RUSHING THE ROADS.

Every Steel Highway Entering Pittsburg Taxed to Its Utmost to Carry Its Passengers.

THE PROSPERITY OF THE CITY

Helping All the Railroads as Well as Hotels to Declare Most Substantial Dividends.

ALL THE STORES ARE CROWDED DAILY,

And Observing Men Are Positive it is Not Spasmodic, but a Steady Thing.

"This is the busiest city in America today," said Passenger Agent E. D. Smith, of the Baltimore and Ohio yesterday, as he stood gazing out of the office windows, at the great throng of people ceaselessly moving up and down Fifth avenue.

"I have been selling tickets in this city for 20 years," he contined, "and I never saw anything like it. Why, it is almost an impossibility for us to handle our passenger traffic. On Thursday we had an excursion booked for the Cumberland district, and as it was a long run we sent but six cars. When the train arrived the people were standing up from end to end of the coaches, and many were unable to get aboard at all. Our agent at Somerset telegraphed that same day for us to send ten coaches next week, which we will have to do. This is not an exception, but the rule with us. The volume of passenger business is about as great as it was during the summer months, and there is no immediate prospect of its falling off.

LONG STAYS ALWAYS DESIRABLE.

"Another thing about it is that it is of a more substantial character than ever before. Last year all excursion tickets were limited to three days. This year they are good for five, and patrons complain some at that. They come here with money to spend, and they spend it. You will see outgoing trains full of people who are fairly smothered with bundles and packages. What the hotels do with all of them is more than I can find out. In fact, I know positively that they are all taxed to their utmost capacity every minute of the time. All the business houses are overrun with customers from morning until night, and they have trouble in getting their goods delivered here for sale.

"But our business is not confined to excursions, by any means. The city is full of commercial men all the time, and they report business as splendid in all branches. Only yesterday one of our patrons stopped in here, and he took time to show me his samples. He is selling a line of silk and other draperies, which cost from $3 to $12 a yard. He told me he was working up a tremendous trade in Pittsburg, which shows that there is plenty of money for things outside of the necessaries of life."

"How is the freight business of the road?"

GREAT SHORTAGE OF CARS.

"All we want now is cars with which to handle the shipments. A coke operator along our line said to me only yesterday: 'Mr. Swith, I could use 50 cars a day, if I could get them. I have orders months ahead, and my only trouble is in delivering the goods.' Yes, sir, business was never better in Pittsburg. Go into the office of Carnegie, Phipps & Co., and they will tell you that they have orders enough booked ahead to keep them going for a year or 18 months. Go to the office of the Cambria Iron Company and they will tell you the same, and so it goes all along the line.

"When we moved into this building, ten years ago, Pittsburg then was as a country village almost as compared to the Pittsburg of to-day. Now Fifth avenue is as busy a thoroughfare as Broadway, New York. Even within five years the city has undergone a complete transformation, and I cannot see a dark cloud in her future pathway. Railroad men, as a rule, can size up the signs of the times about as well as any class of people. Let money become a little close, and we feel it as soon as anyone. Business men cease rushing in calling for tickets to New York, Washington, Philadelphia, Chicago and other points; the pleasure seekers abandon their contemplated trips, and the people stop running from place to place visiting friends, while the freight business undergoes a certain falling off."

ALL THE ROADS SITUATED ALIKE.

Colonel Tom Watt, District Passenger Agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was seen at his office during the afternoon. He said: "The greatest trouble we experience is in getting cars in which to haul the people. It beats everything, this tremendous rush of trade. And it is not spasmodic, either, but a steady thing. Wednesday night I came over from Altoona on the limited, and we had 110 passengers aboard. The conductor, one of the oldest men on the road, told me this was about the common run, these days.

"As for our excursion business, it is simply tremendous, with Pittsburg as the objective point. The volume of passenger business is about as great as it was during the summer, while the freight business is immense.

"How do I account for it? I will tell you. Pittsburg is booming more than any city of her size on the continent to-day. She has assumed the position of a distributing point between the East and West, for points North and South of us. Business was never better, money is plenty, and people like our methods of doing business.

ROADS OVERRUN WITH BUSINESS.

So far as I can learn every road entering this city is completely overrun with business, and the prospects for a continuance of the same are splendid, for we have the elements here that make trade. I believe more money has been spent in Pittsburg this year in legitimate trade, than during any similar period you can mention."

An official in District Passenger Moody's office, of the Fort Wayne road, reported the same general rush of business, and said their lines were taxed to the utmost for means of transportation. He cited as an instance, one night when a political meeting was held at Beaver Falls. The party ordered six coaches to haul them to Sewickley, where a second meeting was to be held, but the road could not have furnished them, had they been paid $1,000 apiece. He said that while they were rarely ever knocked clear out, as in this instance, still it kept them hustling all the time to accommodate the public.

At all of the hotels sleeping quarters are at a premium, while the down-town stores are jammed with people during business hours, and the thoroughfares long after. Taking it all in all, it looks as if the gentlemen quoted above have ample grounds on which to base their glowing estimates of the city's present prosperity.

EMPRESS EUGENIE and her English home will be described in to-morrow's DISPATCH. The article is from the facile pen of Colonel Frank A. Burr.

False Alarm Turned In.

Some person who has a key that unlocks the signal boxes along the line of the Pittsburg Traction Company, turned in a signal to run the middle cable slow yesterday and caused considerable delay in consequence.

WAIVING EXAMINATIONS.

The High School Faculty Wants to Admit All Pupils Whose Public School Average is 80 Per Cent—The Committee Laid the Matter Over.

A movement is on foot to partially change the method of admitting pupils to the High School. The faculty wants to waive the examinations of pupils whose average standing in the ward schools is above 80 per cent, and in such cases take the pupils without subjecting them to the trials and tribulations of the preliminary and final examinations. The matter came up before the meeting of the High School Committee of the Board of Education last night, but no action was taken on it.

At the meeting a communication was received from the High School faculty recommending an addition to the rules governing the promotion of pupils in the High School. They desired that scholars whose average in a study is 80 per cent or more each month during the term, shall be excused from examination in that study and in these cases the average percentage in recitation to constitute the standing for examination.

Dr. McKelvey and Sheriff McCandless opposed the change on the ground that it was an entering wedge to no examination at all. Sheriff McCandless stated that examinations were for the purpose of ascertaining how much a pupil had absorbed and retained, and would be erroneous to discontinue them. The matter was laid over for one month.

The report of the High school for the month of September showed an enrollment of 832 pupils, an increase of 108 over the same month of last year. The average attendance was 805.

An election of two new teachers for the High School was held. Mr. E. L. Elliott was elected assistant teacher of sciences and Miss Annie Guttendorf was chosen as an assistant teacher in the commercial department.

FLYNN SAYS HE IS INNOCENT.

Bothwell's Slayer Holds His Nerve, but the Evidence Against Him is Strong.

William Flynn, the huckster arrested for the murder of John Bothwell on Thursday night, is still an inmate of the Allegheny lockup. Flynn still persists in his statement that he did not do the cutting. The prisoner did not know that Bothwell was dead until yesterday afternoon, when he heard someone talking about it. This did not seem to move him any. Last night Flynn put in his time by lying on the floor of his cell, and gave as a reason for so doing that he lay there just because he wanted to. He partook of no food yesterday, stating that he did not feel hungry.

Detective Glenn, who has been at work on the case, stated last night that his chain of evidence is about complete. The officer has found a boy who alleges that he saw Flynn open the knife and strike Bothwell a blow, after which the latter fell. The coat and vest of the deceased had also been secured and they show half a dozen cuts, two in the back, one under the sleeve and the rest in front. Detective Glenn has also discovered the place where Flynn bought the slouch hat, his stiff hat being lost during the fight, while making his flight to this side of the river. The stiff hat is also in the possession of the police authorities.

The inquest in the case will be opened at 10 o'clock this morning in the Coroner's office.

EXTENDING THE TERMINAL.

On Sunday Pennsy Local Trains Will Begin to Run to Mosside.

The new line of the Pennsylvania road between Walls station and Mosside is about ready, and the accommodation trains will begin to run to the latter place on Sunday. The present main track, which is full of sharp curves between the two places, will be kept for freight and east bound through passenger trains. The change is made on account of the new yards and shops which are about three-quarters of a mile northeast of Walls, and will eventually remove the center of the town in that direction, where the new depot will be located.

This is only to be taken as an indication of the suburban growth of Pittsburg. All the accommodation trains will hereafter run to Mosside as the terminal point, about two miles beyond Walls. No change will be made in the schedules, but Wall must give way to the advance made.

TO-MORROW'S Big 20-Page DISPATCH will hold 160 Columns. It is the largest and best newspaper in Pennsylvania.

LARGE CROWDS OF VISITORS.

Showing of the Registry Book at the Carnegie Library Building.

The Carnegie Library building catches a great many of the visitors who come to this city, and there is one continual throng of them present. A glance over the register shows that it is a majority of the people from the smaller cities of this and adjoining States that visit the building. On Thursday there were 210 registered, and yesterday there were nearly as many. As hardly one-third of the visitors register, one can imagine the coming and going at all hours of the day. Those on duty in the building are kept constantly on the watch. Many small articles are found and returned to the owners when they call.

The reading rooms are growing more popular daily, and are always well filled with young men. Robert Pyeatte, of Allegheny, has presented the library with a set of six volumes of Malte-Brun's geography. Librarian Stevenson has received an invitation to become a member of a proposed State Library Association.

A CRIPPLE FOR LIFE.

Secretary Myers, of the Hostetter Company, Cannot be Cured.

The many friends of Milton Meyers, Secretary and Treasurer of the Hostetter Bitters Company, of this city, and a resident of Allegheny, will be pained to hear that he will be a cripple for life. He was afflicted five years ago with a hip ailment and went to New York about 10 days ago for treatment.

He went to bed Tuesday night last in the Westminister Hotel, but in the morning was unable to rise. Physicians say he must remain crippled. He will return home in a couple of days.

BACK FROM THE ENCAMPMENT.

Two Pittsburgers Elected to Office by the Union Veteran Legion.

The Pittsburg delegation to the annual encampment of the Union Veteran Legion, at Ft. Wayne, returned yesterday. Dr. Seip was made Surgeon of the Legion, and Colonel Danks Chaplain in Chief. General Pearson, after making a speech at the campfire, was presented with a beautiful badge of the order. The next meeting will be held at Reading.

The citizens of Ft. Wayne treated the veterans handsomely, and they came back feeling well pleased.

A JILTED CHINAMAN

Wants the Humane Society to Aid Him in His Distress.

Lee You wants the Humane Society to aid him. He loved Sadie Thompson, a 17-year-old Caucasian, but she jilted him for Charlie Gong, and now, he say-, she insists upon informing his countrymen that she is his girl.

Lee has made several appeals to the police before this, but they could not do anything for him, and it is probable that the Humane Society will be unable to stanch the wounds in his bleeding heart.

Diamonds.

What for? Why, for holiday presents. Well, where can I buy them? Why at Gallinger's, 1106 and 1200 Penn ave.

P. S.—A full line of musical instruments.

HUNTRESSES OF MEN.

Deserted Women Who Keep the Pittsburg Police Bureau Busy

LOOKING FOR LOST HUSBANDS.

Some of the Causes Which Lead to Breaks in Family Circles.

APPEALING TO THE PRESS FOR HELP

Inspector McAleese is making vigorous efforts to locate Walter E. Platts, a painter, who deserted his wife and two children at Altoona about six weeks ago. The case is a peculiar one. Mrs. Platts, who is in the city looking for her husband, is a young and rather pretty woman, and has with her two lovely children. Her married life, she said, had always been happy, her husband did not drink, and she has not the faintest idea of the reason which caused him to leave.

There is hardly a day that the Police Bureau of this city is not called upon to locate a missing husband or wife. In the latter event the work is not so bad, as the woman is usually accompanied by a man, and it is easier to identify a couple of this character than to find a man traveling alone. Where a husband starts out to seek fresh fields and pastures new, it is an easy matter for him to shave off his mustache, trim his beard and change his name, and then, unless he is a person of marked physical peculiarities, he can walk past every police officer in the city without fear of detection.

WHERE THE SHOE PINCHES.

Why so many men break away from home ties is something Inspector McAleese does not pretend to understand. He realizes the fact that outsiders do not always appreciate the troubles in a household. He recognizes the great truth uttered by a historical gentleman, who, when asked why he desired a divorce from his beautiful wife, lifted up his foot, and pointing to his shoe, said, "That is a handsome boot, is it not; but who can tell where it pinches?" The Inspector is somewhat of a philosopher—he does not attempt to answer the query, but simply endeavors to keep the aforesaid pair of boots together.

As a matter of course, liquor, which has largely supplanted gold as the root of all evil, is at the bottom of most of these cases of domestic infelicity, although other matters occasionally enter in, differences in religion being well up in front, and sometimes politics cause a divided household. On one occasion a dispute as to whether or not a new plow was necessary for a farm led the farmer to endeavor to lose his sorrow and identity in the great gas metropolis, while failure to secure a sewing machine of a particular pattern sent one wife out into the world. The Inspector believes she was very glad when she was sent home again with her husband.

A PECULIAR BUDGET OF LETTERS.

Inspector McAleese receives any number of letters from husbands and wives who are searching for their mates. Some of the letters cover nearly a quire of paper, and contain a biographical sketch of the writer and of the missing husband, with a detailed account of the circumstances which did or might have been caused the breaking away of the absent one. The Inspector of Police keeps all these missives, and they are regularly docketed and filed. In a few years the coming author of the American novel will find in the department's archives enough harrowing situations to keep his heroes and heroines in the worst kind of trouble.

Some women place great confidence in the impersonal power of the press, and send their plaints to the newspapers. THE DISPATCH receives many of them. One of them is as follows, and may be of interest to the Allegheny City police:

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

I have taken your paper for five years steady, and now I wish that you would please do me a favor. I have got a good man, and he works in Olivers' lower mill, Woods' Run. Of late he has taken to playing poker, and goes to a house in Olivers' brick row. He spends most of his money there, and I can get no good from him. I do not want to get the house pulled because I am a neighbor, and do not desire trouble, but if they do not stop I will have to, because many a pay it makes me and my children short. I wish you would oblige me by mentioning this in your paper. Yours respectfully, from a true and faithful wife, CONSTANT READER.

CHANCE FOR A GOOD GUESSER.

Another lady mourns the absence of her husband, and desires that he be returned to her by any one who may run across him and recognize him from her description. She will not give his name as she does not want to hurt his feelings by undue publicity.

The specifications set forth that the gentleman is 46 years old, 5 feet 5 inches in height, weighed 130 pounds when last seen, and has a smashed finger, His nose is scarred, but the lady does not remember on which side. A small mustache and goatee, black eyes and hair complete the picture of this unknown small gentleman with dark complexion.

As the writer fails to give her address, the finder of the recreant husband must use his ingenuity in locating her, or else advertise, "Found, an estray husband. Possession given on proving property and paying charges."

GOTHAM GOSSIP in the most acceptable style from the pens of Charles T. Murray and Clara Belle are features of THE DISPATCH every Sunday.

A TARANTULA FROM THE HILLS.

One of the Venomous Things Found in a Bunch of Bananas in the Market.

A broad-shouldered, contented-looking man sauntered into Quincy Robison's cigar store last evening and threw an object upon the show case that looked at a distance something like a cross between a huge spider and a small turtle. The clerk drew back as he asked with a slight tinge of fright in his voice: "What in blazes is that?"

"Tarantula," said the man.

"Tara what?" asked the clerk.

"Tarantula," again replied the man. "Got him down at Sheridan's stand in the market in a bunch of bananas. Came very near biting a woman. The jig had been up been up with her if he had. Pizen as 20 rattlesnakes, but I killed him," saying which he picked the deadly thing up between his thumb and finger and fairly gloated over the capture. It was a tarantula, sure enough, and the man told such a straight story that everyone believed it. After parading the specimen for some time the man started away, as he said, to place the prize among a collection of reptiles and insects that he is making up.

TREATED BY AN HERB DOCTOR.

The Cases on Coroner McDowell's Docket Yesterday.

Giovanne De Ciosi, an Italian, was struck and killed on the Lake Erie road at Shousetown yesterday.

Smith Grant died at the West Penn Hospital yesterday, after an illness of three weeks, it is said the result of treatment by an herb doctor.

A verdict of accidental death was rendered by the Coroner's jury in the case of John W. Flaherty, killed at the Eliza furnaces.

HIS CONDITION CRITICAL.

Mike O'Toole, Who Was Assaulted by McKeesport Hungarians, May Not Recover.

Mike O'Toole, who was dangerously beaten during a row with some Hungarians in a McKeesport speak-easy about two weeks ago, and who has since been lying at the Mercy Hospital, was reported last night to be in a critical condition.

O'Toole's skull was fractured during the row, and this is liable to cause his death.

GOD'S ETERNAL DECREE.

SUBJECT OF YESTERDAY'S WORK OF THE REVISIONISTS.

The Committee Now Making Some Progress in Constructing the New Confession of Faith—Three Members to Go Home To-Day, and Two to Arrive.

The Presbyterian General Assembly Committee on the Revision of the Confession of Faith has at last gotten down where it can see some progress. Yesterday after working on the sixth chapter awhile and fixing the fourth section to its liking, it recalled the third chapter. The original reading of the section of the sixth chapter, the revision of which was adopted yesterday is: "From this original corruption, whereby we are utterly indisposed, disabled and made opposite to all good and wholly inclined to all evil, do proceed all actual transgressions."

Chapter III, relating to God's eternal decree, was then taken up and discussed during the afternoon, and as it still remained a vexed question an evening session was held on account of some of the members of the committee having prepared to leave for their several homes to-day. In the evening the discussion was continued, and after the entire committee had given views on the question it was referred to a sub-committee of six to properly arrange and report as soon as possible. That report may be ready to-day, and may not be finished before Monday. The general idea is said to be for a modification of this chapter. The third and fourth sections are the most important, and are as follows:

By a decree of God for the manifestation of His glory, some men and angels are predestinated unto everlasting life, and others foreordained to everlasting death.

These angels and men, thus predestinated and foreordained, are particularly and unchangeably designed, and their number is so certain and definite that it cannot either be increased or diminished.

Rev. Dr. Roberts, the chairman, said last evening that he thought by Monday the committee will have gained some headway and will doubtless then have something ready for the public. They will make nothing public until it is adopted and ready to be reported to the General Assembly.

Telegrams were received from Rev. Dr. Booth and Mr. Stratton, the members of the committee from New York and New Jersey, stating that they will arrive in the city to-day. Three will leave this morning: Rev. Dr. Patton, Rev. Dr. Leftwich and Mr. Junkin. The committee will in all probability adjourn on Tuesday next, to meet again in Washington in February.

Members of the committee occupy the leading pulpits of the city to-morrow. Rev. Dr. Roberts will preach in the Bellfield Presbyterian Church in the morning, and Rev. Dr. Harry Johnson in the Third Church, but the others have not all been assigned to pulpits.

Manager Johnson, of the Pittsburg Exposition, extended the committee an invitation to attend that exhibition, and while they will be unable to attend in a body the majority will probably make a visit there to-day or Monday.

HAS A HORROR OF DIPHTHERIA.

Superintendent Baker Makes Some Timely Suggestions About the Dread Disease.

Superintendent Baker, of the Bureau of Health, said yesterday that the city was remarkably free from dangerous diseases at the present time. Diphtheria had prevailed in some parts of the city, but up to date it had not gained much of a foothold in any district, and he did not think that it would. While the conversation was going on, a gentleman who was listening remarked that he knew of an instance on the hill where a child had died of the disease and where the body was kept in the house for two days and then given a public burial. More than this six little children of the neighborhood were selected and acted as pall bearers. He cited another case where a child had died from a most virulent attack of diphtheria, and during its illness mothers of several children were running in and out of the house at nearly all hours of the day.

Superintendent Baker had no reason to doubt the veracity of these statements, as he knew the gentleman very well, but he expressed the greatest astonishment at such actions. "Why," said he, "that is simply outrageous. I have a perfect horror of diphtheria. It is one of the most treacherous diseases I know of. I would much prefer smallpox, fevers, or almost anything else in my family. Persons dying from diphtheria should be buried as quickly and as quietly as possible, and above all things persons should not go near such patients unless it is a matter of necessity. The press of the city should impress these facts upon the minds of the people, and any efforts in that direction will meet with my most hearty approval."

A WEEK'S READING will be secured by all who get to-morrow's 20-Page DISPATCH. The best writers contribute to its columns.

VICTIM OF AN ASSAULT.

A Man With Delirium Tremens Roughly Used and His Condition Serious.

Luke Flannigan, a young man, was brought to the Mercy Hospital on Thursday last by his mother. He was suffering from delirium tremens at the time. His mother stated that he had been knocked down and abused last Saturday in a saloon.

Shortly after his reception at the hospital, erysipelas set in and since then he has been in an unconscious and delirious state. His condition is considered as very serious.

He Has Almost Recovered.

Charles Burns, the colored man who was shot by Charles Brown last week, has almost completely recovered, and will be discharged from the Mercy Hospital in a few days.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE DOING.

Some Who Travel, Some Who Do Not, and Others Who Talk.

—The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Waring, of Oakland, will be glad to learn of their arrival in Pittsburg for a weeks' visit. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Marsh, Fifth avenue and Halket street, Oakland, where Mrs. Waring will see her friends in the afternoon of each day of next week.

—George R. Blanchard, Chairman of the Central Traffic Association, was a passenger on the limited last evening, going to Chicago. Mr. Blanchard states that the railway business is booming everywhere.

—Elder Jaiel Urmitt, a Mormon missionary, was an eastbound passenger yesterday. He claims Mormonism is increasing, and the faith now has 1,000,000 members to support it.

—Samuel F. Barr, of Bar Harbor, arrived in the city last evening. He will try to have the hearings in his suit against the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company resumed.

—J. A. S. Reed, General Traveling Agent of the Union Pacific road, was in the city yesterday. He called on Thomas S. Spear, the local traveling agent.

—Major Alexander McDowell, the Sharon candidate for Congress, was in the city for a short time yesterday morning.

—John M. Oakley and family have arrived in New York from Europe.

LOCAL ITEMS, LIMITED.

Incidents of a Day in Two Cities Condensed for Ready Reading.

THE Board of Viewers held a meeting yesterday to receive claims for damages for the grading of Alder, Railroad, Broad and Twenty-second streets and Garden alley. But few claims were presented and they were for small amounts.

THE Coroner was notified last night of the sudden death of Henry Bowyer, colored, aged 7 weeks, rear No. 318 Main street, Seventeenth ward. Convulsions were the immediate cause of death.

DURING the past year the Department of Public Works has repaved over 40 streets, and has many other improvements under way.

A MEETING of the Committee on Wooden Buildings, of Allegheny, was called for last night, but no quorum was present.

FLEEING FROM FIRE.

Twenty-five Working Girls Are Forced to Climb Down a Fire Escape.

A STUBBORN DOWN-TOWN BLAZE

Keeps the Department Busy for Hours, and Several Men Are Hurt.

THREE CHIEFS COME INTO CONFLICT

Twenty-five girls tearing down the fire escape on the front of No. 967 Liberty street about 5 o'clock last evening, startled the pedestrians hurrying along to the Union depot, and when a dark volume of smoke began to pour out of the building, many suburban residents deliberately missed their trains. Not a girl fainted, but made their way in good order to the sidewalk and safety.

An alarm was sent in from box 32, and as soon as Chief Evans arrived he turned in another alarm, calling out two more districts. The building is a four-story brick, owned by Mrs. Mary Sweitzer and occupied by D. J. Rex, a paper box manufacturer, and Dean & Niebaum, flour merchants. The fire was a stubborn one and hard to fight, and was not finally extinguished until nearly midnight, causing a complete cessation of traffic along Liberty street.

The origin of the fire is unknown. It started in the cellar, which was almost solidly packed with cardboard, and the smoke arising from the burning material was so strong as to overpower a number of firemen, and prevent them from approaching close enough to do effective work.

THE FLOORS FALL IN.

For two hours the fire burned in the cellar, and then the flames burst through to the first floor, burning the supports of the second floor and causing both floors to fall into the cellar. Then the cellar was flooded with water and the flames finally subdued.

James McAleese, a brother of the Police Inspector, was overcome by the fumes from burning paper, and had to be taken home about 7 o'clock.

John Ashmore, of No. 5 company, was struck in the breast with a hose nozzle while up on a ladder and was knocked to the ground. He was so badly hurt by the force of the blow that he had to be taken to the Homeopathic Hospital.

Chief Evans was struck on the jugular by a ladder which some of the men were moving and was knocked senseless. He was carried into a neighboring house and resuscitated with difficulty after a half hour's work, after which he was taken home. The accident was the result of the dense smoke in the alley in rear of the burning building.

A CONFLICT OF AUTHORITY.

Chief Evans and his assistants, Coates and Steele, had quite an altercation during the fire, resulting from a conflict of authority, but it was quietly smoothed over after some very bitter words had been passed.

The loss will reach about $8,000. Rex & Co. had $3,000 worth of cardboard stored in the cellar, where the fire originated and which burned so slowly and steadily that it was almost impossible to extinguish it. They are fully insured. Dean & Neibaum estimate their loss at $4,500. They had two carloads of flour and a large quantity of feed on the first floor, which was totally destroyed, but fully insured. The loss to the building will not exceed $400 or $500; also insured.

Mr. Harry Herzberger furnished hot lunch and coffee to the firemen, which was greatly appreciated by them in their wet and cold condition.

About 9:30 a slight blaze started in J. Zimmerman's tobacco store, corner of Eleventh and Liberty streets. It was extinguished with a Babcock.

A YOUNG MAN IN TROUBLE.

He Is Arrested on Complaint of His Stepbrother and Locked Up.

T. M. Lamb, son of Dr. B. F. Lamb, of Oakland, was arrested last night on a serious charge preferred by his stepbrother, Edward House, and the brother of the young lady in the case, to whom Lamb says he is engaged to be married. Dr. Lamb, the father of the prisoner, is married to Mrs. John A. House, who was a widow, and is the mother of Miss Winnie House, the girl in the case, who is about 16 years of age.

The Lamb family, with the exception of the son, reside at No. 276 Oakland avenue. The son, who is about 20 years of age, has not been at home for some time, and recently returned from a visit to Baltimore. He was arrested in Oakland by Officer Eagen. He expressed surprise at his arrest, and said he did not understand the matter, and that he was engaged to be married to the girl. Last evening he sent a messenger to his father, who, upon hearing of his son's arrest, was also surprised. He said he knew nothing of the affair, and at once started out to learn something of it. House, who made the information, could not be seen. Lamb is locked up for a hearing.

UP TO THEIR EYES IN WORK.

Secretaries of the Independents Busy Handling the List of Recruits.

The Secretary of the Independent Republican organization and his assistants in the Bissell block, Smithfield street, were again up to their eyes in work yesterday answering correspondence. They reported that an influential old-line Republican had brought in a list of 300 well-known Republicans who had positively pledged themselves to vote for Pattison. Later in the day another equally influential Republican brought in another list of 100 names, and the secretary said that another of 200 was expected today.

That the movement is causing anxiety in some quarters is evidenced by the fact of several old liners, who run with the machine first, last and all the time, have called at intervals during the past two days for the purpose of taking soundings.

SCENES on Lake Titicaca is the subject of Fannie B. Ward's popular South American letter for To-Morrow's big DISPATCH.

ROBERT NORTON DEAD.

A Former Pittsburger Yields Up His Life in Chicago.

Division Passenger Agent E. D. Smith, of the Baltimore and Ohio road, was notified yesterday of the death of his brother-in-law, Robert S. Norton, in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Smith and E. M. Norton, a brother, left for Chicago last evening to attend the funeral. He will be buried in Logansport, Ind.

Mr. Norton was a former Pittsburger, and was well known here. He was in the job printing business. He died of consumption, and his death has been anticipated for some time.

CUT UP IN A ROW.

Dico Chido and His Companions Couldn't Get Along Without a Fight.

Dico Chido, an Italian who formerly resided on Tunnel street, was brought to the Mercy Hospital, yesterday, from Grantsville, Md., suffering from several painful cuts on his body. Chido was working on the lines of the Pennsylvania Gas Company. On Monday night last he got into a row with some of his companions, during which he received the cuts.

The men who did the cutting were arrested in Maryland, and Chido shipped to this city for treatment. The cuts are not considered dangerous.

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MISHAPS OF A DAY.

A LITTLE BOY HORRIBLY MANGLED BY A CABLE CAR.

A Brakeman Crushed to Death on the Panhandle—Another Has a Hand Smashed—Several Injured by Falls and Runaways—Other Accidents.

John Lagalsky, an 8-year-old Polish boy, was killed by a Citizens' Traction car going over him yesterday. His skull was crushed, neck broken, both arms and a leg broken, and he was frightfully mangled. The boy had been hanging on an apole wagon, when the driver discovered him and aimed a blow at him. To escape the lash he ran across the street car track and was caught by the car. The gripman was placed under arrest. The boy is the son of a mill worker in Carnegie's Twenty-ninth street mill.

Alex H. Irwin, of 293 Beaver avenue, Allegheny, fell on Tuesday and fractured his leg.

James Karowitz, who lives on Butler street, near Fifty-fourth street, fell from the roof of his house, 35 feet, yesterday afternoon, while engaged in repairing the chimney. Karowitz received a slight fracture of the skull and had his right arm broken in two places. He is a married man about 40 years of age.

William Dovey, a brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, had his right hand crushed last evening while coupling cars at Twenty-eighth street.

Yesterday afternoon one of the Hungarians employed at work on California avenue, Allegheny, was injured by a tree falling on him. The man was in the act of chopping it down. He was seriously hurt about the back and head. He was removed to the Allegheny General Hospital.

S. C. Bamberger, aged 40 years, of Mansfield, employed as a watchman at Sheridan station, on the Panhandle Railroad, was caught between two cars and crushed to death at Sheridan yesterday afternoon. He leaves a wife and two children. The Coroner will hold an inquest this morning.

Michael Conroy, a muck roller, employed at the Keystone Iron Works, near Soho, was seriously hurt at the mill early yesterday morning. He was running a lump of hot metal from the furnace to the squeezers when the pulley attached to the guide rail broke. The heavy iron trolly fell on Conroy, breaking his right leg at the hip and knee. He was removed to his home up Four-Mile run.

Willie Garlick, a 6-year-old son of W. H. Garlick, was thrown out of a wagon by the horse shying on Wylie avenue. He received an ugly gash in the head.

Charles Johnson, an employe of Shoenberger's mill, Sixteenth street, had his right foot crushed yesterday by an ingot.

A WEEK'S READING will be secured by all who get to-morrow's 20-Page DISPATCH. The best writers contribute to its columns.

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Last year it cost us upward of $2,000 to exhibit at the opening Exposition. We have been kept so terribly busy this summer, however, in selling our pianos and organs and banjos and mandolins and guitars and brass horns and sheet music, that we actually found no time to get up an exhibit for this year's show. However, we propose to give our customers the benefit of this great saving, so that any one who will buy a piano or organ, or any other instrument, during the continuance of the fair will get the benefit of an extra reduction in price of goods of 5 and 10 per cent. Visitors to the show can therefore make some $50 by calling on H. Kleber & Bro.'s Music Store, 506 Wood street, and buying one of their instruments. They are the sole agents for the famous Steinway, Conover, Gabler, Opera and Emerson pianos, also for the wonderful Vocalion church organs, and the mouse-and-dust-proof Earhuff parlor organs. Anything in the music line which you cannot get at Klebers' is not worth having. Don't fail to call at Klebers', then, 506 Wood street, three doors above Fifth avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.

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WILL OPEN ON WEDNESDAY.

Superintendent Jacobs of the Blind School to Arrive To-Day or Monday—The Books Have Been Ordered and Everything Ready—Many Subscriptions Are Paid In.

Mr. H. B. Jacobs, late of the Indiana State Blind School, expects to reach Pittsburg to-day or Monday, with his wife, to take charge of the Western Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind in this city. Mr. Jacobs visited the American Publishing Company in Louisville, early this week, and ordered $200 worth of books for the school, and the first lot was received by the Secretary, Percy F. Smith, on Friday.

The books will be paid for from the quota of the new school obtained from the national fund for literature for blind schools. The school will be opened on next Wednesday. In response to the circulars sent out by the board, a large number of subscribers have sent in their subscriptions, which, together with the amounts already in the hands of Treasurer Dean, show the following:

Miss Jane Holmes	$40,000
Thompson Bell estate, through Mrs. M. J. Marshall	10,000
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J. E. Schwartz	250
William W. McKelvy	50
George B. Logan	25
Joseph Horne	500
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J. W. Schoonmaker	500
W. K. Gillespie	25
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