MANY MILLIONS IN IT

The Enormous Output of Iron and Steel in Allegheny County During the Year 1890.

FORTUNES MADE IN THE INDUSTRY

Estimate of the Number of Tons Produced at Nearly Every Mill in the Pittsburg District

APPROXIMATING A MILLION AND A HALF

No Time Lost by Labor Troubles, and Very Little Dalay for Repairs.

A carefully collated and prepared statement of the output of iron and steel in Pittsburg and vicinity for this year has been made by Nick Dale. Mr. Dale is so confident that his premises and conclusions are correct that he declares they cannot and willnot be truthfully denied by anyone conversant with the facts. His statement fol-

The finished output of iron and steel in the Pittsburg district for the year 1890 was simply enormous, and has never been sucpassed in the history of the trade. In the tonnage of the last two years there was very little difference, so far as the finished amount was concerned. The main drawback was in the scarcity of gas, which was nearly altogether in the last six months of 1889 and this year.

scarcity of gas restricted the output of puddled iron at least 50,000 tons, and the finished product at least 100,000 tons, but nevertheless the amount of muck iron made is considerably more than in 1889. In nearly a dozen mills there is hardly any difference in the raw and finished output, but the profit that the manufacturers made in proportion was by no means as great as the volume and the outlook at the present time. Increased Cost of Raw Material

The demand in the year 1890 could no have been any better, but the gains that some few firms had to content themselves with have seldom, if ever, been any less. It is not often that some raw material commands a better price than some of the finished grades, but that has been the case during the greatest part of the year.

The manufacture of iron and steel is like any other branch of business. During the most flourishing periods of trade there are nlways some who get despondent. This was seen by the owners of the Saw Mill Run Mill, when they leased their works to the Oliver Iron and Steel Company. It is sometimes astonishing to the general public when they hear that a firm has a profit of \$100,000 or \$1,000,000 a year. Even the ironworkers are the most surprised, and of the latter 99 per cent do not know the cost of making a ton of iron or steel, or the amount necessary to operate an iron or steel plant, not including even the risks and losses, of which some are unavoidable. The expense to run the smallest mill in Pittsburg, in which not a ton of iron has been finished in three years, is now about \$1,000 a day, and from this the profit is less than \$200.

Profits of Some of the Forges.

The Pennsylvania Forge turned out in 1890 8,000 tons of muck iron, which was all sold, and on which there was a profit of \$24,000. Chess, Cook & Co. is next. They turned out 9,600 tons of muck iron, of which with the average cost of Bessemer and mill 5,000 tons were sold and the rest was consumed in their tack factory. Their profit was \$45,000. The Clinton mill turned out 8,500 tons of muck bars; about 2,000 tons were sold; the rest was finished on a small profit, which was \$35,000. Then comes the Pittsburg Forge and Iron Works. With but one exin Pittsburg where the profit has been any less. The entire output is all kinds of railway stock supplies, excepting car wheels. In this branch of business the opposition has been very great in the last eight years. Nearly all the leading railroads and some of the car building companies, such as the Pullman Palace Company, make their own stock from raw material targely made here. They produced 18,000 tons of muck iron, and the fluished output was 20 000 tons on which there was a profit of not more than

Work of the Pipe Mills.

Next is a statement of firms that make nothing but pipe iron, and are not connected with pipe mills. The Eiba Iron Works produced 14,000 tons of muck bar, and the same smoont was finished, on which the profit was \$65,000. The output from the Keystone was 16,000 tons of muck bar, and finished 20,000 tons, on which was a profit of \$100,000. The product from the Millvale mill was 10, 500 tons of muck iron and 20,000 tons of iron and steel skelp. The profit on this was \$140,000. The Republic Iron Works turned out 29,500 tons of puddled iron and 35,000 tons were finished, and on this the profit was \$175,000. Toen comes the Vesuvius mill or Moorhead Brothers & Co., at Sharpsburg, with 15,500 tons of muck burs and 27,000 tout finished. The inconvenience owing to the scarcity of gas was rather greater here than in any other mill in the district. The raw output was about 2,000 tons less than it otherwise would have been, and the finished amount was over 6,000 tons below that of last year, and the profit, which was very amnli, did not reach above \$100,000.

Commencing with a number of firms making different grades, is the Soho mill of Moorhead, McCleane & Co. It turned out 15,000 tons or muck bars, and finished 30,000 tous of iron and steel, which consisted or pipe iron and heavy boiler plates, but the lead-ing make of this firm is black and galvanized sheet iron. The annual expense for neid in the calvanizing department is alone more than \$20,000 and their profit was \$450,-000. The Silgo mill produced 14,500 tens of raw, and 17,000 tens of finished iron, of which the bulk was heavy plates, and on which the profit was \$100,000 Bioney That Was Made in Allegheny.

Over in Allegheny, Lindsay & McCutchthis 12,000 tons were finished into all kinds of the lighter grades, and the rest was sold; the profit was \$100,000. The next is the Pitts-burg Iron Works o J. Painter, Sons & Co. Perhaps never in the history of this firm did its mill turn out any more than in this year. The amount of muck from made was 37,000 tuns, which was nearly 9,000 tons more than last year. And the amount finished, which was all light iron, was 40,000 tous; their profit was \$200,000. Then comes the Suble mill of Zug & Co., which is the leading one in the city, making largely common iron. The output was 21,000 tons of raw and 24,000 tons of finished iron, and the profit on this was \$144,000. Now comes the smallest mill in Pittsburg, making a raw and finished product, the Kensington of Lloyd, Sons & Co., that urned out 10,000 tons of muck bar, and finished 10,000 tons, which is among the leading grades in the market. Their profit was \$150,000. At the Solar Iron and Steel Works of William Clark & Co. the output was 14,000 tons of muck bar, and 17,000 tons of iron and steel were finished at a profit of

Men Who Made Even More

Next is a list of firms whose profit is from \$250,000 upward. The Wayne iron and steel firm of Brown & Co. turned out 13,000 tons of muck bars and finished 16,000 tons of all kinds of fine steel and iron. Their profit was \$300,000. There is the steel firm of Howe, Brown & Co. It made 5,000

tons of dephosphorized puddled iron and finished 10,000 tons of different grades of light and heavy fine steel, of which the most is not surpassed by very many in this country. Their profit was \$400,000. Shoenberger & Co. turned out 13,600 tons of muck bar and finished 35,000 tons of iron and steel, on which their profit was \$750,000. Singer, Nimick & Co. made 3,000 tons of dephosphorized muck from and finished 25,-000 tons of fine steel, on which they had a

profit of \$500,000. The next is a statement of two wrought iron pipe firms who make about two-thirds of their own skelp iron. There is no branch in any part of the iron business in which there is a greater profit than in iron pipe. Spang, Chalfant & Co. made 13,700 tons of muck bar and turned out 20,000 tons of iron and translations of the chalfant was the chalfant and their profit real. and steel pipe, on which their profit was \$800,000. This does not include the com-pany store, in which the annual sales amount to \$175,000.

Profits Turned in by Side Issues. Then comes A. M. Byers & Co. They turned out 15,000 tons of muck bar and be-sides bought muck and skelp iron, and turned out 25,000 tons of pipe, which ranges from one-eighth of an inch to six inches in diameter. In connection with the pipe mill is also a galvanizing department. The profit to this firm was \$900,000. A very important feature in connection herewith is that in the last eight years there has been very little difference in the amount turned ut in this mill. It is known as the most active in the city, and yet the firm is in the market all the time buying muck bar and pipe iron.

Now comes four of Pittsburg's largest firms, which are not equalled in the United States, and of which one is now not sur-passed in the known world. The first of these is Park Brothers & Co., of the Black Diamond Steel Works. They made 13,500 tons of muck bar and finished 70,000 tons of steel of all kinds, on which their profi! was \$2,000,000. The second of these is the Oliver Iron and Steel Company. This firm, in its three rolling mills, turned out 51,000 tons of the Eagle Iron Works, which turned out There was no lost time with labor troubles since this firm had possession of it, and the finished output reached 100,000 tons of iron and steel. About 15,000 tons of old nails the firm's Clapp-Griffith converter. The firm also bought a great deal of muck iron. Its profi; which is rather low, is \$1,500,000. One of the Signs of Prosperity.

The great success of this firm in paying its large indebtedness during a most critical period of the iron and steel business shows plainly what profit there is, or was, in the iron and steel trade. In the years years that the firm cleared and paid over a million and a half, with interest, it made 50,000 tons; in the year 1887 it reached 70,000 tons; in 1888 90,000 tons were finished, making in all 210,000 tons, from which the debts were paid. The amount finished last year is about the same as in this. Jones & Laughlins, of the American Iron Works, come next. Fifty thousand tons of muck bar were turned out here, and the amount of iron and steel finished reached 120,000 tons. The profit was \$2,400,000. But this does not include the gain in the firm's mammoth store, in which the sales annually amount to sully \$500,000. The fourth concern, which now leads the world, is that of Carnegie Brothers and Carnegie, Phinns & Co. In their two Pittsburg mills, where there are 82 puddling furnaces, the output of muck iron was 41,000 tons, which was probably about 1,000 tons less than last year. But the finished output this year was greater than ever. It reached 550,000 tons, which is more than one-third of the entire amount made in Allegheny county, exclusive of Chartiers and McKeesport. Their profit

was fully \$5,000,000. One Mill Where Things Are Different. This firm has almost no profit in its mill at Twenty-ninth street. With the improvements that were made in the last four years, and of which some are now in progress, the plant is worth at least \$1,000,000, the lawful interest on which would be \$60,000 a year. The finished output for this year will only go a little over 30,000 tons, on which the profit of nearly one-half, such as railway car supplies, cannot be placed above \$2 a The cost to make a ton is not less than \$20, various finished grades is oftener below than

above 2 cents a pound. cepting those in the two places stated above. The total therein shows 500,100 tons of muck iron. Last year this amount reached 472,800 | did

Big Manufacturers of Steel Only. The last statement is the amount made by firms who make no puddled iron, and all excepting one manufacture steel only. The
Linden Steel Works turned out 20,000 tons,
on which the profit was \$490,000. The Crescent Steel Works of Miller, Metcalf, Parkin & Co., which has always been known to turn out the best and finest steel in the world, finished 15,000 tons, on which the profit was \$500,000. The amount finished in La Belle Steel Mill was 7,500 tons, on which there was a profit of \$150,000. The Spang Steel and Iron Works never sur-passed its record of this year. The output was 30,000 tous, on which there was a profit of \$600,000. The Glendon Spike Works of Dilworth, Porter & Co., turned out 25,000 tons of railroad spikes, with a profit of

Now comes a statement of two pipe mills, for which every ton of pipe iron has to be bought. The Pittsburg Tube Works turned out 15,000 tons, on which there was a profit of \$450,000. The Pennsylvania Tube Works made 70,000 tous, and its profit was very near \$2,000,000; making a grand total of 1,438,500 tous.

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BLANKETS—Those slightly-soiled blank-ets we mentioned last week are selling rapidly. Secure a pair before they are all gone. Prices \$5, \$6 and \$7; were \$6 50, \$8

RACK ale is preferred by many. Try Iron City Brewery's make. Trhssu

For a fine overcoat or dress suit go to Pit-mairn's, 434 Wood street.

MONEY WAS PLENTY No Lack at All of Funds for the Purchase of Christmas Presents.

THE BEST TRADE FOR MANY YEARS

Merchants of Both Cities in a High State of Gratification.

WHAT SOME OF THEM HAVE TO SAY OF IT

Interviews with some of the most notable representatives of the different industries and trades of Pittsburg and Allegheny would seem to indicate that holiday money is plentiful in the extreme. The first class of merchants seen by DISPATCH reporters yesterday was that of the drygoods and clothing venders.

Mr. Fleishman, of Fleishman & Co., said: "In our opinion this has been the very best Christmas season we have ever experienced. No doubt the good weather and general brightness helped business along. We found that the workers for wages-the mill men and day laborers-were our best patrons. Arguing from this, we think that the people of the working classes, whom the recent bank troubles did not affect, were the best spenders. are all at work, and their employes had all money to spend during Christmas holidays, After 15 years' experience I can safely say that there never was a Christmas so profitable in every way to us as this. Of all our different departments we found the books and knick-knacks went the quickest. The tendency seemed

REST BUSINESS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. At Kaufmanns', Maurice Baer, manager, "We have done the best business this year that has been seen in the twin cities for half a dozen Christmasses. Money appears to be plentiful. In our knick-knack department a tremendous sale has been experienced. Nothing of the cheap or com mon variety appears to have been bought.
We have never known so many costly
Christmas goods disposed of. Pateriamilias' seemed to despise anything that did not
cost at least \$100. That did not look like

to be toward the more useful goods."

money tightness, did it?" At Gusky's, Levi DeWolf said: "We have every reason to be pleased with the Christmas season of 1890. I have had a pretty long experience, but I do not recollect so successful a Christmas before. The tendency of purchasers seems to be toward useful presents-furs and the like. Gusky's has not felt any tightness of money, at any

Joseph Horne & Co. were visited, and a member of the firm interviewed. He said: "We have found the market exceedingly brisk, much brisker, in fact, than that of last year. The class of people who buy at our store are those who would be affected by bank failures and money tightness, it any such things were really in existence. However, we have sound that money s quite as free as it was last year."

THE SAME STORY IN ALLEGHENY. Boggs & Buhl and Thompson Brothers, in Allegheny, were equally pleased with their Christmas trade. Both stores were crowded to the doors for nearly a week before the 25th of this month.

The bankers were next visited. The manager of N. Holmes & Son was first seen. He said: "In my opinion the stories of money tightness are mere sensational tales. We have found that our patrons have not drawn their money for Christmas, as they would undoubtedly have done had they needed it for presents. They had a private store of cash for the festive season, and did not need to take their bank savings. Instead of being scarce of money at Christmas-tide, we find we have lots of cash."

At the First and Second National Banks, and the City Savings Bank, much the same story was heard. No substantial drafts had been made on the banks for Christmas

The jewelers were the next merchants inall make puddled iron, ex-terviewed. Henry Terheyden, of Smithfield in the two places stated above. street, said: "The Christmus of 1890 in my opinion, excelled that of 1889. We tons, a difference of 27,300 more tons for this sales were more lucrative and more numeryear, in which these firms finished 1,263,000 ous than on any occasion within my memtous of iron and steel. \$20,000 worth more stock than we had, purchasers would have been found for the

> SATISFIED WITH THE SEASON. Wattles & Shaffer, Heckel, Bieren & Co. and Heeren Brothers agreed substantially with Mr. Terheyden as to the success of the Bargains at Thompson's New York

scuson's sales. The most jubilant venders were, however, the liquor dealers, both wholesale and retail. At "the Point"
Manager McCann, of O'Doherty & Co.,
said: "In all my experience I have never
seen a Christmas so valuable to the whisky
business as this. We have said a present business as this. We have sold a most extraordinary amount of liquid goods. I suppose that the snow and cold weather had something to do with it, but the consumption of drinks this year seems to have been far in excess of anything known during recent seasons. Country people especially, have paid visits to our store, and large consignments of liquid goods have been sent to Derry, Monongabela City and McKees-

M. May & Co., of Ninth street, were equally jubilant. Mr. M. May said: "I have never known so good a year for our trade. The country districts especially, have come to the fore, and we have disputed in many contracts." patched immense quantities of whisky up the Allegheny and Monongahela."

THE THEATERS WELL FILLED. Among the theaters, Mr. Henderson, of the Duquesne, said: "Although Shakes-pearean drama rarely draws large au-diences we can safely say that our house was

filled every night during this week. Every youth who had a maden to merrymake with, brought his inamorata to our show. Miss Gale and Mr. Barrett were, of course. tremendous attractions, but even had they not been with us, I really believe that we

would have drawn big houses."

E. D. Wilt, of the Grand Opera House, said: "Money tight! I should say not. The only thing tight about this season seems to be the young tools who are celebrating among the saloons. We have had large houses, but I do not remember ever to have seen such houses as those that witnessed 'Prince and Pauper' this year."

At the Bijou and Academy of Music similar accounts were received, while from Manager Harry Shugh of the Kilkh Assay.

lar accounts were received, while from Januager Harry Shwab, of the Fifth Avenue Museum-Theater, the most roseate story of andiences was gotten. All overflowing audiences was gotten. All through the theaters and museums during the week the sign "standing room only was observable

REALLY A BIG BOOM. Among the picture dealers, Broude & Co., of Fifth avenue, was the first inter-viewed. Manager Samuel Baum said: viewed. Manager Samuel Baum said:
"The picture trade this year has experienced a big boom. I do not recollect any Christmas when so many crayons and pictorial goods were disposed of. The popular taste seems to lean toward the more expensive and substantial goods. The visitors to our house buy large and heavy trames, with the very best pictures. Nothing cheap or mean will satisfy."

The photographers, especially Messra. Dabbs, Stewart, Pearson and Morris, were also remarkably pleased over the state of trade.

In point of fact, the state of affairs, as summed up by a well-known merchant of Pittsburg, was "distinctly prosperous." Everywhere stories of successful sales and big prices were received, and among the clothing, liquor purveying, jewelry, knick-knacks, groceries and miscellaneous stores, the utmost gratification prevailed. In fact, so far from any symptoms of money scarcity being noticed, every indication of wealth

CAUSING SOME SURPRISE.

Not a Juryman Selected by Judge Ewing From the First Thirteen Wards of Pittsburg-Politicians Anxious to Know What

Judge Ewing's last selection of jurors has apparently paralyzed some politicians, and is causing considerable comment. In addition to His Honor's alleged preference for farmers as jurors, he has this time hopped clear over the first 13 wards of the city without distributing any of the plums which are of the sugar variety in the estimation of a large percentage of good men and

The intense desire of many citizens to sit on juries may be even so much of a puzzle on juries may be even so much of a puzzle to active business men, who do all they can to escape the service, but it exists nevertheless, and a story is told by a prosperous farmer who left the Republican party in 1874 because he "hadn't been drawn on a jury in 20 years."
But Judge Ewing's selections are a puzzle

in more than one way, and many people have shown a strong desire to analyze the record of his choice. Beginning with the Fourteenth ward, 64 names are selected. The Nineteenth ward gets 58; Baldwin township, 19; Bethel, 10; all farmers except one, who is a coal miner. In Chartiers township 62 are found worthy, and in McKecs-port borough 63. South Fayette gets 22 farmers' and one preacher's name in the wheel. North Fayette will send as far as Judge Ewing is concerned, a solid delaga-tion of grangers, except a carpenter and a cher. His Honor passed Robin-township altogether, which is also a matter of surprise as this was considered one of his favorite stamping grounds. Mansfield borough finds grace in s sight to the extent of 9; Moon township

Harmar. His selections in Pittsburg num-ber 308, and in Allegheny City 330. Some politicians are buttonholing each other and asking what it all means. The Jury Commissioners have, to a considerable extent, selected the old stand-bys, but there are some prehistoric heelers whose names are not on the list this season; but if any of the 3,500 chosen wish substitutes, some of the ancient rounders will be willing

16. but he only found 5 in Snowden and 6 in

CONIACKERS HELD FOR COURT.

Two More of the River Avenue Gang Committed for Trial.

Leonardo Magnetti and Michele De Mavio were given a hearing before United States Commissioner McCandless yesterday afternoon on the charge of having counterfeit coin in their-possession. Magnetti was the owner of the satchel in which the rolls of spurious coin were found at 523 River avenue. De Mavio, when arrested by the police, had two of the bad coins in his

At the hearing the satchel and its contents were exhibited. From the other boarders in the River Avenue House it was ascertained that the satchel was the prop-erty of Magnetti, and was brought there by bim. In it was found a rubber stamp bear-ing his name. Detectives McSweeney, Fitzgerald and Buffalo testified to the arrest, the search of the house and prisoners

and what was found.

At the conclusion of the hearing Magnetti and De Mavio were committed to jail, the former in default of \$2,000 ball and the latter in default of \$1,000. Nicola Maria Bifero, another of the party, was held as a witness and committed to jail in default of

COURTSHIP AND CRIME.

He Robbed His Grandfather in Order

Visit His Sweetheart. Joseph Heinz is only 17 years of age, but old enough to be head over heels in love and trouble and also in fail. He lived with his grandfather at 69 Mein street, Allegheny, when he was not at the home of his, sweetheart, one of the prettiest little girls on Troy Hill. His hopes were blasted last summer when she went with her parents to Minneapolis. He longed for her until October 11, when he gathered up \$40 of his grandfather's money and disappeared. Mr. Heinz told Detective Glenn of his

man for four days, and then discovered he had gone to Minnesota. Either love or luck deserted the young man in the wild and woolly West, for he returned about a week ago, and yesterday was arrested by Detective Gienn, on Liberty street. Pitsburg. The young man first denied he was Joseph Heinz, but afterward confessed to both his name and the robbery. He said he took the money to go and see his girl.

WORTHY OF NOTE.

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	Grocery.		
	16 fbs granulated sugar	1	00
	12 cans sugar corn		88
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d	12 cans choice tomatoes (3 lb cans).		88
	Hard mixed candy per fb		10
	Cream bon-bons, 2 lbs for		25
	Cream chocolates per lb		20
	6 lbs new apricots	1	00
8	7 ths California peaches	1	00
	12 the evaporated blackberries	1	00
	14 fbs California raisins	1	00
	13 lbs extra large raisins	1	00
	18 lbs new currants	1	00
	1 th Leghorn citron		20
	1 to lemon pecl		15
	1 lb orange pee!		18
	28 lbs rolled oats	1	00
	10 cans Columbia river salmon	1	00
	50 bars good scrubbing soap	1	00
9	28 bars 5-cent soap	1	00
1	28 bars best 5-cent floating soap	1	00
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	lasses		45
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	Extra sugar-cured shoulders per th.	3	7
	6 lbs good tea	1	00
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	4 lbs 30-cent tea	1	00
	3 lbs 40-cent ten.	1	00
	1 bbl. good Amber flour	5	50
Н	1 dozen parlor matches 200'e	211	10

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Alvin Joslyn Bobbs Up Serenely and Talks About His Plans.

THE CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN LET.

And, He Says, Work Will Positively Begin

HIS TENANTS GIVEN NOTICE TO LEAVE

on the First of April.

and donning his big fur coat, came "dawen tawen" to look after his interests here. He was wary of strangers, evidently having recently read a few bunko stories, and

at first refused to talk about the plaus for

his new theater. "People have said I was only talking." put up the new theater as the proof of my statements. They said the Duquesne would

made he became deeply interested in the performance, and positively retused to talk business. After the close of the performance he relented somewhat, and condescended to talk about his plaus, though the more important details he stamped as not yet ready for the public eye. He showed his bookings for 28 weeks of next season, and the list includes some of the best attractions on the road. HE LIKES PITTSBURG PROPERTY.

"I came here partly to look after my East End property, for which my agents, Straub & Morris, have a purchaser," said Mr. Davis, "but I decided that I like Pittsburg real estate so well I will hold on to it. I also came to have the three months' notice served on the tenants of the property on which the finest theater in America is to be built. The work of tearing down the old building will begin on April 1, and the construction of the building will rapidly follow. All the contracts for cut stone and brick have been let, and in fact all the contracts have been given out. The chairs are being made, scenery is being painted, the relief work is under way, stained and cut glass is being designed You see, I have given most of the contrac tors nearly 15 months in which to do the work, and there will be no hitch. The curtains and portieres are being made, and the tapestries will be imported from Paris. Among the features will be an elegan moking room, with the finest kind of fursmoking room, with the finest kind of furnishings. The lobby will be fitted out with marble and bronze statuary, paintings, etc. I have a very large collection of works by the best American painters, including William Hart, J. G. Brown, Hamilton Hamilton, Arthur Quartley, P. Moran, George W. Gay, J. G. Dearth, Paul Brenner, W. H. Plummer and W. H. Judson. European artists are also represented.

artists are also represented.
"What do I think of the talk of the crippling of the Bijou and Opera House? I know nothing about either. If the Bijou gets down on the ground floor it will be a good thing for the management and for Pittsburg.

BOUND TO BE A GO.

"I know that the city needs a new theater, but if 1,500 were built now it would make no difference with mine. have promised to give Pittsburg the hand-somest theater in America, and I will keep my promise. I have seen every theater from Portland, Me., to Portland, Ore., and I know whereof I speak. The contract price of the building will amount to \$228,000, and the total cost will reach \$400,000. The theater will seat 2,500 people, exclusive of ten boxes and 4 loges, though I could crowd in 300 more chairs on the first floor.

"I have been having a most prosperous senson, playing at a profit of from \$1,200 to \$1,500 weekly. I have been actor and manager for 30 years and I am getting tired of superintend the construction of the house, and will take the sole management, leaving the road altogether. I am a member of 13 different secret orders, and I will affiliate with these societies in Pittsburg."

Mr. Davis gave many more of the details of his plans, but they were mostly not ready for publication. One of the features he mentioned was 70 exits that could be used in case of fire. He left the city, last evening, for Boston,

A BEER VAT EXPLOSION. Two Men Injured at Pier, Dannals & Co.'s

An explosion in a beer vat at Pier, Dannels & Co.'s brewery at the corner of Forbes and Pride streets, last evening, severely injured one man and slightly injured another. About 5 o'clock in the evening Gustave A. Ludwick and Earnest Reichenbach were inside the vat calking the seams with hot pitch. The vat became filled with the fumes and gas from the hot pitch and finally ignited from the torch used by the men. An explosion followed, and the vat was set on fire. The explosion tollowed, and the vat was set on fire. The explosion threw Reichenbach out of the vat and stunned him for the moment. He was not badly hurt, however, and quickly recovering his senses, obtained a ladder and again entered the burning vat. Ludwick had been stunned by the explo-sion, and was lying at the bottom with his

clothes on fire. Reichenbach carried him out, and he was afterward removed to the Mercy Hospital. His injuries were not dan-Saloons Must Not Open Too Early. . Chief Brown yesterday notified a number of saloon keepers that they must not open before 5 A. M., or he would charge them with keeping disorderly houses. He has recently received many complaints about saloons opening at 2 and 3 A. M , and their custom-

ers disturbing the neighborhood. Toys at Half the Marked Prices. What's left of our stock of toys will be closed out, commencing to-morrow, at half the marked prices.

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over, about two or three of a kind. We want to close them out. These overcoats range in price from \$25 to \$38. In order to sell them quickly we have bunched the en-tire lot and offer you your choice for \$18. Our advice would be to come as early as you can ou Monday to get first pick. On entering our store ask for the fluest overcoats in the house.
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MAD WITH JEALOUSY,

Daniel Hall Tries to Murder Maggle Grady-He Shoots at Her Five Times, but Only

Jealousy inspired Daniel Hall last night to attempt to murder Maggie Grady in the First police district. Before his revolver was cold he was in the Central station, and the girl was in the Homeopathic Hospital. Hall, who is 24 years old and a grocer's clerk, has for some time been desperately in

love with Miss Grady. He paid her a visit at No. 126 Third avenue about 8 o'clock last JOHN SMITH DIVIDES WITH HIS WIFE evening, and asked her to take a walk. She refused, and Hall became excited and told Alvin Joslyn, that staid old farmer, laid her she was false to him and had been acaside his long hair and hay rake yesterday, cepting the attentions of a Lawrenceville man. He became noisy, and Miss Jennie Prosser, the landfady, ordered him to leave the house. This Hall refused to do, and said if Miss Grady would not go out with him he would kill her.

Miss Prosser started out for the police and at the same moment Hall pulled out a revolver. Miss Grady clutched him by the said he, "and that I'm not going to build arm, and a struggle of several minutes enmy house. I propose to say nothing, but sued, during which Hall fired his revolver five times, one bullet striking the girl in the neck and inflicting a serious but not fatal wound. Several girls in the house never be built, but it was, and a mighty pretty little theater it is, too."

Mr. Davis was found in the lobby of the Duquesne, and as the above remark was over the control of the control and fell into the arms of Antonio Vannen-burg, who had heard the racket, and held on to his man until he was relieved a minute later by Officer Maxwell.

Two minutes later Inspector McAleese and Detective Shore were at the place, Hal was hustled to Central station, the wounded girl conveyed to the Homeopathic Hospital,

and peace again reigned.

The revolver with which the shooting was done was found in a corner of the room where Hall threw it after doing the shooting. The weapon is a 32 caliber, self-acting six-chambered revolver, and was just new When searched at the Central station a box of cartridges was found on the prisoner's person. That Hall was desperate and meant murder is shown by the remarks made to Lieutenant Denniston after his arrest. Hall stated that if he had had time to reload the revolver he would never have been

This is not the first 'time that Hall has used violence toward Miss Grady. About a year ago he assaulted her and broke her arm, and about four months ago sued her for robbing him of \$120.

MILITARY INVESTIGATION ORDERED Into the Contest for the Hazlett Medal a

Little Washington. Major General George B. Snowden, of Philadelphia, Commandant of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, vesterday issued an order to Lieutenant Colonel Frank I. Rutledge, instructing him to organize a board of inquiry to convene in Pittsburg on January 20, to investigate the competition at Washington, Pai, for the Hazlett medal.

Since the contest took place, a short time ago, there have been many charges and counter charges of crookedness made, and some of them reached the ears of the commandant. The men who shot for the medal are all members of the Tenth Regiment.

CARRIED OFF THE FRONT STEPS. Neighbors Disagree and One Seeks Satis-

faction for His Wrongs. John Beauford was arrested yesterday, and gave bail before Alderman Warner for a hearing Tuesday evening, on a charge of

malicious mischief, preferred by Samuel Comstock, Both live in Minersville. The prosecutor alleges that Beauford ma liciously ent down the doorsteps to his house, smeared paint on the door and broke three chairs on the porch.

ROBERT MESSEL MISSING. His Trip to a Grocery Store, From Which

He Did Not Return. Robert Messel, aged 28 years, has been missing from his home at 2213 Sarah street, Southside, since last Thursday evening. He bumming around over the country, and that is my reason for building this theater. I am going to bring my dogs and horses to Pittsburg, at the end of this season, and make this my home, permanently. I will ance. The matter has been reported to the

THE BOARDER WAS WHIPPED.

Reuben Clark Has to Go Into the Allegheny Hospital for Repairs. Reuben Clark was taker to the Allegheny General Hospital last night with a numbe of bruises on his face and a broken ankle joint. He had an argument with his boarding house keeper named Sitzman, of Glenfield. The men came to blows and Clark got the worst of it. Clark's home is at Wellsville, Columbiana county, O.

Equivalent to Being Kicked by a Horse. Dominick McNichols, who was arrested on Friday night on complaint of his wife. was sent to the workhouse for 30 days by Police Magistrate Succop yesterday evening. At the hearing, Mrs. McNichols said her husband went home drunk last Friday night and not only took all the doors and windows out of the louse, but beat her with

Old Officers Re-Elected. The appual election of officers for the Lin coln Republican Club, of Lawrenceville, was held last night. The old officers were re-elected. Favorable action was taken on 20 applications for membership. The club

will resume its lecture course this year. Clothing Slaughtered. For to-morrow we offer as follows: 150 extra heavy mens' ulsters, with big

single or double-breasted sacks, for 8 00 200 meus' cassimere 3-button cutaway frocks, all sizes, for 7 90 400 boys' cassimere suits, sizes from 4

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SOLOMON IS OUTDONE

Hits Her Once-Quick Work by the Po- Judge Stowe Settles Suits Which Would Have Puzzled the Sage.

> CASES COMPLICATED BY CHILDREN. A Track-Walker's Small Salary Proves to

be His Best Defense.

The afterpiece played in Judge Stowe's court yesterday was much shorter than usual.

Many names were called to which neithe prosecutor nor de endant answered, and a District Atforney Johnston suggested the difficulty of traveling in snow drifts the apparent derelicts were given the benefit of the doubt and the Court seemed disposed to be very lenient.

A. G. and Annie R. Miller were first called on. Annie was disposed to let her hubby off easily, and the Judge dismissed him with the advice that if he must drink, he should drink something that would not make him cross.

John H. and Lizzie Lewis held an animated discussion in which John said he offered to keep Lizzie if she would go to Walls' station to live with him, and that he was refused admittance to her tather's house when he went to treat with her. Lizzie denied John's allegations, generally and particularly, and as there is a 4-year-old child in the case Judge Stowe decided that John must pay \$3 a week anyhow, whether the couple lived together or not. James Laffin and wife are considerably on

the shady side of life. Mrs. Laffin said she wanted James to be compelled to treat her more kindly, and charged him with maintaining another woman. Mr. Laffin said he had been trae. walker on the Baltimore and Ohio Raily ay, and got \$1 25 per day. He said he had followed this occupation for 14 years, and gave his wife from \$30 to \$35 a month out of his salary. He insinuated that Mrs. Laffin was hard to please. A married daughter dressed in deep mourning came to her father's rescue, stating that no one could live in peace with her mother.

Mrs. Laffin began a replication, but Judge
Stowe cut her short, stating that it didn't
appear that James was altogether to blame
and rather scouted the idea that he could be an intemperate man, as she alleged, and keep a position so dangerous. His Honor also refused to believe that a man could give his wife \$30 a month out of a salary of \$1 25 per day and keep another woman. He

discharged the case without costs.

Mrs. John Burns, colored, wanted
the Judge to make her husband support
her and their child. John said he would do so if she would live with him, but insisted that she was a woman who liked to roam off at intervals as far as Washington, Baltimore, etc. The Judge intimated that he would like to have the assistance of a Solomon in disposing of these cases compli-cated by children, and finally told John that he must give buil in \$100 to pay his wife \$3 50 per week or stay in jail. John had stated that he could make \$10 a week, and the Judge said the baby must be sup-

Sarah Jane Smith wanted John Smith to support her. He said she did not come up to his idea of what a wife should be, and he had declined on that account, He said he had declined on that account. He said he was a coal miner, but not healthy, and could not make more than \$6 a week, one week with another. Judge Stowe decided to divide John's salary, leaving him the option to pay it or establish his complaint in the divorce court against Sarah Jane.

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