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FIRE BOAT CERTAIN.

Another Communication Received by Councils From the Board of Underwriters, and

AN ORDINANCE IS INTRODUCED

Big Fight In the Common Branch Over the Charges of Bribery on the Rea Switch Matter.

SOME MEMBERS WANT INVESTIGATION

Resolutions Passed Carrying Into Effect the Ne Street Legislation.

Councils had important matters on hand vesterday afternoon, although there was a very meager attendance of the members to dle them. The agitation of the fire boat question resulted in more communications concerning it and the introduction in Select Council of an ordinance providing for more corough equipment of the Bureau of Fire Common Conneil got worked up to a white heat over the question whether it should in-vestigate itself or not, since serious charges have been made that members received money in connection with the Rea switch ordinance. Almost every man got up to agsert his own innocence and urge the necessity of investigating the remainder of the body. It was finally settled. The resolu-tions carrying out the new street laws, the objects of which were published last week in The Disparen, got through both branches. Common passed the new Poor Farm ordinance.

The fire best question was by far the most mortant one considered by Select Council ad occupied a considerable portion of its time. At the previous meeting it was de eided to discuss it as a special order of busi-ness and when 3 o'clock came all other maters were dropped

Fire Underwriters Appeal for Protection Chief Brown sent to Connells a second let-ter from the Board of Fire Underwriters which Mr. Lambie presented. It was as fol-

PITTSBURG, PA., June 8, 1891. To J. O. Brown, Esq., Chief Department Public

Sarety:

DEAN SIE-You were kind enough to send us a copy of your letter addressed to Councils, and we hereby acknowledge its receipt. We have carefully considered its propositions, and we beg to assure you of our high appreciation of the careful manner in which you have studied the wants and morestites of the Fire Burcan of this city. We desire to indoorse your recommendations to Councils, and to add additional points which we deem of equal importance, and which we think cannot but commend themselves to your Judgment and ap-

The same protection was deemed necessary age, when the values were less than one-th of those of to-day. We are of the opinion not less than five first-class engines should be sed in the First district. When a large fire oc-making it necessary to call additional engines, much valuable time is necessarily taken in ling the fire. This would in a measure be some if the First district was thus supplied, asservation has convinced us that there should increased number of men assigned to these class engines for the efficient management of uparatus, the present number being entirely quate.

adequate. Second—The large number of high and costly adequate. Second—The large number of high and costly middings which have been creeted recently and lich add so much to the beauty of our city are in measure improtected, and we horefore urge that water fower be added to your bireau. This owerful and effective apparatus has been added to be equipment for fighting fires in a number of the irge cities and has been found a most valuable adopted where the fire has occurred in these modern tell buildings.

Arguments for a Fireboat.

hird-We most heartily indorse your recon dation for the addition of a fireboat to the ervice. Fireboats have been proven so invaluable in the cities where they are now in use, such as Boston, New York, Cleveland, Chicago and Brookanies as essential to the equipment of a modern re department. Perhaps a stronger argument in your of its use than any you have used, is the normous increase it would give to the water apply; in ease of a large conflagration. It would be funce service than 12 large steamers, and if a ulture, from any cause of our present simply, it could prove a reserve force valuable beyond enca-tion.

of prove a reserve force valuable beyond entermination of the opinion that there a insufficient number of hydrauts for the use a separtment at the time of fires. There should thus a ping at each corner and one in the of of each block in the First district. This arcticular would obviate the necessity of crossing streets with hose, which has heretofore obtained the obvious property of the hation Pittsburg is away behind other cities in respect. Allegineny, with a population of 105, copic has 1,200 plugs, while Pittsburg with 250, copic has but 1,302. Boston, with 400,000 people over 6,000 plugs. Cleveland, with a population of the force of the comparisons will readily see the importance of the increase ested. On attention has been recently directed additionally see the importance of the increase ested. On attention has been recently directed a deficiencies of the department by the General ector of the National Board of Underwriters; citaly as to the deficiency of hydrants, of a prover and of a fire boat.

The And in addition to above, permit us to exist the opinion held by our Board of Underwriters, the interpretation of the respects, and with the added strength apparatus which we sincerely trust and believe board of the cross of the city and your own excellent control of the reach will very all proved of the cross of the reach will very and your own excellent control of the reach will very the control of the cross of the reach will very the control of the cross of the reach will very the control of the cross of the city and your own excellent control of the reach will very the control of the cross of the cross of the city and your own excellent control of the city and your own excellent controls of the city and your own excellent.

and cool intigment should be chosen to fill the ition of Fire Director, an office which we hope be created. The same logic used in regard to roughes and apparatus can be applied in regard to direction of the department.

Need of New Men and Machinery.

The department of 1870, useful and efficient as it , dors not meet the requirements of 1891; nor the veteran chief, who so ably directed the decent of that day, meet the requirements of ont. His experience and energy will cer-e of great value to the department in car-tic buildings and apparatus, and we ex-e opinion that he should be retained in

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The Fire Director should be relieved of minor deals and be given the time to study and arrange like department for its best and most efficient partners. We have thus onlined to some extent on pervices. We have thus onlined to some extent on a court of the contract of lews, which we respectfully submit for your conideration, with the hope that you may secure the
carty co-operation of the members of Councils in
aking your Fire Bureau that which all desire—
prodel one. Stuccrely yours.

WILLIAM P. HERDERT,
W. G. MCCANDLESS,
W. J. PATTERSON,
CRAMLES W. GERWIG,
Committee of the Board of Fire Underwriters.

Committee of the Beard of Fire Underwriters.

The petition signed by 800 business firms and citizens, representing the wealthiest people in the city, asking that a fireboat be made a part of the city fire department, was also read in connection with the question. Only a few of the mames signed to the petition were read when Mr. Keating moved that, insanuch as the gaster had been fully published in The Desarca, everybody knew the standing of the men who had signed the petition, it would be waste of time to read the whole list, the reading be discontinued. The motion prevailed, and this petition, with the other papers, was referred to the Public Safety Committee.

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Mr. Keating: "The most important factor in the question has been omitted, that of laws governing the erection of buildings. Without any personal feeling I refer to the No. I Engine House of the city, which is a solid brick building with a lumber pile on the top. There are other buildings in localities exposed to danger from fire lined with wood and their fronts built up of wood and glass. It is now too late to have any laws passed for at least two years on this subject, and we had better do the next best thing."

On Ordinance to Remedy Matters To this end Mr. Keating offered an ordi ance to be referred to the Committee on Public Safety to fill in and prepare, provid-ing for the acquisition of additional apparatus and increasing the efficiency of the Bu

tus and increasing the efficiency of the Barcau of Fire. The ordinance was in blank form, but will be filled out before reachign the committee, with something in the line of suggestion offered by Chief Brown and the Board of Underwriters.

In Common Council a new feature was presented in the shape of a petition for damages caused by fire. The petitioner is Julia Devine. She states that she owned a house on Lewis street. Eighteenth ward, in close proximity to which were two fireplugs. A fire broke out in an adjoining house; an alarm was sent in and the firemen promptly responded, arriving before her house caugut fire. Owing to the poor condition of the plugs the firemen could not get water and her house was totally destroyed. Her loss was \$1,500 and she asks the city to reimburse her. The petition was referred to the Finance Committee.

INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

on Council Breaks Sweat Over the Charges of Bribery Made Against Some of Its Members Mr. Bigham Says Its All Fudge. Shortly after Common Council had settled

down to business the bribery question was brought up by Mr. Taggart, who declared that something must be done in answer to the accusations made against Councilman Ren in the switch case.

Mr. O'Donnell—There is nothing before

Mr. Taggart-I will then move to suspend the rules to take up the question.

The Chair-What question: If the gentle-

The Chair—What question? If the gentleman will designate what paper is wanted the Chair will put the motion.

Mr. O'Donnell—The Kea switch ordinance was never before Common Council, and any charges made do not concern this branch.

Mr. Donley moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the whole matter. The Chair ruled them all out of order, saving that he would consider any resolution properly presented in writing. The whole matter was then dropped and other business taken up. In the meantime Mr. MacEldowney was getting a resolution ready and presented it half an hour later. It read:

WHEREAS, There have been published in the

WHEREAS, There have been published in the newspapers of this city during the past few days undry interviews purported to have been held with Henry Rea, Henry B. Rea and others, in which, among other serious charges made against various members of this Council, it was specifically charged that certain members of this body had demanded compensation for their votes in favor of certain measures before this Council, therefore better.

be it

Resolved, That this body desires and courts a full, fair and impartial investigation of any and all charges that may be preferred against its members, and be it further.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a committee affive to investigate any and all charges that may be preferred against any member or members, or to assist the District Attorney in securing a thorough investigation.

Tired of Hearing Such Charges.

Mr. MacEldowney-I am getting sick and

Mr. MacEldowney—I am getting sick and tired about the reports of what Councilmen get and don't get. If I remember right I voted for the Rea ordinance. While I think the proposition and the charges are ridiculous it is nothing but fair to this Council that they be investigated.

Mr. Doniey—I am a member of the committee that had this ordinance to consider. I desire a full investigation for vindication. I was opposed to the switch and am ready to tell about the inducements held out for it. I wouldn't be for that switch for \$100,000.

Mr. Taggart—One member of this Council in an interview has libeled other members. I don't believe that anyone here would accept a bribe, but it has become common street talk that as soon as a man gets into Councils the question is what money does he get out of it?

Mr. O'Donnell—We have all had some experience in past investigations. There ought to be an investigation of this case, but the manner of going about it appears to be to prepare for a whitewash. The ordinance has been in the Solect branch for two years. It has been referred to committees and both adverse and favorable reports have been made on it. The ordinance has passed in Select Council, but has not been acted on here. Now, before this branch has dealt with the ordinance, when the charges do hot concern us, this investigation is proposed. If you will make that a joint resolution and send it to the Select Council it will have some effect.

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Mr. Mac Eldowney—A member of this Council is quoted as saying the District Attorney is the proper person to carry on this investigation. We are only offering to help him.

Mr. Bigham—My attention has been called to a printed interview with me, in which I am made to prefer grave charges against two, perhaps three members of this Council, I am made to say that I knew two members of Council who would not object to accept cash for favors granted and suspected a third member. That is a total misrepresentation to what I said. I said nothing about Common Council; I referred to Select Council. What I did say was that I had been in Council about 10 years and that to the best of my knowledge in both branches, there were not more than two, or at the outside three members which could be approached.

Little Stock Taken in Investigations.

Little Stock Taken in Investigations. "These men," continued Mr. Bigham, "I said, did not control Councils, and their in-fluence was of little value. I haven't the slightest idea that Mr. Rea paid money to anyone. That is all fudge. I do not care to take part in any investigation. I have been

in two or three, and we never found any-thing. If Mr. Rea or Mr. Haney, or anybody else makes direct charges they should be called before the grand Jury and required to tell what they know. That switch has been before us a long time. Mr. Rea wants it, and he is opposed by the Pittsburg Gas Company, Lloyd, Sons & Co. and the Baltimore and Lloyd, Sons & Co. and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, who are also interested. The grand jury room is the place for an investigation."

Mr. O'Donnell—Has Councils the power to send for witnesses?

Mr. Bigham—Yes. Councils can ask witnesses here, but have no power to compel

Mr. O'Donnell—I would ask the mover of the resolution to amend it to include Select

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Mr. MacEldowney—This resolution offers the support of Common Council to the District Attorney in any investigation he may make. Let Select Council take care of itself. This resolution says certain members of this Council are charged with grave offenses. Who charges them? Who are charged! Let the men who want to vote for this resolution stand out, and name the members who are so charged. I don't want to investigate a balloon or a landslide. If any man wants an investigation let him go out and make an information. Then you cannot keep it from the grand jury; then these men who know these things must talk and must tell what they know. Have an investigation here, and you can compel men to come. But what will they say? They will say "we know all about it, but we won't tell."

Everybody Reads the Newspapers.

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Mr. Taggart-That resolution says these charges are made through the newspapers. The newspapers are the medium through which the people get their information of which the people get their information of what is done in these Councils. All the people can't come here to attend these meetings; unfortunately, many of them do not know who their representatives here are. But they all read the papers.

Mr. MacEldowney—If we drop this matter on the ground that Mr. Magee cites, we drop it on a technicality. This investigation is intended to find those men who know all about it that the District Attorney may summon them and make them tell what they do know.

Mr. Donley—As I said, I was on that committee. Mr. Rea is as competent to approach a man as any business man I know. Because men could not be approached these charges

are brought.

Mr. O'Donnell—Do I understand the gentleman to say that Mr. Rea could be approached? Does that mean that he was approached? Does that mean that he was approached?

The Chair ruled such discussion out of order. On motion of Mr. O'Donnell the resolution was amended to make the committee consist of two members from Select and three from Common. and as amended it was passed unanimously. Select Council had adjourned by this time and cannot act on the resolutions before the next meeting.

SOME MINOR BUSINESS.

Councils Attend to a Host of Little Matters Chief Bigelow to Prepare a List of People Who Use No Water, but Are

Councils had plenty of small business to

transact. stating that there is but \$2,500 remaining in the finance fund, and recommending the transfer of the remaining \$18,000 from the contingent fund, was accompanied by a resolu-tion in accordance therewith, which was ap-

proved by both branches.

In Select a communication from the Controller was read, in which attention was called to a resolution that had been reported by the Finance Committee authorizing the Superintendent of the Bureau of Water Supply to exonerate persons not using city water from any water tax. For using city water from any water tax. For some reason this resolution was not passed, therefore, under the law, the collector of delinquent taxes must file liens against such persons, although the city cannot collect in any such cases, and the result will be to burden the city with the costs and expenses thus incurred. Mr. Keating moved that in asmuch as the resolution referred to had been indefinitely postponed in the Common Council, and Select Council could, therefore, take no action, the communication he received and filed, which was agreed to.

As to Paying for Water. Mr. MacGonigle in Common presented a resolution directing the Chief of the Department of Public Works to furnish Council with a list of all persons who are assessed for city water and who do not, or claim they do not, use city water. Mr. Magee said the resolution would include the Southside. It was too sweeping. Mr. Bingham objected to the words, "claim not to use." This was agreed

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An ordinance authorizing the construction of the Scheeley Park bridge, and the Mayor to give an indemnifying bond on behalf of the city for the protection of damaged property owners, was passed finally in both branches.

In Common, on the call of the wards, the following papers were presented and referred: Ordinances changing the name of a portion of Joncaire street; changing the name of Woodlawn street to Hollywood street; locating Woodlawn avenue; establishing the grade of a portion of Negley avenue, a portion of Larimor avenue, Deary street, Apple street and Dean street; for a sewer on Craig street; changing the name of Frailch street to Woodlawn avenue; locating Hearns road; petitions for water mains on McKee street, Yoder street and Wadsworth street.

Some Papers That Were Referred In Select on the call of the wards papers were presented and referred as follows: Petition for water pipe on Diana alley; ordi-Petition for water pipe on Diana alley; ordinance establishing grade of Cypress street, Essex alley and Mansion street; re-establishing the grade of Beltzhoover avenue; relocating Southern avenue; petition for public lamps on Boggs avenue and Southern avenue. In Common the chair presented a resolution for the appointment of viewers to condemn lots needed for the approach to the Schenley Park bridge; passed.

The report of the Committee on Finance, approved in Common Council one month ago, but delayed in Select by early adjournments on the two previous meetings, was approved.

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In Common, Mr. Bigham, from the Committee on Public Works, presented an ordinance granting the Flinn Machine Company the right to creet weigh scales on Bingham street; passed. Also a resolution authorizing the building of a stairway in an unnamed alley in the Sixteenth ward; passed. An ordinance repealing the ordinance for widening Diamond street; passed.

Mr. Dunn presented resolutions on the death of P. J. White, late the representative of the Fifth ward, which were adopted by a rising vote.

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In Select, a resolution to repay John Graitze \$48 90 overpaid taxes was adopted as was also one to repay Caleb McGune \$38 30 overpaid.

THE POOR FARM AGAIN.

Mr. O'Donnell Objects to Chief Elliot Be ing Allowed to Select It. In Common Council Mr. MacGonigle called

up the Poor Farm ordinance as passed by Select several weeks ago.

Mr. O'Donnell—I object to Councils con-Mr. O'Donnell—I object to Councils conferring the power to purchase the property on one man. I thought a committee of Councils would be appointed to do this work. The Stewart farm was selected at a figure that would bring a profit of \$65,000 to some persons about the hall. I believe the four men who made the purchase knew of this profit. The old farm was sold by the Chief of the Department of Charities and I believe the city lost from \$200,000 to \$300,000 on that sale. Now it is proposed to give the Chief of the Department of Charities the power he had before. I believe there is little use to talk; the ordinance will be passed, but I hold that there are men in Councils who could buy better and cheaper than this ordinance provides for.

The ordinance was passed finally by a vote of \$60 ayes to 1 no. Mr. O'Donnell cast the negative vote.

CAN GO AHEAD NOW.

ions Passed to Carry Out the New Street Legislation. The joint resolutions prepared by City Attorney Moreland for putting into effect the new street laws were presented by Mr. Magee in Common Councils. They are as follows:

Authorizing the City Attorney to discontinue of record all liens filed for securing and collecting assessments made for public improvements under the acts of 1857 and 1889; authorizing the City Attorney to institute and conduct legal proceedings to collect the assessments for improvements made or authorized within two years prior to May 18, 1891; authorizing the Chief of Public Works to enter into arbitration to fix the value of certain land, necessary to the completion of the Schenley Park bridge; authorizing the Chief of Public Works to complete all street improvements contracted for under the acts of 1857 and 1889.

They were passed by both branches.

They were passed by both branches. Communications from the City Attorney and from Chief Bigelow relating to these joint resolutions were ordered received and

THE CORONER'S DENIAL.

He Shows How He Was Not Hasty in the McNally Inquest.

in the case of John McNally had been unnecessarily hurried, Coroner McDowell said "Lieutenant Cramer, Officer yesterday: Cornelius Gribben, Sergeant Best and Police Surgeon I. J. Moyer were present at

Police Surgeon I. J. Moyer were present at the inquest. It was proved by the officers that McNally was found helplessly drunk on the pavement. He was taken to the station house, but was too drunk to lay on the bench and was put down on the floor. The records of the Nineteenth ward station show that during the past three years McNally has been arrested 22 times for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

"When Police Surgeon Moyer swore that death was due to excessive alcoholism I saw no reason for prolonging the inquest, especially since the police records showed him to be a habitual drunkard. This latter fact in deference to his relatives I kept back, but since his son has charged me with hasty conduct I must tell it to vindicate myself. Dr. Moyer said the man had only one small scalp wound, which was probably caused by falling on the pavement when drunk. It did not even bleed. The doctor was with him till he died, and his testimony was strong enough to settle the case." enough to settle the case.

ALLEGHENY CONTRACTS AWARDED.

Firms That Will Furnish Supplies Durin

the Coming Year. At a special meeting of the Allegheny Cormittee on Public Works held last nigh the bills and pay rolls of the various bureau were approved. The Eureka Coal Compan were approved. The Eureka Coal Company was given the contract for coal; Steiner & Voeghtly for hardware; and M. Gallagher for repairing the Bayard street sewer. The latter contract was recommended to be let to James Hastings by the committee as Gallagher's bid was not regular. Controller Brown, however, explained that the defect was caused by an oversight of his and Gallagher was given the work.

The ordinance for the grading and paving of California avenue from Island avenue to Woodland avenue with block stone, asphalt or fire brick was affirmatively recommended. It is to be paid for by special assessment as provided in an act of Assembly of May, 1870.

TRIED LAST YEAR AND FAILED.

Once Before an Attempt Was Made to Dis miss Miss Patton. Another regular monthly meeting of the Another regular monthly meeting of the Roard of Managers of the Allegheny General Hospital was held last night, but, as usual, the charges against Miss Patton were not taken up. Josiah Cohen, however, said the matter would be investigated, but another member said the board would brook no interference.

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In this connection it was learned last evening from a lender in the social and charitable world that a year ago the lady who has preferred the present charges made similar ones against Miss Patton, asking for her removal on account of her religious beliefs. When Miss Patton heard of it she resigned, but the board refused to accept her resignation.

And Still They Come. Fifteen sick and crippled persons from Wilkesbarre and Scranton registered at the St. James Hotel last evening. They came of to see Father Mollinger.

LESSER LOCAL NEWS. PRESIDENT ROBERTS, of the Pennsylvania road, is expected here to-day from Chicago THE Allegheny Auditing and Public Li-brary Committee met last night, but trans-acted only routine business.

The State Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will meet in McKeesport to-day. About 200 delegates are expedied.

John Werer, an ex-Confederate soldier, was sent to Alliance, O., yesterday by the Department of Charities. He has a daughter living there.

Ara congregational meeting of the United Presbyterian Congregation, of Stenbenville, held yesterday morning, Rev. E. M. Milligan received a unanimous call to become their ALEXANDER KILLEN'S attorneys yesterday served notice that on June 23 they will ask

COAL RECORD BROKEN

C. L. Magee's Big Donation Makes River Operators Outdo Themselves . in the Shipments for a Day.

NEARLY 15,000,000 BUSHELS GOOUT Not Enough Boats to Take All the Coal

Loaded in the Harbor. THE WATER FALLING VERY RAPIDLY

Yesterday was the greatest day in the history of the river coal business. According to the latest Davis Island dam reports received at midnight 101 boats passed the locks during the day, and of this number 71 continued to lower ports. It is figured that about 10,000,000 bushels were shipped to Louisville and Cincinnati, and 3,000,000 bushels more were destined to other Southern points, the main destined to other Southern points, the main place being New Orleans. J. Morrow Arnold place being a work of the place of the place of the property of the place of the pl well. No accidents were reported. Mr. Arnold said the tows were running close Arnold said the tows were running close together, and if a mishap occurred to one they were all liable to Jam up in the dark, and great loss would follow. The bridge at Parker is considered the most dangerous, and the operators will beave a sigh of relief when this point is passed.

Total Shipments, 15,000,000 Bushels. Mr. Arnold estimates 200,000 bushels to each boat, which would make the total amount bound for Southern ports about 15,000,000 bushels. Captain Martin, of Davis

amount bound for Southern ports about 15,000,000 bushels. Captain Martin, of Davis Island dam, says that according to the records May 20, 1888, was the next best day, when 980 pieces of various kinds were taken out. The only loss reported during the day was a coal boat for S. S. Crump & Co., which went over Lock No. 1 and was sunk. The boat was cut loose from the steamer Monterey to save the entire tow from being wrecked.

At 10 last evening the water at Lock No. 1 had fallen ten inches, and this will give a fair idea of how fast the rise is ebbing away to low marks. In this connection it may be stated that the largest shipment for one day from the Kanawha river occurred during the recent rise, when 2,000,000 bushels was the record. The Kanawha field is the chief rival to the Pittsburg territory.

"We haven't boats enough to tow the coal. That tells the tale." This was the wail heard along the river yesterday. Captain Rodgers claimed the shipments for the day were the largest in the history of the river coal business, and he asked with pride where was the railroad or set of roads that could move such a bulk of freight in so short a period of time. It is variously estimated that from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 bushels of coal were sent out. Good Stage of Water, but Falling,

At noon the water registered 12 feet, having risen 5 feet and 9 inches from the day be-The water is falling at the headwaters, but it is expected that there will be a coal boat stage for several days and barge water for the balance of the week. The first boat to pass through the Davis Island dam lock was the Charley Clark, and during three hours of the morning 34 boats made the riffle with full tows. Up to noon the record at the dam was 42 boats with a total of 265 barges, 55 fiats, 52 coal boats, 17 model barges, 2 barges and 2 coke flats, carrying 5,100,000 bushels. The officials at the dam who are paid by Uncle Sam to furnish information were very busy toward evening, but it was claimed 7 boats in all got away. All the available boats in the harbor were gobbled up, and even such little pool boats as the Delta, I. N. Hook and the John P. Thorne were pressed into service.

Yesterday afternoon the Water street wharf was deserted, and for the first time in years a full view of the river could be obtained to the Point without the interference of smoke stacks. The Adelle, from Wheeling, came in with a load of railroad ties, and in a twinkling was steaming down the river again with a tow. The Harry Brown got in and was sent back immediately to New Orleaus. waters, but it is expected that there will be

Greater Activity Than for Years. Boats were ordered from Cincinnati, ... heeling and other points. Indeed, such activity has not been seen along the river since the ancient days when the Ohio was

king. The Tom Rees arrived from Cincin nati and came into good play for W. W O'Neil & Co.

Operators were most anxious about getting out the big heavy coal boats first. The high water floated off the five stranded boats for John A. Wood and eight barges for Marmette & Co. at Logstown. A coal famine exists at New Orleans, and black diamonds there are worth 40 cents a bushel. Many of the coal boats will be shipped to that port. Coal at Cincinnati is rated at 10 cents per bushel, and if the operators have luck they will resp a pile of boodle out of this shipment. Some rivermen thought that not more than half the coal lying in the lower pool would be taken out on this rise on account of the lack of boats. In recent years many of them have been sold and are now plying in Southern waters.

The following is a tabulated statement of the boats and their tows bound for Cincinnati and Louisville: O'Neil & Co.

For Cincinnati.

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NAME OF STEAMER.	a.ta	rges	els	shels.
Frank Gilmore				
R. Jenkins		8		204,000
W. G. Horner		12		
John Moren	9		****	280,000
Henry DeBus George Shiras	****	12		150,000
George Shiras	****	12	****	150,000
Advance		10	****	130,000
Bennett		10		80,000
Jim Brown				176,000
Percy Kelsey			****	176,000
Cruiser		14		178,000
James Gilmore				170,000
Voyager.				150,000
Isuac N. Bunton Hornet No. 2.		17	****	150,000 215,000
E. H. Pierrepont				
S. Miller				200,00
Mark Winnett				130, 000
Rescue				
Pacific		10		
J. O. Phillips				130,000
Charles Clark	100	12		150,000
Dauntless				150,000
Seven Sons	5			130,000
Little Fred	6	3		190,000
Total to Cincinnati	38	235		4, 132,000

For Louisville.					
NAME OF STEAMER.	Boats	Barges	Fuels	Bushels,	
Samuel S. Brown Charles Brown Allee Brown Harry Brown Coal City S. Clark Box Box Box Box W. W. O'Nell J. C. Risher John A. Wood Raymond Horner Dave Wood Tom Lysie Tom Rees No. 2 Fred Wilson No. 2 Acorn L. S. Wood Beaver Tom Wood Crescent Tom Wood Crescent Tom Wood Crescent Tom Wood Crescent	10 12 10 10 10 12 8 7 5 12	21 7 4 17 17 18 16 8 11 17 17 5	2	273, 00 278, 00 341, 00 352, 00 250, 00 250, 00 215, 00 225, 00 243, 00 300, 90 286, 00 300, 90 286, 00 181, 00 181, 00 181, 00 181, 00 181, 00 280, 00 300, 0	
Total to Louisville	128	198	17	5,672,000	
To Cincinnati and Louisville	166	486	fr	9,854,000	

CAVALRY TO THE FRONT.

ion of Officers and Preparations for the Coming Horse Show. At a meeting of the Pitteburg Volunteer Cavalry, held at headquarters, 127 Second avenue, the following named officers were elected: Captain, A. Wall; Lieutenant, William Pass; Adjutant, Harry M. Willis; Quartermaster, R. C. Kimmel.

This troop will hold a fair at Recreation Park on Saturday, June 27, for the benefit of the Allegheny County Veterinary Infirmary, that it can obtain a pair of horses and ambulance to take care of horses that are hurt or injured in the street. At this fair there will be competitive drills and prizes awarded for swordmanship, riding, mounting and racing.

Mr. Covert, of Sunbury, a blind man, was going home yesterday after a two weeks' stay with Father Mollinger. He claimed he could see a little, and believes his sight will

Went Mad and Died,

A small dog which showed every sign of hydrophobia, was killed by Police Officer Hayden yesterday afternoon at Fourth ave-nue and Grant street.

WILL HAVE FIREWORKS.

AN INSIPID HARMONY.

To-Day's Conventions Promise to Be but

DR. TALMAGE IN DISFAVOR.

in the Brooklyn Divine.

VICTIMS OF THE LAW.

FREDERICK MILLER was arrested last even ng for playing ball on Carson street.

Mas. Sigmund, who keeps a saloon in Re

H. C. HORNE was threatening the lives of

people on Carson street last night. He was arrested and put under bond to keep the

ANTONE WALEGORSKI is under bail to an-

swer the charge of making an uncalled for

assault on the 10-year old son of Pauline Papelick.

W. B. Veatch, Humane Agent of Industry Elizabeth township, yesterday placed in

Jail H. P. McPherson on a charge of cruelty to his family.

ALBERT WERNER was committed to jail last evening for a hearing to-morrow before Magistrate McKenna on informations for as-sault and battery and surety of the peace, preferred by Mary Sproul.

MARY KIRCHER, alias Allie Nagle, has been

mportant business.

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Arranged Will Be Passed.

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Bituminous Coal. 6

BIG IMPROVEMENTS IN MANY MILLS

lars Now In.

Quite a boom was given to the Fourth of July celebration yesterday by Mr. C. I. Magee's donation of \$500. Other subscriptions to the amount of \$135.50 were received yesterday, including \$50 from The Disparch, which was one of the first to subscribe to the fund, but whose subscription was overlooked at the time. The fund is \$3,818 up to date, and it is not doubted but the remaining \$1,200 necessary will be forthcoming from the citizens of a patriotic turn. The Mayor is desirous that all who intend to contribute will send in their subscriptions this week if possible, as he wishes to close the fund as soon as the required amount is received. A number of corporations and large firms are expected to contribute on this call.

The Mayor and Chief Bigelow yesterday decided on the selection of the Great Western, the Select Knights and the G. A. R. hands for music for the celebration. Each band will have 30 pieces. A meeting will be beld in the Mayor's office at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, when Chief Bigelow and the Mayor will meet all parties who desire to open stands at Schenley Park on the Fourth and make arrangements with them as to privileges. Those who fail to attend this meeting will not be allowed stand privileges as permits will be issued at that time which will be final.

It is desired that a number of merry-gorounds be secured for the occasion also, and owners of such machines are requested to be present prepared to make arrangements. Yesterday's contributions were: C. L. Magee, \$500; Disparca, \$50; E. M. Ferguson, \$10; Charles A. Brown, \$10; D. G. Stewart, \$5; E. J. McLaughlin, \$5; James McKibben, \$10; Charles C. Baer, \$6; George H. Bennett & Bro., \$20, John Escherich, \$5; Ph. Bhott, \$1; Thomas Moroney, \$1; John Bush, \$1; cash, 50 cents betal, \$635.50; previously reported, \$3,124.50; cash on hand, \$2,318.

Mr. Magee's letter to the Mayor is as follows:

To Hom, H. I. Gourley, Mayor:

The ASU, Parsanot to a receive watchest. aid from the Amalgamated Association, al-though it is probably the most needy. Some of the strikers claim that two weeks' benefits are coming to them, and that the enders have been putting them off by ex-cuses that money had to be brought from San Francisco. The Amalgamated Associa-tion has about \$175,000 to \$180,000 in its treasury, but as strikes are almost sure to occur at Steelton, Harrisburg and many other points where the association will need its funds, the members are not willing to vote much of their money away for any other purpose. Getting in Some Live Work.

To-Hon, H. I. Gourley, Mayor:

DEAR SIR—Pursuant to a promise made last year,
I herewith enclose my check for \$500 on the Fidelity
Title and Trust Company, for the coming Fourth
of July celebration at Schenley Park, conditioned
on the night display of fireworks being made part
of the ceremonies. Very truly yours,

C. L. MAGEE. Getting in Some Live Work.

Yesterday's session was probably the liveliest session yet held. The delegates who
are in favor of \$6 a ton for boiling
were on hand early, after spending
all day Sunday gathering up data as to
the condition of trade and the profits
for an iron manufacturer under the
present scale. The scale was voted on in
the afternoon, and although the proposition
of the scale committee to adopt last year's
wages was passed, it is not unlikely that the
matter may come up again for consideration. There were a number of those who
wanted \$6, and yet they voted for the old
wages so as to be in a position to move for a
reconsideration before the scale is adopted
finally. Mayor Gourley says the proposition is accepted, and the contract for \$2,500 worth of fireworks will be let very soon. Pantomimes-There Is Nothing Left to Fight For-Indications That the Slates as

reconsideration before the scale is adopted finally.

This permitted the convention to proceed farther than it would have done otherwise, and the indications are that they will finish the scale this week. In this event the convention will not be in session three weeks. As soon as the puddlers' scale is definitely settled it will not require much time to act on the remainder. There are few changes to be made in the scale outside small alterations in the lists of extras. All of these extras are receiving the fullest consideration, and the discussion at times grows very warm. President Weihe has hard times trying to secure order, but he generally succeeds. Arranged Will Be Passed.

Allegheny politics yesterday was as insipid as potatoes without salt, and the conventions to-day promise to be only marionette pantomimes. Nothing short of a stroke of providence or a broken pledge will infuse any life into the meetings to-day. The Republicans will meet in the Grand Opera House and nominate Judge Over for the seat in Orphans' Court, John Bradley for Prothonotary, and Archy Berry for Jury Commissioner.

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In the Democratic convention, which convenes at Old City Hall, matters will be just as routine. Mr. Sipe again said yesterday that he was out of the fight, and therefore the Governor's appointment will approved. Thomas Mullin will be placed in nomination for Jury Commissioner and a Director of the Poor will be nominated. Beyond that the Republican nominations will be indorsed unless some aspiring Democrat wishes to become a candidate for Prothonotary for the notoriety it will give him.

In the various legislative districts the convention will be marked by the same happygolucky afr. The slate for delegates to the State convention will, from present indications, be the same as published in The Disparce. Mr. Magee will be one of the members from the Fifth district.

The politicians in general wore a self-satisfied air. When T. J. O'Leary was spoken to on a political matter yesterday he only replied: "Politics is dead. I am attending to my private business, for there is nothing to watch." William J. Brennen said there was no possibility of anything outside of what is promised. Judge Gripp and Judge Porter were both of the same opinion. There were no new developments in the earpenters' strike yesterday. The bosses ng to work. They say it is entirely useless o make any more claims; that the strike is to make any more claims; that the strike is losing itself, or rather, gradually dying out. Some contractors say they have all the men they want, while others are working about half their usual quota of men.

Chairman Swartz said yesterday that the benefits are all being paid and that the Strike Committee is busy directing its attention to the new Union Supply Company. ExAgent Irwin came out yesterday maintaining his former position on the planing mill question, and a number of planing mill men said last night if they had the assurance of the bosses that the latter would stand by them and protect them, there would not be any hesitancy in returning to work.

There was a good deal of interest around Joslyn's theater, where the bricklayers are still at work.

Pittsburg Preachers Who Take Little Stock dation, which is about 30 feet deep, will sociation met yesterday morning. After be rebuilt and the furnace will be recondevotional exercises it transacted some un structed at a cost of not less than \$200,000 This work was made necessary by reason of the many floods in the Allegheny injuring portions of the foundations.

The new improvements to the Edith Blast Furnace, in Allegheny, will reach nearly Rev. J. C. Boyd read a paper entitled "What Lessons Can We Learn From Dr. Taimage as a Preacher?" A general discussion of the subject was indulged in by the clergymen, in which the great Brooklyn divine was handled pretty severely.

The new improvements to the Edith Blast Furnace, in Allegheny, will reach nearly \$200,000. The furnace which will remain standing is about ready to be retined. The two old style pipe hot blast stoves will be displaced by three new improved stoves of the Kennedy patent. Besides the brick needed it will require nearly 300 tons of iron and steel plates for the shell work. Work on the foundation for a large new engine house has just been commenced.

The National Tube Company at McKeesport are progressing very rapidly in the construction of their new No. 5 rolling mill, which is to have a puddling department of 40 furnaces and a finishing department of 12 heating furnaces and four trains of rolls.

The Elba Iron and Continental Tube Works is closed for repairs and new improvements. A new ironelad building is to be erected over a portion of the rolling mill and a portion of the tube works. The puddling department of 30 furnaces is to be increased by ten new ones, and a new department for the manufacture of coal gas is also being put up. The capacity will be increased from 40,000 to 75,000 tons a year.

In the Eagle Rolling Mill at Sawmill Run, which is operated under a lease by the Oliver Iron and Steel Company, two heating furnaces have been remodeled, each with double puddling furnaces, making in all 21 furnaces in the mill. In the Republic Mill it will be necessary to tear down about one-half of the furnaces in the new department, which has 12 double furnaces, these being built for gas and are too close together, making it necessary to remove some to make room for the coal boxes and ash pits.

The experiment of Lima crude oil in the Keystone Rolling Mill has been abandoned.

The Oliver Iron and Steel Company will increase the puddling forge of 42 furnaces up to 50 in their mill in Allegheny. Barney McPolan yesterday waived a hear-ing on a charge of larceny and will go to JOHANNA McCARTHY and Patrick McGrail were held for court yesterday under serious A WARRANT was issued yesterday for the arrest of William Grant for disappearing with a coat and vest. serve township, is underarrest charged with selling liquor to minors. GEORGE GRANGER, of Allegheny, has been sued by Joseph Shenkel and Rheingold Haeger for assault and battery.

A GREAT EVENT IN VIEW. Arrangements Completed for the Labor

Discharging Union Cokeworkers,

Transfers to Borrow Money.

Fruit Jar Rates Lowered.

changed from the second and fourth class to the third and fi'th.

Contracts for Painting.

The County Commissioners and Controller vesterday awarded the contract for painting 25 county bridges to the Atlas Paint Company for \$1,040.

A Lively Time Expected. "An adjourned convention of miners from

It is reported that the coke companies are

arrested for improper conduct with Joseph Staudelman, a butcher, of 1310 Penn avenue. The charge was made by Mrs. Mary Wilson, who has been living with Mrs. Kircher. Day at Steubenville. As the time of the annual convention of approaches, the members of the committee charge are renewing their efforts to make in charge are renewing their efforts to make the affair a success. The design for the Armstrongfloral tribute is the most elaborate and most costly ever prepared, to be placed upon any grave, so far as known. The design has been copyrighted.

Among the speakers for the occasion are Hon. John Carcoran, of Local Union No. 9, of Steubenville, Prosecuting Attorney John A, Howard, a member of the same union, William Martin, ex-Secretary of the Amalgamated Association, President Gompers, of the Federation of Labor, President Smith, of the Flint Glass Workers' Union and many other prominent labor officials and leaders. It will be the greatest labor demonstration Steubenville has ever seen. The great offer of the year—the suits for boys (sizes 4 to 14) we sell at \$1 90 each. They are marked down from \$3 50 and \$4. P. C. C. C., PITTSBURG COMBINATION CLOTHING COMPANY, corner Grant and

Wall Paper. Lincrusta walton, pressed goods, hand-made goods; also cheap and medium grades, with ceilings, friezes and borders to match, and a full line of wood moldings, at Welty's, 120 Federal street, 65, 67, 69 and 71 Park

C. Bacurlein Brewing Company, discharging men at some of their plants be-cause they attended union meetings. At Bridgeport, it is claimed, seven of the best unionists have been discharged for this Bennetts, Pa., telephone 1018, brewers and bottlers of standard lager and wiener export beer. The trade and families supplied.

\$1 25. Oxford Ties. \$1 25. Matrons' comfort, soft flexible soles, bright soft dongola. Honest goods in every par-ticular at Simen's, 78 Ohio street, Allegheny, Pa. Oxford Ties.

The local Knights of Labor assemblies of teamsters and brickmakers met last night and by resolutions indorsed the fight now being made by organized labor against the Fifth Avenue Traction road. Ladies' cloth-top fine dongola foxed, patent leather tip oxfords at \$1 25 and \$1 30, made for street wear, at G. D. Simen's, 78 Ohio street, Allegheny, Pa. HUNDREDS of rolls oil cloth from 20c per yard to the best grades, at Welty's, 120 Federal street, 65, 67, 69 and 71 Park way. The freight rates on fruit jars for points west of Chicago have been lowered about 10 per cent. The classification has been

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ANGOSTURA BITTERS are the most effica-cious stimulant to excite the appetite.

APPEALING FOR AID.

district 5 will be held to-day to further consider the matter of withdrawing from the United Mine Workers. It is stated that Vice President Penna will be present to keep the dissatisfied members from leaving the organization. An interesting time is expected, as the grievances of the members who want to leave are against the national officers. Striking Tradesmen Want Iron and Steel Men to Help Them.

OLD PUDDLING SCALE ADOPTED.

large Increases in the Annual Output of

A bulletin has just been issued by the Census Department in relation to the bi-tuminous coal in the State of Pennsylvania, prepared by John H. Jones, special agent. prepared by John H. Jones, special agent. It shows the output of the bituminous regions in the State to have been 36,174,089 short tons in 1889, nearly double that reported at the tenth census. The total value of the output is given as \$37,363,215, against 18,567,129 in 1880. The average number of persons employed in 1889 was 53,789, against 33,288 for 1880, the amount paid for wages in 1889 being \$21,142,051, against \$10,883,583 for 1880. The output of the small local banks and farmers' diggings is reported at \$20,187 short and bricklayers who have been on strike for nearly six weeks will be given a hearing betion this morning. The purpose of this visit is to lay the carpenters' difficulty before the convention and ask for aid both moral and financial. The same committee went to the convention and endeavored to secure a absorbed in the discussion of the wages question that the committee was requested farmers' diggings is reported at \$29,197 short tons. The quantity sold to the local trade and to employes by regular establishments, together with this neighborhood mining, amounts to 1,500,651 short tons, or 4.40 per to return this morning. It is not quite cer-tain that the carpenters will secure financial

together with this neighborhood mining, amounts to 1,500,651 short tons, or 4.40 per cent of the entire production. The amount of coal manufactured into coke during the year 1880 was 10,190,588 short tons, or 28.17 per cent of the total production.

The output of bituminous coal in the State of Pennsylvania during the year ending June 30, 1890, as reported to the tenth census, was 18,425,163 tons of 2,000 pounds, valued at \$18,567,129, or an average of 100.8 cents per ton. The average number of persons of all classes employed was 33,348, and the total amount of wages paid, \$10,863, \$83.

During the calendar year 1889 there were in operation 525 regular establishments and 2,949 country banks, producing a total of 36,174,089 short tons, nearly double the output of the census year 1880. The average number of persons of all classes employed was \$3,780, and the amount paid in wages, \$21,142,051. The value of the total product at the mines, including that consumed in mining operations during the year, was \$27,363,315, or an average of 77.2 cents per short ton. No attempt has been made to determine the number of persons employed and a basis of wages at the country banks owing to the irregular character of the operations.

The counties of Allegheny, Westmoreland, Washington, Greene and Fayette, situated in the southwestern corner of the State, contain the upper productive measures, at the bottom of which lies the notable Pittsburg bed, yielding in the vicinity of Pittsburg a gas coal of the highest quality; to the eastward the coking coals from which the celebrated Connellsville coke is made, and to the southward the Cumberland steam coals of Maryland. Small areas of this bed also occur in Indiana, Somerset and Beaver counties. The remaining counties referred to contain only the lower productive measures, ranging from the isolated areas of the Pittsburg bed to the Brookville bed, the lowers of the lower productive measures, ranging from the isolated areas of the Pittsburg bed to the Brookville bed, the lowers of the Me

BITUMINOUS COAL.

Present Annual Output Double That of the

esting Figures.

Tenth Census-Increase in Value of the Coal and in Miners' Wages-Some Inter-

Industrial Notes. THE strike at Carnegie's Twenty-eighth street mill was ended yesterday. SEVENTY-FIVE crane men employed at Mar-shall's foundry struck yesterday for an ad-vance of 15 cents a day.

W. F. Powell, Vice President of the Master Builders' Association, who was stricken by paralysis, is recovering. ALL BY THEMSELVES.

iders Arranging for a Fourth of July

Celebration of Their Own. Last evening a number of the Southside siness men met at the Birmingham Fire Insurance Company's office and decided to hold a Fourth of July celebration of their hold a Fourth of July celebration of their own. Complete arrangements for speeches etc., have not yet been made, but it has been good deal of interest around Joslyn's theater, where the bricklayers are still at work.

MANY MILL IMPROVEMENTS.

Some of the Firms Who Will Increase Their Capacity This Sammer.

A great many new improvements are being made by leading iron and steel firms in this city. At the Isabella Furnace work of dismantling No. 1 is in progress. The old iron shell is nearly all taken down. The old foundation, which is about 30 feet deep, will

Herman, \$5; Charles Horstmeyer, 5; or a total of \$75.

LACE CURTAINS at any price you may want, at Welty's, 120 Federal street, 65, 67, 69 and 71 Park way.

BIBER & EASTON. BARGAINS FOR THIS WEEK.

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Damask Table Cloths

In all lengths, with % and % Napkins to match, in hemstitched, drawn work, fringed or plain edge. These are John S. Brown & Sons' celebrated hand-made goods, and for beauty of design and intrinsic value are unequaled in

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By the yard. An immense variety at 50e, 65c, 75c, \$1 and upward. Many of these much under regular value. Excellent values in a line of German Crashes, 1234c, worth 15c. Huck Towels at 1234c, worth 15c. Damask Towels, with bright, handsome borders, 25c, worth 30c.

Wash Dress Goods AT BARGAIN PRICES.

Soie Du Nords, India Cashmere Sateens, Century Cloths, Madras Ginghams, Scotch Zephyrs, Etc.

We ask your examination of special lines offered this week at 10c, 12c, 15c,

The Walls Improvement Company yester-day assigned to the Iron and Glass Dollar Savings Bank judgments aggregating \$20,185. The judgments were transferred as security for a note given for borrowed money. BIBER & EASTON. 505 and 507 Market St.

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OUR REMNANTS

FINE CARPETS

ARE GOING FAST. We must have the room, as our new stock of goods will be coming along in a few

400 yards Moquette remnants, 6 to 25 yards long, at 75c, 85c and \$1. Borders to match.

700 yards Moquette remnants in pieces long enough for any size room, at \$1 10—these goods are worth \$1 60 to \$1 75 per yard. 800 yards Axminster and Gobelin Carpets, that have been selling at \$2.50, reduced to \$1.25 a yard. These are not remnants, but patterns which will not appear again.

350 yards Velvet Carpets at 80c per yard, reg-ular price \$1 25. 900 yards Wilton-back Velvets at \$1, worth \$1 50; with borders to match.

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