Producers Through the Burdick Bill.

SOME ENORMOUS FIGURES

That Show the Vast Profits Being Reaped by the Big Company.

A VERY STRONG ARGUMENT MADE

By the Ex-Senator That Will Likely Result in Legislation.

OPPONENTS OF THE BILL TO BE HEARD

"SPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCE. HARRISBURG, Feb. 12 .- The House Committee on Corporations to-day heard ex-Senator J. W. Lee in favor of the Burdick bill to reduce the rates for the transportation and storage of oil. Senator Lee said he represented men who owned more than one-half the oil-producing interests of the State. They were hostile to no corporation, but asked for simple justice. The fact that the Standard Oil Company had increased its capital stock of \$100,000 in 1883 to an actual value of \$150,000,000, showed that they must have made enormous profits.

While the National Transit Company was being paid 20 cents a barrel for transporting oil, producers were willing to engage in the piping business for 12 cents a barrel. He had information to show that a good profit could be made at 5 cents a barrel, and in the opinion of some who had been in the business, there was a chance to make a profit at 5 cents. The contract of the National Transit Company to contract of the National Transit Company to pipe oil. Senator Lee claimed, would enable it to deliver it to any place they pleased. Owing to the immense capitallof the Standard Oil Company, which controls the National Transit, competition with it is impossible.

Why Competition Is Impossible. Ritter, of Lycoming, wanted to know why competition was out of the question, and Lee answered that its immense wealth enabled it to freeze out people by putting down the price of eil, which less the company made up frequently in transportation. It answer to a question whether the Standard had discriminated against anyone to the advantage of other shippers, Lee stated that ex-Senator Emery had hald \$24,000 in excess of the amount he should have been obliged to expend if justice had been done him. His shipment cost more because the oil was transported from Olean, N. Y., under the elastic contract which the National Transit Company uses. oil, which loss the company made up frequently Company uses,
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Others not in favor with the Standard were subjected to such treatment. This was a violation of the Pennsylvania anti-discrimination law, but when it was sought to bring the company to terms it found a refuge in the interstate commerce act, because the oil was transported from one State into another.

Senator Lee thought some of the oil refiners were unnecessarily alarmed about the bill, which had the support of many of these people. The proposed reduction would inure to the benefit of the producers, but the consumer would particularly derive a great advantage from it.

Enormity of the Profilts.

Chairman Baker inquired whether the proposed rate would pay the National Transit Company, in view of the amount represented in their plant. Independent of the seaboard lines, Mr. Lee said the cost of putting down the pipes was about \$8,000,000 and the tanks about \$8,000.

was about \$8,000,000 and the tanks about \$8,000,000 more. The cost was nothing, as compared with the profits earned.

Senator Lee defended the clause in the bill, providing for imprisonment not exceeding two years, and a fine not exceeding \$5,000 for each violation of the act, as highly necessary. In his opinion, he was sustained by one of the inter-State commissioners.

Mr. Watres, of Warren, antagonized the statement of Representative James, of Venango, made last night, that the bill would result in wiping out small producers, and said that lines had made much money in transporting oil from wells of a daily capacity of one barrel. One of these had paid for itself in two menuits.

Senator Lee was frequently interrupted by i. E. Olmstead, of this city, and C. M. Payne, f Titusville, but he stood his ground well.

Opposition to the Bill. M. H. Butler, of Tidionte, was among those who spoke in favor of the bill. J. C. Brady, ex-Mayor of Erie, said that he appeared in behalf of that large body of producers who were not members of the association, and that they did not believe it to their interests to have the bill passed, and desired an opportunity to be heard

passed, and desired an opportunity to be heard in opposition to it.

W. C. Warner, of Titusville, an officer of the National Oil Producing and Refluine Commany, also asked opportunity to be heard in opposition to the bill. Senator Lee's claim to represent that commany was that he was attorney for one of the stockholders, to which Mr. Warner replied that the stockholder represented by Mr. Lee was a very small stockholder, and that neither that stockholder nor Senator Lee was authorized to represent the company. The officers and a majority of the stockholders were opposed to the bill.

Chairman Baker announced that all interests would be heard on Thursday, February 18, when arrangements would be made, he thought, for

arrangements would be made he thought, for the Senate and House committees to meet together for the purpose of hearing a general dis-cussion upon the merits of the bill. Impressed by the Statement.

It is likely that legislation will result from the discussion to-day. The statement of Senator Lee, that the Standard Oil Company had removed much of its tankage to Olean, N. Y., to removed much of its tankage to Olean, N. Y., to avoid the operation of Pennsylvania laws, has impressed some of the members of the Committee on Corporations with the idea that a law should be passed to impose additional tax on foreign corporations, and thus make the Standard pay for its peculiar actions.

It is said a sub-closs result to draft the necessary legislation to carry out this purpose.

# ANTI-STANDARD FEELING.

Attorney Olmstead of the Opinion That It A Message From the Governor as to Liqui-Is on the Decreuse.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCHA HARRISBURG, Feb 12-M. E. Olmstead, one of the attorneys of the Standard Oil Company, thinks the feeling against the corporation is greatly diminishing in the oil regions, and points to the opposition developed to the Bur-dick bill as sustaining this view. Four years ago, he says, the producers had everything their own way here, but now opponents of a their own way here, but now opponents of a measure to strike at the Standard are springing up among the producers themselves.

Other people think the great corpotation has had much to do with bringing these men here, to crease a sentiment against the bill. Olmstead and ex-Deputy Attorney General Gilbert will be among the men who will speak for the Standard at the hearing next Thursday. Exsenato Lee has been urging prompt action on the bill before the Scante and House committees having it is charge, and the opponents of it have been scheming for days in the hope that it would contribute toward its defeat.

# CLEVELAND THE FAVORITE.

A Majority of Democratic Members Want Him for President.

SPECIAL TELEGRAR TO THE DISPATCH. HARRISBURG, Feb. 12,-Grover Cleveland is the first choice for President of a large majority of the Democratic members of the Legisla-ture, and Governor Pattison is the second. A boll of the Democratic members of the House, made by your correspondent to-day, developed the fact that 58 out of 68 interviewed were favorable to the renomination of Cleverand; 4 were for Hill; 2 for Pattison; 1 for William C. Witteney; 1 for John G. Carlisle, and I was non-committal. The remaining if members were not in their nears.

In the Senate six Democrats were absent; 2 of those present would not announce their Presidental preference; 7 declared for Cleveland; 3 for Pattison, and 1 for William T. Morrison. Several who announced themselves for Cleveland favored Pattison as their second

# SHIP CANAL REPORT.

Secretary Brewer Says It Will Be Ready for Presentation Next Week.

SEPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCE. HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.-Eben Brewer, Secretary of the Eric and Ohio Ship Canal Commission, appeared before the Western members to-day, relative to the contemplated project.

For Simple Justice to the Oil

He announced that the report of the commission would be ready for presentation to the Legislature next week, and it was decided to have 500 copies of it printed.

In accordance with a suggestion made by Mr. Brewer, the members decided to support a resolution asking the National Government to detail two of its best engineers to make a survey of the proposed route.

ATTACKING THE VETO.

PATTISON'S FORCE BILL MESSAGE AS-SAILED BY GOBIN.

rs Ross and Hall Defend the Go ernor's Action-Democratic Praise for Cameron-President Harrison's Frigidity Plays a Part in the Debate.

BPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE. HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.-The monoton of the Senate was relieved to-day by the discussion of the message of Governor Pattison, disapproving the concurrent resolution requesting the Pennsylvania United States Senators to use every honorable effort to secure the passage of the Federal elections bill. General Gobin, who has Cooper's old seat, called up the veto message, and Lieutenant Governor Wattres, who was in the chair, announced to the chagrin of the Senator from Lebanon that the question was whether the resolution, by request, should pass, not-withstanding its disapproval by the Gov-

This announcement was not in accordance with the Republican programme, which simply contemplated the indefinite postponement of the consideration of the veto message, because other action would have in volved further delay in its disposal or the failure of the Senate to sit down on the Governor, for the reason that the Republicans have not a sufficient number of voies to override the action of the Governor. After he had proved to his satisfaction that the Governor had not properly interreted the Constitution, General Gobin declared that the Democratic Chief Magistrate in denouncing the Federal elections bill in his veto message was making a pronounced bild for the nomination by his party as its candidate for President, and the force bill was warmly indorsed by the Senator.

Senator Ross could see no use in discussing the merits of a bill which lay dead in the halls of Congress, and did not propose to take part in the wake of a measure which had been killed by public sentiment as represented in the business interests of the country. The time for the Republicans to have declared themselves for the force bill was when it had some life in it. He showed by reference to the Constitution of Pennsylvania that the Governor had acted atrictly in accordance with its requirements.

Senator Hall, of Elk, made a crisp speech, in which he complimented Senator Cameron for his course on the elections bill, and referred to the scornful treatment received by two of Pennsylvania's Republican Senators at the hands of President Harrison, one of whom, yet smarting under the frigid reception given him at the White House, offered the resolution which the Governor vetoed.

On motion of Senator Gobin, the consideration of the message was indefinitely postponed. Very few Republicans voted and the Democrats remained silent. This announcement was not in accord

SEVERAL PITTSBURG BILLS

Were Among the Number Introduced in the House and Senate Yesterday. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.-In the Senate to-day bills were introduced as follows: By Ross, Bucks, for better government of county jails.

By Laubach, Northampton, to render the offices of justice of the peace and notary pub-By McDonald, to prevent the appointment of

were introduced as follows in the House; By Marshall, appropriating \$10,000 to the Pittsburg and Allegheny Home for the Friend-By Lemon, making an appropriation of \$5,000 to Bethesda Home of Pittsburg.

By Quay, relating to the keeping of indices in county offices.

in county offices.

By Lytle, Huntington to reimburse counties for expenses incurred in securing statistics for the Department of Internal Affairs.

By Capp, Lebanon requiring tenants for life to keep property in repair.

By Taibott, Chester, repealing the act requiring bequests to charitable objects to be made a month prior to decedent's death.

# BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE

A Number of Important Matters Come Up for Consideration.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.-The Health and Sanitary Committee will report negatively tomorrow on Lemon's pharmacy bill. The Book
Trust Investigating Committee had another
meeting to-day, without tangible results. The
House Judiciary Committee heard several
representatives of the Eclectic School of Medicine, who declared that they could get no
justice from either the allopaths or homeopaths. They wanted equal representation on
the proposed examining board.

The House Committee on Corporations
passed favorably on the bill giving turnpike
companies the right to condemn property under
the right of eminent domain. The Health and
Sanitation Committee decided to report affirmatively the bill to provide for a State Board of
Undertakers, recommended by the State Board
of Health, and authorizing the filling in and
plugging of abandoned oil wells. Sanitary Committee will report negatively to-

# MILLIONS FOR ROADS.

Arthur Kirk, of Pittsburg, Has a Gigantic Project on Hand.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.-Arthur Kirk, of Pittsburg, is here trying to create a sentiment in favor of a bill he has drafted, providing for the expenditure by the State of \$6,000,000 a year for ten years for general road improve-ments, under the supervision of a State engineer. Provision is made for an engineer in each county, to assist to promoting the objects of the bili. The money necessary for the exe-cution of Mr. Kirk's scheme is to be obtained by selling bonds amounting to \$6,000,000 an-

nually
The House Committee on Counties and Townships passed favorably on the Western Pennsylvania engineers' bill. It will be reported towards.

# ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

dating the Deficiency There. SPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCHLE

HARRISBURG, Feb. 12 .- The Governor submitted his Adjutant General's statement to the Legislature to-day, accompanied by suggestions that the Legislature appropriate a sufficient amount to meet the existing deficiency in the Adjutant General's office and to cover other existings which may be incurred before June 1, 1891.

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his also recommended that a specific appropriation be made for the current expenses of the National Guard the next two years, and that a uniform system of auditur, accounts be provided, so that all warrants upon the Treasury for the payment of public moneys be drawn by the Anditor General, and records of the same be made in his department.

# THROUGH THE SENATE.

The Factory Inspectors' Pay Bill Passed by the Upper House.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.—The bill providing for the pay of factory inspectors was passed finally by the Senate to-day. Green introduced a resolution asking for \$0.000 for the payment of the expenses of the Governor's inaugura-

Critchfield read in place a bill for the selec-tion of a sate and erection of a hospital for the insane in the district composed of the counties of Blair, Somerset, Hedford, Cambria, Fayette, Fulton and Westmoreland.

# PASSED SECOND READING.

Three More Bills Reach That Stage of Legis-

lation in the House. "APECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR. HARRISBURG, Feb. 12,-In the House the HARRISBURG, Feb. 12.—In the House the bill to provide fc: the committing of mebriates to poorhouses was indefinitely postponed. The act constituting a Board of Commissioners for the promotion of a uniformity of legislation in the United States passed second reading.

The bill permitting foreign corporations to hold land for manufacturing purposes passed second reading, as did the act to regulate pedding of fish, truits and vegetables in cities of the first and second classes.

J. G. Bennett & Co., Leading
Hatters and Furriers,
Corner Wood street
and Flith avenue.

# SECOND NIGHT'S SALE

Of the Magnificent Works of Art of the Seney Collection.

THE BIDDING QUITE SPIRITED. And the Prices Received Higher Than the First Evening.

COMPLETE LIST OF THE PURCHASERS

PERCHAL THE PERSONAL TO THE DISPATOR ! NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—One hundred and one more paintings of the Seney collection were sold at auction to-night at the Madison Square Garden assembly room. Auctioneer Thomas E. Kirby found before him fully ,500 people when he called for the first bid. The assembly was a representative one of agents for many of the large art firms in New York and Boston, wealthy collectors

and society people.

Ladies predominated in the audience, and when the bidding was unusually spirited many of them followed it with little gasps as the prices rose by hundreds of dollars. And the prices did climb higher and more rapidly to-night than on the first night. Few of the paintings were knocked down at less than \$500. The principal purchasers tonight were Reichard & Co., Biakeslee & Co., P. A. B. Widener, of Philadelphia; L. Crist Delmonico, William Schaus, Boussed Valadon & Co., I. Montaignae, of Paris, and M. Knoedler & Co., of the Goupil galleries. Private collectors in most cases made their oids through agents.

The Features of the Evening Among the paintings included in to-night's sale was a Meissonier, four Corots and four Daubignys, and specimens of the work of Daubignys, and specimens of the work of Rosseau, Troyon, Diaz, Cabanel, Boughton, Cazin, Inness and W. M. Chase. L. Montaignac, of Paris, begun the bidding on a Mauves painting, "Home to the Fold," at \$800, and took it for \$2,000. A Daubigny, executed in 1873 and entitled, "The First Catch," again awoke spirited bidding. L. Crist Delmonico got it for \$2,200. Two thousand dollars was the starting bid when the first Corot of the evening was offered, "Near Ville D'Ayray." The bidders had little time to reflect, and almost before they had time to take in the picture it was sold to Herman Schaus for \$3,500.

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A. Daubigny was the first to arouse genuine enthusiasm. It was the beautiful panel entitled "On the River Loire." It was immediately started at \$3.000 before the applanse which greeted its appearance had died out, and the next bid added \$500. Then it went up rapidly by jumps of \$100 till it reached \$6.000, at which price Knoedler & Co. secured it. There were a number bidding up to \$5.200, after which the purchaser had but one competitor. There was then a lapse in interest, broken only by the Parisian Montaignac's capture of Fromentin's, "The Meeting for the Chase," and Boldini's, "After the Bath," \$2.550 and \$1.800, respectively, when the most interesting and stubbornly fought contest of either night occurred.

It was brought about by the offer of Troyon's "Return From the Pastures," and areused the big crowd of bidders and spectators to a state of noisy interest and hilarity. The auctioneer only laughed when somebody bid \$1,000 for the nicture. Some one else said \$2,000, and Mr. Kirby only laughed again. The

Prospective Bidders Raised Their Figures to \$5,000 by jumps of \$1,000 before the auctioneer would admit that a bid had been made. He then started it at this figure. The contest that followed was a spirited duel between J. A. Garland and H. N. Slater. Mr. Garland called out \$7,000 in a determined voice and got the nicture. About 10 o'clock an expectant shuffling of feet and babble of voices spread from platform to gallery and when the Meissonier of the evening, the "Bowe Players in the Fosse at Antibes" was displayed, hearty applause broke out. Thie panel is in the great painter's best style and was one of the 100 great masterpieces exhibited a few years ago at Paris. It is 1754x30 inches in size and represents the walls of an old Vauban fortress under the shadow of which provencal athletes are engaged in country sport. The painter has placed himself and his son among the spectators of the game.

Mr. Kirby endeavored to get an opening bid of \$20,000 on the picture. When it was opened at \$10,000, applause broke out afresh. The contest for its possession was brief. It went rapidly up by thousands to \$14,000. Then the bid was made \$14,500 and then \$15,000. Mr. Kirby waited several moments for a raise over this and then knocked it down to J. Grabam.

Complete List of the Sales. then started it at this figure. The contest that

Complete List of the Sales. The following is a complete list of to-night's sales: In the list, the catalogue number is followed by the name of the painter, the title of the painting, the purchaser and the price.

100-G. Jacquet, "Winter," L. S. Haff, \$700. 102-Edouard Frere. "Maternal Love," G. W. Powers, Rochester, 81,025.
103-J. A. Grison. "The Critic," Samuel Untermeyer, \$100.
104-G. H. Boughton, "Going to Church," S. Collins, \$550. Collins, \$550.

105—E. Charlemont, "In the Studio," Knoedler & Co., \$2,000.

106—Josef Israels, "Home Duties," Knoedler & Co., \$1,950.

107—Carl Marr, "Sunday Morning," T. N. Finney, Co., \$1.950.

107—Cari Marr, "Sunday Morning," T. N. Finney, \$450.

108—E. Isabey, "On the Jetty," George M. Mo-Laden, \$800.

109—Charles E. Jacque, "The Hillside Pasture," Knoedler & Co., \$350.

110—Ludwig Knaus, "The Coquette," Herman Schaus, \$2.655.

111—Thomas Couture, "Liberty in Chains," William H. Frear, Troy, \$400.

112—R. Swain, Clifford, "Midsummer, Dartamonth," Charles Desliva, \$500.

113—A. Vollon, "On the Seine," P. A. B. Widener, Philisdelphia, \$1, 200.

114—Gustave Courbet, "A Norther," James Ross, Montreal, \$1,550.

115—D. W. Tryon, "Moonlight," C. L. Freer, \$1,509.

116—George Inness, "Twilight," C. Lambert, \$700.

117—G. Michel, "The Old Oak," James Ross, Montreal, \$255.

118—Johnson Whittredge, "Sunday Morning," W. H. Frear, Troy, \$375.

119—Alberto Pasini, "The Attack," Knoedler & Co., \$1,480.

120—A. Mauve, "Home to the Fold," I. Montalemac, Paris, \$2,000.

121—H. Lerolle, "Watching and Waiting," Reletard & O., \$500.

122—Charles H. Davis, "The First Frost, "Blakeslee & Co., \$200.

123—A. Kdelfeidt, "An Interesting Book," Henry S. Barlow, \$500.

124—L. C. Cakiu, "The Full Moon," P. A. B. lee & Co., \$300.

123—A. Kelefieldt. "An Interesting Book," Henry S. Barlow, \$900.

124—J. C. Cariu. "The Full Moon," P. A. B. Widener, Philadelphia, \$1,000.

125—A. H. Wyant, "A New England Landscape," Samuel Untermever, \$850.

125—A. Vollon. "Still Life." Herman Schans, \$900.

127—Constantine Troyon. "Sheep," Eichard & Co., \$1,625.

126—C. F. Daubigny, "The First Cafeh," L. Crist Delmoulco, \$2,200.

129—N. V. Diag. "Evening." Knoedler & Co., \$1,300.

130—Juies Dupre. "The Brook," I. Montaignac, Paris, \$1,200.

131—C. F. Daubigny, "A Village on the Cise, J. A. Gariand, \$2,650.

123—A. B. ". Corot. "Near Ville D'Avray," Herman Schaus, \$1,300.

133—A. t. Decamps, "The Sentinel," Boussod, Valadon & Co., \$2,80.

144—E. Frometia, "The Wheat Harvest," Knoedler & Co., \$1,650.

125—Eugene Isaley, "The Fisherman's Family," I'. A. B. Wideder, Philadelphia, \$1,400.

136—George Inness, "Sunset," E. A. Seccomb, \$570.

137—F. D. Millet, "The Flower Girl," M. Cronan,

127-P. D. Millet, 'The Flower Girl, " M. Cronan, 138-A. Mauve, "Evening Twilight," F. Bonner, \$2.02h.
139-Jules Lefebyre, "Fatima," Max Blyman, \$750.
140-Charles E. Jacque, "Stormy Weather," J. Ross. \$1.250.
141-Eastman Johnson, 'The Bath," J. A. Hobart, \$750.
142-Josef Israels, "The Sali Boat," W. H. Gaylord, \$2.00,
143-P. A. J. Dagnan Bouvert, "The Brigand," L. B. Alexander, \$1.225.
144-J. C. Cazin, "On the Hill," Blakeslee & Co., \$1.050. 144-J. C. Cazin, "On the Hill," Blakeslee & Co., \$1,050.

145-William M. Chase, "Still Life," Herman Schaus, \$775.

146-G. H. Bonghton, "Tam O'Shanter," J. J. Emery, \$500.

147-Constantine Troyon, "The Red Cow," J. Graham, £1,200.

148-Adolphe Schreyer, "The Watering Place," William Whiting, Holyoke, Mass., \$1,800.

149-F. Ziem, "The Lanal of Chiogria, Venice," J. Foxcroft Core, Boston, \$1,605.

150-Theodore Rousseau, "The Old Oak Tree," L. Crist Delmonico, \$2,800.

151-Constantine Troyon, "The Storm," J. G. Green, \$1,055.

152-C. F. Daubiguy, "On the River Oire," Knoedier & Co., \$1,000.

153-Julie Duppe, "in the Chaunel," E. B. Warren, \$2,455.

154-N. V. Diaz, "The Sultana," Beichard & Co., \$1,025.

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184-N. V. Diaz, "The Suitana." Reichard & Co., \$1.025.

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185-J. B. C. Corot, 'The Nut Gatherers," Charles Durand-Ruci. \$1.550.

185-George Inness, "October," James Ross, Montreal, \$800.

187-Eugene Fromentin, "The Meeting for the Chase," I. Montairme & Co., \$2.550.

188-G. Boildini, "After the Bath," I. Montaignae & Co., Paris, \$1.800.

189-A. De Neuville, "Billeted on the Enemy," A. Slater, \$1.750.

180-Ludwig Knaus, "The Invitation," E. P. Avery, Jr., \$1.600.

181-Constantine Troyon, "Return From the Pastares," J. A. Garland, \$7.000.

182-Theodore Roussean, "Evening," L. Montaignae, Paris, \$1.50.

183-C. P. Daubigny, "The Crane Covert," J. A. Garland, \$5.100.

185-Alfred Stevens, "Meditation," S. Collins, \$1.550.

186-H. Lerolle, "Rringing Home the Flock," H

167-H. Bolton Jones, "September," G. W. Me-Faddeu, \$575.
163-George Inness, "A Virginia Sauset," Watson B. Dickerman, \$2,175.
163-G. Jacquet. "Roused From Reveris," Herman Schaus, \$1,000.
170-F. Uebert. "Music," Max Bielman, \$500.
171-Augusts Bonheur, "Morning in the Highlands," James Graham, \$5,000.
172-Pierre Billet, "The Mussel Gatherer," William Whiting, \$525.
173-J. G. Vibert, "An Art School," Henry T. Chapman, \$2,200.
174-Adolphe Schreyer, "On the March," A. L. Barber, Washington, \$1,950.
175-Alfred Stevens, "On the Coast," Knoedler & Co., \$575.
176-H. Saimson, "The Philosopher," Blakeslee & Co., \$253.
177-Adolphe Artz, "Evening," S. Collins, \$75, 178-J. E. C. Corot, "The Bathing Boys," I. Montaignne, Faris, \$,600.
187-Constantine Troyon, "Harrowing," Blakeslee & Co., \$2,500.
180-N. V. Diaz, "Le Temple de L'Amour," Boussed, Veladon & Co., \$2,700.
181-Josef Israels, "The Fragal Meal," \$5,000.
182-George Innes, "The Coming Storm," Samuel Untermeyer, \$1,500.
183-Ludwig Knaus, "Thoughts of Better Days," Herman Fieltman, \$5,300.
184-W. L. Picknell, "November," D. P. Kellog, \$750.

log. 9720. 188—A. F. Delfeldt, "The Last Passenger," G. N. Crouse, \$500. 186—Alexander Cabanel, "Rebecca," Mr. Willia, 185—Alexander Cabanel, "Rebecca," Mr. Willis, \$1,000.

187—Constantine Troyon, "Entrance to the Woods," Samuel Untermeyer, \$1,100.

188—J. B. C. Corot, "Oak Charlemagne," Richard & Co., \$3,750.

180—C. F. Daubigny, "The Washing Place," Mr. Willis, \$2,100.

190—J. L. E. Melssonier, "Bowl Players in the Fosse at Centibes," J. Graham, \$10,000.

191—H. Lerolle, "Morning at the Farm," Mr. Willis, \$1,035.

192—F. Roybet, "The Secret," Max Bleiman, \$1,750.

183—Jules Dupre, "The Faun," Knoedier & Co., \$3,500.

194—Constantine Troyon, "The Ewe Lamb,"

183—Jules Dupre, "The Faun," Knoedler & Co., 8, 500.

194—Constantine Troyon, "The Ewe Lamb," Knoedler & Co., 8, 500.

195—N. V. Dlaz, "After the Storm," P. A. B. Widener, Philadelphia, \$4, 350.

196—L. I., Hermitte, "Noon Day Best," Boussod, Valadon & Co., 22, 709.

197—Adolphe Schreyer, "Come Here," Mr. Willis, \$1,825.

188—Karl Heffner, "The Gloaming," S. P. Avery, Jr., 22, 500.

199—Jean Paul Laurens, "The Grand Inquisitor," Knoedler & Co., \$1,600.

206—Baron Hendrik Levs, "The Declaration," P. A. B. Widener, Philadelphia, \$2,000.

201—Alexander Harrison, "La Crepusculs," Corcoran Gallery, \$4,650.

Total, \$185,825.

FRIGHTFUL LOSS OF LIFE.

MANY WORKMEN KILLED BY A QUEBEC BOILER EXPLOSION.

The Cause of the Disaster Unknown-The Work of Removing the Dead and Dying Still in Progress-The Hair-Breadth Escape of a Foreman.

QUEBEC, Feb. 12. - A disaster occurred at the Worsted Company's factory in this city at 9:45 this morning, in which 30 or 40 workmen lost their lives. A boiler exploded completely demolishing the engine house

completely demolishing the engine house and about half of the factory. The loss of life would have been much greater had the full force of 300 operatives been in the building, but owing to some cause the machinery was not started, and the greater part of them were dismissed. Many persons who left their homes this morning to go to work in the building are reported missing, but the number is probably much exaggerated.

The cause of the accident is not at present known, but it is thought some of the pipes may have been frozen while the fires were out and so caused a stoppage when steam was up. Mr. Harvey, a foreman, who was carrying out repairs to the machinery and boilers, says that he was in the engine room when the explosion took place. He instinctively threw himself under the shelter of a large wheel, and so escaped being crushed by falling bricks and rafters. He was rescued half an hour later, and has only slight injuries. He cannot account for the accident. The work of rescuing the unfortunates buried under the ruins is still going on.



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# THE LEAGUE MOGULS.

Messrs. Young, Rogers, Reach and Spalding Talk About Baseball.

BIERBAUER'S CASE DISCUSSED. Programme for the Western League Association Football Games.

GENERAL SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY

A number of the 'way-up magnates of the baseball world passed through the city last evening on their way to the first meeting of the Board of Control, which begins at Chicago to-day. When the limited pulled up at the Union depot President N. E. Young, Colonel J. I. Rogers, J. W. Spalding and Al Reach all stepped onto the platform to Al Reach all stepped onto the platform shake hands with our own magnate, J. Palmer O'Neill, and Manager Hanlon. Then, for a few minutes, there was quite a talk about basebal matters

President Young was extremely cheerful con cerning the prospects of the approaching sea-son. During a conversation he said: "I never received as many letters in my life on basebal matters as I am doing now. That means that the matters as Ham doing now. That means that the interest in the game will be very great this year. About the Bierbauer case? Why, I don't want to express any definite opinion on that matter. But I can say this: That I could not go behind the official records. They guide me, and they did not show that Bierbauer was reserved by anybody. I could, therefore, not do other than promulgate his contract with Pittsburg."

President Young went on to say that he would certainly remember Guy Hecker when making up the list of umpires, "but," added Mr. Young, "I would rather see 'Hecker play two years longer, as he is a good player." Mr. Young further said that there seemed to be a general feeling in Tavor of a 50 per cent division of receipts among the League clubs.

Colonel Rogers, a member of the Board of Control, refused to express a definite opinion regarding the Bierbauer case. He said: "I am one of the board who will try the case, and it would be most imprudent on my part to express an opinion on the matter before I hear both sides. The case will be decided strictly in accordance with baseball law, regardless of threats or anything clies. Every case will have to be judged on its own merits. Our decisions will form precedents, and that fact demands that the most impartial and most careful judgment be exercised in coming to a conclusion on any matter."

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Speaking of the prospects of various clubs the Colonel said: "Pittsburg will have a good team, as there are lots of excellent players who will be at liberty as soon as the clubs that own them have selected their men. I know clubs, for instance, that have five or six first-class outfielders, and it is a very difficult matter to select three, as they are all so good. In Philadelphia we do not know exactly how our team will be made up. We would like either Whistler or Brouthers as our first baseman, but I fear the Boston people are going to keep Brouthers. I think our meeting at Chicago will last several days, as we have the minor leagues to classify and salary limits to fix, besides several important cases to decide."

Messra. Spalding and Reach expressed opinions somewhat similar to those of Colonel Rogers. It was easy to notice that the general opinion among the magnates was to the effect that Pittsburg would get Bierbauer.

President O'Neill and Manager Hanlon left fully confident of retaining both Mack and Bierbauer. They also expect to get one or two more first-class players including, probably, two pitchers. Mr. O'Neill will make an earnest effort to get Elmer Smith.

## THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

It Will Be Made Up of the Same Circu as Last Year. CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—The Western Basebal Association met here this morning to arrange its plaus for the coming season. The clubs represented were: Kansas City, L. C. Krauthoff, E. Martin and John Speas. Omaha, E. O. Brandt, Harry McCormick, Lincoln, D. E. Rowe. Denver, W. L. Van Horn. Milwaukee, H. E. Gillette, C. H. Cushman. St. Paul, W. H. Watkins. Minneapolis, H. L. Hach, W. R. Harrington. Sloux City, W. Beck, Judge

Foley.
Sam Pratt, manager of the Washington ciub, and Chris Von der Abe, of St. Louis, are also here. The Board of Control will meet here tohere. The Board of Condot the American Asso-morrow.

President Thurman, of the American Asso-ciation, and President Spalding, of the local League club, had a conference this morning, and will visit the West and Southside grounds this afternoon. It is practically settled that there will be an Association club in this city next season. Mr. Thurman says he has enough financial backing in this city alone to put one in the field. still in session, but it was given out that the same circuit as that of last year had been de-cided upon.

Sullivan to Jackson.

WILKESBARRE Feb. 12 -John L. Sullivan was in this city to-day with the "Honest Hearts and Willing Hands" troupe. Sullivan said, re-

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money consideration will have to be very large. I am making plenty of money now, and making it without much effort, too. I would be a fool if I gave up my present position to go into training to fight for a small purse.

"If Jackson can get men to back him, then I will be ready to talk prize fight, but as I said before, I don't think Jackson has any desire to stand up before me."

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL GAMES.

Clubs That Will Contest Against Each Other and Referees Selected. The first games of the revised schedule of the Western League will be played on Satur-day. All the clubs of the league will be en-gaged with the exception of the McDonald Rovers and Allegheny Thistles, who decided

Two games will be played at Liberty Park,
East End, for one admission. The first will
commence at 2 o'clock between the Lawrencevilles and Homesteads, while the second, which will commence at 4, will be between the East will commence at 4, will be between the East
End and the Pittsburg clubs. Both games are
expected to be close and exciting, and with
favorable weather a great afternoon's football
under association rules outbt to be witnessed.

It is expected that Fred Goodwyn will referee
the first game, which is a sufficient guarantee
that justice will be dealt out to both teams.
Captain White, of the Lawrencevilles, will
referee the second game.

The Eureka club, of Allegheny, visit Braddock and play that club on their new ground at
Kinney's Grove. The referee in this game
will be Thomas McEwen, of the Allegheny
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The fourth game will be between the Mc-Keesport and Shaner clubs, which will come off on the ground of the former. The relations between those clubs seem to be a little strained, as they have been unable to agree on a referee, and have requested Secretary Macpherson to send one from this city. Thomas Badger, of the Lawrencevilles, will probably

A BIG COCKING MAIN.

Lancaster Birds Win Lots of Money in Ten Lively Battles.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH/ NEWARK O., Feb. 12.-One of the bigges cocking mains ever fought in Central Ohio was held in the suburbs of this city at 10 o'clock last night and ended about 6 o'clock this morning. Fully 300 went to the scene of the conflict some on foot, some in buggies and some in backs. This morning they were seen straggling back into the city, hungry, sleepy, and some considerably less financially. The fight was between Lancaster and Newark birds.

The battle was one of ten for \$10 on each with \$50 on the main. The long spurs were used and the chickens were in good condition, used and the chickens were in good condition, those from Lancaster being exceptionally fine, and Newark had not been neglected. The pit was well arranged and the place where the contest occured was well picked. Lancaster sports, who had received a tip, as well as the Newark and Zanesville, arrived on time last evening, carrying in their birds. The Lancaster chickens were handled by a well-known pitter. A referee was agreed upon by both sides. The birds ranged in weight from 5 to 6½ pounds. It is estimated that \$700 changed hands during the fight. Lancaster birds won five out of eight, with Newark two and Zanesville one. Newark birds were game and fought until killed.

Where Are the Pool Players? Henry Schwab, not he of Harris' Museum called at this office last evening and left the of \$10: "I will match H. B. Stofft, of Pittsburg, to play any person in Allegheny county at continuous pool, 200 points game, for \$50 a side. I will be at THE DISPATCH any evening suitable to the parties who may answer this challenge."

Sporting Notes.

IF Bierbauer goes to the Athletics Hoy will con back to the League. THE magnates think that if Pittsburg does no get Bierbauer Boston won't get Stovey. CHARLEY SMITH, better known as "the Pacer, has signed to pitch for the Ottumwa club. EFFORTS are being made to organize a gun clu in the Tweifth ward and Fifteenth ward. THE Association clubs are not unanimous their demand for the recapture, of Bierbauer.

No matter how things go the Board of Contro will come in for lots of censure before next wee at this time. IT seems to be the general opinion that A. G Spaiding will be elected Chairman of the Nationa Board of Control. PRESIDENT THURMAN says: 'There will be an association club in Chicago this year, as I have noney to back it myself." This ought to settle

ARTHUR IRWIN is in Chicago holding Prince's proxy as a member of the committee to determine whether Chicago is to have an Association club or not. He is against it. ED SMITH called at the Police Gazette office resterday and issued a challenge to fight Jack Ashton, of Providence, R. I., according to Police Gazette rates, for a purse to be offered by any athletic club and \$1,000 a side. If Ashton does not accept, the challenge is open to any heavy-weight in the country.

Annual Meeting of the Equitable NEW YORK, Feb. 12 .- Among the di rectors present at the annual meeting of the Equitable Assurance Company to-day were ex-Governor Ames, of Massachusetts; General Horace Porter, Chauncey M. Depeward Levi P. Morton. President Heary B. and Willing Hands' troupe. Sullivan said, regarding Peter Jackson's recent challenge to fight him:

"You can say that I am ready and willing to fight any man on this earth. I don't think Jackson will challenge me. In the first place, I don't think he could come up to my terms.

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