

Society has been occupied, a portion of the time, anyway, since the advent of the Easter bonnets, in making itself immortal by the skill of the photographer. It is wonderful what an inspiration for that kind of immortality a charmingly becoming creation of lace and flowers placed upon the head is to the average woman,—and man, even man is not exempt from a desire to perpetuate the beauty of his own noble countenance when crowned with a natty spring hat, at least, so one of their number told me during the week who is quite as reliable as any of them are.

Yes, with the doming of pretty spring clothing and the accompanying headgear by hu-

ing and the accompanying headgear by hu-manity . . large, the photographer enjoys a boom and has the double pleasure of raking in the ducats and turning out extremely fetching pictures. Some exquisite cabinets, two-thirds and full length likenesses of society belies and gay gallants that appear in the fashionable artists' parlors this spring testify to the truth of the preceding statements.

The beiles and gallants do not hold full sway in the studios either, their respected parents are there and their little brothers and sisters. are there and their little prothers and sisters, in fact, whole families individually and collectively beam upon the observer, and not the least attractive of them all is the little tot, who, smothered in laces and silks, or minus an abundance of either, is, by the instantaneous process, taken in various childush positions,

with various pleasing expressions.

Abropos of this what a remarkably long stride in the advancement of the phiotographic art has been taken in the last few years! Conart has been taken in the last few years! Contrast the beautiful pictures taken at the present time in all sorts of graceful and artistic positions and bright, animated expressions, with the marryred style of not long ago. What a cariosity a libyear-old picture of ourselves is to be sure. How we hold our breath and wonder as we gane at such a likeness of ourselves if we ever were guilty of looking as peculiar, to put it mildly, as the picture indicates. And the saudest part of it is, we were, but we have the consolation of knowing that, in all probability, at the time the picture was taken we were considered quite stylish. In looking through an album of rather oldish pictures it behooves one, especially if a stranger, to be exceedingly guarded in their remarks or it may happen as it did the other day, tunch to a young lady's annoyance and the embarrassment of her hostess, that the host becomes the subject of ridicule.

Croquet! Apparently everyone is going to play it this summer, and the partner who never makes an arch, except by pure akwardness, will be equally as unpopular as the one who never misses it. They both have ample opportunity during the season, however, judging from the demand for croquet sets, of rendering from the demand for croquet sets, of rendering wildly furious with chagrin or despair the mediumly scientific player, who is by all odds the most agreeable partner. And what lovely sets will be used in the battlefield of croquet, regular professional sets with patent index handles to the nine-inch mallets. Dealers say they have never carried such exquisite and expensive sets as they will carry this summer. The demand for them comes principally from the suburban towns, where extensive lawns permit the indulgence of the game.

Lawn tenuis will not suffer by the resurrection of croquet, but will be played equally as much as it has been for the past few seasons, as the rage for outdoor sports is on the increase among both ladies and gentlemen.

Speculation is rife as to what particular costume will be adopted by the croquet players, and as to whether or not it will be especially identified with that game or will serve lawn dentified with that game or will serve lawn entits, too. The resurrected game admits of more dressy, though probably not more effectfive, dressing than lawn tennis does, and the advocates of the pastime will undoubtedry recognize in that fact an additional charm to the game and take advantage of ; THORNE BRANCH.

# DAINTY LITTLE COOKS.

#### A Pleasant Time at the Closing Exercises Miss Ballen's School. "Custard pie! Don't it look delicious

though?" "See that dainty cake?" "Oh, look at the ginger snaps!" "Isn't that fish baked Such and numerous similar remarks were

current in the kitchen of the Grant street schoolhouse yesterday afternoon, prompted by the tempting display of luscious viands which testified to the skill of the pupils of Miss Ballou's cooking class which graduated at that me. The room was crowded with the mothers, sis-

The room was crowded with the mothers, sisters, aunts and teachers of the petite cooks, and a goodly number of public men, who believe the welfare of the nation depends upon its cooks, were also present. Each little cook by lisking a loaf of bread all by her ione self competed for a prize offered by Mr. Charles Beisfar, the Secretary of the Central Board, to be given to the best bread-maker. The judges who rendered the important decision regarding the staff of life were Misses Mary Anderson and Mattle Hepkins and Mr. W. S. Brown.

It was facetiously remarked by Sheriff McCandless that if there was any Brown bread among the loaves that if was probably made out of a little faded flour, but in spite of such an unkind and unseemly pun upon that gentlean unkind and unseemly pun upon that gentle-man's name coupled with many others which rom all quarters of the room, he assailed him from all quarters of the room, he assisted the ladies quite materially in making the all important decision by throwing his whole weight upon one loaf of bread and he was voted as great a success as a bread in-Miss Cora Waters was the fortunate one

whose bread was pronounced the best, and Misses Maizy and Ada McCutcheon received

honorable mention.

Superintendent Luckey announced that Sheriff McCandless would make the presentation speech, and Mr. G. F. Muller, of the Bulletta, would accept the prize for the price-less girl who secured it. Mr. McCandless, with apparent satisfaction, corrected the Superintendent of the Public Schools by saying he did not present the prize; that the honor belonged to Mr. Reisfar, who for some incomprehensible reason desired him to make the presentation speech, which he proceeded to make in a happy manner. And simultaneously with the bestowal of the prize, which was a handsome shopping bag, containing a purse and kerchef. showal of the prize, which was a handsome shopping bag, containing a purse and kercinef, upon the little winner, he informed the remainder of the class that Mr. Reisfar was sorry that he could not present them all with the same, but the speaker, on his own reliability, said the gentleman's finances would not permit the induigence of his generous impulses.

Mr. Muller, when called upon to accept the gift for the little tot, whether from force of association or the weight of the speech be had composed, succeeded immediately in making pie—fall down from the luncheon table. With undisturbed equanimity he told the listeners that Mr. Luckey had asked of mm a very difficult task—that of placing himself in the position of a little girl who had baked a lovely loaf of bread and taken a prize for it and wished to express her joy and happiness at her success. As he never had been a little girl, and never expected to be one he was not real sure he could express the feelings that would exist under such circumstances. The gentleman successed however girl, and never expected to be one he was not real sure he could express the feelings that would exist under such circumstances. The gentleman succeeded, however, very nicely, and said there were two kinds of loafers and two kinds of white caps, and one of each kind he was especially fond of. Not the loafer who loafed on the corner, but the one who loafed in the pantry, and the white cap which would hang up all sour, heavy bread and supply the delicate, freeh article. In concluding his speech he referred to the scriptural motto about casting your bread upon the water, and said instead of that he would cast the prize upon Miss Water, after which the diplomas were granted and the little girl who received the prize was placed upon a table so that all might have a glimpse of her.

Then the exercises of the afternoon closed with a general sampling of all the appetizing danties that were so prettily arranged upon the showy-covered tables and represented the labor of the graduating class, which consisted of the following maidens: Carrie Blumberg, Neille Barry, Minnie Camp, Jeanie M. Campbell, Ella Duff, Mary Driscoll, Annie M. Horn, Edith E. McGhee, Sadie McElroy, Edna B. Rose, Annie Bamuels, Beckie Shenkan, Emma M. Selbert, Cora M. Watera, Louisa Wasmuth, Stella H. Campbell, Vagis McV. McCready, Leonora Haberman, Ida E. Jacobs, Maggie V. Long, Kate M. Lepper, Kutie D. Resehart, Bertha Viercek, Sadie J. Williams, Lulu C. Meaner, Minnie Burback, Katie B. Abrams, Annie Claney, Alice H. Ford, Mary A. Heighly, Katie Kemmir, Sadie J. Kennedy, Eliza Martin, Jenne McCready, Ollie Nobbs, Laura A. Page, Amelia Behaefer, Mand A. Shea, Minnie J. Stewart, Luia Dougherty, Mary C. Gerghty, Agues C. Murdoch, Ada M. McCutcheon, Kittle McCartay, Gertrude Speaker, Millie Strauss, Car-

rie Schutz, Sadie Trorello, Mazie Cuddy, Katte Houstmayer, Katie Kauffield, Sadie Monroe, Nellie Reit, Bessie Smith, Mary E. Schurahn, Lucy Simmons, May Simmons, Bertha E. Stone, Tillie C. Skelton, Maggie Trufel, Lizzle Winne.

Pupils from the Howard, Lincoin, Sterrett, Liberty, Homewood, Mt. Washington, Monongaleh and Oakland schools will form a new class, which will begin its work to-morrow.

OUR OCEAN SUBURB. Atlantic City Will be More Attractive This

Season Than Ever Before. The thousands of visitors from Pittsburg to Atlantic City this season will find the seaside haven of rest more attractive than ever before. It has been considerably shaken up by storm since Pittsburgers last saw it, but the improvements the waves damaged are being re-placed by better ones. A new board walk is being built along the beach extending from the Inlet to Excursion House, and will in time be extended further. The new walk is built from 6 to 8 feet higher and from 8 feet to 15 feet further out on the beach than the old one which was destroyed by the storm. The new walk is 24 feet wide with railings on both sides, and when finished will extend seven miles in

and when finished will extend soven miles in length along the beach. Nothing will be allowed built on the ocean side excepting, of course, extensions with seats for rests. All the houses and places of amusements are being moved up to the new walk.

The season has already opened up to a certain extent. Easter brought in 40,000 people to the city, among the number being Coroner Heber McDowell, Prof. Carl Retter and family, of Pittsburg; Dr. E. T. White, of Allogheny City, and W. C. Finley, of Duquesne, The steamboat connections between Atlantic City and surrounding points of interest have been opened up and are gladly welcomed by those visiting the city.

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The visitors to Atlantic City this summer will enjoy a class of music not obtainable heretofore. Mesers. Schlecht and Wehrer, two enterprising men, have secured the fine band, led and directed by Harry Wannemacher, for the entire season. Morning, afternoon and evening concerts will be given at "Inlet" and "Schaufflee's Garden." Mr. Wannemacher has composed a new march called "Inlet," dedicated to Mesers. Schlecht and Wehrer. He is also arranging "The Gondoliers" especially for Atlantic City.

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"Our friend Higgins" is remodeling and painting up his quarters like new. Mr. Shaner can be seen at all hours with the same genial, jovial "altogether" smile as in the past.

The "groperty owners along Ocean avenue have made arrangements for putting it in order prior to turning it over to the city. Heretofore the avenue has not been under the jurisdiction of the city. Down at the iniet where everything was torn up by the storm you will find everything rebuilt and in better shape if anything than before.

Messrs, Davis and Jones have purchased the United States Hotel and are remodeling it. The Mansion House has been overhauled and newly equipped throughout.

Quite a number of the avenues are being paved with "vitrified paving blocks" which it michs pay the Councils of Pittsburg to investigate.

The Sea View Excursion House has been remodeled and repainted. The store of J. H. Cauavan, who is established at 1222 Atlantic avenue in the wholesale and retail cigars and eco businesa, is always a great stopping place for Pittsburgers.

## Events of Social Interest.

The Colossean club gave a select party last Monday evening at the West End Rink, which was largely attended and very enjoyable. On Thursday evening, April 17, Mrs. Anna Morrison held a reception at her residence on Thirty-ninth street, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morrison, nee Miss Fannie E. Leech. Miss Hannah Gilder, of Wylie avenue, entertained a number of her friends Friday evening, in honor of her cousin, Miss Rosa Sickles, of Philadelphia. Covers were laid for 30 coupies and a very delightful evening was spent.

Avenue Euchre Club on last Tuesday evening at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Charles A. O'Brien, Mt. Washington. The young hostess entertained very gracefully, and a delightful time was had. The head prizes were won by Mrs. Harry Neely and Mr. William B. Broe.

The Young Men's Pleasure Club, of the Thirty-first ward, will celebrate their first anniversary April 25. The President, Mr. Frank niversary April 25. The Fresident, St. Frank Thomas, will give a speech appropriate to the eccasion, and Mr. Harry Davis, the Grand Marshal, will entertain the club with a few hu-merous selections, after which the club will merous selections, after whi have a good time in general. The Liberty Social and Literary Society met Thursday evening at the residence of G. A.

Douglass. There being about 15 couples presprogramme, rendered by some of the members resent, and refreshments served, they adourned to meet on next Friday evening. The Golden Circle Literary Society held its regular meeting, Friday evening, April 18, and estalled the following officers for the next Mr. John K. Henry, President; Mr.

John W. Phillips, Vice President; Mr. John John W. Palings, vice President; all. John R. Speelman, Secretary; Mr. Evan M. Roberts, Assistant Secretary; Mr. Roberts, Judge; Messrs, Treasurer; Mr. David Roberts, Judge; Messrs, Chester H. Early and David J. Davis, Critics, and Eddie Coslett, Elwood Swyers and Robert Rossell, Programme Committee. On Friday ovening a Demorest gold medal

ontest was held in the parlors of Miss Milly futell. Recitations and readings well rendered. terspersed with choice music, were the enjoy interspersed with choice music, were the enjoy-able features of the evening. The judges awarded the beautiful medal to Miss Adela Duniap, out of eight contestants, who is a pupil of Observatory Hill Public School. During the last 15 months Miss Tutell has dis-tributed 38 Demorest silver medals and three Demorest gold medals among pupils attending the various public schools of Allegheny City. On Tuesday a surprise party was tendered grandchildren and great-grandchildren, the occasion being her 74th birthday. Mrs. Davis has been a resident of Etna for 45 years, and has been a resident of Etna for 45 years, and is well liked by all her friends. She received many useful presents. Among those present were Mrs. Maria Appleton and family, Mrs. Jane Baker and family, Mrs. Ada Moore and family, Mrs. D. Walker and son, Mrs. George Kile and family, Mrs. James Hawkins and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Davis, Jr., and family, and Mr. and Mrs. William Appleton and little daughter, Elzie.

An entertainment under the auspices of the A. O. U. W. was given on Wednesday evening in the Union Veteran Legion Hall, Sixth avenne. The entire entertainment was thoroughly nne. The entire entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience assembled. The programme, which consisted in vocal and instrumental selections as well as recitations, was given under the direction of Mr. Simeon Bissell, The performers were as follows: Misses Carrie Terrant, Nannie Hammer, Tille Mackintosh, Emma Woelfel, Annie Orr, Bianca DeRoy, Mrs. Sadie DeRoy-Koch, Mrs. Alice Godfrey, Misses Bertha Moore, Hannah Baxter, Alice Wisses Bertha Moore, Hannah Baxter, Alice Misses Bertha Moore, Hannah Baxter, Alma Krueger, Hattle Nichol; also Messrs. S. Bissell and David T. Moore. Addresses were made by Mr. John Spratt and Prof. William Ford.

Miss Nellie Walters, of Favette street, Allegheny, gave a very charming musicale on Tues-day evening in honor of her friend, Miss Irene day evening in bonor of her friend, Miss Irene Mertz, of Chicago. An excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music was rendered. Some very talented artists were present, among whem were Misses Minnie Welker, Fredie Semple, Emma Murdoch, Jennie Reese, Alice Walker, Isabella Walters, Marie Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Soott, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley, Messrs. Leo Hoffman, Ralph Whiting, Frank Walker, Alex Murdoch, Albert Christy, Harry Jack, J. L. Fleming. After a very pleasing programme a delicious lunch was served, and the remainder of the evening devoted to dancing. voted to dancing.

## Bits of Personal Gossip. Miss Hannah Gelder is entertaining he cousin, Miss Rose Sickles, of Philadelphia.

David Ford Henry, Jr., has returned to St. Luke's Academy, Philadelphia, after his Easter vacation at home.

Mrs. W. L. Foulk, Jr., left for her home in Somerset county to spend a few days with her parents and celebrate her birthday with her many friends.

Miss Lizzie Malady, of Cliff street, city, who as just completed her studies in voice culture inder Professor Deralph, of New York City, will arrive home to Dr. R. K. Fleming and bride, formerly Miss Lazzie Jilbson, have returned from their wed-ding trip and will be "at home" to friends on Thursdays during May at their cozy lattle home, corner of River avenue and Station street, in the New York the East End.

Ex-Mayor James P. Kenney, of Reading, Pa., is in the city calling upon his political, social and fraternal friends. Mr. Kenney is decoming quite prominent in the western part of the State. He is a public reader and uses

Mr. and Mrs. James Hayes, of Jefferson City left during the week for their home, after spending a short time with relatives in the village.

The young ladies' Monday afternoon reading class, under the direction of Miss Sterling and known as the M. T. S., adjourned last Monday afternoon until the fall. These fair "knowledge seekers" have made ancient and modern Mexico their study during the winter. Miss Sterling gave a very informal and exceedingly pleasant reception to the "M. T. S." last Friday evening from 8 to 11. This was the only meeting of the "M. T. S." since its organition that the sterner sex were permitted to at-

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cunningham, on last Monday evening, gave one of the most pleasant little entertainments ever given in Sewickley. The first part of the evening was passed in listening to a very pleasant musicale in which Mrs. James Hayes, of Jefferson City, Mr. and Mrs. William Adair, Mrs. R. J. Cunningham, Mr. W. W. Whitesell, and Mr. Arthur Nevin took part. After the musicale, progressive euchre was in order, and while dainty refreshments were being served, the prizes, a Doulton pitcher, a pair of whist counters, a miniature spinning wheel and an ash tray, were awarded to Mrs. M. B. Cochrane. Mr. Lipp, Miss Blair, and Mr. M. B. Cochrane.

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and Mr. M. B. Cochrane.

Choral Hall has seldom held a larger audience than was gathered there last Thursday evening, the occasion being "Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works," for the benefit of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The ladies who had charge of the entertainment are certainly to be congratulated upon their success, both artistically and financially. They were fortunate in their selection of Mrs. George Gormly for Mrs. Jarley's assistant. Lattle Neil, George and Peter were excellently personated by Miss Daisy Miller, Mr. W. W. Cunningham and Mr. Colin Reed. It would be impossible to say that any one of the figures was better than another; they were all excellent. They were divided into three groups, the first consisting of "Lord Lovel and Nancy Bell," personated by Mr. Frank Osburn and Mrs. Collin Reed. "Queen Elizabeth and Sir Walter Raleigh," Mrs. H. J. Chuningham and Mr. J. Tate; "Lady Macbeth," Miss Lon Osburn; "Maid of Athens and Lord Byron," Miss Bessie Anderson and Mr. R. R. Miller; "Queen Eleanor and Fair Rosamond," Miss Anna Graff and Miss Detweiler; "Confucina," Mr. Harry Richardson; "Richard the Lion Hearted and Biondel," Mr. J. R. Gilmore and Dr. Collord White.

Group second—"Mother Goose and Jack," Miss Lily Nevin and Mr. George Whitesell; "Alonzo the Brave, Imogene the Fair and Ghost," Mr. Dore Nevin, Miss Love and Mr. H. Biair; "Drummer Boy," Mr. Fred Irwin; "Blue Beard and Victim," Mr. Will Mudie and Miss Blair; "Oid Woman in Basket," Miss Anderson; "Tom, the Piper's Son, and Sweetheart, Dolly," Mr. Tom Standish and Miss Porter; Group third—"World's Fair, Chicago and New York," Mrs. H. Blair and Miss Cunningham; "Captain Kidd," Mr. Gilbert Hayes; "Lone Fisherman," Mr. Carpenter. The programme was interspersed by the Osburn Orchestra, Mrs. Tener, Miss Gaston, Mr. R. J. Cunningham and Mr. William Adair.

## GOSSIP OF THE GUARDS.

Ar the banquet of the Loyal Legion in Philadelphia last week, a number of officers of the National Guard appeared in full uniform. CAPTAIN JAMES H GAGERY well known in this city, has opened a recruiting rendezvous at Altoona, for the benefit of military aspirants in that vicinity.

COMPANY H, Eighteenth Regiment, held a reception at Verona last Friday night. Quite a number of the members of the company live T. J. Reneker and Thomas Letzkus were

unanimously elected to the positions of Second Lieutenant of companies H and F of the Eighteenth Regiment last week. SIX companies of the Fourteenth Regiment have been measured for new uniforms, which are expected to be ready in time for the spring inspections. Companies A and B have already been well provided for.

THE company commanders who have not already received their annual allowances for last year will get them this week. The checks also for the rent warrants and rifle practice funds were signed last Friday, and are now on the way down through the regular channels. EX-QUARTERMASTER ROBERT PATTERSON, ormerly of the Fourteenth Regiment, has en-

isted in Battery B, and Captain Hunt proposes making him Ordnance Sergeant in place of Sergeant Johnson, who is now holding that position. Mr. Patterson is an excellent rifle-man, and will probably be on the Battery's team this serven. BEIGADE commanders have received instrucions to have the different organizations in

their commands turn in all old 50-caliber guns and ammunition now on hand. The entire division will be completely equipped with 45-caliber rifies before next camp. It has been decided to hold the old guns and ammunition in stock at the State Arsenal for any emergency that should arise. ADJUTANT GENERAL HASTINGS does not favor the idea of allowing but five days' pay for the men at camp, as he thinks a number of

them will not stay through the entire tour of ent they proceeded to elect the following officers: D. M. Bryar, President; Miss Lizzie

Comir, Vice President; F. M. Pratt, Treasurer, and G. A. Dourlass, Secretary. After a select On January 1 there were 164,000 rounds of 45caliber ball cartridges in the arsenal at Harris-burg and 145,000 rounds of blanks. During the purg and iss,000 rounds of blanks. During the past week all but 20,000 rounds of the ball cartridges were sent out to the various organizations in the division. The allowance this year for target practice is 1,000 rounds per company and 500 for each headquarters use. Companies desiring more than this quantity cannot be accommodated until late in the fall.

AT the Mt. Gretna encampment this sumner, the Second Brigade will occupy the ground held by the First Brigade three years ago. It is down near the entrance of the Coleman Park in a portion of the grove, and is undoubtedly the most beautiful position that could be gotten. In addition to this the regular contingotten. In addition to this the regular contingent, consisting of four companies of infantry, two troops of cavalry, and three light batteries, will be stationed just adjoining the Second, so that it is probable that most of the visitors and excursionists will be hanging around the boys from this end of the State all the time. The First Brigade will be stationed near where the Second was last time, and the Third Brigade will be on the rifle range ground. This will give plenty of room for drill purposes, and the general area of the camp will be much larger. COLONEL L. A. WATRES, Division Inspector of Rifle Practice, issued a circular vesterday, in reference to the coming season of target practice. The season opens May L and closes November 8. The most important point is that pereafter every officer and enlisted man in the fereafter every omeer and constead man in the Guard, excepting those of organizations not armed with rifles, must practice on the range, and a company desiring to draw the State com-mutation for rifle practice must practice at least 40 of its members instead of 25, the num-ber heretofore allowed. Company commanders are required to oversee personally the conduct of their men while on the range, and an inructor should be detailed in each organiza-on. Blunt's Manual of Rifle Practice has onen adopted as the standard for detailed in-pernation, and all empty shells must be returned to the State Arsenal, or future requisitions for ammunition will not be hono

AT the meeting of the Second Brigade Ex-amining Board last Friday night, 40 applicants for commissions were put through the "mill." Of the number the Fourteenth Regiment had three and the Eighteenth had IL It is pretty generally understood that most of the appliants were passed. The case which will probcants were passed. The case which will probably cause mest friction is that of J. R. Jackson, of the Fourteenth Regiment. Mr. Jackson's Johnstown affairs were brought up before
the board by Captain Murdock, also the questionable decision as to whether Mr. Jackson
had ever been elected to the commission of
Captain or not. Mr. Jackson appeared before
beard at the instance of Adjutant Robb, of the
Fourteenth, who, in his professional capacity
as an attorney at law, has decided that it does
not require a majority of the members of a as an actorney at raw, has decided that it does not require a majority of the members of a company to be present at an election. Mr. Robb's opinion on this subject is u direct oppo-sition to the State code and the decisions from the Adjutant General's office.

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BIJOU THEATER ...... 'The Corsican Brothers' WORLD'S MUSEUM ...... Curiosities, Etc. The above are the theatrical attractions for

An interesting grogramme is laid out for the theaters this week. Mr. Mantell, an actor of sterling qualities is to give us the almost classical drama, "The Corsican Brothers," and a novelty in "Montbars" at the Bijon Theater, while at the Grand Opera House Thomas W. while at the Grand Opera House Thomas W. Keene will appear in a repertoire of legitimate plays, including "Louis XI," "Richard III." and "The Merchant of Venice." So that anyone may safely patronize either of the leading houses.

A melodrama of a pretty lurid sort, "Lost in New York"—there are so many of these "Losts" that it grows confusing—will be on tap at Harris' Theater, and at the Academy of Music the public is guaranteed good things in Harry Williams' own company.

"The Corsican Brothers" is the most weird play ever written, it seems to me. A good many generations have enjoyed its mysterious fascination. The plot of the play wes suggested to the elder Dumas by what Louis Blanc, whose mother was a Corsican, told him of the mysterious spiritual sympathy existing between him and his brother Auguste. They were so closely and his brother Auguste. They were so closely allied in temperament that one had always been able to determine, however widely separated, what had happened to the other. Louis knew in England when Auguste was suddenly taken ill in France; Auguste knew in Spain if Louis were in dauger in Italy. They had repeated experiences of this sort, and, in every instance, their vivid impression, their immost revelation, flashing through space, was confirmed. The Blancs were great admirers of Dumas, and frequently went to see the play performed.

The tendency of the age is toward the gigan-tic in everything, including theaters. This country more than any other is seeing the results of the tendency in this direction. Now comes the news that after four years' steady work a Roman architect has just finished the plans for the most extraordinary theater ever projected. It is park and opera house combined, so that horses and carriages may reach the door of every private box, or be driven among the fountains and stately gardens When the Duke of Torloma was Syndic of

Rome he urged the creator of this wonderful scheme to continue his labors, and suggested that a great playhouse might be erected in the that a great playhouse might be erected in the city as a crowning architectural development. Rome is now bankrupt and there is no hope of every seeing the building put up in Italy.

The architect proposes to lay his designs before the officials having charge of the World's Fair in America. He is backed by leading men of Home. The whole work can be carried out in Italy at a cost of \$12,000,000, but the difference in the price of labor and material on the Western Continent will swell this aggregate enormously. enormously.

The vast edifice would contain 50,000 people

and comfortably seat 30,000. There are 180 dressing rooms for the performers. The stage is 195 feet wide by 282 feet deep.

purposes, however, and not a theater. HEPBURN JOHNS. The Programme.

THE talented young actor, Robert Mantell. will appear at the Bijou Theater to-morrow evening in a magnificent spectacular produc-tion of Alexander Dumas' famous romantic drama. "The Corsican Brothers." in which he has lately won a brilliant success. As the twin brothers. Louis and Fabien dei Franchi, he is said to find full scope for his ability as a romantic actor, and the widely separated characteristics of the two roles also afford him an opportunity to display his versatility, "The Corsican Brothers" has, ever since its initial production at the Theater Historique in Paris in 1850, been a favorite play with all patrons of the drama, and its revival by Mr. Mantell has been approved popularly. The story of the play unfolds a most ingenious plot, containing, as it does, many awe-inspiring illusions and weird dramatic effects. In this version, which is similar to the one used by Henry Irving in London, a feature is made of the masquerade ball scene and in it a number of celebrated specialty artists will appear. The scenery, costumes, properties, furniture, mechanical anpliances, tricks, traps, etc., used in this production are all new and of the most approved pattern. Over 100 people will be employed in this revival. On thursday and Friday evening and at the Saturday matines Mr. Mantell will appear as the hero in D'Ennery's picturesque heroic drama, "Monbars." This play, which was especially adapted from the French tor Mr. Mantell's use in this country, is considered one of the strongest and purest dramas known to the stage, and its situations are remarkably effective. Its story is one of love, jealousy, hatred and despair, and the strong human interest surrounding the lives of the important characters is such as to callst the sympathy of play unfolds a most ingenious plot, containing, characters is such as to enlist the sympathy of all. It was D'Ennery who wrote the world-renowned "Two Orphans," and to see the drama that he considers his best dramatic work, will undoubtedly afford play-goers genuine pleasure. Mr. Mantell's acting in this play is said to surpass anything he has yet done on the stage, and like his Loris Ipanoff in "Fedora" it has been lauded for its truth to nature. Mr. Mantell brings with him an excellent supporting company, and a series of admirable performances are assured.

Thouse W. Keens whose friends and additional series of admirable performances. characters is such as to enlist the sympathy of THOMAS W. KEENE, whose friends and ad-

mirers are to be counted in legons, will be the card at the Grand Opera House next week, opening on Monday night in the historical character of "Louis XI." The company supporting him contains good material, and in cludes such well-known names as George Leawck, Miss Lavina Shannon, Miss Henrietta Vaders, Miss Jennie Ellison, Frank Hennig, Vaders, Miss Jennie Ellison, Frank Hennig, George Gaston, William Humphrey, Edmund F. Lawrence, Marwood Andrews, Willard Newall, Henri de Lusson, Thomas R. Eayleson and others of equal merit. "Louis XI." will be repeated at the Wednesday matinee and Friday night. While Mr. Keene has but added this powerful play to his repertoire, he has made such a pronounced success in the character of Louis as to deserve the claim of having no superior in that role and this said that character of Louis as to deserve the claim of having no superior in that role, and it is said that Mr. Keene so faithfully portrays the character that the actor becomes merged in the King, and for the time is wholly torgotten. This is more than talent. In it is true art as well as genius. He will also give two performances of 'Richard III.," a part in which he stands premently alone before the American public, on Tuesday and Saturday nights. Wednesday night he has reserved for 'Richelleu." Thursday night for 'Othello' and Saturday matinee for the 'Merchant of Venice."

AFTER a week of comic opera the patrons of Harris' Theater will be offered a striking contrast in "Lost in New York," a sensational drama, which will be the attraction all week, commencing to-morrow afternoon. The play has been seen in this city on two former occahas been seen in this city on two former occasions and it is a popular success. The plot, while not entirely free from conventionalities, is handled so nicely by Leonard Grover that it all goes for originality. The play is clean and pure in metif and is happly free from the usual "gore" that accompanies the melodrama. The scenic and realistic features of the playare its strong points and are themselves alone worthy a visit to the theater to see. The grand East river scene, with its real steamboar, that carries a dozen or more passencers and runs at full speed, Grammercy Park, showing the residence of the late Samuel J. Tilden, and the beautiful night picture of New York Harbor, with New York City illuminated in the background. The company is said to be very much stronger than any heretofore seen in the cast and includes Lottle Alter, Florence Stover, Heurietta Scott, Annie S. Eager, Baly Lillian Spencer, George A. Wright, William H. Ryno,

Theodore W. Babcock, Gus Pixiey, William Ballert and others.

HARRY WILLIAMS' own company will be the great attraction at the Academy of Music this week. The company includes many noted artists. Testo is a wonder of strength, and will match his muscular powers against two horses. Miss Ouri gives a thrilling exhibit that includes sliding from the dome of the theater to the stage, suspended by her halr. Hains and Vidocq are most entertaining comedians; Palles and Cusick are inimitable frish comedians; Charles Diamond is an expert harpist, and Larry and Lizzie Smith are extremely clever German comedy sketch artists. The Japanese wonders, Thatchawana and Omene, are members of this company, and so is the banjo expert, Winifred E. Johnson. Retlaw and Alton give wonderful performances on the horizontal bar. artists. Testo is a wonder of strength, and will

THE World's Maseum Allegheny offers t new line of attractions, both curiosities and varieties. This house has been crowded during the past week, and is establishing a reputation for itself as the only amusement place in Alle-gheny City.

Stage Whispers.

GUS PIXLEY, a clever young comedian and a brother of the charming Annie Pixley, is with the "Lost in New York" Company. COLONEL RICE writes that "McCarthy's Mishaps" is delighting large audiences in Boston. His attractions will be seen here before the season is over.

GENERAL WILLIAM B. BARTON, manager of "Lost in New York," is an old resident of Pitts-burg. The General is a well-known theatrical nanager and a "gentleman of the old school." INTENDING pilgrims to the shrine of the divine William take note: The annual Shakes-pearean performances at the Memorial Theater, Stratford-on-Avon, begin this year on the 21st

CHARLES MCCARTHY'S "One of the Brayst," with its carload of scenery and trained torses, will be seen here ere long. Tom Dixon, he well known minstrel tenor, is singing with this show. THE new opera which Francis Wilson will

AT the Bijou Theater hereafter the orchestra at the end of every performance will play one of our national airs. This innovation will un-doubtedly attract widespread attention and is worthy of being imitated by other managers throughout the country.

THE Marie Majilton trio, who are now with THE Marie Majilton trio, who are now with Robert Mantell, have not been seen in this er I. K. Campbell, on account of the arrival country for many years. They attracted much attention here by their graceful dancing in the days of the "Black Crook," and were a feature of that popular entertainment.

BABY LILLIAN SPENCER, of the "Lost in New York" Company, is only 4 years of age, and is a graduate from the Madison Square Theater, New York City. She appeared there all last summer as Editha in "The Burglar" and made a great "hit" in the part. THE recent wanderings of Stanley through

the Dark Continent have furnished two clever Gallic scribes, Busnach and Duval, with ideas and material for a startling romantic melo-drama. It will be called Stanley, and probably see the light at the Paris Bouffes du Nord in BOUCICAULT is as busy as ever. Besides his dramatic school duties he is booked to write a couple of articles for the Arengand one for the

for Manager Frohman by next month, and a drama for Messrs. Abbott and Teal in the same time. His intellect is as keen, active and tire AUGUSTUS PITOU, who manages both Robert Mantell and W. J. Scanlan, contemplates put ting a traveling stock company on the road that unig a traveling stock company on the roat shat will play all the larger cities of the United States. They will produce from four to six plays, all of which will be staged in a most lav-ish manner. The company will contain the best available talent.

Forth American Review; to finish a comedy

THE new melodrama, "Mr. Barnes of New York," will shortly be seen in Pittsburg. Of course, everybody has read the novel, of which some 180,000 copies have been published. The play is adapted with skill, and so far has been most favorably received. All the scenery is said to be beautiful and appropriate. The cast is a most capable one.

The place for this Roman to get an audience for his immense plans is Chicago. Pittsburg is talking of new theaters in a pretty big way, but even Alvin Joslin would choke at an auditorium seating 30,000 people, and his generous ideas of accommodations for the players fall short of 180 dressing rooms.

No, Chicago, which aiready has the Auditorium with its tremendous proportions, is the place for the Italian scheme. New York has a tidy-sized project under way in the new Madison Square Gardens, which will be opened next season. It is an arena for circus and concert purposes, however, and not a theater.

Incomparison the season and the scenery is said to be beautiful and appropriate. The cast is a most capable one.

HENRY IRVING has been nominated for Parliament by a somewhat officious group of admirers. In a letter in which he asserts that he as no ambitious desire to sit among the legislators of his country, he adds: "An actor's work demands a calmer atmosphere than is to be found in the strife of the public needs and personal ambition of such a lotty kind."

This week Joseph Jefferson, W. J. Florence and Mrs. John Drew are presenting "The Rivais" in Bangor and Portland Me., Manches-

and Mrs. John Drew are presenting "The Rivals" in Bangor and Portland Me., Manchester, N. H., and in Lowell, Lawrence and Brock-ton, Mass. They are to appear in Providence, R. I., next Mouday and Tuesday nights. This magnificent trumvirate of comedians are hav-ing a wonderfully successful season and it is estimated that the net profits of their tour wil reach \$250,000. CONTRARY to what has been stated, says the Mirror, this Cleopatra of Sardou's is not an adaptation of Shakespeare's creation or even a

new play. It was written by Sardou several years ago in collaboration with Emile Morean and was intended for the Odeon, first Sarah Bernhardt and afterwards with Jane Hading in the title role. For some reason, however, it was never produced. By Sarah's request Sardou has recently taken the MS, in hand and Duquesnel offered to produce it at the Porte St. Martin. Sardou's version of Antony's passion for the Egyptian Queen, although also founded on Plutarch's narrative, is said to differ considerably from that of Shakaneara. Sarah Bernhardt and afterwards with Jane Shakespeare. EEWARD HARRIGAN, the well-known author music and quaint phrases, in the catching fur

and manager, follows Mantell at the Bijou, pre-senting "Old Lavender." It abounds in jolly music and quaint phrases, in the catching fun and the lively passages which have done so much for the success of Mr. Harrigan's plays. It has pathos as well, and the picture which the author-actor gives us of the warm-hearted whole-souled boon companion brought by the wrongdoings of others to the clutch of severest poverty and distress, touches "the source of tears" through the cheery manner in which he bears misfortune, and the grotesque way he has of putting his moralizing, so to the spring of laughter. laughter. THE May number of Scribner's Magazine

contains an article from the pen of T. J. Nakagawa in which the revolving stage used in he theaters of Japan is described as follows "The greater part of the stage, in our playhouses, consists of a large circle which can be turned around so that separate divisions are turned around so that separate divisions are successfully presented to the eyes of the spec-tators. Only one-half of this circle, at most, is disclosed at any one time. It is customary, while a scene is in progress before the audi-ence, to prepare the following scene upon the hidden part of the movable platform. A change of view can thus be effected without abruptly interrupting the continuity of action." nterrupting the continuity of action

H. Mense, a blacksmith at Sigel, Ill. wrote March 22 that he was very lame with heumatism; he could hardly walk, and the oints of his limbs were badly swollen and

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very sore, and so painful he could scarcely turn in bed. His physician advised him to use Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The effect was beneficial from the first application, and he is now able to attend to his regular work. This medicine has only to be tried to con-vince the most skeptical that it is the best treatment for rheumatism. For sale by E. G. Stucky, 1701 and 2401

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Philadelphia last Monday evening to participate in the Loyal Legion celebration and to look in at headquarters. On Thursday even-ing a reception was tendered him by Posts 62 and 408 at Altoona, at which most of the posts of Blair county were represented. A camp fire was lighted at Altoona, and a number of prominent comrades beside the Department Commander were present, among them Past Department Commander Thomas J. Stewart, Department Chaplain Rev. John W. Sayers and Assistant Adjutant General James Mc-Cormack. Interesting addresses were made by these gentlemen and a whirl of enthusiasm cre-ated. The affair was very enjoyable to all con-

From Altoona the Department Commander, The new opera which Francis Wilson will produce at the Broadway Theater on August 13 is composed by Woolson Morse, and the book is by Cheever Goodwin. The name is not yet announced.

Robert Mantell will play a return engagement at Bijou Theater next season and will probably be seen on that occasion in "Hamlet" and a new society play that is now being written for him.

Union Veteran Legion.

On Monday night last the hall of Encampment No. 1 was crowded. Ten comrades were mustered and 15 applications for membership were read. After the ceremony of muster a er I. K. Campbell, onf account of the arrival of Miss Blanche, his first girl baby. Speeches were made by Captain A. B. Hay, Colonel S. W. Hill, C. F. McKenna, General George S. Gallupe and others. Among the visitors was Major Harry Wayne, of Altoona, who addressed the Encampment. Judge Collier was to have given a history of the old One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Peansylvania Volunteers, but was unavoidably absent. He will deliver the address to-morrow evening.

A new encampment of the Legion has been organized at York, Pa., and will be mustered next week, as will also one at Johnstown and next week, as will also one at Johnstown and

one at Bucyrus, O.

Encampment No. 1 has turned over to the
Ladies of the G. A. R. \$160, to assist in building the home for soldiers' widows at Hawkins' station.

A Nice Reception. The reception held at Cyclorama Hall last Tuesday evening by Camps 33 and 162 Sons of Veterans, for the benefit of the Soldiers Widows' Home at Hawkins station, was a brilliant social success. The prettily dressed ladies, the dark-garbed gentlemen and the uniformed Sons formed a beautiful picture as they executed the graceful dances to the music of Guenther's Orchestra. The hall was hand-somely decorated with sabers, flags and bunting. The affair was a very creditable one throughout, and the two camps deserve much praise for their efforts in behalf of the Soldiers Widows' Home. Widows' Home at Hawkins station, was a bril-

Pension League Meeting.

mass meeting of old soldiers, soldiers' widows, and others interested in pension legislation, will be held in the hall of Post 162, Diamond Square, Allegheny, to-morrow evening.
The meeting may be the last one, and the President of the Pension League, Comrade J. H.
Stevenson, desires a good attendance. There will be some good speeches on the pension question by several local speakers.

Why Delay, Comradest The order concerning inspections has not been issued yet owing to the dilatoriness of some of the comrades whom Department Inat large. Several of these have not answered as to whether they can accept or not, and for them the order is waiting. It is hoped that the delinquents will respond as promptly as pos-sible, as the delay is annoying.

Briefs for Veterans Post 162 has indorsed the Homestead bill. THE ladies auxiliary to Post 88 will open a pagar in the near future. Post 41 appointed its Memorial Day Committee at its meeting last Wednesday.

Post 286's preparations for the observance of Memorial Day are well under way, Posr 548, of Wilkinsburg, will be well represented at the Boston Encampment. A REUNION of the blue and gray will be held at Vicksburg, Miss., May 25 to 30 inclusive.

COMRADE WEBB, of Post 8, Philadelphia, was a visitor of Post 157 on Thursday evening. THE annual encampment of the Department of California will be held at San Jose April 21, GENERAL WM. T. SHERMAN has been

COMRADE GEO. STEDDEFORD, of Post 88, is very low at his home, on Sheffield street, Alle-gheny, with typhoid-pneumonia. United States than in all the European nations put together, but that fact does not affect the THE soldiers' monument erected by Posts 88 128 and 162 in their lot in Uniondale Cemetery will be unveiled on Memorial Day.

COMRADE O. M. HEAD, of Post 259, will inspect Post 117 on next Tuesday evening. A full attendance of members is of course desired. Post 286 has received thanks from Geary Circle No. 7. Ladies of the G. A. R., for a do-nation of \$25 toward the Soldiers' Widows' Home. COMBADE GEORGE BOOTH, City Clerk, and a

member of Post 157, has been elected treasurer of the Central Relief Committee, which office Department Commander Denniston resigned. Or the employes in the office of Comrade John Laylor, the new Tax Collector of Philadelphia, two-thirds are veterans, and the posi-tions they fill are the most responsible and best paid in the office. COMBADE GENERAL DANIEL E. SICKLES,

at 5 o'clock in the morning and studies law three hours every day in order to better under-stand his duties. Sheriff of New York city and county, gets up THE G. A. R. National Pension Committee met in Washington on last Thursday to consider the situation, what is desired to be accomplished, what is possible to accomplish and how to accomplish it.

THE regular monthly muster of Post 3 will take place to-morrow evening. Several com-rades will be mustered. The stereopticon, which makes this service in Post 3 doubly in-teresting, will be used as usual. Post 3 received last week from Congressman John Dalzell a letter acknowledging the receipt of a copy of resolutions regarding the soldiers' homestead bill, which he stated he would pre-sent to the House and have referred to the

age on April 10. On that date he filed an application for his pension of \$8 per month, to which he is entitled as a veteran of the Mexican War. He will give this pension to the Orphans' Home at Crawfordsville, Ind.

Ar its meeting last Thursday, Post 157 instructed its Amusement Committee to make arrangements for an entertainment in the near future for the benefit of the relief fund. The increasing number of calls for charity necessitates this. The details will be announced later. Post 151's Memorial Day Committee, with

committee from camp 4, Sons of Veterans, are preparing for the Memorial Day services in the different cemeteries in their district. The school children will as usual turnish flowers in abundance. Ar last Monday's meeting of Post 3 letter was read from Comrade W. B. Coyle, M. D., Chairman of the Soldiers' Relief Committee, acknowledging the receipt of a donation to the needy ex-union soldiers and sailors of Edmund county, South, Dakota, and thanking the post for the same.

COMBADE PRESIDENT HABBISON WAS TO-

Minister to Greece, through a representative, Engraved upon the head are these words: "This cane was cut from the yoke which sup-ported Independence bell in 1776. To President Harrison."

On Thursday, April 10, Mrs. Mary Lydia

General John F. Hartranft, was buried in the

notable event. With receptions, orations, music, readings, parading, meetings, reunions, goodfellowship and about everything that is nice, the members of the organization and their ladies had an exceedingly pleasant time. COMBADE ISAAC WHITE, who lives on a small farm near Leavenworth, Ind., was recently whipped until he became insensible by centry wripped until he occame inscised by alleged White Caps, and it appears for no cause. He is 70 years of age, and it is feared that he will not recover. Comrade White's post is trying to bring the cowards to justice. A lynching bee, should they be caught, is talked of.

COMRADE H. H. BENGUGH met last Tues day at Philadelphia with the committee ap-pointed by the Department Commander to prepare and present to Past Department Commander Thomas J. Stewart a testimonial of ap-preciation for his love and work in the order. The committee decided upon what the testimo-nial should be, fixed May 23 as the time of its presentation and his home at Norristown as the place.

In his oration at the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion at Philadelphia last week, General Devens took occasion to say that there is only Devens took occasion to say that there is only one representative organization of ex-soldiers of the Union army in existence, and that that one is the Grand Army of the Republic. He expressed the hope that if there were any companions of the Loyal Legion who are not members of the Grand Army they would immediately join the organization upon their return home.

Ar the National encampment at Boston in August there will be a reunion and permanent organization of the survivors of the old (First) Vermont Brigade. This famous organization was commanded for nearly three years by the newly appointed Assistant Secretary of War, General Lewis A. Grant, and served at the front in the Army of the Potomac and under Sheridan in the Shenandeah Valley from the beginning until the close of the war. It was officially known as the Second Brigade, Second Division, Sixth Corps, and justly won renown for meritorious service, fighting qualifications and hard knocks in general, second to no sim-ilar organization in the United States service.

A grand concert is being arranged for by the Department for the benefit of the Soldiers' Widows' Home fund. It will be held some ime in May. The details will be announced

Mrs. Carrie V. Sherriff, President of the Pennsylvania Department, left Pittsourg on Wednesday evening for Wilkesbarre, where she was the guest of Hancock Circle No. 9 on Thursday evening. This circle is in an excellent condition. There was a reception in honor of the Department President, and a very pleasant time was spent by all.

ART NEWS AND NOTES.

MR. A. L. DALBEY exhibits a portrait in

oil colors at Gillespie's. STEEL engravings are very rare in these days, and Mr. Charles Schiecht is one of the few eminent men who still practice this once favorite art. His latest work, which is fully up to his usual high standard of merit, is after A. M. Turner's fine painting "Her Favorite Poet."

A STUDY of a large cluster of lilacs, leaves and flowers, the work of Mrs. C. M. Burns, of St. Louis, is shown at Mayer's. The work is well drawn and cleverly handled; it is good also in color, but in this respect it would have been still better had the study been made from models of more delicate and varied shades. A FINE photogravure of Jules Denneuln's painting "A Pleasure Party," is now being shown by art dealers. The picture shows an open boat in which a couple of hardy old sea-men at the oars are seen to be hugely enjoying the discomfiture of their passengers, who are lying about the versel in the various attitudes of misery and dejection superinduced by sea-

MR. H. S. STEVENSON has a pleasing little painting on exhibition at Young's. The work is a study rather than a picture, the subject ng a landscape of the simplest description with a subdued effect of gray mist in the backwith a subdued effect of gray mist in the back-ground, against which a clump of dark trees in the middle distance stand in strong relief. Several small pools in the foreground give life to this portion of the picture by reflecting the soft gray light of the sky, and contrast well in color with the dark herhage about them. In regard to execution the work has been freely, not to say slightly handled, something having evidently been sacrificed in this respect through the desire for the attainment of certain quaties of effect, in which the artist has been fairly

A BRIGHT, cheerfullittle picture, in which the manner of handling characteristic of works by Mr. E. A. Poole will at once be recognized. Mr. Poole's paintings have mostly been features of secondary importance, though always pleas ing and harmonious, but in the work in ques-tion, the sky shows greater strength and is superior to any other portion of the painting. The scene is one on the banks of the Potomac Club, of New York.

Post 157 will re-make its request to be detailed to decorate at Oakland Cemetery on Memorial Day this year.

The joint Memorial Day Committee will meet in Common Council Chamber, Municipal Hall, next Saturday at 8 P. M.

The scene is one on the banks of the Potomac river, which curves in on the right of the picture, in a manner which suggests the shores of a lake. The work is keyed rather high; its essential quality being the strong effect of sunlight that floods the scene. The color is bright and not crude, but lacking in richness and variety, it being in this respect the poorest feature of the work.

THERE are more carpets sold annually in the put together, but that fact does not affect the artistic value of polished floors of hardwood, The hardwood floor is steadily growing into favor here, and it certainly serves a purpose in decorative treatment that cannot be attained in any other way. Rich rugs and mats are seen in any other way. Rich rugs and mats are seen at their best against the fine grain of polished wood, and with many styles of furniture and hangings the effect is much superior to that produced by carpets. It should always be borne in mind, however, that this character of decoration is only suitable for large, elegant rooms in which an imposing rather than a cozy and home-like effect is desired. For general use in the majority of homes nothing better use in the majority of homes nothing better than carpeted floors has yet been devised, and probably never will be.

EXHIBITIONS of paintings now appear to be the order of the day, and two of our home artists Mr. D. B. Walkley and Mr. H. S. Stevenson, not earing to be behind the times, have opened their entire collections for the inspecopened their entire collections for the inspec-tion of the public at No. 428 Wood street, where they will remain during the present week. These pictures represent the accumulations of a considerable time, but they also include a few that have just been completed, notable among these being a large landscape by Walkley rep-resenting a seene late in the fall, when the trees, nearly bare of follage, form with their twigs and branches a fine network against the sky. This picture is one of Mr. Walkley's sky. It is an excellent exsky. This picture is one of Mr. Walkley's most important works. It is an excellent example of his best style of composition and richest coloring, and exhibits the characteristic vigor of his manner of handling to the best advantage.

MR. JOSEPHR. WOODWELL'S latest work now occupies a position on the walls of the Gillespie gallery. It is a marine view, pictur ing a storm-cloud about to burst upon a coast which is still warmly lighted by the rays of the afternoon sun. The water reposes calm and peaceful beneath the dark and angry cloud, peaceful beneath the dark and angry cloud, and the whole scene presents an appearance of stillness such as often heralds the approach of a tempest. Cool dark grays are the prevailing tones of the sky and water, against which the warm, rich colors of the foreground contrast strongly, thus aiding to intensity the brilliancy of the light streaming down from the still unclouded portion of the ky. The scene represented is a spot near Magnobia Beach, where the artist spent a considerable portion of the last sketching season, and the character of which has been made familiar to Pittsburg people by works that he has previously exhibited.

MR. JOHN JOHNSTON, the scenic artist, has turned his attention to marine painting, and in the picture exhibited at Young's dur past week has given evidence that his forte lies in this direction rather than in that of land-scape work. This picture may unhesitatingly be pronounced the best work he has yet shown. be pronounced the best work he has yet shown, being superior to his landscapes from every point of comparison. The composition is excellent, the handling fairly vigorous, and the color is saved from harshness or crudity by being subdued almost to grayness, with the desirable result also that the painting is in much better tone than any of his more highly-colored productions. To all appearances it would seem that Mr. Johnston has discovered the direction

cently presented with a gold-headed cane by in which his talent may be exercised to the best colonel A. Louden Snowden, United States advantage, and if he continues to improve, it will be with a promise of displaying unlocked. for strength.

THE remarkable suddenness stained glass has sprung into popular favor for decorative purposes in modern dwelling houses has led to the production and use of designs and colorings in this material that are about as far removed from the true spirit of art and the General John F. Hartranft, was buried in the lot at Norristown, where the remains of her distinguished son lie. The funeral was attended by many prominent people of Penasylvania, the comrades of General Hartranft being quite numerous.

YESTERDAY was the twenty-ninth anniversary of the first bloodshedding in the war of the Rebellion. On April 19, 1861, as a Massachusetts regiment was marching through a street of Baltimore, Md., on its way to the fense of Washington, it was attacked by a mob of secession sympathizers. Three soldiers were killed and eight wounded.

The celebration at Philadelphia last week of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the institution of the military order of the Loyal Legion was a notable event. With receptions, crations, music, rendings, parading, meetings, reunious, goodfellowship and about everything that is nice, the members of the organization and their ladies and an exceedingly pleasant time. it's designs accord most perfectly with other architectual features, and it should be adhered to save in exceptional cases

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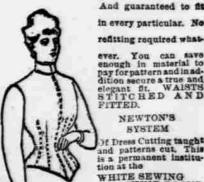
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