The Hostile Factions Come Together With Blackthorns and Clubs, and

MANY HEADS ARE BROKEN.

Parnell Assaulted During a Fierce Struggle for the Possession of the Town Hall.

POLICE CHARGE M'CARTHYITES,

But Afterward Get Back at Parnell by Booting Down an Intended Speech From a Window.

A GREAT RECEPTION GIVEN DAVITT.

He Denunces the Alleged Dictatorship and Sham Labor Sympathy of the Fx-Leader in the Most Violent Terms.

A PREDICTION OF PARNELL'S DEFEAT

PERCHAL TRABGRAM TO THE DISPATCHAL LONDON, March 28 .- [Copyrighted] .-Paruell will be beaten at North Sligo next Thursday, and very decisively, too. There is no doubt about that, according to the reports of the special reporters there and those who know this wild region best. Of course the priests are taking a leading part in the struggle, and their support of an anti-Parnellite candionte is a factor which can scarcely be overrated. Although the polling takes place on Thursday, the result will probably not be made known until late on Friday afternoon. Defeat in Slige will not encourage Parcell to run risks in Cork.

Parnell made a triumphant entry into Sligo to-day. He was escorted by 50 carloads of supporters from the rural districts, armed with blackthorns. He was received with jeers by the townspeople. Davitt and his supporters afterward made a counter display. Three hundred police and a squadron of cavalry were in readiness to prevent any collision between the opposing fac-

An Assent on Parnell.

Previous to the arrival at Slige of Davitt a fight with blackthorn sticks took place on the steps of the Town Hall. Subsequently Parnell complained that he had been assaulted during the progress of the affray place was crowded all day with persons who had come to attend the meeting. Parnell visited outlying friendly districts in the morning, with the object of gathering his supporters together for the purpose of accompanying him in his formal entry into the

The voting classes here were unmistakably hostile to Parnel'. The struggle which took place on the steps of the Town Hall, in which Parnell claimed to have been assaulted, was a contest between the two factions for possession of the hall. Each side fought fiercely, but the Parnellites, being assisted by the police, finally overcame their opponents and victoriously entered the

Denouncing the Seceders.

When his friends succeeded in getting inside the building. Parnell made a speech, in which he described a "cowardly attack" which had been made on him by a townsman named McHugh, who Parnell claimed had threatened to "swap the streets with his body." The remainder of the speech was made up of vituperation of the seceders from his ranks.

On returning to his hotel Parnell made an attempt to deliver a speech from one of the windows, but was compelled to desist, owing unprecedented demonstration. Thirty years to the hooting and yelling of a body of Me-Carthyites, who drowned the speaker's

Davitt received a different reception to that accorded Parnell, being welcomed to the town with the utmost enthusiasm. Davitt was not feeling well, and only responded briefly to the greetings of his friends. He depounced the dietatorship and what he termed the kham labor sympathy of Mr. Parnell. Davitt was met by Sexton, Sheehy, Vessey, K nox and Maurice Healy, who acted as a body guard, and escorted him into the town while the Parnell meeting was in progress at the Town Hall. Following after them came a crowd, led and encouraged by a number of priests and armed with sticks. A band was waiting for the Davitt contingent, and joining it, the entire of intimacy with Ashmend Bartlett, one of party passed through the street to the mar- | the members of the Tory Government, has Let place, where Thomas Sexton made an address to the people.

An Attack on Healy.

The Parnell meeting at the town hall was most enthusiastic. Parnell was cheered again and again. He referred, in the course of his speech, to the attacks that had been made upon him, alluding to Timothy Healy as a "loud-mouthed scoundrel." He stated that he was satisfied that he had the support of the people in this struggle. Colonel Nolan and Joseph Noian also addressed the meeting. At the McCarthyite meeting Sexton declared that Parpell had no policy, and that they would have been recreants to the cause of Ireland had they not supported Gladstone.

During the day there was a big procession of voters that started from Ballina for this town on cars. Parnell went out in the afternoon to meet the procession and reentered the town at the head of nearly 1,000. voters, preceded by two bands, playing inspiring airs, and proceeded to the Town Hall amidst boisterous cheers and groans. At the Town Hull several rowdies, evidently opposed to Parnell, tried to create a disturbance by striking some of the paraders' horses on the head with sticks The fellows were driven away by the paraders, who used their ash sticks with great effect.

The Duc d'Orleans Denies. PARIS, March 28.-The Duc d'Orleans

Georgia, in the Government of Tiflis and of Russian Trans-Caucasia, that the stories published in which he is alleged to have published in which he is alleged to have visited Paris and Vienna disguised as a ralet in the employ of Mme. Melba, an opera singer, with whom he is said to have been inlatuated, are mere inventions.

BISMARCK PRO AND CON.

THE GOVERNMENT AIMING TO DISCLOSE QUELPH FUND SECRETS BY

& Bill Introduced in the Landtag-No Accused of Appropriating the Funds for His Own Use-The Ex-Chancellor to Have a Walk-Over.

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BERLIN, March 28 .- A Government bill, which is now in course of preparation for submission to the Landtag, dealing with the Guelph fund, will bring into publicity the hidden history of Prince Bismarck's disposal of large sums. If the Freisinnige party get a chance the whole secret of the payments to the press and police by Prince Bismarck's agents, if they were drawn from the fund, will become a matter of public account. The Liberal papers are already

trying to trace the payments.

The Potsdamer Correspondenz affirms that Herr Krueger, Chief of Prince Bismarck's secret police, received 50,000 marks from the fund. No one suggests that the Prince used the money for other than political purposes, but the organ of Herr Richter, the Liberal leader, demands that the ex-Chancellor be held responsible and be compelled to make restitution for the 350 000 marks given Dr. von Boetticher. and for other payments drawn from the fund. The Freissiniae Zeitung urges that a

The candidate of the Freisinnige party no support, has withdrawn, leaving the contest to Prince Bismarck and the Socialist candidate. Nobody doubts that the Prince will receive a great majority. The warmth of his reception at Altona and the extent of the preparations throughout the country los the celebration of the seventy-sixth anniversary of his birth Wednesday prove the popularity of the Prince. The committee here have arranged for a torchlight procession in which over 3,000 of the ex-Chancellor's adherents desire to appear. The Sosiety of German Industrials will present the Prince with a silver table service of immense value, designed by the artist Leyden.
The subscription for this was so copious as
to enable the committee to purchase land adjoining Friedrichsruhe, which will be added to the Prince's domain.

PLANNING ROYAL MARRIAGES, The Princess Maud Is Wanted by a Germa Duke as His Wife.

THE CABLE TO THE DISPATCH. LONDON, March 28 .- A German princely marriage is now mooted for the second daughter of the Prince of Wales, Princess Victoria, for whom it was last year understood a marriage was about to be arranged with the Hon. John Baring, the clever and popular eldest son of Lord Revelstoke. The plan thee contemplated was that a dukedom should be conferred upon the head of ing a marquis, should become the brother in-law of the Duke of Fife. Circumstance having made an end of this arrangement, the hand of the young princess has been sought by one of her cousins. Her sister, Princess Mand, who is now in her 22nd year, the youngest daughter of the Prince of Wales, has been asked in marriage by Prince William of Nassan, the eldest son and heir of His Royal Highness the Grand Duke of

Luxembourg.

Prince William is now in his 40th year, and arrangements are making, it is said, to restore to his father, and eventually to himelf, a great part of the enormous fortune of the Dukes of Nassau, which was confiscated by Prussia after the event of 1866. In the even of the death without children of the young Queen of Holland, now the richest seiress in Europe, the crown of the Nether ands would pass to the Grand Duke of Luxembourg, and Princess Mand of England might thus come to fill the throne once occupied by the daughter of James II.

GREAT RELIGIOUS GATHERING

The First Protestant Convention Ever Held On the Soil of Italy.

IBY CABLE TO THE DISPATCE.1 LONDON, March 28.-The ninth international conference of the Evangelical Alliance will be held in Florence from April 4 to 12, and promises to be a great success. The United States and every European country will be represented, and the Italian Protestants will utilize the occasion for an rian strife, arising from the attempt of the priests and Government to stop the Protestant propaganda carried on by the agents of the Alliance. Several of the latter went to prison for conscience sake and one of them will take part in the conference next month. One feature of the fortherming gathering, which is the first of the kind held on Italian soil, is the fact that the Catholic King Humbert has expressed his cordial wishes

for its success. A DISASTER AVERTED.

The Threatened Divorce Suit of Colon Hozier Finally Settled.

IBY CABLE TO THE DISPATCHA LONDON, March 28 .- The divorce suit is which Colonel Hozier desired separation from his wife, Lady Blanche, on the ground been settled. Bartlett took the most fervent oaths that he was innocent. Lady Blanche was equally emphatic, and a few political friends in exalted positions pointed out to the Colonel what a terrible wellpo such a case would put in the hands of the

Indstoniaus If it came into court, Under the combined fusitlade, the Colone and the Tories will continue to hold up their bands in pious horror at the unique performances of Parnell. A heavy blow at Lord Salisbury's Government has

RUSSIA'S LOVE RECIPROCATED.

President Carnot Decorates the Czar's Ambassador With the Legion of Honor. PARIS, March 28 .- President Carnot, in recognition of the honor conferred upon him by the Czar of Russia, who recently bestowed the Grand Cordon of the Order of St Andrew upon the President has decorated the Russian Ambassador here, Baron De Mohrenheim, with the Cross of the Legion of Honor.

DENSE PARISIAN IGNORANCE. Beautiful Display of It Over Lawren

Barrett's Death. THY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.

LONDON, March 28 .- The death of Law rence Burrett has been the subject of man; regretful remarks, not only in theatrical but in other circles as well. It has, how

has telegraphed from Tiffis, the capital of ever, served to show the absolute ignorance of everything connected with the outside world which exists in Paris. The death of Mr. Barrett was made the subject of edi-torial comment, and it need hardly be said that the information the French editors served up for the delectation of their readserved up for the delectation of their read-ers was such as would make the average American open his eyes in wonder, and cer-tainly created no little amusement in the American colony. Thus, one of the leading papers said: "The death is announced from New York, at the age of 53, of the well-known American actress, Lawrence Bar-

This notion of the dead actor being a woman was further exemplified in the case of another paper, which said: "Lawrence Barrett, the well-known American actress, died vesterday in New York. Mme. Barrett was 55 years of nge, but many of her admirers, fieding her at all times so sprightly, pretty and youthful in appearance, thought she had only just turned 30. Monsieur Barrett, her husband, served in the War of Secessior as a Captain of infantry."

AN AWFUL INVASION.

MOROCCO AND ALGERIA VISITED BY PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS.

Famine Is Certain to Follow Their Ravages and Thousands of People Likely to Perish-Efforts to Be Concentrated On the Saving of Lives.

(BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH) LONDON, March 28 .- After a month of anxious uncertainty there remains no room for doubt that Morocco and Algeria will this season be visited by a plague of locusts. The warning first came from Mogador last November, whence insects were then advancing in untold myriads. A spell of cold weather checked the advance for a time, but they civil process be issued against Prince Bis- have now arrived on the coast at Casabianca, where they literally carpet the ground. They have even invaded the city for the Reichstag in Geestemunde, finding of Morocco, climbing over the walls and infesting the houses.

Famine is certain to follow their ravages, and in Morocco the wretched people are always allowed to die like dogs, as they were 12 years ago, when a thousand perished. Algeria can scarcely escape, for the Arabs who arrived at Figuig from a village in the Sahara state they rode on swift dromedaries for more than 60 miles through swarms of

The authorities are bestirring themselves, but the latest and most scientific measures have hitherto failed to check the awful invasion, and this year efforts will in the end have to be concentrated upon the saving of lives during the famine which must result from the nuiversal destruction of crops and every green thing which the locust, "El Djerada, the Scourge of the Most High," finds on his way.

A FAMOUS OPAL

It Was Intended as a Gift to Cleopatra Fron Mark Antony.

[RY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.] LONDON, March 28 .- The recent newspa per controversy respecting opals has revealed the fact that among the heirlooms of the noble family of Stanhope is a gem of unique historical interest. It is the same red opal which, according to Pliny, Novius, the Sepator, refused to surrender to Mark patra. Nonius was banished as a punishment for his obstinacy, but managed to keep his gem, and it was buried with him at Herculaneum. The Earl of Leicester was present at Herculaneum during the earlier excavations and he assisted at the opening of the tomb of Nonius, the Senator, which contained some bones and the red opal set in a massive gold ring.

Lord Leicester bought the ring for a sum so large that he would never mention the amount even to a member of his family, and after wearing it for some years gave it to his young daughter, Lady Elizabeth Spencer Stanbope. It is said to be the only red opa known, with the exception of one very small specimen in the British Museum, which is the property of the British nation.

OLD ENGLISH CUSTOMS.

The Ancient Ones in Connection With Easter Still Maintained.

THY CABLE TO THE DISPATCE I LONDON, March 28.-Good Friday and Easter customs in this old country are numerous and curious. For instance, in Christ's Hospital School atttended divine service at All Hallow's Church in Lombard street, in the midst of the great banks, and afterward received each a bag of raisins, one

At the old Priory Church in West Smith-field, 21 widows each picked up a new six-pence from a tomb in the churchyard, just as the same number of widows have done for 500 years past.

DECLARED FOR EIGHT HOURS. Bristol Miners Vote in Favor of It, but

Against Any Strike. [BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

LONDON, March 28.-By way of a reminder to the International Miners' Congress, which will meet in Paris next week, the miners in the Bristol coal district have just decided by 2,760 votes to 1,033 in favor of the statutory eight hours a day, but only 816 men declared for a strike to obtain a reduction of the working bours.

The congress in all probability will pronounce in the same manner and in about an equal numerical proportion. The movement in favor of a universal industrial holiday

THE EMPEROR AND WALDERSEE.

on May 1 has practically collapsed.

Rumored Changes in Army and Diplomati Circles in Germany.

BERLIN, March 28.-The Emperor will go to Stettin, Tuesday next, to inspect the warships now being built there. Thence, His Majesty will go to Lubeck, Kiel and Altona to visit Count von Waldersee.
It is reported that Count von Waldersee will shortly assume command of the Sixteenth Army Corps at Metz, and that Count von Munster, the German Ambassador at Paris, will replace Prince you Hohenlobe Schilling urst at Strassburg. M. Decrais the French Ambassador at Vienna, it is expected will succeed M. Herbette, the French Ambassador at Berlin.

THE CENTER LEADERSHIP.

The Vatican and the Party Unable Agree on Windthorst's Success BERLIN, March 28.—The Vatican has finally advised the Centrist leaders to accept Baron Herrmann as the chief of the party in the Landtag. The Baron is a persona grata to the Vatican, but will not command the support of the Center.

Events must indicate who Dr. Wind-thorst's successor shall be.

OVER A QUARTER OF A MILLION.

A Heavy Drygoods Failure at London's Canadian Namesake. LONDON, Murch 28 .- One of the biggest [Continued on Sixth page.]

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 1891.

Benjamin Franklin's Plan for the Benefit of Philadelphia and Boston

STANDS THE LAW'S TEST

The Old Philosopher Wasn't a Lawyer, but Could Write English,

AND THAT IS ALL-SUFFICIENT.

The Quaker City's Share Is \$100,000, and a School Will Be Built.

LEGATERS BARNED THEIR REWARD

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR.) PHILADELPHIA, March 28. - Judge Penrose filed an opinion in the Orphans' Court this morning dismissing the petitions of the descendants of Benjamin Franklie, who claimed the accumulated fund of about \$100,000 held by the city in trust, and which will now most likely go to erect a nor-

Judge Penrose said in the course of his

opinion: Had Dr. Franklin been a lawyer and not merely a great statesman and profound philo-opher, it is probable that, instead of arbitrarily pecifying 100 years as the period for which the moneys given to the city of Philadelphia should be accumulated he would have measared the term by the duration of a number of well-selected lives in being, with 21 years, etc., superadded after their expiration, and thus have accomplished the same thing without the possibility of a controversy.

Roped for Lenlent Construction. As a layman, however, he was not aware of the axiom of the rule against perpetuities that the validity of future limitations is determined by possibilities and not by actual results; or, perhaps, he may have supposed that, as the ac-cumulation which was to precede the actual use of the money by the primary object of his bounty was to be effected through the instru-mentality of what he regarded as a charity, he need have no concern about restrictions which were popularly believed not to apply to gifts of

That his views upon this point were not whelly without foundation is shown by the opinion of Chief Justice Gibson in Witman vs. Lex, where the bequest of the celebrated Dr Franklin of money to be loaned for five years to young mechanics is referred to as a striking instance of a gift for pious and charitable purposes by persons ignorant of the piceties of ex-pression necessary to accomplish the objects of the common law, and who were not impressed with an opinion that it was at all necessary to consult counsel, it being added that such be-quests have hitherto taken effect without a question as to their validity.

An Argument Conceded. It is argued, however, with much force, that scheme for increasing the size of the gift by making loans of small amounts to poor men, from whom security was exacted for repayment with interest, was not made a charity either by the poverty of the borrowers or by expression of benevolence, and that the case falls within the maxim. Non quod dietum est, sed quod factum est inspicitur, or the more housely

words butter no parentps."

We may concede for the purpose of this decision the correctness of the position thus aken, and it must also be conceded that a contingent gift to a non-existent charity, taking effect at a time beyond the period allowed by the rule against perpetuities, is void; but it by no means follows that our decree is therefore to be in favor of the petitioners.

After quoting at considerable length from the will, Judge Peurose continued:

The City Did Its Part. It is an established rule that if a testator leaves a legacy, absolutely as regards his estate, but restricts the mode of the legatee's enjoyment of it to certain objects for the benefit of the legatee, upon such objects the absolute gift remains. The provision for accumulation was intended for the ultimate benefit of the city of Philadelphia, and when, at the request of the testator, it undertook without present of the testator, it undertook without present profit or reward to manage the sum given and for a hundred years to carry on a business wholly outside of its usual functions or municipal powers, it did so only in order that at the expiration of the period it should, as beneficiary, have the fund and accumulations in accordance with the stipulations of the will.

If the gift was invalid, the fact was just as apparent when the money was paid by the executors, in 1790, as it can be now. If those who might then have made claim stood by and suffered the fund, without suggestion of invalidity, to go to a trustee, which, but for the ulti-London vesterday 60 of the youngest boys of ity, to go to a trustee, which, but for the ulti

Would Not Have Accepted the Trust, neither they nor any persons claiming under them will be permitted after the sum has grown through the acts of the trustee and cestuique trustee from the insignificant amount of \$5,000 to \$100,000, to assert rights of ownership. The claim would have been dismissed if it had been made 80 years ago; it certainly will not be sustained at the expiration of 100 years, when the donee has fully performed the conditions and is about to have the heneficial enjoyment. The city of Philadelphia is something more than a mere legatee; it is a purchaser for value, or, to speak more accurately, it has, at the earnest request of the testator and upon his promise to pay a certain reward, performed arduous services, for his benefit or gratification, during a stipulated time. The contract so made is binding upon the original promises, and no less so upon those succeeding to his setate.

The petitions are dismissed. What the Philosopher Wrote.

The following is the portion of Franklin's will under which the petitioners sought to have the fund distributed among them:

One thousand pounds are given to the labitants of the city of Boston, and £1,000 One thousand pounds are given to the inhabitants of the city of Boston, and £1,000 to the inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia in trust for the uses, intents and purposes mentioned and declared, viz: That during the period of 100 years leans at 5 per cent shall be made to young artificers, etc., etc., at the end of that.nme, assuming that the plan succeeds as projected, without interruption, and that the fund will have reached the sum of £131,000 in each case, £100,000 shall be applied for the benefit of the cities, respectively, in the manner recommended, and the £31,000 shall, in each case, be accumulated for another period of 100 years and finally divided between the city and State Government in the proportions of £1,000,000 to £3,000,000.

Had Confidence in His Plan.

Bad Confidence in His Plan. After directing the executors to pay the said sums six months after the testutor's death, the will proceeds as follows:

death, the will proceeds as follows:

Considering the accidents to which all human affairs and projects are subject in such a length of time. I have, perhaps, too much flattered myself with a vain fancy that these dispositions, if carried into execution, will be continued without interruption and have the effects proposed. I hope, however, that if the inhabitants of the two cities shall not think fit to undertake the execution, they will, at least, accept the offer of these donations as a mark of my good will, a token of my gratitude, and a testimony of my desire to be useful to them after my departure. I wish, indeed, that they may both undertake to endeavor the execution of the project, because I think that, though unforseen difficulties may arise, expedients will be found to remove them, and the schome be found practicable.

Some Exigencies Provided For.

Some Exigencles Provided For. If ope of them accepts the money with the conditions, and the other refuses, my will is that both sums be given to the inhabitants of that both sums be given to the inpadiants of the city accepting the whole, to be applied to the same burposes and under the same regu-lations directed for the same part; and if both refuse the money, of course, remains in the mass of my estate and is to be disposed of

The sum bequesthed to this city has ac-cumulated to about \$100,009, and it is pro-mosed to use it for school purposes. As the posed to use it for school purposes. As the faud is about to mature the Franklin heirs in this city over the New York Cen in this city and Boston, claiming that under tracks. It was a great piece of work.

the common law Mr. Franklin could not direct the disposition of the fund for a per-ted of 100 years, or any other specific time, petitioned to have that portion of the will set aside and the money distributed among the heirs. It is this petition which Judge

A HOT FIGHT IS ON.

CARTER HARRISON IS OUT FOR BLOOD AND THE MAYORALTY.

The State Committee Decides Against Him but He Cries Fraud-Will Challenge General Palmer to Debate-The Candidates and Their Backing.

SPECIAL TRUEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE. CHICAGO, March 28-The Democratic State Central Committee met at the Sherman House to-day, and indorsed Dewitt C. Cregier as the regular Democratic candidate for Mayor, and adopted resolutions calling upon the Democracy of Chicago to Carter Harrison appeared before the committee and made a long speech decommittee and made a long speech de-nouncing Cregier, and insisting that he (Harrison) is the only regular Democratic condidate. After the meeting he declared that the committee was packed, and that he would remain in the field anyhow. This precipitates an interesting fight. Mayor Cregier is backed by the most solid and powerful machine oversular than

and powerful machine organization the Democratic party has had for many years, with every Democratic and quasi-Demo-cratic organ in the city shouting his praises. Hempstead Washburne, the regular Repub-lican nominee, has his party equally well in hand, but having lost its hold on power for the last two years, the party machinery is not in the best possible working or-der. Einer Washburn, the Republi-can nominee of the self-constituted com-mittee of "citizens" is making an earnest fight without the backing of any machine, of course, and with but one newspaper's support. Last but not least comes Carter Harrison, now as before the most striking personality that has thus far ap-

peared in the campaign. The old man, as he is familiarly termed by his followers, is now making the fight of his lile. Never before in his career has he made a like display of splendid fighting qualities.

General John M. Palmer has already identified his interest. week to speak for the regular ticket. He is threatened with the grip, however, and may not be able to leave Springfield. When Harrison was asked to-day what he would do if Senator elect Palmer comes he declared vehemently that he would chal-leage Palmer to a public discussion and let the people determine whether Harrison or Cregier should by rights be considered the regular nominee.

A VICTOUS STALLION.

Father and Son Have a Terrible Fight With the Infuriated Brute.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE. HAMILTON, O., March 28 .- Tom Burk. Jr., of Somerville, a village near here, is the proprietor of a 4-year-old high-bred stallion (Hambletonian), the stock of which is very wild and savage. It was unsafe to approach him without a club, that being the only thing which would intimidate the approach him without a club, that being the only thing which would intimidate the animal. Last evening Tom entered the stable, forgetting his club, when the stallion The Trotter Works, near Connellsville, became vicious and attacked him. He was knocked down and the fiery animal becam ovens were fairly started this morning, and 20 ovens were fired at Mutual.

More Works in Active Operation.

father to his rescue with a stick and broke it or the stallion's back. The beast then turned on the old man and soon had him under his feet, when he commenced stamping him to death. Tom, Jr., rushed up into the hay-mow, descended with a putchfork and thrust This weakened the savage brute, and the

t repeatedly into the stallion's side. old man, terribly beaten up, was carried into the hoese, where he now lies dying of innumerable wounds. His face was chew up in an awful manner; most all of his ribe were broken and there are many internal in juries. His son will live.

WILL TRY THE HYPNOTIC PLEA

North Dakota May Furnish the First Case the Kind in This Country.

FARGO, N. D., March 28 .- From certain facts which have come to light within a day or so, it is possible that the trial of Joseph Remington, for the murder of J. T. Flett at Arthur, may become one of the most famous in the United States. At present it seems almost a foregone conclusion that it will be impossible to couvince any jury of his innocence on the ground of insanity or any common ples, hence it is almost a set-tled fact that the defense will be of the same line as in the trial of Gabrielle Bompard at Paris last year, wherein it was claimed an so clearly proven a case of hypnotism that her accomplice was sentenced to hang while

The theory in the Remington case, it is understood, will be that white hypnotized by a Minneapolis woman he murdered Agent Fiett. Competent authorities, who have visited Remington in juit with this theory in view, are said to be of the opinion that he is so constituted as to be easily liable to mesmeric influence. Should this line of defence be adopted it will be the first one of the kind in the United States.

INDICIMENTS AGAINST THE BIG FOUR

The Proceedings of the Indianapolis Gran Jury Hidden in Mystery.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 28 .- Although the Federal authorities maintained dignified silence on the subject, there is no question that the Grand Jury yesterday returned an indictment against one of the officers of the Big Four Railroad for alleged violation of the inter-State commerce law. Owing to the absence of a number of important witnesses Friday, when the Grand Jury took up their case, serious doubts were expressed as to whether there would be sufficient evidence upon which to base an indictment.

It appears, however, that the testimony of several Lafayette railroad men, who did not attempt to evade the matter, was very trong, and it is quite likely that within th next 24 hours an arrest will be made. The charge against the Big Four is that it ou the grain rate between Lafayette and Cin cinnati 2 cents. The regular tariff is a Samuel Finny a 5-cent rate between points named.

NAVAL ACADEMY CADETS.

Pennsylvania Man May Stand at th Head of the Class.

ANNAPOLIS, Murch 28 .- Out of a class f 52 Naval Academy cadets, about 47, it is expected, will be graduated in June. The ionor of graduating at the head of the class is said to be between Cadets Frank B. Zahn, of Pennsylvania; Henry G. Smith, of Ohio, and Horatio G. Gilmore, of Wisconsin, all of whom were "star" members of the class last term, with Cadet Witt, of Pennsylvania, and Blamer, of Iows. The averages of the present term will not be made up until June, just before the commencement exercises.

Canadian Pacific in New York "SPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATOR. NEW YORK, March 28.-The Canadian Pacific Railroad has secured an entrance to this city over the New York Central's

The Coke Strikers Declare Their Intention to Hold Out a Year at Least.

A MONSTER MEETING HELD

The Frick Company Have 500 Men at Work and Expect More.

MORE OVENS ARE IN OPERATION.

Strikers Highly Incensed Over the Employment of Soldiers.

SOME INTERVIEWS WITH BOTH SIDES

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE. MT. PLEASANT, March 28. - Much interest in the strike in this region to-day centered in the meeting at Scottdale. Affairs at Morewood are quiet to-night, This morning a crowd of strikers from Stoperville and Donnelly, armed with sticks morehed to Morewood and held a lively meeting. One of the deputies who approached the men was told to leave, and when taking the advice was pelted unmercifully with spowbalts. He accepted the assault peacefully and the men howled with delight.

Twenty-five members of Company E, N. G. P., were sworn in as deputy sheriffs at Greensburg to-day. Much indignation was expressed by the strikers over the company's going to Morewood in uniform, and a committee waited upon Sheriff Clawson, who had come here to inquire into the situation. and vehemently protested against the move. They said it was merely a big bluff and the men were not needed.

The Militia Are on Guard. However, the company will go to More-wood Monday morning in uniform, and reinforce the 30 deputies now there. The coke in the ovens will be drawn then, and many expect trouble.

many expect trouble.

To-day 200 ovens are burning at Morewood, and 75 men were at work. This number will be greatly increased by Monday. The men who are working are being called very hard names, and will likely be remembered by the ones standing out. General Manager Morris Ramsay, of the

Southwest Company, said to-day to THE DISPATCH correspondent: "I do not anticipate serious trouble. All I want the works. I believe many Morewood men want to go to work; not that they are needy, for our works made good time last year, and our men are well fixed, but I think they want to resume. The coke in our we intend to protect the drawers. As to the

ttdale says: At the Frick office here, two new accessions to the list of active works were reported to-dayns to the namely, the Henry Clay plant at Broadford, and the Trotter plant near Connellsville. The officers of the company say that over 40 men are at work at the latter plant. They furnish the following as a list of plants that are in active operation: Jimtown, Henry Clay, Adelaide, Trotter, Leisenring Nos. 2 and 3, Leith, Redstone, Mutual, Morewood and White. They say further that they are making vigorous efforts to start other plants, and have fully 500 men

The McClure Company has invaded the ranks of the strikers at the Coalbrook plant only, which is still running in tull. The men say that instead of increasing the number of men working for these two companies is steadily diminishing, and say there are only a few scattered men at work in their

various-plants. The different coke companies announced to-day that they will enter into the fight next week in earnest, and anticipate an easy victory. Manager Lynch, of the H. C. Frick Company, said to-day that they would stand no nousense, and that they in tended to operate their works at the conditions proposed.

Don't Like Military Interference. Three of the big Frick plants are being guarded by deputies-Leisenring Nos. 2 and 3 and the Morewood. Labor officials charge the Sheriff with an over-exercise of his authority at Morewood, and have wired to Governor Pattison to have the hated militia taken off duty. A striker at the Leisenriug No. 3 distinguished himself yesterday by raiding a few workmen in the yards. He was armed with a double-barreled shotgun. The men fled, and Sheriff McCormick has a gang of deputies after the

doughty striker.

The fight for the eight-hour system in the coke region will likely be instrumental in securing a handsome consignment of relie money for the men, who really need it. The officials of the American Federation of Labor and of the Knights of Labor will b asked for assistance on these grounds. National President Rae, of the United Mine Workers, will put forth every effort to se cure the money. Some ugly statements have been made against the men who have been working at the Jimtown plant and officials of the company are there investigat ing the reports.

Master Workman Wise Encouraged. Master Workman Wise said this afternoon: "The utterly fruitless attempts of the coke companies to make inroads into on ranks during the past week have greatly encouraged us. We have confidence in our men and they trust us. The proposed sliding scale is a piece of deception. It means starvation wages and two meals a day, should they accept it. We will stand out there are not more reasonable concessions."

A great portion of Main street here was completely blockaded by the large body of strikers who gathered here in response to a call for a general mass meeting this afternoon. At the very least eatimate 3,000 strikers were present, and as the Opera House was too small the meeting was held in the open air. Master Workman Wise and James McBride presided. James Keegan led off in speaking and handled the proposed scale without gloves. there are not more reasonable concessions. proposed scale without gloves.

Speakers at the Mass Meeting. Dismen, who followed, spoke to the Hungarians. President Rae delivered an address in which he said he did not fear the ultimate result, but hoped for an amicable settlement. He said that the strikers' position was fully justified, and that their eight-hour demand was their crowning effort. Vice President Penns, the next speaker, severely criticised the action of the operators, and made mention of the enormous profits on their production. After pointed addresses by Wise and Nooski in the foreign tongues, resolutions to stand out for a year, if necessary, were

Trouble at Huntingdon, Too A dispatch from Huntingdon says: The discontent among the East and South Broad Top district bituminous coal miners, in this county, has developed into almost open re-



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pellion against the existing rate of eight bellion against the existing rate of eight hours' work. Contrary to the agreement at the Columbus convention, stipulating 50 cents per ton of 2,000 pounds, the miners in this and the Clearfield regions are held to a scale of 2,240 pounds per ton. The men have been working less than half time this winter, and a strong sentiment prevails in favor of indorsing the proposition of the Clearfield miners for a general strike on May 1. Representatives of the two regions are now in secret conference on the advisa-bility of a general shutdown.

AN INTERVIEW WITH RAE.

He Says the Strikers Are Well Equipped With the Sinews of War.

President Rae, of the United Mine Workers, passed through the city yesterday on his way from home to the coke regions, where he went to address the mass meeting "he afternoon. He does not believe the

fered by the operators is just. His ta wace scale should be based on the first of the production of coke.

Mr. bout \$20,000 had been distributed cokers since February 10, and the object of the needy along the n

SCORED FROM THE BENCH.

ANTHONY COMSTOCK ACCUSED OF LYING BY JUSTICE HOGAN.

pected Arrival of a Party Interested-He Retreats From the Courtroom in Confusion-The Facts. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCEL!

NEW YORK, March 28 .- "This man comstock will stoop to any meanness to acomplish an end. He has deliberately lied. as no gentleman would do in order to cover up his mistakes. He thinks himself mightler than the law. Indeed, I think he is laboring under the impression that the statutes were framed especially for his bene-

This scathing language from the Bench was applied this morning in the Tomb's Police Court to the secretary and chief agent of the New York Society for the Supon of Vice. The facts which provoked

Justice Hogan six weeks granted a warrant on application by Comstock for the arrest of three men who ran a pool room. Com-stock arrested four, and the Judge to-day dismissed one of them, as there was no warrant for his arrest. Comstock became very mistake, and declared he would have the man arrested in spite of Justice Hogan. He asserted further that Assistant District At-torney Welch had told him that all the

risoners should be held.

Just at that moment Assistant District ttorney Welch entered the room and heard Comstock's last remark. He promptly de-nied that he had told Comstock anything of the sort, and said that on the contrary, he lischarge of one of the men. Instead of relying Comstock left the room in confusion, and thereupon Justice Hogan expressed his opinion of his conduct in the severe lanuage quoted above.

THE REQUISITIONS SIGNED.

Chairman Hughes Will Be Taken Back to Rochester for Trial.

HARRISBURG, March 28.-Governor Patison this morning signed the requisitions for James Hughes, Chairman of the Knights of Labor Executive Committee, and Deputy Sheriff Hawley at once started for Philadelphia, where Hughes is under ball for appearance when wanted.

There was never any doubt in Governor Pattison's mind as to the regularity of the

requisitions are upon indictments for extorion and conspiracy.

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papers, and action was postponed upon agreement of counsel to allow the friends of

Hughes to consult with Governor Hill. The

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NINE DAYS OF GRACE

FIVE CENTS.

Granted to Pittsburg's Taxpayers Who Want to Take Advantage of the

FIVE PER CENT DISCOUNT.

Officials Pledged to Take No Legal Steps Against the Treasurer.

IT IS HELD TO BE SIMPLE EQUITY.

Bonds to Be Purchased With Money Now Lying Idle in the Banks.

SECRET SESSION OF CITY FINANCIERS

Pittsburg taxpayers have been granted an extension of nine days in which to receive the 5 per cent discount on the March instalment of city taxes. City Treasurer Denniston wrote to Major A. M. Brown, his attorney, yesterday, for a supplement to his opinion of the day before declaring that the proposed plan of allowing the March discount on taxes paid prior to April 10, was illegal, and asking whether the city of Pittsburg was not the only agent

having authority to bring action against the discounts allowed in April. Major Brown in his answer stated that no one would have any standing in court as the complainant in such a suit except the city itself. No taxpayer would raise the question on behalf of the city, or bring suit against the Treasurer or his bondsmen for the amount of discounts thus illegally al-

Simple Equity, If Not the Law.

Upon receipt of this answer Major Den-niston declared that he would grant the discount of 5 per cent on all city taxes paid to him until and including April 9. In reference to the matter he said: "It would have been almost ampossible to have received all the taxes due by the last day of this month, and it is only a matter of simple equity to give the poor man an equal chance with the rich. The fatter can easily write a check on his bank account for the amount of his taxes, but the former often has some trouble to raise the money, especially on such short notice. I am confident that none of the city officials will bring suit against me for my action; for they recognize the justice and necessity for it. Under my attorney's opin-

ion, no one else can enter suit." Mayor Gourley, who would represent the city in all action against the Treasurer, has expressed himself as satisfied with the arrangement, as he considers it is for the good of the community, and has given an assurshee that he will not interfere. Controller Morrow looks at the matter in the same

light · Met Behind Closed Duors. The Finance Committee met ve afternoon and considered in secrecy two important ordinances offecting the investment and expenditures of millions of dollars. One was in relation to the sinking fund and the other governing the manner of awarding contracts, and determining who shall make the awards, the Department of Awards having been wiped out by Justice Williams.

Both ordinances were affirmatively recommended. The members present were Messrs. W. A. Magee, John M. Anderson, John McM. King, A. F. Kenting, A. Binder, John Dunn, Jr., Thomas Delaney, R. G. Mac-Gonigle, William Angloch and T. W. Wallace. H. P. Ford and G. L. Holliday, Presidents of Councils and ex-officio members, were in attendance, Controller Morrow

cted as clerk, and Senator Flinu and C. L. Magee assisted in the deliberations, which were very brief.

The necessity for a change in the manner of administering the money set aside for sinking fund purposes was forced upon the city by the suit of Attorney Howard, who objected to the action of the Finance Committee in allowing much of the money to lie

Text of the Ordinance The new sinking fund ordinance recommended by the Finance Committee yesterday, and which is expected to meet and overcome all objections, is as follows:

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day, and which is expected to meet and overcome all objections, is as follows:

An ordinance relating to the sinking funds of
the city of Pittsburg, providing for the investment of the cash balances therein, and the
custody of the moneys and care and management of the securities belonging thereto.

Section 1—Be it ordained, etc., That the City
Controller be and the same is hereby authorized
to invest the cash balances in the several sinking funds of the city of Pittsburg in any of
the interest-bearing bonds of the City of Pittsburg. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of
the United States.

Section 2—That jit shall be the duty of the
City Controller in the month of May in each
year to advertise for ten days in the city offcial papers that he will receive proposals to
supply the city with bonds of the character
mentioned in section 1 of this ordinance for the
several sluking funds of the city, and that he
shall have the authority to reject any or all
such proposals. If the amount of bonds purchased under such proposals should not be
sufficient to exhaust the cash balances in the
several sinking funds, the City Controller shall
be not he is hereby authorized to invest, from
time to time, such remaining balances in such
interest-bearing bonds at market rates.

Section 3—All bonds when purchased shall
be registered in the name of the particular
sinking funds of my her purchased, and shall at
time of purchase be deposited with the Fidelity
Title and Trust Company of the city of Pittsburg, which trust company shall keep an accurate account of all bonds held by each of the
sinking funds, which account shall show the
number, amount, character, and by what authority issued.

Monthly Reports to be Made.

Monthly Reports to be Made. The said trust company shall on the last business day of each month make a report to the Figure Committee of Councils what bonds, if any, and to what sinking fund belonging, have been deposited with it during the month, and at the end of each fiscal year the said trust company shall make detailed reports to the City Councils of the number, to the City Councils of the number, amounts, character, and by what authority issued, of all said bonds held by it for each of the sinking funds, and such annual report when verified by the City Controller shall be published by him on three times in the official papers of the city. The said trust company shall retain the custody of all such bonds until their maturity, or the maturity of the loans of the city of Pittsburg, for whose payment they are pledged, and they shall not be transferred or surrendered, except in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance or subsequent ordinances relating to this subject, legally passed by the Councils of the City Controller to collect the interest accruing on

Section 4—It shall be the duty of the City Controller to collect the interest accruing on these bonds held by the several sinking funds and deposit the same with the City Treasurer to the credit of the particular sinking fand owning the bonds on which the interest accrues, and the said Controller shall make mouthly reports to the Pinance Committee of the number, amount, and character of the bonds purchased by him during the mouth last passed and annual report to the City Councils of the number, amount, character and by what authority issued of bonds held by the several sinking funds (by verifying with his certificate, the report of the trust company provided for in section 3 of this ordinance).

Meeting Maturing Indebt Section 5-It shall be the duty of the City