## URGLARS IN A HOUSE. EY OPEN LOCKED DOORS, ENTER ROOMS AND RIFLE CLOTHING OF MONEY.

a Hundred Dollars and a Gold atch Taken From George Hettshue. H. W. Diffenbach Also Loses \$15.

time between 12:30 and 4 o'clock morning the boarding house of Harry Diffenbach, at Lemon and North Queen ts, was entered by thieves. The en-se was effected through the door on the on street side of the building. The since was effected through the door on the smon street side of the building. The leves turned the key, which was on the side of the door, by means of a pair of ppers. They hurried through the dining om and then went up stairs. George eitshue, a boarder at the house, occupied room on the second floor. He locked his sor when he retired, leaving the key upon e inside. The thieves turned this with ppers and went inside. Mr. Heitshue's othing was on a chair, and in the pantaous was a pocketbook containing someling over \$100 dollars in money. This they ole together with a very valuable gold atch which was in Mr. Heitshue's vest. The theives seem to have ransacked the hole house and they were experts in sening doors with keys in the inside of se locks. In this way they opened the som of Mr. Diffenbach, stealing about \$15 money that he had in his clothing. The ocketbook, which was old, was left behind. Irs. Diffenbach's watch and other welry were in the room, but they very door in the house with their nippers. hey were unable to catch several of the eys with the nippers and some they ushed in. They made a desperate effort a get into the room of Calvin Tshudy, but trunstely that gentleman had taken the recaution before going to bed to turn the tunately that gentleman had taken the scaution before going to bed to turn the diatch, something that he had not done fore for some time. The key of I. K. rris' door was pushed in and marks on

number of others show that they were impered with.

Mr. Heitshue went to his room about 0:30, but did not retire until after midight. Mr. Diffenbach had preceeded him at a short time. This morning when Mr. Diffenbach arose at an early hour he missed is money in a short time. At first he hought his wife had taken it in charge to my Christmas things. In a joking way a aked her about it, but she said that she new nothing about it. He soon found

o'clock this morning to go to the railroad ation and upon his return did not again o to bed. The supposition is that the left was committed between the time Mr. The theft was reported to Chief Smeltz and he made a thorough examination of the premises. The thieves left no clue to their

# AN ELECTRIC ROAD'S CHARTER.

EDITORS INTELLIGENCER-There is in ading, Pa., a line of electric railway salled the East Reading Railroad company

This line have been running their electric This line have been running their electric cars from the corner of 19th street and Perkiomen avenus to the Black Bear Inn in Exeter township. This line is thus entirely in the outskirts of the city.

Wishing to extend it into the heart of the city they induced the city councils to pass an ordinance in September last, granting this privilege. In looking over this ordinance I noticed that among other things it requires the company to lay their tracks at grade, but its rail shall be a flat L, and have not less than five inches on the surface thereof. That its company must ace thereof. That its company must face thereof. That its company must immediately upon the construction of the track pave the same between the rails and outside thereof to the limits of the sills, and where equilateral tarnouts are used the streets shall be paved by them the full width between the curb lines for the entire length and fifty feet be-yond the extreme ends of such turn-outs and where lateral turnouts are used the paving shall be laid to the curb line only on the sides the turnouts are located and for the same length as above prescribed for the equilateral turnouts. It further requires that in certain named streets this paving is to be of asphalt blocks and in the rest of the streets to be occupied by this electric line of cars this paving is to be of selected hill stone or cobble stone, and that the said company shall at all times keep said paving in good order, and the said company shall also construct iron top box culverts along the said route of such dimensions and at such points as the com-mittee on highways and paving may direct the construction of said railway and cul-

verts to be under the supervision of said committee.

The said railroad company is authorize l The said railroad company is authorized to use electric power for the propulsion of its cars over the route granted and for that purpose they are granted the right and privilege of creeting painted ornamental fron poles, and to be placed at such points and of such dimensions as shall be approved by the committee on highways and paying, and to be placed upon both curb proved by the committee on highways and paving, and to be placed upon both curb lines for the support of overhead electric wires. The ordinance also provides that they are not to be allowed to use any other motive power other than electricity or horses, and provides also that no coal or freight cars shall be allowed to pass over the route granted.

the route granted.
Section 5 provides that the city of Reading shall have the right to make repairs or improvements on the streets and to lay water, gas or other mains, or construct or reconstruct sewers and to open if necessary the portion of the street; occupied by the tracks of this company, and it shall make no obstruction while such repairs or im such improvements the expenses thereof as well as any damages done to or by the tracks shall be borne by the railroad com-

pany.

Section 6 provides that said railroad company shall pay the city annually for the first five years \$5 per car for the average number of cars run over the route and annually thereafter \$10 per car.

Section 7 provides that the railroad company shall file with the city clerk a written and annually thereafter \$10 per car. pany shall be with the corporate seal of the company, of the provisions of this ordinance, and this must be done within fifteen

days of its passage.

Thinking that these extracts might be of interest to your readers, now that our city fathers are preparing an ordinance for our electric car line, I send this letter to you.

# Death of a Centenarian.

Mrs. Mary Brunner, who resided with her son-in-law. Christian Kegerise, be-tween Hockersville and Campbellstown, Dauphin county, died on Thursday night. It is believed that she was the oldest person in Pennsylvania. Her age was 102 years. On the occasion of her last birthday anni-On the occasion of her last birthday anniversary, on May 17 last, she was in excellent spirits, bright and very active. She had no aliments, enjoyed a hearty meal three times a day, rested well and slept every night from 7 p. m. to 6 a. m. She has smoked her pipe for 50 years, and often remarked that she thought the use of tobacco prelonged her life. She was born in East Cocalico, Lancaster county, May 17, 1787, and at the age of 19 was married to J. Brunner, who died 40 years ago. Mrs. Brunner was unable to read. She lived for over 80 years in the neighborhood where she died. She was the mother of 14 children, eight of whom are living, and she leaves 35 grandchildren and 125 great gran ightlidren. Of her eight surviving children the oldest is 80 and the youngest 64 years old. In her younger days she worked hard, laboring in the harvest fields and doing a man's work.

Death of An Aged Woman died from paralysis in Middletown on Tuesday. In 1855 she was married to John Lankford, of Columbia. Three years later her husband died. Mrs. Gramm, of Bain-bridge, is a sister of deceased. HIS FAMILY ALL DEAD.

Emil Etoine Beturns to Johnstown With a Fortune and Heard Nething of the Friod.

A short time before the terrible flood which almost wiped Johnstown out of existence Emil Etoine left Cambris City for his native town of Creonville, not far from Strassburg, in Alesse-Lorralue, to receive a cemfortable fortune which he had inherited from a relative. Etoine had been working as a puddier at the Cambris iron works for about two years previous to his departure for the continent.

He left a family consisting of a wife and five children behind him. When the law suit had been settled in his favor and he had come into possession of the property, which was principally real estate left to him, he put it up at public sale and received about £30,000 for it.

With New York exchange for that sum in his pocket he again embarked for this country about three weeks ago, as happy and contented as a man well could be secustomed to carning his bread by the sweat of his brow, who sees a life of comparative luxury and ease before him. He intended to go into some business in Johnstown. He reached Pittsburg in the forencon, and boarded the Johnstown accommodation at 1:20 p. m., which took him to the place where he had left those dearer than all the money in the world. He relates the rest of his story as follows:

"When I got off at the Pennsylvania railroad station I turned back to one of the depot men and inquired of him how far I had yet to go to Johnstown, as I had got off at the wrong station, and how soon the train left for that town. The man looked at me for a moment as though he thought I was not quite right in my mind and asked me whether or not I could read the sign on the station house. I looked up and there it was plain enough, in large white letters on a black ground. While I looked at the sign in a dazed sort of a way, another man, who had overheard the conversation, stepped up to me and said: 'I guees you're a stranger here, or have been in Johnstown before the flood. It's quite changed now. I would not have known it myself

all interest in everything connected with

Christmas Day at Old Trinity. Christmas Day at Old Trinity.

Trinity church is preparing to celebrate the Christmas festival of this year with decorations and music that will surpass any that its venerable walls have ever seen or heard. The service at 10:30 on Christmas morning will be preceded by a rendition of Staiver's "O Zion that bringest good tidings," and Gounod's "Holy, Holy Lord," will immediately follow the liturgical worship. The magnificent "Festival Te Deum" of Dudley Buck will come between the epistle and gospel lessons; the carol "Christ is Born Indeed," for male tween the epistle and gospel lessons; the carol "Christ is Born Indeed," for male quartette and chorus, being reserved until during the offertory. Then after the service has been concluded with the benediction, the beautiful and appropriate "Praise Ye the Father" will be chanted during the dismissal; all these selections being sung by the full choir, supplemented to 18 trained voices, and accompanied by harp and organ. On Christmas evening at 7 and organ. On Christmas evening at 7 o'clock the festival service of the Sunday school will be held, at which the anthems and carols will again be superb.

## LIMITED LOCALS. The Senate on Friday confirmed the non i ration of Ellwood Griest, Lancaster's

ostmaster. The pension of Ephraim Greenawalt Lancaster, has been increased.
William Wilson, a burn, arrested at the
Pennsylvania railroad station for drunkenness and disorderly conduct by Constable
Price, was sent to jail to-day for five days

Jimmy Donnelly has a peculiarly made

Jimmy Donnelly has a peculiarly made motto in his salcon on East King street. It has the words "Merry Christmas," and between them is a beautiful shamrock. The letters are made of colored sawdust on pasteboard, and they are very pretty, reflecting credit upon Lewis Hoffman, the maker. The whole room is beautifully decorated.

decorated.

The number of applicants for the coal to be distributed by the Buchanan-McEvoy-Revnolds relief committee of councils to noon to-day was 357.

The mayor had four lodgers before him this morning. They were discharged.

John Mannering, known in police circles as "Sailor Jack," was sent to jail for 30 days this afternoon by Alderman Barr.

Jack is an old offender. He will get drunk when he has money.

when he has money.

The fine weather and warm sunshine of to-day brought out a straw hat. It was

worn by a young man from the country who also wore a heavy overcoat. Mr. C. W. Wilson, superintendent of the Prudential Insurance company for the Lancaster district, was summoned from York by wire this morning and presented with a gold-headed umbrolla by Assistant Superintendent Queen and his staff of agents, Mr. Wilkinson making the presen-tation.

# Arrested for Larceny.

Reuben Bowder, a young man living in the southern part of city, was arrested this morning by Officer Crawford, on a warmorning by Officer Crawford, on a war-rant issued by Alderman Halbach. He is a cused of being one of the party who stole numerous articles from Reilly Bros. & Raub's store. The information on which Bowder was prosecuted was furnished by William Oram. He says he has to suffer for his part in the transaction and he is determined that everybody else who were parties to the theits shall also suffer.

# Doreas Donations.

The ladies of the Union Doreas society scknowledge the follow donations: Mrs Dr. Kinzer, \$2; Mrs. H. B. Swarr, \$1; Mrs. Dr. Kinzer, \$2: Mrs. H. B. Swarr, \$1: Mrs. Ellan Swarr, \$1: Miss Mary W. Russel, \$1: Miss E. White, \$1: a friend through Mrs. M. O. Kline, \$10: A Herr Smith, esq., \$10: C. Widmyer, \$1: Mrs. H. P. Carson, \$1: Mrs. Sarah Rengier, \$1: H. W. H., \$10: Mrs. S. H. Reynolds, \$5: Mrs. Clara Fahnestock, \$1: contributions from Magazine club, \$405: Williams m& Foster, \$8.86.

John Quinn, who frequently has trouble with his wife when he gets drunk, was on the rampage again yesterday. He went to his home on East Strawberry street and struck his wife. She is very quick to ap-peal to the law and she at once went to the office of Alderman Spurrier and sued him for assault and battery. He was arrested by Constable Eicholtz and held for a hear-ing.

Two Silver Bars Lost. Two silver bars, worth \$40,000, were lot off a truck in New York on Friday while in transit from the American Exchange National bank to the Cunard steamship dock. A load of \$400,000 worth of silver

dock. A load of \$400,000 worth of silver was being sent to the steamship Umbria for shipment to England, when two of the bars were missed. At their intrinsic value the bars should each weigh more than a ton. They are marked P and A, No. 9,677, and Z and F, 9,686. The name of the truck driver is Fred. Barton.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

WHAT MAY PROVE A PATAL ACCIDENT OC CURS AT LEBERMAN'S WARRHOUSE.

John H. Bair, a Tobacco Man, Falls Through an Elevator Opening-His Skull Probably Fractured.

This forenoon John H. Bair, agent for David Lederman & Son, leaf tobacco dealers, met with a very serious accident at the warehouse of the firm on North Charlotte street. He was on the first floor marking some cases when he fell through the elevator opening to the basement, a distance of ten or twelve feet. He does not know exactly how the accident occurred himself, but says that suddenly everything became dark in front of him and he fell. When found he was sitting on a box with the blood flowing from his mouth, nose and ears. He was taken to the house of Henry Lefever, No. 426 North Prince street, where he boards and Dr. H. F. Eberman attended him. He is not certain as yet that the man's skull is not fractured, and the injury is a serious one. Mr. Bair resides at Petersburg, and he is a heavy man, weighing about 200 pounds, so that the fall was a bad one.

CUMBERLAND'S TRAMPS. Prison Full of Men, Women and

The Prison Full of Men, Women and Children — Suggestions of the Charity Board.

The following open letter was addressed to Hon. W. F. Sadler, of Cumberland county, who will bring the matter before the grand jury in February:

BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, 1224 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Dec. 16, 1889.—Hon. Wilbur F. Sadler, presiding judge of Ninth district, Pa.—Dear Sir: On the 10th inst. Dr. O'Neal and I paid our annual official visit to the jail of Cumberland county.

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We would be derelict in our duty did we not call your attention to the condition in which we found the jail.

The sheriff informed us that he held as prisoners ten convicts, six awaiting trial, and 175 tramps. The latter class are confined in the cells on the ground floor (17 in number), and in two cells on the upper tier. They are allowed to use the corridor which is common to both tiers of cells. Each cell is 15 feet long, eight feet wide and ten feet high. There are thus 175 prisoners confined in 19 cells, or an average of over nine to each cell. They are composed of men, women and children. Male and females, without guards or attendants, were promisonously herded together. We doubt if in the civilized world a more demoralizing state of affairs could exist. As the winter advances it is likely to grow daily worse, as the number will steadily increase until the opening of the coming spring.

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The set of 1876 makes it the duty of the custodian of any such person to provide work for every vagrant not disqualified by sickness, age or casualty. The violation on eglect of the provisions of this section is made a misdemeanor, punishable by fine

made a misdemeanor, punishable by fine and imprisonment.

It is violated and neglected, and the law of the state openly defied. It is a vain mockery to have meetings, as we now do, held to protest against outrages on Siberian convicts when, in our own midst, at our very doors, such a condition of affairs exists.

Surely the citizens of Cumberland county will not be satisfied to allow this pest hole to remain longer under their very eyes, on the main street of their principal town, a diagrace to the civilization of the age.

We call your attention to this matter, confidently believing that you will lay the whole subject before your grand jury, with such instructions as will secure an abatement of the terrible evil

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With the highest respect,

CADWALADER BIDDLE,

General agent and secretary board of pub-I cordially unite in the above recommen-

MAHLON P. DICKINSON, President board of public charities. THE VAGRANT LAW OF 1876. The first section of this law defines who

are vagrants, The second section makes it the duty of any constable or police officer to appre-hend and take all vagrants before a justice of the peace or magistrate, who shall examine the parties so charged with vagrancy and, found to be guilty, shall commit them to labor on the county farm, or upon the road, or shall commit them to any house of correction, poor house or common jail in a term of not less than thirty days, nor more than six months as in the judgment of said magistrate shall be deemed most

expedient.
The third section of said act provides that: It shall be the duty of the custodians of any such vagrant to make active efforts to pro-vide work for every vagrant committed under the act, and not disqualified by sick-

And whenever labor cannot be provided in the place to which any vagrant is com-mitted, it shall be lawful for such custo-dian, and it is hereby declared to be the duty, with the approval of the board of directors, everseers or commissioners of the poor to contract with the proper authorities of the township, borough, city, county or other persons to do any work or labor outside of the place of commitment; and when any vagrant is committed under the provisions of this act to the custody of the supervisors or street commissioner or exercises. visors, or street commissioner or overseers of the poor of any township, borough, city or county, it shall be their duty to provide for him comfortable lodgings or quarters either in a station house or in other

either in a station house or in other building.

For years that county has been disgraced by these worthless vagabonds. The constables are making a great deal of money, while the committing magistrates not only commit the tramps, but take them to the county jail and receive the 25 cents fee. At the February term of the court it is stated that some provision will be made. stated that some provision will be made, through the efforts of Judge Sadler, to change this condition of affairs.

### ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH FAIR. A Large Number of Articles Chanced

Off-The Fair to Close on Monday. There was another large crowd at St. Joseph's church fair on Friday evening. The following were the winners of the articles chanced off:

St. John's table: Silver cake basket, W. H. Schaeffer; knife and fork, M. Gans; tidy set, Irena M. Dyer; table scarf, C. J. Rothweiler; plush banner, Maggie Coonan; tidy set, Irena M. Dyer; table scarf, C. J.
Rothweiler; plush banner, Maggie Coonan;
waste basket, Mrs. D. Mooney; wisp,
Mary Gorman; vases, John Bissinger;
bird and cage, George Fritch; wine set,
Mrs. F. Bruederly; table cover, Benj.
Wiemer; child's dress, Mary A. Wolf;
lambrequin, Mrs. John Kirsch; toilet case,
Leo Hauser.
Altar Table: Silver knife and fork, John
Soangler: plush cushion, Mrs. R. 10tte;

Altar Table: Silver knife and fork, John Spangler: plush cushion, Mrs. R. jOtto; pickle stand, F. Dareneamp; lamp, F. L. Krauskop: flower cross, B. Closs; oil painting, Henry White.

Sisters' Table: Ton of coal, Chas. Troast; boy doll, J. F. Flick; infant; spe, Mr, Werbel; pillow shams, Louisa Meinrich; rug, Levi Miller; cape, Effle Elhott; water font, Mrs. B. Flick; lamp, A. Kline; barrel of flour, Mary Wacker; cushion.

barrel of flour, Mary Wacker; cushion, Sarah McCormick; cushion, Peter Wea-ver, hand painted table cover, Sophia Berger.
Confectionery: Cakes were won by Geo.
Riddle, C. V. Wacker, Sue Draude; bird
aid cage, W. Shirk.
The remaining articles will be chanced
off this and Monday evening, and also on
Monday evening the articles to be voted for
will be awarded.
Esther Christ, was presented with an

Father Christ was presented with an easy chair last evening. The gift was from the committee of arrangements. Father Schmidt made the presentation speech and the chair was received by Father Christ.

Held For Trial.

Harry Steiger, the young man who struck Clara Maney on the head with a stove lifter on Monday evening, causing a very ugly wound, was heard before Alderman Spurrier last evening. For being drunk and disorderly he was sent to jail for 10 days and he was committed for trial at court to answer the charge of felonious assault and battery.

ADJOURNED QUARTER SESSIONS. A Special Court to Finish District At-

An adjourned quarter sessions court, to finish the cases returned during District Attorney Weaver's term, will be held the week beginning December 30. The following is the list:

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Monday, December 30. Thos. R. Rodgers, Harry G. McNally, negligence; Andrew Kane, Abram Stiffel, violating liquor law; Wm. O. Reese, fornication and bastardy; Harry Hildebrand, Tidal J. Morgan, assault and battery; S. S. Ebersole, false pretense; George Rob'nson, felonious assault and battery; James Bryson, felonious entry; Martin D. Hess, A. G. Speidel, embezziement.

Tuesday, Dec. 31.—Annie Kaul, assault and battery; J. I. L. Lied, larceny as bailee; Edward Reimsnyder, fraud; Adam R. Brown, false pretense; Michael Burke, felonious assault and battery; Harry Pontz, defrauding boarding house keeper; Harry Good, aggravated assault and battery; Sim Simon, peddling without license; B. F. Grove et al., larceny; S. M. Paschal et al., libel.

Thursday, January 2.—John J. Kern,

libel.
THURSDAY, January 2.—John J. Kern, false pretense; Elias Snyder et al., violating fish laws.
SATURDAY, January 4.—Daniel Brossman, C. Eckert, T. J. Morgan, Elmer Hershock, surety of peace; Monroe Mellinger, Isaac Zech, Samuel Shirk, desertion.

Death of Mrs. Jane R. Sterrett. Mrs. Jane R. Sterrett, aged 62, wife of S. P. Sterrett, died in Marietta on Thursday. P. Sterrett, died in Marietta on Thursday. She had been bedfast since May last, suffering from liver and kidney disease. The Marietta Times says: "Deceased was born in this place and lived here all her life. She has been a consistent member of the Presbyterian church of Marietta ever since she was thirteen years old, and was one of the most active workers in that church. It was largely by her activity and energy that the church debt, contracted when the church was remodeled, was paid off. She was a faithful teacher in the Sabbath school for more than thirty years, and was always greatly beloved by her pupils. She was a woman of strong character and decided opinions, and a person who will be much missed in this community. She was a great friend to the poor and needy. A husband survives her. Barr Spangler is a brother of the deceased. The funeral will take place next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her late residence."

THE GOOD WEATHER. It Fills the Town With a Crowd of Pec

ple Bent Upon Business. The clear up of last evening seems to be more permanent than those we have had recently, and to-day the weather is about as fine as could well be expected. The sun as fine as could well be expected. The sun came out bright and early and the sir is slmost as warm as summer. In fact the only complaint is that it is too warm. The change has had a wonderfully good effect upon business, which has brightened up with the weather. The town is filled with people and the streets and stores have been crowded all day. The trains to the city were all full to-day, and the crowd that came off the one from Quarryville at 7:30 reminded one of a big holiday. Notwithstanding the terribly bad roads a great many people drove to town, holiday. Notwithstanding the terribly bad roads a great many people drove to town, and in many places the streets are crowded with vehicles of different kinds, while the hotels are very full. The men with the Christmas trees in Centre Square have been doing a thriving trade, and those who thought that they would be left, on account of the bad weather, are sure that the sunshine will help them out.

CURRENT BUSINESS IN COURT. Issues Granted to Determine the Owner-

ship of Property Levied Upon by the Sheriff. Court heard arguments this morning of quarter sessions court and in addition the quarter sessions court and in addition the following current business was transacted:

Issues were granted to determine the ownership of personal property levied upon by the sheriff between the following parties: Charles H. Wettig vs. David B. Landis; Susan A. Smith vs. John Hildebrand; Sallie E. Lintner vs. Isaac Groff; Henrietta Lintner vs. Isaac Groff; H. T. Kieffer vs. Sarah A. Herr and M. Lizzie Herr; Annie M. Brenner vs. Heury Gontner.

Frank Shill, Mary Viginott and Benjamio Breneman, who served terms in jail for costs, were discharged as insolvents.

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Nine judgments were entered for want of a plea, appearance and affidavit of defense.

Lizzie M. Worsdell, Marietta, was divorced from her husband, Wm. M. Worsdell, on the ground of adultery.

In the suit of Samuel J. Demuth's executors vs. the county of Lancaster, the rule for a new trial was discharged.

A Lucky Insurance Company Early on Sunday morning, 15th inst., the small barn on the farm of Mrs. Sarah

J. Fritz, deceased, in Sadsbury township, six miles south of Christiana, was discov ered to be on fire by the tenant farmer, Mr. Henry Howett, who, with the assistance of the neighbors, succeeded in getting out all the live stock, and saving the corn crib not five feet away from the barn. The building, as well as the contents, was insured in the Agricultural Mutual Fire Insurance company, of Litiz, Pa. The damage was appraised at \$200 on the building and \$200 on the contents. This was the first fire for this new company, which was started but one year ago. ered to be on fire by the tenant farmer, Mr.

The market committee of councils to-day sold the stalls in the Central market house and good prices were realized. For a few of the double butcher stalls there was competition and the present holders were obliged to bid \$106 to get them. The farmers' stalls were start at \$25, and some sold as high as \$49. The amount realized by the sale was \$6,751—and there is only one vacent stall—a baker's. Market will be held on Tuesday on account of Christmas coming on Wednesday, and on Tuesday will apply the sale will be such a province the current of the current of the sale will be such as the sale will be such as the sale of the sale will be sale of the sale day morning the curbstone privileges will

They Will Hide In the Woods. Lancaster is a saally full of drunken men on Saturday evening, many of whom are willing to listen to any suggestion that will prevent their arrest. A man who has frequently wrestled with "jugs" told an Inhas a new way of getting away from the police. When he finds they are after him he intends to hide in the woods in Centre Square. Another man who knows, says if he seeks refuge there, the constables will be hunting him with a gun and dog—and

run a point if necessary. A New Mall Route.

A new mail route has been granted by he postmaster general from Weaverland via Martindale, Hahnstown and Murrell, to Ephrata. This route supplies three new offices with daily mails, besides crossing the Terre Hill and Lancaster route at Martindale, which is also the starting point of the Martindale and Bird-in-Hand route, elieving the Laneaster office of quite i

A Successful Ball. Last evening Prof. Helt, the dancing instructor, gave a ball at Eshleman's hall. There was a large attendance and the promenade was led by Harry Forrey and Miss Ella Shertzer. Everybody had a

Shooting at Turkeys There was a shooting match at Knapp's Villa vesterdayafternoon which was largely attended by gunners of this city. There was some good shooting and a fine lot of turkeys were won by different parties.

Death of Mrs. Jacob Engle. From the Mt. Joy Heraid.

Mrs. Jacob Engle, of Dayton, Ohio, died on Monday of last week, aged 86 years. She was the mother of 8 children, 61 grand-children and 66 great grandchildren. She had many relatives by blood and marriage in this vicinity.

# SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENTS

PUPILS AND TEACHERS HAVE PLEASANT EX-ERCISES ON FRIDAY.

Superintendent Hoffman Given a Fine Umbrella and Teachers Also Receive Presents-Thioves Enter a House.

Columbia, Dec. 21.—The public schools closed yesterday for the holidays, and will remain closed until January 6th. Super-intendent Hoffman, assisted by his efficient corps of teachers, as well as the pupils, used their best efforts to make the occasion an enjoyable one. The preparations for the exercises were extensive and elaborate, and were made entirely out of study hours. There was a generous rivalry among the several departments to offer the best entertainment, but all acquitted themselves so creditably it would be impossible to do more than to refer to the exercises as a whole. In all the schools visitors were present in goodly numbers and they enjoyed the exercises of the pupils. In nearly all the schools a Christmas tree was erected, while in some appropriate mottoes and evergreens were the decorations. Music, recitations and readings bearing on the Christmas season were the literary features of the programmes and all the pupils did well. At the high school the "High School Bell" was the special feature of the programme. The teachers were remembered by their pupils with pretty gifts, and the teachers presented Superintendent Hoffman with a fine umbrella.

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Robbers entered the boarding house of Daniel Brown, on Walnut street above Fifth, about two o'clock this morning by prying open the front shutters. They made a search of the house and secured two overcoats, a pair of gloves and hat. The robbers entered the room of William Lucas, when the occupant was awakened by the overturning of a chair. The men i.nmediately fied and one fell partly down a flight of stairs in his efforts to escape. They were chased by Mr. Brown and a boarder but escaped.

A three-year-old son of William Billett died this morning from croup, after a briefilmess. The funeral will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the house.

The Metropolitan band will go to Maytown to-night to play at a fair.

Dr. D. Emmet Welsh, of Grand Rapids, Mich, is visiting in town.

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A poor house greeted the "Two Barneys" in the opera house last night.

Clarence Stoner, of Swarthmore, is home for the holidays.

A public sale of real estate will be held at the Franklin house to-night.

Officer Wittick noticed a man in town yesterday whose resemblance to the missing Joseph G. Ditman, of Philadelphia, is very striking. The officer went for him, but he proved to be Thomas Barry, manager of the Harrigan "Two Barneys" company. Explanations followed and the man and the officer enjoyed the joke.

Mrs. Chas. E. Wann lett this morning for Alexandria, Va.

Frank Heckler, of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, is home for Christmas.

Sunday will be the seventh anniversary of Rev. Geo. Wells Ely's pastorate with the Presbyterian church. The day will be appropriately observed.

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Officer Wittick brought Adam Weise from jail this morning and gave him a hearing before Squire Evans for robbing a house near Lititz. He was committed to tell for trial. fall for trial.

"One of The Finest." Last evening there was a small audience at Fulton opera house to witness the play "One of The Finest," which Gus Williams made more or less popular. The company playing it now is under the management of E. J. Hassan. The play has been greatly altered, and although the plot is the same there are new features. The principal of these is a tank full of real water and live children. The tank is creditably supported with Edwin M. Ryan a very clever actor, as John Mishler, the happy and big hearted policeman. The scenery introduced in the plece is very good. It will be played again to-night. One of The Finest," which Gus Willia

A Sudden Death. Joseph Wilson, an inmate of the county almshouse, died very suddenly last eve-ning. He was seen to fall out of bed about eight o'clock and before anyone reached him he was dead. Coroner Honaman held an inquest and the verdict was death from apoplexy. Wilson was 59 years of age. He came from the lower end of the county and had been an inmate of the almshous

coroner were B. F. Weaver, George Kit-teras, S. C. Shaub, James Kennedy, George S. Biair and Charles Berlenz.

Admitted to Practice.

D. F. Magee, of White Rock, Little Britain township, a student of John A. Coyle, esq., was admitted to the practice of law in the several courts of Lancaster county this morning, on motion of his preceptor. Mr. Magee was examined on Friday evening and passed a very creditable examination. He is well known in the southern section of Lancaster county, is a forcible and elo-quent speaker and will build up a large clientage.

The Goods Not Found. There is no clue as yet to the thieves who robbed the eigar factory of H. L. Stehman, renbed the cigar factory of H. L. Stehman, at Rohrerstown, on Thursday night. Constable Ruth yesterday scarched the houses of several persons in the neighborhood, but nothing was found. There seems to be an impression, with good foundation, that the goods came to this city.

Shot Thirty-Three Rabits. Ed. Deisley and Jacob Wolfer, of this city, and Charles Franciscus, of Columbia all well known gunners, returned last evening from a gunning trip down the country. They found that rabbits are fast disappearing and the season for good gun-ning is over. They killed thirty-three rab-bits, however.

The book flend did not put in an appearance at the Mulberry street schools since Friday noon. He was expected last night but did not show up. The total number of books ruined by this vandal is over four hundred. The text book committee is still on the lockout for the guilty party and hope to be able to secure his arrest. Sold a Good Mare.

John Schaum, of the City hotel, to-day sold his well-bred three-year-old mare to Henry Martin, on private terms. She is by old "Shamrock," of Speedwell farm and out of the sorrel mare "Nell," by Mambrino Pilot. Mr. Schaum purchased her from C. Musselman, of Witn

About the busiest men in town to-day are those of the Express companies. Although it is yet several days before Christmas a great many persons are already receiving and sending many presents, and the stacks of small packages in the express offices are

Heavy Express Business.

The largest turkey in any of the markets to-day was one that was purchased by

Johnny Schaum, of the City hotel. He is a young bird and weighs 40 pounds. Mr. Schaum bought him at a reasonable figure, but after he had been sold the countryman was offered some very fancy prices. Sued for Damages. P. D. Baker, attorney for Henry J. Kegel

enter suit in the exurt of common pleas to-

day for damages against Edward A. Ran-sing. Plaintiff slieges that he loaned his horse to the defendant and that through

his overdriving and not using proper care the horse was injured to the extent of \$150.

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KILRAIN'S SENTENCE.

Governor Lowry Asked to Remit the Imprisonment, But He Rofuses.

After deliberating for five hours the jury which tried Jake Kilrain at Purvis, Miss., last Saturday, brought in a verdict of not guilty of prize fighting, but guilty of assault and battery. Judge Terrel in sentencing him said that he had found him a gentleman and sympathized with him, but the facts were against him and he sentenced him to pay a \$200 fine and to serve a two months' term in the county jail. It is said that there is no jail in Marion county, and that Mr. Rich, who is on Kilrain's bond, and who has proved his friendship on previous occasions, has a contract for the hire, care and custody of all ablebedied prisoners committed to jail in Marion county. Mr. Rich says if Kilrain and Sullivan serve a term he will arm them with guns and provide them with good mounts, so that they may employ their time shooting and fishing to supply his table. They would become members of his family. While together the men might train each other and keep their hosts amused by sparring bouts. The senten e was lighter than Kilrain anticipated when he started south to stand trial. The fines of Fitzpatrick and other aiders and abettors were remitted. Kilrain seoun e took an appeal and Col. Hinton, Mr. Rich and Mr. F. White furnished bail in the sum of \$1,000 for him.

Murray F. Smith, of Vicksburg, went to Jackson, Miss., on Thursday evening accompanied by Jake K I ain, to ask Governer Lowy to remit the imprisonment imposed on Kilrain upon his paying the fine of \$200 and all costs.

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After hearing all that Kilrain end his counsel had to say, Governor Lowry replied that it was not the mere fighting of the two men, but the insult and indignity offered to the people of the commonwealth in the face of his proclamation and the calling of troops to prevent it.

He said: "I acquit Sullivan and yourself, Mr. Kilrain, of any intention to defy the laws of Mississippl, but you were instruments in the hands of others, and without inquiry or looking to results you obeyed the directions of your associates and flagrantly violated a special statute. Mr. Sullivan was convicted and sentenced to one year in the county jail. You were more fortunate and for some unexplained reason or action of the jury you were convicted of the lesser offense—assault and battery—and sentenced to sixty days in jail and \$200 fine. I fail to see the reason why you should be relieved of imprisonment and your successful autagonist stand committed for twelve months.

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"I cannot interfere in the matter, but in February, when your cases are determined by the supreme court, if affirmed, you can then make your appeals to my successor. There were other participants in the fight more guilty than either Sullivan or your-self."

TROUBLE FOR HIS MOTHER. Wayne W. Wilson's Extravagance Cost Her Considerable Money.

Wayne W. Wilson's Extravagance Coats
Her Considerable Money.
The Lebanon Times says Wayne W.
Wilson was not a member of the Lebanon
bar, and that he would have been rejected
had he applied for admission.
"Jacob E. Reinoshi, esq, attorney for
Elizabeth Wechter, an aunt, has had issued
out of the court of common pleas of this
county a fi fa against Wilson for \$560.
Sheriff Miller will sell his team at the livery stable of Eckert & Bro. on the 20th
inst.
"C. R. Lantz, esq., who has made an
examination of the \$1,400 note endorsed by
the mother and uncle of Wilson to the
lady at Stevens, Lancaster county, finds it
to be a waiver of the \$300 exemption law.
This will take all the property owned by
the mother to pay it.
"Mr. Reinoshl yesterday afternoon again
visited Lancaster to have an interview with
Wilson. The purpose of the second visit
was to have Wilson deliver up important
papers in his trunk at the City hotel, this
city. Mr. Reidel, the landlord, refused to
allow the trunk to be opened and searched,
and Wilson had to be seen to get at the
valuable papers.
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"The mother of Wilson accompanied Mr. Reinoshi from White Oak, but Wilson himself was not found. Arrangements, however, were made by which a party will arrive in this city this morning, pay the board at the City hotel, zet possession of the trunk and deliver to the parties entitled thereto the valuable title deeds of which Wilson had become possessed."

MORE NAVASSA VERDICTS.

One Guilty of Murder and Eight of Man slaughter. BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.-The jury in the Navassa case as to the murder of Thomas N. Foster rendered the following vertict: Henry Jones, guilty of murder in first degree; Casar Fisher, Edward Smith, Charles H. Smith, alias John Ward, Alfred Jones, alias "Texas Shorty,' Edmund Francis, alias Blue Ball James Johnson, alias Tom Welsh, Alfred Brown and Amos Lee, guilty of manslaughter; James Philips and Moses Williams, alias "Dakota," no Moses Williams, alias Dakota, hos-guilty and not agreed as to James Tasker, George S. Key, Charles H. H. Davis, alias Pompey, Steve Poters, Jas. H. Robinson, slias "Snow," Edward Woodford and Norman Wooster, alias 'Juggler." George S. Key was convicted of murder on the first triat, and was only

Part of Dillon's Boat Found. NEW YORK, Dec. 21 .- A week ago Friday last Dave Dillon, a battery boatman, who was at one time the champion oarsman of Australia, disappeared in his boat down the bay. The line with which his boat had been fastened to a bark parted and it is upposed he was blown out to sea. This morning the fishing schooner Commodore arrived here having on board the after half of Dillon's boat. It was evidently cut in two by a steamer's bow. It is supposed that Dillon was run down in the dark, and little hope is entertained of his escape.

tried the second time as a matter of form

as accessory to the murder of Foster.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 21.—The gasom-ter of the city gas works exploded about daybreak this morning while men were engaged in repairing it. William Gates and Lewis Guthrie were instantly killed and two others injured.

The Boss Hunter. The Boss Hunter.

Warren Hume, who stauds at the head of the hunters of the Adirondacks, is now sixty years of age. He commenced hunting when twelve, and much of the time since has made it a profession to hunt and trap for market. He has killed over 4,000 deer and 500 bears, besides great numbers of wolves, martens, otter and other furbearing animals. Mr. Hume says his best day's hunting was to kill, dress and hang up seven deer. This he has done on two different occasions. Mr. Hume estimates there are now in the Adirchiack forests 35,000 deer and 4,000 bears.

A Fox Chase on New Year's Day. David Good, of Marticville, captured a large red fox last week Spencer's hill. The animal is now being put into condition for a chase, which will be held at Mr. Good's hotel on the afternoon New Year's Day.

Subpoenas in divorce were issued this

morning in the following cases: J. A.
Peoples vs. Rebecca A. Peoples, cruel
treatment; Ella S. Heagy vs. Martin
Heagy, desertion; Harry Heiserman,
desertion. Stolen or Taken by Mistake. Austin Sherich, of Manor township, left

a basket containing Christmas goods and a photograph of his son in the side room of the Cooper house this morning. When he returned before noon it was gone. A Proposed New Lodge. A preliminary meeting will be held in Odd Fellows hall, New Holland, on Mon-day evening, for the purpose of organizing the Patriotic Order Sons of America.

# PRESIDENT CARNOT ILL

## HE AND SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE FRENCH CABINET SUFFER FROM INFLUENZA.

Cabinet Council Abandoned Becaus of Their Indisposition-A Rumor That De Fonseca, of Brazil, Is Dying.

Pants, Dec. 21 .- President Carnot is suffering from an attack of influenza now prevailing throughout Europe. Owing to his illness and to the fact that M. Tirard, prime minister; M. De Freycinet, minis-ter of war; M. Spuller, minister of foreign affairs, and M. Faye, minister of agriculture, are suffering from the same com-plaint, a cabinet council which was to have

been held to-day was abandoned. Brazil's Chief Officer Dying.
London, Dec. 21.—A private cable dispatch received here from Rio Janeiro states that Marshal Deodora De Fonseo, chief of the provisional government o Brazil, is dying. The question as to who will succeed him is engaging serious atten-tion. It is believed that a change in the ministry which would follow Marshal De

He Annoyed the Wrong Woman. PORTLAND, Oregon, Dec. 21.—Yesterday Mrs. Margaret Taylor, living near Cottage Grove, Lane county, shot and killed Marion P. Martin, aged 70 years and an old ploneer. The woman claims Martin came to her house during the absence of her husband and attempted to outrage her. She procured a pistol and repeatedly warned Martin to leave. He refused to do

so and she then fired two shots at Martin's head, producing instant death. After thorough examination the coroner's jury exonerated the woman from all blame. Martin is the father of grown sons and daughters. A few years ago he treated his wife so brutally that she committed suicide to escape his cruelties. Public sentimen justified the killing. Death of Peter McGeehan.
Curcago, Dec. 21.—Peter McGeehan died
yesterday at the county hospital of pneumonia, aged 26. McGeehan was the athletic Philadelphia blacksmith who was ar-

rested as a suspect shortly after the disap-pearance of Dr. Cronin. The Philadelphian was strongly believed for a time to be one of the men wanted by the prosecu-tion, but was released. He had been lying ill in the hospital for several days. An Iowa Town Damaged by Fire.
Mason City, Iowa, Dec. 21.—Fire last
night destroyed the business portion of Swaledale, a prosperous town 16 miles south of this city. The fire originated in

heavy snow storm and destroyed the entire block. Women and children in their flight were driven by fire into the snow in their bare feet and night dresses and suffered seriously in many cases. The loss is about \$25,000, with \$12,000 in surance. Colebrook furnace No. 1, near Cornwall, resumed this morning. The widows and children of the six men killed at the furnace

the grocery store of Carr Bros. during a

several weeks ago are being well taken care of by Robert H. Coleman. All of Coleman's furnaces—six—are now in opera-The United States squadron of evolution

has arrived at Libson

Cleddy were washed ashore on the Isle of Wight.

The bodies of five of the thirteen mis

have locked out their employes, throwing 9,000 persons out of work. The House resolved to request the United States treasurer to receive special deposits in the office of the sergeant-at-arms.

The speaker announced committee ap-pointments. Pennsylvanians receiving chairmanships are: Bingham, postoffices and postroads; McCormick railways and canals; Dalzell, Pacific railroads, Scran-ton, expenditures in treasury department Yardley expenditures in wardebt; O'Neill,

library.

Three of the head men of Bushirl, Arab chief, who lead the revolt against the Germans, were hanged at Bagamoyo.

The Pan American delegates stopped at Edgemoor near Wilmington on their way Mr. William O'Brlen's motion for a new trial against Lord Salisbury for slander in

accusing him of inciting murder and robbery, has been denied. At Tom's River, N. J., the mixing house of the United States Dynamite company was burned, and several hundred pounds of dynamite was slowly consumed instead of exploding. William Thompson was burned to death, and Robert Madkiff des-

perately wounded. Loss, \$1,000. A Passenger Strikes a Freight Train. BETHLEHEM, Pa., Dec. 21 .- A disastror wreck occurred on the Lehigh Valley railroad, at Laury's Station, about 5:30 this morning. The east bound Buffale Ex-press, made up of four express cars, three passenger coaches, and two Pullman sleep-ers, while running at the rate of forty miles an hour, dashed into the rear end of a freight train entering a side track. The engine turned ever on its side, and Engi-neer Monroe Music, of South Easton, was pinned by the legs under the boiler. was gotten out three hours afterward. His injuries will, it is believed, prove fatal. Fireman Irwin Godley jumped and was cut about the head and face. The platform of the passenger cars were broken, but no passengers were hurt. A dozen freight cars were demolished. The flagman of the

freight train disappeared after the acci-The Third Victim.

DETROIT, Dec. 21 .- Edith Wheeler died last night, making the third victim so far from the Tilden school fire. On Thursday evening thirty children of the public school were rehearsing for a Christmas cantata which was to have been produced for their school mates and friends, costumed in gauzy stuff and cotton batting. About twenty of them remained until 5 o'clock, when they were making the final rehearsal of a chorus. One of them held a candle close to the accompanist that she might the more easily read her notes in the growing darkness, when one of the children, who was swinging a wand, accidentally knocked the candle out of its holder's hand against the dresses of the nearest children and into a pile of inflammable stuff near by. The costumes of the children took fire instantly and before the teachers could put out the flames sixteen of th pupils were badly burned. Two died

yesterday.

Fears are now entertained for many of the others, as it is learned that they inhaled smoke very freely, and the extent of their internal injuries from that cause cannot be

WEATHER FORECASTS. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair, colder northwesterly winds.

"Doe" Can Handle a Gun.

From the Middletown Journal.

Dr. J. W. Nelson returned to town our Tuesday evening from his hunting expedition. He was very successful, getting 300 partridges.

Mrs. Clara Lauman Lankford, aged 81,