#### THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN

A Number of Expressions Upon Various Subjects of Interest.

ONE AGAINST THE NEW ROAD PLAN

The Appeal of a Butler County Producer to His Associates.

SOME SEEKERS AFTER INFORMATION

#### Against the New Road Plan.

this one condition-that his reply will not be the one universally made by the boodler reason together. politician, to wit: "Oh, he is a kicker, or he is opposed to public improvements." My first question-Is it in the interest of the people or State to increase the horde of public officials? Second-Does it not in every instance cost the city, county or State more for work or service per-formed than it does the citizens to do the same work? Is it not a fact that in addition to the cost of the work or improvement in hand, there are additional public officials to be supported at the public expense after the work is done? Third—Are not the people living along the line of the township roads as much interested in having them in good condition as any class, and will not their needs Fourth-Is not the compelling of people to do for themselves what is necessary for their own comfort better than having them depend upon the State to do it opposed to the best interests of our people and nation? Fifth-If it is true that the State has to pay more than double for all classes of service or work performed, is not that an unanswerable reason why the State should keep hands off and compel the citizens to provide for themselves? Sixth-In view of the danger to our civil institu-tions and the continual threatening to the salety of our nation and neonle, caused by the strile between the two political parties, resulting in such unbridled license with public money, disclosed in the Delamater Company looting the public treasury out of

horde of public officials? As an incentive to the editor to answer above questions allow me to call your atten-tion, and through you the attention of the 1831 is to be taken advantage of and con-strued, so as to do service in doubling upthe \$2,500 to \$5,000 per year, and all the other officials in same proportion, was a very We are unwilling that any reader of the officials in same proportion, was a very

PITTSBURG, Dec. 15.

J. B. COREY.

An Appeal to the Producers. Come, producers, let us reason together! oil producers? The production of the Pennsylvania oil fields, as stated by the National Transit Company, is about 4,000 barrels less per day than the consumption. The stocks have been reduced from 30,000,000 barrels to less than 9,000,000 burrels. Three years To the Editor of The Dispatch: ngo the Stanuard whispered to the Pennsylvania producers that if the stocks were reduced the price would advance materially. ducers, tooled the producers and laboraters people in the oil districts of Penusylvania for one year, so that they might empty the tankage in Ponnsylvania and fill it with Lima oil (at 15 cents per barrel), which was only fit for fuel. There was no advance to speak of until Joe Craig & Co, buift an independent pipe line. This pipe line seemed to have more effect than the reduction of stocks, and crude oil advanced to a fair price, certificates being worth \$1 05 or more in February, 1890; refined selling for 7,20c per gallon. As soon as the Craig pipe line was absorbed (in direct violation of the law) by As soon as the Craig pipe line was the Standard, oil at once began to depreciate. It was also discovered that (by a new process) Lima oil could be deodorized and that about 30 per cent of good merchantable oil could be taken from oil that before was only fit for fuel oil. Who with any brains does not know, when they look at the large refinery built at Lima, O., and the big pipe line laid to Chicago, that the Standard knew that Lima oil could be successfully refined before they set up the shut-down? The price crude has depreciated, until to-day it is workings of aforesaid system. selling at less than actual cost of produc-tion (63 cents), while refined has advanced to 7,30c per gailon. Has not the Standard simply ordered every man, woman and child in the Pennsylvania oil fields to hold up their hands, a la Jesse James style, while they (I had almost said he) went through ir pockets and took the few millions they

have present use for? The old style was to rob the producer through the oil market, but the new style cts just as well. You ask: Are these people who are being robbed American citizens nen who have just cause to be proud of the bravery of their forefathers? and have we fallen so low as to become serfs and slaves for the purpose of helping to make one man the wealthiest man on the face of the earth? Villie Winklesays "Gould and Rocksfeller don't want the earth, they only want what is on the outside of it." . The producers only B-k for what they produce on their little

speak londer than words. Can't we build a little pipe line and refinery for a cent, as the Standard did in 1872, and when the profits will justify add a big. Bland dollar and as we grow up with the country try and market our own production? It we have not the brains and expital to do this, let the producer take a lamping job from the Standard, the land owners deed them their oil lands for a song and the business men

tun their company stores. Remember, producers, there has been the normous profit of 6 per cent for the last year in producing oil, and the poor Standard has not made more than 500 per cent in handling the stuff. The Columbia Conduit Company pipe line, the Tide Water, the Pittsburg pipe line, the Western Atlantic pipe line, did not clear more than 1,000 per cent on their investments. Be slow about avesting in an enterprise that you cannot Against the New Road Plan.

To the Editors The Dispatch:

I read your recent editorial, "The New Road Plan"—it should have read "The New Loot Plan," a scheme to loot the public officials to be maintained at public expense. I would like to ask the editor or the Farm. ers' Alliance a few practical questions, which the editor is at liberty to answer out they make sport of your beflowing. Honest competition is the only thing that makes them look anxious. Come producers, let us

#### One Clergyman Criticises Another.

BUTLER, Dec. 13, 1890.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: When a writer's chief object is the pleasing of the multitude he is often tempted to go outside the lines of fairness when criticising people and opinions as well as usages not agreeable to his own views. He is also led into the mistake of those who, from an oversight of facts, state things which are not exactly true. And yet we will not condemn such a writer of being willful in his incorrect statements, or unkind in his criticisms, For this reason we are tempted to call the Rev. Mr. Hodges' attention to an important his ideas of ritual, etc.

We have waited before writing a word to you on this matter. Our delay has softened our pen and calmed our temperature. We them; in a word, is not may now without severity ask why has the "Parental Government Theory" reverned rentleman gone out of his way to reverned gentleman gone out of his way to under any pretext evil and only evil, and | strike at those who have not one unkind word to utter against his simplicity of ritual? No one in the Church of Western Pennsylvania is burdened with the so-called 'non-essentials and extravagencies of ritunlism." Those in England who are so burdened (?) are perfectly satisfied with their load and claim that according to history they are doing the right thing in being

But who is the more correct so far as history bears witness—the so-called Ritualists of England or the Rev. M. A. Hodges? The writer is no Ritualist himself. His service is as plain as an Irishman can possi-\$100,000, is not that an unanswerable reason bly have it and yet be in keeping with the why every patriotic citizen and newspaper should resist every device for increasing the must say that the so-called Ritualists can give more evidence to sustain their position than those who criticise them. The Rev. Mr. Hodges' attack upon them is this in hove questions allow me to call your attention, and through you the attention of the Farmers' Alliance, and all other patriotic citizens, to the proposed increase of the salaries of our county public efficials. It is an open secret, that under pretense of the late census returns, an act of the Legislature of 1831 is to be taken advantage of and construed so as to do service in doubling parts. In a conversation recently, upon this proposed increase, with County Controller Speer, I asked him proposed increase, with County Con-troller Speer, I asked him the following questions: What he thought of the salary of the Controller at \$4,000 per year, as at present paid. He replied that the thought his salary for the service ren- Moses how vestment should be made dered was a very fair compensation, as was also the salaries of all the other county officials, as compared with the labor and hours of work. He said he thought the county officials were paid above what the county officials were paid above what the

great wrong and ought not to be permitted.

Allow me, Mr. Editor, to ask, in view of article should turn from it a despiser of the fact that these same county officials are things dear unto many men who certainly, already cutting each other's throats to though not in our way, are doing good. already cutting each other's throats to see who will secure the office, why the people should allow this outrage to be sentials if those who love them make them perpetrated. Is not the fact that tens of the means of saving some souls from shame thousands of men, laboring men, like those and sin? While in London last October, I coal miners in the anthracite coal regions, who have just received notice that they are me in a forcible way. The one was that of to be thrown out of work, a reason why all classes of citizens should resist the increase Alban's Helburn. Both churches were of public burdens upon our industries which crowded. The ministers in both were exof public burdens upon our industries which will not afford the people depending upon them a decent living? Is not this class of assisted by numerous deacons, etc., in their the northern coast. The Isthmus of Panama and the control of interest, as Caracas, Bogota and Quito tremists in their ritual. Mr. Spurgeon was assisted by numerous deacons, etc., in their the northern coast. The Isthmus of Panama them a decent living? Is not this class of citizens more worthy of consideration than the boodler class, who, under one pretext or another, are continually laying seige to the public treasury? Hoping THE DISPATCH the service was of the high type of ritual the Rev. Mr. Hodges describes, but I was impressed deeply by the reverence of I was impressed deeply by the rever the poor and the aged. The body of the Brazil. church must have had in it about 600 men Had and boys and the side pews as many women. Which church shall we condemn?-Mr. of the working men and women of London or St. Alban's Holburn, before whose altar What is toe condition of the Pennsylvania are gathered a great multitude saved from lives of vice and shame?

Believe me, respect ully yours,
I. N. W. IRVINE. BRADDOCK, PA., Dec. 12.

#### A Boom for Cooper.

The result of the recent election shows | markable mixture. that the Republicans must stand together At the same time they shouted that Lima in 1891, or they will be beaten in oil could not be refined successfully. The Standard, by the help of the leading proring man of the Republican State Committee, has gained the hearts of all Republicans. Cooper seems to be the unanimous choice of the Re-publican people for State Treasurer in 1891. Spanish maiden gives when, knowing she is Cooper's boom comes direct from the people and his candidacy will bring the independents back to their old love, the Republican

> On December 6 I wrote to Collector Thomas V. Cooper and made known to him the wishes of the Republican people, and clever in selecting a place by some pillar in asked him if he would be a candidate for the Republican nomination for State Treasurer in 1891, and on the 11th inst. I received the answer that he would very apt be a candidate for State Treasurer in 1891. Yours very truly, G. F. WEBER, Mt. OLIVER, PA., Dec. 15.

party.

#### The Australian System.

To the Editor of The Dispatch. Will you kindly tell me through the colums of THE DISPATCH the object and manner of election by the Australian ballot

PITTSBURG, Dec. 14. [The system has already been frequently explained in THE DISPATCH, and to give in detail its workings would require many columns of space. By procuring a copy of the Massachusetts State law upon the subject you will get the law in its entirety as applied in America.]

#### Politics in the Dominion.

To the Editor of The Dispatch : As a constant reader of your paper, would like to ask if you will be kind enough to give me some information about the political parties of Canada, Which of them would adopt legislation most favorable to this country? BUTLER, PA., Dec. 10.

[According to Erastn-Winan, the Liberal

## SOUTH AMERICA

Down in That Hot Country.

MEXICO AS SHE WAS AND NOW IS.

Done Further South. CHILIAN WOMEN THE MOST INDOLENT

So marked and rapid has been the growth of the interest felt in this country in regard to everything connected with the sister republics of Mexico and South and Central America that a conversational article from which statistics shall be rigidly excluded may be opportune. There are doubtless many scores of statistically inclined persons in Germany and other parts of Europe who could give the area of the city of New York in square yards or the remaining fraction of a yard-could, if not upset by Mr. Porter's late census, give all vital statistics and a resume of our commerce and manufacturesyet hardly know what the people look like and are sublimely unconscious of the differ-ence between a 5 o'clock tea at Mrs. Van Niederland's on Fifth avenue and a Baxter street jollification, where the "growler" is "rushed" and soused pig's feet and tripe make a supper to be long remembered for

Lucullus-like luxury.

Of the Mexico of to-day, with its rail ways, its telegraphs, its telephones, its horse cars and its polyglot hotels, we all know, or if we do not it is not from want of books, a flood of which have been poured upon us. What we want is a point of comparison, and Kelvy and Special Officer Carrigan, of supposed to be now it must be the general idea of life in the capital 5 the Third Police district, were seen to at least 90 degrees below zero and 40 years ago-before the conquest and dismemberment of the country by the deviation on his part from the excellent dedition and at much less expense than if done by the State, with its high-salared officials? deviation on his part from the excellent description of "Old Oxford" to a severe criticism of all who cannot exactly follow him in close of our war to the execution of Maxi--may perhaps suggest the probable trend of future affairs.

> THE CITY OF MEXICO IN 1840. In the first six years of the "forties" no other American city could compare in gayety, or in the bravery and show of wealth city; it was in many senses the only one. There were commercial places along the coast and some inland towns that had gone to sleep a couple of centuries before and never wakened. The climate is simply per-

A GRAND, GAY, LIVELY PEOPLE Perfect horsemen, they caracoled through the streets on their lively stallions, smiled at and kissed their hands to the ladies on the passes, wagered heaps of doubloons upon their favorite chicken, went from theater, concert or opera to the ball, and in the hours pefore dawn won or threw away a few thousands at monte in the public gambling houses.
Well within the tropics, but on a table well within the tropics, but on a table land 7,500 feet above the sea, it has the charm and somewhat of the languor of eternal spring. Below lies the "Terra Callenta," from whence at early morn come, fresh from the plucking, all the luscious fruits of the sun-smitten plains. Above and immediately around rise lofty peaks whose summits, clad in everlasting snow, yield from their gorges lee that might support yield from their gorges ice that might sup-ply a world, and to be had on any day in the whole country had his town house and spent He was a Basque, and, like Rosas-the most bloody tyrant who ever set loot on American soil, he who so long ruled over the Argentine Republic-was fair-haired, fair-skinned and blue-eyed. But Iturbide was as much an exception as the Corsican Bonaparte. The ladies were gay, often, even generally, pretty when young, and though po plenty of vivacity and always ready for a ball or a bull fight, had a languorous charm

that played havor with the masculine heart. DOWN IN SOUTH AMERICA. In South America there are a few points

Had not an immense immigration from Europe flowed of late years into Brazil and crowds of mercantile men of all grades set-Spurgeon's, whose congregation is made up tled in her cities the number of those of purely white blood would be small indeed. Nor is the miserable Indian, who still roams at will or lives in his but, as much a savage as his ancestors were 500 years ago, princi-pally responsible for the mixture. He has leit his mark, but the negroes brought to the country have marvelously increased in numbers, and their blending with the Portu-guese, with the Indian and with all sorts of shades between the two, has made a most re-

#### PORTUGUESE AND SPANIARDS.

The Portuguese at home are far less interesting than the Spaniards. Run, as I have done, from Cadiz up to Lisbon and note the difference. What artist goes to Portugal to paint her girls? Who ever felt there the perfectly safe, being always followed by some old woman and often by her mother also, she will smile to show a row of pearls between rosebud lips, give you a glance from glorious eyes in which there is just a bint of far off sun lands, will, if you are and fan while telling her beads, and on going out touch a rose to those perfect lips and

let it fall for you? No one.

Thus too, notwithstanding her theaters and operas, her crowded streets and brilliant shops, native society in Rio, besides its variety in tint, and the creepy feeling of having to take a cafe noir girl to supper, is said to be dull that of the many legations and that among the members of the foreign mercantile class being far more agreeable. The charm of Rio, where the dread vomito makes his lair system? Would like to know the entire tims, lies in the neighboring mountains workings of aforesaid system. and yearly stalks abroad in search of vicladen breezes, for there grim Yellow Jack

#### dare never come.

DOWN IN BUENOS AYRES. As we journey down the coast we come again to Spanish lands. Turning the corner of Uruguay we find ourselves in the vast estuary called the Rio la Plata, or as old-time American and English merchants and sailors have it, the "River Plate," whose banks and bed of finest sand slope so gradually that even so far up as Buenos Ayres the smallest vessel cannot go within a mile or more of the shore. Passing by Monte-video, as we did Bahia, we come to what is, although the second in size, really the Queen City of South America, Buenos

Ayres.
Situated about in the same distance from the equator as the northern edge of Georgia and South Carolina, it has not the evervarying climate of our Southern States. A [According to Erasta. Winan, the Liberal party, which is not in power, is the one in there no lymph in the oil country? Are there no Dr. Kochs to be found? Who will mobilise the gang and start a ghost dance?

Let us quit trying to frighten the Standard by suggesting big schemes, Actions

[According to Erasta. Winan, the Liberal party, which is not in power, is the one most friendly to the United States.]

[According to Erasta. Winan, the Liberal party, which is not in power, is the one deautiful city it is, whose only drawback is that the problem of draining its flat surface has never been solved, but rich, gay, healthful and thoroughly cosmopolitan. But for ful and thoroughly cosmopolitan. But for source the problem of graining its flat surface has never been solved, but rich, gay, healthful and thoroughly cosmopolitan. But for source the problem of graining its flat surface has never been solved, but rich, gay, healthful and thoroughly cosmopolitan. But for source for ladies, gentlemen and children, go souis has yearly reached the country. Most to Arthur, Schondelinger & Co., 68 and 70 his street, Allegheny.

and English and few Germans. Early in this decade the city contained about 300,000 people and was growing rapidly. But as the Gaucho of the plains has been pushed westward and southward until the vast plains on which his fathers so successfully raised their stock that good horses could be had for \$1 and were killed by tens of thousands in their stock.

sands for their skins, manes and tails-those plains know him no mere. THE AGGRESSIVE CHILIANS,

On the western coast of the continent the On the western coast of the continent the warlike, pushing, blustering, yet commercial people of rainless Chili are not personally very agreeable, but they are an aggressive and ambitious race, from which much may be expected. Valparaiso, the principal port, is entirely commercial and contains a large number of foreign mercantile houses. Santiago the capital and What the Portuguese and Spanish Rave cantile houses. Santiago, the capital and larger city, is dull. The softer and more gentle Peruvians are far more pleasant, and their capital, Lima, is still bright and gay. The women, the most indolent in the world, when some time in the afternoon they condescend to stop smoking, take off their night gowns, loose slippers and messed up, formless dresing gowns, to don their brayery for the street, the opera and the ball, are pretty and have some of the charm of the women of old Spain. The disastrous war with Chili has, however, made the men both poor and surly, and seemingly gives the military officers the feeling, "Well, if we can't whip the Chilians we can shoot any of our own citizens who do not obey us to the letter.'

#### GONE AFTER BROSI.

nspector MsKelvy and Special Officer Carrigan Left Last Night-The Prisoner Soon to be in the Clutches of His Pittsburg Accusers.

Just before the 5:20 train on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad pulled out of the depot yesterday afternoon Inspector Mefirst be taken to the Twenty-eighth ward police station, and thence to the

county jail shortly after. Inspector McKelvy had in his pockets with the City of Mexico, which was far more important than ever Paris was to France, or London to England. It was not only the seat of government, the residence of foreign representatives and the largest of the necessary documents for the delivery of his prisoner, and as the Supreme Courts of Canada have decided Brosi's case conclusively there will be little formality to be gone through at

Bross has now been living in Canada over four months. When he returns there are a number who only await a chance to confront him with more charges, such as larceny by bailee, etc. The extradition law, under which be will be delivered to the United States authorities, specifies that he shall be tried on the charge embodied in the text of the extradition papers, which is torgery. Therefore, when he ar-rives he can be tried for forgery, and, if found guilty, sentenced accordingly, but can neither be arrested nor tried on another charge until he has been again given his freedom in Canada, after serving his sentence for forgery, if such should be imposed. After he served his sentence and was again in Canada he could be extradited on other charges.

#### A DOG'S BRUTAL USAGE

It Furnished Sport for a Crowd of Men, and Was Then Butchered.

Yesterday morning when the employes of William Boder's slaughter house went to year for the cutting. Every owner of a mine or hacienda, every prominent merchant, indeed, every man of means in the avenue. Allezheny having been chonned avenue, Allegheny, having been chopped at least half the year there with his family.

The wealth of these people was enormous.

But few of the families long resident in the country could boast of pure Castillian descent on both sides, but in their hands and in those having at least a fair infusion of Spanish blood lay all the wealth and power, and both classes together were numerically, even in the cities, not much larger in proportion than the English and Eurasians of the sparate them, when one man, said to be named John Rausinger was hitten had been furnishing the sport for the crowd for half an hour the men tried to separate them, when one man, said to be named John Rausinger was hitten had been furnished to separate them, when one man, said to be named John Rausinger was hitten had been furnished to separate them, when one man, said to be named John Rausinger was hitten had been furnished. county officials were paid above what the same service, either in banks, railroads or other private enterprises paid. He said be outgrowth of the Oxford movement? How outgrowth of the Oxford movement? How outgrowth of the Oxford movement? How public service, but he thought the increasing of Controller's salary from \$4,000 to \$8000 and Sheriff's salary from \$6,500 to \$8000 and Sheriff's salary from \$6,500 to \$8000 and Sheriff's salary from \$6,500 to \$8000 and Sheriff's part of the control of the Oxford movement? How outgrowth of the Oxford movement? How can any one make such a mistake even if the things themselves were absurd? Pre-Oxford history, as well as the history of the Reformed Book of Common Prayer and t an ax and attack the dog, chopping its body almost to pieces. The crowd then left and the bulldog disappeared at the same time When the matter was learned by Mr. Bader he at once put the case into Chiet Murphy's hands, and declared his intention of prosecuting the men. Some time ago Mr. Bader's slaughter house was broken open at night and a calf's throat was cut and its heart taken out.

#### THEY HAD TOO MUCH BRASS.

Three Men Held on Suspicion of Robbing

the Pittsburg Steel Works. Thomas Boggs, Frank McKenna and Frank Fisher were committed to jail, yesterday, by Alderman McKenna on charges of larceny preferred against them by In-spector of Police McAleese. The allegation is that the men have been engaged in stealing large amounts of brass from the yards of and Smallman streets. The men will have a hearing before Alderman McKenna on Wednesday,

DON'T allow yourself to trifle with a cold, and so encourage the development of some latent pulmonary or bronchial disease, which often ends fatally. You had better cure your cough or cold by promptly resorting to Dr. D. Jane's Expectorant, an old-time remedy for all coughs, lung and throat affections.

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# STORIES OF ALASKA

Told by Captain A. M. Brown, Indian Fighter and Army Officer.

THE NATIVES ARE SUPERSTITIOUS.

Mesquitoes That Can Give the New Jersey Article Pointers.

THERMOMETERS MUST BE EXTENDED

Little is known about Alaska, except that it has an immense territory with a population of 35,000 Indians and whites, and that it is very cold in the winter. The Indians are retiring and superstitious, and have little to say.

Captain A. M. Brown, an old Indian fighter and retired army officer, has been stopping at the Duquesne for several days, He has explored part of the country, and last summer made quite an extended trip

them last summer at Departure Bay, and took dinner with them. They divided into two parties, one going to Mt. St. Elias, where they remeasured the height of that peak, and found it was not as high as reported, and the other crowd struck out for the Yukon river, intending when they reached it to go down to the coast in canoes.

A LONG THERMOMETER USED. "In the interior where this last party is jump aboard. On inquiry it was learned they were leaving for Toronto, Canada, to bring John C. Brosi, the extradited torger, home for trial. They will go direct to Toronto, but could not say just when they will arrive in Pittsburg with their prisoner. When they arrive Brosi will stretch of country it is very cold during the winter. Along the shore it is never more than 35 degrees below zero. I still have hopes that the boys will pull through, but they are bound to suffer intensely. They were a stalwart, determined-looking crowd of young fellows, and prepared to undergo great hardships. I remember having a long talk with Wells.

"I have been through the country the party was in last summer. The articles that have appeared in the magazine about the snow and their snow shoe adventures are not true. During the summer the climate is fair, and these accounts are ridic

MOSQUITOES LOCATED THERE. "The greatest drawback to living in Alaska are the mosquitoes. The soil is covered with a low moss in which they breed in the summer and under which they live in the winter It is wet and can't be burned off to get rid of them. The Jersey mosquito is no comparison to them. They are large and small, some being so little, indeed, tha they can penetrate even the smallest bars of ordinary mosquito netting. White men cover their faces and hands with towels, and cover their faces and hands with towels, and tie the trousers around the ankles to keep them away from the body. The sting is painful, and they would soon worry the life out of anybody unprotected. Their numbers are countless, and they swoop down upon you by the thousands. The Indians smear their faces and hands with a pitch which gives them a black appearance. They remove the bark of the fir trees, and scrape off the sap on the inside layers. This they use as their protection against the little

INDIANS ARE SUPERSTITIOUS. "Little is known about the country. The Indians are not posted, and I don't believe they have been very far into the interior. It is a great territory that has not been ex-plored by white men. There are valuable veins of gold and silver along the coast that will many times over repay the purchase oney for the territory

animals.

"I never saw the Indians murder their female children and wives, as reported. They are very superstitions, and if they think a person is a witch they will kill him. Not long ago, in sight of the settlements at Fort Rangell, the natives threw an old woman over the dock and she was drowned. I also know of a case where they cut the throat of a boy and threw the body over a glacier because they thought he dealt in witchcraft. I had a tough time rescuing another Indian lad whom they were going to kill on the same charge. Anymysterious to them, and they invariably fall back on the old superstitious idea of witchcraft to explain it.'

#### To Arrange for a Fair.

A general meeting of all committees of the United Presbyterian Woman's Association will be held in the First United Pres byterian Church, Seventh avenue, this ittsburg Steel Company at Twenty-fifth afternoon at 2 P. M., to perfect arrange-mailman streets. ber 18 and 19, at Old City Hall,

> Americans Buy a Mexican Mine. CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 15,-The Ramos min ing district, in the State of San Luis, Potosi, one of the richest in Mexico, has been sold to an American syndicate headed by Mr. Kirk-land, of Milwaukee.

#### LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

-The Central school building at Muskegon, Mich., was destroyed by fire, inflicting a loss of \$55,000. -Governor-elect Winans, of Michigan, is re-ported to be seriously sick at his home in Livngston county.

-During a row in an Italian boarding house at West Asbury Park, N. J., two Italians were propably fatally stabled. -Neil Campbell was burned to death at Buffalo by the explosion of a furnace at the Barber Asphalt Company's Works.

-Hancock, Hallams & Co., proprietors of the Gracey tobacco warehouse at Clarksville, Tenn., have failed for about \$180,000. —An Alaskan exploring expedition that passed through San Francisco five months ago has been split up, owing to dissensious among its members.

—A girl at Hamilton, Ont., tried to poison her employer's family and then took her own life because she had been scolded. —An attempt is being made by the Charles W. Norton Company, of Chicago, to manufacture tin plate it competition with the tin plate makers of Wales.

—Emil Sirnsen, son of a wealthy merchant in Denmark, who disgraced himself in his native country by robbing the mails, tried to commit suicide yesterday in Chicago. The bodies of Joseph Marshall, his son Charles and Herbert Cooner, of Harbor Springs, Mich., who were drowned last Satur-day, were cashed ashore yesterday.

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OUR SILK DEPARTMENT

Is a store in itself, and right here is a magnificent, a grand exhibition of the best goods that foreign and American looms produce. We mention a few lines of Silks that are specially good at the price, and in 15 to 18 yard lengths are just the thing for a nice Christmas Gift.

BLACK GROS GRAIN SILKS, 24 inches wide, at \$1 a yard. And finer makes at \$1 25, \$1 50 and up to \$4 a yard, all BLACK FAILLE SILKS, heavy cord, 24 inches wide, at \$1 yard, and finer grades at \$2 a yard.

BLACK ARMURE SILKS, special numbers, at 65c, 85c and \$1 a yard.

BLACK SATIN RHADAMES, very rich in finish, 24 inches wide, \$1, \$1 25 and upward.

BLACK SURAHS, superior values, 24 inches wide, 75c, 85c, 90c and \$1. A special grade, 27 inches wide, at 75c a yard.

It will pay you to see these Black Silks and make your Christmas purchases here.

Every known weave, every shading of color, every best make, every latest novelty is represented in this enormous stock. A special line of Colored Failles at 75c a yard; unequaled at the price.

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A complete line of high class Colored Silks, Bengalines, Crystals, Epangalines, Faitles, etc., etc.

Also, rich and elegant Brocades for costumes,
Our stock of Evening Silks is unusually full and complete, comprising all colors, grades and shades of Canton Crepes, Plain and Brocade Crepe de Chene and high class Lyons Art-Weave Brocades. VELVETS, in all the new shadings and at bargain prices. For an elegant Holiday Present what is nicer than a Dress Pattern of our Pure Silk Lyons Velvet, which we are offering at extremely low prices?

# Dress Goods Department!

This is the place that is especially popular with our Holiday patrons. Think of it-a serviceable Full Dress Pattern at \$2 50 and up to \$45.

What a wonderful range of styles and prices.
You can't realize the novelty and extent of this dress goods stock unless you use your own eyes.

Scotch Goods, English Goods, German Goods, French Goods, American Goods. The Fest and the most here. So far we have only been speaking of the goods in one of the five big rooms of this store, Now a burried look through other departments.

TAKE THE HOSIERY!

Here you find the best and cheapest in Stockings for Infants, Children, Misses and Ladies, all winter weights, Cotton, Wool and Silk, from 20c a pair up to the finest goods made.

THEN LADIES' GLOVES! If you are giving Gloves for Christmas Presents you want to give a good glove. Here you find represented the five best TREFOUSSE, JOUVIN, REYNIER, FOSTER.

# All these gloves will fit perfectly and wear well. Everything you could desire, also, in the way of Ladies and Children's Cloth Gloves, Heavy Kid and Cloth Gloves and Mittens, lined and unlined. As to the Fancy Goods Department,

Especially Holiday in character, Knick Knacks, odds and ends and quaint conceits-a thousand and one little usefuls, orns. mentals, in leather, silver, paper, celluloid, etc., etc. Our more practical things are shown as we pass around the next corner to the Linens, where we have everything made in the best and purest of linen adapted to the wants of the housekeeper.

Table Cloths and a dozen Napkins from \$3 25 to \$75 a set.

Also, a wonder/ul display of our celebrated Irish, Scotch and German Table Damasks in the piece at the lowest prices by the yard ever made. Napkins from \$1 a dozen up to the finest qualities ever produced.

Everything in the way of Table Accessories, such as Tray Cloths, D'Oylies, Fancy Napkins, Side Board Scarfs, Small Squares, Fine to Superfine Towels, with every variety of finish in the way of Drawn Work and Fringe.

# THEN COMES OUR LACE DEPARTMENT!

Duchesse Lace Handkerchie's from \$35c to \$25 each. Beautiful Fancy Lace Trumed Tollet Sets and Mats, Old Pieces in Duchesse and Real Point Lace. Big variety of Hand Run Spanish Lace Scarfs and Fichus at low prices. Fancy Collars and Bibs for the Children. Ruchings in neat boxes.

Holiday Umbrellas by the Thousand.

Umbrellas from 50c to \$30 each. All the newest mountings in Solid Silver, Gold, Ivory, Crystal, Dresden China and

rare woods—tight roll, feather-weight, London style Unbrellas for gentlemen a specialty.

Umbrellas in 24, 26, 28 and 30-inch sizes.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS Of every description—the most thoroughly equipped (as to stock and service) Man's Furnishing Department in the country.

Special display of Smeking and Lounging Jackets, Dressing Gowns, Bath Robes and Slippers, Neckwear, Suspenders, Fine Shirts, Gloves, etc., etc. Our prices on Fine Furnishings will always be much lower than are demanded by big stores in Eastern cities, while our stock is equally complete and choice. CLOAK AND SUIT DEPARTMENT!

Shawls from 75c to \$250 each, including a very choice line of Black Cashmere and Hemstitched Henrietta Shawls, suitable for mourning.

Ladies' Suits in all the fashionable and popular materials, and in just the styles your dressmaker would show you and advise you to take. Beautiful Tea Gowns and Wrappers.

Fine Imported Carriage Wraps, \$50 to \$200.

All through our Jacket and Cloak Department we have made extraordinary reductions in prices. We never before offered such great advantages. A saving of many dollars to buy here, and it's not on a few, but on all. Special reductions have been made in stylish and handsome fur-trimmed Jackets and Long Cloth Garments. Very low prices in Plush Garments. Fine Black Cashmere and Silk Embroidered Fichus from \$2 50 to \$35.

Children's Department.

Infants' outfits complete; Children's Dresses and Cloaks; Misses' Dresses, Jackets and Long Coats; Boys' Suits up to 10 years. All these in greatest variety of materials and styles, the prettiest and the best and at lowest prices. Special values now offered in Children's and Misses' Furs.

FUR DEPARTMENT.

Our magnificent stock of genuine and superior Alaska Scalskin Jackets and Coats is unequaled to-day, nor has it ever been equaled by any ever shown in these cities, and the prices are fully a third to a half lower than the present actual cost of

like qualities, two most interesting facts for holiday shoppers to keep in mind. If you want to give a substantial and really elegant Christmas gift visit our Scal Department.

BEDDING Blankets, Comforts, Quilts, etc., etc.—A well appointed and thoroughly stocked department. Gray Blankets, \$1 and up. Fine Country Wool Blankets, \$3 50 and upward. Comforts, \$1 to \$25. The fine Eider-down satin-covered Comforts start at

FLANNELS of every description and for all purposes. Recent purchases of fine French Wrapper Flannels, selling now at 65c and 70c a yard. Full lines of Fancy Flannels for Children's Coats, Sacques and Dresses at very low prices. Heavy Winter Skirting Flannels and Warm Flannel Skirts. A special sale of choice French Satines at 121/c and 15c a yard, and genuine Anderson's Scotch Ginghams, regular 40c and 45c qualities, for 20c and 25c a yard. These prices are selling thousands of yards of these goods for holiday giving.

The biggest and best assortment of Winter Underwear for Ladies, Gentlemen and Children ever shown in these cities.

### Every make and every grade; every size and every style. HOLIDAY MILLINERY AND RIBBONS.

Trimmed Hats and untrimmed that we will trim to your order, and prices that will make them of great interest to Christmas shoppers. You can easily find someone to give a nice new Hat to, and what more acceptable or serviceable rift can you give? Tens of thousands of yards of beautiful Ribbons for fancy work, etc., at extremely low prices. Beautiful exhibit of Flowers for holi-

day decorations. Very low prices.

FANCY ART MATERIALS—Stamped Designs, Yarns, Silks, etc., etc. One of the most appular departments in the whole store around about Christmas time. Here also are the Baby's Caps and Hoods and Big Hats and Socks, etc.

NOTIONS—Articles of everyday use by thousands—things you need so constantly you seldom think of the cost. Let us tell you to consider. Further, we will save you money on your notions. Scissors, Hair Pins, Garters, Combs, Whisk Brooms, Clothes and Hair Brushes, Pins, Needles, etc., etc., etc., etc., etc. an endless variety of these useful things will be found here. You are treated just as courteously here buying a paper of Pins as a Sealskin Sacque.

The Store is in holiday attire.

We are doing an enormous holiday business from calicose is silks, and from shawls. to sealakin coats, Come and see.