THE DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS. PUPILS OF THE SCHOOLS HOLD MOST ENJOY-

ABLE ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Exercises Consist of Vocal and Instrumental Music, Declamations and Dislogues-Programmes Rendered.

In the INTELLIGENCER of Monday there was published the programmes of Christmas exercises in a number of the public schools of the city held on that day. To day celebrations were held in a large number of the remaining schools, and below will be found a complete programme of all that took place, with the names of the

The Christmas entertainment at the high schools this year was greatly enjoyed by the pupils and those who were in attendance. It is the custom of Mr. McCaskey to read to the boys something appropriate to the season. This year the opening chapters of Gen. Wallace's fumous story of "Ben Hur; a tale of Christ," were read.

At 10:30 o'clock Prof. Matz came in to direct the singing, and a pleasant time was had until dismissal. The boys were presented with confections, fruits and nuts, and the boys, not to be out-done, made valuable presents to their teachers, including Prof. Matz and Thorbahn, instructors in most

somely decorated with greens for the occa-

The formal programme of the day was at 2 o'clock in the girls' study hall, when a chorus of 250 voices, and the high school orchestra, under leadership of Prof. Thor-bahn, rendered the programme found

One of the features of the musical enter-One of the features of the musical entertainment was the trio by Prof. Thorbahn and Masters Royer and Loob, the professor playing the solo, and the others picking the accompaniment upon the strings. The duets on violins by Masters Thorbahn and McCaskey, was well rendered. Following was the programme:

Instrumental—Overture, "Wild West," Swift, High School Orchestra.

Chorus—Come, All Ye Faithful, Reading, Chorus—What piadd the Shepherds, Hutchinson.

son,
Chorus—A Christmas Hymn, Dielman.
Instrumental — Selections from "Erminie,"
Jakobowski, High School Orchestra.
Chorus—Old Santa Claus, Read.
Chorus—Hing Out, O Bells, Barker.
Chorus—Waking or Sleeping, Blake.
Instrumental—Piano Solo, Effic Bowman.
Instrumental—Diett (Violins) Opus 28, Lorenzitti, Donald G. McCaskey and Stewart Thorbahn.

Thorbahn.
Chorus—An Odd Old Man, Suillvan.
Chorus—The Glad Bells All Say, Crowe.
Instrumental—Violin Terzette, Opusa, Haye
Prof. Carl Thorbahn, C. D. Royer and Mor Loeb.

Loeb.
Chorus—Calm Was the Night, Sullivan.
Chorus—When Lo re Was Born, Wellings.
Instrumental—"Lights and Shadows," Resch,
High School Orchestra.
Chorus—O Thou Joyful Day, Folksong,
Chorus—Over the Circen Downs, Ingelow.
Chorus—Holy Night, Haydn.

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High School Orchestra. — First violins,
Clarence D. Royer, Morris Loeb; second
violins, Fred. C. Sweeton, John D. Pyott,
John Denues, Wm. Gruger, Wm. Cochran,
Wm. Heitshue; violas, Donald McCaskey, Stewart Thorbahn; bass, Wm. H. Heitshu; piano, Fanuis Thorbahn; flutes, Harry D. Sensenig, John L. Frantz, Charles Potts; clarinet, Thomas Thorbahn; cornet, John A. Sprenger; drum, George Leonard; in-structor and leader, Prof. Carl Thorbahn. Music by the schools under direction of

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The programme was directed by Mr. J. P. McCaskey. He read the story of the nativity from the New Testament and delivered a warm oul ogy of Rev. Dr. Higbee, dwelling upon his love for the Christmas

At Prince and Chestnut. The schools of Miss Huber, Miss Brene-man and Miss Rathfon united in their entertainment. Following was the pro-

Reading, "Christ mas Selection," Grace Brosius; recitation, "The Stranger Guest," Clara Marshall; rescitation, "Christmas Eve," Jennie Hoover; reading, Loretta Hoover; recitation, "The Window Pane Tree," Bertha Holange, A Story of Holly Wreath;" reading, "A Story of Santa Claus." Katy Haas; recitation, Coho; recitation, solo and Santa Claus." Katy Haas; recitation, "Progress," Norma Coho; recitation, "Christmas," Lottie Wagner; solo and chorus, "Christmas Time is Come Again," solo by Nellie Diller; recitation, "Christ-mas in 1875," Ella Bletcher; recitation, mas in 1875," Ella Bletcher; "The Night Before Christmas "The Night Before Christmas," Mary Bolenius: recitation, "A Little mer," Bertha Hall; chorus, Santa Claus": recitation, "The poor boy's prayer to St. Nich olas," Buela Funk; reci-tation, "Santa thaus," Florence Milley; chorus, "Little children's day"; recitation, Christmas Bells," Rena Hou "Christmas bells are sounding clear," Foster and Bucha Funk; reading, Brownings children merry Christmas,' Laura Reinhold; solo, "God bless you,'

Loretta Hoover Miss Addi # B. Spindler's School. Miss Addl's B. Spindler's School.

Recitation, "Salutatory," Mary Sh reiner; recitation, "A Speech," Bessie Lichty;
"The Way to Spend Christmas," eleven children; song, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," school; recitation, "Winter," Nora Gable; recitation, "Christmas," Louisa Rineer; recitation, "December 25th," Gertrude Sener; song, "Santa Claus," school; recitation, "A Decadful Mistake," Blanche Sener; song, "Santa Claus, sene-tation, "A Dreadful Mistake," Blanche tation, "A Dreadful Mistake," By ten tation, "A Dreadful Mistake," Blanche Lichty; "What the Letters Spell," by ten boys; reading, "The First Christmas Tree," Daisy Fagan; recitation, "Christmas Eve," Florence Scherff; recitation, "The Christmas Story," Elsie Eshleman; recitation, "The Fir Tree," Clarence Benner.

Miss Downey's School.

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Music, "Christ is Born"; "Christmas Greeting," R. Apple; "The Little Stranger," M. Miller; "The Christmas Hymn," M. Trissler; music, Christmas carol; "If I were Santa Claus," E. Singleton, F. Pioso, B. Flick; "Under the Mistletoe," B. Wiesler; "The Anger's Story," E. Reeder; "Santa Claus," Emma Frey; music, "First Christmas"; "Gifts," L. Munson, M. Dattenderffer, M. Miller; "The Christmas Chimes," L. Allison; "Hang up Baby's Stocking," C. Stott; "The Christmas Month, M. Siegel; "Santa Claus," E. Robrer; "Christmas Eve," C. Claus," E. Robrer; "Christmas Eve, Gorrecht; "Christmas Morning," B. Stel-gerwalt; "Who is He?" W. Stelgerwalt; P. Shoemaker, C. Hoak.

At Miss Irvin's School. Singing: recitation by Mabel Roynolds; eading, "Merry Christmas," B. Wisereading, "Merry Curishing," man; "Christinas," Rebecca Ruth; recitation, Hattie Urey; singing by the school; "Two Little Children," S. Boas; recitation by Elinor Fulton; "Christmas," Bowers; recitation, Gertrude solo, "Christmas Bells," Anna Brandt; solo, "Christmas Bells," Anna Green; recitations, by Frank B. Hoak, Gertrade Bender, Reuben Zaepfel; recita-tion, "Pouting Polly," Edge Book Gertrade Bender, Reduen Zaeptel; recta-tion, "Pouting Polly," Edna Paules; sing-ing by the school; "Baby's Stocking," E. Miller; recitations by John Fulton, Emma Clor; reading, "Christmas Tree," G. Mar-tin; solo, "Little Children," Bessie Davis; 'Christmas Morning," Rena Salsiger; re-

Miss Hoch's School.

The poem. Christmas, by the school; ong, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," "One thing More," Florence Herchelroth, Lewis Thing More," Florence Herchelroth, Lewis Noll and Beulah Albright; "Deck the Hall," recitations, by Raymond Holl and Mary Protherow; "Mohon," Charles Weidener; song, "Roll Your Hands," by little girls; recitations, by Harry Stehman and Lalu Miller; song, "Up on the Housetop," recitations by Rose Lee, Sarah Metzgar; "Mohon," by Claude Markley; song, "The Burlesque Band," by 10 little boys; recitations, by Frank Noll and Jesses Shindel, Charles Underwood; duett by 8. Shindel, Charles Underwood; duett by 8. Metzger and M. Protherow; recitations, by Allen Frey, Elsie Barton, Allie Leibley, concert recitation, by nine boys; recitation, by Grace Foster; Christmas carol, by five girls; "The bittle Story of Christmas," by the school; song, "Christmas Time is Come Again."

At Miss Lizzle Eaby's.

Miss Eaby's school room was hand-somely decorated, and the pupils were each presented with candy by the teacher. Following was the programme of exer cises: Singing, "Guide Me, O Great Je-hovah": "Santa Claus in the House," Mamie Fry; "Dolly and I," Annie Guth-rie; singing, "Christmas Time is Come";

"Christmas," May Liphart; "Permission to Go Home," Bertha Connelly; "Christmas Carol," Florence Bates; "Christmas," Daisy Felainger; "A Christmas Problem," A Zahm; "Three Travelers," E. Brientnall; "Christmas Carol," Mabel Smeltz; "Voicesof Angels," John Cochran; "Christmas Bells," James Best; "Little Daisy," Minnic Evans; "Love One Another," Eddie Glass; singing, "Three Belis"; "Baby's Stocking," Alice Rife; "Fading Flowers," Charlie Lefevere; singing, "Christmas Bells"; "Visit of St. Nicholas," O. Erisman: "A Perplexing Question," Ralph Zook; singing, "Postilion"; "What Santa Claus Brought," Mabel Hartman; "Little Fairy Snowfakes," H. Deichler; recitation, Besse Steinhauser; "Christmas Morning," Harry Hartman; singing, "Paddle Your Own Canoe"; "Santa Claus," James Huebener; recitation, Mame Jacobs; "Christ is Born," Isaac Powel; "Santa Claus," Arthur Phillips; singing, "Song of the Daisy"; "Asleep," Maud Eichler; "Robin's New Year," Bessie Dellet; singing, "Watchman, Teil Us of the Night," On South Duke Street.

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Following was the programme at Miss Dougherty's school: Opening address, Annie Yerkes; singing, "Christmas is Coming," school; recitation, "Christmas Cards," Mary Gerhard; singing, "The Holly Wroath," school; recitation, "The Little Christmas Firs," Mary Hurst; recitation, "Mollie's Dream," Sadie McGinnis; singing, "Sants Claus," school; recitation, "Santa Claus," balay Miller; singing, "A Greenness Light and Tender," school; recitation, "Two Little Stockings," Blanche Bonine; recitation, "A Visit From St. Nicholas," Lillie Iredale; singing, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," school; recitation, "Little Bennie," May Hottenstein; singing, "Christ is Born in Bethlehem," school; dialogue, "The Novel Reader," G. Haines, Bertha Sprenger and A. Fisher; singing, "Deck the Hall With Boughs of Holly," school; dialogue, "Christmas and the Poets," M. Hurst, M. Hottenstein, L. Iredale, S. McGinnis, M. Garvin, D. Miller, M. Bartholomew, D. Smith, M. Gerhard, M. Bowman, Blanche Bonine; singing, "Over the Waves We Float," school; recitation, "Christmas Bells," Annie Gochenauer; singing, "Christmas Bells Are Sounding Clear," school; recitation, "Santa Claus and the Mouse," Dora Smith; dialogue, "Ideas Change," S. Worst, Ila Coyle, Lola Strachan, Mary Newlin; singing, "Christmas Time is Come Again," school; The Bald-Headed Man." Carrie Loeb; closing address, Grace Halnes.

At Miss McNeal's Secondary. At Miss McNeal's Secondary.

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The Christmas programme at the Duke street secondary school, Miss McNeal teacher, was as follows: Music, "Christmas Time Is Come Again," school; recitation, "Welcome." Sarah Powell; recitation, "Visit of Saint Nicholas," Mary Adams; recitation, "A Perplexing Question," Annie Mecht; music, "Deck the Hall with Boughs of Holly," school; recitation, "Old Mr. Fox's Christmas Dinner," Lena Dinkelberg; recitation, "The Child's Faith in Santa Claus," Clara Spong; exercise, "What 'Christmas' Spells," 10 girls; music, "Christmas is Coming," school; recitation, "Santa Claus," Mabel Schaubel; music, "The Little Children's Day," school; recitation, "Nita's Christmas," Martha Gerhard; recitation, "Baby's First Christmas," Nellie McGeehan; recitation, "Christmas," hard; recitation, "Baby'a First Christmas," Nellie McGeehan; recitation, "Christmas Day is Very Near," Daisy Danner; music, "Christmas Belis are Sounding Clear," school; recitation, "Hang Up the Baby's Stocking," Bertha Hawthorn; recitation, "Christmas Morning," Lizzie Rutter; dialogue, "The Christmas Heralds," 9 girls; music, "The Holly Wreath," school; recitation, "Let Old Santa Claus Come In," Clara Haines; recitation, "Christmas Morning," Ida Lyons; recitation, "Our Christmas," Annie Good; music, "Carol, Brothers, Carol, "school; recitation, "Baby Grace," Mabel Will; recitation, "Christmas Bells," Daisy Chambers; music, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," school; recitation, "Christmas in the Morning," Daisy Rote; recitation, "The Christmas Tree," Dora Goldberg; recitation, "Christmas Carol." Maggie King; recitation, "A Dear Little Schemer," Edna Smith; Gorman song, "The Christ-Edna Smith: German song, "The Christ-mas Tree," Lena Dinkelberg, Mary Adams, Mollie Meister; recitation, "Santa Claus," Edna Hurst; recitation, "Underneath the Christmas Tree," Mary King; recitation, "Little Fairy Snow Flakes," Addie Sprenger; recitation, "Good-Bye," Louisa Baltz; music, "Santa Claus," school.

At Miss Kate Bundell's. The following was the programme at Miss Kate Bundell's school: "Salutation," Miss Kate Bundell'a school: "Salutation,"
A. Bairman: "A Reason for Smiling,"
Bertha Neudorff, Mamie Burr, Lizzie
Wohlsen: "Little Helpers," John Hoeltzel,
John Grator, Fred Koehler, Albert Sauer;
"Learn a Little Every Day," A. Spiess;
"Wishing," Hulda Schwan, Mollie Klein, Kate Lepple: "Why We Keep Christmas," John Sauer, Martin Darmstetter, Charles Linderman, John Waldbauer, Jacob Gunzenhauser, N. Smith, Emma Jagnow, Lizzie Moseman, K. Johns; "Christmas Bells," Davis Firman, Isaso Firman, M. Sulcov; "The New Year," Smith; "A Prayer," R. Blattel. Christmas selections read and some music, and the festival was observed at the other schools on South Duke street, where there was no special programme of exercises

At Rockland Street School. The schools of Misses Kate Buckius and Kate Baldwin held exercises in Miss Bald-win's room, and the following was the

ng, " Deck the Halls," schools; poem, Song, "Deck the Halls," schools; poem,
"December's Here," Chas. Reece; poem,
"December Days," Harry Shaeffer; poem,
"December 25th," Harry Delmotte; reci-tation, "Hang Up the Baby's Stocking,"
Anna Kuhlman; recitation, "Christmas Anna Kuhlman; recitation, "Christmas Morning," Geo. Editston; "Christmas Carol," schools; recitation, "Christmas At the Door," Katie Brown; recitation, "Old the Door," Katie Brown; recitation, "Old Santa Claus," Annie Brown; recitation, "Christmas Boils," Charles Reece; hymn, "Sleep, My Saviour Sleep," school; recitation, "Think of the Poor;" Annie Rosman; recitation, "Mr. Santa Claus," George Schwebel; poem, "God Mado Them All," Edith Brimmer; recitation, "What the Letters Spell," seven little girls; song, "Up on the House-top," school; recitation, "The Christmas Turkey," Nellie Anthony; poom, "Wee, Wee Stocking," Christie Maier; poem, "A Gift for Our Lord on His Birthday," eight little girls; poem, "Santa Birthday," eight little giris; poem, "Santa Claus Has Just Been Knocking," Minnie Beck; recitation, "At Christmas Time," Bessie McLaughlin; poem, "Oh Merry, Merry Christmas," Annie Merringer; poem, "Going to Church," Mildred Swee-gar; song, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"; disgar; song, "Jolly Old St. Niche

When Santa Claus entered Miss Bald-win's school he told the children that he did not have a Christmas box for any boy or girl who was awake. He had no more than made this declaration than seventy little heads were on the desks feigning sleep. The children were apparently afraid to move, and for several moments there was the most intense silence. Old Santa Claus brushed past the children, carrying his bag of gifts, and as he passed the chil-dren he tapped some on the head, touched others on the cheek, but they paid no more attention to him (fearing to lose their gifts) than if they were made of stone. This sus pense lasted for fully ten minutes, when he announced that they could wake up, and in an instant every child was wide awake. The gifts were then distributed and all the children were very happy as the result of the visit of Santa Claus,

Misses Smaling and Hurst's Schools In the Manor street building Misses Smaling and Hurst held their exercises. Miss Smaling's was as follows: Recita-tions, "Daisy and Snowbird." Lizzie and Mabel Johns; "The Birdies," Mehe Mohr Mabel Johns; "The Birdies," Mehe Mohr and Annie Kramer; "Santa Cluus," Emma Overdeer; "Christmas," Frankie Rudy; speech, Master Harry Hawn; recitations, "Do Your Duty," Joseph Fritsch; "Christ-mas Bells," Katie Etter; "Winter Jewels," Martha Haverstick; "Little Bo-Peep," E. Overdeer and Lizzie Benner; "Word of Welcome," Frankie McCallom; "Tiny Little Tot," Regina Overdeer. The above recitations were interspersed with vocal music by the scholars. nusic by the scholars.

The programme at Miss Hurst's school as "The Robin and the Chicken," M. Bradycamp; "Gather the Stockings," R. Bitzberger; "Christmas," B. Banzhoff; "Sparrows in Winter," E. Stevens; "Poly's Year," Lizzle Wolpert; "Christmas Bells," John Bauman; "Peace on Earth," Annie Stark; "Winter," C. Weber.

At Miss Mamie Underwood's. The programme at Miss Underwood's school was: Song, "Christmas Time"; "Grown up Land," Marian Downey;

"Shepherds Keeping Watch," Agnes Weiser; "Christmas Morning," Clarence Hohein; song, "Deck the Halls"; "Three Merry Little Maidens," Anna Nagle; "To be a Child," Robert Brown; "A Problem in Three," Robert Zahm; song, "Up on the House"; "Happy New Year," Charles Brooks; "Up in the Air," Mable McCauley; "By and By," Annie McCutcheon; song, "Old Santa Claus sat all Alone," "Hang up Haby's Stockings," Daisy Hohein; "I want to be an Angel," Bertha Pewl; "Little bits of Diamonds," Charlie Zahm; song, "Happy Every Morning"; "Now Girls, You Brought Me Holly," John Zercher; "Helping the Birds," Fanny Hatz; "All Contrary," Bessie Applebach; song, "Robin Song"; "Some Girls I Know," Daisy Brimmer; "Number One," Mary Gast; "Temperance," Harry Bone; song, "Robin Redbreasi"; "Dainty Little Stockings," Willie Lawrence; "An Old Delightful Man," Robert Boyd; "The Snow Storm," Percy Gensemer; "Little Fairy Snowflakes," Ada Erisman; song, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas."

The pupils of this school donated Jelles to the Children's Home and they were sent to that institution a few days ago.

At the school of Miss Clara Gompf, in the Lemon street building, the programme

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At the school of Miss Clars Gompf, in the Lemon street building, the programme was: Singing, "Wake the Morning"; reading from the Bible and prayer; singing, "Christmas"; "Father Christmas," May Leonard; "The Little Speaker," Royal Wirebach; "The Good God Made Them All," Herman Heidenrich; "Work and Play," Harry Fry; singing, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"; "Mollie, Rose and Ruth," Willie Styer; "I Am So Very Busy," Katy Acres; "The Baby's Christmas," Dolla Everts; "The Baby's Christmas," Dolla Everts; "The Sad Story," Grace Dunlap; singing, "Old Santa Claus," quintette and chorus; "The Little Soldier, Jas. McCutcheon; "Dickey and Dolly," Clara Buckius; "A Message of Love," Gertrude Warren; "The Christmas Turkey," Clara McCutcheon; singing, "Christmas Time is Come Again"; "The Angel's Song," Margie Styer; "My Kitten," Mary Swords; "Good Night," Bertie Ilyus; "Christmas Morning," Mary Haldy; singing, "Santa Claus"; "The Snow Birds," Mabel Barnholt; "A Christmas Wish," Mary Landis; kindergarten song. The exercises closed with a short Christmas talk by the teacher.

Miss Josephine McCuiley's School.

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Carol, "Happy Every Morning," school;
recitation by H. Thurlow, "Christmas
Carol"; song by the school, "Upon the
House-tops"; recitation by A. Myers,
"Christmas Time"; song by the school,
"Christmas Bells"; "Motion Song," a
recitation, by John Spencer; a poem, by
A. Bilcken; song by the school, "Robin
in Winter Time"; recitation by 12 boys
and girls, "Twas the Night Before Christmas"; poem, G. Storm; song, "Jolly Old
St. Nicholas"; poem by J. Smith, "Christmas."

mas."

The pupils were presented with handsome Christmas cards by the teachers.

At the New Street Building.

The schools of Misses Cochran and Bushong, in the New street building, heid their celebration in the room of Misse Cochran, which was handsomely decorated. Following was the programme: Singing, "Deck the Hall"; "A Merry Christmas," Annie Weaver; "Santa Claus and the Mouse," Blanche Ruth, Willie Bailey, Mamie Wechter, Lester Moss and Hazel Rote; "Greeting," Bertha Foltz; singing, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"; "Hang the Christmas Green," Willie Clark; "A Perplexing Question," Bessie Herzog; "Beautiful Things for Christmas," Minnie Bretz, Mary Stauffer, Blanche Redman; singing, "Dainty Little Stockings," "Santa Claus Sat All Alone," Lillie Beaver; "The Baby's Stockings," Mamie Troop, Lizzie Dorwart, Annie Resh and Alice Deckert; "Little Fairy Snow Flakes," John Brua; singing, "Happy Every Morning;" "Let Old Santa Claus Come In," Lida Vollmer, Martha Howerter, Stella Travis, Frank Groff; "Christmas Gifts," Andrew Gembe, Thos. Pontz, Chester Deichler, Artie Bowers and Willie Reineer: "Memories," Abbie Groff: "Santa Claus," Amos Miley. At the New Street Building. and Willie Reineer: Memories. Abbie Groff; "Santa Claus," Amos Miley Chester Mehaffey and Charles Aston singing, "Up on the House Top."

Following was the programme at Miss Jehty's school: Singing, "Christmas is Coming" by the Singing, "Christmas is Coming" by the school; dialogue, "Some Wonderful Children's Day," by Banche Sheibly, Mabel Edgerley, Ethel Stamm; recitation, "Beautiful Things For Christmas," by Nora Werts; singing, "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas," by the school; recitation, "Santa Claus and the Mouse," by Anna Miller; recitation, "The Night After Christmas," by Bossie Pontz; singing, "Christmas Time is Come Again," by the Miller; Possessie Pontz; suggester Christmas," by Bessie Pontz; suggester "Christmas Time is Come Again," by the school; recitation, "The Star of Bethlehem," by Nettie Goeke; recitation, "Glad Tidings," by Alice Herr; singing, "Deck Tidings," by the Hall With Boughs of Holly, "by the nem," by News.
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recitation, "Santa Claus," by
solitation, "Nellie's school: recitation, "Santa Claus," by the Bertha Samson; recitation, "Nellie's Christmas Eve," by Bertha Shay; singing, "The Holly Wreath," by the school; recitation, "Baby's Stocking," by Bessie Dunlap; recitation, "Christmas," by Daisy Woerth; singing, "Little Children's Day," by the school; recitation, "Christmas," by Day," by the school; rechange, mas Day," by Maggie Linder; recitation, "Santa Claus," by Bertha Sheaffer; recita-"Santa Claus," by Regins "Christmas Bells," by r: recitation, "Memories, Seigler; recitation, "Memories," by Annie Shay; recitation, "A Christmas Carol," by Mary Daltou.

Miss Suydam's School. The programme was: Song, "Christmas Time Has Come Again," recitation, "A Christmas Wish," Gertie Overdeer; "A Christmas Wish, Gerne Cristmas Francis recitation, "Christmas Stockings," Fannie Herr; recitation, "Santa Claus," Anna Bateman, May Meyrick; song, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"; recitation, "Far Thro' the Bateman, May Meyrick; song, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"; recitation, "Far Thro' the Silent Night," Burch Kieffer, Bessie Rowe, Blanche Marrow; recitation, "Christmas Carol," Alice Coulman, Anna Stock; recitation, "The Christmas Tree," M. Fastmacht, Kate Edgerley, Bertle Iredale, Percy Hambright, Elmer Noff; song, "Carol, Brothers' Carol"; recitation, "Hang Up the Baby's Stockings," Frank Dunlap; recitation, "Visit of Santa Claus," Anna Hottenstein; recitation, "The Coming of Christmas," Mamie Morrow; song, "Christmas," Mamie Morrow; song, "Christmas," Old Santa Claus," Hervey Hurst; recitation, "Old Santa Claus," Hervey Hurst; recitation, "Ballad of Christmas," Willie McDonnell, Eddie Bush; recitation, "Christmas Dinner," Ella Shaub, Howard Woerth; song, "Motion Song," recitation, "The New Year," Mary Griffith, G. Fisher, R. Colvin; song, "The Lord's Prayer," H. Colvin; song, "The Lord's Prayer," Steinheiser; song; the Lord's prayer. Miss Rohif's School.

In Miss Rohif's school the following programme was presented: Song, "Christ-mas Time Has Come Again"; salutation, Willie Reisner; song, "Happy Every mas Time Has Come Again"; salutation, Willie Reisner; song, "Happy Every Morning," Henry Waldbauer, Annie Pachelbel; solo in German by Eddie Krenz, Charles Schneider, Mamie Derfler; song, "Up On the House," Willie Warfel, John Wikel; song by Jennie Goldberg, Christie Lindeman, Mary Slinkman, Iman Bass, Annie Holzwarth, Willie Klein, Martha Schroan, Mamie Derfler; song, "Dainty Little Stocking," Willie Reisner; solo, by Willie Klein, J. Goldberg, M. Solo, by Willie Klein, J. Goldberg, M. Schlinkmao; song, "Deck the Halls," E. Krenz, A. Holzwarth; solo, "Good-bye to Summer," Katie Arnold, A. Pachelbei; Summer," Katie Arnold, A. Pachelbel; solo, "Little Lamb," Annie Withers, Bertha Schroan, Willie Jagnow; song, "Evening Bells"; doxology. South Prince Street.

The pupils of Miss Neiper's secondary and Miss Faick's intermediate school joined and Miss Falck's intermediate school joined in holding exercises in Miss Neiper's room, the programme being as follows: Music, "Christmas Time is Come Again": "Words of Welcome," Dora Boos; "If I Were Santa Claus," Ada Young; "A Visit from St. Nicholas," Millie Keesey: "Kriss Kinkle's Visit," Carlton Coulter: music, "Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly": "Baby's Stockings" Mabel Groff; "Santa Claus and the Mouse." Mary Foster; "Bob's Petticoats," Lillie Arnold; music, "Little Children's Day": "The Telephone Message," Florence Yost; "The Christmas Tree," May Killian: "Santa Claus," Mary Tree," May Killian: "Santa Claus," Mary Taylor: musle, "Paddile Your Own Canoe". "The Child's Letter," Laura Shiley: "Old Christmas Forty Years Ago," Sophia Ob-lender: "Beautiful Things for Christmas." Christmas Forty Years Ago," Sophia Oblander; "Beautiful Things for Christmas," Mary Doebler; music, "Santa Claus"; "The Missionary Doll," Mary Gruel; "Memories," Ida Hackman; "Spelling Christmas," Esther Austin, Lizzic Arne, Josie Arne, Elia Lykens, Mary Brock, May Eckman, Blanche Hebble, Elia Wisner, Zella Baker; music, "Christmas Bells Are Sounding Clear," Christmas Eve," Owen Fasnacht; "The Donation Party," Eli Harnish; "Christmas Day," Idlie

Killian; music, "Christmas is Comlng,"
"A Smack in School," Alva Zook; "A
Boy's Wish," John Taylor; "The Little
Pilgrim," Zella Baker; music. "Jolly
Boys;" "Christmas Offering," Warren
Hubley; "The Christmas Turkey,"
Martin Reilly and Eugene Kauffman;
"Christmas Dinner," Milton Kamm;
music, "Carol, Brothers, Carol;" Christmas Carol," Lizzie Neiman; "Christmas Stockings," Emma Fisher; music, "Christ
is Born in Bethlehem."

The pupils of the secondary room remembered the poor with a basket of provisions.

LANCASTER, PA., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1889.

Informal Exercises,
In the school of Miss Annie McComsey there was no special programme of exercises. One of the features of the entertainment was a dialogue by Maud Marshall and Annie Rehm. The singing was fine. The exercises closed with a spelling bee which was enjoyed by all.

At the schools of Misses Shirk and McGrann informal exercises were held. They consisted of recitations, music and readings.

At Mr. Stamy's school there was a de-At Mr. Stamy's school there was a debate on the question, "Foreign Emigration Should Be Encouraged." The affirmative side was taken by Francis Huber, Edgar Rehm, Ira Bare, George Reynolds and George Brientnall, and the negative by Samuel Moore, Charles Storm, Walter Weidler, Thomas Baumgardner and John Long. In addition there was a selection from Dickens read by Harry Stauffer, singing and a spelling bee.

In the West James street school there were no special programmes prepared. There were, however, recitations, music and readings.

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In the rooms of Misses Smith and Carpenter, in the New street building, there were recitations and music.

PREACHER AND ELDER.

Their Difficulty Carried to a Special Meeting of Classis. Lancaster classis of the Reformed

The Lancaster classis of the Reformed church held a special session on Monday afternoon. It was called to order at 1:30 o'clock, and it was nearly six o'clock when an adjournment was had. The meeting was called to take action on a charge against Rev. J. F. Meckley, pastor of the Maytown church, brought by the consistory of that church. The alleged offense was an assault by the preacher on Paris Epler, an elder of the church.

There has been trouble in this church for some time and it ended in a majority of the congregation demanding Rev. Meckley's resignation. In the early part of November Elder Epler requested Rev. Meckley to call a meeting of the consistory, told him that the members did not want him another year as a minister, and if he did not call a meeting he was not doing his duty as a minister.

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Mr. Epler alleges that after he had said this to the minister the preacher caught him by neck and said, "If it wasn't Sunday and in the church I would knock you down, and if it were outside, I would knock you down anyhow." Rev. Meckley admits having made the above statement, but denies the assault. He admitted having laid his hand on Epler's shoulder.

By a vote of 14 to 1 classis decided that the assault had not been proved. Monday next has been designated for another meeting of the classis when the question of dissolving the pastoral relations between Rev. Meckley and his congregation will be considered. The action taken on the assault case indicates that the clergymen will be sustained on the question of dissolving the pastoral relations. If Rev. Meckley is sustained in that he will probably resign his charge in the near future.

SPECIAL CHURCH MUSIC.

Extensive Arrangements for the Observance of the Christmas Festival. There will be special Christmas music at a number of the city churches to-mor-

Both the music and decorations of the Christmas festival at Trinity church promise to be finer this year than ever before. The following is the holiday calendar: Christmas morning at 10:30, before. The following is the holiday calendar: Christmas morning at 10:30, special service; evening at 7, Sunday school festival; Thursday 2:30 p. m., infant festival; Sunday evening at 7, a second festival; Tuesday night from 11 till 12, watch service; holy communion and infant baptism on the first Sunday of the new year.

At the Catholic churches the music will

be very fine. The early service will begin promptly at 5 o'clock.

There will be services in St. Paul's Re-formed church on Christmas morning at 10:30, and a very fine entertainment by the Sunday school in the evening at 7:15. There will be a song service in the First Reformed church to-morrow morning at 6 clock. The music will be unusually fine o'clock. The music will be unusually fine.
A trained choir of forty persons will lead
in the singing. Among the pieces that will
be sung are Novelle's Adeste Fideles, Mozart's Gloria. Williams' Magnificat, and Doland's Te Deum.

Experience of Passengers. As a Portland express train from Boston was passing a freight train on the Boston & Maine railroad, near Andover, Massa-chusetts, Monday ovening, a heavy piece of timber became unfastened from one of the freight cars and struck the front end of the rear car of the express. The express was running at the rate of 40 miles an hour, and the timber crashed through the car raking it broadside, breaking every win dow sash on that side and covering th passengers with glass and splinters. The cars were filled with passengers, and a number of ladies fainted from fright, while 15 or 20 of them were more or less cut about the face and shoulders. woman was unconscious for several hours, and is reported to be fatally injured. Upon arrival of the train at Lawrence the injured passengers were cared for, and most of them were able to continue their journey.

Ephrata Notes. EPHRATA, Dec. 24.—Mr. L. L. Reddig, broker, tendered a fine reception to 62 friends yesterday in the form of a turkey

dinner. The funeral of Mrs. Leaman Ellsworth took place at 10 o'clock yesterday at the house. Interment took place at Groffsdale cemetery. Rev. Joseph Stump officiated. She was aged 25, and leaves a husband and five children. Christmas services will be held this eve

ning by the Lutheran Sunday school in Trinity Lutheran church, and by the Union Sunday school in Union chapel, and to-morrow morning at 6:30 by the U. B. Sunday school in the U. B. church. On Saturday evening Mr. William Zer-fass was married to Mrs. Annie Shimp, widow of Phares Shimp, by Elder Samuel

Granted By the Register. The following letters were granted by the register of wills for the week ending Tuesday, December 24: TESTAMENTARY-Rev. Dr. E. E. Higbee

deceased, late of Lancaster city; Lucinda ligbee, city, executrix. Lewis Beringer, deceased, late of Lancaster city; Louisa and Sylvia Beringer, caster cary; ters.
city, executors.
Mary Weaver, deceased, late of East
Earl township; Eli W. Martin, Earl, ex-

ecutor. Sarah Shoop, deceased, late of Mt. Joy township; Samuel B. Kleffer, Dauphin county, executor.

Julian Wickel, deceased, late of Upper Leacock township: Louisa and Emma Wickel, Upper Leacock, executors. Gottfreid Weber, deceased, late of East Donegal township; Frederick Weber, onoy, executor.
John J. Fitzpe Conoy, executor.

John J. Fitzpatrick, deceased, late of Lancaster city; B. J. McGrann, Manheim township, executor.

Jacob Walk, deceased, late of Washington borough; Caroline Walk, of Washeach one of their employes with a fine large

ton borough; Caroline Walk, of Washington borough, executor.

ADMINISTRATION.—Almos Bollinger, deceased, late of Ephrata township; S. S. Hauenstein, Ephrata, administrator.

Mary Way, deceased, late of Sadsbury township; Ruth L. Hood, Atlantic City, N. J., and Eliza M. Broomell, Sadsbury township, administrators.

township, administrators, Given Pension. Pension has been granted Henry Al-bright, Marietta. The pension of William White, Lancaster, has been increased.

A MYSTERY CLEARING.

THE WINDOWS OF GOWEN'S ROOM OPEN. SAYS DETECTIVE LINDEN.

More Evidence Contrary to the Theory of Suicide-What Revs. Gray and Mc-Dermott Say of the Tragedy.

It now transpires that the whole truth has not been told about the condition of the room in which Mr. Gowen's body was found at Wormley's hotel in Washington. Thewindowsof the room were not fastened, as given out to the public. On the contrary, they were not only unfastened, but were not even shut down when the doors were opened after the tragedy had been discovered. Captain Linden, of Pinkerton's agency, admits that "the windows were unfastened and raised." The family are pushing a systematic inquiry into were unfastened and raised." The family are pushing a systematic inquiry into the manner of Mr. Gowen's death. If the Mollie Maguires or some of the adherents of that notorious old-time organization did not kill him it has been conclusively demonstrated during the past few days that they contemplated murdering him. In confirmation of the reports that the life of the great lawyer was in danger, Rev. J. R. T. Gray, an ex-pastor of the Duke Street M. E. church, this city, now pastor of the Paul Street Methodist church, Frank ford, said in referring to the death of Mr. Gowen:

Mr. Gowen:
"I almost feel that Mr. Gowan was the "I almost feel that Mr. Gowan was the victim of an assassin. One week before his death I was visiting in the Wyoming coal regions and a friend (whose name I do not care to mention), who keeps a large store there and supplies minors principally, said to me: 'Mr. Gray, the Molly Maradica, I fear, are moving again, and it said to me: Mr. Gray, the Molly Ma-guires, I fear, are moving again, and it bodes no good to Mr. Gowen, and I would not be surprised to hear of his assassina-tion at any time. I fear that he is being shadowed wherever he goos.'"

Mr. Gray continuing, said: "The moment I heard of Mr. Gowen's death I

moment I heard of Mr. Gowen's death I realized how prophetic were the words of my friend in the coal region, and I now fear that Mr. Gowen was really murdered by some enemy who was on his track."

Rev. Father McDermott, who was pastor of St. Mary's church, this city, now pastor of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church, Philadelphia, was stationed at Pottsville during the Mollie Maguiré days. He was the spiritual director of the six men who were hanged in that city on June 19, 1877. were hanged in that city on June 19, 1877, for the Mollie Maguire murders. Father McDermott was asked if he had any theory in regard to the death of Mr. Gowen. He replied:

"I do not know what to say at this time.

I certainly place very little confidence in the story of the negro Wormley, who keeps the hotel, and much less in Captain Lin-den's story of the suicide. I know Linden of old and I believe he would say the op-posite of what he means in order to turn away public attention in a case that was put in his charge. You know such is the policy of all men placed in Linden's posi-tion. He always wants to turn away atten-

tion. He always wants to turn away attention from his operations."

Father McDermott was next asked if he thought all the Mollie Magnires hanged were guilty and he replied:

"I cannot answer that question. The same question that you asked me has been frequently asked of me by lawyers and others, but I gave them no definite answer. It is not for me to say who was guilty or who was innocent. If there are, or were, any guilty consciences, they know best. Franklin B. Gowen called on me, but I refused to give him an interview." "Do you think that any ill-feeling still existed in the minds of the children or relatives of the men who Gowen helped to

"I am not prepared to make any statement in that respect. The history of that affair has never been properly written. I shall make a statement some day, and when I do I shall come out strong. No such organization as the Mollie Maguires ever existed. The only order was the Ancient Order of Hibernians. When I make my statement it will be a written one." Francis I. Gowen, a nephew of Franklin B. Gowen, said: "I read the dispatch from Wilkesbarre carefully, and I can only say that I don't believe there is anything in it." Letters of administration were granted to the heirs of F. B. Gowen. The valued, according to the petition filed with the administrative application, "as near as can be ascertained at this time," at \$450,000, of which amount \$350,000 is comprised of personal effects and \$100,000 real estate.

The Missing Wilson.

Wayne W. Wilson, the young White Oak man who has been creating quites commotion about Lebanon, has again disappeared and his whereabouts are unknown. Dr. Seiling, a friend of Wilson, has been over in Lebanon squaring a number of accounts, and he told a Times reporter that he had arranged to pay the worthless check of \$25 given to W. H. Snyder, of Hotel Lancaster.

Samuel Eby, of this city, has a claim of \$132 against Wilson, who collected Eby's bills and kept the money. He made complaint against Wilson in Lebanon on Monday. The Lebanon Times says: "Mr. Eby took the warrant with him and had it served by a constable, who after breaking in the door at his mother's home, at White Oak, Lancaster county, found Wilson in commotion about Lebanon, has again dis-

Oak, Lancaster county, found Wilson in side. To avoid arrest Wilson said he had only \$25, which he paid on the claim, and gave security with his mother and uncle for the payment of the balance, which was ecepted and the warrant not served.

county court was also presented at the mother's home for service, but Wilson was not found. Parties who arrived in this city yesterday morning stated that Wilson had again disappeared.

"Jacob E. Reinoehl, esq., yesterday received from Mr. Reist, of Lancaster, the

keys to the office and postoffice box belong-ing to Wilson. Mr. Reist was seeking a deed held by Wilson. Dr. Seiling sent the keys and Mr. Reinochl will deliver them over to Mr. Nutting and Postmaster Breslin this morning. This is conclusive that Wil-son does not want to return to this city."

Bootblacks Cause a Fight. This afternoon a negro bootblack named Taylor, who is one of the worst boys in town, struck Emanuel Hammond, a white man, with a stone as he was passing along North Queen street. This resulted in a fight, two darkies attacking Hammond, who mauled both of them. There is great complaint among people of this city about the conduct of some of the black boot blacks. Young Taylor was but recently released from jail, and the house of reluge seems to be open for him.

Opening of the Garden. Last evening the Mænnerchor garden had a very successful opening. There was a very large audience present, and they were entertained in excellent style by Prof. Burger's orchestra, which played well a number of selections. Everybody present was treated to an excellent rabbit lunch, which was greatly enjoyed. Miss Kopp, who plays the piane, is a member of the celebrated Kopp family of musicians, who have appeared here frequently.

Presents Given. This morning William Sholty, foreman of the cigarmakers at Oblinger Brothers. factory, in Hotel Lancaster, was presented with a beautiful picture on an easel by the men in the shop. The speech was made by Paul Hepting, to which Mr. Sholty re-To-day Lewis Haldy & Son presented

Grocer Lec's Assailant. Bert Dorman, of Salem, O., was arrested

in Pittsburg, Sunday night, charged with burglary and attempting to kill Grocer W. H. Lee, of Altoona, on November 7. Mr. Lee identified Dorman as the man who shot him. He was held in the sum of \$3,000

Edwin Clark, who was charged with drunken and disorderly conduct by Charlie Adams, has paid the costs and Alderman Deen discharged him. The case preferred by Clark against Adams could not be made out and it was dismissed. ANOTHER QUIET WEEK.

Local Tobacco Dealers Have Few Sales.
A Packing of 370 Cases Sold.
The local tobacco market was quiet for the past week. There were sales of only small lots by local dealers and in addition a Churchtown dealer sold his packing of

crop picked up during the past week at prices satisfactory to farmers. There will be no general buying movement after the middle of January.

New York Market. From the U. S. Tobseco Journal.; From the U.S. Tobacco Journal.;

The spell of inactivity, usually prevalent at this time of the year, has been broken somewhat by the advent of some heavy buyers from out of town. The market is generally in an accommodating mood at dull times, and full advantage has been taken of this condition by the out-of-town buyers. They had the market all for themselves, they had the pick and succeeded even in a compromise at prices in their favor. Besides this little stir, however, nothing worthy of special report was done. Most houses have utilized their time to take inventory, which, as far as we are aware, has proved highly satisfactory in most cases. The cigar factories will close for inventory and holidays to-night, and the trade may be pronounced to be on a vacation for the next two weeks at least. From the Tobacco Leaf.

From the Tobacco Leaf. The market for the past week has been exceedingly dull. This can be easily accounted for, being so close to the end of the year. Although very dull, the tobacco houses are very busy at their books. Buying in the country has almost ceased, and very little is expected to be done, both in buying and selling, this side of the new

Gans' Report.

Sales of seed leaf tobacco reported by J. S. Gans' Son, tobacco broker, No. 131 Water street, New York, for the week ending December 23;
200 cases 1888 Pennsylvania seed leaf, 8‡
to 114c; 140 cases 1888 Pennsylvania Havana, 11‡ to 134c; 150 cases 1888 New
England Havana, 14 to 42c;; 150 cases
1888 state Havana, 12‡ to 14c; 200 cases
1888 Wisconsin Havana, 10 to 12c; 150 cases
1888 Ohio, 8‡ to 10c; 150 cases sundries,
5 to 35c. Total, 1,140 cases.
Philadelphia Market.

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From the Tobocco Age,
The near approach of the Christmas holidays seems to have kept buyers at a distance, at least so far as the leaf market is concerned. Sales have been few and mostly on orders to be filled after the New Year, Merchants are improving the occasion to "take stock."

Seed Leaf.—Connecticut leaf fillers and

Philadelphia Market.

"take stock."

Seed Lesf.—Connecticut leaf, fillers and seconds, 12a15; running lots, 14a20c; fine wrappers, 20a30c; New York fillers, 8a11c; running lots, 12a20c; fine wrappers, 30a40c; Pennsylvania fillers, 7a11c; broadleaf, running lots, 10a16c; Havana, running lots, 14a20c; Ohio fillers, 5a7c; running lots, 7a10c; fine wrappers, 10a15c; Little Dutch, 1887 erop, 12ja14c; Wisconsin, running lots, 10a14c; fine wrappers, 30a50c; Kentucky leaf, common to good, 6a10c; fine, 12a16c; Havana common fillers, 75a85c; Remedics, 95ca\$1; Vuelto de Abajo, \$1.05a\$1.20; Sumatra, \$1.60a\$2.25; Yara, 62a80c.

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Receipts—69 cases Connecticut, 587 cases
Pennsylvania, 24 cases of Ohio, 48 cases
Little Dutch, 189 cases Wisconsin, 54 cases
New York state, 82 bales Sumatra, 192 bales
Havana and 146 hhds Virginia and West-

Havana and 146 hhds Virginia and Western leaf tobacco.

Sales—44 cases Connecticut, 302 cases
Pennsylvania, 28 cases Ohio, 55 cases Little
Dutch, 127 cases Wisconsin, 69 cases New
York state, 72 bales Sumatra, 255 bales
Havana, and 13 hhds Western leaf tobacco

LOWER END NOTES.

Roy. Coxson's Larder Filled by Mem-Lycoum Moots. Mr. Neno, Dec. 23.-A large number of people gathered at the parsonage Saturday night to pay their respects to their much loved pastor, Rev. F. G. Coxson. They did not come with the sole purpose

of having a good time, but brought baskets of things for the Christmas festivities. The W. C. T. U. at Mt. Nebo held their The W. C. T. U. at Mt. Nebo held their regular meeting Saturday afternoon. They were visited by the union at Liberty Square, and had a very enjoyable time. The lyceum held its regular meeting on Friday evening, with a very large attend-ance. The officers who served last month were re-elected with the exception of the editor. Miss Annie Erb was elected to fill

that office. An interesting programme has been prepared for next meeting. A Christmas entertainment is to be held in Rawlinsville on Christmas Eve. The exercises will consist of dialogues, recita ions, addresses, singing, and a visit from

Santa Claus. A large barn is to be built on the Colsman farm, now occupied by Adam Bortz-field. The size is to be 84x50 feet. E. C. Young and J. B. Laird, who are at present attending Lafayette college, will spend their holiday vacation at their homes

B. Laird preached in the Mt. Nebe Presbyterian church on Sunday, and will also preach next Sunday.

Protracted meeting is in progress Colemanville.

THE LEBANON CLUB. The Town Is Crazy on Base Ball, But They Need Better Players.

The people of Lebanon are so crazy over base ball that they can scarcely wait until the time for playing arrives. From the backing that the team has and the many advantages, it is now believed that they would have the strongest team in the very queerly shaped Inter-State League. They will not, however. Manager Rigby, the new man who is to take charge of the team, has signed the following eight players: Wilson Kline and Chas. Heard, pitchers; William Granible, catcher: James Rogers William Graulich, catcher; James Rogers first base; A. Moran, second base; Lewi Renner, short stop; Frederick Kelley centre field; Samuel Frederick, right field The Cornwall railroad has a large force now at work grading the base ball grounds at Penryn park, and it will require 1,000 carloads of material to place the grounds in the condition it is determined to have them. The diamond will be covered with loam, similar to the Athletic and Philadelphia base ball grounds. The grounds will be enclosed by a fence and other improvements are contemplated.

The Lebanon Times looks away into the

future and thinks the average daily attend-ance will be 1,200. If that is the case, it will pay as well as many of the other Freeman investments, but if the club plays poor ball the attendance will much smaller.

Reserved Their Decision. Late on Monday afternoon John Fehr

the young beat who operated in bogus bills of fare in this city last summer, was heard before Alderman Deen on five charges of false pretense. After the evidence had all been heard the alderman reserved his decision. Alderman Spurrier heard the young man on several charges of a simi-lar kind in the evening and he also reserved his decision. The magistrates are not sure the charge is false pretense.

William U. Shubert, a well-known printer of this city, died this morning at als residence, No. 217 East Walnut street-He had been complaining for some time past, and was taken with cramps on last Thursday. The cause of his death was neuralgia of the bowels. Mr. Shubert was the oldest son of Henry Shubert, the well-known auctioneer lately deceased, and was about 42 years of age. He learned the trade of printing at the Examiner office, and worked there for many years For seven years past he had been employed in the composing room of the New Era office. He was a married man, his wife being a sister of S. Clay Miller, but they had no past, and was taken with cramps on last sister of S. Clay Miller, but they had no

Rev. Dr. Higbee's Will. The will of Rev. Dr. E. E. Higbee, ad mitted to probate to-day, was written by him in 1872. He gives to his wife abso-lutely and makes her his executrix. CLOSE OF THE FAIR.

A LARGE AND WELL-ENTERTAINED CROWD ATTEND ON MONDAY EVENING.

PRICE TWO CENTS

The Profits For St. Joseph's Church About \$8,500—Those Who Received Articles by Chance or Vote.

The fair the benefit of St. Joseph's Cath-olic church closed on Monday evening with a large crowd in attendance. There

was plenty entertainment for all. Following was the result of the chancing:

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Sisters Table: Crucifix, M. Closs; startidy, Ida Keener; negro doll, Lena Martin: caster, Mrs. Eable: 100 pounds of flour, Mrs. Schied; table scarf, Emma Smith; picture, Lizzie Snyder; guess doll, Mrs. Draude; toilet set, Mrs. Gable; portrait of Rev. F. X. Smith, D. Rapp; plano cover, Cecilia Wolpert.

Altar Society: Bridle, Mrs. Buden; nut picker, H. Bachler; toilet set, Rosa Bauman; Hayana cigars, Edw. Rothweiler; table cloth, L. A. Gross, prayer book, Maria Scheid; flower vases, H. S. Christ; fruit knives, D. Marks.

Sodality: Photo of Rev. H. S. Christ; fruit knives, D. Marks.

Sodality: Photo of Rev. H. S. Christ; chamber set, Carrie Strantz; silk umbrella, John Nixdorf; cut of calico, Lowis Weiler; wax cross, Maggie Bachle; hand painted table cover, Mrs. Shaller; hanging lamp, Katy Gans, piece of muslin, Mary Johns; basket of flowers, Michael Krugg; purse, Annie Reese.

St. John's table: Plush cushion. M.

katy Gans, piece of muslin, Mary Johns; basket of flowers, Michael Krugg; purse, Annie Reese.

St. John's table: Plush cushion, M. Schroad; hat rack, Conrad Bone; tollet set, John Spangler; ton of coal, Mary Cook; deasert spoons, Mrs. H. Niemer; tollet set, John Spangler; ton of coal, Mary Cook; deasert spoons, Mrs. H. Niemer; tollet set, M. Roehm; sheep skin, Joseph Kiltman; pickel caster, Miss Weller; Bible, Charles Ed. Bresh; dinner caster, John A. Coyle; pillow shams, C. Fritch; standing lamp, Wm. Dance; lamp, J. Nixdorf; table cover, Frank Rieker; tollet set, J. B. Best; tollet scap, Philip Finger; silver knives and forks, John Spangler; handsome vases, Sue Pflaterer; Bible stand, Irone Bartholomew; plush banner, H. Miller; steer, Mrs. Hess, album, Mrs. F. Schroad; wax cross, Charles Smith.

Ticket No. 1,573 won the ton of coal, but the lucky holder has not yet turned up. Following was the result of the several contests for articles by vote:

Umbrella, Father Christ, 443; Father Kaul, 56; set of harness, 600 7-10; Hampey Brothers, 470; horse collar, J. Elchman, 180; Jacob Harnish, 20; barber tools, Jos. Gegg, 709; J. Lutz, 82; organ, Anna Zimmerman, 1,781; Sophia Breckel, 1,012; sewing machine, Anna Haberbush, 579; Annie Kirchner, 255; Father Grotemyer's picture, Mrs. H. Rohrer, 550; Miss Wendel, 302; Mrs. P. Hatter, 240; Mrs. Reiner, 116; Mrs. Frownheifer, 23; overcoat, Joseph Krushenke, 277; George Kissinger, 218; Jos. Bryer, 162;; Picture of a dog, Mary Kaets, 120; Master Wirth, 164; Joseph Klose, 8; J. Knecht, 74; American flag, Knights of St. John, 880; Our Boys, of Baltimore, Md., 7424.

The recelpts of the fair were very satisfactory to the managers, and they feel thankful to the citizens of Lancaster for the sid they extended. The net profit of the fair was about \$3,500, which will be applied towards the payment of the church debt.

TELEGRAPHIC TAPS. Influenza is spreading in Brussels. Thirty per cent. of the school children are suffering from it. Schools have been closed. Government officials there are also

prostrated. Fred. Williams was shot by his brotherin-law, Robert Thresher, in Ashboro, Ind., on Monday. Williams was abusing Thresher when he was killed. Silcott, the absconding cashler, with his

paramour, Herminie Thibault, arrived in Montreal on December 7. Last Friday Herminie left for New York. The New Jos. Stott, aged 43, of Providence, R. I. placed his neck scross a rail and a train

beheaded him. He was a jewelry merchant. The ways and means committee expect to have the tariff bill ready when Congress

Denny Needham, of St. Paul, knocked out Paddy Smith, of Birmingham, Eng., in the 17th round in San Francisco last night. Purse, \$1,000. Armed posses are searching for the murderers of Jeweler Rutter's wife in

Tarentum, Pa. Knights of Pythias offer a reward of \$500 for the murderers.

The Petican club, of London, sends a letter of sympathy to Slavin, the Australian pugilist. It recognizes him as the champion of England, and will present him with a belt and purso of money.

teen miners entombed in California Sunday night. A special cable to the Toronto Globe denies, on the authority of Sir Charles Tupper, the statement telegraphed from Ottawa to the effect that the modus vivendl with the United States in the matter of fisheries would not be renewed by Canada

There is little hope of rescuing the six-

owing to President Harrison's failure to Fire last night destroyed a business block in Seymour, Conn. A Hebrew named Eddlestein, in whose clothing store the

flames started, has been arrested.

A Cold Wave Coming. CHICAGO, Dec. 24.-The signal service bureau is advised of the approach of a cold wave. It is now in Dakota and is moving in this direction at a rate which will land it here to-morrow or day after with a temperature of about fifteen degrees above zero. It will affect the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois, and later will spread to states east.

ELECTED ASSISTANT CASHIER. John B. Miller, Deputy Recorder, Chosen

for An Important Position. Deputy Recorder John B. Miller was, at the meeting of the directors of the Trust the meeting of the directors of the Trust company, on Monday evening, elected as-sistant cashier. Mr. Miller has filled posi-tions in the revenue, prothonotary and recorder's offices, and in each of these de-partments he filled the situations he held to the entire satisfaction of his employers and the public having business to transact at these offices.

and the public has an applicant for the Mr. Miller was not an applicant for the position to which he has been chosen. He has not decided whether he will accept, the probability is that he will. His has not decided whether he will accept, but the probability is that he will. His many friends will be pleased to learn of his advancement. If he accepts he will retire from the recorder's office shortly after New Year's day, and Recorder Reinhold will lose a faithful and efficient officer. Mr. Reinhold has been unfortunate in losing his men by having them called to other fields of labor. It shows that his selections were good ones. Of the that his selections were good ones. Of the force that went in with him but one re-mains, D. E. Bitner.

Fine and Imprisonment for West. James J. West, ex-editor of the Chicago Times and ex-president of the Times company, was convicted in Chicago last night of having fraudulently over issued the company's stock, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000 and be imprisoned in the penitentiary for five years. A motion for a new trial was entered and West was released in \$15,000 bail.

Printers' Demands Refused. Proprietors of the Philadelphia Inquirer, Press, Record, Times and North American have decided to refuse to grant, as inoppor-tune, the demand of their compositors for an advance from 40 to 45 cents per thousand

WEATHER FORECASTS. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—For Eastern Pennsylvania r Rain, warm-er, northwesterly winds.