A PRIZE PUZZLE

Is the Light in Which Many View the License Rulings.

MEETINGS ALREADY HELD

To Ask Judges Ewing and Magee to Take a Hand and Overrule

BY WAY OF MAJORITY REHEARING.

These Judges Act on Bondsmen, Etc., To-Day, and Will be Pressed.

INCIDENTS AND GOSSIP ON THE TOPIC

Like men wrestling with that maniac's contrivance, the popular puzzle, trying repeatedly and in vain to get all the "pigs in the clover" and keep them there; like grown men snapping out "Fourteen, fifteen, thirteen!" and wondering "why that blamed unlucky number would always persist in coming last," so could men be seen, all over these two cities yesterday, striving to unravel the mystery of "Now we see 'em, and then we don't see 'em," or "What's the matter with the license applicants?" A man would look at his newspaper first from the right, then from the left, and finally "straight from the shoulder," as he scanned that little list; and then, absent-mindedly, he would exclaim: "Well, I'm blamed if I understand it!"

It was a verification of the old Scripture injunction, "The one shall be taken, and the other left." Only there were some bad ones taken and many good ones left, in this license shuffle, as the man with the list understood it, or failed to understand.

While nobody seems to understand the judicial rule of action, judging solely from the lists, a great many are evidently disposed to resent that rule. For example, steps are already on foot to have a recourse in some manner to appeal on behalf of the luckless applicants. Yesterday there was an informal meeting of the bottlers and brewers held at Boley's Hotel, in the Diamond, at which there were some few resolutions passed, the substance of which was

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asking that Judges Ewing and Magee exercise their jurisdiction as a majority of the local bench, and give a rehearing to the deserving ones.

Many think that these two judges have it in their power to do this, and if it is proven that the applicants are worthy of a license, they could, as a majority, grant it to them.

Another meeting of the same kind was held in the Sixth ward; but nothing definite or of any particular interest transpired there, further than there was great indignation expressed, and a move was made to have a committee ascertain whether there was any possible redress for the alleged unjust rulings of Judge White.

Judge Ewing, yesterday, notified Clerk of Courts McGunnegle, to announce that the License Court would reconvene at 1 o'clock this afternoon, for the purpose of approving the bonds of the successful applicants. He did not state who would preside, but Judge White being out of the city, it will be either Judge Ewing or Judge Magee. Documents, such as applications for rehearings, etc., will probably be received.

Clerk of Courts McGunnegle, on Monday night, when the list of granted applications was handed down by Judge White, had a hard row to hoe. As he left the Ross street entrance to the Court House, a mob of fully 300 men beseiged him. Yells of all kinds greeted him and the anxious seekers for information as to who were granted or refused, crowded him clear across the street and up

AGAINST THE JAIL WALL.

Mr. McGunnegle managed to fight his way as far as Fifth avenue, but finding that he could get no further he mounted a lamppost and read off the list of successful applicants. In answer to the cries that assailed him he read the list over again and again, until, as he expressed it, he had read himself "almost blind." When he could do no more and found no relief, he summoned a policeman, who had made his appearance, and by his aid made his way through the crowd. He got as far as Newell's restaurant, where he intended to take a lunch, when he was again attacked by a crowd of seekers for information. After a vain struggle of nearly two hours, to give the men the news they wanted, Mr. McGunnegle managed to elude them and get to his home.

An execution was issued yesterday and placed in the hands of the Sheriff, to be served against Thomas E. Wells, No. 2 Fifth avenue. The judgment was for $750 and was obtained by S. B. Collins. Wells was an applicant for a liquor license and was refused. This is the only execution that has been issued so far against any of the refused applicants. A number are booked for to-day, however, by the force in the Sheriff's and Prothonotary's office.

Speaking of the decreased number of saloons and the effect it would have on the revenues of the city, Chief Assessor's Clerk Samuel Clark said yesterday that a difference of considerably over $75,000 would result. The Appropriation Committee figured on $50,000 receipts from licenses this year, but will fall short, under Judge White's decisions, $31,600. Saloonkeepers pay a business tax of ten mills, and the reduced number will cut down that item about $40,000. Besides this there will be a difference of from $5,000 to $8,000 in the receipts of the water department, as saloons are one of the best sources of revenue to that bureau on account of the large amount of water required in the business.

RUHLANDT RESIGNS EARLY.

J. W. Ruhlandt, of the Twenty-sixth ward, who was granted a liquor license on the condition that he would resign his seat in Common Council, filed his resignation in the City Clerk's office yesterday.

Mr. Joseph Einstein, the most prominent exclusive bottler of beer, talked quite freely from a horizontal position last night. He was in bed. He said he knew nothing about a bottlers' meeting in the afternoon, however, and did not have in contemplation any action in opposition to the judicial mandate ruining his business. He stated that he had been running the business some 30 years and according to law, and felt that he had done nothing deserving of reprehension. Said he:

"I don't know why Judge White should discriminate in favor of home and against foreign brewers. It is, of course, all the same to me whether I bottle home or foreign beer, and I am interested in a home concern; but my business is with such institutions as the West Penn, Homeopathic and other hospitals, and with private families, such as George Westinghouse; and, if they will not use this home beer, I cannot serve them, as the ruling stands.

"I am not going to make a fight, but I don't know what I am going to do. I have contracts to fill, and of course am expected to fill them in some way. I am interested to the extent of $25,000 to $30,000."

Taken all in all, Mr. Einstein seemed to regard himself in a predicament, but stated that, as the matter now stood, he saw no way left but to suspend business when his year was up, next Tuesday.

SOME GENERAL ECHOES.

Judge White Steps From Under—Judge Over Defines the Court's Ideal—Major Brown and Others Talk.

Before Judge White, of License Court renown, took a P. R. R. train for the East, to seek rest, yesterday morning, he took time to say to a reporter at the depot:

I am so completely fagged out after my continuous hard work that a pleasure trip is absolutely necessary. It is extremely indefinite where I go or when I shall return. No, sir, there was no personal reason in refusing Mr. Darlington a license. His application, as were all others that were refused, was so disposed of purely in a sense of justness. He himself made statements which showed that he should be refused a license. In the granting of licenses I took little things into consideration, that among others would not generally be thought of as points for consideration. A man's personal appearance, his actions and his mode of answering questions were all taken into consideration. I spent day and night in considering the applications of different persons, and at no time out of court did I listen to pleas in favor of certain persons. If ever there should arise a question for a personal answer to decisions, I could give a statement, and if ever I did, it would be a decidedly lengthy one.

Up at the Court House there was a bevy of attorneys all day, looking up further interests of their licensed and unlicensed liquor dealing clients. Various were the opinions as to what remedy, if any, could be applied by the men refused licenses.

Major Brown did not see much in the idea of appeals for wholesalers any more than retailers, for, said he, the right to a new trial is a common law right, and the right to have a license at all is purely statutory, "and besides," he added, "I don't think either Judge Ewing or Judge Magee, after refusing to sit in the License Court, would have any power to alter or overrule the decision of Judge White, even if they felt so disposed."

Judge Over said: "The only thing to do to satisfy Judge White will be to have every man who drinks licensed, and when he calls for his drink require him to show a license."

Next to Brewer Darlington, who was quoted yesterday, the most notable knockout, probably, was Joseph Fleming, the druggist, who said:

I really prefer not to say anything just now. When the time comes I propose to say it, and I will have a good deal to say. I have been building up my business for 35 years and I do not think it right for any one-man power to ruin it all. The action of the court in refusing so many licenses will have a most serious effect on the value of property in the city. There will be hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of property lying idle and the effect on business men and the property owners will be very serious.

RANDALL CLUB'S RECEPTION.

The Members of the Great Democratic Society Hold a Magnificent Entertainment at Turner Hall.

The members of the Randall Club gave a reception and banquet last night at Central Turner Hall, which turned out to be one of the most brilliant social entertainments in the history of the club.

The elite of Democratic Pittsburg and Allegheny was represented by its shining lights, and the arrangement of the entire affair was in all its details simply perfection. The hall was adorned with an exquisite array of fragrant floral decorations, whose perfume pervaded the whole building. Around the stage gigantic exotics from the tropics were placed, partially hiding the members of the Toerge Orchestra and the Haydn Quartet, who rendered some of the most artistic selections of modern music.

The reception commenced at 8 o'clock, and gradually the hall and gallery were filled with the guests. At 10 o'clock the signal was given for the grand march, in which over 200 couples took part, with President J. P. Fleming as leader. After the grand march the party repaired to the lower portion of the Turner Hall, where three large rooms had been arranged to receive the guests for the banquet. Under the direction of Mr. J. S. Kennedy 300 people were seated to be regaled with a bill of fare of unusual delicacies. All the rooms were filled twice to accommodate all the people, but nobody was allowed to depart dissatisfied.

The supper over, dancing was resumed, which lasted until 2 o'clock this morning.

THE TROUBLE AT DUQUESNE.

Colored Men May Take the Place of Strikers To-Day.

The strike at the Allegheny Bessemer Steel Company's works, at Duquesne, is not likely to be settled very soon. An attempt was made to start the works yesterday morning, and some steel was turned out. Eighteen colored men, from the Black Diamond Steel Works, went up on the morning train, intending to go to work, but the strikers persuaded them to return home, and paid their fares.

These men returned in the evening and may go to work this morning. Sheriff McCandless went up to the works yesterday, in response to the following notice from the company's attorney:

To Alexander Æ. McCandless, High Sheriff of Allegheny County:

DEAR SIR—Please take notice that the undersigned request your protection for the mill and other property situated in Mifflin township, near the village of Duquesne, known as the Allegheny Bessemer Steel Works, and that there is now assembled near said mill a riotous and disorderly crowd, from which the undersigned fears the injury or destruction of its property, and that in the event of your failure to protect said property and preserve the peace, the said county will be held liable for all damages suffered by the undersigned. Yours respectfully,

C. C. DICKEY,
Attorney for Allegheny Bessemer Steel Co.

When the Sheriff returned from a visit to the works last evening, he said he did not anticipate any serious trouble. The strikers seem to be very orderly, and will not likely use any violence to accomplish their purpose. It is said that revolvers were drawn several times, but these reports could not be substantsated.

The strikers have applied for a charter in the Amalgamated Association, which will probably be granted if a lodge is organized. They will then receive the support of that powerful organization and may win the fight.

STABBED NEAR THE HEART.

A Young Man Dangerously Wounded on His Proposed Wedding Day.

During a dispute between Samuel Little and Captain Shanafelt the former received a probably fatal stab in his left breast. The quarrel occurred yesterday morning at the corner of Crawford street and Wylie avenue, and it is supposed to have been caused by a difference between the two men on account of some work done by Little for Shanafelt.

It is alleged that Shanafelt pulled the weapon and stabbed the other man. Dr. W. C. Shaw was called to see Little, and after examining the wound he stated that it was very dangerous and might probably result in the man's death. Shanafelt was at once arrested and locked up in the Eleventh ward station.

Little is 23 years of age and he lives at 237 Wylie avenue. He was to have been married last night to a young girl who lives on the hill.

MR. HILL WITHDRAWS.

The Presbytery Meets and Transacts Standing Business.

The Presbytery of the Pittsburg Presbyterian churches met in the East End yesterday. Rev. Hill asked to withdraw from the Seventh Presbyterian Church, and his request was granted. Committees were appointed to examine the churches at Mingo and Finleyville.

J. V. Stevenson and W. A. Jones passed satisfactory examinations in ecclesiastical history. Prof. John C. Sharp was put under the care of the Presbytery. Rev. J. R. Sunderland accepted the call from the Second Presbyterian Church at a salary of $3,500. The Shadyside church has called Rev. M. W. Jacobs, of Chester.

The election of 12 delegates to the General Assembly will be held to-day.

MAY AID PITTSBURG,

Possibly by the Erection of a White Lead Manufacturing Plant.

WHAT A STANDARD GOBBLE MEANS.

The Monopoly Regards This City as a Cheap Producing Point.

A PLANT WITH WONDERFUL PATENTS

It was rumored yesterday that officials of the Standard Oil Company, in addition to having obtained control of the White Lead Trust, had also about closed a deal whereby they secured control of the American Oxide Company's plant at Franklin, Venango county, Pa. Some of the stockholders in this concern are Pittsburg gentlemen, although its President is S. R. Bradley, of New York.

By reportorial inquiry THE DISPATCH learned that while officials of the Standard have no doubt secured the control of the National White Lead Trust, they do not yet own the American Oxide Company's works. The Standard Oil Company has not been doing the dickering. It has been done by men who are connected with that great corporation. For the past six weeks they have been quietly purchasing the stock certificates of the trust, which are marketed in the East, until now they can control a majority of it. The Standard is a great consumer of white lead.

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Its officers, who are now at the head of the trust, do not intend, it is said, to manipulate prices at all. They rather expect to make their money out of the dividends and stock, and thus offset what their white lead costs them.

In any event, the deal promises to be a boom to Pittsburg's prosperity. The Standard people have stated openly recently that the cheapest place in the United States to make white lead and its other products is at Pittsburg. They intimated that if ever they got the whiphand that this city should be made the center of their industrial operations.

These same Standard officials, it was learned, are now keeping their eyes on the stocks of the oxide works of Franklin. If they should eventually capture it, it is stated on excellent authority that they will remove the whole plant from Franklin to Pittsburg. By an improved process this establishment oxidizes lead, zinc and other metals of that kind speedier, more perfectly and cheaper than by the present methods. It is these new patents that make the Franklin works valuable. When all its furnaces are put in operation it will have a capacity of 50 or 60 tons.

PITTSBURG'S IMPORTANCE.

Pittsburg now ranks third in the United States as a white lead center. St. Louis and New York only are ahead of it. Every year Pittsburg produces from 15,000 to 20,000 tons of white lead, the value of which is about $130 a ton. Some of the concerns in this city make their own lead, going down in the mine for the raw material in the first place.

More than one-half of the corroders of white lead in the United States are members of the National White Lead Trust. An effort to ascertain just what firms in Pittsburg belong failed utterly yesterday.

A member of one firm which does not belong to the trust, however, told the reporter that he thought only two Pittsburg houses were in the trust, and he added that there are ten firms in the white lead business in this city. He placed but little credence in the rumors of the Standard deal, and said that no matter what they did they could not hurt white lead manufacturing in Pittsburg.

IT MAKES THEM RICH.

An Offer of $25,000 Made to a Lawrenceville Congregation for Its Church Property on Butler Street.

Already the congregation of St. John's Episcopal Church, in Lawrenceville, has received an offer for its little old wooden church and lot, corner of Butler and Main streets, which, if accepted, will make them rich. It is for $25,000. The ground runs back along Main street to an alley, and is desired by a gentleman, whose name is kept in the background at present, as the site for a big business block.

Last night the congregation commenced the consideration of this offer. If accepted, the money will be devoted to the erection of a magnificent stone church. A lot corner of Fisk and Davison streets has been offered for this building.

SHE SHOT HERSELF.

An Allegheny Woman Attempts Suicide but Fails.

Mrs. McKelvy, the wife of Thomas McKelvy, of 206 Fulton street, Allegheny, attempted to commit suicide yesterday afternoon by shooting herself. She placed the pistol, a 32-caliber, to her forehead, between the eyes, and pulled the trigger.

The bullet flattened on a bone and came out near the temple, inflicting only a flesh wound. Several of the neighbors heard the shot and saw the woman standing before the window with blood streaming from the wound.

They notified the officers at patrol station No. 2, and Foreman James Kerr went to the house. He called in Dr. Winters, who took out the bullet. It was as flat as a 3-cent piece. The woman is about 30 years of age, and the only cause assigned for the shooting is temporary insanity.

HE WILL TAKE LEGAL STEPS.

Mr. O'Brien Finds the Charges of Cruelty Against Maxwell True.

Humane Agent O'Brien finds the reports of cruelty against Superintendent Maxwell, of the Protestant Home for Boys, in the main true, and the Humane Society has instructed him to proceed with the work, preparatory to taking legal steps against Maxwell and others.

The agent, in his report, says that Maxwell carried a five-strand rawhide in his pocket, and is in the habit of beating the boys, time and place not considered. It appears to be another case of Dotheby Hall, with the exception that Nicholas Nickleby was lacking.

Mr. O'Brien says the boys are highly commended by their employers.

A Strike Probable.

Master Workman Rea, of N. T. A. 135, K. of L., composed of coal miners, is in town. He went to McDonald station last evening and addressed a meeting in the interest of the order. The Knights of Labor, he says, is increasing all along the line. He believes there will be a strike in Indiana on May 1, as 8,000 miners have said they will not accept the rates proposed.

One Strike Lost.

A strike at the Braddock Wire Mill at Rankin station, of carpenters and boys, was lost and their places were filled. The boys were getting $1 a day and wanted $1 25. The men struck to help the boys. All the places have been filled and there will not likely be any further trouble.

A Free Fight.

A row occurred in John O'Neill's saloon last night. Officer Rosenblatt came to the assistance of the barkeeper. Jerry Downly kicked the officer in the back, and, after a lively struggle, was captured.

THE BANQUET TO-NIGHT.

An Attempt Made to Have the Retail Grocers Indorse Prohibition—Bright Papers on Various Subjects.

The retail grocers began their work yesterday morning by hearing reports from the local associations through the delegates. In a number of associations the membership had decreased while the interest increased.

The Pittsburg Association has 320 members, employs three collectors, and last year the collections amounted to $3,865. In Philadelphia there are 725 members, and $11,000 in fines from hucksters were turned into the city treasury last year. Similar reports were made by delegates from Pottsville and Lebanon.

The constitution was amended by which the annual meeting will be held hereafter on the first Tuesday after May 15, and the officers will be elected on the floor of the convention.

Mr. Reese, of Pottsville, read a paper on the "Management and System of Local Associations Under a County Charter."

In the evening a number of papers were read. Mr. Stevenson, in a paper, indorsed the system of collecting debts by circulars. Mr. S. B. Charters, of Pittsburg, spoke on limiting the credit of customers; sentiment should be eliminated. He claimed every grocer should be a Prohibitionist, and if prohibition prevailed many bad debts would be paid.

Mr. Joseph McAldon, of Philadelphia, condemned the practice of manufacturers having their wares peddled to introduce them.

Mr. William Smedley, of the same city, thought it would be a good idea to fix a date for a yearly holiday and picnic to be observed all over the State, and that the wholesale men be invited.

President Brucker, of Hollidaysburg, made a strong speech in favor of prohibition. He held if the $80,000 spent in a year for whisky was turned into other channels the people would be more prosperous.

John C. O'Donnell, of Pittsburg, didn't think the State Association was needed, but others spoke of the good that had been accomplished though it.

PITTSBURG'S TUNNEL ROUTE.

That Railroad to Wheeling Prefers a Dig of Nearly a Mile Through Mt. Washington Rather Than Buy the Earth.

At a special meeting of the directors and stockholders of the Wheeling, Wellsburg and State Line Railway Company, held at the Hudson House, in Wellsburg, on Saturday, the following named directors were elected: Samuel George, David Brown, of Wellsburg; J. A. Miller, C. B. Hart, John S. Naylor, Wheeling; Joseph Ramsey, Jr., Cincinnati, and A. B. Paul, of Hopedale, O. The Board of Directors met the same day and re-elected the old officers.

Reports were made of the success in securing rights of way in West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Almost the entire right of way has been secured from the Ohio river to Canonsburg, a distance of 30 miles. Liberal subscriptions are also being secured.

This is the railway project, it will be remembered, whose plan is to tunnel through Mt. Washington and get an entrance into Pittsburg. In an interview one of the directors yesterday said the tunnel in question might necessitate a straight rock excavation of three-quarters of a mile; but even that would be a much cheaper and more feasible way of getting into Pittsburg from the south than any other that is offered. The road, when completed, will so connect with the Wheeling and Lake Erie and other lines leading toward Northwestern Ohio, as to be a competing route 30 miles shorter from Pittsburg to Chicago than either the B. & O. or the Panhandle, both of which also run southwest from Pittsburg, and between which the new line is surveyed.

CONTROLLER TO LEGISLATOR.

Why Mr. Morrow Holds That the Newmyer Bill is Obnoxious.

Controller Morrow has sent the following letter to Dr. McCullough, member of the Legislature from Allegheny county:

DEAR SIR—Briefly replying to your communication, allow me to say that, in the early part of the seventies, under what was known as the Penn avenue act, the city delegated the power to improve a number of the streets to commissions. The improvement was wholly in their charge. Bonds in payment of the cost were issued, the payment of which were guaranteed by the city. These bonds were to be met by the property owners paying the City Treasurer the amount assessed against each in ten annual installments. These bonds amounted to about $6,000,000. When the city attempted to collect the liens filed against the property holders the attempt was resisted and the act was declared unconstitutional, and the city was thus barred from issuing on these liens. A compromise was then offered and a large number of property holders accepted it, paying the compromise amounts into the City Treasury. A number of the owners have, however, refused to accept, and one of this number filed a bill in equity, asking that the city be compelled to strike off the lien. This the Supreme Court refused to do, holding that these people had no standing on the equity side of the court. Now, I hold that this (the Newmyer) bill is extremely unjust and obnoxious.

First—Because it will result in a loss of not less than $150,000 to the Treasury of the city. If the city is compelled to issue a scire facias in these cases the result be that every case will be lost under the decision of the Supreme Court. The common law action will not lie in our favor.

Second—The people who have heretofore paid their share of the compromise could be repaid, and those who are equally benefited escape the payment of any sum whatever.

There are other reasons, but I cannot give them at present. The Councils of this city passed a resolution some time ago protesting against the passage of this act. I shall probably have an opportunity of explaining more fully my objections when I see you.

Very respectfully yours,
E. S. MORROW, Controller.

Later—Word has been received by the Controller from Dr. McCullough, intimating the possibility of the Legislature reconsidering the municipal tax lien bill.

BRITISH AMERICANS

Celebrated the Memory of St. George and Shakespeare Last Night.

The British American Association of Pittsburg held a reception last night at Imperial Hall, new Grant street.

When the British American Brass Band played the opening march at 8 o'clock the hall was already pretty well filled, but still the influx of guests continued. An excellent programme of vocal and instrumental selections was rendered by the band and the Amphion Quartette, accompanied by Miss Wellens.

Mr. William Steel excused the absence of Hon. Alfred Marland, who had promised to be present to make an address. Colonel W. D. Moore, however, was there as one of the orators of the evening, and in his speech he eulogized the British American in a very great measure for his conservatism, his love of liberty, of law and of humanity. He called attention to Shakespeare, whose birthday the society was celebrating as well as the day of St. George, the patron saint of the Britons.

John S. Lambie, Esq., was also announced to address the guests. Afterward dancing was indulged in, which lasted until early this morning.

Why They Wanted More.

Those incline engineers who left the Twenty-second street company's employ, claim they were justified in asking the increase of wages from $70 to $80 a month, both because they understood Judge Mellon to have promised it and because $80 is as low a figure as any incline engineers in the city work for, while some get a good deal more. They and their many friends say they neither acted hastily or dishonorably in the matter, for the trouble grew out of a long-standing promise.

Visited the Buildings.

The Exposition Society met yesterday, and the members, after the meeting, visited the buildings. The bidders for the material for Machinery Hall asked for more time, and it was extended to May 1.

ARRANGING THE RAID

Upon the Public Domain in the High-Toned East Liberty Valley.

THE BOOMERS ALL WELL-KNOWN

And Want Marine Hospital Grounds Opened as a Public Park.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE CONGRESSMAN

At a meeting in the East End last night arrangements were made for a raid upon public domain. Some of the wealthiest and most prominent gentlemen in that section of the city are to be the raiders. At least they took part in the plottings of last evening. The present boomers and occupants of the land in question are goats and ash-haulers. Its extent is two acres; its location, on Ellsworth avenue adjoining the Liberty public school; its original use, the site of a United States marine hospital. The hospital project was long since knocked in the head by the formal opposition of tony East Enders right in Congress, although the Government only purchased the valuable property a few years ago. They did not want such an institution at their very doors. But since then the vacant ground has never improved with age.

The directors of the Liberty school conceived the idea of securing the Government's consent to let them connect the hospital site with their own extensive school yard, and then throw the whole

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

as a park. That would comprise four acres of superb promenade grounds for the East End. Upon it the public brass band concerts so common in summer could then be held. It would be a breathing spot for the masses between Bellefield and Point Breeze, Fifth and Penn avenues, who are now annually suffocating. Therefore, a call was issued by T. D. Davis and William J. Diehl, President and Secretary respectively, of the board, to the citizens of the Twentieth ward to meet at the school building to consider the project.

Perhaps 40 well-known business and professional gentlemen were present last night. J. F. Denniston, of the East End Gas Company, was made Chairman and William J. Diehl Secretary. Addresses favorable to the enterprise were made by Mr. George T. Wilson, H. Lee Mason, Rev. T. H. Chapman, Prof. Proudfit, Dr. Stevens, of the College of Pharmacy, Dr. H. A. Page and Mr. Denniston. Some of these gentlemen suggested various plans for the beautifying of the grounds if the Government will grant the use of them to the public. Others were in favor of securing the grounds permanently by ceding from Uncle Sam, which proposition was found incorporated in a series of resolutions offered during the evening.

REDUCED TO WRITING.

These resolutions were as follows:

WHEREAS, Our National Government owns a large piece of unimproved ground adjoining the Liberty school property on Ellsworth avenue, said Government property having a frontage of 250 feet on Ellsworth avenue, and preserving the same width extending back 400 feet; and

Whereas, The original purpose for which the Government purchased this property, has long since been abandoned, the hospital intended to be built upon it having been located elsewhere; and,

Whereas, We believe no better disposition could be made of this ground by the Government than to donate it to our ward for public school purposes; to enlarge the grounds of the Liberty school, and also to afford a public square or park for the benefit of the community. Therefore

Resolved first, That we recommend our School Board to apply for at once and secure temporary possession from the Government, without consideration, giving them full possession of the above named premises.

Resolved, second, That we recommend our said board to secure through Hon. John Dalzell, our representative in Congress, the passage of a bill ceding forever to this ward the above named premises for public school purposes.

Resolved, third, That we recommend our said board, upon securing a lease from the Government for the said premises, that they at once proceed to make such appropriation as may be necessary to defray the expense of fencing, gardeners' work, making walks, etc., that may be needed to beautify the property and fit it for the purposes named above.

Resolved, fourth, That we recommend further, that it it be necessary that the board secure such action of Councils as may be required to vacate Filbert street, from Ellsworth avenue to Elmer street, in order that the present grounds of the school and the Government lot may be one inclosure.

Resolved, That we promise our earnest support and co-operation to the board in carrying out all the above recommendations.

The resolutions were adopted. Colonel J. M. Schoonmaker, the coke manufacturer; A. F. Keating, the iron man, and Rev. T. H. Chapman were appointed a committee to ascertain what steps are necessary to secure the property. Another meeting will be called when this committee is ready to report.

TO EIGHTEENTH BOYS IN BLUE.

Colonel Smith's Orders for the Jaunt to Gotham April 27.

Colonel Smith, of the Eighteenth Infantry, issued the following order last night:

HEADQ'RS EIGHTEENTH INFANTRY N. G. P. }
PITTSBURG, April 23, 1889. }

Regimental Order No. 4.

First—The companies and field music of this regiment will report equipped for field service, with four days cooked rations, at 6 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, April 27, 1889, on Fifth avenue, corner of Duquesne way, to proceed to New York City to participate in the centennial anniversary of the inauguration of the first President of the United States.

Second—Company I will leave McKeesport for Pittsburg in time to join the rest of the regiment at the hour specified.

Third—En route all enlisted men must remain in their own cars, the only exception being non-commissioned staff officers and First Sergeants having business with headquarters.

Fourth—Company commanders will make their field reports immediately upon the starting of the train; they will also see that at least one commissioned officer is present with his company until the train has passed Altoona, and that the property of the railroad company is not abused or injured in any way. No man will be allowed to ride on the platform of the cars, and guards will be instructed accordingly.

Fifth—Company commanders will see that the clothing, arms and equipments are in proper condition, brasses and tin cups bright, knapsack straps whitened, shoes polished, and that each man has at least three pairs of clean white gloves.

Sixth—The Colonel commanding expects and requires the members of the regiment to maintain the high standing they have attained. Gentlemanly and soldierly conduct must be observed at all times, whether on duty or off duty. When on the street coats must be kept buttoned, clothing clean, brasses bright and shoes polished.

Seventh—While in New York the regiment will be quartered in the United States Quartermaster's building, corner Houston and Green streets. Notice of return to Pittsburg will be communicated in future orders.

Eighth—One servant will be allowed to each company, and he must be in uniform, otherwise he will not be allowed to accompany the regiment.

Ninth—Roll calls will be held at reveille and retreat. By order of

COLONEL NORMAN M. SMITH,
CHARLES REESE, Adjutant.

CONCEALED HIS WOUND,

An Injured Colored Man Prosecutes an Allegheny Policeman.

Joshua Williams, colored, has entered suit before Alderman McMasters, against Lieutenant Thomas Scott, of the Allegheny police force, for felonious assault and battery. The colored man claimed the officer shot him in the back, although the wound was not a dangerous one.

On Monday night last, Lieutenant Scott discovered three men in a very heated discussion. As he approached the crowd, the men ran away. Williams, who was one of the party, ran into an alleyway and alleges that the officer pulled his revolver and fired three shots, one of which lodged in Williams' back. The man was subsequently arrested, but he never mentioned that he had been shot until after the hearing, when he was taken to the Allegheny General Hospital and the bullet extracted.

NOTES AND NOTIONS.

Many Matters of Much and Little Moment Tersely Treated.

ON the ave—mashers.

A NEEDY gent—Indigent.

SPRING seems to be a success.

NOW for the lovely trailing arbutus.

MR. K. SOLOMON left for the East last night.

IT'S a cold day when a big chunk of ice is left.

THE fewer friends the better, the more enemies the merrier.

THE oatmeal trust has busted. They acknowledged the corn.

COMEEASY, who was "tipped" at the races, says he fell clear over.

THE boomers have turned farmers, and are cheerfully planting each other.

SECRETARY RUSK is cutting down expenses and sowing tares among officeholders.

THAT exile on board a ship bound for Siberia must have been in a transport of fear.

NEW HAVENS beat the Waterburys 40 to 0. The Waterburys have evidently run down.

THE man who goes to the New York Centennial to enjoy himself had better laugh now.

A CHICAGO masher was fined $85. What a crusher this would be to the postoffice poser here.

WOMEN are abandoning corsets for the corded waists. The men still cling to the waist.

MRS. CLEVELAND has been seen going about with a package under her arm. It is supposed to be Grover.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM MCCLELLAND started for Dakota last night to look after his landed interests there.

IT CAN be literally remarked that the Chicagos have wiped up the earth, they, however, being the wipee.

JOHN MORGAN, a Junction Railroad brakeman, fell under the cars yesterday and had his two legs cut off.

THE Lotus Club will give its fourth annual reception at Odd Fellows' Hall, Southside, to-morrow evening.

THE Pittsburgs and Chicagos will have a game to-day. Game, however, should be made of the spectators.

WHAT splendid exercise it will be for the Pittsburg ball team to chase from one distant saloon to another.

THE Arch street bridge, from the foot of Fifth avenue to Allegheny City, is, it seems, to be built immediately.

IT is to cost 10 cents a head to make up the next census, and it looks as if somebody is going to come out ahead.

A LITTLE Eastern girl asked an unanswerable question when she asked her Pa what a political idiotorial was.

A PROMINENT Philadelphia physician says baseball produces heart disease. Then he need have no fear of the Phillies.

THE body of W. S. Wrigley, who was drowned in the Allegheny Monday night while canoeing, has not yet been recovered.

ROUNDER purchased a marriage license yesterday, and his fair one wept when he said he had secured a "lick 'er license."

DETROIT has a noted confidence woman who is also very expert at picking pockets. That is rather a general trait, however.

"YOU need not call again," said she severely, "until you demand my presence." He demanded her presents the very next day.

AT the Ralston school "St. Louis in Chains" was presented by amateurs for the benefit of St. Patrick's Church on Seventeenth street.

NEW YORK politicians say Pennsylvania ought to have the ballot reform system in this State. New York politicians ought to know.

THE difference between an excuse and a reason is that there is a reason for Wanamaker's presence in the Cabinet, but no excuse for it.

WILLIAM MOYLE claims his son has appropriated $4,000 to his own use, and he brought suit for embezzlement against him yesterday.

JOHN F. BAXTER, the real estate dealer, of Smithfield street, is laid up for a few days, having an operation performed upon his knee.

TO-DAY Pittsburg will learn why Baby Anson wept when he touched America's shore. It was because he knew he couldn't touch Sunday.

WIGGINS kindly steps in and says it will probably rain this afternoon. This presents a terrific struggle for last place between the two Onlies.

CITY TREASURER DENNISTON reports that there are a number of taxes still unpaid, and there only remains 12 days when 5 per cent will be added.

AFTER all mandlin sympathy and frenzied indignation is exhausted, the average voter doesn't care a rap what saloon was knocked out and what wasn't.

JACKSON HARDY and Alice Jones got into a fight last night. Hardy is said to have choked Alice when the latter hit him on the head with a lamp. Both were jugged.

MANAGER WILT and Prof. Kellar have invited the inmates of all the orphan asylums in the city to attend the matinee at the Grand Opera House this afternoon.

CHIEF BROWN, General Freight Agent William Stewart, of the Pennsylvania Company; Joshua Rhoades and Captain Sam Brown went to New York last night.

THERE is evidently a rope to August Spies. He has been heard from, and says his present residence "in the other life" is uncomfortable. He must be among Chicago people.

AN Illinois woman ran against her husband for burgess and lost by but one vote. Woman's heart is revealed when it is said that vote was her own. Her husband voted for himself.

MISS OLOF KRARER, a little 31-year-old Esquimau lady, 40 inches tall, will lecture on "Greenland, or Life in the Frozen North," at the Bellevue M. E. Church to-morrow evening.

THE Mendelssohn Club, of the Southside, gave its first concert in Odd Fellows' Hall last night. Miss Jennie Evans, Dr. W. T. English and a chorus of 60 voices furnished the music.

WHAT betwixt condoling with the rejected saloon keepers and congratulating with the accepted, the sponger managed to get a pretty good jag on yesterday at a comparatively small cost.

THE Chicago and Pittsburg Baseball Clubs will attend this evening's performance at the Bijou in a body, and to-morrow afternoon the Hanlons' company will attend the game at Recreation Park.

LENA SEAMAN, the 10-year-old daughter of Emil Seaman, of Birmingham avenue, who was reported missing from her home yesterday, was found in Allentown last night and was returned to her home.

THE Allegheny Cotillon club, the Monongahela and the Allegheny German club gave an assembly ball at Masonic Hall, Allegheny, last evening. Gernert & Guenther furnished the music and a pleasant time was enjoyed.

NOBODY would object if those postoffice posturers were good-looking. Until they go away, however, and change their numerous inane and ugly faces, timid country women, who never saw anything like it before, are justified in calling the police.

THE trust has at last found its level. The very latest is a combination between New York confidence men and lawyers, to be used in case buncoed Centennial celebrators should kick on such a little thing as being robbed. It would strain the conscience of even a New York legislature to ascertain whether this trust has been formed for the purpose of legal or illegal robbery.

SHORTLY after 7 o'clock yesterday morning, William Reed, engineer, and Frank Corrigan, foreman, at Armstrong's Lawrenceville cork factory, were standing by the boilers used for heating the building, when Reed opened the furnace door and inserted a light for the purpose of starting the fire. Instantly there was an explosion, burning both men seriously about the face and head.

FOOLISH BOOMERS.

Great Suffering Predicted to Follow Soon in Oklahoma.

Herman Holmes, the traveling passenger agent of the Louisville and Nashville road, was seen at the Seventh Avenue Hotel last night. Mr. Holmes said that there were not more than 50 persons who went to Oklahoma from Pennsylvania and Ohio. Most of the boomers went from Kansas, Nebraska, Arkansas and other adjoining States.

Mr. Holmes thinks that in a short time many of these people will be glad to sell their land for less than it cost them to settle it. He believes that in the next 60 days there will be calls for aids to keep the boomers from starving.

He Owned the Horse.

Robert A. Sample, a young Bakerstown farmer, offered P. Fitzgibbon a horse for $50. The latter thought it was worth more, and had Sample arrested on suspicion of having stolen it. A telegram from Sample's father stated that the horse had blind staggers and belonged to his son. The young man was released at once.

A FRESH RURAL OUTLET.

A Concentrated Move for a Highway With Bridges to Neville Island and Vicinity—Possibly an Electric Line.

The city is to have a fresh outlet to the rural regions. There is an astonishing amount of interest awakening to the possibility of improvement in the vicinity of this city. Pittsburg itself hasn't, taking the whole century under review, accomplished very much, the greater part of its progress dating back only 40 years, but until within a year or two points within ten miles of the Court House had not felt the thrill. For over 100 years the people residing in the north ends of Crescent, Moon and Robinson townships have been in the habit of traveling southeast from a straight line when coming to this city in wagons or on foot, climbing almost a mountain, and after going almost to the Panhandle Railway coming back to the river at Chartiers, traveling 13 miles to go 10.

It is supposed the distance thus uselessly traveled by each resident of those places in the last 100 years, if added together, would reach from here to the moon, and have a considerable surplus toward a start toward the nearest fixed star, and all the time they might have had a level road along the river by the expenditure of $5,000 in bridges.

But even these benighted regions, sitting in the valley and shadow of deathly old fogyism, have seen a great light, and have concluded that intercourse with the rest of the world may be made not only pleasant but profitable, and Neville township, or island, as it is better known, has been at last persuaded that solitude hasn't all the charms of existence, and she joins the sisterhood in an effort to get to the city dry-shod.

A concerted movement all along the line has been made to have a wagon road and two bridges constructed, one from Coraopolis to Neville Island, and then a road is to be built to the head of the island, where connection will again be made with the main land at Chartiers. A petition to the Court to have the matter effected has been signed by a large portion of the people in Neville and Moon townships and by the people of Coraopolis. The piers for the upper bridge were almost completed last year before the extension of the project was entertained.

There seems to be no doubt that the main portion of the road will be adapted to an electric or cable railway before long. Mention has already been made of the propos