The Ex-Indianapolis Manager Makes The Board of Appeals Have a Few Interest a Strange Statement About Mr. Brush's Intentions.

A POINTER FOR THE OLD LEAGUE.

Football Players Meet and Form a League to Play a Series of Association

TROTTING MCGULS MAKE DECISIONS.

Football Games.

Dod is, of Pittsburg. Basten in the Billiard Tournament-General Sporting News.

There is not a baseball patron in Pittsburg worthy the name who does not know, or who has not heard of George W. Burnham. George was the man who came to this city not very long age and bluffed the National League into giving Indianapolis a franchise and shutting Kansas City out. George had \$3,000 and K. C. people \$20,000. Burnham was in it then and subsequently came to Pittsburg as manager of the Hoosters. He always was a man the like of

He was in the city yesterday, located at the Hotel Duquesue. He is now representing the Missouri Car and Foundry Company, and he was accompanied by a gentleman named Floyd, who was too bashful to say what he was engaged in.

Mr. Burnham made a very significant state

ment regarding baseball affairs. His home is in Indianapolis and he talked as follows about in Indianapolis and he talked as follows about Mr. Brush and the latter's plans: "Mr. Brush is a sbrewd man and it by opinion he has a scheme on hand that will fool many people. He is out for the stuff and he has two frambises, both National League. He has one for Indianapolis and another for Cheinnati. Well do you know that he will play both these for money. He knows that Cheinnati is an Association or Sunday half town and he is relying on making a deal there at the last moment. He is also figuring on having a National League team in indianapolis, because preparations in the way of grounds, etc., are already groing on. We have some enthusiasts or cranks in Indianapolis, he will be some the study of the control of the can keep if we can raise thour \$10,000." They will, as usual, raise about \$6,000 or \$7,000, and that will suit him and away the deal goes. He will do this after he has effected the Cincinnatical But bear is mind the fact that he will try and make a deal with the Association people. try and make a deal with the Association peo-ple. I know Mr Brush. As a result, I predict that there will be a League club in Indian-apolis and an Association club in Cincinnati." The above information goes for what it is worth, but it is a fact that Mr. Burnham was worth, but it is a fact that Mr. Burnham was very positive in his statements and he has a wide experience. Only one man can absolutely prove him to be wrong, and that is Mr. Brush, of Indianapolis. If Mr. Brush has the inten-tions ascribed to him by Mr. Burnham, then he is neither a friend of the League. Association or any other baseball organization. It is to be hoped, however, that there is a misunderstand-ing somewhere.

CLEVELAND LEAGUE CLUB. No Action Taken Toward Securing a Team

for Next Season.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 3.—The annual meeting of the Cleveland League baseball club was held in Treasurer Howe's office to-day. The most important business before the meeting was the election of officers, Frank De H. Robinson was re-elected President, George Howe Treasurer, and Davis Hawley Secretary. Last season's Board of Directors was re-elected. No action was taken to secure a team for text season, as it has been decided by the League people not to eneage any dayers until after the baseball war shall have been definite-ly settled in all the cities comprising the

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] YOUNGSTOWN, Dec. B.-The local baseball say, of Bradford, President of the New York and Pennsylvania League, stating that Erie, Oleon, Meadwille, Jamestown and Bradford were desirous of maying Youngstown join the league for the coming season. According to the letter the salary limit has been placed at \$600 per mouth. No action will be taken by the Youngstown club until the affairs of the Tribiate Longue are settled, which it is expected will be done at the meeting in January.

THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Officers Elected for an Organization That Will Afford Some Sport.

The association football kickers of Pittsbur and near towns met last evening at the Hotel Schlosser and thoroughly organized. The football league is to be a go, and the final touches will be made on the evening of December 12 at Last evening the following clubs were repre-

sented: Alleghen: Athletic Association, Braddock, Eighteenth Ward, McKeesport, Home-stead, Eureka, Shaner, East End Football Club, stead. Eureka, Shaner, East End Football Club, and New Castle. The representatives of these clubs were enthusiastic about the establishment of a league, and they unanimously elected the following permanent officers: President, 3. F. Horp; Vace President, C. A. White; becretary and Treasurer, George Macpherson.

A committee was appointed to arrange a schedule and decide on the circuit of the league can communicate with George Macpherson, 48 Fifth avenue, at once. It has not yet been decided whether the league will consist of 8, 10 or 12 ctubs. All are invited to communicate with

Dallas, the famous Pittsburg pacer, said: "Certainly, my horse Dallas will go in the free for all contests next year. i don't believe much in exhibition contests; besides, they are becom ing profitless to race tracks, because there are too many good horses. The public do not want them, because there is more reliance and interest in a race in which several horses are engaged. I think I have a great horse, and he will be entered in any free-for-all next year that is attractive enough. I was always willing to will be entered in any free-for-all next year that is attractive enough. I was always willing to put him into a race with Johnston, and I will be willing next year. Here is a free-for-all pacing list that would make a great attraction: Hal Pointer, B. E., Dallas, Adonis and Cricket. Of course, others might start. But who could have the winner there?"

1 have no fault to find with Dallas' old. I have no fault to find with Dallas' old

"I have no like to and with Dains on driver, Charley Predmore, and I think he will be behind Dallas next year. Predmore has done more than I expected. He had a strange-tempered, though kind, here to handle. But I must say that I am theroughly satisfied with Mr. Predmore's efforts and results. Of course, he has enemies, but I am a business man, and I only hope that I'll have nothing worse to deal ath than Charley Predmere's driving of Dallas, Dertainly, Charley pleases me, and I guess I tave a say so in it."

The Duquesne Kennel Club.

Au important meeting of the puquesne ennel Club is to be held at the Hotel Dunotice to each member of the Executive Board explains everything: "The Executive Board explains everything: "The Executive Committee of the Duquesne Kennel Club is to meet at the Hotel Schlosser at J.P. M. on Thursday, December 4. Your presence is urgently requested, as important business pertaining to our coming bench show will receive consideration. The committee failed to get a quorum together last Tuesday, hence a meeting was set for the 4th proxima, and it is hoped that you will arrange to attend without fail."

The Homestead Team.

The Homestead football players are living in very great hopes of defeating the Allegheny Athletics on Saturday next. The Homesteaders Athletics on Saturday next. The Homestenders claim to have a great team of kickers, and kicking goes in an association game. The contest will begin at 330 and the following players will represent Homestead: Goal-keeper, P. Gordon; full backs, William Woods and J. Joneston; full backs, William Payne, J. O'Brien, G. Stewart; forwards, F. Jones, J. Flewning, J. Knotl, J. Sautters, Charles Parker.

STORY amatched to run three miles for a purse of \$50 and gate receipts, at the Greenville rink, Saturday evening, December 6, at 8:30. A fine race is expected. Lyden is a slight favorite.

DISCUSSING THE RINGERS

ing Cases Before Them. CHICAGO, Dec. 3.-The Board of Appeals of the National Trotting Association met again this morning. The first protest considered was

the National Trotting Association met again this morning. The first protest considered was that against Benjamin C. Stanley and Samuel Hewey, of the Minnesqua Association of Trotting and Pacific Horse Breeders. These gentlemen are charged with violating rule 25 of the association, which reads as follows:

"As many horses may be entered by one party, or as many horses trained in the same stable as desired, but only one that has been owned or controlled wholly or partity by the same person or persons, or trained in the same stable within ten days preceding the race, can start in any race of heats."

It was charged by Mr. Steiner, Secretary of the Association, that these men had started more than one horse at Hambline and at Rochester, Minn. The defense claimed that control of the horses objected to was given up 20 days before the races. The case went over for consideration in executive session.

The case against Harenburg and Crockett, owners of the black horse Star Edsall, is for entering him in a race at Ellensburg and Shenaudoah, Ia., out of his class. The horse is said to be over 2 years old and was entered in the 2-year-old class. The case was continued for further evidence. Dr. F. M. Clark, of Chicago, appeared before the Board in an endeavor to secure action in a case wherein he was suspended for non-payment of entry fees. He claims that he was victimized by a former driver whom he had discharged, and that the driver had frandulently entered his horse at Jersey-ville and at Terre Haute, and because he did not pay these entry fees he was suspended. The case was passed to give Dr. Clark time to draw up an application to have the matter again brought before the Appeal Board.

The closing event of the day was the disclosure that I. B. Goldberg, of Oshkosh. Wis, by a seemingly overwhelming preponderance of evidence, had been guilty of violating the roles gray the first delayed and traver of horses. whom one does not meet every day. But he by a seemingly overwhelming preponderance of evidence, had been guilty of violating the

of evidence, had been guilty of violating the rules governing the fraudolent entry of horses, Goldberg is a well-known Wisconsiu horseman residing in Oshkosh. It was apparently shown concusively that under the alias of "Black Frank" he had spring a "ringer" named Dick Organ on the association tracks at the fairs in Storgcon Bay, Ishpeming, Menominee, Madison, Green Bay and other Northern points, Goldberg's own letters produced before the board, and his refusal to answer questions when placed on the witness stand, produced a painful impression. impression.

It was shown that Black Frank had won a majority of the races of the season, and must have netted Goldberg quite a sun. Goldberg's letters showed that he had returned the horse to T. J. Middough, of Patterson, Pa., after completing the circuit. Judgment will be rendered in executive session. The usual penalty in such cases is expulsion.

HARDLY IN FORM.

Pittsburg's Billiard Player Falls a Little

Short at Philadelphia. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 PHILADELPHIA, Dec. &-One of the pretti-est exhibitions of billiards ever seen in this

0.25.

Rhonds—1, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 4, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 3, 3, 1, 3, 4, 7, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 8, 0, 3, 4, 0, 3, 1, 4, 0, 5, 1, 2, 2, 1, 85; highest run II, average 2, 12. Referee—Shorte.

La Shaffer.

The hall was crowded again in the evening to see Dodds, of Pittsburg, play Campbell, of this city. Campbell was conceded \$5 points handicap in 300. He did not need them, however, for by good steady playing he got tog-ther his 215 while Dodds obtained but 151. The visitor seemed to be handicapped by the new table, and this, together with some awful hard luck, helped in his signal defeat. The score is as follows:

follows:
 Campbell—0, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 11, 7, 3 2, 0, 1, 3, 0, 0, 10, 4, 7, 7, 0, 1, 0, 1, 2, 0, 5, 2, 0, 11, 12, 0, 0, 8, 0, 9, 0, 0, 4, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 3, 0, 2, 2, 15, 0, 0, 1, 0, 5, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 1, 7, 0, 0, 1, 4, 5, 11, 0, 3, 6, 5, 15, 3, 12—215. Highest ron, 15: average, 3,27.
 Dodds—0, 0, 3, 1, 1, 0, 8, 0, 6, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 11, 1, 0, 1, 2, 9, 0, 5, 0, 9, 4, 2, 1, 1, 3, 0, 3, 0, 0, 8, 0, 5, 1, 6, 5, 0, 12, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0—154. Highest run 12; average, 2, 16.

THE GREAT STAKE RACE.

Conditions of the Big Event That Kentucky

SEPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCHAL LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 3.-The conditions of the \$25,000 futurity guaranteed stake of the K stucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association have just been perfected. Mares must be nominated March I, 1891, which will cost \$10. Fifteen follars must be paid October I, 1891, to name and describe cell. Five thousand dollars of name and describe colf. Five thousand dollars of the stake will be given for a 2-year-old race, and colts to start in it have to pay \$50 June 1, 1893, and \$100 the night before the race, the winner to get \$3,000, second horse \$1,000, third \$500, and breeders of winner's dam \$500. To start in their 5-year-old form the colts pay \$100 June 1, 1894, and \$250 the night before the race, the winner to get \$15,000, second horse \$3,000, third \$1,000, and nominator of winner's dam \$1,000. to get \$10,000, second horse \$5,000, third \$1,000, and nominator of winner's dam \$1,000.

This is not only the largest guaranteed stake ever offered in this country but is the most biberal. The directors also reduce the entrance fee to purse from 10 per cent to 7½ with 2½ per cent forfeit.

THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

Adjudicators of the Trotting Horse Owners Do Business in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3 .- The Board of Review of the National Trotting Horse Association a schedule and decide on the circuit of the league. All clais who desire to join the league can communicate with George Macpherson, 48 Fifth avenue, at once. It has not yet been decided whether the league will consist of 8, 10 or 12 clabs. All are invited to communicate with the Secretary. The league will be a go. Secretary Inason, of the Allegheny Athletic Association, to hustling.

REGARDING PACER DALLAS.

By. McCormick Says a Few Words About the Great Horse.

During a conversation yesterday afternoon Mr. McCormick, the good-natured owner of Dallas, the famous Pitisburg pacer, said:

Specific Notes.

Specific Notes.

Specific Notes. of the National Trotting Horse Association

Sporting Notes. THE football players are bustling.

JUST wait awhile; a baseball surprise will come ne of these days. one of these days.

HARRY MAGUINE writes to this paper to the effect that he is not of the Hayes class of fighters, and that if haves uses his name in challenges again there will be trouble.

LET nobody make a mistake. The fchallenge which supercode. LET nobody make a histake. The challenge which appeared in this paper relative to an unknown fighting Reddy Gullagher goes. It goes most assuredly as soon as Reddy puts up.

B-OWNSVILLE is the best supplied fown in the State with good pedestrians and good managers of sprinters. Brownsville always has a good man in the sprinting business. The sports up there deserve lots of cradit.

J. M. Brows, owner of Robby Beach, base

serve lots of cradit.

J. M. Brown, owner of Bobby Beach, has offered to race his horse against Guido, the Cajfornia crack, for \$1.000 a side, the contest being at a mile. It is not probable Guido will accept, owing to the lateness of the season.

Mr. Turple took the floor this afternoon in the Senate in opposition to the Federal elections bill. In his speech he can be supremacy of the white owing to the lateness of the season.

THE "peds" who recently walked six days at Detroit made no fortunes. Tom Howarth, the winner, only got \$365 for his share, and the other purses were as follows: Glick \$230, Messier \$138, Noremac \$92, Hughes \$55 30, and Horan \$36 80. Detroit is not likely to be a Mecca for the lads who pad the hoof for some time to come.

pad the hoof for some time to come.

THE Kentucky Derby of next year will be only a mite and a quarter dash instead of the historic inde and a half. It is a bad move. The excuse is that a mile and a half is too long for horses in May, It was none too long for Aristides, Vacrant. Hindoo and the long list of winners that have made the race ismous. Following a bad example, the Latonia Derby will also be reduced to a mile and a quarter.

tac Latonia Berby will also be reduced to a mile and a quarter.

In a recent letter to a Nashville friend. Secretary Hosper, of the Latonia Jockev Club, and that the Latonia spring meeting would probably be extended next year to near the opening of the Washington Park meeting, and that the autumn meeting will probably be a 28-day affair. If this programme is carried into effect it will involve a great deal of nuwelcome clashing with St. Louis and other clubs.

NOT ASHAMED OF THE RECORD.

The Small Percentage of Escapes From the

Western Penitentiary. Warden Wright, of the Riverside Penitentiary, was about town yesterday. When asked about McGraw and Dobson, the escapes, he cognomen would give him, but he is worksaid that nothing had been heard of them since they skipped. In speaking of escapes the Warden said that of the first 3,500 imprisoned warenessant that of the first 5,000 imprisoned in the old poultentiary 35 got away, or an average of 10 to 1,000. Of the last 6,000 but 11 had escaped, or an average of less than 2 to 1,000. The Warden thought this record would compare favorably with that of similar institutions.

A Race at Greenville.

FITS, spasms, St. Vitus dauce, nervousness and hysteria are soon cured by Dr.

GREENVILLE, Dec. 3.—George Brown, of
Bharon, and Patrick Lyden, of Greenville, are

Feming & Son's, Market st.

Figs. spasms, St. Vitus dauce, nervousness and hysteria are soon cured by Dr.

Miles' Nervine. Free samples at Jos.
Feming & Son's, Market st.

There is but one John G. Carlisle, Jr.,"
said the Scnator this afternoon. "He is my
grandchild, and is but 2 years old. I do

United States Warships

IN THE DEADLY EMMENSITE GUN.

Successful Tests of the New Explosive by Naval Authorities.

THE ELECTIONS BILL TO BE PUSHED

IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. J WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 .- The Ordinance Bureau of the navy is still continuing experiments with emmensite, the new high explosive invented by Dr. Stephen H. Emmens, and thus far the most satisfactory results have been obtained. A large number of projectiles loaded with it have been successfully fired from powder guns without aceident of any kind. It has been proven to be insensitive to friction and impact and only locally ignited by flame. It is unaffected by large changes in temperature and is not injured by freezing and thawing. It looses very little strength even after being repeatedly saturated with water and dried.

A New Gun Under Way. As a result of the experiments thus far in the United States and all drop letters after July 1 next, weighing one-half ounce throw projectiles containing 100 pounds of the explosive. The gun is made of steel, and will differ from the ordinary service gun in being shorter. It will be rather a Bengough's Name Sent In. gun in being shorter. It will be rather a long rifled mortar. The dimensions are such as to avoid undue heating of the projectile in the gun, which might cause premature explosion of the bursting charge, and yet long enough to give a much greater range, a flatter trajectory and consequent greater accuracy than is possible with the ordinary type of rifled mortar.
As soon as this special gun is completed

it will be taken to the ordnance proving ground down the Potomac river, and a series of experiments will be made to deter-mine the capabilities of emmensite. It it will do all that previous tests seem to indi-cate, it is believed that the navy will be furnished with a new offensive agency of tremendous power. It will far surpass in efficiency the pneumatic gun-cotton guns of the Vesuvius, for they can only be simed by turning the vessel, as they are built into her hull, and, as their elevation cannot be changed, the range can only be varied by varying the air pressure in the gun. The new gun can be handled as easily as the ordinary service gun, and can be aimed with as much accuracy.

Designed for Close Fighting. Just what place these new guns will occupy in the armament of yessels willbe determined when the experiments at the proving ground have been made. It is probable that they will be mounted, at least, upon all vessels designed to fight at close quarters, such as the Ammen ram, and perhaps the torpedo cruisers. On such vessels the new gun will doubtless prove a most effective weapon, for the explosion of 100 pounds of emmensite on the deck of a vessel would do a tremend ous amount of damage, and it is possible that the force of such an explosion, even against a heavy armor plating, might do

considerable harm.

Dr. Stephen H. Emmens, the inventor of the new high explosive, passed through Washington to-day on his way to the Mary and copper district, where he is going to look at the output of the mines, with the view to purchasing ore for use at his reducing works, at Emmens, Pu. If be finds it is produced in sufficient quantities he will make a thorough inspection of the entire re-

TO RUSH IT THROUGH.

THE FEDERAL ELECTIONS BILL MAY BE PASSED BY CHRISTMAS Outline of a Probable Programme to be Pur-

sued by the Republican Senators on the Measure-Democrats at Sea-Senator Turpie Speaks Against the Bill. IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.-The Democrats of the Senate are at a loss to know what course to take with regard to the Federal elections bill, because the Republicans will not show their hand. The unanimity and equinimity of the Republicans is alarming to them, in view of the lack of these qualities in support of the bill last session, and understanding has been reached and some new plan held in view for accomplishing | tion in the Board. the passage of the bill. The fact that some of the free coinage men were the only opponents of the bill last session, and that these have quietly dropped into line this session, gives color to the assertion that it is under stood that the President and leading Eastern Senators will interpose no obstruction to the passage of the free coinage bill, provided the party sticks together on the Fed-

eral elections bill.

This assumption, however, is gratuitous. are proceeding with a confidence indicative of a clear understanding as to the course that will be pursued, and it is a pretty general conviction that this course will not be dilatory, timid nor hesitating. One of the Senators who should be best informed of what is going on, said to the correspondent of THE DISPATCH this evening:

I think the Democrats and the country will be surprised at the manner in which the elections bill will be put through. It will be no tariff hill debate, dragging along until the end of the session. How would this do for a programme? It is three full weeks to Christimas. The election bill can be discussed every day. It should be exhausted by that time. Three weeks is enough time for any question. Beyond that, speechmaking will be simply for delay. Suppose that at the end of three weeks, with some such able and willing gentleman as Ingalis in the chair, a Senator moves that debate close and a voic be taken at such an hour. Of course the Democrats will attempt to fillibuster against the adoption of this motion, but the chair can ignore in er-Senators who spould be best informed of will attempt to fillibuster against the adoption of this motion, but the chair can ignore interruption, put the motion, and, if it receives the majority of the votes, declare it adopted. The Democrats may run away, but the Republicans can muster a quorum. I merely say, suppose this should be done. I don't say it will be. I will say, however, that I do not think there will be any formal change of the rules.

claimed that the supremacy of the white race was not peculiar to any portion of the United States. South Carolina was not more completely under its sway than was Penncompletely under its sway than was renarized the pose to give our people a perfect treat, not pose to give our people a perfect treat, not only in the quality of these goods but in the price. Now this is what we are going to the price. tain the will of the majority, but to over-throw it on the single issue of race.

AN INDUSTRIOUS RASCAL.

enator Carlisle's Name Being Utilized by a Bogus Carlisle, Jr.

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. 1 WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 .- Senator Carlisle is very much annoyed just now because of the proceedings of some one who is representing himself to be a son of the Senator, and who bears the self-applied name of John G. Carlisle, Jr. This individual is ing it for financial results. He is now in the City of Mexico, and the Senstor was made aware of this fact by the appearance of two drafts, one for \$100, the other for \$200, both of which were cashed for the rascal. A bank took one of them and General Frisbie the other, and now the holders have forwarded there the control of the con have forwarded them to the surprised Sen-

A POWERFUL WEAPON | not know who this draft forger is. He is an impostor. Last fall it heard there was a person in Indiana who represented himself as being my son. He also was a John G. Carlisle, Jr., and an impostor."

How He Originated the Plan to Leave

A Majority of 44 in Favor of the Measure

in the House. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 .- The copyright bill was taken up in the House to-day, and after arguments against the bill by Messrs. Springer, Peters and Kerr, and in its favor by Messrs. Breekinridge of Kentucky; Farquhar, McAdoo, Cummings and Butterworth, Mr. Peters, of Kansas, moved to recotamit the bill, with instructions to the Committee on Patents to report it back with an amendment, limiting the life of a copyright to 14 years.

Mr. Breckinridge, of Arkansas, moved to

COPVRIGHT BILL PASSED.

amend the instructions by instructing the committee to provide for the importation of books of foreign authors at the rate now provided by law. Both motions were lost. The question then recurred on the passage of the bill and the roll call resulted—Yeas, 139; nays, 95, and the bill was passed.

ONE-CENT POSTAGE. Senator Cullom Introduces a Bill to Bring it

About. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 .- Senator Cullom to-day introduced a bill in the Senate to reduce the postage on all letters for any pointin the United States and all drop letters

Bengough's Name Sent In. IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3-Among the re-

President this afternoon was that of Harry Bengough for rension agent at Pittsburg. Mr. Bengough's nomination will be promptly confirmed. **QUITE A DIFFERENCE**

Between the Tax Value and the Selling Value of Some Real Estate-A Scheme to Help out the Assessors-Only an Instance. Messrs. Siebert, Rowley and Murray, of

the County Commissioners' office, are engaged on a work that will commend itself to the approbation of all lovers of fair dealing. It is a compilation of all the sales reported in city and county, and will be furnished to the assessors of each district, to guide them in making assessments, and be cor-rective of the gross abuses that characterized the last triennial valuation.

There is one little borough across the Yough

from McKeesport where the people pay a fair amount of taxation, their property being valued well up to what it would sell for, while, as if to show up inequality in the grossest shape, property in McKeesport is valued ridiculously low. It is said that the valuation

shape, property in McKeesport is valued ridiculously low. It is said that the valuation is probably one-sixth of the price owners would be willing to take for it, and the public-spirited portion of the town is aslamed of the showing the big borough makes.

It is said on what ought to be good authority, and on authority that will not likely be disputed, that at least \$1.000,000 worth of property in Stone township escapes taxation entirely, and it is the rule rather than the exception that lots in some small boroughs are valued at \$75 to \$100 by the assessors, and at \$30 to \$500 by the owners when they are asked to sell. It may astonish some people who know at what price the City Poor Farm was sold, to know that equally as good farm land in sight of the Home is taxed at \$50 an acre, but such is said to be the case. It is not contended that these farms are worth as much as the City Farm per acre, but there isn't by many degrees the difference between the assessor's figures and those of Black & Baird.

It can be shown that in some places on soils of equal fertility one farm will be assessed from 20 to 50 per cent higher per acre, buildings excluded, than another lying nearer a railway station. Such pig-headedness asthis requires no comment.

A weak-headed assessor and a quarrelsome,

THAT CINCINNATI BOON.

The Legislative Committee of Investigation

Learns But Little. CINCINNATI, Dec. 3 .- The Legislative Investigating Committee failed to get witnesses before it until late in the day and then found little that was of value. Mr. they cannot avoid thinking that some new Butterfield, clerk of the late Board, testified that he never saw any evidence of corrup-

A. C. Sands, Jr., Managing Editor of the Enquirer, could not remember having given any unfavorable opinion of the board to the Governor's private Secretary. John F. Mc-Carthy, City Editor of the Enquirer, bad a talk with Claude Meeker, the private secretary. He was pumping Meeker and might have said to draw him out, that one member of the Board was a thief, and the other a chump, but he never made a deliberate statement of that kind. F. B. Wright, also of the Enquirer, denied that he had said in There is no question that the Republicans searnest anything derogatory to the board.

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We will have a special sale of seal jackets and sacques this week. We have bought for each a lot of very fine Alaska seal jack-\$100, guaranteed worth......\$150 \$115 seal jacket, guaranteed worth.... 160

\$120 seal jacket, guaranteed worth ... 175 \$165 seal sacque, guaranteed worth ... 200 \$175 seal sacque, guaranteed worth... These prices are only for this week. J. G. BENNETT & Co., Leading Hatters and Furriers,

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How He Originated the Plan to Leave Somerset Jail.

CUTTING THE WAY OUT OF PRISON.

His Painful Journey to Barkley's Barn, Where He Was Caught.

APRAID OF THE SEARCHING PARTIES

SEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR .

SOMERSET, Dec. 3 .- Through the courtesy of Deputy Sheriff Milton McMillan, THE DISPATCH correspondent was granted an interview with Joe Nicely to-night. He said in relation to their famous escape: "When we were brought here from the Indiana county jail we scrutinized closely the new jail in which we were placed. We did not then anticipate making any attempt to escape from it, but were hopeful of a favorable report from the Board of Pardons. When disap-

pointed in this, we turned our attention to-ward a means of escape. We closely watched the movements of those in whose charge we were, particularly the daily routine of the deputy who served us with our meals.

We had concluded that when the Pardor Board had refused to interfere the only way to save our lives was to break jail, and if pos

Joe Conceived the Daring Plan. I first conceived the idea of gaining access to the attic of the building and boring a hole through the wall at the point where it was made, and with the aid of Humbeson and Keyser it was carried out. It was the two men I mention who sawed off the staple of the trap door lock several days before we made our escape.

The devices on our cells moved in and out of their sockets, and in sawing we raised them above, and to conceal them, lowered them below the body of the lock. All told, it took about an hour and a half to saw through the locks of our cells. The locks were of soft steel, and the saws we used were made for the purpose, and given us by a kindly fellow prisoner in the Indiana county jail, and we had brought them with us. We had not been supplied with pistols or any other deadly weapon made, and with the aid of Humbeson and Keyser plied with pistols or any other deadly weapon since our return, and we were unarmed when

How the Convicts Left the Prison. It was 6:45 P. M. when we made our escape. was the first to go out through the hole. I was the first to go out through the hole. I slid down the rope about eight to ten feet, when the rope broke, and I fell to the ground, alighting with most of my weight on the right foot, and dislocating my ankle. It at once became very painful, but by a sudden jerk I pulled the ankle joint into place. This relieved me slightly and allowed me to walk, but with great pain, I was followed through the hole by my brother Dave, who slid down the rope to where it was broken, and from there fell to the ground, and, as I am informed since my return, shattered his right leg above the ankle, his injuries being somewhat similar to mine, only worse.

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Dave was followed by Humbeson, and then came Keyser, both of whom escaped unhurt. Alex Queen then came, and in his fall broke his good leg in two places above the knee, and was so badly injured internally the doctors say he will dle. I remained with Dave about five minutes, and theo assisted him to the rear of the jail stable, when, at his own request, I left him to take care of himself. I do not know the course taken by Humbeson and Keyser. As was preconcerted, Keyser was to accompany me, and Humbeson was to go with Dave, but the injuries sustained by both of us prevented our carrying out that portion of the program. program.

Joe Hides in Barkley's Barn. I walked through the fields to the stream north of town, where I was compelled, through fatigue and pain, to lie down for over an hour. I heard a number of persons on horseback and in buggies pass along the pike and could even hear them talk. When all was quiet I limped to Barkley's barn, arriving there about 11 o'clock, where I hid under a large quantity of

At 8:30 P. M. Sheriff McMillan and posse arrived with Keyser and placed him in his old cell. The Sheriff reprimanded him for assisting others to escape and intimated that hereafter he would suffer the close confinement that his conduct merited.

TROUBLE WITH A DITCH. A Long Job of Digging Causes Dismay to

Housekeepers. For some two months past a gentleman named Gallagher-at least that is the name known in the neighborhood—has had a gang of men at work attempting to drain the property in the vicinity of Second avenue and Grant street. Just what difficulties they have enstreet. Just what dimenties they have encountered the people thereabouts cannot
discover, but they are evidently equal to those
encountered by De Lesseps on the Isthmus of
Panama. When the excavation was made it
seems that the ground was of the nature of
quicks and, and the ditch but three or feur
leet wide, had te be shored to prevent caving.
Just what the work men were doing could Just what the workmen were doing could never be satisfactorily learned, but at the end of four or five weeks the ditch was filled, and the housekeepers in the neighborhood were enabled to make two doormats do duty for a whole day at a time.

enabled to make two doormats do duty for a whole day at a time.

Great was the rejoicing among the disenthralied housewives when they found the pavement once more free from mud, but it was short lived. There was a shower, and a grocery cellar was filled with water—some said it backed up to the Court House. The grocer's property was considerably damaged. A crywent up, "Let her go, Gallagher," and the ditch was opened again, and is still open. It is said the excavators bad failed to connect with the main sewer, but the nature of the trouble seems impossible to fathom accurately. fathom accurately.

During all this trouble the contractor had his arm shattered in a street railway collision, and it is supposed that he hasn't found life worth living, unless he has arranged with the undertaker for a heavy discount. The ditch is less than a equare in length.

BUILDING RIGHT ALONG.

Any Amount of Work Yet to be Done in the City This Winter.

According to statements of architects and builders, there is a very great amount of building under way at present which will have the effect to assist business materially in this city during the winter. While the greater part of the buildings are under roof, a large number are not.

One contractor states that he has nine houses to build and must build them, and only the foundations are completed. He states that he expected to have them all under roof ere this, but the almost constant rain prevented bricklaying, which must now be done, even though it be necessary to hold umbrellas over the worknep.

LOCAL ITEMS, LIMITED.

Incidents of a Day in Two Cities Condensed for Ready Reading. A GENERAL delay of several hours on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad yesterday was caused by a broken rail at Brick Works siding, near Rankin station. Local engine No. 310 was detailed and thrown across the east-bound track at that point,

WORK was begun on Tuesday by Keeling & Ridge, the contractors, upon the Homewood branch of the East End sawerage system. This is to be one of the largest branches of the sys-tem and will require over a year to construct. An application was filed yesterday for a charter for the McKeesport Hospital. The trustees are #James Downer, Jr., J. R. Genn-will, Magnus Pflamm, R. L. Riggs, J. W. Sharpless and T. L. White, M. D. A NEW candidate for Sergeant at Arms in the

Lower House at the next Legislature has been brought to the front in the person of A. H. Kennedy, of Allegheny City. CHIEF BROWN will advertise in a few days for bids for a hose wagen to be used on the hill-top at No. 17 engine house. TWENTY-THIRD ward scholars, living in the

CORPORAL punishment is to be abolished in the Thirteenth ward school. THE last month's report of the Mayor shows the total receipts to be \$5,536 95.

THE WEATHER. FOR WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

AND WEST VIR-GINIA: LIGHT SNOWS, NORTH-WESTERLY WINDS, COLDER; THE TEMPERATURE WILL FALL 16 DEGREES AT ROCHESTER, BUFFALO

AND OSWEGO. FOR OHIO: LIGHT SNOWS, NORTH-WESTERLY WINDS, COLDER.

SPECIAL WEATHER BULLETIN. Short Period of Fair Weather Promised

for the East. PREPARED FOR THE DISPATCH.1 The storm which was diverging over Northern Texas on Tuesday developed rapidly and increased in energy. It was central yesterday over Lake Erie, moving northeastwardly with unusual rapidity. The barometer read low on the Pacific coast, giving indication of the approach of another storm from that quarter. A small high pressure area extended from the Gulf northward, which was moving eastward, and which will tend to produce fair weather for a short time in the East. Heavy snow was falling from Lake Michigan to the Atlantic which changed to rain later in the day on the Atlantic coast. In the Mississippi and Ohio Valleys heavy rain fell. A rise in temperature of 10° or more occurred in the

> River Telegrams. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR.

Northwest.

BROWNSVILLE-River 4 feet 4 inches and rising. Weather rainy. Thermometer 42° at 6 Mongantown-River 4 feet and stationary, Weather rainy. Thermometer 35° at 4 P. M. Wannen-River 1 9-10 feet and falling. Weather loudy and cold, with light snow. EVANSVILLE-River 12 feet 4 inches and falling. Weather cloudy and cold.

CINCINNATI-River 13 feet 1 inch and falling. WHEZLING-River 6 feet 6 inches and stationary, Light snow. Veather cloudy and cool ALLEGHENT JUNCTION-River 4 feet and falling. Weather cloudy and rainy.

MINOR POLICE ITEMS.

Short Stories About Persons Who Are Charged With Lesser Criminalities. JAMES McDowell, a colored contractor. narried Mrs. Brooks, a white woman, to get out of trouble, and a woman from Virginia, who claims to be his wife, had him arrested yester-day. He will have a hearing Saturday.

GEORGE KENNEDY, foreman at McNeill

day on a charge of assault and battery, preferred by Martin Kumback, an employe of the same CHARLES FINK, a wholesale liquor dealer of South Tweifth street, gave ball before Alder-man McGarey on a charge of selling liquor on Sunday preferred by S. Fifer.

JAMES VAIL, a teamster, reported to the police that a colored man had stolen the blankets off his horses while they were stand-ing on Shakespeare street. JOSEPHINE DEMLING, of Fortysecond street, is charged with perjury in testifying that Catherine Wenzel had stolen a watch.

NINE boys were arrested in Allegheny yester-

day on a charge of stealing canned quinces from a Pittsburg and Western boxcar. OSCAR WOFEVELL will have a hearing to morrow on a charge of desertion preferred by his wife, who lives at Minerville. DAN BROWN and George Schaffer, employed by Booth & Flinn, were agrested for fighting. PATRICK CHURCHILL is charged with assaulting Officer McShay.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE DOING. ome Who Travel, Some Who Do Not, and Others Who Talk. -W. M. Reamer, formerly a clerk at the

Eutaw House, Baltimore, is now one of the staff of the Seventh Avenue. Mr. Reamer takes the place of Mr. Ed. Landis, who was forced to retire on account of failing health. -A. W. Lewis, a prominent citizen of Bradford, and associated with the extensive tool, engine and boiler manufacturers, Bovaird & Seyfang, is in the city on business.

-Attorney J. T. Brooks, of the Pennsylvania Company and Assistant Cashier Speer, of the First National Bank, went to Philadelphia last night, in Mr. Brooks' private car. -Mr. Clint Clark, an old Pittsburger, who is now engaged in the mining business near Butte City, Montana, is here visiting friends for a week or two.

-Henry M. Wilson, of Bradford, and of the firm of Bayne, Wilson & Pratt, departed for his home to-day after a successful business visit to the city. -Sol. Schoyer, Esq., went East on the fast

line last night, to attend to some private bus--Dr. Mont Magoffin and wife, of Mercer, Pa., are visiting friends in Allegheny. -Miss Mary Robinson, of Mercer, Pa., s visiting friends in the East End. -W. E. Porter, of Springfield, Mass., is registered at the Hotel Anderson.

One More Granite State Hearing. The hearing of S. W. Ritter, the ex-agent of the Granite State Provident Association who was captured by Detective Robinson last Sunwas captured by Detective Robinson last Sun-day, will take place at Magistrate McKenna's office, on Penn avenue, between 3 and 4 o'clock this afternoon. As Ritter acknowledges, all his operations in behalf of the association were conducted in Allegheny, and all those who made contracts with him are expected to be present at the hearing.

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\$7 50, \$9 75, \$11 75 and up. AN ARRAY OF FANCY GOODS.

Silver Paper Knives, 25c, 50c, 75c up. Plush, Leather, Wood and Metal Toilet Silver Shoe Hooks, 10c to 50c. Silver Shoe Horn and Hook, per set, 50c. Cases, \$1 to \$25. Work Boxes, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Silver Writing Tablets, 25c and 50c. Smokers' Sets and Tablets. Music Rolls. Silver Whist Sets, \$1 25. Albums, Painted Placques, Picture Frames, Easels. Silver Pin and Jewel Trays, 75c up. Silver Smokers' Sets, \$4. Silver Shaving Mugs and Brushes, Toilet Bottles for covering.

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