BEFORE BUSINESS CAN PROCEED.

He Replies With Much Warmth and Appeals to Blackstone.

A RUMORED ALLEGHENY COUNTY BILL

IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT,1 HARRISBURG, Feb. 5. - The Sabbath question was discussed upon a broad basis in the House to-day. Among the bills on second reading was the following:

Section 1-Be it enacted, etc., that on the trial of all appeals to the Court of Quarter Sessions under the act of the 17th day of March, 1876, (pamphlet laws 29, section 1), from any summary conviction for violation of an act of Assembly approved April 22, 1794, entitled "An act for the prevention of vice and immorality, by doing or performing worldly employment or business on the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday," the evidence as to whether the work performed was a work of necessity or charity shall be a question of fact to be determined by

This is one of the bills introduced by Representative Fow, of Philadelphia, in relation to the ancient "blue laws." After the clerk had read it, Mr. Stewart, of Philadelphia, sent to the Speaker's desk a copy of the Pittsburg Christian Advocate, from which he requested that the clerk read an extract. This privilege was allowed. The article was an appeal to the public to write their Representatives at Harrisburg to check the movement apparent in bills introduced by Mr. Fow to repeal the good old due laws, and lead to a Continental Sabbath in Pennsylvania.

Fow Objects to Personalities.

Mr. Fow jumped to his feet and objected to the reading of the article on the score of personalities. Thereupon, Mr. Stewart requested the clerk to suppress Fow's name if t occurred further along in the article. The reading proceeded, and in a few moments Fow again objected that the extract was not germain to the subject before the House. Mr. Stewart said that if Fow would only wait he would see that the newspaper article dealt with this very bill.

Fow insisted that it only referred to the bill now in committee repealing a portion of the old blue laws, and that the present bill was purely a legal question. Mr. Graham, bill was purely a legal question. Mr. Graham, of Allegheny, who had previously read the Advocate article, begged Mr. Fow to be patient and he would find the article was germain.

The Chair ruled Fow out of order, on the ground that the newspaper article was a part of Mr. Stewart's remarks, and that Stewart therefore had the floor. The reading proceeded again. The article reverted to the bill in question, and said that in Allegheny county the record of the Judges was well known in refusing appeals of this character, and the reputation of Allegheny county juries was equally so well known that it was equivalent to having an open Sabbath if this class of cases were turned over to juries to decide.

Attempted a Total Repeal.

Attempted a Total Repeal. To all of this Mr. Fow replied very warmly when he at last got the floor. He reminded the House that the only attempt that had been made to effect a total repeal of the blue laws was made two years ago by a highly respected gentleman from Allegheny county, where this religious paper is printed-Mr. Shiras. Some of the ancient laws are good enough, but Mr.

of these statutes.

In the olden time when they were enacted yellow fever raging at that time. One of laws required chains at the mouths of els, to keep vehicles off them on Sunday streets, to keep vehicles off them on Sunday, That, however, had been repealed. That early body of Legislators little knew the march of progress to come. They never dreamed of railroads, of telegraphs or of the enormous increase in population, with its growing needs for subsistence from day to day.

Mr. Cotton, of Pittsburg, asked Mr. Fow why be did not extend this bill to all cases of summary conviction. Why just limit it to the laws of 1781?

An Appeal to Blackstone. Mr. Fow said he had not contemplated a step that radical. He then cited cases in the East ern courts of this State where the judges had refused appeals from these old laws when they should have gone to a jury. He proposed to se up against the cant and hypocrisy of the news-paper articles just read the logic of reason. He cited Blackstone, who said that trial by jury was the veto power of the people against both

was the veto power of the people against both legislators and judges.

The blue laws except works of necessity and charity on the Sabbath from prosecution, and Mr. Fow wanted to know who was to decide what was work of necessity and charity. He declared that it was unjust to let a judge act as both court and jury in deciding the matter, as

It now is.

Mr. Stewart, of Philadelphia, made a point on Mr. Fow that if the people in yellow fever times, with the fear of God before their eyes, enacted these laws, then the opposite must be true now, viz: That with peace and prosperity all around us, and with a desire to repeal these laws, the fear of God must have deserted some gentlemen. He said matters of justice were not always decided by juries. This House may pass unanimously a measure which the Governor, as a ligher power, may completely overor, as a higher power, may completely over

So it is with the courts. For his part he would rather trust a case to the hands of a udge learned in the law than to 12 ignorant men gathered in off the streets, who very often

decide cases of great moment by a game of cards, by the tossing of a penny, or by drawing Mr. Walton, of Philadelphia, said that while Mr. Walton, of Philadelphia, said that while he was against the other bill in committee for the repeal of the bine laws, the fact remains that there is some need of a method by which this question of "works of necessity and charity" may be decided. What might be considered as such in large cities would be decided by compty cours as not a work of necessity. The hour of adjournment having arrived, further debate was cut off.

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It has been currently reported here that a bill will shortly emanate from Allegheny county sources for a more complete repeal of the blue laws, so that soda water, meat ice, milk, etc., may be sold on Sunday. Another sory is that a bill already introduces will be amended so as to include these articles among Sunday were handless and at the same time re-Sunday merchandise, and at the same time re-peal the blue laws. STOFIEL

#### A STARTLING POSSIBILITY.

What the Passage of the Wherry Bill Might Mean.

PROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT, 3 HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.-R. F. Wood and Charles Richardson, of Philadelphia, made an argument this afternoon before the House Judiciary Committee in favor of the Wherry civil service bill. This proposes a civil service in all municipal, county and State offices of a subordinate character in Pennsylvania, The debate brought out one curious feature, and that was that a Pittsburger, who could answer the requirements, would be eligible to office in Philadelphia, and vice versa, so that Pittsbur might be overwhelmed with Philadelphia heal might be overwhichmed with Philadelphia nearers if the bill passed in that shape.
This committee referred to the Philadelphia delegation the Fow half-holiday bill, for the purpose of finding whether it is the intention to have it apply only to cities of the first class or to include Pittsburg and other cities. The Fow anti-trust bill will be reported favorable to-morrow.

#### THE TEXTBOOK TRUST.

An Investigation of It to Open Up Next Tuesday Evening.

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. HARRISHURG, Feb. 5.—The first meeting of the special committee investigating the School Textbook Trust will be held Tuesday evening next. The proportions of the lobby against the probing will then be definitely ascertained.

Some of the members of the committee have constituted themselves detectives and have been purchasing textbooks from the retail At a Pittsburg Criticism of His
Bill to Modify the Ancient Blue Laws.

STIRRED UP BY STEWART.

The Quaker City Member Has to Be
Declared Out of Order

| Constituted themselves desectives and have been purchasing textbooks from the retail dealers in various cities of the State. One member claims to have established the fact that some retail dealers make as high as 100 per cent profit. He thinks it may turn out that the trust is not all to blame. The House Educational Committee met this afternoon and listened to State Superintendent Waller on the subject of free or uniformly priced textbooks. He reviewed the various bills for that purpose now before the committee, but refrained from expressing an opinion as to which was the best. It is understood, however, that he is opposed to the scheme for the State to print the books, for the reason that there him no competition the books would deterior a in literary worth.

It was decided to report affirmatively the district superintendent bill from Allegheny county. The bill requiring school directors to take an oath of office after election was acted upon favorably, after expunging that part requiring the oath as to the director's ability to read and write.

#### MAKING GOOD SPEED.

THE PROPOSED ROAD LAW RECEIVING PROMPT ATTENTION.

It Is Introduced in Both Houses of the Legislature and Favorably Reported Back-Pittsburg Engineers Appear in Behalf of

PROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.-The proposed general road law received prompt attention to-day. It was introduced in both Senate and House, and was referred to the Committee on Counties and Townships in each branch. The Senate Committee reported it

back within an hour, with an affirmative recommendation. The House committee in the afternoon favorably recommended it also. To-morrow it will go the printers, and 5,000 copies will be struck off for general circulation throughout the State, especially among the rural newspapers. By this quickness it secures a fairly good place on the calendar. Accompanying the road bill, Senator Mylin also introduced a supplementary bill, apprepriating \$1,000,000 to carry out its provisions. This bill went to the Appropirations

The formal report of the road commission was prepared by Senator Harlan, of Chester, Chairman of the commission. It deter, Chairman of the commission. It describes the exhaustive methods by which the commission secured information and opinion regarding the condition of country roads and the necessity for improvement. He says the commission avoided taking the more radical policy. Great reforms are always put upon a surer foundation when started gradually. For that reason the middle course was adhered to in preparing the bill. The next Legislature cao carry the plan still farther if desired. This bill is a big step in advance. But very few counties in the State have an engineer. This bill requires that they must all have one. The supervisors serving without pay will save possibly \$500 to every township. The distribution of State aid is believed to be the best plan that could be found. The method of paying road taxes is better than the present one, and the commission thinks it will offend no one, for whenever a farmer wishes, he may give notice and rea farmer wishes, he may give notice and re-ceive the preference in employment upon the roads, paying his taxes in cash and receiving a warrant for his wages, which may be off-et against the tax assessed against him. But the wages of such persons are restricted,

so as to give the privilege only to able-bodied men.

County Engineer Davis and Alexander Dempster, of Pittsburg, appeared before the House Committee on Counties and Townshins this afternoon as a committee from the Western Pernsylvania Engineers' Society on behalf of the country road bill prepared by that organization and presented in the House last week by Mr. Stewart. Mr. Dempster said they did not urge the bill in opposition to that coming from the State Road Commission, but to ask that if, in the cousideration of road legislation during the session of the Legislature, it is found that the bill of the engineers' society contains any better feature than the others it may be incorporated in the commission's bill. This bill is still in the committee.

#### BILLS IN THE HOUSE.

ncompetent persons.

One of Them Calls for the Holding of Constitutional Convention.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.-In the House to-day the following bills were introduced: By Muileu, Bedford, to provide for examination of miners in anthracite and bituminous coal regions and prevent the employment of

By Wherry, Cumberland, providing for Constitutional convention to consist of 176 embers, 26 at large and 150 from the 50 Senaby Krichtsaum, Columbia, providing for a change of school books not oftener than once in five years.

By Wherry, appropriating \$180,000 to the 12 State Normal Schools. State Normal Schools.

By Patterson, Washington, appropriating \$25,000 to the State Normal School at California,

Washington county.

By Sheffer, Adams, appropriating \$300 to erect a monument to the memory of Jennie Wade, who was killed during the battle of Gettysburg while bak ng bread. By Harshaw, Mercer, appropriating \$13,000 to the Mercer Hospital.

#### BACK FOR ACTION.

A Number of Bills Favorably Reported to the Senate. PERCHAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR ! HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.-Among bills favorably reported in the Senate to-day were the fol-

Giving building and loan associations the right, when applications for loans by the stock-holders thereof shall exceed the accumulations in the treasury, to make temporary loans of such sums of money to meet such demands, not exceeding \$15,000, at a less rate of interest than 6 per cent. To provide public morgues in the several

To reimburse the several counties for the erection and reconstruction of county bridges swept away by the June flood of 1889. Authorizing the Governor to appoint a com-mission to prepare a uniform series of text-books for free distribution. To change or improve public wharves in cities of the second class.

#### IN THE SENATE.

Bills Passed and a World's Fair Messag From the Governor. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.-In the Senate to-day the following bills passed flually: Authorizing incorporated boroughs to manu-facture electricity for commercial purposes.

Making an appropriation of \$75,000 to erect equestrian statues to Generals Meade and Hancock at Gettysburg.

A communication was read from the Governor, directing the attention of the Legislature to a letter received from the Director General of the World's Exposition at Chicago, offering a site for the erection of a building for the display of Pennsylvania's products, which, he said, would cost about \$80,000, if it occupied an acre of space. which he said, would cost about \$80,000, if it occupied an acre of space.

Markley, of Montgomery, introduced a bill to provide for the entire control and management by the trustees of all lunatic hospitals under control of the State.

#### TWO MORE REMOVALS.

The Official Head of Senator Quay's Brother in-Law in Harrity's Busket.

IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.1 HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.-The official heads of two more Republicans in the State Department were cut off to-day. They were clerks, and one, Ebin Allison, is a brother-in-law of Matthew Stanley Quay. His place is filled by the appointment of J. W. Giles, of Pittsburg, and E. P. Docuan, of Uniontown, is appointed to the other clerkship. Secretary Harrity

#### WILL TRY IT AGAIN.

Member Jones Has Not Given Up His Liability Bill Tet.

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT, ] HARRISBURG, Feb. 5 .- D. R. Jones, of Pittsburg, will make an effort to-morrow or Mon-day to have his liability act placed on the cal-endar, in spite of the negative recommendation which the Judiciary Committee gave it.
It is one of the most aggressive measures proposed this session, and Mr. Jones will make a speech on its behalf.

For a New Capitol.

SPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATOR. HARRISBURG, Feb. 5 .- In the Senate to-day the House resolution, having the enlargemen of the Capitol or the building of a new one in contemplation, was concurred in.

### AN AWFUL MYSTERY

Where the Water Came From That Caused the Jeansville Horror.

TWO DIFFERENT THEORIES GIVEN. The Dead Bodies Cannot Be Recovered for

Many Long Months. THE CORONER WILL INVESTIGATE

HAZLETON, Feb. 5 .- Great crowds have rathered to-day at the fated mine, which is about a mile and a half from this place. It is certain that the 17 missing are all dead, and that most of them were drowned in their chambers. The water on the pitch of the slope has raised 200 yards, which is a higher point than any of the breasts reached. Even though they were not drowned, they would die from suffocation long before the water can be pumped out. The large inside the slope to keep the lower level free from water, is covered and is useless. Two smaller mine pumps have been placed side by side in the gangway of the first level, and the work of removing the vast body of water was commenced at 6 o'clock last

evening. It was first reported that the water had broken through from the abandoned work-

ings of the old No. 8 shaft. The Speculation on the Disaster's Cause This gangway had been stopped in a fault of solid rock, and according to the maps of the engineer was about seven feet higher than the gangway of the lower level, and was separated from it by seven yards of

It is believed that while Charles Boyle and Patrick Coll were drilling a hole in the face of their breast, they unexpectedly broke into the abandoned workings of the No. 8 shaft, and that the water instantly tore away the intervening rock and rushed in upon them. Some of the miners and of-ficials are inclined to doubt the correctness of this theory, however, as upon examining theold workings from the shalt, it was found that the water was disturbed but very tittle, if at all. Another theory advanced is that the water is from Carter's old mines—better known as the Colerain. These mines have been abandoned for many years and were filled with water and the lines between the works ran very close together. Until it is learned where the water is from it is impossible to tell how soon it can be removed, as they cannot ascertain the amount of water that will run into these works as it is being pumped out of the slope.

Excitement Followed by a Dead Calm. The awful quiet which disaster and death brings with it hangs like a pall over the illfated town of Jeausville, where the bodies of the luckless miners are deep down in the cavero of coal, swollen and distorted by the water that caused their death. Yesterday's excitement has given way to peaceful calm, and everything is now directed toward securing the bodies of the unfortunate victims and then the bodies of the unfortunate victims and then ascertaining just how the disaster occurred. The slope in which it occurred is known as No. 1, and is sunk in what is known as the "two-lift." The bottom of the first lift is about 200 yards from the surface, and the second lift is driven down about 75 yards farther. The gangways run east and west, and in the west gangway is where this accident originated.

The west gangway runs toward and beneath what is known as No. 8, a slope which has been abandoned for about three years, and the accumulation of water since that time must be an enormous quantity. An estimate of the quantity of water stored away in this abandoned mine cannot very accurately be made, but when it is taken into consideration that the lower lift of No. 1 is filled to within eigh-fect of the top, which is identical with the bottom of the first lift of No. 1, it can be judged what a great quantity of water was let down upon the unfortunate victims.

The Water in the Abandoned Mine.

The Water in the Abandoned Mine. A visit to the old abandoned No. 8 slope was made to-day, and it was found that the water had only dropped 30 feet, which is the exact mark it was after the accident. Just what volinto the lift of No. 1 slope cannot be told, but judging from the progress made for the past 24 hours in pumping out No. 1 slope it will be very

hours in pumping out No. I slope it will be very great. By constant pumping with all the available machinery the water was lowered about 35 inches to-day, which, with the fact that the water in the old No. 8 slope did not fall at all, indicates that a great deal of water from the old workings is finding its way into No. 1, and this water may prolong the finding of the bodies for months to come.

Of course as yet it would be idle to attempt to fasten the responsibility directly where it belongs, but enough is known to demonstrate that some one has blundered. Miners conversant with the works say that the company's chart of the workings, as kept in their office, show that there was 80 feet between the men at work in No. 1 slope and the volume of water in No. 8. This, if true, shows at once an error of calculation, and a grievous one, which has resulted in the destruction of thousands of dollars worth of property, to say nothing of the irreparable loss of life.

A Mining Engineer's Investigation.

A Mining Engineer's Investigation. Lef Womelsdorf, the mining engineer from Pottsville, who did the surveying for the firm, arrived at Jeansville to-day. He descended into the mine, and made an investigation for

into the mine, and made an investigation for the firm, but declined to give any information for the public, or any idea as to when the bodies of the men could be reached.

Sentiment in the town of Jeansville, as well as in the region, is somewhat divided. Conservative miners are willing to await a full investigation before passing consure on the firm of J. C. Hayden & Co., whose mines have been very carefully operated and accidents have been very rare, and danger reduced as low as is possible in mining coal. Others see nothing but careless or criminal negligence. They are outspoken in their assertions that the mining engineer had not visited the mines as frequently as the occasion demanded, relying upon assistants who were young and inexperienced and who did not understand the work or realize the responsibility resting upon them. the responsibility resting upon them.

The Coroner of Carbon was notified promptly of the accident. As soon as the bodies are recovered the Coroner will impanel a jury, and a rigid inquiry will be made into the cause of the accident.

#### A PLUCKY SCHOOL MA'AM.

An Unruly Gang Attempts to Kill Her, but She Holds the Fort. BURLINGTON, IA., Feb. 5,-Because Miss Mary Shone, of Worthington, is a brave little school teacher, and soundly thrashed a big bully who would not obey her at her schoo

near there several weeks ago, she is persecuted by all sorts of petty annoyances from the fel-low's gang. Notes warning her to give up the low's gang. Notes warning her to give up the school or threatening to blow her up were received, but no attention paid to them.

The threat was partially carried out the last cold morning, when the stove was blown to pieces by a powder-loaded stock of wood. The brave girl still holds the fort, however, and now the young men of this place have come to her ald, and threaten to lynch the first person caught annoying her. As the country boys do not "low" to be downed by "them city chaps," interesting times are expected.

#### A NEW SENATORIAL CANDIDATE

South Dakota Republicans May Test

Dark Horse To-Day. PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 5.-The twenty-third and twenty-fourth ballots for Senator were taken to-day. Campbell again held nearly the entire strength of the Independents, getting 57 votes. Tripp neld all the Democrats and got one Re-publican, making 26. Moody, Republican, went down to 16, and Melville went up to 55.

C. H. Dellon, a prominent attorney at Mitchell and son-in-law of Tripp, is talked of by Republicans, and may be sprung to-morrow if Melville fails.

## (FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.)

HARRISBURG, Feb. 5.-The Sub-Appropri ions Committee of the House, which is to visit Pittsburg and Western Pennsylvania institu-tions asking State aid, will leave to-morrow. Morganza Reform School will be the first place inspected. The committee consists of Mesers. Lemon, Lytle and Lesh.

Drygoods Market.

NEW YORK. Feb. 5.-Certain descriptions of cotton goods, as four-yard sheetings, were improving in tone and in demand with agents, and there was a fair business in brown and bleached goods and wide sheetings, all of which are fairly well sold up and firm.

DIAZ WILL LEAVE MEXICO. He Is Endeavoring to Insure Public Safety

Ere Going to France. SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 5 .- Under orders from the Government a detail of United States of-ficers made an inspection of Mexican railway lines and coast defenses. They found them both much more thorough than they expected, and the coast works, in sparticular, were progressing with notable rapidity. One of the officers said to-day: "For some time past, as I am creditably informed, President Diaz has been calling the Governors of the different States to the capital and conferring with them. The procedure has been unusual and much com

ment was excited. "The fact is that President Diaz leaves shortly for France, where he will remain som months. He is enormously wealthy, has invested largely in European enterprises, and is vested largely in European enterprises, and is besides almost totally broken down. The fact of his intended departure is known only to a very few persons, and they of the highest circles. The country is not so quiet as it should be. The Sandoval revolution of last summer demonstrated that the insurrectionary spirit still exists. The departure of the President is almost certain to be followed by trouble in one place or another, and for this reason the Governors have been in consultation with him."

#### ANTI-USURY LEGISLATION.

oump, which was stationed at the bottom of | Legislatures of Western States Pooling Is

sues on the Question. St. PAUL, Feb. 5.-The House of Represent atives this morning received communications from the Legislatures of Nebraska and Missouri regarding an inter-State conference on usury legislation, and adopted a joint resolution providing for the appointment of dele-gates to such a conference. By a vote of 44 to 42 the resolution commending Senator Wash-burn for opposition to the Lodge election bill was defeated. Mr. Stockwell introduced a bill declaring it a misdemeanor for employers to require as a condition of employment the giv-ing up of any of the rights of citizenship. The bill is intended to prevent employers from bill is intended to prevent employers from compelling their employes to keep out of labor

organizations.

In the House this afternoon, Mr. Kendall, of Duluth, introduced a bill providing for the appointment by the Governor of six World's Fair Commissioners, two from each party, and a Superintendent is to be chosen by this board to have control and management of the Min-nesota exhibit at the World's Fair. The bill provides for all the details of making a grand display, and makes an appropriation of \$300,-000 to carry out the provisions of the act.

CIGARETTES FOR THE SAVAGES.

Chicago Ladies Make Heroes of the Visiting Ghost Dancers. CHICAGO, Feb. 5.-Under peculiar circum stances General Miles paid his first visit to-day at Fort Sheridan to the Indians he brought from Pine Ridge. With him were two Pullman carloads of young ladies, the friends of Miss Katharine Corbin, daughter of Adjutant General Corbin. The Indians were aware of the

eral Corbin. The Indians were aware of the onslaught of pale faces, and were in the full glory of war paint and feathers. They stood in a long row under the oak trees, and General Miles stepped quickly from one to another and shook hands with each.

Then the ladies helped in the civilization of ex-ghost dancers by distributing among the delighted savages an untoid quantity of cigarettes. Short Bull was the favorite object of feminine attention, and the willy old rascal smilled through the yellow ochre that covered his face, and stowed away package after package of cigarettes in the folds of his blanket.

## A BILL FOR THE FARMERS.

A Sweeping Taxation Measure in the Delaware Legislature. Dover, Del., Feb. 5.-The Farmers' Com-

mittee bill, taxing investments, was introduced in the House by Mr. Elsnebrey this afternoon, It is backed by the Farmers' Institutes and Granges, and contemplates the assessment and taxation of all stocks, bonds, mortgages, se-curities and other evidences of indebtedness, curities and other evidences of indebtedness, with inquisitorial powers, ascertaining the holders of the same and stringent penalties for attempts to evade the assessment and taxation thereof, or to saudle the tax on the debtor. Railroad, telegraph and telephone companies are also hable, both as corporations and through their agents, for making any increase in freight or passenger rates consequent upon the passage of this bill.

#### BOUGHT A BRIDE WITH BLANKETS. The Daughter of a Mixed Marriage Receives Her Inheritance.

KINGSTON, ONT., Feb. 5 .- Sarah Jane Robb. \$20,000 by the Canadian courts. Sarah was the daughter of George Roberts, who married the daughter of Wabkas, a chief of the Comox Indians in British Columbia. George gave many blankets and \$20 for his bride, and mar-ried her according to the customs of the tribe. His father, the late Chief of Police of Kings-ton, died and he inherited the family estate. At George's death it was decided to disinherit his daughter on the ground that his father's marriage was irregular. For five years the case has been before the courts, and to-day Sarah Jane was given the estate.

#### SWEPT AWAY BY SNOW.

How Four Miners Met Their Death in Col-

orado Mountains. OURAY, Col., Feb. 5.—News has just Roche and "Jim" Wakeley are the grand mas-reached here from Mount Sneffles of the death ters, has determined to bring about a return of four Virginian miners, who perished in a snow slide. They started out from the mine last evening to help bring in Billy Maher, who had been blown up in his cabin about a mile

distant.

While going up the mountain, and at an altitude of 13,000 feet, a heavy body of snow became detached and Sam Byron, L. Phillips, Allen McTire and John Sunderland were hurled down the mountain and buried 50 feet beneath the mass. Their bodies were recovered this afternoon.

#### VOCAL MUSIC FOR THE FAIR.

A Thousand Children's Voices, German Societies and Other Choruses. CHICAGO, Feb. 5 .- In addition to Prof. Tomlin's chorus of 1,000 children's voices, which he is preparing for the World's Fair, a similar atraction is to be furnished by the Germans traction is to be furnished by the Germans alone, mainly through the efforts and under the direction of C. Katzenberger.

The intention is to provide a ladies' chorus of 1,500 voices and a children's chorus of the same size, with possibly an addition later on of a male chorus of 1,000 voices. Fully 500 German lodges and societies have been requested to co-operate in the movement. He will be assisted in this work by William Steinway, of New York.

#### A 4-YEAR-OLD'S FATAL MISCHIEF.

She Fires the Parental Home and the Mother

Is Burned to Death. GUTHRIE, O. T., Feb. 5.-Mrs. William Grimes, after completing her domestic du ier, to-day, laid down and went to sleep. Her 4year-old daughter found a box of matches, and with them set fire to the building, the window curtains and the clothes in the closets. The child had previously locked the bedroom door child had previously locked the bedroom door and thrown the key out of the window. When the mother awoke the whole room was ablaze. She could not escape by the door and was obliged to leap from the window with her child in her arms. Her clothing had caught fire, and when she fell to the ground she was wrapped in flames. Her little daughter escaped severe injury.

#### TEN DESPERATE OUTLAWS CAUGHT. They Are Gathered in by a Marshal's Posse

in the Indian Territory. ARDMORE, I. T., Feb. 5 .- Deputy United States Marshal John Swayne, with four depu-ties and a special posse of 18 men, arrested and brought to the city to-day ten desperate out-laws who have been defying the officers and committing numerous robberies and murders in the Chickasaw Nation for several months past.

The officers have been on their track for some time, and yesterday discovered them in their den on Bowth's ranch on Rock creek prairie in the northeastern part of the nation, In the skirmish that followed Bill Hudgins, we of the desperadors was single and seriously.

#### VANDERBILT BUYS ELECTRIC STOCKS. However, Still Claims to Be the Largest Individual Holder.

New York, Feb. 5.—It was reported to-day that Villard had sold all his holdings of Edison electric stock, and that the stock had been bought by the Vanderbilts. Those reports were denied by Villard, who stated that he was the largest individual stockholder.

Parties long identified with the Edison interest, however, confirmed the report that the Vanderbilts had acquired a very large block of stock.

## DOWNED THEM BOTH.

The Police Authorities Call a Halt on Dixon and McCarthy.

MAY FIGHT WITHIN A DAY OR TWO

President O'Neill and Manager Hanlon

Make Out a List of Players.

GENERAL SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY

PRINCIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 .- The much-heralded glove contest between Cal McCarthy, of Jersey City, and George Dixon, the Choctaw colored fighter of Boston, for the feather weight championship, a purse of \$4,000 and a bet of \$2,500 a side, which was to have taken place to-night in the rooms of the Puritan Club in Long Island City, did not come off. If anybody thinks it did, let him ask Mayor Patrick J. Gleason, of Long Island City, who was anxious to see the youngsters pummel each other, or if the Mayor should prove uncommunicative, per-haps his good friends, the members of the Jeffersonian Club, can give the desired informa-tion. Should these fail, ask any one of the 2,000 persons who stood outside the big frame structure for two solid hours to-night, with the wind blowing keenly across the open waste.

The members of the Puritan Athletic Club, who had Mayor Gleason's permission to bring off the contest, were confident that nothing would be done to stop the affair, but three members of the Jeffersonian Club went to the District Attorney Fleming, at Jamaica, who told them to get out warrants for all concerned from the local justice. This was done, and when the crowd had vainly waited hours for when the crowd had vainly waited hours for some one in authority to explain the delay, a big chested man stepped forward and said the fight was indefinitely postponed, owing to the Sheriff's interference.

The backers of each man would not run the risk of having their champions arrested. It is stated that the fight is declared off, but well-informed people state that it will take place within a short time. Both fighters were in excellent condition, and although Dixon was the favorite slightly, the McCarthy party were confident of victory.

## FISH WARDEN HAGUE'S LAMENT.

He Says Any Amount of Illegal Hunting Is Going On. Fish Warden J. W. Hague is now satisfied that the game of this State will be to a very great extent destroyed by illegal hunting on account of the laxity of the game laws. During

a conversation yesterday he said:
"I am certain that a very large quantity of "I am certain that a very large quantity of game is daily coming into this city which has been killed in this State. I am powerless to prevent it, because of the recent decision of the Supreme Court. Dealers when accosted produce a bill of laden, and state that the game in their possession has come from another State. Any amount of men are killing game in the State at present. I have put the matter before the various clubs of sportsmen, and they don't seem incline to act. I can do no more, and, therefore, must stand and look on at the wholesale destruction."

#### MADE OUT THEIR LIST.

Messrs. O'Neill and Hanlon Send in the Names of Their Players. The local baseball magnates held another "in-

formal" meeting yesterday and stated that they transacted no business of importance. President O'Neill and Manager Hanlon made out the list of men reserved by the club. This list the list of men reserved by the club. This list will be forwarded to the National Board, according to the resolution passed in New York. The names of the players reserved were not given out, but it is safe to say that the following names are on the list: Beckley, Staley, Galvin, Miller, Fields, Carroll, Kuchne, La Hoque, Maul, Smith, Berger, Rowe and White. The names of Hanlon, Mack and Bierbauer are on the list as men who have signed.

Messrs. O'Neill and Hanlon are confident of securing one or two good men to-day or tomorrow, and it may be that Mr. O'Neill is now hustling after a first-class outfielder.

#### The Chicago Team's Trip.

CHICAGO, Feb 5.-It is now definitely settled that Anson and his team will not go to California the coming spring. The plan as now outlined for the club is to proceed direct from here to St. Augustine, Fla., about March 10. Three weeks of hard practice will be put in there, and then the club will come North again, putting in a preliminary exhibition season among the American Association cities. Columbus Louis-ville, St. Louis and other towns will be visited. When the Association season opens the team will be left with a week's time on its hands, but this way he will not the season of the comwill be left with a week's time on its hands, but this may be put in at Kansas City, Omaha, and other Western points. The make-up of the team remains a mystery. Anson is away, and Mr. Spalding declares that the old man has the work of putting a team on the field in his hands. It is now assured that Pfeffer will play second base, which completes the infield.

Carney and McAuliffe. NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The Puritan Athletic Club of Long Island City, of which "Dick" ters, has determined to bring about a return match between the renowned English light weight, "Jem" Carney, and the American champion, Jack McAuliffe. As a starter they have baited their book for these two unrivaled fighters with \$10.000. This offer was cabled to-day by Richard K. Fox to Carney at the request of Dick Roche. The same cable carried an offer of \$2,000 for a contest between the Harlem Spider and Bill Plimmer, the 107-pound champion of England.

## The National Board Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The following notice was issued to-day: The National Board of Professional Baseball Clubs will hold their firs meeting under the new national agreement at the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, Friday, the 18th inst. N. E. Young, Secretary pro tem.

Sporting Notes.

It is thought that Esterbrook will play with the Philadelphia League club. W. H. B. - Heenan did not fight Morrissey after he, Heenan, fought Sayers: THE Homestead and Braddock football teams will play a game to-morrow on the grounds of the former.

THERE is considerable trouble being experi-enced in signing the New York players on ac-count of reduced salaries. THE committees of the L. A. W. and the A. A. U. have decided that nothing but the actual expenses of an athlete should be paid and that valuable prizes be done away with. MANAGER BARNIE, of the Baltimore club, has wired Edward Tate, who is now in Hichmond, that he would no longer be reserved, and that he was at liberty to engage employment elsewhere.

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The shooting for the Davison medals commenced yesterday at the Squirrel Hill grounds.

There were only six contestants and not a half-dozen spectators. Yesterday's scores were not final and were only moderate. nnai and were only moderate.

THE Cuban Giants this season will be very strong, as the following players have been engaged: Catchers, William Jackson, formerly of the York, Pa., club, and Bob Jackson, pitchers, George Stovey, who pitchen such great ball for the Troy club last season, John Frye, also of last season's York, Pa., club; 2d b., Joby Trusty; 3d b., William Woods, of Detroits, s. s., Frank Bell, I. f., Yeoman Fisher: c. f., Ben Boyd, also from the York, Pa., club; r. f., Stovey, when he is not pitching. The Cuban Giants will play every Saunday at the Long Island grounds and will play every Saunday at Haverstraw, N. Y. pitching. The Cuban Giants will play every Sun-day at the Long Island grounds and will play every Saturday and holiday at Haverstraw, N. Y. every Saturday and holiday at Haverstraw, N. Y.

ALREADY there is much interest manifested over the respective standing of the New York and Brooklyn teams in the race for the championship. A New York man, whose name is known by the Sun, and who sticks to whatever he says, said yesterday: "If Ward goes to Brooklyn the team that will represent that city will be stronger by long odds than ever before. It will certainly give the New York team a hard rub, and there are many who think the team from across the bridge will come in ahead of Hs formidable rival. But, all the same, I will wager anyhody from a hat or a suit of clothes to \$1.000 that the New York team will win the series with Brooklyn and beat that team out in the race."—New York Sun.

#### THE MAFIA ASSASSIN JAILED.

The Police Searching for His Supposed Black Bearded Accomplice. CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—Valone, the alleged Mafia assassin, was taken from the Hyde Park police station to-day to the county jail, when a hackman yelled, "Goodby, Valone?"

The prisoner re-ponded with a hideous grimace and drew his hand across his throat, saying, "I'm gone." The police are now searching for the mysterious black bearded man, supposed to be Valone's accomplice.

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#### SPECIAL WEATHER BULLETIN.

Coldest Day of the Winter in the Middle Atlantic States.

PREPARED FOR THE DISPATCH. The cold wave overspread the Atlantic coast States yesterday, making it the coldest day of the winter in the Middle Atlantic States. The coldest hours were from 2 to 4 A. M., when the mercury reached 15°. The center of the wave passed rapidly northeast, lowering the temperature of Canada from zero to 24° below. The high pressure remains east of the Mississippi, causing a general rise of the thermometer which promises to rise for the next 48 hours The barometric depression in the Northwes has remained about stationary over Dakota. The weather was clear in all parts of the country. High off-shore winds were blowing on the New England coast.

#### River Telegrams. INPECIAL TELEGRAMS TO THE DISPATCH.

WARREN-River 3.2 feet and falling. Weather lear and pleasant. MORGANTOWN-River 7 feet 8 inches and fail-ing. Weather clear. Thermometer, 40° at 4 P. M. BROWNSVILLE-River 13 feet 3 inches and failng. Weather cloudy. Thermo

ALLEGHENY JUNCTION—River II feet and failing; full of floating fee.
CINCINNAT —There is no apprehension of a disastrous stage of the Ohio river unless heavy rains should come quickly. Here the water has risen only two inches in the seven hours preceding 5 P. M. to-day, when it stood 47 feet 9 inches and advices from above indicate that it can rise but a few inches more before a rapid fall sets in. The cold weather had the effect to hasten the fall.
CARO—River 35 feet and rising. Weather clear and cool. and cool.

NEW ORLEANS—Partly cloudy and cool.

NEW HIS—River 24 feet 2 fuches and rising.

Weather clear and cold.

LOUISVILLE—River rising beyond expectations, with 22.4 feet in canal, 20 feet on falls, and 47.2 feet at foot of locks. Business good. Weather clear, windy and pleasant.

ST. LOUIS—River down 3 feet 2 inches. Weather warmer and clear.

#### CAUGHT WITH STOLEN GOODS

Cash, Jewelry of Great Value and an Altere Certificate of Deposit. LEADVILLE, Feb. 5 .- Adam Fisher, a shoot maker, was arrested last evening while leaving a building which had been raided by burglars a building which had been raided by burglars a few hours before. Officers were sent to his room, where they found goods of every description. There were gold watches, chains, diamonds, studs, rings and other property amounting in all to about \$7,000. Fisher had \$700 in cash upon his person when arrested, while a certificate of deposit for \$700 on the American National Bank of this city was found in his room. Fisher had evidently scratched out the name of some party and inserted his own instead.

# A letter found in the room leads the officer to believe that Fisher has a confederate in San Francisco to whom he had been shipping stolen goods.

LABOR VERSUS THE ALLIANCE, Railway Employes Protest Against Pro posed Legislature. TOPEKA Feb 5-W M Mitchell Chairman of the Grievance Committee of the Arkansas City division of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, accompanied by 150 railway men of this State, arrived here to-day to protest against the passage of the bill in the Legislature providing for a reduction of passenger fare to 2 cents a mile and of the freight rates one-third below the present schedule. These men claim to represent 28,000 employes, who believe the proposed reduction will also reduce both wages and the number of men employed. The Railroad Committee of the Lower House has before it 50 bills covering every form of railroad legislation. The committee has come to the conclusion that the only practical solution of the railroad problem is to draft an en-

# tion of the railroad problem is to draft an en-tirely new bill embodying the best features of the bills introduced.

A KANSAS CITY BOODLER FREE. He Was Charged With Offering a Conside ation to a Council

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 5.-Julius Harold, who was indicted by the special grand jury which investigated the "boodle" charges against members of the Common Council, was tried to-day in the Criminal Court. He was charged with having offered certain He was charged with a the commissions in Councilmen a portion of the commissions in case they would assist in the sale of a piece of case they would assist in the sale of a piece of

### property to be used as a fire engine house jury brought in a verdict of not guilty.

A BISHOP'S SPECULATIONS. He Is Expelled From the Ministry for Indis creet Financiering. ABILENE, KAN., Feb. 5.-A largely attended neeting of the elders of the Church of the meeting of the elders of the Church of the United Brethren of Kansas was held liere to-day to consider the case of Bishop Engle. The Bishop had been speculating rather mildly in Kansas real estate, and failed recently with liabilities of \$50,000 in excess of assets.

The elders to-day expelled him from the ministry. The cause of this action is given as "indiscreet financiering."

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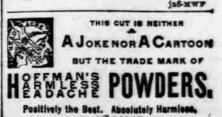
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