



A real, genuine, old-fashioned Christmas, the first in some years, so the old residents say, with plenty of stiff breezes, sleigh-riding and coasting, and a great big beautiful snowstorm in the evening! Such was Thursday in Pittsburg. And the good cheer extended on that day seemed more sincere, the family dinner parties more easy, the Christmus trees more danzling, the story of Kris Kringle with his reindeers and furs more appropriate, all on account of the weather. Indeed, had Old Probability steraly refused to grant the many prayers for more snow and less rain this Yule-tide. the popular Santa Claus tradition would have been necessarily revised for this location, and little eyes would have opened wide with wonder at the recital of how that benien old centleman in mackintosh and rubber boots salled around in a condola to deliver his presents, or how, with a lawn tennis sult and a big sun umbrella, he drove a yellow dog cart on his tour of distribution. Snow, and plenty of it, however, with an atmosphere that prevented its assuming a liquid form, gave us the old-time Christma

and obviated the necessity of a revision that the several preceding Christmases suggested.

How the Day Was Observed.

The city celebrated the day universallyerivate homes, public homes, hospitals and churches all resounded with joy and gladness commemoration of the birth of the Savior The exchange of presents was enormous, and the exchange of presents was chormous, and he continual whire-re-rer of the doorbell in he homes of popular young people kept their urlosity and expectancy on a very severe train the entire day, for the little blue-uni-ormed messenger boys were so runked with unimese that it took them until early nightfall o dispose of all the mysterious boxes intrusted other delivery.

their delivery. And, strange to relate, in the midst of the ex-And, strange to relate, in the midst of the ex-chambent and pleasure derived from the exchange of presents the all-absorbing topic of conversation was, "Is the castom of giving presents at Christmas a commendiable one." The question was discussed pro and con by all manner of people in all manner of places, and the decision reached in most instances was that the castom, like marriage, was perfectly proper, but frequently abneed.

The Subscription Dance. Christmas Eve the young society people had their subscription dance in the Pittsburg Club Theater, and so closely did they imitate their elders in the appelntments of their elders in the appointments of the affair that there was a decided Assembly ball flavor about it that nothing but the youthful faces of the guests counteracted. The night preceding the dance the club theater was filled with a very stylish assem-blage in heat of the Tuesday Night Club's presentation of "Our Boys" in which, it is said by a gentleman thoroughly conversant with such subjects, who sat out the play that night -something be rarely does with professionals--something he rarely does with professionals-that Miss Harriet Watson distinguished her-self in the conception and the clever perform-ance of the character she assumed, also that self in the conception also assumed, also that above of the character she assumed, also that Miss Julia Harding in her makeup was artis-tio to a point, indeed, in makeup and in acting, Miss Harding as The Aunt was so perfect that her friends are anxious to have ber try the role of Mis, Malaprop, and are sure that she coold imitate Miss John Drew to surfaction. Miss Over of Miss Cornelius for the body to surfaction.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. Murdoch have issued cards for a reception next Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. Murdoch, Jr. Mrs. Samuel Shanoon's and Miss Murdoch's cards are also inclosed. A very merry party enjoyed a sleigh ride to Economy and a supper there on Christmas A very morry party enjoyed a sleigh ride to Economy and a supper there on Christmas night. In the party were Miss McCleery, Miss Whiting the Misses Anderson, Miss Blair, Mr. McKelvy, Mr. Rose, Mr. Ricnardson, Mr. Carpenter and several others. Carpenter and several others. Cards have been issued for a series of three assemblies to be given in Choral Hall Wednes-day evening, December Sl. Tuesday, January 20, and Tuesday, February 10, The last one is to be a fancy dress german. The patronesses for these assemblies are Mrs. L. Halsey Will-iams, Mrs. D. Leet Wilson, Mrs. A. R. Starr, Mrs. E. B. Taylor, Mrs. E. L. Mudie, Mrs. W. P. Snyder, Mrs. D. T. Wolcott, Mrs. Harry Ir-win, Mrs. Charles McVay, Mrs. William Stan-dish, Mrs. Bobert Franks and Mrs. C. M. F. Reed.

doors were open, was found a gift designed for each of the party, and numerous ones for little Olive. The tiny miss did not have any qualms of conscience about robbing the abode of Santa Clausin such a wholesale manner, but en-joyed it thoroughly, as did all of the guests. A delicious repast concluded the delightful even-

Miss Maggie Burns, of Penn avenue, on Friday evening was surprised by a host of friends at her home. They all had a very enjoyable time. Among the many present were Miss Aunie and and Minnie Burns, Cella Rogers, Magne Gallagher, Bertha Fisher, Agnes Lynch, Emma-Hunt, Emma and Linzie Finnie-Irock, Messra, Robert Fife, Harry Gillian, Albert Wessel, Fred Healey, John Eimer, Dan Laferty and Con Parr.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Cready tendered a reception to a number of her friends on Christma evening, at her residence, No. 2128 Sidney Street, Among those present were: Dr. J. S. Naulder and wife, of McKeesport: Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dean, of West Elizabeth: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Reed, of Irwin, Fa., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNarry, of Allegheny.

Mrs. P. H. Schmidt, of Williams street, Allegheny, entertained her friends very handsomely at dinner on Christmas Day, it being her 58d birthday. Covers were laid for 20. After din-ner the guests repaired to the parlor, where some choice selections in music and elocution were rendered. The genial hostess was the re-cipient of many valuable presents.

Miss Lola Stone, of Fostoria, and Mr. George Beno, of Jersey City, were married Christmas evening at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E. D. Breidinger, of Fostoria. The young couple came to Pittsburg where they are now visiting frienda.

Mr. and Mrs. Selbert, nee Woog, have returned from their wedding tour, which was extended to Florida, and gave a dinner one day last week to their numerous friends, at the residence of Mr. Frank Woog, 50 Smithfield.

Cards are out announcing the engagement of Miss Fanny Matheis and Mr. Joseph J. Dis-

the future.

on Christmas afternoon by Post 151 at the

hall, 1923 Carson street, preceding the an-

nual treat to the orphans. The programme

was: A sopg, Miss Sadie Turner; address

The Holiday Visitors. Miss Eva Myers, of Youngstown, is visiting in the family of A. Acsher, on Forbes street. Mss Carrie Corwin, of Shadyside, returned yesterday from a very pleasant trip to Chicago.

A. Acsher and family, of Forbes avenue, are going to Chicago early in March, where they intend making their home. The Misses Florence and Edith Totten re-turned from New York this week, where they

have been attending school. Mrs. R. F. Thompson, of Philadelphia is paying visit for the holidays to her sister, Mrs. W. E. Reed, of Duquesne, Pa.

John T. Johnston and Robert Agnew, of the Pittsburg Locomotive works, went to Steaben-ville to spend Christmas with George A. Hill. Mr. Allen S. Oxley and Miss Bella J. Oxley, of Sheffield street, Allegheny, have gone to spend their holidays with relatives in Wheeling, W. Va., and Bellaire, O.

W. Va., and Bellaire, O. Mr. Jack Murray, of Princeton College, is home for the holidays, and is kept busy saying "How do you do?" to his many friends. The young man's popularity is not confined to Pitts-burg, but is pronounced at Princetco, where he is dubbed "a good fellow," the highest compli-ment paid by college boys. Miss Margaret and her sister Marg Marg

Miss Margaret and her sister, Miss Mary Taggart, with Misses Jane Mower and Kate Pierce, a gay party who traveled the moun-tains of Colorado together last summer, are sleigh-riding in Mercer county. R. J. Taggart, Jr., of the Westinghouse Machine Company, will join them on his return from an Eastern trin.

Sewickley Society Notes.

Miss Whiting has for a guest Miss Ott, of Wheeling, W. Va. Mr. Ed McMillan, who has been in the dist-antiWest for the past six months, is home on a

Visit. Mr. Dale Bakewell, formerly of this place, but now of Michigan, spent a few days, last week, among friends here. Mr. and Mrs. John N. White and little daughter are spending the holidays with Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. French, of Fort Wayna Wayne.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Strobel and little daughter, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Mrs. Strobel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Harbaugh,

In view of the rapidly approaching contest for the Department Commandership next year the following, taken from a Philadelphia paper, is interesting: "The statement in a circular issued by the

committee of a Philadelphia post appointed to boom a comrade for Department Commander that 'he also re-enlisted in June, 1863, as Sergeant of Company M. Twentieth Pennsylvania

Post 155's Open Meeting.

ing was a success in every way notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, which was sim-

ply terrible, many of those who were to have

The open meeting of Post 155 Friday even-

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wherever practicable, as they have always

Post 128's Memorial Services. The memorial services of Post 128, to be held in Carnegie Hall this afternoon, will be un-usually elaborate and impressive. Past De-partment Commander Thomas J. Stewart and Department Commander Denniston will deliver addresses. The following is the order of exer-

Through the noble work of the Grand Army the happiness in many a poor home was increased on Christmas Day. The distribution of presents by the posts in this vicinity was larger this year than ever be-

The comrades of Post 41 will assemble at 2 P. fore. The attention given to this branch of charity is growing very perceptibly. It is an excellent work and will doubtless be con-hall. The comrades in the lower part of the an excellent work and will doubtless be conthe Lawrenceville comrades coming in, in ortinued more extensively on Christmas in A very enjoyable entertainment was given

der that there may be no delay. Post 157 will assemble at Municipal Hall, Smithfield street, at 1:45 P. M., and proceed to the hall

Along the Line. FOUR recruits were mustered by Post 162, at

the meeting last night.

was: A song, Miss Sadie Turner, address of welcome, W. T. Powell; song, Miss Alice Powell; address, Commander-elect John S. Lambie, of Post 3; song, by request, Alice Powell; address, John W. Moreland; recitation, little Edna Sias. After the en-tertainment full suits of clothing were given and the weaks of Post 41 has four comrades on the sick list: Comrades Parks, Pitzer, Webber and Moore, COMMANDER J. B. ROSS, of Post 41, has been appointed to install the officers of Post 800, of Verona.

COMRADE JOHN C. THOMAS, of Post 151, has been indorsed by his post as a delegate to the National Encampment.

COMRADE FIELDING of Post 8, was a happy guest at Post 151's annual treat to the orphans on Christmas afternoon.

tertainment full suits of clothing were given to 72 soldiers' orphans, who are the wards of the post. A box of candy and an orange were also given to each one. Everything passed off pleasantly and the comrades of Post 151 have just cause to feel proud of once more making glad the hearts of so many needy ones. Post 236 supplied 14 widows in its district -both soldiers' and civilians' widows-with substantials. Wearing apparel, shoes, COMRADE CALHOUN is back in his old position as Officer of the Day in Post 157. He served

five years in that position. COMRADE CAMP, who has been out of the fold for some time, was welcomed back into Post 41 last Wednesday evening.

Post 41 has secured a quartermaster. Last Wednesday Major John Hancock was elected. He will make an efficient officer.

-both soldiers' and civilians' widows-with substantials. Wearing apparel, shoes, flour, potatoes, turkeys and other provisions were distributed liberally. The orphans in the district were also made happy with appropriate presents. The Post will hereafter make this charity a special feature of its work. On Christonas morning Comrade Max Kline, of Post 122, accompanied by members of the post and their ladies and the Grand Army Band, went to the Jummonville Soldiers' Or-phan Home, near Uniontown, and made the hearts of the little ones glad with presents. There were substantial gifts, as well as candies and toys. Comrade Kline intends to continue this good work. Post 41 presented each of the 17 soldiers' widows in its district with a turkey and a cash donation. The welcome gifts were received with great joy by the needy ones. Post 3 distributed a large number of turkeys to the soldiers' widows under the charge of the post. COMRADES LAWLER AND RICKETTS reported for duty at the last meeting of Post 157, after a leave of absence of one year. They were received with honors.

COMMANDER WILLIAM E. LONG, of Post 157, cannot install the officers of Post 230 on ac-count of absence from the city. He will be in Indiana county, his old home, for two weeks, PAST COMMANDER REES. of Post 157, will install the officers or Post 250 on Wednesday evening, January 8. As Comrade Rees is Past Chief Mustering Officer good work is expected. COMRADE W. J. PATTERSON, the father of Post 157 and grandfather of Post 206, is on duty at every meeting of his post nothwithstanding the fact that he lives several miles down the Ft. Wayne road.

post. Acting under instructions from Post 88, the Relief Committee of that post distributed sub-stantial Christmas gifts to needy ones under the care of the post. A large number were INFORMATION is wanted of any members

the cars of the post A tank and the cars of the post No. 30, of Johnstown, distributed 103 turkeys for a Christmas present to widows of old soldiers and deserving comrades. This generous action of the post has been the cause of making many hearts happy, and the comrades are receiving much praise for their generosity. of Company F. First Missouri Light Artillery, Col. Frank P. Blair, enlisted in St. Louis, Mo, The same would be thankfully received by John O. Gilbert, East Eod, Pittsburg Pa. Department Commandership Contest.



There has been considerable moveme PATCH yesterday, that the Verestchagin col-lection of paintings will come to Pittsburg for among American artists of late, John S. Sar-gent, the well-known portrait painter, sailed a exhibition in the Carnegie gallery in Allegheny. With much interest the people of Pittsburg and Allegheny have been awaiting this author-liative announcement. It has been known that gent, the weit-known portrait painter, sailed a fortnight ago to spend the winter in Algiers and has now been followed by George De For-est Brush, who has won a reputation for his paintings of American Indians. He expects to remain in Africa three years and his friends are already anticipating great results from his new move. Itative announcement. It has been known that our cities have grown wonderfully in wealth and population during the past ten years, and with this growth has been developed a remark-able interest in the fine arts. One evidence of this interest was afforded by the recent loan exhibition upon the occasion of the opening of the Carnegie gallery. Another and important evidence is the decision of the American Art Association, of New York, to exhibit this cele-brated collection here. It must be remembered that this collection, because of its im-portance and magnitude, has only been exhibited in a few of the most important American cities, such as New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Boston, to uader-stand that the very fact of its coming here is a marked tribute to the intelligence and culture of our people, and one which will meet with a hearty response. The collection is a remarkable one. It is of absorbing interest from almost any noint of view Tonell cleaces of men the

AMONG THE EDUCATORS.

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The faces of the principals and assistant principals were all wreathed in smiles yester-day when they read in THE DISPATCH the results of the examination for entrance to the High School. Their feeling was in direct contrast to that of last Monday, when after examining the drawing paper the majority of them had thought it was too difficult for their pupils to master, and many had about decided to ask

to mater, and many had about decided to ask for a re-examination in this subject. There are many who still object to the low marks received in drawing and the outcome of all the trouble about drawing for the past few examination will be a drawing supervisor for the Pittsburg schools! On Monday a sub-rosa meeting of principals was held, when a resolution was adopted providing that each principal see to it that each member of the Central Board who represents his or her school district work for the obtaining of a drawing supervisor to in-struct the teachers of Pittsburg in this art. Superintendent Luckey credits the successful résults of the recent High School examinations to the few changes made in the positions of the principals and assistant principals, the latter each year becoming better acquainted with their dutes. For the same reason he believes that at the final examination this class will make as brilliant a record as at the prelim-inary. is of absorbing interest from almost any point of view. To all classes of men, the soldier and the civilian, the great war pictures, representing the excitement and the desolation of the battle field, the heaps of dead and

Last Wednesday morning the Grant school gave an entertainment which appeared to give unusual pleasure to all concerned. The programme embraced class songs and recitations; gramme embraced class songs and recitations; a dialogue entitled "The Dolls' Hospital," by the pupils of room 4; "The Schoolgirls' Party," introducing the graceful minuet dance, by room 8; a cantata by the pupils of room 11; a hoop drill and a Japanese scene, having sing-ing and dialogue, by room 12. Previous to the exhibition the visitors viewed the blackboard and slate work in the different rooms, for which the Grant school is noted.

"Potato Day" at the Seventeenth ward school last Tuesday yielded a big harvest. Iwenty-two bushels of potatoes, a large amount of fruit, jellies and other good things were of fruit, jellies and other good things were turned over to the Society for the Improvement of the Poor as the joint offering of the pupils of the Washington schools. The children also collected \$16, which will go to the Higbee Memorial fund and entitles each of the Wash-ington schools to a large portrait of the de-deceased State Superintendent. Additions to the fund will not be received after January 1. State Superintendent Waller will call a con-

State Superintendent while will call a con-vention of city and county superintendents during the month of January. The Executive Committee of the State Teachers' Institute will meet at the same time and prepare the pro-gramme for 100 coming session, to be held in Bedford in July.

Among the school events of note during Xmas week was the reception at the Moor-head school in charge of Prof. E. P. Johnson, which gave an idea of the high standard which the school is obtaining. The High School class has been growing in numbers of late years, and t the late examination the class made a good average.

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Miss Martha Orr, of the Bedford school, has

GOSSIP OF THE GUARDS.

on account of the expiration of their commis

THE gymnasium of the Eighteenth Regiment

has not yet been thrown open to the members, although a number of appliances have been on hand for some time, and the boys are anxious

to supple up their muscles. The room should be fitted up at once if the thing is expected to be a success, as the winter months are the only ones in which the men will care to do any work

fair has been so good thus far that it will be

of this kind.

Prof. H. W. Fisher, of the Seventeenth Ward will be in attendance at Somerset County Teachers' Institute the coming week. ... County Superintendent Hamilton will hold an institute at the Knoxville M. E. Church, on the evening of January 9, for the teachers of



Three Days' Slaughter Sale, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 29, 30 and 31,

A general cleaning up before Stock Taking. 100 pieces fine French pattern Sateens to go at 111-2c a yard. Wide foreign Ginghams that were 35c to go at 121-2c. Toil du Nord Ginghams at 10c. 50 pieces fine black Drap de Ete, Henrietta Finish, that always sold at 85c, to go at 60c and 65c a yard.

FANCY SILKS that were 75c and \$1, to go at 39c and 50c. 10 pieces black Serge, 56 inches wide, reduced from \$1 to 50c a yard. 20 pieces gray mixed English Serges, were \$1 25, to go at 74c a yard. A big lot of Ladies' Muslin Underwear, a little soiled, to go at LESS THAN COST.

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has changed, and the men who now carry the gun who did not do so at Beaver's inauguration are anxious to make the trip, while most of the older members would be more content to read of Mr. Pattison's successful installation than witness it. It has been decided, however, that the Guard in a body will be present, but it will be optional with the men whether they go or not.

A NUMBER of the companies in the Second Brigade, particularly in Pittsburg, have out you received their issue of the new Springfield 45-caliber guns, although the State completed its purchase of enough to equip the entire guard early last spring, and Quartermaster Green-

early last spring, and Quartermaster Green-land received his supply in August. Just why this delay is, no one appears to know, although it is probable the remainder of the guns are laying in some storehouse about brigade head-quarters waiting for the proper official to awake. While this state of affairs does not materially inconvenience the companes inter-ested, as they can continue to drill, with their old fifties, yet in case of a sudden demand for field duty unpleasant complications might arise from the use of arms of two different calibers in one regiment, and often in one company. company.

THE result of the court appointed by Colonel Smith to try the cases of two privates in Com-pany H. Eighteenth Regiment, who had disobeyed the orders of their Captain, will be announced this week. Both men pleaded gullty to the charges preferred against them, and it is thought their sentence will be to pay a fine of several dollars or go to jall. Should the latter be the finding of the court it will be the first sentence of the kind imposed in Western Fennsylvania for many years. In all events, the result of the court-martial will have a tell-ing effect on the conduct of the other members of the regiment. The appeal of the officers in the Third Regiment from the finding of a court was beard last week in Philadelphia, at division headquarters, it being the first action of the kind ever held in the State, and having no precedent in the regular service. The ac-cused officers were represented by Senator Os-born, and Judge Advocate General John I. Rogers represented the Governor. The result of the appeal is not yet known, but will be looked forward to with interest as a new de-parture in court-martial law in this State. the result of the court-martial will have a tell PHOLNE

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wounded, and depicting as only painters by a soldier-artist could depict the horror of a battle, are intensely interesting. These battle pictures were painted, as the artist indicates in his auto-

soldier-artist could depict the horror of a battle, are intensely interesting. These battle plotures were painted, as the artist indicates in his autobiography, in a spirit far from that of sentimentality, for, he says: "Having killed many a poor fellow creature in different wars, I had no right to be sentimental." In the war extending from the frontier of China to Bulgaria, there was deeply impressed upon his mind the horror of human beings being slaughtered, shot, beheaded and hanged, and it has been his purpose to transmit these scenes faithfully, without adding thereto or detracting there beliahment," he says, "must speak eloquently for themselves." The plottnres of Palestine will also appeal to people of all classes-to the one who studies them because of their historical interest only as well as to those who hold in veneration the many places in and about larerst only as well as to those who hold in veneration the many places in and about larested egree could only be painted by a man who himself participated in the scenes portrayed, and to a great extent it is the fact that Verestchagin was himself a soldier which give especial value to his war pictures. During the selie of Samarcand, the holy elty of core the wall and burn the citadel and only reschament of the army which artived from Tashkend. At one time, it is said, the stank of General Kaufman in 1868, the Russian army was but up to the citadel and only rescued by the detachment of the army which artived from Tashkend. At one time, it is said, the attacking army made a desperate effort to force the wall at do burn the grates to the city under protection of the very was the attacking army made a desperate effort to force the wall at down the scitadel and only rescued by the detachment of the army which artived from Tashkend. At one time, it is said, the attacking army made a desperate effort to discover where the energy were ad what they which artively for the said to discover where the energy were ad what they is the diract the army which artively

INFORMATION is wanted of any members of Company F. First Missouri Light Artillery, Col., Frank P. Blair, enlisted in St. Louis, Mo. The same would be thankfully received by John O. Gilbert, East End, Pittsburg Pa. THE ladies of Col. John N. Patterson Women's Relief Corps No, 1 were a great help to the comrades of Post 151 in distributing the clothing, candy and oranges to the orphans. Their services are highly appreciated by the post. ACCORDING to Comrade Lamble, of Post 2, Comrade Jones, of Post 15, is the oldest man in this neck of the woods. He boldly asserts that Comrade Jones, of Post 25, is the oldest man in this neck of the woods. He boldly asserts that Comrade Jones came over with Columbus, and landed at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all anded at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added at Saw Mill Bun in 1462, thus making to all added the saw Sublex and battle. Art and society people and business men hare taken a deep in-

occupied.

One of Society's Favorites.

At all of the social gatherings intely Mrs. James Laughlin, Jr., has been a conspicnous figure, not only on account of her beauty and superb dressing, but for the magnificent diands she wears as well. It is said Mrs. Laughlin, of to: "Anonger sociery ladies, has the finest collection of diam: ads in the city. Her neckince alone, which was a Christmas present a year ago from her husband, is worth a fortune, and another fortune is represented in the rings, ear-drops, pins and tracelets which adorn her person, all in perfect keeping the elegance of taste and good form which characterizes anything and everything that bears the stamp of Mrs. Laughlin about

Friday night Miss Stella Hays was finally introduced into society at the ball even at the Duquesne Chub. And, as the young lady is pretry and attractive and reputed an heiress, her success and popularity is assured. Her mother, Mra. John Shoenberger Hays, was heitess at the ball, and everybody agrees that he is a romarkably handcome soman. die is a remarkably hau-

The Duquesne Club house on New Year's Eve will be the scene of another brilliant affair, whan the Misses Chulfant, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John Chulfant, make their initial bow to Fitisburg socially.

It's Quite an OrdeaL

After that the assemblies, both at the Linden Glub and at the Pittsburg Club, and with so much distipation in prospect some of the older manabers of society are beginning to "hedge" a little as did one prominent geutlemen the master and fitted the position ad-other day when he said: "I don't think I shall mirably. One of the features of these go up to to-night's reception, for I was out to he Tuesday Night Club and to a hig Christman mer, and I want to go to the Chalfant affair First Assembly with

and I'll have to go to the First Assembly with the folks.so I think I'll rest up a bit." Cards are out for several tens to be given early in the new year, before the feeolutions have entered a state of collapse, not that the sevolutions and the ters have anything to do with each other, only that they are nearly co-incident as to time. The ladies who will be hostesses are Mrs. Sammel C. Walker, on New Year's eve, from 4 to 6; Mra George A. Kelly, January 2; Mrs. Charles Orr. January 6, and Mra. George Singer, January 7. KATHLEEN HUSSEY PRICE.

FLEASURES OF CHRISTMAS WERE.

Social Gatherings of the Early Days of the Holiday Season.

Last Wednesday evening the employes of the Welsbach Incandescent Gas Light Company surprised their Superintendent, Mr. H. W. Holmes at his residence, in Crafton, by presenting him with a token of their esteem in the shape of a large and handsomely carved oak chair, uphoistered with leather. Mr. E. J. shape of a large and handsomely carred oak cliair, upholistered with leather. Mr. E. J. Young made the presentation speech, which was ably responded to by Mr. Holmes. After a delightful suppe, which Mrs. Holmes had pre-pared, the evening was pleasantly spent. Among those present were: Mrs. J. G. Stephens, Miss Hill, a distor of the betteen Mesza, J. G. Ste-piens, Edward G. Merriman, H. P. Cox, E. J. Young, Gilmore G. Hasiet, W. H. Weaver, Ehafer A. Love, Edward Schuler, C. Stanley Rea, Joseph R. Hill and T. Stevens Loese.

A thoroughly old-fashioned sleighing party, composed of Southvide young people, left the city Monday evening with the old Andrews farm as a destination. The evening was spent at that point in a very enjoyable manner, and the return trip undertaken about 1 A. M. The necessary upset in a fouce corner deposited the eleiptoes in a heap premiscoously, without re-gard to their perpandicularity, bot they ar-rived heast right side up with care in the early merning, soos the worse for the accident, with the exception of several trinkets lost by the young invise. The members of the party vero: Misses Chara triven, Lizzie McMillen, Kittie Gray, Jannie Resee, Nellie Brient, Pearl Letch, Mienne Leober and Eva Leech, Messra, John Hasever, Bruce McMillen, Ralph Gra-hem and Frank Edwards. measury upset in a feace corner deposited the

One of the enjoyable events of this week was an evening party which took place on Tuesday, at the residence of Mrs. R. J. Czarniecki, No. 281 Juniata street, in honor of Miss Sallie Mitchell and Miss Effic Carl, who will soon antesen and Miss hime Carl, who will soon leave far the East. Music, dancing and elocu-tion were the principal features of the even-ing. Miss Grace Hagne recited some very beautiful recitations, which greatly pleased the company. Mr. Thomas Cochran and Miss Carta Kennedy rendered some very fine music on the violin and planto. Miss Birdle Cochrane gave some excellent music on the plane.

Little Olive King, the protty daughter of Prof, and Mrs. Byron W. King, had a unique Christmas, which numercus of her special favantes were invited to enjoy with her. In-stead of a Christmas tree she had a Sauta Claus house, a spiendid structure, in which, when the

A PLEASANT BANOURT

How a Business Man and His Employee Annually Enjoy Themselves.

The third annual dinner tendered by W. H. Keech to his employes took place at the Seventh Avenue Hotel Friday evening.

Covers were laid for 45. The menn was elaborate and the affair enjoyable throughout. Captain A. J. Logan acted as tonstdinners is the drawing of lots to see which charitable institution in the two cities will be awarded the "dockage fund," made up of the money value of the time lost during the year by employes. This year the

Society for the Improvement of the Poor was the winner. The purse amounted to \$100. The employes presented Mr. Keech with a solid silver smoking set, of handsome de-sign, as well as an ink well of artistic beauty. It carries a bronze bust mounted on an onyx slab. The pleasant company broke up at a seasonable hour, highly pleased with the success of the third re-

Battle of Gettysburg.

The beautiful cycloramic picture of the Battie of Gettysburg is not to remain in Allegheny much longer, and during the holidays it is naturally a favorite place of amusement. The cyclorama itself is a wonderfully realistic drama, nothing less; a war play far more life-like than any ever seen behind the footlights. like than any ever seen behin It is open from 10 till 10 daily.

Harris' Theater.

union.

Pete Baker is the New Year's attraction at Harris, Britton & Dean's Theater. He is a singing comedian with a German dialect of some ability, and he proposes to appear in two plays, "The Emigrant" and "Bismarck," the latter a hovelty. The usual matinees daily, in-cluding New Year's Day, will be given.

Trinidad, Col.

quartet will sing. Other elocutionists and singers have kindly consented to assist. The Is attracting the attention of investors from all parts of the United States. Send for in-formation to the Trinidad Land and Im-Encampment will be presented with a hand-some silk banner by the wives of the comrades, General Pearson was to have made the pres-cutation speech, but his illness will prevent his taking part. Comrade Charles F. McKenna will take General Pearson's place, and Comrade D. H. Kerr will accept the banner on behalf of the Encommunant. provement Co., Trinidad, Col. Wedding Rings.

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ost 400 years old. Volunteers, to serve during the war, and was honorably discharged by the Government at Union Veteran Legion.

Philadelphia by reason of the expiration of his GENERAL PEARSON has been on the sick list since Christmas.

On Monday, January 5, the officers of Encampment No. 1 will be installed by Comrade Fulmer, of Encampment No. 6.

A CHARTER AND A GIFT. The Leading Features at the Botanics

Society Meeting.

Ronorably discharged by the Government at Philadelphia by reason of the expiration of his term of service,' has given rise to a considera-ble amount of discussion all over the State among Grand Army men ao to whether the Twentieth Pennsylvania Volunteers were thus mustered into service during the war, and whether they thus served. A number of inqui-ries have been made as to how long the Twen-tieth Regiment served. In compliance with the same the following information has been complied from official authority: "There were four regiments from Pennsyl-vania during the war of the Rebellion, which bore, at different times, the name 'Twentieth'. They were as follows: 1. Twentieth Pennsyl-vania Volunteers, Colonei W. H. Gray, an-swered the first call of Abraham Lincoin for troops. Enrolled April 30, 1861; mustered out, July 24, 1861. 2. Twenteth Pennsylvania Vol-unteer Militia, Colonei William B, Thomas, Mustered in September 18, 1862, for the emer-gency; mustered out average time. September 28, 1882. Twentieth Pennsylvania Volunteers, en-rolled for the emergency June 17, 1883; mus-tered out August 10, 1863. The three regiments named were all infantry commands, and served a total of four months and 28 days, the two emergency regiments alone serving two months and three days. Colonel William B. Thomas commanded the last named regiment. "One of the Twentieths was a cavalry regi-ment. It was organized and commanded by As the grain and all things else that grow in the oil are kept warm by their covering of snow, in like paradoxical manner does the winter add fresh fire to the zeal of the botanists. They accordingly had a very pleasant and profitable meeting, at their rooms in the Academy of Science building, Friday evening. Some rare specimens were exhibited, and several topics were discusse at length. Under the call for the reports of committees, Mr. John D. Shafer laid before the society the charter which has just been granted by the Court and it was formally months and three days. Colonel William B., "One of the Twentleths was a cavalry regi-ment. It was organized and commanded by Colonel John E. Wynkoop. It was styled the Twentleth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and stood No. 181 in the line, It was mustered in June 28, 1863, for six months, and at the end of the term re-enlisted, serving until the close of the war, and was discharged July 18, 1865," accepted by a unanimous vote. Mf. C. C. Mellor made the new-born

child a handsome holiday present, the ac-ceptance of which was the first act of its corporate life. The present consisted of Mr. Mellor's entire private herbarium; which he

BARLY MORNING BLATE

A Defective Fine Causes the Burning of Ten Green Houses.

taken part being snow bound at their homes. The recitation by Miss Agnew and solos by Miss Hubbard and Mrs. Dr. J. A. Potts and The green houses and a dwelling belong Mr. Hollis were enjoyed very much. Retiring ing to E. W. Williams, the florist, at Knox-Commander C. R. Shepler was presented with ville, were destroyed by fire at an early hour a handsome badge by Comrade Boss on behalf yesterday morning, entailing a loss of \$6,500, of the Post. Comrade Nelson received the on which there is no insurance. The flames were caused by a detective flue, and for a time it looked as if a number of nearby of the Post. Comrade Neison received the badge for Commander Sheplar in a telling speech filled with pathos, poetry and nusic. He drew inspiration from all the bards, both ancient and modern. The badge is an elaborate gold one. Attached to the pin piece, on which is engraved the name and post of the comrade, are crossed carbines; under this is a Wilson's corps badge, then a Post Commander's rank stran and at the dwellings would also be burned. The house occupied by the head gardener was soon on fire, and he made a narrow escape, barely having time to secure his clothing.

carbines; under this is a Wilson's corps badge, then a Post Commander's rank strap and at the bottom the Grand Army star. It is one of the finest—if not the finest—in the county. It was designed by Comrade Holyland, of Post 162. After the musical and literary part of the entertainment was over the ladies who had Berved at the different booths during the late fair, adorned with the various colors of their respective booths, entertained the friends of the post present, with a fine lunch.

To-Morrow Evening at Encampment No. 1 An enjoyable entertainment, during which

there will be two notable presentations, will be THE THREATENED PATENT SUIT. held to-morrow evening by Encampment No. 1

There will be elocution and music. Prof. Byron W. King will recite and the Harris The Thomson-Houston Managers Make Light of the Matter.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- Concerning the St. Louis dispatch to the effect that the Adams Electric Bailway Company is about to begin suits for infringement of patent against all of the other companies manufacturing electric railway appliances, R. F. Sunny, Western manager of the Thomson-Houston the Encampment. The other presentation is that of a quilt or Company, said to-day:

There has been talk every year of suits, but which is worked all the army corps hadges slik. The wives of the comrades of the Vero none has ever been commenced, and probably will not be. To begin with, there is no such Eucampment will present it to Encampment Eucampment it to Encampment No. 1. This novel article will add another to No. 1's valuable collection of curios. The en-tertainment will be an excellent one, and will no doubt be largely attended. thing possible as securing a general patent on the truck motor. Each of the 64 companies now in the field has tried for years to secure a gen-eral patent, but has been unable to do so. Each system is made up of an aggregate of small pat-ents, and I warrant that there has been no in-fringement in any of these of the Adams pat-Installation of Officers Announced. Department Commander Denniston an. nounces the appointment of installing offi-

WRECKED BY THE PRESIDENT.

cers in general orders No. 18. Those in the im-mediate vicinity and the posts whose officers they are to install are as follows: Thomas G. A Real Estate Company Ruined by the Speculation of Its Head.

sample, Post 41; A. R. Dawson, Post 88; A. P. CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- According to charge

Sample, Post 41; A. R. Dawson, Post 88; A. P. Burchfield, Post 117; H. H. Bengough, Post 128; C. R. Sheplar, Post 151; James Shepherd, Post 155; J. N. Taylor, Post 157; John Brown, Post 162; O. M. Head, Post 206; Thomas E. Morgan, Post 215; William E. Long, Post 220; Edward S. Fisher, Post 259; William L. Murdock, Post 59, McKeesport; Samuel Warden, Post 38, Etna; T. J. McGirath, Post 199, Turtle Oreek; L. A. Houghton, Post 545, Thomas G. Jones, Post 207, Homestead; Elt M. Roberts, Post 545, Department Commander Denniston will in-stall the officers of Post 3. The Department Commander recommends public installations

scenes of carnage and battle. Art and society people and business men have taken a deep in-terest in the effort to secure for our cities this collection, and it is beyond doubt that it will make a deep and lasting impression upon the public mind and filly open a series of annual exhibitions here, which will place our cities on a higher plane artistically than they have ever occupied.

Knoxville and vicinity. Superintendent Luckey will be present and give a talk to the teachers. A rather important picture by Villegas was The Academical High School Alumni hold exhibited during the week in the Gross and Lane collection at Gillespie's. It is a large

canvas, measuring probably 86x50 inches, and represents a marriage ceremony. In color it is remarkably bright, reaching, in the higher notes, pure red and carmine. There are many figures, but tea and the treatment of fragress well drawn, and the treatment of drapery and other details is excellent. Ville-gas is a painter of note, a pupil of Fortuny, and two of his important works, "The Christening," painted in 1880, and "A Dream of Arabian Nights," painted in 1879, are in the Vanderbilt collection.

of age.

row evening.

. . . Howard school, has resigned to accept a simi-ar position at the Pittsburg Academy. A Bryan Wall has been engaged for some weeks on portrait work, as have also Mr. Stev-enson, Mr. Dalby and other artists who devote time to this branch of art.

will be married on Tuesday to Mr. Kyle. The Pittsburg Art School and the School of Design closed Wednesday for the holiday vacation. It will resume after the first of January, and doubtless the pupils will enter upon their work with a keener zest for having enjoyed season of rest and social enjoyment.

The usual after-Ohristmas quietness pervaded the studios, and the artists, after a season of has been many years in collecting, and the studios, and the artists, after a season of which represents the salient features of our hard work, feel like devoting the holiday season continental flora westward even to the Pa-cific coast. tion of work only. The exhibition of Mr. C. S. Reinhart's work

been ill with typhoid fever for the past three weeks. Miss Kate Abraham filled the place in New York has called forth the most justly during her absence. 'THE pupils of the school of languages concomplimentary remarks from the critics of the press. That he is one of the very foremost, if press. Inst he is one of the very locanos, it not the first, illustrator of America is conceded on all hands. His work certainly has great strength and variety, and Pittsburg has reason to feel proud of him as one of her sons, lucted in the East End by Mrs. Armon and Miss Tuerck, gave an entertainment in German Ariss 1 berck, gave an entertainment of the benefit of the benefit of their parents and friends last week. The young folk showed very con-scientions work, and were highly complimented by the Rev. George Hodges, who made a short address to them.

The Museum of Fine Arts in Boston has received three paintings, being the gift of Mrs. G. D. Warren-"The Forest of Fontainebleau." by J. B. C. Corot; "After the Storm," by C. F. Daubigny; and an "Entombment," attributed to Cima da Corregliano; and her son, E. P. Warren, has given to the museum a "Madonna

occupied by the head gardener was soon on fire, and he made a narrow escape, barely having time to secure his clothing.
The occupants of the other houses were awakened and began to hastily pack up, but the wind fortunately shifted, and they but the wind fortunately shifted, and they together with the Mt. Oliver Hose Company got the flames under control. During the fire a man who lives near the greenhouse was burned on the arm and cut by falling glass.
A defective flue caused a slight fire in the residence of Dr. Marshall, 67 Southern avenue, Mt. Washington.
THE THREATENED PATENT SUIT.

the museum at Nunes, was lent to the Univer sal at Paris last year. In transit it sustained certain damages, for which suit has been en-

bany, N. Y., has been modeled by Charles Cal-verley, N. A. It is now on exhibition at the Avery Art Galleries, 368 Fifth avenue, New York.

. . . A new art journal is to be started simultane ously in Paris and New York to be called

appointment on the Governor's staff. While connected with the local militia, Mr. Watson certainly established quite a reputation as a tactical sharp, but as Pittsburg is already so well taken care of by Governor Pattison, it is scarcely probable any more appointments will come this far West. The Detroit Club has an exhibition of work

American artists, and the Water Color So ciety shows work at one of the galleries belonging to a firm of dealers of art in Detroit. Remard Partridge, a draughtsman for the

London press, who has done a good deal of comic illustration, has been placed on London . . .

Chicago is to have an art building on the

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—According to charges made in court to-day, the P. F. Stanley-Winston Company, a well-known real estate corporation, has been wrecked by the specu-lations of the President, P. F. Stanley. Bertram M. Winston, the Treasurer, to-day applied for the appointment of a re-ceiver for the concern. Mr. Stanley is charged with minappropriating \$70,000. Judge Shepard appointed C. M. Waiker.

THE SAN ANTONIO FAILURE.

The Bank Suspension is Only Temporary

their annual banquet at the Schlosser to-morbut is Depressing. SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 27 .- As stated brief Joe Jackson, who made the highest percent-age for the late High School examination, is ly in these dispatches last night, the May-

ruptedly.

erick Bank, of this city, was compelled to close its doors yesterday after a run of three the son of Mr. Henry Jackson, of the firm of L Jackson & Bro. Master Jackson is only 18 years weeks' duration, with liabilities of \$884 164 and assets of \$1,789,915, as shown by the schedules of assignment. The assets, while Miss Jennie Bostwick, who has occupied the more than double the amount of the liabiliosition of writing and drawing teacher at the ties, consist largely of real estate and other securities, which cannot be realized on im-Miss Flora Dietrich, of the Moorhead school, mediately without a sacrifice, and the policy of the assignce will be to avoid sacrificing the interests of the creditors by hasty action. The suspension of this bank, the first in the history of the city, has had a somewhat A meeting of school superintendents from all over the Union will be held in one of the East-ern cities, likely Philadelphia, in the month of February. Superintendent Luckey will probably be present. Miss Elizabeth Fisher, late of the Peebles schools, has been elected to a position in the Wickersham.

depressing influence on local trade, but it is regarded as only temporary. Thus far there has been no run on any of the other banks livery. Callearly. Preeis and terms satis actory. consequent upon the Maverick suspension, and none is anticipated. The Alamo brewery, Maverick printing house, San Antonio Paint Company and Alamo Insurance Company, in all of which Mr. Maverick has large interests, are not affected by the bank's

closing, and are being conducted uninter

NO COMFORT FOR CREDITORS.

Funds From New York.

S. A. Kean's bankrupt bank have received

no comfort from the revelations of Manager

Hatfield, of the New York branch of that

institution, who is now here and has had a

conference with the assignees and the attor-

neys. Said Attorney Mayer, for the de-

neys. Said Attorney Mayer, for the de-positors, to-day: We had reckoned on saving about \$90,000 worth of that \$100,000 worth of bonds fionted in the New York market by Kean through Hat-field. We work get a dollar's worth of assets out of the deal, and I would be willing to take a quit-claim deed from any of the banks, and think we were lucky to escape suit. That's how the matter panned out.

large amounts were forwarded to New York

hypothecated, and the proceeds of the loans

returned to the Chicago office.

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THE annual meeting of the officers of the Eighteenth Regiment will be held next Saturday evening at the headquarters, on Diamond street. The civil officers of the organization will he elected at the meeting for the ensuing year, and a number of matters of importance will be transacted. QUITE a shaking up took place in some of companies of the Eighteenth Regime last week in the matter of the reduction of

non-commissioned officers. It is very fre-quently the case that a man oullives his useful-tess in any one position, and a few changes of his character very seldom do any harm. AT the election for field officers in the Fifteenth Regiment held at Greenville December 16, Captain W. F. Meckling, of Company E. was elected Lieutenant Colonel, and Captain W.J. Neyman was elected Major. Lieutenant Colonel Rupert and Major J. J. Frazier retired

"Cromwell," a painting by Paul Delaroche in

tered by the Town Council of Nimes against the Paris-Lyons Railway Company. Damages of \$2,000 are claimed. A portrait bust in bronze for erection at Al-

MR. JOHN WATSON, & well-known young L'Art dans les Deux Mondes. The editors are Yveling Rambaud and Camille de Roddan. attorney in this city, and formerly an off Battery B, is mentioned in connection with an appointment on the Governor's staff. While