FROM TWO CONGRESSMEN.

DESCRIPTION OF THE YOUNG 'S DEMOURATED SOCIETY.

In addition to those published in the INTELLIGENCER recently, the Young Mea's Democratic scolery has received the sollowing letters from distinguished gentlemen who were recently elected honorary

House of Representatives,

Washington, D.C., Dec. 18, 1888. §

A. J. Dunlop, Evy., Exerciary, Lancaster, Pa.:

I have received your note of December 6th, announcing that I have been elected an honorary member of the Young Men's Democratic club, of Lancaster, and is accepting, I beg leave to thank the club for the compliment.

These advantage of the opportunity to carnestly urge upon the club that it preserve its organization and use every afform to extend its numbers. The Democratic party has met a check, but has not been routed. It has the approval of almost a majority of all the votes cast at the recent election and a plurality of nearly a hundred thousand votes over the successful candidate for president. It lacks but few votes of control of both houses of Congress. Its internal discipline was never greater; its harmony of opinion was never more complete; and there is no reason why it should be disconting the control of ternal discipline was never greater; its harmony of opinion was never more complete; and there is no reason why it should be disheartened; but on the contrary every reason why it should feel encouraged and look forward to a speedy retain to power. While no one would test willing to admit that the presidency has been purchased, we cannot shut; our eyes to the fact that the result both as to the presidency and as to Congress has been largely effected, if not, indeed, controllingly effected by the enormous and successful use of money; and unless the Democratic party is willing to admit that the use of money at the nestional election shall continue to be declaive, and that it is not becoming in it to make resistance to this, there is no other course for it to take than to preserve its organization and keep alive the content on the issues made during the last canvess.

Very Truly Yours,

WM. C. P. BRECKENRIDGE.

FROM MR. MILLS. COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WASHINGTON, DOG. 10, 1888

MARKING OF THE STATE OF THE STA

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Young Men's Democratic society, held last evening, it was agreed to rent the second and third floors of the new building to be erected on EastOrange street, between North Queen and Duke, by John G. Hase. The third floor will be used as a billiard room and will be handsomely fitted up. The first room on the second floor will be a reception and meeting room. The one in the rear will be a private room for the members.

AN UNFORTUNATE SHOT.

Young Swate, Annoyed by Jealous Rivals Hhoots a Thoughtiese Friend.

A serious shooting affair, likely to result in death, occurred at Upper Black's Eddy, Bucks county, on Unistmas night. The victim is Aaron Wismer, of Nockamixon, the same county, and the man who did the shooting is William Thompson, ared 19 the same county, and the man who did the shooting is William Thompson, aged 19 years, living in Milford, N. J., just across the river from the scene of the fraces.

The particulars of the affair are to the effect that Thompson was paying his addresses to a young lady living at the Eddy; that his visits excited the jealousy of several admirers of the lady who were not admired by her in return, and that they had frequently threatened to make Thompson's visits to the place unpleasant in order to compet him to abandon his suit.

Thompson knew of these threats, and on Ohristmas night, fearing an attack would be made upon him, he went armed with a

Unristmas night, fearing an attack would be made upon him, he went armed with a revolver. Orossing the river, he called on the young lady and escorted her to church. While returning to her home after the exercises an attack was made on Thompson by several of the young men who had threatened him. Thompson drew his pistol and fired three or four abots without any known effect. known effect.
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Wismer went behind Thompson and threw his arms around him in an attempt to disarm him. Wismer was a friend of Thompson's, but the latter is thought not to have known who was holding him, and, one of his arms being free, be pointed the revolver over his shoulder and fired, the ball entering Wismer's bresst. This afternoon Wismer was still alive, but, it is said, with slight chance for recovery, the wound affecting a vital part. Thompson was arrested yesterday and brought to the county jail to await the result of Wismer's injuries.

WRY A PERSIAN MINISTER COMES HERE His Country Desirous of a Trade With the

United States.

In an interview on Thursday the Persian minister said that the purpose of the king in sending a minister to Washington was to

minister said that the purpose of the king in sending a minister to Washington was to make commercial compacts to the interests of both countries. "Your minister to Persia had encouraged us to take this step and we hope to open up a mutually valuable interchange of commerce between the two countries. We would rather American enterprise should find profit in the development of our railroads and telegraph than that they should fall into the hands of nations at rivalry with ds. You must have our products, and you buy them from other people at four or five pricas. We want your products, and have to get them indirectly at greater expense.

"You might as well buy directly from us and sell directly to us. Our merchants are ready to bring their goods and wares have. They are waiting to hear from me, and our people are ready to buy the product offered by your merchants and inventors. We make shawls, rugs, carpets, silks, velvets and woollens, such as cannot be had except from Persia. We have large mineral wealth, gold, silver and precious stones. Our diamonds are fine and all the turquoise used in the world comes from Persia. Your people offer things we do not make. The conditions are such as to conduce to the commercial advantages of both, and the distance not too great—25 days' journey. Why should not a large trade be carried between the two countries in American vessels?"

Distributed Nearly \$40,000

From the New York World.

It was long ago said of Mr. George W. Ohilds, the publisher of the Public Ledger, of Philadelphis, that he was "the two Oheoryble brothers rolled into one," but he probably might be more accurately described as the Santa Claus of the newspaper world. On this last Christmas Day Mr. Childs, it is said, distributed among the adilors, reporters, correspondents. Mr. Onlide, it is said, distributed among the aditors, reporters, correspondents, olarks, compositors, pressmen and other amployes of the Ledger nearly \$40,000. When it is considered that the salaries and wages paid by Mr. Childs are as large as the largest paid by other Philadelphia publishers, it will be recognized that all who are associated with him in his work have good cause to be satisfied with their employer in a pecuniary way. It is said by them, however, that they have even greater cause for satisfaction with him because of his daily consideration for them than because of his annual Christmes bounty.

David C. Souders reported at the station house on Thursday evening that his team had been stolen from the stable in which it was kept on Mifflin street. Officer Weaver was put on the case, and in a short time learned that the team had been token from the stable by Charles Bland, an employ of Mr. Souders. Bland said he had no intention of stealing the team, but admitted that he drove it away without the knowledge and consent of Mr. Souders. These will be no presentations entered.

MITCHELL AMAULTED.

A Bushapty Geng Attack the Bagush Propiles in a Geoveland Burreon.
These was a distracted come in the Mooriah burreon of the Kennard house, in Cloveland, on Wedsenday night. A victous assault was made on Charles Mitchell, the Buglish puglitic, by a villaincous looking Buglish tough named Hughey Burns and an agiy gang book of him. Mitchell and Kirnin are making a three nights stand at the Academy of Muste, and after the performance the two puglists with a number of weil known man-about-town repaired to the Kennard house barroom.

A bottle of wine was opened and being drank when a hard-looking fellow of medium beight and shibetic frame was greeted with "Helich Hugbey," by Mitchell. The man thus addressed pushed through the crown and said: "Oh, — Pill fight you here." Mitchell laughed. Burns pushed on and etruck at the English puglist. The blow was short, and Mitchell supped and made a victous drive at his face. Mitchell warded off the blow and stopped into the nock between the loochest and the bar. George Forbus and to Nicohell: "Geote, Charley, there's trouble and these fellows will shoot." Mitchell dodged out of his corner and ran to the other end of the bar. There he halted and Burns made another rush at him. Again Mitchell dodged, and, as he avoided Burns, jumped into the fountain pool in the centre of the room, wading through it to the office Burns was in front of him again. Mitchell saw hick coming and bracing himself drove his first into Burns' face again and again, and after downing him punched him spail.

In the meantime Tom Contelle, a well-house look and are stand proped as it he had been shot. Mitchell slood a second, then ran through the office and upstairs. Burns got up, shook himself and arm personal friend of Sullivan's, shad got into action. He was the foot of the stairs resorbed under his contails for a pistol. At this juncture he was made and pasing and made for his room. He was to be surely seen and again and again and the poir had a rough and a rough the servous field me arrived soon after, b

A Georgia Clergyman Attacked by a Dissen ing Attendant—He Returns Blows With a Stab.

With a Stab.

At a country church in Coffee county, Georgie, a few days since a man who was disturbing public worship was killed by the prescher in charge of the church. The names of the parties cannot yet be learned. For some time trouble has existed in the church, one faction favoring the retention of the present pestor and the other favoring his dismissal. The factional fight grew very bitter and the trouble reached a climax last Sunday, when the pastor's friends voted him in for another year.

One of the members most bitterly opposed to the pastor approached the pulpit where the reverend gentlemen was sitting and engaged in a conversation with him. They became very much excited, and finally the member raised his hand and dealt the preacher a sharp blow on the cheek. The pastor remonstrated with his assailant, but he struck the prescher again and again, accompanying the blows with a profusion of yills epithets and also spitting in the minister's face.

The minister drew his knife and stabbed his assailant repeatedly. Women acreamed and the men looked on aghest while the unfortunate man fell down in the pulpit and died. The friends of the minister burried him off and it is reported that the dead man had cause to be jealoue of the preacher. Coffee county is in a remote section of the state.

Masonic Officers Installed

Thursday being the Feast of St. John the Evangeits, the annual grand communications of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter were held in the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, and the grand efficers duly installed.

Andrew J. Kauffman, of Columbia, was appointed district deputy grand master for the county of Lancaster.

Companion William O. Marshall, of Lancaster, was appointed district deputy grand

caster, was appointed district deputy grand high priest for the counties of Lancaster, Adams and York.

The M. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania of Colored FreeMasons was also in session in Philadelphia on Thursdey when the grand officers elected on December 10th ways drive installed.

grand officers elected on December 10th were duly installed.
For the Fourth district, comprising counties of Lebanon, Dauphin, Lancaster, Cumberland, York and Adams, Walter W. Williams, No. 43, Harrieburg, was appointed deputy grand master.
For district deputy of the United Grand Chapter for the Second district, comprising counties of Chester, Lancaster and Montgomery, John R. Moore, No. 11, West Chester, was appointed.

Venturesome Mariners.

A diminutive craft arrived in Washington, D. C., on Thursday from Rio Janeiro, after travelling a distance of 6,000 miles. Last January the Baltimore bark Aquiducck was lost on a cand split in the barbor of Rio Janeiro. Her commander, Captain Blocum, set to work and built a small boat, thirty five feet long, seven and a half feet beam and three and a half feet deep, naming her La Liberdad, to convey himself, wife and two children back to America. The boat has a canvar-covered deck-house, and this is all that protected its passengers from the weather.

They salled July 24 last, and after stopping at Bahis, Pernambuco, and several other places, reached Norfolk, Va., two weeks ago, from whence they arrived today, having left Christmas eve. The family are well and hearty, and appear none the worse for the dangerous trip. Captain Blocum and his family will winter in Washington.

Nathaniel Imhel's Boy.

Chief Smeltz last evening found the father of Nathaniel Imhell, jr., the boy who has been working at Davidsonville, Anne Arandel county, Md., about whom information was eaked on Thursday. The boy's father is Nathaniel Imholl, and he is empioyed as a watchman at Fulton cotton milk. He says his boy left home without cause last fall, since which time he has heard nothing of him. He will make arrangements to have the boy brought home.

In Winter Quarters.
The road roller and acraper were put into winter quarters to-day, in one of the sheds at McGrenn's part.

THE IRON HORSE DRIVERS.

DELEGATES MEPRIMENTING THE TROU SAND MEST IN OBTOAGO.

on Railroads West of the Mississippi-A Committee to Decide the Dispute Between Strikers and the "O" Mond.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28 — About 250 delegates representing over 10,000 engineers employed on roads west of the Mississippi river, convessed at the National hotel this morning. The object of the convention is to establish closer relations between the engineers employed on the railroads in the West and Southwest. Such meetings have frequently been held in the East, but this is the first meeting including the engineers of all the Western lines and excluding all others. The delegates expect that the deliberations of the meeting will be greatly buneficial to the order of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

None of the delegates could be induced to talk of the probable methods to be adopted by the convention, but judging from the remarks of several of the delegates they do not feel kindly toward the Burlington road and the engineers employed by that company.

In answer to a call by Chairman Cavanagh, of the general grievance committee of nine appointed at the Richmond convention will convene in this city to-day. In this committee is vested the power and authority to cettle the present difficulty between the Brotherhood and the "Q" railroad, and any arrangement made by this committee will be binding upon the entire Brotherhood.

Boston, Dec. 28 — The report that Ool. Wm. B. Strong intends to resign the presidency of the Atchivon, Tokeka & Sauta Fe railroad telegraphed from Chicago is denied by Geo. O. Manobester, Mr. Strong's private secretary, who states that Mr. Strong has no idea of resigning.

SOCIETY OFFICERS CROSEN. Riscitons Held By Unity Connett, United

At a meeting of Unity Council, No. 288, Order of United Friends, held last evening, the following officers were elected: Past chief councilor, C. H. Mayer; chief councilor, John M. Martin; vice councilor, Joseph Welchane; recorder, Thomas F. Perrett; financier, S. S. Cross; tressurer, Dr. J. L. Witherow; prelate, Mrs. Emma Perrett, marshal, Lizzle Rowe; guardian, Miss Alice Rooney, sentinei, A. C. Boyle; trustees, Mosee Hollinger, E. D. Bard, and George Brestigam; medical examiner, Dr. C. E. Netscher; representative to grand council, C. H. Mayer; alternate, W. H. Manby; council deputy, W. H. Manby.

The deputy grand councilor of the state is Thomas F. Petrett. The new officers will be installed on the evening of January 3.

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The officer of Harrison Castle No. 148, Knights of Mystio Chain, were elected inst night. They were as follows: Sir knight past commander, Thomas H. Acres; sir knight commander, James Ochs; vice commander, John Lorents; first lieutenant, Milford H. Pyfer; chaplain, Jacob D. Wills; recording scribe, A. M. Lease; fluencial scribe, H. B. Greenswalt; treasurer, W. A. Reist; chief of staff, F. A. Brock; assistant chief of alaff, H. Clay Ryan; inside guard, Alvin Reist; ontaide guard, F. W. Othofer; trustee, Frank H. Carpenter; representative, William R. Gerbari; alternate, Frank H. Carpenter.

The Lancaster Mannercher held their semi annual meeting for the election of officers last evening and the result was as follows: President, Henry Drachbar; vice president, Jacob Salbert; secretary, Henry Schmitt; assistant secretary, Ferdinand Schmitt; assistant secretary, Ferdinand Weber; corresponding secretary, Prof. Carl Mais; treasurer, Henry Gerhart; librarian, Valentine Scibert; trustees, Frederick Hoefel, Christian Gittleb and John Ochs; color bearers, Louis Pfacific, Christics Hoefel and Jacob Seibert.

TO AMEND REVERAL ACTS

How the Pitteburg Legislators Propose Change the Brooks and Other Bills.

the Fittsburg Legislators Propose to Change the Brooks and Other Bills. Some of the newly-elected members of the Legislature from a liegheny county will present a number of bills at the coming session which are of more than passing interest. Representative elect Charles W. Robison, of Allegheny City, has been delegated by numerous constituents to segineer an act entitled, "an amendment to section 3 of the Brooks license law."

This amendment provides that a board of commissioners, consisting of three persons, be appointed by the court of common pleas in each county for the purpose of hearing the applications of persons desiring license to sell liquor; that the term of office of said board be one year from the date of appointment, and that each shall be entitled to \$10 per day for his services during the sitting of court, and the board can fix the time when such applications are to be heard, provided it is prior to June 30 of each year. The board to have the entire control of the issuing licenses.

This same member will offic another amendment to section 9 of the Brooks act, which will stipulate that the word "ward" or "township" be stricken out and the word "county" inserted. This relates to the residence of bondamen. The latter at present have to be residents of the ward or township where the applicant for license has his saloon located.

Hon. William H. White, member-elect from the Seventh district, will endeavor to have passed an act to take from the courts the approintment of certain county officers known as "political offices" and to make these offices elective. Another bill which Mr. White regards as an eminently proper one will take the shape of an amendment to the present law relating to the widow's share in the decessed husband's estate. The amendment will provide that in the event of the husband dying intentate and without issue that the widow be entitled to all his possessions, both real and personal. In case of issue the common law governing and case of the season of the season of the season of the

poacesions, both real and personal. In noh cases to prevail.

The Question of Indemnity.

The secretary of state and the secretary of the navy repeat what they have unhesitating declared all along regarding the question of indemnity to the owners of the Haytien Republic by the illegal seizure of the vessel—namely, that the navy department has had nothing whatever to do with the question of indemnity, and that Admiral Luce received no instructions whatever touching that branch of the subject. His instructions were confined to the recovery of the vessel, and those instructions having been fulfilled the transaction is closed so far as Admiral Luce and the navy are concerned. The Question of Indemnity. navy are concerned.

The question of indemnity is now the

subject of correspondence between the state department and the owners of the vessel, but to fix the amount of indemnity at \$2,500,000 is abourd. The claim will not How a Woman Disposed of Her Money,

How a Woman Disposed of Her Money.
The will of the late Mrs. Catharine Teagle,
colored, who was buried in West Chester
on the 24th instant, bequeaths her not
income to her husband, Dr. Teagle, during
his life, and at his death the same is to be
divided, part to go to Lincoln university, of
Chester county, an institution for the education of young colored men to the
ministry, which is under Presbyterian
auspices; Witherforce college and the Aged
Women's home, in Phisadelphia. The
executor of the will is Mr. George H Cooke,
and the property under his care is all in
Phisadelphia and represents about \$90,000. Must Bemove Signboards.

Mayor Kenney, of Reading, on Thursday aigned the resolution requiring the removal of all eignboards from the pavements and those attached to trees, lamp-posts and telegraph poles within ten days. The resolution chiefly affects the theatres, which have been using this method of advertising very extensively of late.

Seven lodgers made up the mayor's court this morning. Four were discharged and three, who admitted that they were bums, were cent to the workhouse.

DIPETHERIA SPREAD BY CATS

An English Physician Tolls How An Epide Was Started In His Yown,

An Engish Physician Tails How An Epidemic Was Searced in His Nows.

In some of the towns and villages of this county, diphtheria is a common malady at present. Many children have succumbed to it the past few weeks, and it is reported the disease in the townships near the Berkscounty line is the next thing to an epidemia.

An article in a recent number of Science illustrates how diphtheria is spread by onta. It may domestic animals have often not only been suspected but found guilty of spreading infection. In his report on the recent sustained prevalence of diphtheria in Enfeld, England, Dr. Bruce Low, of the medical department of the local government board, incidentally states that during the continuance of the epidemic cats were observed to suffer in echalorable numbers from illinear; and in December, 1887, and in January, 1885, there was a large mortality among those animals,—so much so that the attention of the dust contractor was directed to it. He stated that never in his previous experience had he seen so many dead cats in the dust-heaps. Some house-holds, seeing their cats iil, destroyed them. Though there were no known cases of diphtheria cocurring in the practice of the veterinary surgeons at Enfeld, yet they saw many cases of influency at this time among animals. The following is an illustration of the possible connection between diphtheria in children and in cats: A little boy was taken ill with what turned out ultimately to be fatal diphtheris. On the first day of his illness, the cat, which was in the room at the time, licked the vomer dear of the line of the series of the second animals. The sollowing is an illustration of the possible connection between diphtheria in children and in cats: A little boy was taken ill with what turned out ultimately to be fatal diphtheris, on the room of the food boy, the owner destroyed her. During the early part of its illness, the cat, which was in the room of the food of the food of the control of the cats of the sease of the control of the control of the contro

Families Carried Away In Lehigh County. Soldom has diphtheria wrought such and havor in one family as in that of Henry Young, at Brenigaville, in the western end of the county, where that dreaded maindy is raging fiercely. Last week he lost three little boys in less than thirty-six hours and on Saturday they were buried in one grave. Their ages were 3, 6 and 8 years, and the funeral was one of the maddest that was ever held in that village. Not content with the harvest death again entered the family, removing yesterday morning a son aged

the harvest death again entered the family, removing yesterday morning a son aged 13, who a few hours later was followed by another son aged 16. These will be buried in one grave on Saturday.

Beyeral other children in the family are sick with the disease, and it is feared all of them; will be taken. The parents are wild with grief and exhausted with the nursing they gave their little ones. The work of nursing fell altogether on them, as the disease prevails in nearly every family and

themselves to its ravages.

Another deeply afflicted family is that of Daniel Newmeyer, also of Brenigaville who lost a giri of il iset night and a boy of 7 this morning. They will be buried in a common grave on Saturday.

This morning Dr. E. M. Mohr, of Alburtis, buried in one grave his two little girls, aged 4 and 5 years, who died on Monday of diphtheris, which still prevails at that place. The disease is extremely fatal, physicians attributing the large mortality to the mild weather which has recently prevailed.

ADOPTING THE BILL

Few Chauges In the Inter-Municipal Measure The new inter-municipal bill, as prepared by the committee, was taken up by the convention in Harrisburg, on Thursday, and considered at length. Separate bills were proposed, classifying the cities of the

convention in Harrisburg, on Thursday, and considered at length. Separate bills were proposed, classifying the cities of the state, and for the incorporation and government of those of the third class, which, by the bill. consisted of all cittes having less than 150,000 inhabitants. This would have included Alleghedy City, but, at the instance of the delegates from that place, the minimum population was lowered to 100,000, the effect of which would be to place Alleghedy in the second class with Pitteburg, if actual population and not that of the census of 1880 was adopted as the basis. The bill was altered so as to authorize the fixing of the classification of cities upon the census taken by the municipality in any other year than that in which the United States census is taken. Alleghedy claims that the municipal census will show its population to be over 100,000.

The bill reported by the committee is based upon the act of 1887. The most important changes made are those lengthening the term of treasurer and controller to three years instead of two, and shortening the term of mayor from four to three years giving the mayor the power of appointing the police force with the concurrence of select council, and the absolute power of their removal instead of such removal being ilmited to the causes of incompetency, inability or misconduct, as in the act of 1887; the vesting of the appointment of the city engineer in the mayor instead of in council to one from each ward, with a provision for one additional member where the number of the representation in common council to one from each ward, with a provision for one additional member where the number of the representation in common council to one from each ward, with a provision for one additional member where the number of the passage of the new bill upon the Brooks high licenses, at, a member of the convention remarked that it would be absurd to suppose that the committee without substantial alteration.

In reference to the effect of the passage of the new bill upo

Torre Hill Wants a Rallroad. A delegation of leading business men of Terre Hill, Lancaster county, called upon Robert H. Coleman in Lebanon on Thursday to urge that the proposed extension of the Lebanon & Cornwall railroad be built through that village. The visitors were handsomely entertained, and given the assurance toat if it was possible their town would be touched by the route. They presented figures to show that the freight and passenger traffic of the community of which Terre Hill is the centre would be sufficient to make the enterprise profitable.

A Farmer Kills His Wild Son. At Leavenworth, Ind., Jim Gilmore

killed his own son on Sonday night. Gilmore is a weil-to-do farmer. His eldest
son Bob, was a wild youth and against his
father's command rode the letter's horses
around the codntry. He did so Saturday,
returning at 3 o'clock the following moreing. When he came back his father,
who was concealed behind the deer,
emptied a double - barreted ahot - gun
into him. Gilmore has not yet been arrected.

A MUSCULAR MAYOR

AR REMOVES MAILROAD PROPERTY FROM A LONG ISLAND CITY STREET.

With a Gang of Mon He Pulls Up the Track and Destroys a Stallding Selonging to the Long Island Rallway Company-Five of the Major's Fares are Arrested.

Glesson, of Long Island City, known here-aboute as the fighting mayor, to-day made another raid on the Long Island Railroad

another raid on the Long Island Railroad company's property for alleged violation of the corporation laws of that city.

With a force of then the redoubtable mayor tore up the Long Island company's tracks on Front street.

The company had been notified that it must remove the tracks, but paid no attention to the notification.

The mayor and his gang after tearing up the tracks, demolished the railway building bordering thereon.

The railroad men rasisted, but were unable to drive the mayor and his force off.

As a last resort the railroad men backed a train into the crowd of laborers.

The property destroyed is valued at

Five men of the mayor's party were Austin Corbin is president of the road.

Hottesy Pashion Notes Bracelets and bangles are worn in great mail bonnets.

The Vereschagin exhibition has made the

The Vereschagin exhibition has made the Russian tea urn fashionable.

The full corsages of evening gowns are made resplendent with jeweled pine,

White and dull Veroness shades of red are the favorite colors for evening cleaks.

The doep Spanish gown worn in the evening.

Flower pineushions with loose petals, al

brims are so high in front and the trim-mings so aggressive that the theatre goer is as much troubled as ever. The absence of the bustle in the tollets of

The absence of the tournure is conspicu-ous in all Empire gowns, but the best dressmakers use one or two small steels to prevent the back fulness from falling in below the waist line.

According to Harper's Bazar the hair is worn both high and low with evening toilets and is held in place by small fanci-ful combs and side combs of shell with jewels, or gold or amber sets in them.

The long wells tied around the hat crown

The long veils tied around the hat grown and at the three; take the name of Lamballe, the beautiful and amiable princes whose head was cut off and carried on a pike by the Parisian populace in the reign of terror in 1789.

The very latest fancy for lighting the

each light.

Rush baskets and hampers come in al each light.

Rush baskets and hampers come in all sorts of pretty forms for Christmas boxes. But the quaintest novelty seen in rush is a little handcart with cane wheels and a red slik embroidered top. The luggage is represented by a straw-covered bottle of perfumery and a cake of fine hand scap. Sachets of chamois, decorated with painted designs in tinted metal paints, sachets of satin, slik and valvet embroidered and painted, and sachets of cloth, with cut fringe and pinked out borders and embroidered and painted designs, are about the most popular holiday present that is sought for.

In solid silver and plated ware there are so many pretty things chased, fluted and hammered, table lamps, toast racks, cigar boxes, egg cups, ir': pots, paper knives, individual butter, pepper, and salt sets; bonbon trays and boxes and dainty little bonbon tongs, and similar objects that it is at once easy to flud suitable gifts among them, and difficult to choose what would be the best and the prettiest.

be the best and the prettiest.

The bursting of a shell to-day in one of the fortresses of Messins, Italy, exploded a powder magazine, killing 16 soldiers and

injuring many others.

Milt Parker, (colored), committed a criminal assault on Ethe Townson, a respectable white girl, near Bantam, O, Wednesday night. He will be lynched if caught.

The Dublin Freeman's Journal says the London Times sont an emissary to Pueblo, Col., to induce a man named Sheridan to testify before the Parneri commission. It says Sheridan was offered \$5,000.

Miles Jobson, a wealthy widower of Princeton, Ind., who was married on Christmas day, hanged himself last night. He left a note saying that he had broken his promise not to marry again given to his first wife on her death ted, and that he could not endure the represents of his conscience.

The American base ball teams played a game in Adelaide, South Australia, to day resulting as follows: Unleago 12; Atl-Americans 9.

The large boarding house of Henry Frederick on Ashiand avenue, Chicago, was destroyed by fire this moraing. Lose \$15,000: insured. A boarder jumped from the third story window and broke his leg.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Wheelork & Tuitie, number dealers, are financially umberrassed and will call a meeting of their

a train into the crowd of laborars.

The property destroyed is valued at \$10,000.

Fancy coatumes occupy the attention of

Farcy coatumes occupy the attention of belies and dress-nakers at the moment.

There is a fastionable fancy for monkey skin sets, convising of the cape or collarsets and boa.

The gold or silver bracelet, enclosing a small watch with an open face, is the fancy of the moment.

The latest of all the names for shades of green is Empire green, but it is another name for Nile green.

Old fashloned dances are all the rage on the other side, and are particularly affected for the Christmastide.

Very small gold chains are worn around the neck, to which is suspended as large a pendant of jewels as the woarer possesses.

Dressed doits were never sold in such numbers and in such rare and beautiful dresses as they have been at this holiday search.

done in embroidery or in pinked slik, are seen smong fancy needle wrought articles for Christmas presents.

Bonnet and hat crowns are lower, but the

the most fashionable women and the diminution of the skirt draperies is highly suggestive of a decided revolution in fashions.

The absence of the tournure is conspicu-

centre of the dinner or support table is the tall branch candlestick, with the sockets in which the candles are placed rising in a pyramid. Flower petal shades in allk, muslin, or tissue paper sometimes encircle each light.

Pote Morris, residing near Jeilico, Tenn attempted Wednesday to kill an old man named Higdon. Higdon's daughter Marthe interfered and fatally shot Morris.

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Weston Leach and a little boy, Bijah Gravett, were kibled yesterday by a passenger train while they were walking on a trestle near Atlanta, Ge.

The Big Rapids, Mich., gas works were destroyed by fire last evening leaving the city in darkness. The leas, insurance and origin are all unknown.

Nine Sloux City, Iowa, banks, having an aggregate capital of \$1,460,000, yesterday formed a clearing house association. The clearing house will be established to-day.

Webb Brandon, the wire murderer, was hauged at Winnipeg, Man., this morning. He displayed great forfittude on the scaffold. The parting between Brandon and his three children was affecting in the extreme. Brandon killed his wile while drunk.

Six hundred people attended President Cleveland's reception to day, 400 being school teachers from Boston. Molits Tennelly, aged 8 years, of Boston, was kiesed by the president.

The Sharbot Lake hotel, at Kingston, Ortario, was burned this morning. Joanus Fraser, well known author and mineralogist was 'sufficiated. Mr. Fraser was formerly a minister of the Presbyterian church, but was expelled for irregularities. For the past two years he has been engaged as a mineralogist and his publications "Shanty Life" and "Three Months Among the Moose" have been largely read.

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THE REAL POTATE MARKET.

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B. F. Rowe, auctioneer for Jacob L. Brubaker, assignee of Israel P. Mayer and wife, sold the following properties at the Leopard hotel on Thursday evening:

A two-story brick dwelling house, No. 761 North Prince street, with a frontage of 16 feet 0 inches and a depth of 100 feet, to P. A. Metagar for \$730.

A two-story brick house, No. 765 North Prince street, with a frontage of 15 feet 3½ inches and a depth of 100 feet, to Andrew H. Brubaker for \$605.

A cligar factory on Liberty street, between Prince and Market streets, to A. H. Brubaker, for \$610.

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baker, for \$610.

The property No. 763 North Prince street
was withdrawn.

Jost L. Haines, suctioneer, sold for the
administrators of Albert Drachbar, deceased, the following properties on Thursday evening:

A lot of ground fronting 16 feet on East
King street and extending in depth 85 feet,
on which is erected a two-story brick
dwelling house, No. 403, to A. J. Dunlap,
for \$1,700.

The dwelling house No. 412 Borles street

for \$1,700.

The dwelling house, No. 412 Poplar street was sold to Edward Able for \$710.

The remaining properties belonging to this estate and the properties of Heavy Drachbar were withdrawn.

Buying the Oppost

Once more the Pennsylvania railroad company has strangled a scheme which, if it had reached its maturity, would have resulted in an opposition line between Pittaburg and New Yorz. When the Turtle Oresk road was conceived, it is alleged, George Westinghouse wanted a carrying line to his gas fields, some distance from Pittaburg. The sale of the charter to the Pennsylvania is a certainty that he has accomplished his purpose. The road will be built, although the Pennsylvania has no use for it, the Allegheny Valley line, which it controls: passing through a section of country which the proposed new route will penetra. 6.

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But the Pennsylvania wanted to keep the Yenderbilt interests out of their way. Had the Vahus sil party succeeded in purchasing the Turtle cack road a fine system would have resulted and a shorter line east and west than they now manify the extension of the Beech Creek road from Gassam, in Cleardeld county, its present terminus, to a point in Allegheny county where the Turtle Creek line will stop, a short out to New York from Cleveland, Ohio, and Pittsburg would be had. The Beech Creek company would have to build 60 miles of road. The run from Pittsburg to Jersey City would be three hours aborter than over the Pennsylvania considerable trouble. Starting from Cleveland to New York the line will be over the Pittsburg & Lake Erie, the Pittsburg, McKessport & Youghiogheny, the Beech Creek, Philadelphia & Reading and Jersey Contral. Besides these advantages the new road would fester the new coke industry in Clearfield and Jefferson counties, in this state, and slos give an important outlet for the bitu minous coal mined in the same counties.

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As pecial to the Mt. Paul Pioneer Press
from Bloux City says: A serious riot ocourred this morning near Tripp, Dakote,
between Russian Memorities and Ameriona. A public sale was held at the farm
of a Russian named Sink, and an American
farmer named Merchant purchased a
dozen chickens. When ready to start
home he found two of his chickens missing,
and complained to Sink, who told him
to take something of equal value. He
caught a goose and started home, but was
overtaken by a party of eight Russians, who
claimed the goose as their property. A overtaken by a party of eight Russians, who claimed the goose as their property. A wrangle ensued that attracted others to the scane, and soon a general fight was in progress, in which some twenty men were engaged, with the Russians as the aggressors. Two brothers, named Johnson, who were passing, joined in the melee with knivas. A Russian, named Mayer, was stabbed, and he in turn split Chas. Johnson's head with a nack yoke, inflicting a fatal injury. The same weapon broke the arm of George Johnson, and the knives were used to slash up three other Russians badly, but not fatally. The Americans found the force opposing them too strong and withdrew from the field. The wounded Russians were taken care of by their companions, and nothing can be learned from them, owing to their clannish customs. The affair has created the most intense excitement in the neighborhood, where the majority of the settiers are Russians. Officers are now investigating.

Rallway Statistics For 1888 From the Hallway Age.

Notwithstanding the widespread impres-tion that the additions to the railway sys-em of the United States during 1888 would tem of the United States during 1888 would be comparatively insignificant, the evidence is now before us that the railway mileage of the country was increased during the year by no less than 7,120 miles of main track, while this is much less than the phenomenal increase in the years 1887, 1883, 1882 and 1881, when the new mileage, was respectively 13,000, 2,000 mileage was respectively 13,000, 9,000, 11,560, and 9,766 miles. The record for the past year exceeds that of every other year in history, with the exception of the year 1871, when 7,379 miles were added. New track was laid in all but two of the 47 1871, when 7,379 miles were added. New track was laid in all but two of the 47 states and territories, the exceptions being Rbode Island and Nevada. Kansas still leads the list in the extent of new mileage as size has done for several of the years. California comes next. The most striking characteristic of the year's work is the large number of separate lines of which it is composed and the correspondingly small average—less than 20 miles—for each line. Only about 12 built more than 100 miles each, those doing the largest amount of work being the Chicago, Kansas & Nebrasks, 412 miles; St. Paul, Minnespoils & Manitoba, 374 miles and Southern Pacific, through various subsidiary companies, a little over 300 miles. These facts are important as showing how the nature of the work of rallway construction changed in a single year. The building of great competitive lines practically ceased for the immediate present, and the year's work was chiefly devoted to the construction of short independent lines of branches.

BAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.-Judge Firm, of the superior court, last night at the condualon of the recount of votes cast for

mayor in the recount of votes cast for mayor in the recent election declared E. B. Pond (Dem.) to be the successful candidate. The independent candidate for mayor, Mr. C. C. O'Donnell, and on whose demand the recount was made, was accredited with 309 more votes than on the first count, but this increase was not large enough to overcome Pond's majority. Robels Four Roulish Soldiers. Rebels Feer English Soldiers.

SUAKIM, Duc. 28—Gen. Grenfell, with a Welsh regiment of cavalry and a detachment of Soudanese, made a reconnoisance of the enemy's country for four miles this morning. The general reports that he saw only a few rebels riding on camels who quickly retreated on his approach. Gen. Grenfell filled the rebel wells and returned.

Deed the Bank's Money, NEW YORE, Dec. 28 -John H. Stop-New York, Dec. 28—John H. Stopford, for the past three years receiving teiler of the 19th Ward National bank at 57th street and Third avenue, was held in \$1,500 ball at the Tombs this morning, on the charge of having appropriated \$1,321 of the bank's money to his own use. The culprit has wealthy and influential relatives and lives at Madison, N. J.

Many Bulldings Burned. BANGOR, Me., Dec. 28.-A special from Manson, Me, says that Hillman's furniture store, the city hall, the engine and hose building, H. G. Boynton's store and other buildings in that piace were burned this morning. Loss \$12,000; in sured.

WASTERN INDICATIONS. Wantime on, D. C., Dec. 28.—For Sectors Penasylvania : Fair, colder, mostle manicity winds.

PRADO'S HEAD CUT OFF

THE MUNDEUR OF MARIE AC EXCOURSO IN PARIS

Refuses to Divulce Has Bent Name Brief Ristory of the Outpett's On of Crime-A Native of Mi

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Prede, the murdered Marie Aquetant, a prominent member the demi-monde of Paris, was guillette to day in the Requette prison. The call conducted himself with great firms. He made no confession and declined services of the prison chaptain.

The crowd which gathered last riscoulade the prison where Prede was confident and all night and did not disperse to after the execution. They were very named occupied time in singing population of the murderer we not disturbed, however, and he areas about 6 o'clock.

Prede refused to disclose his true mand steadfactly maintained his imposses. He offered no resistance to the fallers whould him and led him to the guillette and while he exhibited no fair, he make a little less bold, and the night of the intrument of death appeared to fassion him.

The following is a resume of the story Prado's crimen:

Three years ago one of the most successful of the demi mondaines of Paris we woman named afarie Aquetant. She woman named afarie Aquetant. She woman named afarie Aquetant. She not of the highest class of the demi-mondatus had been and an indulgent leven.

In her room she kept a considerable si in the form of bonds, jewels and resumency. She was beautiful, clover a smbilious. In public resorts her sees a familiar. She was known as "Le Data aux Dismants," from the splendor of diamond necklace.

On the evening of Jan. 14, 1886, Ma was one of the crowd which filled bromenoir of the Roen theatre. A new and the story of the

receiving stolen goods.

The thief was Prado, Engente was his mistrees, and Mauricette was the woman whom he had promised to make his wife. Eugenie finally consented to tall whatehe had learned from Prado of his origin and life. He was born in Mexico, he said, and when a youth discovered some fearful court about his birth.

He became a wanderer over the early, and in time made his way to Monambique, to China, to Hayti, and to New York, and in time made his way to Monambique, to China, to Hayti, and to New York, Many strange stories, impossible of verification, he told about himsoil. An English woman of noble birth, a sister of religious order, nursed him when he was a weended soldler in a Hyanish hospital.

They fied to Jerusalem, where she gave up her vows and married the adventure. He died in Italy soon afterward, and he returned to his life of adventure. When he met Eugenie Foressier, Prado called himself Count Linaka de Castifines. The woman was sincerely attached to him and spent upon him the money she received from other and richer levers.

On the morning of January 15, 12th Prado came to ber in a state of great anotemant. He was often cruel, and hy no means faithful, but Eugenie kept his secret.

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Prado in Bordeaux. They had not seen there long together before she discovered that he was living with Meariestte Coursement in the life of a part of his apolis between his mistreeses.

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Prado made a rich haul of jewelry in Spain, and divided a part of his spoils between his mistreases.

The jewels were traced, and all three arrested. Eugenie told Mauricette of Prado's orime. Mauricette, a giri of E, who had become a mother, told her confessor. The priest insisted that Engenie should make her statement public. At less she consented. Prado was arrested, and the mystery of Marie Aquetani's murder was solved.

The trial was the talk of all Paris. A new victim of the adventurer then appeared. It was his legal wife, Dolores Garces, of Marcilla, with whom he had at one time lived in luxury in Madvid. She still retained her affections for Prado.

As for the oriminal, he was less excited than the Leen and women who througed the court room. He questioned the women he had wronged as cooly as if he had been a paid advocate. He was insolent toward the judge and at no time exceed to be moved by fear or remores. Within as hour and a helf the jury returned a varilist of guilty without any extenuating circumstances. Prado still denied his milt.

The case has raised Eugenie Forestier to the pinnacie of success in the world in which she lives. Mauricette Conrossan, though she is the mother of Prado's illegitimate child, has received a score of offers of marriage, but has been kept in sectuation by her mother.

Prado's Spanish wife was to obtain a divorce and move to Paris. The mystery of Prado's birth and of his adventures before the fateful night when Marie Aquetant was murdered was never unravelled during his life, and now the guilitatine has made it en inscituble enigms.

Put Wespone Into Burglary Mande RAGINE, Wis., Dec. 28. - Five tramps who RAGINE, Wis., Dec. 28.— Five tramps who entered the village of Burlington, Christ-mas day, begged money of the citiesms and purchased tools generally used by burglars. They blow open two mates, escaring \$500 in notes and \$500 in money. They also entered five residences in the heart of the village. The notes stolen were found in a yard, but the thieves escaped.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28. — Judgments have been entered against Welman & Co., forniture dealers, No. 927 Markes atreet, by Michael Sash for \$33,779.50 and \$4.131. The properties of the firm Nos. 925, 927 and 1,008 Market atreet and No. 626 Pilbert street will be sold by the shorts Wednesday next.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—U. P. Stone & Co., furniture dealers, assigned the more-Oo., furniture dealers, assigned this ing to George H. White. The assets, it is thought, will exceed the liabilities

Pire in a Mandoome Dwelling.
CINCINNATI, Dec. 28 -At 9 o'clear
morning the handsome resident
Howard Neff, on Grand avenue. damaged by fire to the extent of the butter the firemen could subdue the firement could subdue the firement to be the firement of the butter the firement of the butter than the could subdue the firement of the butter than the butter than