays a young man as well as an investment in kindness. Test to do the right thing at the

right time is also necessary.

The teacher should also carry sunshine with him everywhere and be able to com municate to those around him a hopeful spirit. He must also have knowledge of himself; must know that he knows some things and does not know other things finally he must have professional knowledge and a good moral character. The end of all education is the culture of the individual, the development of his mind and his body, so that he may be the better pre-

pared to do his appointed lifework. The speaker gave the young teachers present some very good advice concerning examinations and teaching the first day of school. The address was closely listened o and frequently applauded.

Dr. E. O. Lyte then called upon Captain R. H. Pratt, principal of the Carlisle Indian school. Mr. Pratt gave a short address exceedingly interesting. He spoke of the various plans tried by the government to settle the question and of the success of the plan to educate them. There are but 260,-000 Indians in the United states. These speak 70 different languages. The proper way to their children into the public schools, and thus seeimilate them. We seeimilate every year from 800,000 to 500,000 foreigners sim ply by scattering them and bringing them under the influence of the public school-The Indian is as susceptible of civilisation as a man of different color and all that is necessary is for us to help him to be a man

Great Council Officers Elected. The present session of the Great Council Improved Order of Red Men being held at York, is the largest ever held, over 280 delegates being present. At their session on Wednesday the following officers were

declared elected : Great sachem-Thomas D. Tanner, Easton. Great senior sagamors—W. G. Myers,
Philadelphia. Great junior sagamors—
John M. McCully, Lancaster. Great
prophet—Robert P. Morton, Philadelphia.
Great chief of records—Thomas K. Donnelly, Philadelphia. Great keeper of wampum-George Kramer, Philadelphia. Representatives to Great Council of the United States—Frank Cilver, Philadelphia, James Maloney, Philadelphia ; Joseph F. Edward, Philadelphia ; Henry Ommert, Pittsburg. I hursday. The reports of the committee on laws, finance, and state of the order were heard, and the laws governing the rank of Pocahentas degree were acted upon. Allentown, Pa, has been agreed upon as the next place of meeting of the Great Council. The present Great Council will probably adjourn at moon to-day.

After religious exercises in the Methodist Drs. E. W. C. Huntingdon and William swindells offered a resolution providing tion of a bishop. Motions to refer the reso lution to the committee on episcopacy and to lay it on the table were subsequently to lay it on the table were subsequently made and lost, and the resolution was then adopted by a vote of 202 to 131. The consideration of the report on ministerial and lay representation was, by general consent, postponed until Friday, at which time a supplementary report will also be considered. The time had now arrived for the order of the day—memorial services—which were conducted by Bishop Bowman. Prayer was offered by Bishop Foss, after which memorial addresses were made as follows:

follows:

Bishop Matthew Simpson, by Rev. Jacob Todd, D. D., of the Wimington conference; Bishop Isaac Wiley, by Rev. I. W. Joyce, D. D., Cincinnati conference; Bishop William L. Harris, by Rev. W. F. Whitlock, D. D., North Ohio Conference; Rev. Daniel Curry, D. D., by Rev. Joseph Puliman, New York East conference; Rev. Marshall W. Taylor, D. D., by Rev. E. W. S. Hammond, Lexington conference; Rev. D. D. Whedon, D. D., by Rev. J. M. Bucktoy, D. D., of New York conference.

A complimentary dinner was given Wednesday evening to the judges of the supreme court of Pennsylvania at Boidt's restaurant, in the Bullitt building, Philadelphis, by the members of the Lancaster bar. The banqueting hall was prettily decorated with palm and other plants, and in the midst of the round table at which the guests sat was a magnificent bouquet of

H. M. North presided. The other mem-bers of the Lancaster bar present were S B. Frank Eshelman, B. F. Davis, W. D. Weaver, J. A. Coyle, J. W. B. Bausman and E. G. Smith. All the justices, with the exception of Judges Sterrett and Trunkey, were present. The justices have accepted the invitation of the Lancaster lawyers to spend Sunday, May 27, with them at Lancaster on their way to Harris-

Mr. Davis, in the employ of Worthington is in this city to superintend the moving of

the pumps to the old works. who are to furnish the new boilers, arrived yesterday. He will superintend the laying of the foundations of the building in which

County Commissioners Gingrich, Worth and Leber, went to Bellaire, on the Cornwall and Lebenon railroad, this morning to confer with the Lebanon county commissioners in reference to the building of an inter county bridge in that vicinty. They will return to this city this evening.

The executive committee of the high chool alumni met on Wednesday evening and decided upon a banquet for the evening of commencement day, the time fixed for their annual reunion. Another meeting will be held on next Wednesday evening when the full programme of exercises will be decided upon.

Officer Weaver captured four cows last night. They were found wandering about he streets at a late hour. He drove them tto the station house yard, where they await

A VERY HEATED DEBATE.

CONGRESSES SCOTT AND DALBEL HAVE A PERSONAL DISQUESTON.

Fi er, a Republican, Desigres Ets Intention to Support the Mills Bill-Bo Foors No Party Leab.

The tariff bill was debated in the House at both the day and evening sessions o

Wednesday. Mr. Baker (N. Y.) cited the prospe condition of industrice in his district on al tributable to a high tariff; Mr. Bound (Pa. opposed the bill ; Mr. Farquhar, (N. Y., called attention to the fact that the committee on ways and means, to which great
commercial and financial questions were
committed, was composed of eleven lawyers, one cotton planter and one railroad
manager; Mesers. Bayne (Pa) and Leird
(Neb.) spoke against the bill, and Mr.
Weaver (Ia) thought it an honest effort to
relieve the people.

Mr. Fitch (N. Y.) said the people of his
district in New York city had elected him
(a Republican) to Congress mainly because the Democratic candidate refused to
support any measure of tariff reform and
had voted against consideration of the
Morrison bill. [Applance on the Democratic side] He agreed with the late
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cratic side] He sgreed with the late President Arthur in his tariff views, and was in favor of revising the present tariff without waiting for the Republicane to get coutrol of the House. He proposed to do what he could toward fulfilling the promises of his party on this subject now when he had the opportunity. He did not eare particularly how the pending bill was iranged or who framed it. If the gentismen who denounced its authors would prepare a better bill he would certainly be glad to give his support to that measure in preference to any other. But if he should be asked to oppose the bill, not so much on account of its contents as on account of its authorship and history, he must decline to do so, even if he should stand alone on his side of the House. Applause on the Democratic side.] He had not declined the suffrages of his people on assount of their political suit cedents, and it 6 too people forgot their Democracy to give the district to a Republican he, in his turr, would forget the origin of the bill in considering the question whether it was in the interest of his constituents. There was something better than Republicanism or Democracy, and that was common honesty.

Mr. Allen (Mich.) then spoke against the bill, and Mr. Daiseit (Pa.) rose to correct, as he said, some grow mustatements that had been made on the fiver by his colleague from the Eric district (Mr. Scott) respecting the products of his district. He had seen Braddock grow from a straggling country village into a busy town, and all owing to the enterprise of Andrew Carnegie. It had streets and a public library and homes owing to the birth of the great manufactory.

Mr. Stott:—The proceeds of which were

Mr. Soott—The proceeds of which were plundered out of the American people [Democratic applause] and contributed as a part of the plunder to secure the \$600,000 that he puts in his pocket in one year.

Mr. Dalzell adjured the gentleman to keep his temper, and proceeded to declare that Mr. Soott in his speech had piaced the price of steel ratis at \$37.50, when he had already signed a report from the committee on ways and means stating it at \$31, and had suppressed important items, such as aplegateless, etc., which went to swell the cost of steel ratis. He had known that the \$18 given as the price of Beasamer pig represented \$15.60 in labor, and he had deliberately left the out. Mr. Scott—There is \$6 duty on pig-iron and \$17 duty on steel ratis. Does the gentleman forget that?

Mr. Dalzell—I don't forget that.

Mr. Scott—You had better remember it Mr. Soot:—The proceeds of which were

Mr. Scott—You had better remember it when you are misrepresenting and mistreating lacts.

In concluding his speech Mr. Dalsell ridiculed Mr. Scott as a laboring man's friend and as a recently developed enemy of the indefensible trusts and moncrolies, and advised him that it was not state-main-ably to discuss the private affairs of neighbors behind their bicks, adding:

This House and the country are no more interested in the question whether Andrew Carnegie has a summer cestic in the hills of Scotland than in the question whether the statesman from Eric has a \$5,000 and a \$10,000 cook. [Applaus:]

\$10,000 cook. [Applause.] Mr. Scott—I have listened with a gree

Mr. Scott—i have listened with a great deal of interest to the personal attack of the gentleman—I will call him so, although I may be mistaken in that. [Republican cries of "Oh, I guess not."] I do not know whether he is speaking in the interest of the American people and his direct constituents, or whether he is bere as an attorney for certain interests in this country. I will leave him to decide that question for himself, but I will tell the gentleman that if he will go to Scott Haven he will find 2,000 men there who tri-weekly receive in cash \$i\$ a day more than the gentleman's friends—the Carnegie steel works—pay.

In the course of further remarks Mr. Scott referred to the Edgar Thomson steel works people covering their works with detectives and importing foreigners to fill the places of the employes. Mesers. Dalseli

the places of the employes. Mesers. Daiself and Farquhar both sought to reply, but Mr. Scott declined to be interrupted. Turning to Mr. Daiself he asked how many men he had on his pay-roll and to whem he gave employment. employment.

Mr. Daiseil—I am not a millionaire.

Mr. Daiseil—I am not a millionaire.
Mr. Scott—You had the opportunity, but
you didn't have the brains to get there.
[Democratic applause.]
Mr. Scott then asked whether Mr. Daiseil denied that the total amount of labor
on a ton of rails at the Edgar Thomson
works exceeded \$4.90.
Mr. Daiseil—Certainly.
Mr. Scott—Then I say he states what is
not true.

Outinuing, Mr. Boott offered to company

Continuing, Mr. Scott offered to compare the wage workers of Scott Haven with those in the industries which the gratieman had pleaded for, and said he would abide by the report of a committee the majority of which might be geatlemen from the other side if they should be only honest and fair minded. He had hoped that a question as important as this to the whole country could have been discussed upon the floor without personal attacks being made upon any gentleman. He had made no unkind charges against the proprietors of the Edgar Thomson steel works. He had merely stated facts in connection with that industry, and in answer to those facts his colleague (Mr. Dalssil) had turned upon him and made a personal attack. He would state to his colleague that he minded it no more than he would the barking of a dog in the street. [Applause on He would state to his cliesque that he minded it no more than he would the barking of a dog in the street. [Applause on the Democratic side and jeering shouts of "Oh, oh," from the Republicans] "I will a and," continued Mr. Hoott, "on my record at home and with my record as non from his home; if I have ever elected a man from his home; if I have ever endeavored in my life, though I have ever endeavored in my life, though I have ever endeavored in my life, though I have ever employed a detective, either a Pinkerton detective or any other kind of detective, to come and protect my property against the men who are working for me, or who have worked for me, I will resign my seat and leave this hall the day it is proved." [Applause on Democratic side.]

Mr. Brumm—Does not the gentieman contribute toward paying the coal and from police in the coal regions?

Mr. Scott—No, sir. You made that charge against me—

"And," interrupted Mr. Brumm, "I am going to prove it."

"I will make you prove it," oried Scott, vehemently. "I am going to call you before the bar of the House to make you prove it."

"And I will prove it," shouted Mr.

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"And I will prove it," shouted Mr. Brumm.
"It is false, sir, as hell itself," retorted Mr. Scott. "The gentlemsa ought to have known what he was doing. I have nothing more to say. I have been identified with the labor of this country all my life. I have worked and tolied with them, and when I start out to rob snybody, or to get anybody's money, it will not be the money of the wags workers of this country." [Applease on the Democratic side.]
The Mones then isok a recess to the evaning session.

FURTARE DEBATE OR THE TARIFF.

Arguments For and Against the Measure Frepeeed to Reduce Transies.

WASHINGTON, May I7.—In the House
to-day Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, presented
the conference report on the Cincinnati exposition bill and it was agreed to.

The House resumed consideration of the
tariff bill in committee of the whole.

Mr. Peters, of Kanese, argued that if a
protective tariff was robbery, as asserted by
the other side, then the Mills bill only see
tionalised that robbery. If protection were
robbery, and the Democratic party was not
in favor of free trade, every Democrat who in favor of free trade, every Democrat who supported protection was a robber, and if the Mills bill was not a free trade measure,

every Democratio member of the ways and means committee was a robber.

Mr. Anderson, of Illinois, opposed the protective system for having enriched a chosen few and for having secondaries dangerous surplus in the treasury. He denied that a return to a revenue basis would reduce wasse. reduce wages, or that the protective system had built up the manufacturing industrie

Mr. Breckenridge, of Arkansas, enlogi the precident's message, and said it had met with great popular favor. It was the monopoly strats solely of the tariff that the bill sought to make a cut at.

The Senate to-day adopted the conference report on the Cincinnati exposition bill.

The pension appropriation bill was then La the Senate

The Senate has passed the pension appro priation bill without amendments, except those reported by the appropriations com-

DEATH OF THE OLDES! MILLER.

John Fry, of Ephrata Township, a Well Knows Ciuses, Dies of Bropsy.

John Fry, the oldest miller in Languager county, died at his residence in Ephrais township, a mile and a half east of Hinkletown, last night, aged 73 years. He died in the house in which he was born. The cause of his death was droppy and congestion of the lungs, and he has been a suffere for several months. Mr. Fry went to learn the milling trade when he was 16 years old and he followed that business until a short time ago, a period of nearly 57 years. His father and grandfather, who were also millers, carried on business where he was engaged for so many years and he has two sons, also millers, who will succeed him in his business. Deceased was well known throughout Lancaster county as a man of the strictest integrity. He filled a number discharged the trusts reposed in him. He was the last of four brothers, all of whom He leaves a widow, eight children and eleven grandchildren. His funeral will take place on Saturday. Among his children are John H. Fry, a member of the bar, Mrs. B. C. Kready, Mrs. William Kline, of Terre Hul, and Mrs. John Sel-

domridge, of Ephrats.

The text of the law for the new publi building for Lancaster is as follows : Be it enacted, &., that the secretary of the treasury be, and he hereby is, authoris d and directed to purchase, acquire by condemnation, or otherwise provide a suitable site, and caused to be erected thereon. able site, and caused to be erroted thereon at the city of Lancaster, in the state of Pennsylvania, a suitable and commodious public building, with fire-proof vaults, for the use and socommodation of the post-cifice, internal revenue office, pension office, internal revenue conce, pension office, and for other government uses. The site, and the building thereon, when completed according to plans and specifications to be previously made and approved by the accretary of the treasury, shall no exceed the cost of one hundred thousand dollars; nor shall any site be purchased until estimates for the erection of a building which will furnish sufficient accommodations for the transaction of the public business, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited after the site shall have been purchased business, and which shall not exceed in cost the balance of the sum herein limited after the site shall have been purchased and paid for, shall have been approved by the secretary of the treasury, and the site purchased shall leave the building unexposed to danger from fire in adjacent buildings by an open space of at least forty feet, including streets and alleys; and for the purposes herein mentioned the sum of one hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the freasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the scoretary of the treasury: Provided, That no part of said sum shall be expended until a valid title to the said site shall be vested in the United States, and the state of Pennsylvants shall code to the United States excitative jurisdiction over the same, during the time the United States shall be or remain the owner thereof, for all purposes except the administration of the criminal laws of said state and the service of any civil process therein.

Bomebody played a practical joke on the Nebraska state convention at Omaha on Tuesday night. The committee on platform reported very late and as soon as the platform was adopted the city editor of the Republican sent it by messenger to the office to be put in type and proof sheets were sent to the Bee and Herald. Imagine the consternation in the Republican camp next morning when the three newspaper appeared with these planks of the Demo cratic platform passed at their convention two weeks ago, inserted in the Republican

pistform:
"Sympathy for the wronged and oppressed of every land is avowed, and ribie crisis in the affairs of the people of Its land, hearty encouragement is expressed than in that struggle for liberty and sel this crisis in the affairs of the people of Ire-land, hearty encouragement is expressed to them in their struggle for liberty and self-government. Liberal i endous to disabled and needy veterans of the Union army are recommended to Congress, but jobbery and favoritiem, such as were exposed by President Cleveland's veto measures, are sepecially condemned. For the best inter-ests of all the people of the United States and their more harmonlous comenting into

wars are reprehended and denounced."

How they got there is a mystery. The general impression is that some Democratic was played a practical joke on the Republicans, either by tampering with the meaningers or right under the nose of the sectors appointing the above for spothers. retary substituting the above for another

Tony Denier's company last evening nights engage ments that any company has had in this city the present season. The house was again packed by a large and delighted audience. The performance was and was just as successful. The company

left this morning at 9:35 for Huntingdo

where they appear to-night. On Monday

they open for a week at Harris' museum, Next year Mr. Den'er will not put a com pany on the road, as he has grown rich in business and can live without it. Fred W. Millie, the ventriloquist of Mr. Denier's, will put out a small company which will be called Millis' Tourists. Among the people engaged is Revillo, the exponent of the mystic art, now with Mr. Denier.

Constable George Yiesley went to Philadelphia yesterday, and pisced in the House of Refuge John G. Reilly, the boy, who was committed to that institution for being incorrigible.

Hereafter at 12 o'clock the fire slarm balls will be struck ten times instead of

IN TERRIBLE CONDITION.

AN OLD MAN NEGLECTS HIMSELF AN IS FOUND REARLY DEAD.

His House, Which He Occupted and Kept Locked, Is Broken Into My Neighbors and They Find Filth Everywhere-The Man Malataine That He Is Not Itl.

Christian Topp is the name of an eco tric old man who for many years has been living the life of a hermit in a double frame house which he owns at No. 224 North Shippen street. The buildings are old and dilapidated, and in the rear and on the south side to a small lot. Topp the south side is a small lot. Topp is a baker by trade and in former years carried on the business at his piace of residence. He had quite a reputation as a baker and his bread, cakes, &c., were quite popular. He gave up the business some years ago and has since been very secluded. He would come out of the house at times but had little to do with his neighbors and assumed anxious to be let alone. He had not been seen for two weeks until to day. The less person who saw him was C. F. Stawart. last person who saw him was C. F. Stewart, a neighbor. The old man was then at the window, the shutters of which he had just opened. Mr. Stewart saked him if he was sick and he replied that he was not, and quickly closed the shutters. The neigh-bors all missed him and people began to think that he had died in his house. To-day it was resolved to make an investigafront door, but receiving no respons a they forced open a front pair of shutters. The pane of glass in the window were covered with dirt which looked like mud, and it was impossible to see through them. orawled into the room, which was almost pitch dark, with the window, closed, In one corner of the room, lying on a

very dirty old bed, without covering, was old Topp. He seemed to be very weak and was quite thin. His eyes were sunken in his heed and his face presented a hag-gard appearance. When asked if he was slok he replied that he was not. He seemed very surly and did not give the visitors much satisfaction. On the other hand he seemed to regard them as intruders. The ndition, and the stench was so strong th it was almost impossible to remain in the building for any time. Everything was covered with dirt, and the appearance of the whole place wa frightful. An old dog, which has bee Topp's companion in the hovel, was found though he had not eaten for some time. He was so weak that he could scarcely growl at everybody who came near him but did not seem sufficiently strong to bits. After an examination of the premiess had been made by the visitors, they left. The case was reported to the mayor and this afternoon the chief of police was sent up to investigate the matter. In case Topp re-fuses aid or medical attendance he will

likely be taken to the hospital. This afternoon two reporters visited the house and found everything as represented. They pulled open the shutters and raised the window. As they did this the hungry looking dog set up a great howl. Old Topp window. He was very angry at the in-trusion and with his hat struck savagely at the newspaper men through the window. made its way to the window soon drove the scribes away. As they departed the old man reached outside and with his skinny hand pulled the shutters together again, closing himself from the outdiscovered there has been quite a crowd of persons around the house, including many women. All had something to say of the old man and his queer habits, and they think that he should be removed. The house on account of its fithy condition is pronounced a nulsance. Many of the neighman and some think that he has money in the house. The property which he lives in is owned by him, but there are about \$300 worth of judgments on it. How the old man and the dog have managed to live during their close confinement no one

GIVEN & HEARING. charged by Alderman Deen.

The two men who were arrested by Offioer Barnholt on May 8, the day Forepaugh's circus was in this city, on suspicion of being pickpookets, and who refused to give their names, and were looked up un-der the names respectively of "No. 1" and "No. 2," had a final hearing before Alder-man Deen this afternoon. No. 1 gave his name as Henry Griggs, and his reas No. 1205 North Eusor street, Baltimore. He said he came to Lancaster to try and seseiling New Orleans mead on the circus grounds, but before he had an opportunity of seeing him he was looked up. The reason he refused to give his name was that he did not want his sister to know he

was arrested. his residence as No 528 East Monument street, Baitimore, and his occupation as a to some family affairs that he cannot make public, and he had refused to give his name because his wife is in bad health and make her worse. Besides, he has grown daughters, and the officer had made him mad by arresting him on mere suspicion. Officer Barnhoit testified that he had not detected the accused in any overt not, but from their actions he believed them to be

the secused, and saked for their discharge as there was no evidence on which to hold

Alderman Deen discharged them with an admonition that they should leave town Discharged With Costs.

A party of young boys, who were charged with tresspassing on McGrann's park, breaking fences and doing other damage, were heard before Alderman McConomy last evening. Upon payment of costs they were discharged.

Literary Union of the First Presbyterian church will give an entertainment in the lecture room of the church. An excellent

It was not Mr. Samuel Burns, but Mrs. Samuel Burns, who accompanied Mrs. Dr. Smith and Miss Mattle Kreider to the West last evening; and Mrs. Smith went to Waynesville, not Zanesville, Ohio.

WBATHER IDDICATIONS. Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jer-sey: Slightly colder followed by warmer, fair weather, light to fresh varia-

THE MISTERY SOON TO BE CLEARED. Banker Snell's Assessmenton Charged to

Sigger Game Than Taccott, CRICAGO, May 17.—The Tribune this morning says: There are new and im-

morning says: There are new and important developments in the Shell murder case. This is on the authority of A. J. Stone, who says that in a short time the public will be enlightened, and all the mystery surrounding it cleared away. The Tribune then tells the following story: Of the three or four who participated in the crime, Tascott was quickly apprehended and promptly was quickly apprehended and promptly sequestered for the good of the cause, it being shouted from the house tops mean while that he was the man and the only man wanted. This was the scheme put into operpurpose of relieving the accomplices on their own account. It is through no fault of either of these gentlemen that the scheme has leaked out; it is owing to the dislike of a person who has been long and intimately connected with the Tascott family to see the

public so imposed on.
"Young Taxcott was no good on earth," said this person; "and deserves to be punished on general principles, but be did not fire the abots that killed old man Snell. He hadn't the nerve to attempt a burglary night of the murder. He was a more boy and is valuable to the officers more for

"Then you think Tascott is not really the man they are looking for?" "I'm sure he isn't. In the first place they know where he is and have known all along and in the second place there is much larger game to be begged." Having declared that the case was pro-

greesing finely and that the public would be enlightened shortly, Mr. Hone was furnished with a review of the story just related. He acknowledged that they looking for other mee, but refused to af firm or deny the above story, saying : "N it not the proper time now. There are new developments and before long the whole mystery will be cleared away."

PETERSBURG, Va., May 17 .- When Ger. dahone called to order the Republic n state convention of Virginia at norn to-day, he was greeted with loud cheers, but before he could speak a word some one oried "Three cheers for Bisine," and delegates yelled lustily. Then they cheered a moment later with as much fervor for Shermau. Gen. Mahoue spoke for 15 minutes. He said that whenbeen authoritatively expressed it had been his pleasant duty to obey that will and that

While Mahone was speaking, John Wise and Senator Riddleberger threw the convention into tumultous disorder by demanding that Congressman Yost, a delegate by proxy who had been refused admission to the convention, be admitted by a vote to the convention. Mahone paced the platform until the storm subsided and then ignored the whole tumult by stating that no motions could be entertained until temporary organization had been effected. Sepator Riddleberger rose to make a dissenting opech but was blesed down.

Col. William E. Lamb was made tem-

porary chairman. By a vote, Congress-man You was admitted. The platform adopted arraigns the Dominternal revenue and its fallure to reduce the surplus; commends speedy passage of system and repeal of internal revenue taxes. The tariff plank is very strong.

THE UNITED LABOR TICKET.

and W. H. T. Wakeflaid For Vics

CINCINNATI, May 17 .- The United Labor (single tax) convention this afternoon nominated Robert A. Coudrey, of Chicago, for president of the United States, and W. H. T. Wakefield, of Council Grove, Kan-sas, for vice president. Coudrey is a native of Indiana, but has resided in Unleago since the fire and is a practical chemist and editor of the Druggiets Journal. He left the Re-

Wakefield was born in Kentucky ; is a lawyer and farmer and was one of the origi-

nal Ecasas pioneers.

The will of Sumon Best, of Curnaryon township, was admitted to probate to-day. He gives one half of his estate to his wife during her life time and directs at her death the following charitable bequests to be paid: \$150 to Preachers Aid society of Philadel-phia conference of Methodist Episcopal church; \$500 to Board of Education of the Methodist church; \$500 to the Educational society of the Philadelphia conference, the interest to be applied in helping young men who are poor, in preparing for the ministry; \$250 to Board of Church Extension of the in case his son dies before he arrives at the age of 21 years, his share of the estate shall be equally divided between the above

An auctioneer's bell, which called buyers to many sales during a hundred years, is now in the possession of Joei L. Haines, auctioneer and real estate agent of this city. His grandlather, Daniel Haines, used the bell 23 years-from 1797 to 1820. Just before the death of Mr. Haines the bell was presented to George Diller, father of Isase Diller, who was also an auctioneer and who died 24 years ago Yesterday Mr. Issac Diller presented the

oor Haines, and he will put it in use. store, and Miss Zens Hess, sister of Witmer J. Hoss, were united in marriage this morning. The ceremony was performed at the Presbyterian parsonage by Rev. J. Y. Mitchell, D. D., and at 8:10 the newly

bell, which is an excellent one, to Auction-

Thos. H. Osborne, of San Francisco, is risiting his friend, Mr. lause Swops, of this ity, who recently returned from San Francisco after an absence of several years, and is now in the grocery business on Conestogs street. After visiting some of the Eastern cities Mr. Osborne will sail for Dublin, from which point he will continue his trip through Europe. He goes in the

manufacturer. Benson, the l'atti ticket swindler, com-mitted suicide Wednesday night at the Ludiow Street juli, in New York, by jumping from the second tier to the ground.

O J. Kulp, representing the Grocery

World, of Philadelphia, is in this city.

Another Boy Hangs Himself.
The 13 year-old son of H. M. Vaughan, a weil-to-do farmer living year Jackson, Ga., hanged himself in the turn Tuesday night with wagon lines. He was the family pet, and grief over a slight whipping with a switch administered by his mother is supposed to have been the seuse of the suicide.

THERE WERE TWO REPORTS.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE TRAUME OF BISHOPS IS DIVIDED.

Conference Constants to Table the Me Bishop Taylor Denies That His Report M.

proposed What is Alleged.-No Cattends That the Statements Are Tree.

NEW YORK, May 17.—Bishop Free presided at the Methodist Episcopal conference in the Metropolitan opers house to day. Rev. J. O. Peck, of the New York Estimater forence, conducted the devotional exercises.

After the reading of the journal the minority report on the judiciary was read. It stated that the members were reloctant to dissent from the views of the majority with the limit of the bishop's office. They had leved the restrictive rule guards the effect of the episcopacy, but does not touch in limit, and that it is competent for businesses to fix such limit to the effect term of bishops to be elected as in its wisdom in deemed best.

deemed best Rev. Dr. Buckley and others opposed the sport and it was ultimately laid on the

The majority report on the judiciary pre-sented a very important paper, in which is took occasion to state the election of pres'd-ing elders by annual conference cannot be permitted, as such an assumption of author-

The committee also decided that the preiding elders could not have co ord authority with the bishops in fixing the sppointments of the preschere unless first

their decision. The report was laid on which has created a decided partiess feeling. He says: "I am sorry to learn that certain statements contained in 'my quadrenntal report relating to the proceedings of the missionary committee in 1882 were so offensive as to lead to an official request that I should retract them as u and eign a paper to that effect wi I could not conscient custy do promised to examine the subject caref and if an error is detected then a corre-will follow. The result is I am firmly vinced that eatd statements are not un

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OFFIRE

iz Bundred Delegates Attending the Sea PHILADRIPHIA, May 17.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian chereb, North, to day opened its sessions by a meeting at the First Prosbyterian church of Philadelphia, at Seventh and Locast streets. The church South simultaneously onvened in Baltimore, and on May 24, in this city, the two bodies will units in a grand celebration of the one hundredth meeting of the general assembly. The church north was addressed this morning by Moderator Rev. T. Smith, D. D., of Bal-

The delegates to the number of me elx bundred met this morning at Ho to the First Presbyterian church to attend the opining services. As church the organ pealed forth the so which had already crowded the port

Smith, of Baltimore; Dr. Howard Crosby, of New York; Rev. G. P. Ayres, who we moderator two years ago; Herrica Johnson, D. D., of the Theological seminary i Colongo, and President Cleveland's period

Rev. Byron Sunderland. Among the lay members present were Gov. Beaver, of Pennsylvanis, and Gou. Prim, of New York.

After the ccm nies one a manufacture of the ccm nies one and sang the long metre doxology. This was followed by the invocation by the moderator. An anthem was sung by the choir. Dr. Grosby the moderator. An anthem was then sung by the choir. Dr. Grossy then read the 1824 Pealm and a por-tion of the third chapter of Poul's Epistle to the Corinthians. A hymn "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne" was then sung after which an impressive

After a few preliminary remarks on the establishment and foundation of Presbyterianism in the United States by the moderator, Dr. Jos. T. Smith, he delivered

BALTIMONE, May 17—The general assumbly of the Southern Presbyterian church convened to-day in the Franklia street Presbyterian church. The body represents 69 presbyteries, covering the territory from Maryland to Mexico. At 11 a. tory from Maryland to Mexico. At It as m. Rev. G. B. Strickler, of Atlants, Gastoe retiring moderator, invoked a blessing on the proceedings of the assembly, and then the 119.h hymn, "All Hall the Power of Jesus' name," was sung. Rev. William Adams, of Augusts, Gs., recited a chapter from St. John, after which Rev. G. E. Strickler delivered the annual aermon, taking for his text the fifth verse of the 18th chapter of the gospel according to St. John chapter of the gospel scoording to St. John teginning with the words "I am the voice and my father is the husbandman." Rev

W. U. Murkland, of Baltimore, then welcomed the delegates to this community, TELEGRAMS FROM ALL SECTIONS NEW YORK, May 17 — Arrived, steamers State of Indiana from Glasgow, and Rhyn-BRELIN, May 17.—The emperor passed a good night and awake refreshed. At 18 o'clock this morning he went driving in the

good night and awoke refreshed. At 18 o'clock this morning he went driving in the park.

PARIS, May 17.—News has been received from Tanits, stating that a band of natives of that island surprised the French patrol, and killed a marine officer and two saliors.

PITTIBURO, May 17.—In the trial of Patrick McGraw, for the murder of Wm. J. Stoan, chief of police's cierk, August 21, 1887, the jury this morning rendered a verdict of voluntary manususpher.

LAMBERTVILLE, N. J., May 17.—The powder house of Twining & Brother, at Stockton, blew up this morning from some unknown cause, killing James Wayler, the foreman, and injuring three other employed of the firm's quarry.

PITTISURO, May 17.—Dr. James Orr, a denust, committed suicide in his office, Frankstown avenue, East Ead, early this morning, by the inhalation of artificial gas through a tube. His domestic relations have of late been very unfortunate, and, it is belisved, had unbalanced his mind. He had been married about one year, but had not lived with his wife for several weeks.

Loxdox, May 17.—It is reported that an agreement has been signed between the Chillan government and an Anglo-American syndicate to control all the guano deposits, silver mines, railways, telegraphic conton, wool and general products of Chill.

OMARA, Neb., May 17.—Lest night, at Piattsmouth, Neb., a Pinkerton man, employed by the Burlington road, while peasing from the depol to the postoffice, was assemited by several Brotherhood engineers. He shot Pete Rogers fatally, and started to run with a crowd after him yelling "Hang him?" The Pinkerton man shot again, be bullet passing through the leg of a man amed Kane. The detective ran toward the river and escaped. Great excitement prevails at Plattamouth.