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THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE.

Mayor Gourley's message to Councils conveys the idea of a broader and keener serveillance of city affairs by the Chief Execu tive than has hitherto been customary. This is one of the results of the Charter of 1887, which divested the Mayor of the petty functions of a police magistrate, and set before gree. The competition between the domeshim instead a larger consideration of all matters of municipal interest. Mayor plate glass; which was the avowed ob-Courley approaches this task with an adequate view of its scope. The most salient of his recommendations yesterday is an amendment to the Charter by which the heads of the departments shall be elected by the people, in place of being chosen as now by Councils, and that the Mayoralty itself be vested with authority involving larger responsibility than attaches to mere suggestion and review. Both points are well taken. The present heads of the are protected. departments in Pittsburg have in the main been very efficient; and some of them, notably the Chies of Public Works and Safety, have shown even a laudable zeal for good government and for the city's intertories are being built, with the prospect est. These officials hold their place by that the competition will cut into the rich Councilmanic selection. This, however, profits that they have enjoyed in the past, by no means vitintes the idea that an amend-But if the range of prices prevailing this ment placing the choice directly in the year affords such profits as to attract new hands of the voters would be a guarantee capital largely into the business, and to infor the future. That the people are capable duce even the people making this complaint of direct appreciation of efficient and honest to invest large sums in the extension of work in office is not to be doubted; and the their plants, wha, will be the result if tenure of capable men would be more likely prices are put up 25 or 30 per cent? Can to be secure in this way than otherwise. there be any surer way of creating a rush of A three years' term would prevent too fre capital for the construction of new factories quent changes. to share the enhanced profits?

The Mayor discusses with considerable force the need for a reformation in the system of real estate assessments, better equal ization of burdens than is now done. Until. however, a new system be devised city assessments remain a matter of detail for the judgment and conscience of the assessors. It would be a good thing if Mr. Gourley and others were to present a plan to work out the desired end. The present system has been abundantly and justly criticised, so that interest would readily awaken in anything better that might be offered. The same remark applies with even greater force to county assessments, which are not only not so fair as those of the city, but are

that sort of tax have called it "a tax on en- of the policy to which railroad corporation terprise." That is incorrect; as the income are prone, of cutting down necessary expen tax is really a tax on prosperity. It is a tax ditures for maintenance of way and replace on enterprise when it is levied directly on ment of rolling stock in periods of dullness, the gross traffic of persons, firms or corporait is pertinent to point out the false economy tions engaged in any sort of business; and of such a course. exactly that tax is levied by the business In the first place any far-sighted policy tax under the Pennsylvania laws to-day.

the tollowing pointed remark:

prices, is prevented from having its way.

gard to the income tax. The opponents of which it is quoted, implies an indorsement

will recognize that while periods of light If principles were observed in taxation it traffic may intervene the ultimate incremen would seem imperative on Pennsylvania to of freight must from the very nature of com conform these features of taxation to one or merce and industry maintain its average the other of the opposing systems. It volume. It is just as necessary, then, to keep a railroad in first-class order, to replace should either repeal its inheritance and worn out track and buy new rolling stock, business taxes altogether, or it should make in periods of light traffic as in periods of them uniform and adjust them so as to bear equally against wealth, instead of having a | heavy traffic. It is a natural fault for railroad managers, when put to their trumps to

find net earnings enough to pay dividends or fixed charges, to seek their enhancement by postponing needed repairs. But an impartial view of the subject will readily perceive a double evil in doing 80 In the first place it leaves the road in a bad condition, and, in proportion to the Press (Republican and tariff paper) makes duration of the policy, it cripples it for the

time when the increase of traffic makes an The avowed intention of the Plate Glass urgent demand on all its facilities. It is to Trust, which has called the meeting, is to keep plate glass prices at the highest figure possible this policy more than any other that we owe and at the same time shut out all importations. the periodical trouble of car shortages and It is by such combinations that the effect of the apparent epidemics of derailment. protection, through competition reducing

Beyond that, it is the fact that the policy of cutting down purchases of rails and roll-THE DISPATCH has often pointed out ing stock when traffic is light is a powerful that the purpose of such combinations in factor in aggravating the alternations from the protected industries was antagonistic to dull traffic to excessive traffic. The grain protection, exactly as the New York Press, movement falls off, let us say, and as a the most active organ of protection in the result the railroads discontinue their purcountry, puts it. We do not understand chases of rails and the materials for cars and that the plate glass combination is a settled locomotives. By so doing they cut off thing; but if it should be formed it would another source of freight business and inprevent a striking example of the way in tensify the dearth of traffic. If the exwhich such devices defeat protection. Unpenditure for materials were an unnecessary der protection the plate glass industry has one, it would of course be bad economy to thriven and expanded to a remarkable demake it simply to enhance the freight move ment. But with the knowledge that these tic establishments has reduced the price of expenditures must be made sooner or later it is no less bad economy to let that branch ject of the protective tariff. At the of their traffic be cut down until the revival same time, the industry has been of the general freight movement causes so prosperous that within the past universal demand for railway supplies and year several new establishments have s general overtaxing of railway facilities. een organized. With that record of suc-A settled railway policy-such as we be cess, the formation of a combination to put lieve the Pennsylvania Railroad to pursue prices 25 or 30 per cent above the level fixed notwithstanding the somewhat ill-advlsed by domestic competition would put the inlaudation which we have quoted-will redustry in the attitude of seeking to defeat gard the expenditures necessary to keep the avowed public purposes for which they track and rolling stock up to a high standard as a fixed annual charge hardly second Another point might suggest itself to the to that for interest, and prior in its im members of the industry contemplating this portance to that for dividends. But if any combination. There has been some comdiscrimination is to be made between seaplaint among them that too many new fac-

sons, it will be wiser for the railroads to expend treely for repairs and replacements when traffic is light than when it is heavy, The work can be done with less difficulty then; it will keep up at least a share of the movement of freight, and diminish the extreme character of the fluctuations from dull to busy seasons; and finally it will leave the railroads in the best condition to handle the increased traffic when business revives.

THE following outburst from an esteemed metropolitan sheet indicates a singular mix ture of the highways in the vicinity of New York: "Somehow it looks as if homicide were sult of such combinations in the protected justifiable when a pig-headed farmer trottles industries, is set forth by the sentence with along with his market wagon in front of a mai which the New York Press concludes the train, thereby delaying it one solid hour. What was the matter with throwing the bucolic remarks just quoted. It is: "In such cases chump, cart and all, into the snow at the side? Congress would b. supported in taking the A more pertinent inquiry would be what would duty off the product." When the most be the matter of arranging things so that man ultra high tariff paper in the United States ket wagons and mail trains will not run on the nakes tha, statemen , the members of tariffsame roads, rotected combinations should reflect that

CONCERNING the mention of Governo they are not only doing their best to defeat Pennoyer, of Oregon, as a Democratic Presithe legitimate purpose of protection, but deutal quantity the New York Press remarks they are furnishing the strongest incentive "If all the Democratic Governors come to the for an agreemen, between protectionists and Democratic National Convention with their they are furnishi .g the strongest incentive State delegations supporting them what will Grover Cleveland's chances be?" The :---free trader alike to repeal the duty on their ary number of Den tic Governo

SNAP SHOTS IN SEASON

THE man who moves in a set circle is not uch a good all-around fellow as some people magine.

THE country folk are getting the best of the winter for a fact. Out beyond the lamps and the water mains the snow is white, the air pure, the clouds higher, the moon brighter. In the city limits the chimneys belch soot blackens the white spread, thousands of feet stir, mix up and trample it out of shape and mix it with the slime of the gutter. It is slushy in the shadows of the tall buildings, and firm, crackling, pure beneath the bare arms of the trees. In the city the young and the old shiver and shake over the flakes: in the country they wade knee-deep in the drifts and grow warm at work or play. The good house-wife can bleach her linen on the snowy lawn in the country, but in the city washday means a steam saturated abode and a roaring fire-suds, soot and sadness. A sleigh ride in the country is not a long parade of squeaky, patched, antiquated rigs on runner scraping over steel and stone at regulation speed, dodging cars and carriages, policement and street arabs. It means a spin in the white We had a green Christmas, it is true but the litude-a slide over the glazed, frost-crackling rutless, stoneless roadway, your feet in straw and your heart not in your mouth for fear of a mishap and a bill from the hveryman. And the hill-sliding of the youngsters is different, too. The man with the club is not at the foot of the long slope, they have no fear of getting tangled up in the wheels or trampled by th horses. It's smooth, swift salling on the slip-pery slide until little limbs tire, little hearts beat fast, little voices grow weary with the laugh and the chaff of the coasting frolic. Then they skate and spin in the open air, too, instead of under roof on a speck of spongy, gut tered, overcrowded ice. But it's all in a life-time, after all. The country has its charms, the city its pleasures. If you jog along quietly and keep in the right road you are bound to get a taste of the life here and the life there. If not this winter, perhaps the next, or the next. Time may swing you out of the circle

in which you now revolve, and there's no tell-ing where you may land. I hope on your feet on top. IF you do your hest to-day you may be abl to fairly guess what the future has in store for

St. Paul Dispatch, 1 WHEN you catch a pretty girl's eye don't

MANY a yarn is spun before the cloth in

IF stomachs and livers never went wrong laughter would be louder the world over.

FowL play-Raising chickens for fun instead of profit.

TIME seems to be about the only thing pass ing in Congress.

IF the sun arrives from the South before the now slides into the river they better look t below.

THE working canacities of the electric road are being fully tested now. Meantime the public and the stockholders should be patient.

Wipe Out the Score.

Soon the year will pass away. Old and feeble, worn and gray; But another blithe and gay Soon appears. At the foot of Time's long stairs,

Let us place our worldly cares, Joy and sorrow thrives on shares, Not on tears.

When the funeral task is o'er, And the old year is no more, Wipe out its unsettled score With a smile. Join the youth who in its stead

Enters with a noiseless tread, Heedless of the coffined dead In the aisle.

> Hand in hand together go Where the greenest grasses grow, Where the purest waters flow Past the flowers Don't look backward with a sigh

To the spot where shadows lie Sorrows thrive, but joy will die On tear showers

THE midnight bell will hereafter be the clos ing knell for the city saloons, ALLEGHENY is to have a Committee of Fift

OUR OLD-FASHIONED WINTER. The Merry, Merry Bells.

Boston Globe.] The old year is going out to the merry music of sleigh bells. Nuts for the Ice Man.

toston Herald, 1 The Maine sce crop this year is estimated a 89,000 tons, the profits of cool million.

Not on Chestnut Street, at Least. Philadelphia Record.] Wintry weather brings one consolation-the

Indians cannot find the warpath without salt ing their tracks.

Soon Needs Washing. Cleveland Plaindealer. J

The beautiful 'snow is beautiful the day it falls, but to keep it beautiful in Cleveland it needs a thorough washing the next day.

Should Not Be Fat Churchyards Boston Courier, 1

snow came so soon afterward that it should re move the danger of the old proverb, and not result in a fat churchyard.

Jack Frost's Grip Good. New York World.] The tintinnabulation of the sleigh bells yes

terday furnished the merriest and the com pletest confutation of the theory that Jack Frost has lost his grip on our winter climate. Baseball and Snowball

Detroit Free Press.]

They are playing baseball in Dakota-the and of blizzards-and snowballing in Louisiana

-a State of the sub-tropics. It will be noticed that this is a large and a very versatile country, Baby and Full Grown Blizzards. New York Press.] If a baby blizzard can paralyze trade, check commerce, delay mail trains and literally balk the ongoings of an entire country, what could nature do with a full grown blizzard of fair

An Ice Palace in the East.

The conditions at present prevailing in New

York, and, indeed, generally throughout the East, suggest the inquiry whether that enjoya-ble and health-giving pursuit, the winter carnival and ice palace, might not with all wisdon be established in the metropolitan city.

DECLINED TO BE TREATED.

An Old Colored Man Not Hankering After

the Koch Treatment.

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. 1 WASHINGTON, Dec. 29 .- Ever since the first onsignment of Dr. Koch's lymph reached this local physicians have been anxious to secure a nice, well-devoloped case of lupus to work upon, and to-day a white man, of the Southeast section, came to the Emergency Hospital and offered himself for an experiment, which will be made within a day or two Dr. Middletown recently got on the track of one of the lupus sufferers who used to be known to the physicians here. This patient is known to the physicians here. This patient is an elderly colored man, who lives in South -Washington. Most of the nose and a large part of the face have been eaten away by this dread disease, which he has always insisted he contracted by getting his nose poisoned from a brush fire. When the nature of the remedy was explained to him, and relief if not com-plete recovery was promised, he declined ab-solutely to be treated.

"No, sah," said he to Dr. Middleton, "ef de good Lawd intends me to go to de grave wid my nose eat away and my face scyahed all up, why den dat's all right. I ain't a gwine to meddle wid it. He knows de best," The old man could not be moved, and science will have to get along without that interesting case.

OCTAVE FEUILLET DEAD.

The Famous French Author and Dramatist

. Passes Away. PARIS, Dec. 29,-Octave Feuillet, the well known French author and dramatist, died today. Feuillet wrote a large number of ro-mances, comedies, dramas and farces, nearly all

for Representative.

French capital

free and easy in that way.

charming Provencal novelist,

LENTHERIC is the great Paris hairdresser for

William Booth.

crystallized the plot.

rerdict in civil cases.

rears ago.

ing "so much to admire" here.

of which have been received favorably. It was in 1852 that he succeeded Scribe as a member of the French Academy. Among his novels are "Polichinelle," "Ones-ta," "Redemption," "Le Roman D'un Jeune Homme Pauvre," the latter having been trans-lated into many languages; "Historie de Sibile," scarcely less popular than the preced-ing, and "Monsieur de Camors," a story remarkable for invention and vigor, but re-garded as exceedingly demoralizing in its ten-dencies. His plays were numerous, the last and most sensational being "Le Sphinx." the Battery at New York covered with cotto bales, on which negroes were reclining and singing in a style that suggested 'Uncle Tom's Cabin if it suggested anything American. Rudolph on saw that this must be changed and hit Arons upon the idea of changing the scene to West Point, with the chorus as cadets. To make the PERSONALS. DR. JOEL P. JUSTIN, the inventor is tenort

The fighters did their work manfully and were covered with applause. The play closes happily, after the manner of all good meiodramas.

Pugs That Labor.

World's Museum Theater.

Harry Davis' Museum

You can take your choice of seeing snakes o

Poor Jonathan," the New Comic Opera-"All the Comforts of Home"_"After Dark"-Variety in Many Forms.

ALL THE THEATERS.

It was quarter past 11 when the squad of pretty girls in the garb of West Point Cadets, to the stirring strains of Aronson's new march, "The National Guard," filed on to the Grand Opera House stage. They would been welcome an hour or two and all, out of pawn. He is a manager of the most modern kind; taking big risks, before, for they are unmistakably the brightest and best feature of the performance. It may be as well to say right here that their drill as a driver of five or was as near perfection as could be; they went in the theatrical ring must, but match-through the evolutions without a mistake, and ing his daring with shrewdness and was as near perfection as could be; they were through the evolutions without a mistake, and all their lives on the parade ground. No won-der the sight of the girls in gray and white set New York crazy. Pittsburg is a good deal fur-ther from West Point, but the audience was enthusiastic in its applause last night, and would have had the whole thing repeated if they could. The opera "Poor Jonathan" is Carl Mil-loecker's composition, and it does not matter a row of pins who the libretists were, for the story is a thin and involved one and the libretto is of the regulation rubbishy order

The opera "Poor Jonathan" is Carl Mil-locker's composition, and it does not matter a row of pins who the libretists were, for the story is a thin and involved one and the libretto is of the regulation rubbibly order which a translation for the American stage seems to involve necessarily. The music is not wonderful, but it is light and bright and cheerful. Here and there a melody crops out that makes friends at once, but "Poor Jonathan" could stand more such outcroppings without being accused of over-melodiousness. Some of the songs are literally runned for an intelligent audience by the incoherent gibberish of the lines. It was noticeable that Miss Darville and others in the audient of the second ish of the lines, it was noticeable that Miss Darrille and ôthers in the cast were as o convclous of this defect in the book that they sang lines of their own concotion. The numbers that will catch the popular ear are the song "Wilt Thou My True Love Be ?" and "I Am the Un-fortunate Jonathan." Miss Darville sang sev-eral other songs which won applause, but the bulk of the credit is due to her admirable sing-ing. Pug dogs have always been more or less of a tiddle to the masculine half of humanity

Miss Camille Darville is a newcomer. She Miss Camille Darville is a newcomer. She hails originally from Amsterdam: sang with success in London, especially in "Margery," and for a year or or so has been singing under Mr. Aronson's management in New York in "Madame An-got" and "La Grand Duchesse," in both of which she added to her success. She is the one grand figure in "Poor Jonathan," in the role of *Harriet*, which Miss Lillian Russell is taking still in New York. Her voice is a good deal above the average of comic opera singers, and with her stately temperament and magnifi-cent physical proportions may tempt her to seek a higher sphere in opera. She sang the song "Wilt Thou My True Love Be 7" and, in fact, all her songs, with great feeling and cover the average of the set of them. They are the spoiled, feasted pets of many households, beribboned and ca-ressed by our pretty maidens, and are the nearest approach we have to the effete "gentieman leisure class" our American civilization can boast. William Gil-lette is evidently a utilitarian, and means to turn some of them to practical account on the stage. He brings two of them into his farce "All the Comforts of Home." They are types of their class, lazy, ugly and family joys. The stage manager says they are more deliberate the song "Wilt Thou My True Love Be ?" and, in fact, all her songs, with great feeling and correctness. Her methods are artistic, and the power and compass of her voice-mezzo-so-prano, with a bell-like clearness in the upper register-enable her to do full justice to Mil-loecker's work. Her blonde beauty was re-splendent in the dark dress of the student and

of their class, lazy, ugly and family joys. The stage manager says they are more deliberate than a Government official. They won't be hurried, although their parts are purely think-ing and picturesque affairs. To quicken the scene in which they appear, they are usually dragged by a short strap across the stage and up a dozen or more stairs. This procedure has given their crooked legs as many lumps as adorn the extremities of a traveling drome-dary. It makes no difference, however, to the self-sufficient; pugs they cannot or will not hurry, and the masculine attendant in the play, as in the household, has to dance upon the pleasure of the wayward pug. splendent in the dark dress of the student and in the regal attire of the prima donna. Miss Eva Johns played the servant girl who weds *Poor Jonathan* when he changes places with the millionaire with a great deal of viva-city. In the humorous duct with *Jonatham* in the second act, Miss Johns was very sprightly and amusing. Fred Solomon gave all his powers for fun to the role of *Jonatham Tripp* and very comic indeed he made that unfor-tunate man. Mr. Solomon's songs, mostly of the broadly farcical order, including the catchy "I am the Unfortunate Jona-than," showed that he still possesses a very good voice for a comedian. Mr. Ryley was mildly and politely funny as the *Impresario*-a nearly stralght comedy role without a terri-The novelties in the curio hall of this house omprise Me and Him, respectively a very fat bort man and a very lean long one, and Alexandria, a juggler with knives and plates. But a nearly straight comedy role without a terri-ble amount of opportunities for downright humors. Miss Drew Donaldson never looked the show in the theater is very good and of the show in the theater is very good and of large dimensions. Romala turns summer-sults and does other daring things on the tight rope. Nothing more daring or graceful in its way has been seen here than Romala's act. A. H. Knoll and Marie McNeil are skilful cornelists and played some old fashioned airs with good effect. Mignon, a girl hardly in her teens, in a sketch with another artist, shows comedy talent and humors. Miss Drow Donaldson never looked better than she did in the cadet sergeant's clothes in the last act, and the realistically smart air of the drill was due not a little to the *Sergeant's* sharp delivery of the orders. Mrs. George Olmi is lost in a small part and for the rest pretty women filled in the stage pleasantly. Mr. Hallam, the tenor was needlessly stiff and gloomy as *Rubygold* and we cannot say much for his singing. The cho-ruses were well sung, but are not remarkable with another artist, shows comedy talent and elenty of grace as a dancer. She won rapturou ruses were well sung, but are not remarkable musically. Most of them are enlarged repeti-tions of the leading airs in the opera, especially applause. The grotesque acrobatic feats of Lassard and Lucifer are in a new vein. Sev-eral other features are laughable. The audi-ences were very large yesterday.

the "Poor Jonathan" refrain. The scenery and costumes are wonderfully fine, and show the excellent taste and liberality fine, and show the excellent taste and liberality of the Aronson mahagement. The last scene from the partspet of the North fort at West Point, with a view of the Hudson Crow's Nest and the Newburg Narrows, arranged in panoramic form, is one of the most beautiful we have ever seen, as well as a truthful picture of that famous landscape. Taken as a whole, the bright points of "Poor Jonathan" make it well worth seeing, though why someone does not chop out about half of the second act, the introduction of the first act, with an ax, is a question which will puzzle most people who see the piece.

West Point Amazons. A great many people will wonder how the fair cadets in "Poor Jonathan" caught the military precision and correctness which mark their drill. Mr. Albert Aronson explained it this way last night: "To begin with when 'Poor Jonathan' reached this country the last act wound up with what the authors thought was a picture of American life. It repr

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS. -It is said that the tourist season brings

£4,000,000 yearly into Switzerland. Sharp as a Steel Trap. -The Lexington, Ky., electric street A name which figures a great deal on theatri-

cal lithographs and posters mostly of the loud cars carry school children at half fare. and distracting kind is William A. Brady. How many melodramas and spectacles he has -There are 365 corps of the Salvation Army in America, with 1,066 officers in service on the road only he can say, for he may have -It is believed in Florida that rice culbled another show since the other day when he took Locke & Davis' "Nero," lions

ture is to become a profitable industry in that State. -A new map of China has been ordered by the Emperor, and the surveys have already

-It is said to be a curious fact that all of the girls in Wellesley College who lead their classes are blondes.

-Platinum can now be drawn into wire strands so fine that 27 twisted together can be inserted into the hollow of a hair.

-A tourmaline ledge, recently discovered on a farm near Auburn, Me., is said to have al-ready yielded \$7,500 worth of gems.

-During the last 100 years 385,000 patents have been issued by the United States. There have been 600,000 applications,

-The Fulton, Ky., gormand who undertook to eat three quails a day for 30 days stum-bled at his twenty-ninth bird on the tenth day of his task.

Yesterday he was talking of the craze for Spanish dancers which has disturbed the East more than this city, and a DISPATCH reporter remarked that no gonume Spanish dancer and been seen here yet. "If that's the case," said Mr. Brady, "we'll get one here as soon as possible," and taking up a telegraph blank he wrote a message requesting a certain well-known Spanish dancer to join the "After Dark" Company as soon as possible. Unless some accident intervenes the Spanish dancer will appear in the London Concert Hall scene to-morrow night. That's something like quick action! -The Attorney General of Texas has decided that the Court House of Bowie county must be built at the geographical center, which is in the woods,

-Wiley Jones, colored, owns outright, two street car lines, 12 miles in total length, in Pine Bluff, Ark. He was born there, and was a poor barber 15 years ago. He is largely in-terested in real estate.

-The crowded audience attending the Their faces are stamped with distress. They Resident Theater in Berlin on Christmas Eve are as lazy as they are fat. They seem to have was forced to sit 60 minutes in darkness, broken only by the feeble ray from a lantern placed on the stage, the electric light having failed in the middle of the performance. a natural distrust of man. They always cap-ture the girls, and the homlier the pug the

more affectionate the girl. Every "lodge" husband has reason to detest them. Small -Robbers entered a boarding school for boys love to pelt them. Cats can whip them. They are the spoiled, feasted pets girls at South Bethlehem, Pa., a few nights ago and stole a number of rings, bracelets and other jeweiry. When it was noised about that burglars had been in the building several of the students fainted away.

-At a test of steel manufactured at Read--At a test of sect manufactured at least ing, Pa, the other day a one-inch bar broke at a strain of 233,833 pounds, "being about 20,000 pounds in excess of the highest record authori-tatively known." The test was made under the supervision of Government officers,

-New Orleans is making extensive preparations for the celebration of Mardi Gras, which comes on the 10th of February. The carnival will be on a grand scale, and the New Orleans papers assert the pageant will ech in brilliancy any of its predecessors.

-There seems to be good reason for the increased interest in athletics and various kinds of physical culture fads. It is reported that out of 20 applications for enlistment at the United States rendezvous in Portland only one has been accepted, deficient chest being the main trouble

-The Bombay branch of the Sorosis Club has increased to 130 members and is about to apply for admission into the federation of clubs Its members congregate to discuss gravely Par-

liamentary questions, the lives of noted women, technical training and other equally serious and advanced subjects. -Mr. S. M. Blount a worthy citizen of Georgia, is the proud dwner of a silk hand kerchief purchased from a Hawkinsville, Ga., merchant in 1855. Although constantly used the handkerchief is still without a hore in it. Mr. Biount is also using a tin wash pan hought in Macon over 25 years ago.

-A number of young unmarried women, employed in various shoe factories of Brock-ton, Mass., have formed a syndicate for the purchase of real estate for investment, Al-ready they have bought nine lots, and are nego-tiating for another block. It is their intention to build on all the lots, and rent.

-The Home Reading Union has more goats in the curio hall, and both are interest than 6,000 members scattered bout the world. ing. The Californian silky-fleeced goats do some entertaining things under Prof. Borland's some of them in Turkey. They take certificates, not of knowledge acquired, but of books read, and the courses of reading which the union arranges seem to be very pleasurable ex-erclises as well as productive of an acquaint-ance with the best things in English literature. guidance, and Princess Dijelta shows an uncanny control over some serpents of the larger

canny control over some serpents of the larger size. Some additions have been made to the zoo upstairs, including a Siberian wolf. In the theater Emil Miller gives some clever facial imitations of celebrated men, both ancient and modern, from Washington to James G. Blaine. The singing of the Mack, Miller and Hues trio pleased the audiences greatly, and the skill of Holmes and Waldron upon all sorts of musical instruments was appreciated. Knockabout comedy, some acrobatic dancing by Sherman, and the ballades of Bella Lawarine made up the programme. The audiences could hardly have been larger. -The city of Toronto will lease its street car plants. Under the lease no employe can work over ten hours a day. A class of tickets must be sold at the rate of eight for 25 cents must be sold at the rate of eight for 25 cents the same only to be used between the time the daily runs commence and 8 A. M., and between 5 and 7 P. M. Another class must be sold at the rate of 25 for \$1, and still another class at the rate of six for 25 cents.

-It is not often that a lost art is recovd, but it is said that the ch

The Mayor's position on the free bridge

question and upon the management of the sinking fund will also commend itself to the public as sound. He realizes that the difficulty and delay in purchasing any of the existing private bridges, at such prices as the owners would be sure to put upon them, would either postpone free communication with the Southside indefinitely or else involve a burden of cost far beyond the extent of new constructions. By selecting the site for the initial free bridge at Twentyfifth street, near which no bridge now exists, and which would yet give the most direct and immediate connection with Schenley Park, the Mayor follows the drift of popular needs and opinion upon the Southside, and at the same time gives no excuse for such opposition as the private corporations owning the present toll bridges would interject into Councils if the first free bridge came so close as to treach upon their TEVEDUCK.

The Mayor's message on the whole is worthy of attentive consideration and of favorable action hereafter by Councils.

BUILDING ASSOCIATIONS' BENEFITS.

Building and loan associations may lay doubted that Cameron has the situation to claim to having benefited a great many peosuch an extent in hand that only the interple in this community during the past few vention of Quay could raise a likelihood of years. The industrial classes have been sehis defeat at Harrisburg; and there seems curing homes of their own at an unpreceno reason, at present, to doubt that Quay dented rate, and it is estimated that fully is as actively for his re-election as any other one-halt of this class, who have secured adherent. The late Delamater defeat aphomes in the past two years, have been aspears to have left no lasting resentments in sisted by these associations. A feature of the that quarter so far as the junior Senator is recent business of these concerns is their concerned.

luck than this,

willingness to loan so large a percentage of The caucus failed to take advantage of its the value of property as 75 per cent. This opportunity in not formally declaring for indicates, first, a prosperous condition on good country roads and canal navigation. the part of the building associations, and, But we are glad to be informed that at least second, the estimation in which Pittsburg some of the members have strong views on real estate is held as a security. both these important public questions,

OUR PECULIAR TAX SYSTEM.

Concerning the fact that the State of Pennsylvania realized \$1,378,000 from the effective work. We shall wait with some collateral inheritance tax last year, the interest and see without being too sanguine. Philadelphia North American calls it "confiscation to just that extent." It is rather difficult to see why the taxation of

inheritances should be deemed confiscation any more than the taxation of any special class of property or privilege-such as lines of \$19,625,000 for the first eleven licenses for example. But there can be a more general agreement in the assertion that, if inheritances are taxed at all, they should all be taxed on an equal and general plan. There is a remarkable lack of public consistency in the rule by which, if an

immense fortune goes to one or two direct heirs, it escapes taxation; while if it is distributed among a great many beneficiaries who are not heirs of the body, it must yield a large share to the State.

that reason a reduction in the operating ex-Another peculiar feature in this connection penses in proportion to gross carnings may be taken as a red flag of danger. is that the Pennsylvania fiscal system contains features which go tar toward So far as the splendid management of the justifying what are generally con-Pennsylvania Railroad is concerned-which. demned by organs of the financial school, while we may often have to criticise the steps as demagogic theories of taxation. The which that corporation may take to prevent taxation of inheritances and a graduated competition; THE DISPATCH is always income tax have both been urged as ready to recognize-the above remark will measures for discouraging the perpetuity apply only to such diminutions of expenses of great fortunes; and both have been correas may be justified by a decrease of traffic. We may take it for granted that the Pennspondingly condemned asseiolistic measures. But we see here that Pennsylvania taxation sylvania Railroad will maintain all such contains the feature of an inheritance tax, expenditures as are necessary to mainalthough so imperfectly adjusted as to de- tain - its road-bed and rolling stock feat the distribution of great fortunes; and in first-class condition. But as the above the same thing is measurably true with re- extract, with its context in the journal from

products altogether. this year does seem calculated to impress th A COMMITTEE OF FIFTY. standing Democratic candidate a. well as the The "committee of fifty" in Allegheny Republican organs. may accomplish some good, if its purpose is

Another, and scarcely less inevitable re-

IT is a subject of regret to leave that merely to indorse the good men nominated Mayor Patrick Gleason, of Long Island City, is for official positions, and work to secure the accused of extorting money from applicants comination of such men only. Such an obfor liquor licenses. That is a municipal prac ject is one for worthy effort at all times, not tice which is entirely too commonplace for a only on the part of a "committee of fifty." man of Gleason's originality. He should conbut a committee of the whole population. fine himself to the unprecedented and wholly The one danger about these committees is unique municipal function of chopping down the sheds of railway corporations which en that they may get corrupting elements in croach upon the public property. them the same as the large body politic. We wish the Alleghenv committee better THE new device by which, it is stated the

watch can be made to act as a compass by oh serving the position of the hands toward the

THE LOCAL LEGISLATOR'S POLICY. sun, is a very interesting one. But with regard to utility the fact that people have for cen-The action of the Allegheny County Legturies been able to determine the points of the slator's caucus vesterday was on the whole compass by the sun, and that compasses are about what was looked for as probable. It needed most urgently when the sun is no consisted merely of the indorsement of Senvisible, it is to be feared that the watch will be ator Cameron for re-election, and of the sorry substitute in actual use. appointment of Mr. Stewart as spokesman

SNOWBALLS and small boys make quite and leader. The proposal to discipline the a dangerous combination sometimes. By all Senator because of his sensible antagonism means let the small boy have his fun, and his to the force bill evidently was not a conold-fashioned snow-balling matches if he wants sideration. By reason of his unopposed them. But where is the fun in pelting an canvass and of the support of active poliinoffensive old lady with snowballs as she passes along the street, or knocking an ear off ticians through the State, it is almost unstrange man with an iceball because he happens to be out?

> BROTHER CLARKSON still persists in de claring that it is the duty of the Republican party to "reinforce its press." True; and th best way to reinforce the Republican press is to take a course that will enable the press to con vince the people that the Republican policy i a sincere one.

STILL another combine. This time it it the manufacturers of road-making machines who will form a trust. Our roads are bad enough, now, in all conscience. A trust to make good roads would be more in the line of patriotic progress.

DAVLIGHT bank robberies are hardly t Nothing will more please THE DISPATCH be preferred to midnight burglaries, though and the public than that occasion should either are preferable to the long-drawn-out arise in the future to give them credit for despollment of the crooked cashier. The rol bers usually leave something for the de

A MISTAKEN POLICY.

Safety that all saloons must close at midnight. The remarkably good showing made by is calculated to put a much-needed limit to the statement of the Pennsylvania Railroad. prolonged and exaggerated inebrity. which shows not earnings on the Eastern AN Ohio caucus is reported to have months of the year, an increase of \$872,000. turned McKinley down and Sherman up. The trouble with caucuses is that the people do no naturally calls forth a deserved tribute of always follow their procepts. praise from the financial journals of New York. One rather questionable indorsement BIG FOOT'S surrender indicates the suc of the Pennsylvania's policy takes the folcess with which the United States has put :

lowing form: larger foot down on the threatened Indian The Pennsylvania Railroad is one of the few rising. companies which spends most liberally when it IGNATIUS DONNELLY as the farmers earns most. Its charges against operating excandidate for President would be as uncalcula penses are liberal, and when the earnings fall ble a quantity as the Shakespeare-Bacon crypto off expenses are very promptly cut down. For gram

MR. GLADSTONE is to be congratulated on his double anniversary. May he still be able to cut down Hawarden trees for another year.

reating quite a breeze.

NEXT week we shall have both the State Logislature and Congress. There is no telling what other calamity may afflict us.

WHILE that new Kansas statesman is de scribed as "sockless," it is intimated that he lowadays. has a sock in store to give Ingalls,

PERNICIOUS activity in snowballing i marked by the police for suppression.

She forgets there's luck in odd numbers.

TIMID people often venture where brave folk fear to tread, simply because they are blinded by fear.

THE Recorder's office is full of good deed and old and new conveyances.

ed at work on an explosive appliance in which WHEN you pay your respects you wipe out : social debt.

A BOUND of New Year's calls frequently makes the callers very dizzy. IF you are the victim of a liar you can easily

conjecture where the trouble lies. WHEN you lose your temper you generally

stamp your foot.

EVERY profession, trade and business carries a rear guard made up of laggards who are constantly snapping, snarling and crying over their poor luck, but who never have anything to say about their poor pluck. But those who keep up with the procession and lead instead of follow have no ears for the lamentations of the strag glers, and when these drop out of line are riding. not missed by those whose company they kept or the patient public.

TENNYSON is a well versed man.

BIG FOOT has been captured at last. Thus in Mississippi." has Mills performed another great feat.

When It Will Wake Up. Soon Harrisburg will entertain The statesman from Wayback, Who will appear in clothes quite plain,

And tote a huge gripsack. THE warrior bold of modern times is not al ways a bold warrior.

You can pledge your word, but you must not expect to get anything on it while money i

tight STATESMEN are the only people who are per mitted to pass bad bills.

Wrrw the new year comes the Legislatur and all that the word implies.

Don't judge the standing of the bank by the trength and finish of its safes and vault.

ALWAYS well posted-A good fence

IF New Year fell on Friday this year the su THE order of the Department of Public perstitious would be prophesying all sorts of lisaster.

> IT makes a ten-dollar bill look sick to ride from Pittsburg to the East End in a hired

sleigh.

ONE of the old saws runs: If Christmas Day on Thursday be, A windy winter ye shall see.

It fits to perfection this time.

EDISON is perfecting a telephone attack nent which will do away with the central girls. Now, if he could invent something to do away with the attachments between the typewriter girls and some employers many matrons would

reathe easier. AN inebriated individual is always wealthy. for he sees double.

THE girls have transferred the gum from their mouth to their feet.

THE aristocratic dinner table always appear

in evening dress. IF you fall while you are carrying orders you

annot break them. WALLS have speaking tubes as well as ears

A SHARP answer may turn away the hired

DON'T begin the new year with a pain in yo head and a bad taste in your mouth.

MAYOR GOURLEY'S maiden effort is COLD ocean always keeps itself tidy.

WILLIE WINKLE

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Point, with the chorus as cadets. To make the, scenery realistic was easy enough—the pano-rama of the Hudson and the environs of West Point which we use was painted from narure. The training of the girls was the next thing. By permission of the commanding officer of the Seventh Regiment Drill Sergeaut Sutton, of that crack national guard organization,took the fair cadets in hand. For six weeks he drilled them in evolutions and the manual of arms the clockwork idea is to be combined. JOHN DAVIS of Kansas, is the first Socialist to be elected to Congress. He is 64 years old, and has twice been an unsuccessful candidate MRS. STANLEY talks as though she expected to find a mild reproduction of the Dark Conti nent in America and seems astonished at find-

fair cadets in hand. For six weeks he drilled them in evolutions and the manual of arms, and how well he succeeded may be judged from the remark of Gen. Sherman, that the grits beat the boys of West Point in their drill. Mr. Conried helped in perfecting the drill for stage purposes. The uniforms are made upon the Government pattern by the firm that sup-plies West Point, and the guns the grits carry are the same lightweight weapons the cadets use. The winte helmets which the cadets wear in summer were preferred for pictorial reasons. Every detail has been as faithfully copied as possible, even to the crease in the white trousers which the cadets affect, MRS. CHANDLEE, the widow of Zachariah Chandler, is erecting a beautiful house in Washington. Its walls are of pinkish yellow brick, with trimmings of grayish yellow stone. WING GEORGE, of Greece, is one of the mos

democratic of rulers. He has a thin and rather Duquesue Theatre. elegant figure, a fresh complexion and is hald

He is a fine horseman, but prefers walking to If sustained fun and capable acting have anything to do with the success of a play, then "All the Comforts of Home" as produced on MATTRICE THOMPSON is one of those forth the Duquesne boards last evening a decided dramatic victory. When pate authors who can seek his own place to do the work and at present he is comfortably Gillette wrote "The Private Secretary' led in a flower-covered bower "way down it was generally conceded that be had given to the public the greatest BARON DE HIRSCH will fit up the mansion in Paris which he bought over the heads of the club that blackballed him, and will throw it farce-comedy of the decade. If his latest piece "All the Comforts of Home" does not pre-cisely surpass its great precedessor it certainly yields nothing to it, either in plot or dialogue. A very large house last evening witnessed the first appearance of the new connedy in this city, and heartv haughter and continuous applause marked Pittsburgers' appreciation of Mr. Gillette's effort. Even certain rather broad strokes at America and the Americans were well received, and the distinct Britishism of the adaptation did not seem to mar its effect. The characters were evenly played and the players evenly selected. This was admirable, as the "star" is frequently a nuisance in farces comedy. Kate Dennin Wilson, however, as the inmittable shedragon Mrs. Bender secured a larger share of applause than anyone else. "All the Comforts of Home" does not preopen to any friends who may visit him in the SENATOR CHARLES B. FARWELL, of Illinois, seems to be confident of retaining his seat, but he is opposed to betting, while his antagonist, John M. Palmer, is reported to be more

JEANNE HUGO is to be married to Alphonse Daudet's son at Passay (Paris) January 15. M. Jules Simon will make a speech on the occasion of the union of the granddaughter of France's noblest old poet to the son of the inimitable shedragon Mrs. Bender secured a larger share of applause than anyone else. Marie Greenwald made a charming ingenue as Evangeline Bender; and Maud Haslam as Fig Orikanski was delightfully suggestive of conlisses and pink tights. Theodore Bender, Esg., as played by Samuel Edwards, was good; and Mr. Henry Miller scored one of his usual MRS. MARGARET DELAND is taking a rest from literary work until after the New Year festivities, when she will begin her next novel. What its character will be the author herself does not know, although she has had several happy hits in the part of the happy-go-lucky offers for the book even before Mrs. Deland has The plot is really wonderful, and reminds on

of nothing so much as the mainspring of a Waterbury watch. However, one can easily follow its windings, and laugh over the ridicu-lous statations and lots of business which occur at another model. at every moment. If "All the Comforts of Home" is an adapta-

tion from the German, one is tempted to tell our comedians to give up original work and The faces of the bride, a pretty little woman and the husband, a tail manly looking fellow were a deep scarlet, but they bowed their ac knowledgments to the cheer of the passengers

mous novel upon which the startling plot of A New Organization for Beneficial Object the piece is founded. Suffice it that Dion Boucleault's dramatic adaptation lacks nothing Boucicault's dramatic adaptation lacks nothing in interest, and is positively improved in many scenes and situations. The "hair breath 'scapes" of the hero give ample reason for applause; while the admirable villainy of the "bad man" was well-deserving of its uncon-sciously approving hisses. Old Tom, the crusty beatman, as played by Edmund Collier, is a really excellent impersonation. When he broke through the wall, dragging his bene-factor from the tracks, just in front of the screeching locomotive, he showed his audi-ence a splendid bit of business. It must be ad-mitted, however, that the cast is rather weak, where it should have been strong. The part of Sir George Mcdhurst is hard-ly well taken, and other characters would bear improvement. But, on the whole, the performance was pleasing to the audience, which is the main thing after all. The little love scenes seemed to touch a sympathetic chord, and the light-heartedness of the gay Rose Egerton took well with the listeners. The realistic novelties of the show are to be found in the sluce-gate of the Kiver Tiames and the concert hall scenes. In the latter, Kelly and Muroby, said to be exponents of thenoble art of self-delense, gave an exhibition of their powers. It was none the less enjoyed because of an evident abscenee of science. The in interest, and is positively improved in man SCRANTON, Dec. 29 .- To-day Judge Connelly handed down a decree incorporating the National Grand Lodge of the United States, of the Loyal Knights of America. The purposes of the organization, are the advancement of American citizenship, and to exercise such American canacisany, and to barries and other rights as usually belong to lodges having a bene ficial and benevolent object. The organization has heretofore been known as the Junior American Protestant Association, and will go into effect on and after Jaouary 1. 1891, under a new constitution and code of laws. The incorporators are T. W. Faulkner, Norristown; G. T. Davis, Lackawanna town-ship; J. Oliver, Scranton; S. J. Matthews, Olyphant, and E. A. Slow, Philadelphia. The organization has been in existence under its former name for 30 years.

ouisville Courier-Journal.] the none art of self-uncass, gave at call the top of their powers. It was none the less enjoyed because of an evident absence of science. The audience shouted for a fourth round with at the zest of a bull-tight growd in sunny Spala. will be no danger of resurred

Harris' Theater. The annual visit of Pete Baker to Pittsburg

Harry Williams' Academy.

While Harry Kernell is the star of his high

lass vandeville company playing at Harry

Williams' Academy, the entire combination

the Felix and Claxton sketch team, and follow

ing were gymnastic and song and dance special-tics. Harry Kernell's zet is just as Irish as ever, and his face changes but for the "Irisher." Binns and Burns in their musical specialty

were roundly applauded because it was first-class. The three Carrons were acrobatically funny. The entertainment closed in a roar

Some College Concerts.

The Harvard Glee Club's concert occurs to

night at Carnegie Hall. It goes without saying

that it will be delightful musically, and the

audience promises to be large and specially appreciative as the concert enjoys the patron-

appreciative as the concert enjoys the patron-age of the Harvard Club, of this city, of which Mr. John H. Ricketson is President. The Princeton Club will bring their voices, their banjos and their mandoins to bear upon a Pittsburg audience on Saturday evening next at Carnegie Hall. It will chume in nicely with the New Year's festivities.

A SHOWER OF RICE

Follows a Bridal Party as It Enters a Cable

The passengers on car 205, East End divisio

KNIGHTS OF AMERICA.

Chartered at Scranton.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCILS

The Frisky Man With a Scheme,

Car

and the car moved on.

funny. The entertainment with McFadden's elopement.

umphed in the matter of the ancient "Alex andrian blue." This blue, the ideal of painters and decorators, was a peculiar and remarkably durable color. The chemists are said to have achieved a successful analysis of the coloring on the Pompeinan freecoes, and to have repro-duced the paint, identical with the ancient coloring in every particular. s always a sign of a week's big business. This eason he has a new play, but he didn't present it vesterday, "Bismarck" will be given the latter half of the week, but as an opener the atter half of the week, but is an opener the old favorite, "The Emigrant," was yesterday enjoyed by two very large audiences, the "Standing Room Only" sign being trotted out at an early stage of the game both afternoon and evening. Mr. Baker's supporting company is not the best he ever brought with him, but it is not a bad one by any means, and the little with who dances with him is really a pretry little

-The County School Superintendent of Adair county, Ky., after paying the expenses of his office out of the munificent allowance of \$650 a year, made to him by the County Court realizes the sum of about \$1 a day-a stipend girl who dances with him is really a pretty little producy. As usual, Mr. Baker displays excellent taste in the choice of his costumes, and his sing-ing is quite as catching as ever. that would not secure the services of many un-skilled laborers at shoveling dirt. It is less than the salary of any of the teachers. Besides the labor performed for this miserable the superintendent is required to give a \$30,000 bond.

-When Lawyer Kimbrough attempted to go on the stand to testify on behalf of his client, at Memphis, Tenn., the other day, Judge Du Bose ruled that he must first retire from made up of first-class talent. It opened with the case. "The rule of this Court is that no at torney in a case can testify for a client," said the Judge. ""Wharton on Evidence' takes strong grounds against such practice, and I will not permit it." Kimbrough formally an-nounced his retirement and then gave his tes-

> -Nearly 20 years ago Dr. Wilks directed attention to the curious fact that a transverse furrow always appears on the nails after a seri-ous illness. Medical men ignored what they cus liness, stouch men ignored what they called the visionary opinions of Mr. Wilks, giv-ing the matter but little attention in their medical works. Recently a new interest in the subject has been revived and pathological so-cieties have begun an investigation. One re-markable case shows nall furrows caused by three days' seasickness.

-The statute providing for the admission of women to medical examinations at Oxford was rejected by only four votes. This practically insures its success in the future, and the opposition will not be long maintained. The umber of women students in the healing art number of women statents in the heating ar-increases almost dully, and their achievements in the profession are constantly gaining in dig-nity and importance. A large hospital for women in London lately opened, which is min-statered to by women only, is crowded to its fullest capacity all the time.

-A method is now on trial at the Meteof the Citizens traction line, were treated to a rological Office at Stockholm which seems little scene last night that they enjoyed for all likely to throw some light on a subject which it was worth. When the car reached the street hitherto has been attended with some un-certainty, namely, the determination of the beyond Pearl street it stopped for a crowd or the corner. From the midst of this crowd the corner. From the midst of this crowd stepped a bridal couple who had just been mar-ried and were on their way to the new home prepared by the husband in the East Ead. As the couple stepped on the platform there came from the crowd on the sidewalk a shower of rice that was almost enough to bury those be-neath it. When the passengers observed the incident they knew what it meant and set up a hearty cheer as the couple entered and took a seat. ath taken by storms. From the telegraphic weather reports, tables of the density of the weather reports, tables of the density of the atmosphere have been constructed, and other data have been collected which have been em-bodied in special charts. These charts are found to give much more reliable clew to the movements and origin of cyclones than the usual method of the comparison of the isobars and isothems alone. The latest investigations show that storms move in the direction of the warmest and dampest air, parallel to the lines of equal density, leaving the rarer air to the right hand.

PLEASANTLY PUT.

It is said that no Vassar graduate has ever been divorced from her husband. Perhaps the husbands were all killed off by the cooking before things lind time to shape themsel vorce.-Louisville Courier-Journal.

A man is not satisfied with one jack pot in a poker game. He wants something to draw two.-New Orleans Picayune.

An Ohio man suggests that the next Dem ocratic national ticket be Brice, of Ohio, and Brice, of New York .- Grand Rapide Telegran

Photographer-I can take a much better picture of you if you'll smile.

Customer-You'll have to excuse me, sir. I'm a prohibitionist. - Detroit Free Press.

Someone proposed to take Succi to Washington the last day of his fast, that he might show to the office seekers somebody hungrie than themseives. - Denver Times.

Briggs-I see that Rounder, who is so bopular with his trade, has the delirium fremens. Griggs-What does his firm think about it? s-They understand it and have simply New Jersey off his territory .- Clother and Furnisher.

With the old year the promoter will way, and thera will be few mourners at his Optician-Myopia has caused divergent er, for he lived to deceive and the world has equint in one eye, and Thompsen's disease ha caused convergent strabismus in the other eye. Bowles-If I had a third eye, would I be totall no use for such. Let him be buried deep where the snows may heap above his grave, and blind in it?-/esselers' Circ

Bijou Theater. Lovers of melodrama found food to their taste in "After Dark," as played at the Bijon last night. Nearly overyone has read the fa

William Booth, an inspector in the Department of Public Highways, died at the Hoffman House, New York, Sunday night, where he had gone to consult a specialist. His brother, the City Clerk, was with him at the time or his death. Mr. Booth was also a brother of James J. Booth, of Booth & Finn. The widow of the deceased lives at 171 Webmitsr avenue.

ladies just now. He has revived the Valois style of wearing."waved" hair to go with the Medici style of dress. His "wavers" are keep on adapting.

enriously shaped tortoise shell pins, with elastic attachment, and the hair has to be dampened with a "waving fluid." Obstruction in the Jury-Fixer's Road. oungstown Telegram. Hereafter, in Minnesota, "jury fixers" will have to provide three men instead of one in order to carry out their purposes. At the late lection an amendment to the cons adopted that five-sixths of a jury may render a

The Corncake's Running Mate. Wheeling News.] Spare ribs are now ripe DEATHS OF.A DAY.

John F. Cluley. Mr. John F. Cluley, one of the best known eiti-zens of Pittsburg, died yesterday morning at his home on Center avenue. He was only sick about

nome on Center avenue. He was only sick about a week, and the cause of his death was heart inlure. Mr. Cluley was born in Pittsburg in 1823. His son, John F., Jr., was connected with his father in the sign painting business. The only other child was Mrs. Dr. J. Guy McCaudies, Mr. Cluley was for a time a member of the brass foundry firm of Phillips & Cluley, but retired ten very sor