

MANY MORE ARRESTS

Scheduled to Be Made Under the Auspices of the Reform Association in Allegheny.

AFTER THE FRONT OFFICE FORCE.

Suits For Conspiracy to Be Entered Against the Mayor's Clerk and Several Clerks.

MORE ATTORNEYS WILL BE EMPLOYED.

Preparations to Defeat Any Movement for Delay on Chief Murphy's Part.

If Mayor's Clerk Hunneshagen and the front office force in Allegheny have been congratulating themselves on their escape from accusations in the renovating process going on over the Northside, they are fooling themselves, but not the reformers.

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THE CASES ARE COMPLEX.

The request for help came from Attorney Langfitt, who says the cases are so complex that the lawyers engaged are not able to attend to the work. It is not known yet whether or not Attorney Robb will be employed.

CANNOT DELAY THE GAME.

If the chief and his counsel then show any indications of trying to delay the investigation a motion will be made to refer the matter to Councils with the recommendation that criminal proceedings be instituted.

DEMOCRATS IN MONTANA.

Channey Black's Clubs Doing Good Work in the Northwest.

G. O. Reed, a prominent Helena merchant, was a passenger on the Eastern express for New York last evening. He says the question at issue in the Northwest is irrigation.

HAS PLENTY OF GAS.

Superintendent Brown Says There is No Danger of Scarcity This Winter.

Superintendent George Browne, of the Philadelphia Company, claims that the outlook for the supply of natural gas is better by far than it was a year ago. He said yesterday:

"We have a good supply in our mains furnished by the Murrayville, Jefferson township, Coraopolis and other fields we have been drawing on for some time. We also have a big well in Stowe township and another in North Strabene township, Washington county, not yet turned into our mains.

"Is there any likelihood that there will be an increase in the price of gas?" was asked.

"None whatever, that I have heard of, at least, as far as Pittsburg is concerned."

MAKES TITLE HUNTING EASY.

Colonel J. W. Bissell, who was well known in military circles in connection with the Missouri Engineer Regiment and in other ways, and who died at his boarding house on South Highland avenue on Monday, was the man who devised the block system of keeping records of sales of realty.

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THE COST REDUCED

On Arc Lamps for Street Lighting—The Allegheny County Light Company Bids Lowest and Secures the Four-Year Contract—Gasoline Takes a Rise.

The contract for lighting the streets of the city was awarded yesterday to the Allegheny County Light Company at \$99 per candle-power arc lamp. The East End Light Company, which has the present contract, bid \$98. These were the only bidders for electric lighting. The Globe and Sun Vapor Street Light Company and the Pennsylvania Globe Gas Company were bidders for gasoline lights, but the East End Electric Company underbid them and got the contract at \$17 95 per lamp for gas or gasoline. The contracts are for four years, beginning January 1, 1892.

The Thomson-Houston Electric Company did not inject the spirit into the bidding that was expected. Its agent in the city has been visiting City Hall daily for over a week, and it was generally understood that he would make an offer so low as to insure the contract to that company. The gentleman was on hand yesterday just before the bidding closed and it was reported, and a bid in fact, but failed to offer it. The attitude of the Thomson-Houston people is believed to have had the effect of forcing down the figures of the other bidders, and Superintendent Bowers, of the Bureau of Lighting, was overheard to remark that "if it hadn't been for the outside companies the local fellows would have put in a higher bid than the outside fellows." He explained that by the outside fellows he meant the Indianapolis Jenney Company and the Thomson-Houston.

Chief Bigelow believes, however, that electric lighting is bound to get cheaper each year, and he remarked yesterday that the contract would not be awarded if the bids had been as high as the old contract. For the past three years the East End Company has had the contract at \$120 each per year for the 149 lamps but this year the contract was made at a price not thought advisable to use so many lights, as the venture was somewhat experimental. But it was soon found that gas arc lamps would displace from four to six gas or gasoline lamps, and giving a much superior light, was much cheaper in the end. The number was then increased until at present there are 1,258 arc lights in the city streets, and there are also 2,448 gasoline lamps, costing under the old contract \$12 each per year, but this year they will cost \$17 95 each, the contractors claiming they actually lost \$5 a year on each lamp at the old figures. Chief Bigelow has investigated this subject and confirms the statement of the company. The cost of incandescent lamps under the new contract will be the same as the old, \$18 each. There are 232 of these in use, but also 2,448 gasoline lamps, costing under the old contract \$12 each per year, but this year they will cost \$17 95 each, the contractors claiming they actually lost \$5 a year on each lamp at the old figures.

The total cost of lighting the city for a year under the old contract, exclusive of salaries to city employees, was \$190,232, of which \$112,800 was for 1,158 arc lights at \$100 each, \$12,000 for 100 arc lights at \$120 each, \$29,376 for 2,448 gasoline lamps at \$12 each, and \$3,776 for 232 incandescent lamps at \$16 each. Under the new contract \$4 each will be saved on 1,158 arc lamps and \$24 each on 100, making the total for arc lamps \$120,708. But this saving of \$7,032 on arc lamps will be counterbalanced by the cost of the new contract, which will cost \$43,941.60, or \$13,565.60 more than the old contract, and the total cost of lighting will be \$167,885.60. This is \$7,355.60 of an increase caused by the increased cost of gasoline. Under the new contract \$4 each will be saved on 1,158 arc lamps and \$24 each on 100, making the total for arc lamps \$120,708. But this saving of \$7,032 on arc lamps will be counterbalanced by the cost of the new contract, which will cost \$43,941.60, or \$13,565.60 more than the old contract, and the total cost of lighting will be \$167,885.60.

OLDER BUCKS DISSATISFIED.

Another Sioux Outbreak Expected by the Soldiers in the Spring.

L. J. F. Jaeger, one of General Miles' scouts, was a passenger on the limited last evening returning to his home in Shadron, Neb. He was at the battle of Wounded Knee and said he had a narrow escape from being shot by the soldiers. He was crawling along the ground when they turned a Hotchkiss gun on him. By waving his hat he convinced the troopers he was not a redskin. Mr. Jaeger thinks there will be another Sioux outbreak in the spring. The Indians have broken up by the Hotchkiss guns. Mr. Jaeger claims the trouble was due to the cowardice of Indian Agent Cooper. The redskins were well supplied with powder and ammunition, and prepared to fight.

VALUATIONS AWAY UP.

Only eight or ten assessors have returned their books containing the triennial valuations to the County Commissioners' office, but some of the returns are calculated to give some taxpayers a pain. In one town down the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad, from which the book has not been returned, it is said the valuation is about three times what it has been the last three years, but radical as it may appear the valuation is still below the prices demanded by owners for their property, which is nearly all on the market. If the plan be followed throughout the county some people will find their next year's taxes considerably lower than heretofore.

GOFF WANTS TO BE VICE PRESIDENT.

F. G. Smith, a prominent Wheeling lawyer, was in Pittsburg yesterday. He makes some statements about next year that may put Indiana in the background as a pivot State. General Goff of West Virginia is out for the Vice Presidency, and Smith claims whether he is nominated or not that the Republicans will carry the State. This will change a small number of Democratic electoral votes to the Republican column. General Goff, of West Virginia, is a candidate for Governor next year. It is thought that the job is too small for Elkins and he will not run.

REAR BROS. & CO. READY FOR SETTLEMENT.

Rear Bros. & Co. have issued a notice to the effect that holders of their extension notes, given in settlement with their creditors for 50 per cent settlement of their claims (50 per cent having been paid in cash), dated October 2, 1891, payable one year after date, with the right to anticipate, can present the same for payment.

GET PAST THE GAUGE.

Local Government Officers Who Are Now Under Uncle Sam's Ban

SAID TO HAVE NEGLECTED DUTY.

Collector Warmcastle Says Nothing Serious Will Result.

INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL AGENTS

For some few weeks there have been several special agents of the Government in Pittsburg. They are representatives of the United States Internal Revenue Department at Washington, and their business was to look up little matters which savor of irregularity in office.

The gaugers are the officials touched upon most prominently. In a few of the distilleries these important factors in office are said to have been playing in their business. A week or so ago Special Agents Brooks and Mason stopped at the Central Hotel, and upon being asked by a DISPATCH reporter whether this business in Pittsburg was of any public interest, Mr. Brooks said: "Yes, it would be of very great interest if it would care to divulge it."

Outside of a significant walk and a walk away the writer could secure nothing from Mr. Brooks.

RUNNING TOO OPEN.

The charges made officially at Washington are that certain distilleries were running so fast as to please, and without any Government official there to oversee things as is prescribed by the President. It is a well known fact to everyone generally acquainted with the business that a gauger's occupation is a very important one. He is supposed to take care of all distilled goods until they are sold to a wholesale dealer or jobber.

The gauger sizes up the amount of spirits manufactured, makes his report to the local officials and upon it being properly authenticated, the goods are out of his jurisdiction. It is said that negligence on the part of several gaugers has been plainly proven. The names of three delinquent officers will be given by Collector Warmcastle and the special agents who were here investigating matters are now in Washington.

The reports are thought to be magnified by some of the officials in the Internal Revenue office and that no serious culmination will be the result.

SOME OFFICERS ARE NEGLECTED.

"Yes, there seems to have been some laziness among our officials, according to the reports made by Special Inspectors Brooks and Mason, but of the individuals they refer to I know nothing. I have not seen them since they left the city and am now in Washington. Special Agent Brooks was for many years a member of the United States Secret Service."

EXTENDED THE TIME.

Creditors of J. P. Withrow & Co. Give the Firm a Chance to Recover—Debit to Be Paid in Four Annual Payments Bearing Interest.

The creditors of J. P. Withrow & Co. met at the Monongahela House yesterday and granted the firm an extension of four years. As soon as Mr. Withrow can make arrangements with Receiver Thompson in the Lawrence court, the firm will be turned over to him. At the meeting of creditors a week ago, Messrs. King, of Jones & Laughlins; Atwood, of Atwood & McCaffrey; and Denny McKnight were appointed to go over the statement of assets. They valued the New Castle plant, including the machinery and stock on hand, at \$325,000. They considered this a low estimate, as in the original report was \$388,000. In the resolution appointing the committee the creditors agreed to give the firm their decision. For this reason not more than \$150,000 of the indebtedness was represented. The total liabilities are put at \$500,000 and the assets at \$700,000. W. C. Reed, a New York lawyer, and George L. Reis, of Knoxville, looked after the interests of the Watts syndicate.

The committee recommended that \$82,000 owned by the Sheffield Iron Company and tied up in the Southern Courts should be hypothecated for the purpose of raising money. The creditors would not agree to this proposition, and it was withdrawn. The firm built some furnaces for the Sheffield company and received a firm order for the amount. Since then the bondsmen became insolvent, but the debt is considered good, and will be paid in course of time. The first mortgage against the firm for \$75,000, held by the Bank of Lockhart, was extended with the other debts.

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THE DIVISION WORKS WELL.

County Superintendent Hamilton has just issued printed copies of his annual report of school matters in the county for the year ending June 1, 1891. The statistics contained in the report have been published. One of the innovations introduced by Superintendent Hamilton which has proven a success, is the division of the boroughs and townships into 14 districts and the holding of teachers' institutes in each district. The institutes have been largely attended and great interest taken in them by those interested in school work.

SMOKING JACKETS AND BATH ROBES.

We do not hesitate to say that we have this season the handsomest line of jackets ever shown in this city, and our jackets being tailor made, gives them a great advantage over other jackets in fit and finish. See our fall display.

WILL PRICE, 47 Sixth street.

ART MATERIALS FOR XMAS FANCY WORK.

Designs stamped and started. Latest designs. JOS. HORNE & CO.'S Penn Avenue Stores.

ON THE NORTHSIDE.

For the convenience of advertisers, THE DISPATCH has established A BRANCH OFFICE AT 107 FEDERAL ST., ALLEGHENY, Where advertisements will be received up to 9 P. M., for insertion the next morning. Notices will be kept open every day except Sunday.

IT WAS A SURPRISE.

Senator Rutan's Candidacy for the Lower House Confuses Northside Politicians—A Lively Fight Along the Line is Predicted.

The announcement that Senator Rutan had decided to be a candidate for Assembly in the Second district, Allegheny, was a surprise to the Republican politicians of the Northside. They were prepared for almost any other announcement, and Senator Rutan's candidacy complicates Allegheny politics considerably.

"It looks like a fight from this time on," said James Simpson, the Sixth ward Allegheny politician. "If there has really been a break between Senator Rutan and Senator Quay it is a trifle difficult to tell whether the Rutan guns will be turned on Marshall or Graham, the present member of the Lower House from that district. But Senator Rutan will encounter some rough sledding in any event. In his campaign for Senator he was supported by Mayor Wyman and all the Wyman people. In the coming fight Wyman and his followers will be turned against Rutan. He firmly believes that Rutan and his followers are personally responsible for the trouble into which Wyman and Chief Murphy have been plunged, and they will therefore fight against him. Behind Graham are the church people of his district and while he may be said to be a consistent Quay follower he is not offensive to the anti-Quay people. He is friendly to Marshall, and will go to any distance to have him elected as his colleague."

"Senator Neeb's friends will also be against Rutan, as they see in Rutan's candidacy for the lower House a stepping stone to the Senate, and Mr. Neeb's friends are anxious that he be returned for another term."

Senator Neeb knew nothing of Rutan's candidacy other than what he had read in THE DISPATCH. He would not state his position in the fight, and said circumstances would govern his course.

"WILL YOU BE A CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION?"

"That depends on circumstances," the Senator replied. He would venture no further information on the subject.

FIRE BUREAU IMPROVEMENTS.

Suggested by Chief Engineer Humphries—Chief Brown Says They Are All Good and Will Be Acted Upon—Safety Measures for Firemen.

Chief Engineer Miles Humphries yesterday filed with Chief Brown a report of the operation of the Bureau of Fire for the two months it has been under his control. He makes some interesting suggestions. One of the new chief's duties is a monthly report to his superior officer, but the first month was for various reasons overlooked and the two months are combined in the one document. The suggestions offered include the attraction and use of a discarded ladder truck, the preparation of charts showing the location of fireplugs which the firemen are to be required to memorize, and a requirement that the Building Inspectors furnish to the department a list of all unsafe buildings in the city, as well as those wherein heavy machinery is stored or used on the upper floors.

Chief Brown says all these recommendations are pertinent and will be acted upon immediately. Controller Morrow also indicated his approval in the adoption.

Chief Humphries, in an interview last night, said: "The truck 'H. L. Gouley' at Hazelwood can be made lighter and provided with wide ladders, capable of allowing four or five men to pass on them, at small expense. I want these ladders made 20, 30, 40 and 50 feet long, and of light construction, so that they can be handled easily and quickly. This truck should respond to all fires in the first district on first alarm. My brief experience as a fireman teaches me that such a truck will be available at nearly every fire in the lower part of the city, and at times when the other trucks make arrangements with Receiver Thompson in the Lawrence court, the firm will be turned over to him. At the meeting of creditors a week ago, Messrs. King, of Jones & Laughlins; Atwood, of Atwood & McCaffrey; and Denny McKnight were appointed to go over the statement of assets. They valued the New Castle plant, including the machinery and stock on hand, at \$325,000. They considered this a low estimate, as in the original report was \$388,000. In the resolution appointing the committee the creditors agreed to give the firm their decision. For this reason not more than \$150,000 of the indebtedness was represented. The total liabilities are put at \$500,000 and the assets at \$700,000. W. C. Reed, a New York lawyer, and George L. Reis, of Knoxville, looked after the interests of the Watts syndicate."

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ART FOR ALLEGHENY.

The Carnegie Library Committee to Commence Activity.

WILL INVITE WEALTHY CITIZENS

To Co-operate in the Management of the Art Gallery.

C. H. DAHLINGER PRESENTS HIS VIEWS

The Allegheny sub-Committee on Art of the Carnegie Library Committee has been last aroused from its Rip Van Winkle inactivity and will make an effort to decorate the bare walls of the city's fine art rooms. Ever since the Verestehagin collection was on exhibition the people of Allegheny have had a yearning for something more.

They have written letters, made speeches, and at various times uttered deep threats against the Art Committee for not getting down to work. Now the committee has determined to get even by inviting the citizens to co-operate in it in securing a collection, and giving them joint authority in its control and management. Nothing has yet been formally done, but the matter has been discussed so thoroughly that there is no doubt as to the course that will be pursued.

VARIOUS PLANS SUGGESTED.

In outlining the plans yesterday, Chairman Dahlinger, of the sub-Committee on Art, said a meeting would be called early next week. "Some of the members are in favor of making personal appeals for donations," continued Mr. Dahlinger, "but I do not think that will be done. One of the suggestions was that we write Mr. Schenley. Such a course looks too much like begging, however, to suit the members, and it will hardly be done. The plan that has been talked of and that we all seem to agree on is to invite the wealthiest citizens of the city who are lovers of art, to meet the committee and suggest to them the objects to get them interested and then we think they will make contributions. It is also possible that a citizens' committee will be appointed to act jointly with us in the management of the collection."

ONLY THE BEST WORKS WANTED.

"This is necessary because no one wants to have a fine painting in the city that might be placed alongside of some cheap daub of an advertisement for a thing being done, however. We have determined to accept only the best works of art and will have competent men to judge what is worthy. The committee has been blamed with being dilatory, and is going to redeem itself by thinking of some plan that would stir up public opinion by presenting a valuable painting, that others would follow and we would soon have a good collection."

SELECTING SCOTT'S SUCCESSOR.

Harity Will Probably Take His Place on the National Committee.

The Democratic State Executive Committee will meet in Washington to-day. This is done to accommodate Chairman Kerr, who is a candidate for the Clerkship of the House. While there the members will use their influence and buttonhole Congressmen in his behalf. The Southerners are favorably inclined to the Pennsylvania man and he is recognized as the leading aspirant for the place. The problem before the committee at present is the selection of a national committeeman to succeed the late Congressman Scott, who has been asked to resign temporarily, with the understanding that he was to retire when another man was chosen. This was done to stop the political turmoil between the candidates in Allegheny county. When things get on the track, it is expected that the local aspirants will be appointed. Mr. Sheppard was asked about it, but all he would say was that he had not resigned, and that Mr. Young had reported for duty. Mr. Young has been in the city for some time, and has been made, and the fact that he had held the position under so many Presidents would indicate that the story is political nonsense.

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DROVE AWAY THE INSPECTOR'S HORSE.

Horse thieves are still working in the East End. Robert Ardary, Government Cattle Inspector at the East Liberty Stock Yards, hitched his horse to a post at the Eastern Hotel and went in to transact some business. He returned a few minutes later, but the horse and buggy were gone. Persons on the hotel porch told him two colored men had entered the buggy and driven away about 10 o'clock last night. The horse was found by Patrolman Madison walking down Arthur street, Eleventh ward.

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ANOTHER VOTE FOR HATCH.

Congressman Wilson is Afraid of the Silver Issue in 1892—If Mills is Chosen McMillin Should Be the Democratic Leader.

One lone Congressman wandered through the Union depot, bound for Washington, last evening. It was Wilson, Democrat, from Missouri, a warm supporter of Hatch, and will stick to the Missourian to the end. He doesn't believe in jumping to another candidate.

Mr. Wilson is elected Speaker, he said. McMillin by right of seniority would be the Democratic leader and Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. If one of the other aspirants should be chosen, then Mills will get his old job. The caucus will be held on Saturday, and in the evening it will be known who is the lucky man.

"The Western and Southern members," continued Mr. Wilson, "intend to force the silver question before the House and country. We intend to be conservative, for we realize that the fate of the Presidency depends on our action. The silver question is the most delicate to handle, and if it were removed from the floor I believe that the country would yearn in the South and West, Cleveland is unpopular, but nothing is to be gained by the nomination of a Western free silver man. This would alienate the East."

Mr. Wilson still has a good hold on the people, and after looking over the ground I am inclined to think that the party will put up Grover and Gray, of Indiana. The fight against the tariff is on our side, and will be maintained. It will be the leading issue in 1892. I understand that a general bill revising the McKinley law will be introduced. Mills will insist on such a course, no matter what position he occupies. I don't believe that Hill or Carlisle have been taking an active part in the speaker's contest. Carlisle wrote the latter favoring Mills, and this is all he has done."

Captain R. A. McCormick, of Cadiz, O., assistant clerk of the House, was on the train going to Washington. He is a Republican, and has been watching the Senatorial fight in Ohio. He says he thinks Sherman will be re-elected, but Foraker will give him the closest call he ever had. At present both sides claim a victory and the result is in doubt.

LOCAL BANKS COMPLIMENTED.

Some Talk That Bank Examiner Young Was Appointed to Examine a Short Time.

Hugh H. Young, the local Examiner, commented on the fact that he was yesterday. He served under Presidents Hayes, Arthur, Garfield and Cleveland. The latter fired him three years after he assumed the Presidency. Mr. Young says he has been familiar with the Pittsburg National Banks for a number of years. Banks fail in other places, but none of the national banks ever went under in this city. Since 1863 the Smithfield and Iron City banks have failed out of business. Mr. Young on his semi-annual visit, and expects to be here for several weeks. The claim is now made that Mr. Young has not resigned from the Presidency of the Wellsboro bank, and he consented to take the examination temporarily, with the understanding that he was to retire when another man was chosen. This was done to stop the political turmoil between the candidates in Allegheny county. When things get on the track, it is expected that the local aspirants will be appointed. Mr. Sheppard was asked about it, but all he would say was that he had not resigned, and that Mr. Young had reported for duty. Mr. Young has been in the city for some time, and has been made, and the fact that he had held the position under so many Presidents would indicate that the story is political nonsense.

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