## A LONG DEATH LIST

Nearly Fifty Persons Killed at . Hartford, Conn.

THE PARK CENTRAL HOTEL IN RUINS

Bollers Explode and Raza the Five-Story Structure.

THE MASS SOON IN A BLAZE.

MEN, WOMEN AND GHILDREN DEVOURED BY THE PURIOUS PLANES.

The Ontastrophe Occurs at Five O'clock This Sarning-Firemen and Militia Unickly Gather at the Scene-Details of the Horrible alty—The Register and the Clerk at the Hotel Missing-Nearly All the pervants Be-

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 18 -The bollers in the Park Central, hotel, this city, blew up with terrific force at 5 o'clock this mornstructure which was a five story brick building. The entire fire department with their reserves was summoned. The ruins immediately took fire and the work of the firemen was greatly impeded by the dense volumes of smoke and steam ; which hung

It is the most horrible catastrophe that has ever occurred here, and when the list dead and wounded is completed it will be found to be a horror equal to any that has taken place within the last half century. than fifty, but it can not be definitely stated as the night clerk, Mr. Terry, is among the missing and his books are destroyed.

Nearly all the help employed in the hotel were saved. They occupied the sleeping spartments in the cast wing of the nnox, which was only partly wresked by the explosion. Some forced their way out themselves, others were beined out. only a pile of brick and timbers re

of the spot where the building stood were a man, his wife and a little girl. No help could get to them and they finally fell back into the flames and died in plain eight of ectators. .The little one cried for belp, but the man and the woman uttered not a word ; but, embraced in each others

arms, met death bravely. Away out near the annex the shrieks of a women caused the blood of the people to turn cold as they saw a young girl lying with her body half across a beam, a look of agony on her face.

Finally the support fell and she disappared from sight. Wm. Seymour and Wm. Skinner were employed in the boiler morning and it is supposed they perished. Eddle Boyle was last seen in the botel. He on blew every window in the south de of the Earl house, which is just north of the Park Central, into fragments. Women with faces blanched in terror, and strong nen pale with fright, rushed headlong into

Charles W. Webster, of Webster & Moore, insurance agents of this city, was in the hotel, and is among the missing. Mr. Pond, of Indians, the Democratic speaker, was one of the gueste at the hotel, and supposed to be among the killed.

Amos Riley and Alexander Thayer were in charge of the boiler. It was reported that they were killed, but there are parties

who say they have seen both men. scroes Allyn street, was broken and the walls were mashed in many places. The in a few minutes a large crowd surrounded the scene. It was a sight of horror, and one that will never be forgotten by the the ruins and the shricks of the wounded and dying rose high above the hourse shouts of the firemen and the noise of the engines which had been summoned by an alarm sent in from the department.

10 A. M -Two special alarms have just is supposed to mean summons for a rescuing party. One more person had been taken from the ruins in a dying condition.

The Park Central was situated at the corner of Allyn and High streets, about one block from the Union depot and principally beatrical troupes.

The special call was for the state militis, for the purpose of siding in the rescue of to form a cordon around the standing walls which are threatening to fall every minute.

DETAILS OF THE CATASTROPHE.

The Finnes Subdued and the Work of Res-The first to arrive on the scene found the hotel building a heap of ruins from which tenned smoke and ateam in dense clouds and the spectators were appalled by the shricks and groans of many human beings who were imprisoned in the mass of timber and masonry from which flumes were

A general alarm immediately summoned the entire fire department and an immense crowd, attracted by the explosion and the vicinity. At first the fire and smoke entirely prevented any attempt to rescue the victims, and it was not until a flood of water had been poured upon the ruins that

the work could be prosecuted. A few dead or dying persons were taken from the edge of the debris, however, force of the explosion threw a bed with a sleeping man upon it, far into the street

anded a block away.

By 9 o'clock, the flames were so far subdued that he rescuers were lenabled to get some of the victime. Some were pinned masses of masonry, and sendered the

work of rescue extremely hazardous The report that members of the " Hoodthe hotel is incorrect. Mr. E.P. Humphrey. business manager of the company, says some of the company applied at the hotel last night for accommodations, but could not get them and went elsewhere. He has just accounted for every member of his company, and all are safe. The fact that they were refused accommodation does not indicate that the hotel was crowded, but simply because that they, desiring rooms for two or three days, could not be furnished on account of the previous engagements o

spartments by legislators.

The dead body of Wright H. Busil, of this city, was taken out at about 10 o'clock. The bodies of Louis H. Bronson, stove dealer, Hartford, wife and child, were dis-Stiff , a commercial travelier, of Pulladel-phia, who roomed on the third floor, was

100 guests and was a favorite over-Sunday stopping place for commercial travellers.

An intending guest, who applied for a room late Saturday evening, was informed that they were full, so it seems probable that at least eighty persons were in the house at the time of the explosion, of which perhaps 20 escaped uninjured. These were mostly employee who compied an annex, or wing of the house, extending to the east and which has not yet fallen, although it is in a shaky condition.

Among those known to be buried in the ruins are the Rev. Dr. Parrin and wife, of New Britain, and B. F. Whiting, noturry of the Hartford Lite and Annuity Insurance company, and wife, and Wellington Keechum, proprietor of the hotel, wife and son. About six persons have been sent to the hospital.

Owing to the destruction of the register of the hotel, the names of many of the guests sames be ascertained.

cannot be ascertained.

The catastrophe is generally supposed to have been caused by an explosion of the boller, although some doubt has been expressed on this point, as the building had been popularly supposed to be unsafe. It was built on "made" ground.

The street department and the railroads have furnished their force of laborers with jacks, etc., and the work of searching for bodies is now going forward in a systematic

At 10 o'clock the "military call" was

military companies to senist in preserving order and smist in the work of recous.

The following are known to be in

the ruins: Max Galody, editor of the Hartford Herald; Geo. J. Engler, drug clerk, Hartford; Edward Perry, night

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George Ketchum, brother of the proprie-

Mr. Pendleton, of Indians, who was

seeming to be very badly injured, although

not able to stand. He said that Landlord

Ketohum and wife were under where he

George Gaines, night porter, was also

At hospital: Jacob Turpin, colored waiter; John Lapointe, guest; Jennie Decker, Unionville, guest, badly burned and both legs broken; Michael Kerrigan, Unionville, badly bruised.

The Lotel was built about fifteen years

soil was soft and although the building was

About five years ago Mr. Ketchum took the

lease and renovated and refurnished the house. The insurance is \$38,000. It is

stated that no fragment of the boiler has yet been found, which militates against the theory of a boiler explosion.

Revere Rubber company, Boston; George W. Root, traveler for Walts, Williams & Co, Boston; — Hill, room 29, fourth floor; A. F. Tillotson, traveler for Merrill

Buried in ruins : John M. House

Chamical company, Chicago.

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butcher, and was born in Colerain town-thip, on July 8, 1843. The father died in Philadelphia about twelve years ago. The oldest brother of the colonel was John Houston, who was a practicing physician up to 1870, when he connected himself with the Pennsylvania railroad company. He died in 1877 from brain trouble. The surviving brothers are Thomas J. George, who lives at Rosnoke, where he is a contractor. All are prominent and well known citizens of their respective towns. When David was a more boy the family whom the company of the contractor. removed to Philadelphia, where they re-mided for several years. They then re-turned to Lancaster county, settling at Smyrna, where they lived about five years. From that place they re-moved to Christians. Here David attended the public schools and an academy, which was kept by Henry Herr. In the fall of 1862 he enlisted in the 124th regiment Pennsylvania volunteers for nine months. He participated in the battle of Antietam and others and received an injury which prevented him from Mr. Pendleton, of Indians, who was soliciting subscriptions to complete the monument to Thomas A. Hendricks, is among the missing.

Mr. James, an jagent of the White Star Line, was taken out at noon alive and not seeming to be very hadjo injured, although and Mr. Houston, with sixteen other men

formed part of line on a turnpike road. road was lower than the ground on either side. The fight became hot and a charge of forces on the Union soldiers. The line of the latter fell back with the exception of the seventeen men on the turn-

LANDLORD KETCHUM AND WIFE ALIVE About one o'clock amid enthusiastic cheers from the crowd Landlord Ketchum and his wife were taken out alive and conhad been imprisoned in the cellar in their night clothes for eight hours with a flood of chilling water pouring upon them. The extent of their injuries cannot be ascertained at present. They were taken to the hospital. Soon afterward, Walter Gay, New York agent of the Hig-ganum manufacturing company, was taken out also alive and sent to the hospital. The dead body of J. C. Hill, a commercial traveler, has also been taken out. It may help to locate him by stating that he has been traveling of late with a toy goods drummer named Colton. His name was secretained by the mark on his night shirt. Daniel Morrison, brakeman, and Fred Haines, flagman on the New England road, had rooms in the building, and are No additional dead bodies have yet been Roanoke City were projected and he went there as manager, a position that he held up to the time of his death. He was also tressurer of the Houston Coal and Coke

The force of the explosion shattered all the glass in buildings adjoining and op-posite the hotel and broke windows a block sway. Its cause is still a mystery, as it will take some time to uncover the boiler.

Mrs. Frank Wesson and children are reported to be in the ruins. Nothing tangible o substantiate or dispute the rumor can be found here.
At 2 o'clock the workmen discovered a

small black and tan dog alive and exhibited gratitude at his release.

Thus far most of the bodies recovered

have come from the tier of sleeping rooms on the south side. The persons rescued alive are naturally in a very exhausted condition, and the physi-cians refuse to allow them to be interviewed. They were all asleep when the disaster occurred, and of course know nothing except the horrors of their imprisonment, and their almost miraculous

One young man, a quest at the hotel, was violently ill on account of a spree. He had left his room about a minute before the disaster to go to the bath room in the annex and thus escaped. The arrival of the national guard, ordered out by Mayer Root, has been of great benefit in keeping the rabble at a distance and giving the work-men a good chance. The soldiers have also aided the police and firemen in removing the rubbish.

Workmen are now arranging electric lights so the work of rescue may continue to-night. The fires, which have been reging in the wreck and causing a blinding From the windows of the Judd and Root

building opposite a crowd of spectators is watching the progress of the rescue, being able to see every point. The work is nec-Mr. J. M. Allen, president of the Steam Boiler Insurance company and an expert

on botter explosions, will not accept the definite evidence, which cannot be obtained until the boiler is reached. was caused by the boller, it was probably

caused by the night engineer going away about midnight, drunk, leaving a heavy When the day engineer came, he probably turned on the water and caused the explosion. But he is dead and can give no evidence. It is said the night engineer

was of irregular habits and all sorts of

There is general sorrow over the death of the Rev. Dr. Perrin and of Dwight Ruell. the latter a popular jeweler and clubman. 2:45 P. M.—The dead bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Bronson bave just been taken from

Ciec. I. Babel, a little daughter of Henry Babel, died on Sunday morning of membraneous group. She was four years and three months old, and was an exceedingly bright and interesting child. She had

END OF A BUSY CAREER. ERTON OF THE AVERTOUR LIPE OF

the Virginia Senate and Connected With

pike who were cut off. Mr. Houston was eargeant, the highest officer in the ranks. He turned his men around quickly at right He turned his men around quickly at right angles to the advancing Confederates. The former begen a sharp firing until they came within 50 yards of the Southern men. At that time a Federal battery fire was opened on the Confederates, and the little band of brave men were saved.

After returning from the war Mr. Houston attended Eastman's business colleges at Poughkeepsie, for two years. He afterwards went to West Middlesex, Mercer county, where he managed a furnace for W. H. Rawle. From Mercer county he went to Washington, D. C., and became the confidential clerk of Secretary Boutwell. He was next appointed special agent of the treasury department, with headquar-ters in Philadelphis, which position he held for several years. He was a great admirer of the game of base ball and took a great nieres in the Athletic club. He obtained leave of absence and accompanied the transport of the transport of the treasury and transport to the fine without other entries in the handicap for governor.

It is more than a year off yet and long of the same and begin again the fole of the Great Harnonizor, which he had so successful played up to the date when Andrews successed Tom Cooper as head of the state Republican committee. At the state when Andrews successed Tom Cooper as head of the state Republican committee. At the state when Andrews successed Tom Cooper as head of the state Republican committee. At the state when Andrews successed Tom Cooper as head of the state Republican committee. At the state when Andrews successed Tom Cooper as head of the state Republican committee. The succession of the state Republican committee and the temper of the junior sensor before the succession of the temper of the junior sensor before the succession of the temper of the junior sensor before the succession of the temper of the junior sensor before the succession of the temper of the junior sensor before the succession of the temper of the junior sensor before the succession of the temper of the junior sensor before the succession of the tem angles to the advancing Confederates. The leave of absence and accompanied that team and the Bostons to Europe on their famous trip. During his absence some one made a charge against him to the effect that he was away without leave. He was suspended, but upon his return he had an investigation made and proved his innocense by showing his leave of absence. He was afterwards appointed deputy revenue collector and served under Col. John W. Forney and delphia that he was a candidate for Con-gress against Samuel J. Randall in the Third district, but of course was defected. About 1874 he was elected secretary of the South Chester rolling mills, to which piace he removed, remaining there about seven served as chief burgess of the place. In 1882 the Crozier iron and steel works at

company, which was organized about a year ago. When he moved to Roanoke it was a small borough; now it is a city of over 15,000 inhabitants. He served as a member of councils when it was a borough and was the first chairman of the body after it became a city.

Col. Houston was very fond of politics, in which he took a great interest. He was a Republican and after taking up his residence in Virginia, identified himself with the anti-Mahone wing of the party, and became one of the chief lieutenants of John S. Wise. He was at one time chairman of the Republican state committee, and was a delegate to the national convention, which nominated Blains and Harrison.

In 1887 he became a candidate for state senator from his dis-district, comprising Montgomery, Roanoke nd Craig ocunties. His Democratic opponent was Major Ellis, of Montgomery county. The district was Democratic by about 800 majority, but after a close and exciting election, followed by a contest, Col. Houston was declared elected by a majority of but ten. He was known as a politician all over the state and his visit to President

distribution of the Federal patronage there The news of Col. Houston's sudden death ternoon, and spread like wild fire over the town. He was known by every body, and was held in the highest respect. He was an upright, honorable man, and an excellent citizen. His two brothers from Chester arrived in Lancaster at 7:50 Saturday evening and his brother George came from Roanoke last evening. He was the Presbyterian church, and Mr. Sexton prothers received a large number of elegrams of condolenes from warm friends of the deceased in different places on Sanday and to-day. One from E. H. Stewart, president of the board of trade of Romoke, of which deceased was a member, shows the esteem in which he was held at ome. It read as follows : "Our whole ommunity mourns the loss of Colonel Houston. When and where will he be buried? Some of us wish to attend the resbyterian church at Middlesex, Mercer

All arrangements for the funeral bave been made, and it will take place from the residence of Robert J. Houston, No. 228 E. Orange street, Wednesday morning. The funeral will leave the house at 8:30 and the body will be taken to Christians. Services will be held in the Presbyterian church at that place. The body will then be taken to the Octoraro United Presby terian cemetery in Bart township, where the interment will be made. The remains of the parents and brother of deceased rest there. It is likely that quite a number of prominent men will attend the funeral.

In addition to the gentiemen mentioned above the following came this morning from Rosnoke: Col. John E. Penn, a

member of the Rosnoke bar and Ool. Houston's attorney; H. S. Trout, president of the First National bank; Samuel Jameson, president of the Rosnoke Trust company; W. F. Baker, a leading drygoods merchant; Walter Budwell, druggist, and S. E. Sproul, Ool. Houston's cierk in the Oronze iron works. He is a brother of C. N. Sproul, eac., of this site.

al, eaq, of this city. special to the Baltimore Sun from oke, says of Col. Houton's death: Immediately after the reception of the start-ling news here meetings of the Board of Trade and the directors of the First National bank and Loan Trust & Safe Deposit com-pany were called, and representatives bank and Loan Trust & Sale Deposit com-pany were called, and representatives selected to attend his funeral. Business was almost entirely suspended here Satur-day, and the only topic of conversation was Ool. Houston's death. He was a stockholder in many of the enterprises of the city, and much of its growth and prosperity is due to bits affacts.

QUAY AND MAGER WILL FIGHT.

From the Philade'phia Times.

Two prominent members of the Legislature, William H. White, of Allegheny, and C. C. Kauffman, of Lancaster, spent Bunday at the Hotel Layfayette, and talked freely of the politics of the state.

Representative White is a lawyer of considerable mental receb, and he said:

"Mr. Quay may think that Chris Magee's usefulness at Harrisburg is at an end, but he is mietaken. During this session Magee has been strong enough to carry more than one important measure through the House, and he has just as strong a pull in the lobby and in the State Senate as he ever had. And anybody who thinks that Quay is going to drive Magee out of Harrisburg, as he threatened to do, is mistaken in the fibre of the young political leader from Allegheny. The battle will not begin in sarreset till after the 4th of March, and not till Harrison makes his appointments for Pennsylvanis.

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"It is expected at Harrisburg that Quay will controll the appointments for the state. This has never happened to the Camerons before, but the chairman of the national committee—the committee still keeping its organization and intending to do so till the next presidential convention—has made himself so solid with Harrison that his friends expect the statesman from Beaver to be well to the front when Pennsylvania gets her share of public pap. There will be no open revolt till after Harrison shows his band in regard to the Pennsylvania appointments. Then there will be the biggest kind of a row. It is only smouldering now, and it will extend all over the state.

"While Magee's friends are by no means sanguine of success, they mean to fight all along the line and George Wallsce Delameter, it is well understood at Harrisburg, is not to have a walk over on the receivack without other entries in the handleap for governor.

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"Black Hart" Again Arrested.

Charles Bolles, alias "Black Bart," the notorious stage robber of California, was arrested in Kanass City on Friday night.

His real name is Charles E, Bolles and he enjoys the reputation of being the most daring and successful of all the "knights of the road" who have ever operated on the Pacific coast. After perpetrating thirty-one robberies he was finally captured and passed seven years behind the bars at the San Quentin penitentiary, from which he was released in January, 1888, His method always was to do the business alone, and to the fact that he did not drink and had no confidants the police ascribe his eccape from arrest. It was his custom to rob stages which he knew carried builton or coin for Wells-Fargo. He was equipped with a strong pair of field-glasses, through which he could learn whether armed express messengers were on board or not. In this way he made out whether a man armed with a shot-gun in the designation of self-glasses, through which he could learn whether armed express messengers were on board or not. In this way he made out whether a man armed with a shot-gun was seated by the driver. If the driver was alone Bartalipped on a gunny-sack mask that covered his face and most of his person, and, Winchester in hand, halted the stage. He frequently held up outlise in which there were six or eight men, but he showed such narve and catilike agility that no one dared to attack him. He would promptly go through passengers with great politeness, but he always compelled the passengers to get out and hold up their hands in line. Then he robbed them of all their money and valuables. Occasionally, when a female passenger was on board, he politely returned her the jeweiry she wore and some of her money. Then he would attack the mail pouches and the express box, rifling them with great dexterity. He only allowed the stage to proceed when he was ready himself to carry away his plunder. On June 13, 1882, he halted the Lakeport and Oreville stage, and George Hackett, the express manager, fired a shot at the road agent which struck him on the forehead. But the shot glanced off, and the only result was to mark the robber for life with a deep dent on his skull. Black Bart did not return the fire, but escaped into the brush. Within three months, however, he was at it again. He was caught at last, merely by an accident, through his carelessness in leaving at the scene of a robbery in Nevada county, Cal., one of his shirt cuffs. This bore a Chinese laundry mark, and the detectives finally located the laundry in San Francisco. It was found that he had come to San Francisco regularly alter each robbery, and lived in comfort on the money he had sourced. The detectives finally located the family in comfort. Nothing further was heard of him by his poor wife, however, until she read in the newspapers that her husband was the notorious high wayman. She wrote a pathetic letter to him, offering blum money if he was in need o

ply, saying he wanted nothing more to do with her. On his release he resumed his former manner of life. Officers arrived in Brodhead, Wis., on Friday from Washington territory, with G. S. Loucks, who disappeared from Albany, Wis., in September, 1887, taking with him another man's wife and two children and \$7,000 or \$8,000, which it is alleged, he embezzied from his employer, a dealer in agricultural implements. Loucks was engaged in the restaurant businessat Chehalis, W. T.

George K. Bingamin, a retired farmer and the oldest resident of Ephrata township, died on Saturday, the result of a stroke of apoplexy. He was 91 years old and leaves a large family. His funeral will take place to-morrow morning, with interment at Mobiler's meeting house.

SHOT AT A BURGLAR. HARRY BAUMGARDNER PIRES UPON THE BOLD INTRUDER.

B. H. Martin and Mis Procence le Discovered to Time to Prevent Him From Securing Any Valuables.

At an early hour Sunday morning a daring burglar broke into the house of B. B. Martin, at the corner of Charlotte and Chestnut streets, and although he obtained but little for his trouble, he made a narrow escape from being shot and killed. It was about 4 o'clock in the morning when the entrance was effected. The thief first went to the window of the wash-kitcher in the rear of the house. He cut a crescent shaped piece of glass from the window in order that he could pull back the latch The communicating door between the locked and the thief probably knew this, as he abandoned that mode of entering. He went to the house of W. Z. Sener, who lives near by. He took a step ladder, which stood in the yard and returned to Mr. Martin's house, Pincing the ladder against the out kitchen he crawled to the roof, and then made his way across the roof of the main kitchen. The bathroom window, which was unlocked, he hoisted and went in. He went down stairs and opened all of the doors to the out kitchen, where he first tried to get in, in order that he would have s clear road to get out. He went to the room upstairs, occupied by Mr.
Martin, and tried to open the door,
He was unsuccessful in this, and
then secured a chair, on which he stood this time Mr. Martin awoke and supposes that the noise was made by some member of the family. The thief then walked through the hall to the window facing on Chestnut street, which he opened. When Mr. Martin heard this he knew someof his room, which also faces Chestnut street, and as he did this he came face to face with the burgiar, who was on the porch roof cutaids and had his face almost against Mr. Martin's window. The electric light at the corner was burning very brightly and Mr. Martin obtained suc he would be able to recognize him if he were to see him sgain. When the burglar again entered the window. In his baste to got away he fell over a screen and chair in the hallway, making a great noise. Harry Baumgardner, a son-in-law of Mr. Martin, was at his house over night and occupied a room on the hall way. He heard the noise made by the thief, and picking up his loaded revolver, opened his loor just as the man ran by. Mr. Baumgardner fired one load at him as he ran, but did not hit him. The burgiar hastened down stairs and made his escape by the back window. Nothing has since been

tion of the house was made. All that the thief specceded in getting for his boldness was 20 cents in money, which he took from been left by some member of the house-hold. Although there was a great deal of valuable clothing on The thief evidently was on the hunt for money and was willing to take almost any es to get it. He seemed to be sequeinted with the premises. It was reported that he had also broken into Mr.

No Limit to Damages.

The decision of the supreme court, providing that the amount of damages recoverable from corporations for injuries resulting in death, shall not be limited by law, was rendered on an appeal by the Pennsylvania railroad from a decision that gave a woman \$14,500 damages for the death of her husband on account of alleged negligence. The act of 1868 limits the amount to \$5,000, while the state constitution of 1874 provides that no act of the general assembly shall limit the amount.

This clause of the constitution first came up in connection with the act of 1868 in the case of Langdon vs. Pennsylvania railroad before Judge Stowe, Allegbeny, and over \$5,000 was awarded. The case went to the supreme court, where he was reversed. The two cases were exactly similar, but Judge Paxson in the latter reverses himself and his opinion of ten years ago. In his remarks Paxson said his views had undergone serious change. He said the fact that the company was chartered under the act of 1868 did not form a contract with the state, as no consideration was paid for it. It was merely an additional franchise.

He said the act was repealed by the provisions of the constitution, and concludes with: "I make no spology for my change of views. Had I adhered to those formerly expressed there might have been occasion for one."

Kiein Safe at Home.

From the steamer Mariposa, which arrived at San Francisco on Saturday evening, John C. Kiein stepped once more on American soil, after having had a narrow squeeze to escape court-martial by the German authorities at Apia. After martial law had been proclaimed. German troops seting as police in Apia attempted to arrest Kiein, but on the advice of the United States consul he went on board the Nipelo. Capt. Friiz made a demand on Capt. Mulian to release John C. Kiein, that he might be tried before a German military tribunal. Capt. Mulian replied that he proposed to protect all American citizens in Samoa and that Kiein would not be surrendered for trial, and on Feb. I he placed the correspondent on the Mariposa. Capt. Friiz on Jan. 23 had issued an order instructing all the residents of Apia te turn over all guns or ammunition held by them and proclaimed the right of search. Capt. Mulian protested against this action, stating that the American government had never recognized Tamaseso, and that no power would allow them to seize arms unless used signist a friendly nation. The Germans seized an English tourist named Gillan, but released him on the peremptory demand of Captain Hand, of H. M. S. Royalist. A dispatch him on the peremptory demand of Captain Hand, of H. M. S. Royalist. A dispatch from Berlin says that Germany is willing to settle the difficulty on the basis of a joint

Miraculously Escapes Death.

John H. Haines, of Boston, in company with his son, took a Pullman compartment at Philadelphia for Pittsburg on the Western express on Friday evening, occupying a lower birth and his son an upper one. Being a victim of insomnia he found it impossible to sleep, and, while laboring under temporary aberration of the mind, he raised the window of his compartment and jumped from the car. By means to himself entirely unknown he succeeded in reaching the top of a freight car in the lower freight yard at Altoona. At any rate he was found the top of a freight car in the lower freight yard at Altoona. At any rate he was found there by employes of the road a little later on. Mr. Haines has been a partner in the Edgar Thomson steel works, of Pittaburg. His escape from the car is a mystery to all who were on the train, and his escape from sudden death is miraculous. Mr. Haines is said to be a millionaire steel king and was on his way to Pittaburg to hold a conference with Andrew Carnegie. He is believed to be seriously injured.

The boiler of John Jenke's awmill, at Murphy, W. Va., burst on Saturday and killed Albert Carr, firemen: James Black, sawyer; Thomas Ash, Griffin Boyles and Charles Zinn, laborera. Mrs. Jenka, who was passing at the time, was also killed.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES The Tickets For the Nine Wards to Be Used

Below is printed the Democratic ticket of each ward of this city for the municipal election to be held to-morrow. We need only remind all good citizens of the vital importance of the duties entrusted to administrators of local government and the directors of education, matters that have little to do with the principles of national parties.

Common council—John Fritreb, D. B. Florry, W. Bais, John J. Altick. Assessor—Ed. S. Kress. Constable—A. G. Pyla. Judge—Samuel Dean. Inspector—Frank A. Altick. SECOND WARD.

Common Council—G. Ross Eshlems: Geo. F. Rathfon, W W. Amos. Assessor—Geo. Aucamp. Constable—James Arment. Judge—Jacob Resse. Inspector—David McMullen.

Common Council—J. M. Eberly, Chas W. Ecker, Jacob Reiker. Alderman— Assessor—Geo. J. Helm. Constable—B. Frank Leman. Judge—Benj. F. Davis. Inspector—Frank Hegener.

FOURTH WARD, Common council—Henry E. Carson James Prangley, Jr., John A. Coyle. Constable— Constable—
Assessor—John Reck.
Judge—Jacob Wittinger.
Inspector—Joseph Shearer.

FIFTH WARD. Select Council—J. W. Eckenrode.
Common Council—Waiter Schned
O. Kauffman.
Assessor—J. M. Herzog.
Constable—Jacob F. Kautz.
Judge—Charles Simon.
Inspector—Frederick Sener, jr.

SIXTH WARD,

Common Council—C. E. Downey, C. S. Foltz, James Leman.
Judge—John Marion.
Inspector—John Hauk.
Assessor—Walter Z. Joher.
Constable—Armie Hartman. SEVENTH WARD,

Select Council—Frank S. Everta.
Common Council—Henry J. Freeh, John
Young, B. Frank Adams.
Aiderman—A. F. Donnelly.
Constable—John Merringer.
Assessor—Jax. R. Garvin.
Judge—George S. Norbeck.
Inspector—Wm. Dorwart. EIGHTH WARD.

Judge—John Huber. Inspector—Jacob Spoo. NINTH WARD

Select Council—E. P. McKinstry.
Common council—Jacob Poniz, Chas. E.
Broome, M. B. Weldler.
Assumor—F. Ganas.
Constable—Walter Welah.
Judge—James Burns.
Inspector—George Brown. SHOOL DIRECTORS.

The employes of the Pottsville Iron and Steel company's fishback rolling mill, at Pottsville, met on Saturday to consider the company's potification of a 10 to 15 per cent. Pottsville, met on Saturday to consider the company's notification of a 10 to 15 per cent, reduction in wages. It was decided to suspend work pending negotiations for a compromise. Over 500 operatives are involved. Potts Brothers, proprietors of a large rolling mill in Pottetown, Pa, have notified their employes that on March 1st the following reductions will be made: Puddiers, \$3, instead of \$3.25 per ton; puddle helpers, 25 cents a heat, and rollers and others accordingly; 1,100 instead of 1,050 pounds to constitute a heat. This is equal to a 10 per cent reduction.

The employes of the Central iron works of C. L. Baily & Co., at Harrisburg, were on Saturday notified of a reduction of 25 cents per ton in their wages, to take effect on the fourth of March.

The furnaces of the Keystone rolling mill, of Reading, which has been idle for some time, were placed in readiness and to-day the mill resumed. It gives employment to 170 men.

The Pope's Encyclical.

In all the Catholic churches of the diocese of New York the encyclical letter of Pope Leo XIII was read on Hunday. The letter, which was written on the 50th anniversary of Pope Leo's priesthood, and the 11th of his pontificate, says of the public schools that "there is no ecclesiastical authority left in them, and in the year which is most fitting for tender minds to be trained carefully in Christian virtue the precepts of religion are for the most part unheard," adding, "many nowadays seek to learn by the aid of reason alone, laying Divine faith entirely saide."

The Pinkertons have received word of the arrest by one of their agents of Vincenzo Villeio, one of the accomplices of Michael Rizzolo, in the murder of Paymaster J. B. McClure and Hugh Fiannigan, near Wilkesbarre, last October. Villeio was found at Catanzaro, in Bouthern Italy, near the border of Sicily. Guiseppe Bevivino, the other accompiles who escaped with Villeio to Italy, has also been traced to a neighboring province, and will probably be arrested in a few days. When capiured Villeio had 5,000 france of the stoien money in his possession, besides a large

A Fourteen-Story Huilding (Collapses.

The Owings block, in Chicago, it stories high, collapsed on Bunday. It was situated just opposite the postoffice, in the centre of the business section. The 10 lower stories fell in one after another, leaving the walls, the four upper floors and the roof standing in a decided shaky condition. In the tenth story the tile flooring was defective or was demaged by the natural settling of the building. Without the slightest warning the great mass of tiles and girding forming the injured floors crashed to the story below carrying that with it, and the two together, soling like a pile driver, pounded a way for themselves to the bottom. No person was injured.

Moravian Clergy to Ge Abroad.

Rev. Dr. Edward Rendthaler, pastor of the Moravian church at Salem, N. C., arrived in Bethlehem, Pa., on Baturday night and will stop for a few days with his brother-in-law, Joseph A. Rice. Next week he will start out from New York city with his son Howard on an extended trip to Kurope, Asia Minor, Egypt and Palestine. Rev. Dr. Rendthaler, logether with Rev. James E. Hall and Mr. James Leinbach, ef Salem, N. C., as delegates representing the Southern province of the Moravian church in the United States, will attend the general convocation of the Unites Fratrum, to be convened in May next in Herrnhut, Germany, Among Moravian clergymen from Bethlehem who will represent the Northern province of this church as delegates are: Blahop Henry T. Bachman, Rishop J. Mortimer Levering and Rev. Professor J. T. Hamilton. Moravian Clergy to Go Abroad.

Girl Criminate in Hea Sergeant of Police Metz on Sunday night in Reading arrested Ida Bright, aged 17 years; Anna Houck, 14 years; Nora Richards, 13 years, and Emma Hain, 14 years, and they confessed to having pleked pockets wherever they could manage to get in a crowd for several months past. They always divided the money, and spent it in seloons and at the theatres. They seldom went to their homes, but put up in several shantice in the northern part of the city, where they lived with a party of loys. The girls have all been guilty of acts of the greatest immorality, and will be sent to some referencery institution. STILL OBDURATE.

COLONEL PISTER WILL NOT RESPO TO THE QUESTIONS AND OF

ore of Alleged Irregul Supervising Architect's Office Oct De Information From 1950 -- Fister Threatened With Imprior

WASHINGTON, D. C., Peb. 18.—7 Scents committee on public buildings of grounds held a meeting this morning consider the case of the resolutions will consider the one of the recalcitment winds in the Freeret investigation—Thomas Firster. Fister refused at the last content the committee to answer questions concerning the solicitation of contributions in political purposes in the treavery department during the last campaign. His refuse was based on the stalm that the question concerned a private matter and that he was targeted to answer. The sub-committee decided that he kyout answer the questions. not expected to answer. The man-decided that he areast answer the q

He still refused.

Senator Spooner therefore called tegether the full committee this morning to passindgment upon Mr. Fister. The committee met in scoret session, and remained in consultation nearly an hour propering a list of questions calling for the information desired by Senator Spooner for the sub-committee.

Then Fister and the committee's stance pher were called and in the questions we

pher were called and in the questions were formally put to Fister.

All the members of the committee were present except Senator Quay.

To all of the questions Fister gave the response that he had given to the sub-committee—that the matter was private and that he would not answer.

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The committee then went into secret section and in a short time notified him. Fister that he was excused for the day. Shortly afterward the committee adjourned. The committee will ask the Beaute he the committent of Fister to jail for contempt. The punishment if imprisonment for from ten days to one month, and a fine of \$100 to \$1,000.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—The correspondent of the Petit Journal at San Salvador, in the the Petit Journal at San Salvador, in the Congo Free State, mys that a courier has arrived from the Southwwest, and state that a report is current that Henry M. Stanley was killed in a fight with the natives near Mangambe. The courier report that several instruments, which have been identified as belonging to Sinnley, have been sold by the natives.

The London evening passes place as

The London evening papers place as credit in the report that Henry M. Stanies has been killed as published by the Pari

The Judge Coptured by Strategy.

Braingrild, Mo., Feb. 18.—Deputy U.

S. Marshal Willis arrived yesterday with
Judge Peden, of St. Clair county, in emtody. Several months ago a warrant was
sworn out against the judge for retreat to
levy a special tax to pay interest on relissed
bonds. He had many friends and the nuthorities encountered trouble in trying to
arresthim. Finally strategy was reported
to. The judge was induced to go to a fex.
hunt and when separated from his friends
the arrest was made. The judge is now in
jail.

A Murder in Maryland. CUMBERLAND, Md., Feb. 18. — Midland early yesterday morning iterate Oreegan, aged 21, was shot and killed by a young man named McGady. They were quarreling at the time of the tragedy. Me

Obtained a Charter, HARRISBURG, Feb. 18.—The Philadel Inquirer company, capital \$275,000, was

Wm. W. Harding is credited with the ownership of 2,000 shares of stock and James Elverson with 497. James H. Lem-

OWATONEA, Minn., Feb. 18.—The Tr mont house was destroyed by fire earl this morning. The inmetes escaped with loss of personal effects. The loss is also \$7,000; insurance, \$8,000.

Smith and Mitchell to Sator the Sing. LONDON, Feb. 18. — Jem Smith and Charlie Mitchell have signed articles to box ten rounds on April 1st for £200 a side

Unclaimed Letters.

The following is a list of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice, Lementer, Monday, February 18, 1869:

Ladies' List.—Mrs. Christian M. Berr, Miss S. 1. Baugh, Mrs. John J. Bauman, Mrs. Neille Cowberry, Mrs. Seilinds Greek, Mary Grate, Miss Jennie R. Kenffasse, Mary Grate, Miss Jennie R. Kenffasse, Miss Katle Z. Weaver, Miss L. Shank, Gent's List.—Frank William Bauen (3), Geo. C. Oronwell, Vessenuel Decker, Martin Funk, Henry B. Grees, S. B. Greef, E. F. Groff, C. H. Heilenbok, Henry Holderman, W. O. Krope, E. B. Lee, Michael Maloney, C. R. Miller, Shorman Miller, Robinson Bros., Samuel B. Shenk, Abram Stauffer, John Ulimer, Augustus Weasel.

Hiram C. Van Dusen, a young man in Harlem, on Sunday completed his fifth-fourth day without food, and is still strong and hearty and works twelve hours a day. He became offended at the action of a servant and remained away from his meals, and claims that he has eaten nothing since. All he seems to keep himself alive on is two glasses of vichy water a day. Physicians are incredulous concerning his long fast, and say he must eat secretly, but Van Dusen denies it.

Mrs. Emma Lindenstruth, who 'was supposed to have been frozen to death in Philadelphia, died, a post-mortem examination showed, of poison taken while insane.

Herman Keidel, of Baltimore, the junior pariner of the plano manufacturing firm of William Knabe & Bons and for several years manager of that firm's branch house in New York, committed suicide in the warerooms Saturday night by standing before a mirror and shooting himself.

Electric Sugar hundlers Cangha,
All the parties interested in the Electric
Sugar Reining company trands were
arrested at Milan, Mich., on Saturday
night, the sheriff returning to Ann Arber
about midnight with Mrs. Olive E. Friend,
William E. Howard, Emily Howard, Gas
Haisteed and George Haisland, and placed
them in the county jail, where they are
contined. They were arrested for obtaining
money under false pretenses, three indistments having been found against them by
a grand jury of New York last January.

D. E. Bitner, for three years a clark in the prothonotary's office, went on duty this morning as a clark in the office of the

claims to day, judgment for \$1,002,517 was rendered against the United States in favor of the Central Pacific railroad in a case of

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—1
Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain, turni
into anow; colder, northwester
winds, high on the coast.