GROWING THE ORCHID

The Delicate Tropical Flower Cultivated in This Climate.

THE PRICE IS VERY MUCH CHEAPER

Perils in Hunting for the Plant in South American Forests.

THE ROUGH EXPERIENCE OF MR. GRAY

Orchide were used so lavishly in the decorations of the Duquesne Club House at their initial reception, and in such great profusion at the Bergs-Sproul wedding last week, that the writer concluded they must be cultivated much more extensively than Mile Island, thence to the island via a formerly, or the continually increasing de-mand for them could not be filled. Accord-mand for them could not be filled. Accordingly upon orchids intent an afternoon was spent, and some very interesting data was on the east side, making a complete

The cultivation of the orchid is so largely indulged in at the present time that the fancy prices for which they were so justly noted have become a thing of the past, and Their popularity is on the increase, and sell-satisfied is the belle who can traverse Fifth avenue with a hand-some spray of the delicate blossoms adorning the front of her sealskin. In the search for knowledge regarding the In the search for knowledge regarding the rchids an interview was obtained with Robert M. Gray, who spent some time in South America in quest of the choice plants. In his own words the story of his experiences shore, could be filled in time with slag, and and travels is as tollows:

Sailing from New York on the steamer Ailsa of the Atlas line, a voyage of 15days brought us to Barrenquilla, at the mouth of

the Magdelena river.

There we equipped ourselves with the dress of the native, viz. a large sombrero hat, a rajana, which is a sort of a cape of garment worn by the Spaniard in a bull fight, and a pair of samaras which consisted of two pieces of raw hide sewed together and stitched up the center, used to draw over the pantaloons and protect the clothing when going through the brush.

RAWHIDE BOOTS NEEDED. Heavy rawhide boots reaching to the hins for use in swamps, were also secured, and we were ready to ascend the river. A line of steamers built by an old Pittsburger, Captain James Rees, runs from that point to Honda, a distance of 600 miles.

The journey up the river was a very in-teresting one. The banks were lined with the native flowers, and full of monkeys, parrots and the little green paraquilts, the former keeping up a constant jabbering and snapping of twigs. The boat would stop day to take on wood, which was gathered by the natives and exchanged for provisions. While taking on wood we would go on shore on a search for orchids. but with poor success, as none of the choice kind were to be found until we penetrated the forest 100 miles beyond Honda.

The boat trip lasted six days, and the great changes in the atmosphere, coupled with other features, resulted in a bad case of yellow fever for me which put me aside for two weeks after we arrived in Honda. Even ere fully recovered from this dread iever, I would not refrain from making excursions into the forest in search of the lovely plants and butterfliss, for this, too,

was a besetting sin of mine. Our first find was a large vanilla orchid reposing on an old stump, but being the on vanilla of commerce, it was of no value to us. On another occasion we came upon a large mass of the white flowered orchid Brasavola, clinging to an old tree, but in our haste to bring it down, which we did with a forked branch, we brought down upon our heads a swarm of bees. We thanked the stars for wide-brimmed hats From all of these excursions we returned covered with wood ticks, bites of the sand fly and worst of all the muche fly, mos-

JERSEY DISCOUNTED. This fly puts to shame the New Jersey specimen, pestered the life out of us nearly, and in spite of all our precautions our sufferings were intense. While in bathing one evening I discovered two immense alligators upon the bank which I had failed to discover in my hasty look-around before entering the water. They were awake. I was afraid to go out and afraid to stay in, for that meant a chill, but preferring an unseen danger to being made secretary of the interior I remained in the water. The result was a second case of yellow fever, and my life was despaired of. As a last reson they carried me in a litter up the mountain to an break the fever.

As soon as I was able I returned to Pesco de Rio where mules could be procured to continue the journey inland. The natives, as is asual with foreigners, "fleeced" me in overcharging me for my mule, and giving me instead of a well-shod mountain animal a worn-out pack mule, who was constantly trying to get even with me for the wrongs mposed upon him by previous masters. At last we started, all going well as long as my mule felt inclined that way. At the end of seven days of the roughest traveling imagin- be interviewed, but finally said he could see able we reached the village of Mansanos, at the base of the mountains, where we were thankful to leave our mule and take the stage for a drive of 40 miles across the country to the city of Bogota, the capital the United States of Colombia,

FOR COLLECTING OBCHIDS. Gathering together the tools necessary for the collection of orchids, such as axes, copper wire, knives for cutting our way, a good gun, with either chilled or zine bullets, for the various animals that were sure to beset our paths, rope for going down over steep rocks, and a number of natives, pack mules, rubber blankets and hammocks, as we were to sleep in the forest from ten days to a month, we were ready to make numerous excursions from Bogota in quest of our hobbies, orchids and butterflies.

After months of labor, brightened by the continual finding of rare and beautiful orchids, the party returned to New York, having sent to the United States probably the finest collections of the plants ever seen at that time about two years ago. Orchids are only gathered while in flower, for although the collector may know the species he is collecting, it may, on the contrary, prove an utterly worthless variety.

The specimens when collected are sent into the city on mule back, in large, netplants are then laid out singly on floors to dry for two or three weeks. All the bruised and decayed parts are then removed, and they are packed in boxes full of holes, to machine capable of turning out 65 tons a allow any moisture to escape, and also to day. As this amount exceeds their require prevent heating while passing through the low, hot valleys. The life of the collector Mr. Rea stated that the well is 240 feet is not a pleasant one, and the perils to which he was subject account for the extravagant orchid commanded not long ago. But so successful have the Southern trips been in the securing of different varieties that home inexhaustible and that the water is pure cultivation brings the price down to the and sweet. He also states that the firm will rose standard. They adorn every green have a full supply of water for the neighhouse and conservatory in the United States and a great many private hot houses. In the Alleghenv Conservatory about \$5,000 worth delight all those interested in the

Will Discuss the Indians.

The Rev. J. R. J. Milligan and Prof. J. K. McClurkin, in behalf of the Women's Indian Association, of Pittsburg and Allegheny, will discuss the Indian question in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, North Diamond and B odusky streets, Allegheny,

Excursion to Washington City. The Baltimore and Ohio will sell excursion tickets to Washington, good to visit Baltimore, limited to 10 days, on Thursday, January 30, at rate of \$9. Call at city ticket office, Fifth avenue and Wood street, early

IT WILL BE A BROAD GAUGE.

A Syndicate to Build a Road Around Neville Island Connecting With the Lake Erie-Options on the Land From \$580 to

\$1,000 per Acre.

For some time past negotiations have been on foot for the purchase of Neville Island by a Pittsburg syndicate, but until recently nothing tangible has resulted Now, however, the syndicate consisting of Messrs. J. W. Miller, H. L. Christy, B. C.

Christy, Richard Dietrich, Wm. Waters, Captain John Phillips, a resident of the island, and several others have secured a positive option on the entire property a ces varying from \$500 to \$1,000 per acre. It is their intention immediately upon he consummation of the sale to erect a

standard gauge railroad, beginning at the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad at a point a short distance from and below Davis stathe west side of the island down to its southern extremity, and probably returning circuit. The ultimate object, however, nace and factory sites, with a small reservathe banks, suggests the advisability and will soon necessitate dumping this waste else-where. The back channel of the Ohio thus 500 acres of land redeemed.

GREASE ON WARD STREET.

Fourteenth Ward People Will Appeal to the Board of Viewers.

There was a well-attended meeting of the black cloth lined with scarlet, similar to the owners of property on Ward street. Fourteenth ward, held last evening in the Bellefield school in Oakland. Ward street was originally intended to extend from Fifth avenue south to Frazier street, but as a matter of fact it begins only at Bates street, having never been opened between Bates and Fifth avenue. The meeting last night had for its object the opening of the street clear through.

Charles Meyran was chosen President. He said that Ward street had been dedicated as a street in 1836, and was one of the oldest streets in Oakland. There were movements toot, he said, either to open only an alley from Bates to Fifth avenue, or to close the street altogether. An ordinance had been passed by Councils changing the name of that part of the street south of Bates to Mc-Kee place. That, he had an idea, was done to make it easier to prevent the opening of the remainder of the street. An ordinance for the opening of Ward street had been presented in Councils and had fallen into the pocket of the Board of Viewers. There it had been hid ever since, just by what influ-ence he did not know. It ought to be resurrected. He knew that the McKees, who own property on the side of the proposed street which is opposite that of Mr. Meyran's, were opposed to the improvement.

Mr. Jones, who lives on the street, said that he had spoken to the "Colonei" about having the Board of Viewers take up the hidden ordinance, and the "Colonel" had said, "There are some parties interested in keeping that quiet." Another gentleman said: "I guess there is some grease in it." Mr. Moore said: "I think there must be grease all around." Mr. Sallivan said he had spoken to Mr. O'Leary about the opening of the street, and Mr. O'Leary had told him to "go to the Dickens."

Mr. Meyran said he thought that if the people desiring the opening appeared in a body before the Board of Viewers and laid the case properly before them, the board would grant their petition and report fav-

orably on the opening.

By motion it was declared to be the sentiment of the meeting that Ward street ought to be opened clear through to Fifth avenue. A committee of three, Messrs. Sullivan, Jones and Moore, was appointed to call upon the Board of Viewers and attempt to arrange a time for a further hearing. If such a time is fixed the committee will notify the owners of property along the

PRETTY MUCH ONB WAY. Judges and the Bar Think Newspaper Men

Should be Made De Jury Duty. A bill is before the New York Legislature providing for the exemption of newsof 8,000 feet, the object being to paper men from jury duty, and a New York editor suggests that it might as well pass, as they usually get exemption for the asking anyhow. Legal opinion hereabouts does

not appear to favor such a law. Judge Ewing states that he can see no necessity for it. He thought all citizens competent to perform the service should be called on to do it, and further added: "I don't think newspaper men themselves will

set up the plea of imcompetence. Judge Collier said he did not propose to vice and thought no one should shirk a

Judge Magee can see no reason for the exemption of newspaper men. He says their business should make them good judges of character and of the credibility of esses. He added that if jury duty conflicted with their business to an extent that would be serious they could always get excused, so he saw no reason why they should

Colonel William A. Stone is opposed to allowing journalists exemption. He says they make good jurors and holds that no class should be exempt except lawyers, whose business is liable to conflict with the duty through their possible relations with clients, So far as heard from this seemed to be the sentiment of the bar pretty generally.

THEY WILL HAVE ICE.

Rea & Co. Have Sunk an Artesian Well and Will Make Ice.

There is another Richmond in the field, we will soon be independent of the Frost work pouches, one on either side. The King. Res & Co. have sunk an artesian well of eight-inch bore at their packing Mr. Rea stated that the well is 240 feet deep, that the water does not come from the he was subject account for the extravagant prices which anything in the shape of an the bore, but solid rock often getting below the alluvium and the surface water is cased have a full supply of water for the neighborhood, of a temperature of 540

> Right-Dollar Meu's Suit Sale. You'll all be at our great store on Monday. That is, everyone who wants a very fine suit of clothes at a very low price. Our figure for to-morrow is \$8, and it gives you your choice of one hundred different styles of men's suits. There are worsted suits and cassimeres and diagonals and cheviots and corkscrews-but we haven't space to mention all. Just put this down on your listeight-dollar men's suit sale to-morrow at the P. C. C. C., cor. Grant and Diamond

sts., opp. the new Court House. LAP and carriage robes, large assortment, reduced to about one-half former values. HUGUS & HACKE.

You will be well pleased if you make use to secure seats in parlor car and berths in sleeping car. Trains leave 8 A. M., and 9:20 Competent judges pronounce them the leading brews. All dealers keep them.

THEY WON'T PULL OU

The Allegheny Light Company Will Make Room for the Strikers.

INCREASING THE FEDERATION

Wagon, Carriage Makers and the Musical Union Will Join Them.

OTHER GENERAL INDUSTRIAL NEWS

Mr. Blaxter, Superintendent of the Allegheny County Light Company, is at present in New York City, and is not expected home before Monday. In reference to the trouble between that company and Electrical Union No. 1, Mr. McGonnigle, Secretary, said that so far as the company was concerned the strike is not affecting them in any way. Said he:

"The affair has not caused us any inconvenience in the least, as we are now, and have been running along smoothly with a full force. The agreement that we would take back eight of the strikers was merely a concession in courtesy to Mr. Gompers, and was not at all made necessary by the situation. We are not going to discharge any of our present workmen to make room for the eight trikers, but we will, however, be able to make room for them.

EIGHT MEN ON THE LIST. "The Secretary of their lodge is now in possession of the eight names of those men whom the company intends to rehire, and they have been requested to report for duty on next Monday morning. Whether or not they will do so I cannot say, but at any event we are not particularly interested in what they may do. I have learned that they are not pleased with the settlement

In response to a question the gentleman

said that Mr. Gompers did not ask for the privilege of naming the eight men, and he intimated that they, therefore, took that right to themselves. Several members of the Electrical Union were then seen, but could say nothing as to the outcome of to-day's meeting. They said that many rumors have been floating about, but nothing definite could be foretold at present. Mr. Charles Thomas, Secretary of

agreed upon.

the union, said: THEY WON'T WITHDRAW. "We have as yet received no official no tice of settlement, but I am expecting it any minute. It is not known what action our union will take, and I cannot see what would be gained by repudiating the settl ment and withdrawing from the A. F. of L This rumor that we would withdraw has been circulated, but I believe our members will not take such a step. They have largely themselves to blame for the result of this strike. It was entered into hastily,

when it was seen that the chances for success were against them. It was likewise precipitated three weeks before the A. F. of L. recognized the strike. We are the only organized body of electric workers in the country, so far as I know, and the men should not have given the unorganized class a chance to come trooping into the city. We intend to hold our organization intact, and will make every effort to organize other cities, when we can hope to more successfully cope with our employers."

Mr. Thomas could not say what method

would be adopted to secure national organization, but he stated that the movement would be conducted by Electrical Union

TRADES COUNCIL OFFICERS.

The Election Last Night Results in J. L. Evans' Favor for the Presidency-A Fight on the Secretaryship Won by Charles F. Warde-The Australian Ballot System Inquired Into.

The regular meeting of the Central Trades Council last night was well attended. Joseph L. Evans presided. The new delegates admitted were: Frank B. Vincent, L. A. No. 2126, K. of L.; W. J. McKeever, L. A. No. 7190, K. of L.; Daniel McWilliams, L. L. D. Simpson, M. M. P. U. The election of officers for the ensuing year was held. Those elected were:

President, Joseph L. Evans; Vice President, J. O. Stuart; Recording Secretary, Charles F. Warde; Financial Secretary, Levi J. Reagan; Treasurer, Daniel McWilliams; Trustees, Fred Pease, Robert Schroeder and J. F. Flattery; Sergeant at Arms, William Montgomery; Executive Board, J. O. Stuart, Robert Davis, J. G. Snyder, Gus Kreil, George Appleton, A. M. Davis, M. P. Carrick, Robert Schroeder and John Ehmann.

The fight of the election was for the recording secretaryship. The candidates were Charles F. Warde, Thomas S. McNamee and John H. Ehmann. Warde received 15 votes, McNamee 12 and Ehmann 1. A committee was appointed to draft reso tions sympathizing with the printers of ti e Philadelphia Press in their lockout and te report at the next meeting.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the various cities in Pennsylvania having Trades' Councils and obtain the sentimen of those bodies concerning the Australian ballot system.

THE NEW SCALE.

President Welhe Arranging It in All the Iron and Steel Districts.

William Weihe, President of the Amalgamated Association, is now in the Wes attending to matters relative to the new scale. Yesterday he was in Bay View. Wis., and on Monday he will be in Chicago; from there, it is believed, he will return directly to this city, as he is expected about Wednesday. Secretary Martin says that the advance of 20 per cent applies to Joliet only for the present. The scale for the last year expired in December, and every locality will be attended to separately when the scale is being arranged, as no general conterence will be held. The advance in the scale is proposed to go into effect all over, and will be put into operation as soon as convenient. A number of steel manufacturers were seen in reference to this advance but did not express themselves very fully on the subject, and while they did not deny There is another Richmond in the field, and even though our natural ice supply fail few of them said that prices might be better.

GOING INTO THE FEDERATION.

The Musical Union Members Have Decided

to Reorganize. The Musical Mutual Protective Union of Allegheny county have made application to be admitted into the A. F. of L., and have arranged a meeting to-day at 136 Fifth avenue. It is now an independent trades union, being merely connected with the National Musical League of the United States. The embers of the Union have requested Mr. Dillon to be present, and organize them in

Mr. Wm. Rube is at present President of the association. It appears that the Musical Union has not had a very pleasant time of it since the trouble which occurred at the Grand Opera House a short time ago, and it will enter the Federation in hopes of securing additional strength. The union just now comprises a membership of about

Little Coal on the Move. Shipments of coal were rather small yesterday, showing no improvement over the preceding day. The Joseph Walton Coal Company sent out the Joe Walton, bound for Louisville. The shipment consisted of 14 barges. For the past 24 hours ice has been drifting down the Allegheny river, and it is now pretty thick near the Point. Coal men say, however, that there is not enough to interfere with shipments.

Cars Still Scarce. The coke trade continues in very good

condition, and it is reported as going along smoothly in every locality. There is still here and there a slight scarcity of cars, which occasionally delays shipments; but the number of cars is now more nearly equal to the demand than it was a few weeks

THE FEDERATION INCREASING.

Carriage and Wagon Makers Organize and Join That Body-About 250 in the Union -Mr. Dillon Makes an Enthusiasti

The carriage and wagon makers of Allegheny county held an important meeting last night in the hall, corner of Garrison alley and Liberty avenue, this city. The meeting was held for the purpose of organizing all workmen employed at those trades, which comprise carriage body build ers, painters, trimmers, blacksmiths and wheelwrights, and also all workmen embuilding trade. A previous meeting was held at the same place last night a week ago, and it was decided to call upon one of the organizers of the A. F. of L. and become initiated into that organization. As the result of that meeting a walking delegate promi-nent in labor circles called upon W. J. Dillon, secretary of the A. F. G. W. U., to have him organize and instruct them. At the meeting held a week ago fully 250 men signed a petition asking to be organized, and last night about 80 additional persons were present to add their names to the list. There are about 600 men altogether employed in this county in the wagon and carriage industry. About five years ago they formed a union called the Carriage and Wagon Makers' Union, but it was short lived. This time their effort to organize has started off with a rush, and the members feel very enthusiastic at the ides, and are confident that within a few weeks nearly every man employed at those trades will become a member of the union.

Mr. Dillon is one of the prominent men

the A. F. of L., and is one of their regular organizers. He opened the proceedings with a speech sesting forth the idea of the Federation, and explained to them many things necessary to bringing their efforts to a successful issue.

After routine business had been first ransacted they were regularly organized, and a sum of money appropriated with which to purchase books and other paraphernalia necessary to the proper transacion of business. A seal will be sent for and a number given them as soon as poss Officers were elected and installed, and Dillon made a closing address and wished them every success.

SOME MUSIC AHEAD.

The Difference Between President Compet and Tile Men Not Settled.

Though the difference between some of the dent Gompers are apparently settled for the owner to remedy the existing trouble.

An official notification was received yes rday to the effect that some of the officers of No. 3. Mosaic and Encaustic Tile Lavers America and of the National Associatio had left other unions in New York, and were not in good standing.

A charter was granted to some of these people by President Gompers to form a new union, and this is what produced the trouble. Local men of 2711 claim they will

CONCEDED THE TERMS.

not let the matter drop.

Only a Few Eastern Bottle Manufacturers Remain Obdurate. President Smith, of the Flint Glass

Workers' Union, received a telegram yesterday that Bridgeton, Poughkeepsie, Salem, Camden and Woodbury green bottle manufacturers, in the Eastern district, had conceded the union terms. The houses still out are Swindell and Baker, of Baltimore; Haggerty & Brookfield, of Brooklyn, and Hawley & Scranton.

President Smith said last night that the

are that work will soon be resumed at Haggerty & Brookfield's factory.

President William J. Smith, of the Flint A. No. 4907, K. of L.; George Schillinger, Workers' Union, returned from Fostoria L. A. No. 1374, K. of L.; August Kreil and last night, where he succeeded in having amicably settled the dispute in reference to a proper classification of ware in that dis-

NO PIRE PROOF PAINT.

Major McCandless Says That Such an Article Does Not Exist. Manager Jackson, of the Standard Underground Cable Company, in Friday's Dis-PATCH referred to the patentee of a fire retardant, a paint which, when applied to wood, seems to make it impossible for fire to burn any further than the actual point of contact. Mr. Jackson stated that the natentee approached him recently in New York and complained that the insurance companies discouraged his invention fearing that the people would cease to insure. Major Mc-Candless, of the Board of Underwriters said last evening that he knew of no such paint,

and that if there were any material for which the inventor claimed the property of withstanding fire, very little depender He said he was not a paint expert, but he had never yet seen paint which could dety the fiery element.

THE OLD AVENUE ASSAULT.

Due of the Accused Fintly Denies the Story

of Intention to Rob. Thomas Francis, one of the three men held to court in \$1,000 bail by Magistrate Gripp for the beating of an Italian named Tony Coreaun on Old avenue last Sunday night, secured bail and was released from jail at 7:30 o'clock last evening. He denies that the Italian was assaulted with a view to robberv. He says that he and his com-panions did not know the Italian, did not know that he was going to Italy soon, and had no idea that he had money, as was published at the time. Francis says that the Italian was intoxicated and began to quar rel with some women before he interiered. The Italian was not badly hurt, as he is out on the streets.

NEW BAILWAY GUIDE

A Pumphlet for Local Travelers Carefully Prepared.

Yesterday the official railway guide of Pittsburg and Allegheny was issued for the first time. It is prepared by Division Passenger Agent E. D. Smith, of the Baltimore and Ohio, E. M. Norton, of the Pennsylvania Company, and Percy F. Smith. The complete schedules of all the railroads centering in the two cities is given together with a full list of the hotels. It is issued in pamphlet form, and as is apparent on the surface is of great value to all travelers. The pamphlets are for tree distribution, and 5,000 will be prepared each

Trestie Fire at Verner.

An alarm of fire from station No. 2, Allegheny, was sent in at 3:40 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It was caused by a small fire on the trestle at the Porkhouse Mill, Verner station. The loss will amount to \$200. The origin is not known

jackets, all sizes, shapes and styles, at very HUGUS & HACKE MWF Don't Put It Off Until Too Late.

CLOSING out our remaining stock of

But have your photos taken, or bring the little ones, while in good health, to Au-frecht's "Elite" Gallery, 516 Market st., Pittaburg.

BLANKETS, blankets, blankets, now the time to buy; large assortment and prices greatly reduced. HUGUS & HACKE.

The Assistant Inspector Says They Ought to be Torn Down.

SOME LEGISLATION IS NEEDED.

Old Jackson Buildings at the Point and Along Water Street.

NO AUTHORITY TO COERCE THE OWNERS

Since the city has stood the siege of a very high wind within the last few weeks without losing anything beyond a few chimneys, the question has been raised, How many slim or insecure buildings are at present in the city? Assistant Building Inspector J. A. A. Brown was questioned on the subject yesterday and said regarding it: "Yes, there are many insecure buildings

in the city. I should say hundreds. They are distributed all over the older portions of the city, and although there is no immediate danger to life or adjacent property it is only a question of time when these buildings will crumble and fall. I shall guarantee that none of the recently-erected buildings are of the flimsy or Buddensick order of archi-tecture, for a close watch has been kept upon all recent constructions, and they are all in line with the provisions for public safety made in this bureau.

OLD JACKSON HOUSES.

Now in the Point district there is a num er of old Jackson frame houses, which have been standing ever since Pittsburg has been a city, and they are gradually settling down, which may occasion the proprietors to have a settling up with the heirs and survivors of any accident which might occur. There are undoubtedly a great many buildings in the city which should come down. There is Water street, for instance, and its extension out beyond the Baltimore and Ohio depot. It is full of old buildings which have no right to stand under the present order of

"Why do you not order them taken "There is the great difficulty. The powers of the Building Inspectors are not wide enough to cover their full duty to the community. We cannot in many cases reach the heirs of the old estates, who are living comfortably from the revenues derived from the rents of ramshackle buildings.

LEGISLATION NEEDED. "It needs further legislative action to con fer the proper powers on the Building In-spectors. As it is, all we can do is to act on the petition of two or more citizens who Though the difference between some of the members of the Marble and Slate Workers' and Tile Layers' Union No. 2711 and Presitive present act and ordinance, notify the present, some music is promised in the near | has five days' grace in which to appeal, as in the case of the Baltimore and Ohio build-ing, on the corner of Fifth avenue and Wood street, and then an arbitrator has to be appointed if the appeal is made. If no appeal comes in, we turn the case over to the Department of Public Works, which in due course will set its men to work to tear the buildings down. Our authority is so exceedingly limited that our hands are

virtually tied on these old buildings.
"There are, I can sately say, hundreds of buildings in this city which ought to come down, but are held up more by red tape than by the proper foundations of a secure building."

A FLOWER THAT FADED.

Rather Rough Experience of a Woman in Search of Her Husband-She Failed to Apprar in Court-No Money to Pay Her Car Fare-In Charge of Mr. Deau.

A young woman barely out of her teens, named Mary Jane Flower, told a pitiful story in Alderman P. B. Reilly's office yesterday. She stated that a few months ago she married Benjamin Flower, of Mansfield, in their domestic arrangements caused Benjamin to desert her. Though not feeling well Mrs. Flower stated that she went to work in a restaurant and remained there until unable longer to perform the service required, when she was forced to take

retuge in the County Home. At length it was suggested to her that her husband ought to take care of her, and she made an information, charging him with desertion. Mrs. Flower is not a woman of varied experience of the world, and was left an orphan at an early age to paddle her own cance in waters where her mental vision was somewhat circumscribed. In consequence she knew but little of legal matters, no could she recollect the name of the magistrate before whom she made the information. She was told to appear in court on Saturday and state her case. She had no money, and says the constable said she would be carried on the train free, or the Superintendent of

the County Home would arrange for passage, or something else; she seemed somewhat mixed on the subject herself. Yesterday morning Mrs. Flower appeared at the station, but the conductor had not been informed of any arrangement for the transportation and refused to allow her to ride. She was determined to get into court and so concluded to walk. She got to the Court House during the afternoon, but all she could learn was that court had adjourned, and some one directed her to Alder-

man Reilly's office.

Mr. Reilly sent a messenger to the jail, and he returned with the information that Mr. Flower was not there, and further, that he had not left his address. No one appearing against him the Court did not take cognizance of the allegation, and the case was dismissed. Mrs. Flower sought partial comfort in the ordinary woman's resource, and was turned over for the time being to the care of Mr. Dean.

BLANKETS MISSING.

An Agent of Edmundson & Perrine Charged

With Larceny by Bullee, Robert Short was committed to jail yeserday in default of bail for a hearing before Alderman McMasters on Wednesday on a charge of larceny by bailes, preferred by S. G. Waughter.

The information was made on behalf of nice park reserved. We keep every other Edmundson & Perrine, for whom the defendant acted as an agent. It is alleged he took away eight pairs of blankets, valued at \$72, for the purpose of selling them. He has failed, it is charged, to make any return or to restore the blankets to the owners.

to each person, and require no contract to improve. If you desire one of these lots or to restore the blankets to the owners.

The New Carpets Ready for You. An immense stock of body brussels, of the celebrated Bigelow, Hartford and Lowell makes, all new styles and colorings, can now be seen at 627 and 629 Penn avenue. Parties contemplating moving or refurnishing their houses this spring, should select carpets now and avoid the great rush in the begin-ning of April. The goods will be kept free of charge until you want them laid. EDWARD GROETZINGER.

That \$5 Overcoat.

How many \$5 overcoats do you suppose we sold on Saturday? 'Well, more than you had any idea of. Every one was delighted with them, and said they never ex-pected to get a good cassimere overcoat, with relvet collar, well made and lined, for \$5. We still have about 350 of them on hand, and to-morrow (Monday) you still have a chance to buy a good overcoat, worth from \$10 to \$13, for \$5, at the P. C. C. C., cor. Grant and Diamond sts., opp. the new Court

Until April Only. Fine cabinet photos, only \$1 per dos., of anybody, at Aufrecht's "Elite" Gallery,516 farket st., Pittsburg. Come early.

Cold Spell Good for Six Weeks, Anderson gas-saving burner; cheapest and

ELECTRIC HIGHWAYS.

New Scheme for the Country Roads-Hov to Get the Parmers Out of the Mud-Electric Railways Throughout the Back

While the cable car is so much superio o horse power that they cannot be named in the same day, there is a growing impres sion that the electric car is the one of the future. It is nonsensical to suppose that the objections now urged to poles and wires in the streets cannot be overcome, in part, at least, and the danger and obstruction be so minimized that it would not seriously interfere with any person's comfort either asthetic or substantial. The first advantage which is apparent to all, is the saving of cost on long lines, there being no heavy cable to hanl and to renew every nine months. But what has struck the public with the most force since the Pleasant Val-ley electric cars began to run, is that, in the first place, they have no grip to get fast on a cable and run amuck on the streets, carrying destruction and death in their career, and, secondly, if an accident delay the electric road, the cars are not fast to a cable whose speed cannot be accelerated The cars on the electric roads can be forced to make up lost time.

An engineer, in a communication to THE DISPATCH a few days since, proposed, in lieu of macadamized roads in the country, omething similar to street car tracks, having the spaces between the rails unpaved as at present. He argued that if the roads were not cut into ruts by the wheels of vehicles, rses could find tolerably good footing most Now, if this idea be adopted, and the iron

trade boomed to such an extent that iron makers might be induced to subscribe largey to the project, why not go further and run lectric cars on country roads? No grade should be heavier than those electric motors can overcome, and were they used on the rural roads they could always be kept in order, for horses need not be used at all on them except for pleasure driving, and there is none of that in bad weather. Cars for hauling country produce could be built as cheaply as farm wagons are, and they would carry three or four tons, whereas the wagon only carries one, and not that much when the roads are very bad. A farmer who wanted to send produce to market could telephone to have a car left on his siding, or on the nearest one o him, and could load it and send it away when prices suited him. Now, when prices are high, he cannot get his stuff to market, and when the roads become good enough to

use the market is glutted and he must take just what he can get.

There is nothing chimerical about a project to have electric railways on all main highways. The power on the water courses that is running to waste could be made to supply the electric fluid just as it is furnished to light the streets in Beaver

A MYSTERY EXPLODED.

Jefferson County, Chio, Has Got the Petro-

leum Fever Badly. The following statement made by J. C. Bidwell, a gentleman in this city, would indicate that monkeys have been working the Buckeyes on our border:

"The well on the Kaminsky farm, on Rush run, Jefferson county, O., on which the drilling was suddenly stopped a short time ago, and the hole declared dry, was quite a mystery, which was increased by the haste and excitement at the time of plug-ging. Since then it has leaked out through some of those who know all about it, that there was plenty of oil found there.
"This locality is in the direct line of the 24c fancy border Handkerchiefs will go fo Turkeyfoot development.'

RELATED IN DEATH.

Sisters-in-Law Die, Nearly at the Sam Time, of Pneumonia. On Friday night the wife of Fred Pifer. of Baker street, in the Eighteenth ward, died of acute pneumonia, resulting from the grip. Two hours later the wife of Jacob the grip. Two hours later the wife of the Pifer, a brother, living on the same street, died of the same disease.

High School Re-Examination

The preliminary re-examination for ad-

mission to the High School will begin on

Monday morning at 9 o'clock in the High School rooms. There are about 12 pupils who are entitled to a re-examination, some by reason of unavoidable absence from the regular examination, others through the percentage made at that time.

THREE COUNTS QUASHED. intendent Powers Won't be Tried for Manslaughter. Judge Slagle vesterday handed down a de cision quashing three counts in the indictment against E. P. Powers, who was superintendent of the coal mines at Tom's Run, last May when four men were killed by an explosion. Powers was indicted for criminal negligence in not complying with the mine act of 1885, and

The counts of manslaughter were quashed by Judge Slagle, but that of criminal negligence was allowed to stand. An application was filed yesterday for charter for the St. Andrew's Catholic Light Infantry, a body of citizen soldiery. The di rectors of the infantry are E. C. Behe, Peter Burns, John Dun, W. H. Lamgan, James Frost, John Nagle, John Quinn, C. J. Sullivan Edward Dillon, Joseph Jacobs, Lawrence Han-non, J. F. Quirk, Daniel Mack, M. J. McNa mara and Daniel Neville.

mara and Daniel Neville. An application was also filed for a charter for the United Daughters of Israel, a female beneficial order. The trustees are Dora Gross, Rachel Wilhowsiz, Julia Goodman, Sarah Jacobson and Amalia Hyman.

AS GOOD AS GOLD. Two Hundred Lots Near Denver, Col., Free Desiring to attract universal attention, we have adopted this novel and expensive method of placing our property before the

The lots we are giving away are in Plainfield, a new suburban addition on the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad, only a few minutes' ride from the Union depot at These lots are 25x125 feet, wide streets, and

lot that is given away will be worth \$100 in less than 18 months. We give only one lot cents for postage, and we will mail you deed at once. Address Plainfield Addition Com-pany, Castle Rock, Col. Excursion to Washington City.

sion tickets to Washington, good to visit Battimore, limited to 10 days, on Thursday, January 30, at rate of \$9. Call at city ticket office, Fifth avenue and Wood street, early to secure seats in parlor car and berths in sleeping car. Trains leave 8 A. M. and 9:20 LACE CURTAINS-New spring stock will

The Baltimore and Ohio will sell excur-

be opened this week. Heavy curtains and portiers at reduced prices to close. HUGUS & HACKE. MWF CABINET photos \$1 per dozen, prompt deivery. Crayons, etc., at low prices.

LIES' GALLERY,

10 and 12 Sixth st. You will be well pleased if you make use of the Iron City Brewing Co.'s ale and beer. Competent judges pronounce them the leading brews. All dealers keep them.

Anderson gas-saving burner; cheapest and

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ale and beer are the proper drinks for this season. Telephone 5525. Wsu

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

hen it directs you to where Goods can be purchased at such prices as will keep you stylishly and exceedingly well dressed without crippling your moderate resources.

Call attention to-day to the bargains they will offer every day this week. Monday, February 3 we will commence our annual stock-taking, and in order to reduce our stock to the smallest possible dimensions, and to lighten our labors as much as possible, we offer the following goods at the undermentioned prices. Many a dollar will be saved by those taking advantage of

our offers.

Men's \$10 Overcoats will go for \$6. Men's \$12 Overcoats will go for \$8. Men's \$15 Overcoats will go for \$10, Men's \$18 Overcoats will go for \$12. Men's \$20 Overcoats will go for \$14. Men's \$22 Overcoats will go for \$15.

Men's \$10 Suits will go for \$7. Men's \$12 Suits will go for \$8. Men's \$15 Suits will go for \$10. Men's \$18 Suits will go for \$12. Men's \$20 Suits will go for \$14. Men's \$22 Suits will go for \$15. Men's \$1 50 Pants will go for 98c

Men's \$8 Suits will go for \$5.

Men's \$9 Suits will go for \$6.

Men's \$2 25 Pants will go for \$1 50. Men's all-wool Pants will go for \$1 90. Men's \$3 all-wool Pants will go for \$2 25. Men's \$3 50 Pants will go for \$2 50. Men's \$4 25 Pants will go for \$3. Men's \$5 Pants will go for \$3 50. Men's \$6 Pants will go for \$4. Men's \$7 Pants will go for \$5.

Children's Overcoats as low as 69c. Children's \$1 50 Overcoats will go for \$98e, Children's \$2 Overcoats will go for \$1 25. Children's \$2 25 Overcoats will go for \$1 50. Children's \$3 Overcoats will go for \$2. Children's \$4 Overcoats will go for \$3.

Boys' \$5 Overcoats will go for \$3 50. Boys' \$6 Overcoats will go for \$4. Boys' \$8 Overcoats will go for \$6. Boys' \$12 Overcoats will go for \$8. Boys' \$5 Suits will go for \$3. Boys' \$6 Suits will go for \$4. Boys' \$8 Suits will go for \$6. Boys' \$10 Suits will go for \$7.

Children's \$2 Suits will go for \$1 25. Children's \$2 50 Suits will go for \$1 50. Children's \$3 Suits will go for \$1 75. Children's \$3 50 Suits will go for \$2 25. Children's \$4 Suits will go for \$2 75. Children's \$5 Suits will go for \$3 50. Children's \$6 Suits will go for \$4 50. Children's Pants, 29c, 39c, 48c, 59c, 69c, 75c, Boys' Pants, 98c, \$1 25, \$1 50, \$1 75, \$2.

49c white or fancy S. or D. will go for 34c.

69e plain color S. or D. will go for 49e.

89c fancy stripe S. or D. will go for 63c.

99c natural wool S. or S. will go for 74c.

Children's 17c Stockings will go for 13c.

Children's 21c Stockings will go for 13c.

Children's 35c Stockings will go for 24c.

Children's 50c Stockings will go for 34c.

74c white Wool Mufflers will go for 49c.

\$1 24 white Silk Mufflers will go for 89c.

99c white Silk Mufflers will go for 74c.

\$1 10 all-wool S. or D. will go for 89c.

\$1 39 all-wool S. or D. will go for 99c.

Any of 'Em Can be Ordered by Mail.

Men's 98c Fur Caps will go for 49c. Men's \$1 25 Fur Turbans will go for 69c. Men's \$3 Seal Caps will go for \$1 49. Men's 59c Jersey Caps will go for 29c. Men's 49c Cassimere Caps will go for 29c. Men's 65c Scotch Caps will go for 34c.

Calldren's 39c Caps will go for 24c. Children's 65c Caps will go for 39c. Children's 75c Caps will go for 49c. Boys' 49c Caps will go for 29c. Boys' 74c Caps will go for 39c. Boys' 84c Caps will go for 49c. Boys' 98c Caps will go for 69c. Boys' Steamer Caps from 19c up.

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50c Flannellette Waists will go for 36c.

\$2 49 Star Waists will go for \$1 89.

\$3 Fur Gauntlets will go for \$1 98.

\$1 39 white Silk Mufflers will go for 99c. Men's Cloth Gloves reduced to 14c. Men's knit top Working Gloves cut to

Men's Kid Dress Gloves reduced to 49c. Men's English Kid Gloves reduced to Men's 98c Dress Shirts will go for 74c. Fancy stripe Merino Socks cut from 50c to

EQUALLY GREAT BARGAINS IN FOOTWEAR.

We're determined to push this sale this week for all that's in it. The offerings are bona fide and the bargains are as great, if not actually greater than any we've offered before, and certainly away and beyond what any other dealer in this city has the nerve and grit to give the public. We have a big stock, and we have been in business long enough to know that there is but one way to reduce it, and that is to cut prices to

Don't Put Off! Delays Are Dangerous!

AND REMEMBER

THE CHILD CAN BUY AS CHEAPLY AS THE PARENT.

ORDERS BY MAIL PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

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IMPORTANT. This is positively the last week for us receiving drawings for our Grand Prize Competition. Let the children send in

AN INJUNCTION GRANTED.

lames Herdman Not Allowed to Use the Gregg Party Wall. David and Mary M. Gregg yesterday filed a bill in equity against James Herdman, asking

for an injunction to restrain him for using a party wall between their properties. Nos. 431 and 433 Wood street. It was stated that the old party wall between the buildings was so injured by the Willey building disaster that it had to be torn down. The Greggs erected a new building, putting up a good party wall.

They paid for the wall, and now that Mr. Herdman wants to use it in repairing and altering his old building, they ask that he be restrained until he pays his share of the cost of the new wall. The injunction was granted.

CHANGE IN MAKE-UP.

CLASSIFIED **ADVERTISEMENTS**

The Wants, For Sales, To

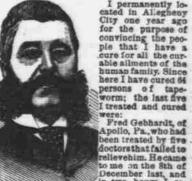
That heretofore appeared on this page of THE DISPATCH will be found on the Eleventh Page, in the Second Part of

this issue.

Lets, Business Chances, Auction Sales, etc., are placed under their usual headings on the Eleventh Page. Advertisements handed in too late lives REMEMBER that Z. Wainwright & Co.'s for Classification will be equal in your family. Send stamp for circular to DR. BURGOON. wan found on the Sixth Page.

their work certainly not later than Saturday next. SEEING IS BELIEVING

And we have got them. 64 Tape Worms taken in 52 weeks. Influenza or "La Grippe" cured without fail.



On the same day came a lady who had taken 14 doses for tapeworm, but all failed. I cured her in a few hours. On December 15 I treated Chas. Lampus and a small child of Mrs. Gross, of Spring Garden ave, Allegheny, for tapeworm, being successful in both cases; and on December 25 I removed a large tapeworm from Charles Maeder, of Bennett station, Pa. They will all testify to the mildness of my treatment. In reference to the bead of a tapeworm I will state that it is no cure unless the head is removed. Come to my office and I will show you hundreds that I have removed, head and On the same day came a lady who had taken 14 you hundreds that I have removed, head and all. Since I am here I have cured hundreds of cases of catarth, stomach, kidney and liver troubles, and many of rheumatism, falling fits, paralysis, eczema, hemorrhoids and secret diseases. I also cure cancer without the aid of butter.

knife.

My remedies are 10 in number, and will become standard family medicines whenever they are given a trial. One especially I call your attention to. That is my SYSTEM RENOVATOR, a combination of 19 different roots and herbs that work in harmony on the human system and lay a foundation for the cure of all chronic diseases, and will cure seven cases out of ten of them. Call for Dr. Burgoon's System Renovator at all drug stores. If they have not got it send to 47 Ohio st., Allegheny, Pa., for it, and you will save money, suffering and your lives.