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would not have introduced a more bitter AOOFOOLIFIITO HIOH conflict. T. A. Gallagher, Casper Hazle Sr., and David T. Reese were the first thr

"Stand aside," was the District Atta ney's orders as each came forward. Whe this had been repeated three times, Atto ney Ferguson demanded a formal rulin He was temperate in his language and d not charge the prosecution with attempti to get a partisan jury, but his meaning we clear. His motion, as taken by the constenographer, and on which it is stated appeal will be taken to the Supreme Cou

"It appearing that Messrs. Gallaghe Hazley and Reese have already been sto aside without reasons being assigned and the Commonwealth is represented by p vate counsel, the defendants' counsel no object to the District Attorney so stan ing aside jurors, as he is only in a technic manner representing the Commonwealth Mr. Watson supplemented the motion

Mr. Watson supplemented the motion by stating that it was evident the prosecution was selecting the jury through his own counsel and the District Attorney. The Court replied that it could not in-quire into the District Attorney's method, and would only recognize his official action. A long debate followed, in which the de-fendants' counsel indicated they would are court on the the surgerme Court on fendants' counsel indicated they would carry the point to the Supreme Court on rights granted them in the Constitution. The call of jurors was finally taken up again, and over 50 names out of the entire panel of 60 were called before a jury was selected. Over 35 were stood aside by the Commonwealth. The District Attorney waived his right to challenge four. The defense challenged Rodger Aiken, William Alexander and Alexander Gilfiltan. In se-bering men to fill the vacuum senter be Commonlecting men to fill the vacancies the Common weathy men to hill the vacancies the Common-wealth was allowed the privilege of stand-ing aside. This was objected to by the de-fense, and nearly an hour's debate on law points followed. The Court would not change its ruling, however. The jury as selected is as follows:

The List as Finally Decided On.

George Kemp, clerk: Graham Scott, real estate agent; Jacob Vickestein, puddler; James H. Young, laborer; John Schwein-hart, saloon keeper; Henry Smith, roller; Samuel W. Ewing, farmer: Caleb Inas, barber; A. P. Kirhland, railroad superintendent; Harris Crawford, grocer; Alex. M. Jenkenson, tobacco dealer; James Collad,

The jury is remarkably intelligent, and if they are all Republicans they are a credit to their party. Inas is a colored man, and when his name was called it took the com-bined efforts of all the tipstaves to maintain order. All the jurymen were well dressed and paid close attention to every word said, even the long, dry speeches on legal points.

When the jury was selected the defense created the second sensation of the day by wing to have the indictments quashed for the following reasons:

First-It is not alleged in said indictments that the publications complained of are Second-It is not alleged therein that said

publications were false to the knowledge of

publications were faise to the knowledge of the defendants. Third—It is not alleged that the alleged libels were malicionsly published. Fourth—It is not alleged that the publica-tions were written and published malicious-ly or negligently.

The usual long arguments followed, after which Judge Porter overruled the motion. During the talk Attorney McCook smilingly said to Senator Quay that he thought he would have his pay stopped while traveling over the county prosecuting libel suits.

"Don't do it," answered the Senator. "This is expensive business.

Glorious Old Tom Opens.

Mr. Marshall opened the case for the Commonwealth. His speech was in "Glorious Old Tom's" usual flowery style, and at the same time brought out prominently all the important law points. He referred to the section of the bill of privileges which gives the right to man to defend life, property and reputation. Reputation, he said, is a God-given right placed on the same plane with life. He cited the law which makes it a misdemeanor to blacken the name of one who is dead or the reputation of one who is living. Refering to the alleged libelons article, he said there was only one course for Mr. Quay to pursue, and that was to meet hi

ASSESSMENTS HIGH,
The Increase in Valuations Causes a Stir Among Taxpayers.
SOUTHSIDERS WILL SUE.
Heavy Inroads Will Be Made on the Rural Class, and the AGRICULTURAL TO GO ENTIRELY.
Mayor Gourley Says the Whole City Tax System Is Wrong.

MANY PROTESTS FROM ELLSWORTH

City Hall was undoubtedly a storm center yesterday and the assessors' office suffered the greatest damage. The crowds that pushed and jostled into the narrow space provided for taxpayers, who come to appeal from the figures fixed upon their property by the assessors were largely representative of the rural wards of the East End. They, and some of the Southside wards will be the ones to suffer the heaviest from the decision of the Board of Assessors to practically wipe out the classifications here-

tofore known as rural and agricultural. If this decision is carried into effect instead of an assessment on one-half or twothirds the real value, according as the property was classified, there will be a horizon tal increase in taxable valuation. The increase affects not only the owner of a fine residence and broad lawn, or of a large

tract of unimproved land on the outskirts of the city, but also affects the numerous owners of small, unpretentious homes in the same locality. Out in the Twentieth ward, along Ellsworth and Fifth avenues, and various other streets where handsome residences are numerous, the increase in values made by the assessors will run between 200 and 300 per cent over the last triennial assessment.

Assessed as It Would Sell,

The valuation this time is taken on the full front foot price of the ground and will be assessed at that figure. Among the appeals entered yesterday was one of John R. McGinley, owning a piece of ground 180x265 feet at Ellsworth and Morewood avenues, upon which the assessors fixed the figures at \$37,000. In his appeal the owner states that the ground has been used for a pasture, and that \$27,000 is a big figure for it.

Many of the appellants yesterday were in an indignant frame of mind, and some of them were not backward in stating their belief that the people controlling the city government were causing the increase in taxable valuation with the object of increasing the tax receipts, while appearing to re-duce taxation by lessening the millage. The people of the Twenty-sixth ward were vigorous in their expressions also, and it was stated that unless the assessors would wipe out the agricultural classification and assess all property on improved streets in the city at its full cash value, citizens of that ward would con-test their assessments in the courts. The city officials who favor this plan, in arguing with those opposing it, claim that owners of heretofore "rural" or "agricultural" property should not complain that they are now to be

nts the building reduced from \$120,000 to ,000, but he increases several other perties of his in that ward beyond the essor's figures. John Dalzell appeals m an assessment of \$85,590 on his 72x100-t lot at Penn avenue and Garrison alley, wants it fixed at \$72,000. The Alex. tchell estate lot, 40x110 feet, on Liberty a Tonth charact is accounted at \$54,000. but

Tenth street, is assessed at \$64,000, but ppeal fixes the value at \$40,000. Long List of Appeals.

ong the appeals are the following, the ed value being given first and the

Among the appears are non-to-boowns, inc assessed value being given first and the owner's sworn value second: Robert Spronl, lot 19/5x22, Cliff street, \$1,950; \$577. Floyd heir-, lot 31.64. Reed street, \$1,334; \$700. J. R. Voskamp, lot 42x31, Wylie avenue, \$3.570; \$1,730. Annie M. Kennedy, lot 20x127, Bedford avenue, \$2,000; \$1,200. Mrs. R. C. Urben, lot 20 174. Center avenue, \$3.300; \$1,600. Auton Romar, lot 33x34, Devilliers street, \$2,885; \$2,000. Charles Cunnincham, lot 61x63, Webster street, \$1,70; \$3.000. W. R. O'Brien, lot 20x90. Colwell street, \$1.200; \$900. George H. Bennett, lot 25x90. Fith avenue, \$4,500; \$4,000. George M. Reed, Bedford and Roberts streets, \$10,800; \$7,500. Dollar Savings Bank, lot 50x150, Cliff street, \$5.750; \$4,000. Twentieth ward-A. C. McCallum, lot 60x 150. Morewood avenue, near Center, \$7,500, \$5,300; D. C. Phillips, lot 192x296, corner Ell-worth avenue and Pitcairn street, \$39.400, \$20,266; T. A. Mellon, \$8 perches, near Ben Venue station, \$6,625, \$2,509; T. B. Atterbury, lot 112x293, Ellsworth avenue, \$23,430; \$15,000. John R. Baum, 5.5 acres, Rebecca street, \$126, 206; \$75,000.

Join R. Baum, 5.5 acres, Rebecca street, \$120-203: \$75,000. Twenty-third ward-D. W. C. Bidwell, 16 acres, Forward avenue, \$25,980; \$9,905. Also, further ont the same street, 52 acres, \$53,400; \$20,850. Mrs. Nora Ingold, lot 150:220, Second avense, \$9,750; \$65,500. Rev. E. Williams, 116x 130, Ulysses street, \$2,330; \$1,500. Peter Shields, 10 acres, Bigelow street, \$26,655; \$2,200. John F. Getty, 1 acre, Hazlewood avenue, \$4,000; \$1,700. The figures of appellants are sworn to in

each case. Those given above show about the ratio of increase through the wards. In the ratio of increase through the wards. In the Twenty-ninth ward the Oliver Wire Company, astessed at \$203,000 on their plant, appeal for half that amount, and, to show their sincerity, offer to sell it for \$100,000 if the buyer will remove their buildings and machinery. The figures on buildings are not given, because but few appeals are made on building valuations, assessors not having increased them.

ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED

For the Fifth Annual Banquet of the Press Ciub. Preparations for the Pittsburg Press Club's fifth annual banquet are almost complete. It will take place on Thursday, the 28th inst., at the Hotel Duquesne. A number of notable men will be present. The Hon. Jeremiah Rusk, Secretary of Agriculture, will represent the national administration, and Governor Pattison, that of the State, and both will respond to appropriate toasts. A brilliant oration may also be ex-pected from Hon. John Dalzell, and the veteran journalist and politician, Colonel A. K. McClure, will also speak on an ap-propriate subject. A novel topic will be discussed by Editor J. B. Laux, of the

Greensburg Press. The other speakers in-clude prominent men from all walks in life, including journalism in this city. In order to put the banquet as far as p sible within the easy reach of working newspaper men it has been decided to serve dinner at 6 o'clock sharp. Seats may be obtained of Percy F. Smith. The demand for seats has started in so briskly that the prospect of an unusually large attendance at the banquet is already assured.

PUSHING THE BRIDGE SCHEME.

Col. Andrews Not Worried by a Rival Structure Across the Hudson. Colonel James B. Andrews left for New

York last evening. He is interested in the Lindenthal bridge projected across the Hudson river. Some time ago two Albany politicians secured a charter from the New York Legislature, and then revived an old New Jersey charter. They combined the two, and now propose to build a parallel bridge across the Hudson. Colonel Andrews assessed for the full value of their land when they have escaped that estimate so long in the past. On the other hand those interested retort that if all the "rural" or "asricultural" property was put on the market the value of vacant property gener-ally would go down to far less than the ast the property from Congress to build a bridge

A LULL IN THE STORM The Presence of Murphy's Blue-Coats Subdues the Strikers.

THE PITTSBURG . DISPATCH, THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1892.

TWELVE CARS PUT IN OPERATION.

The Annual Election of District Assembly, No. 3, Postponed.

SOME GENERAL INDUSTRIAL NOTES

Yesterday was a quiet day in the Pittsburg, Allegheny and Manchester Street Railway employes' strike. The presence of 50 policemen had a tendency to subdue the riot-loving spirit of the mob and 12 cars were allowed to run at their pleasure over the Western avenue branch.

Early in the morning Allegheny Police Superintendent Muth arrived at the car stables and at once stationed his men along the line, He was in command all day. At 5:30 A. M. 12 cars were sent out. Each car carried two or three policemen. The cars were not run as regular as usual. It was thought yesterday afternoon that the company would keep the road in operation during the evening, but all cars were called in at 6 o'clock, and during the evening all was quiet. Only ten officers were kept on duty.

To Await Further Charges.

Yesterday morning, when Motorman Mitchell's case came up before Mayor Wyman, he was sent back to the lockup to await charges, which will be preferred by the company. No one appeared to bail him out.

Martin Hele was also arrested and lodged in the Pittsburg Central station on a charge of riot. District Master Workman Dempsey also had a warrant served on him. He was not locked up. These were the only arrests made yesterday, but the officers have warrants for quite a number of other strikers.

The hearing in the injunction case came up vesterday afternoon. On application of L. K. Porter, attorney for the strikers, it was adjourned until Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The strikers are indifferent as to whether they are enjoined, claiming, with the one exception of Tuesday afternoon's riot, that they have done nothing out of the way. Last night a citizens' meeting was held at

Woods' Run to protest against the com-pany's action. It was largely attended. To-night a similar meeting will be held in Franklin's school in Manchester. The strikers say financially they are on a firm basis, as many of the men are well-to-do.

Assistance From Organized Labor. To strengthen their treasury the different labor organizations are contributing, and by Saturday night it is expected that over \$1,000 will have been turned over to the men. District Master Workman Dempsey says not only the labor organizations, but also the business men are among the con-

tributors. Dispatcher Irwin said last night: "To-morrow we will be able to send out 20 cars, or half our usual number. Men are con-stantly coming to the office in search of work, and we will soon have all we need. The greater part of the men are residents of the two cities. We are not using any schedule yet, as we do not have enough cars. The police will be kept on to-mor-

row. The Pleasant Valley Company is reaping a rich harvest out of the strike. It is carrying about 50 per cent more passengers than before. Six extra cars are now being run on the California branch.

K OF L ANNUAL MEETING.

They Read Reports, Pass Resolutions an Raise Funds for Strikers. The annual district meeting of K. of L.



TO LEASE IS CHEAPER. One Man Killed and Six Persons Injured, In Yesterday's List. A Proposition Made the City to Pur-A section hand was instantly killed by falling under an engine yesterday, and six persons were injured in various wavs, but none of a serious nature. The list follows: persons were injured in various ways, but none of a serious nature. The list follows: GoRMAN-Joseph Gorman, a section fore. man on the Pittsburg and Western Bailroad, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon be-tween Willow Grove and Bennett stations. Gorman attempted to jump on the foot-board of an engine as it approached him-The board was covered with ice, and he fell on the rails, the wheels cutting his head off. The body was taken to Allegheny, and from there removed to his home, in Etma. Moscan-Willie Morgan, a boy employed at the Edgar Thomson Steel Works, was brought to the Mercy Hospital last night. His feet and legs were bally burned by an explosion of hot metal at one of the furnaces yesterday afternoon. BLUENTRIN-Samuel Bluestein, a match boy, was struck by a Birmingham Traction car near the Lake Erie depot yesterday afternoon. He was severely bruised, but no bones were broken. He was sent to his home on Manhaiten street, Allegheny. DILLON-James Dillon, an employe at the how for a rear builton walked into the room where the gas was escaping. He was rendered unconscious, but was discovered soon afterward and removed to his jone on Fity-first street. Strinke-Henry Steiner, an employe at the Reystone Birdge Works, fell from a senfioid yesterday morning and had his skull fractured. He was removed to St. Francis' Hospital.

WEDNESDAY'S WAIL OF WOR

Hospital. GAHARDI-Anton Gahardi, a laborer at Carnegie's Twenty-ninth street mill, had his hand orushed by a heavy casting falling on it yesterday. GREEN-William Green, an employe at the Pork House mill, Woods' Run, had his foot crushed by an axle yesterday afternoon. He was brought to the Allegheny General Hospital. Hospital.

GLAD TO GO HOME

The Parents of the Young Sunsway Send for Him.

A telegram was received by the police last evening directing that Charles Stewart, 11 years old, who has been in Central staion since Tuesday, be sent to his home in Bellaire, O. Last Sunday a buight little fellow entered Central station and asked for a night's lodging. He said he was from Benwood junction and that his father had kicked him out of the house. He gave his name as Harry Harris. He was lodged for

the night, and on Monday morning Chief Elliot furnished him a ticket back to Benwood junction. The boy went, but on Tuesday turned up again at the Baltimore and Ohio depot. The depot officer at once arrested him and sent him to Central sta-

tion. A telegram was sent to the Chief of Police at Wheeling and from him it was learned that the boy's name is Charles Stewart. His home is in Bellaire, O. and he had ran away. His father is a railroad engineer. Word was sent to his father and he telegraphed to send him home. He will be sent this morning. The lad has evi-dently had enough of running away and is willing to return.

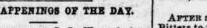
willing to return.

DIED AT CINCINNATL

George K. Shoenberger, br., a Former Pitts burger of Note, Passes Away.

Word was received here last night from Cincinnati that George K. Shoenberger, Sr., an old resident of that city, died yesterday aged 83 years. Mr. Shoenberger went to Cincinnati when a young man and embarked in the iron business, from which he amassed a fortune. The Shoenberger mansion at Clifton, a suburb of Cincinnati, is noted for its magnificence. It was built by the noted architect, James Wilson, 25 years

the noted architect, James Wilson, 25 years ago. Many people of prominence have been entertained there. George K. Shoenberger, Jr., of Schoen-berger & Co., this city, is his son. Mr. Shoenberger leaves a widow and four chil-dren. They are Mrs. John C. Sherlock, of Cincinnati; William, who resides abroad; George K., Jr., of this city, and Joseph, who resides in the East.



THE SMITHFIELD STREET SPAN. Free Toll for the Pedestrians to and From the Southside. SOME SUGGESTIONS OF A DIRECTOR Pedestrians who traverse the toll bridges to and from the Southside, have prospects of doing so at the expense of the city one of these days. The free bridge question is being agitated and the method of accomplishing the matter has been discussed freely recently.

chase a Bridge's Right.

Controller Morrow has interested himself as a city official, and he is now awaiting the opinion of the Southside people upon the proposition made. J. M. Bailey, a director of the Monongahela Bridge Company, owning the Smithfield street bridge, has consulted with Controller Morrow, explaining how much more advantageous and cheaper it would be for the city to buy the foot right from the company.

Controller Morrow consulted with City Attorney Moreland by letter, asking if it would be a legal proceeding to enter into such a contract, to which a reply came that it would be perfectly legal and binding.

it would be perfectly legal and binding. All that was necessary to bring the matter to an end was for Councils to agree upon the deal. Mr. Bailey was called upon at his Penn avenue home last night. "Yes," he responded to the reporter's question, "I think the scheme is very prac-tical—more so than any I have heard pro-posed yet. The idea is to have the city pay so much a year for the number of foot pas-sengers who go over the structure. The number could easily be ascertained by count-ing for one month. Some months would vary, of course, but not enough to be noticeable or enuse any big difference in receipts. In the long run the city would be receipts. In the long run the city would be better off, as a new structure would proba-bly cost \$500,000. Bonds would, of course, have to be issued and the interest on them

would have to be paid. Arguments Favoring the Plan.

"I think, for the amount of this interest, the toll of all foot passengers could com-fortably be paid. Another thing, the locafortably be paid. Another thing, the loca-tion proposed, between Tenth street and the Smithfield street bridge, is not a good one for the new structure talked of by the city. If one bridge is free they all should be, which I think will ulti-mately be the case. I am in favor of it. Also of giving as much accommodation in the cheapest way. As to the wagons and other vehicles, the owners of them can af-ford to pay toll, and many have yearly tickets. It is not the expense connected tickets. It is not the expense connected with the individuals, but the petty annoy-ance of stopping and groping about in a pocket full of change hunting for a penny. Allegheny and Pittsburg connecting bridges ought to be free, and I am inclined to think all will be thrown wide open if the conall will be thrown wide open if the cou-stant agitation of the question continues."

GOOD ORGANS AND PIANOS

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et his accusers in court. That had been in, and it was now for the jury to clear the name of the persecutor. The final witness called was A. P. Moore,

a reporter, who at Senator Quay's request had purchased a paper containing the al-leged libelous article. Collector Warmtle gave similar testimony.

William Schoyer, a director of the Post Publishing Company, testified that A. J. Barr is President of the company and that James Mills is writing editor. The Court ruled out a question as to the circulation of the paper. The case will be taken up again at 9 o'clock this morning.

COLLECTING TARIFF STATISTICS.

Mr. Weeks Explains Why Enough Black Plate Is Not Made in America.

Joseph D. Weeks went to New York last evening to meet the Senate Finance Committee. This committee has been engaged for some time in investigating the effects of the McKinley tariff. Mr. Weeks will probably be assigned to collect the statistics on glass, iron and wages. The committee intend to go back into the history of tariff legislation for the last 50 years for the pur-

pote of making comparisons. Mr. Weeks thinks the present tariff the most consistent ever established. None of the articles are rated higher than the ma-terials out of which they are made. For instance, the duty on cotton ties is not more than is placed on hoop iron, and the same is true of other schedules. As for the scarcity of black plate in America, Mr. Weeks says it is due to simple causes. The tin plate manufacturers are dependent on this product. It takes from eight to ten months to build a sheet iron mill. The men in this business never had any assurance until a few months ago that the tariff on tin plate would be maintained. In 1890 a Demogratic House with an envelophic Democratic House with an overwhelming majority was elected. This fact afforded very little assurance to people engaged in the tin plate business. Black plate is made in America, but not in sufficient quantities to supply the market. For several years the demand for sheet iron has been in advance of the production.

JOHN WOODS NOT INSANE.

After a Long Contest the Jury Decides in the Old Gentleman's Favor.

The jury in the case of John Woods, of Mt. Washington, whom his son William, of Bethel township, wished to have declared of unsound mind, at last came to an agreement a few minutes before 6 c'clock last evening, finding that John Woods is not insane, and that he is able to attend to his own affairs. It appeared as though Commissioner McClay had about concluded there would be a disagreement. The case appears to give great satisfaction in quar-ters where the old gentleman is known, but late in the afternoon but few of the parties in interest knew of the result. Woods' sonin-law, Dr. McCormick, waited to hear the result, and N. W. Shafer, one of the re-spondent's counsel, also deferred his journey to West Bellevue until a later train than

The case has been most stubbornly con-tested, and it is supposed this verdict will give it a quietus. The costs by this time will be a serious matter for consideration for some one.

Will fiold an Open Meeting This Evening.

The next regular meeeting of the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the lecture hall of the Carnegie Library, Alle-gheny. An interesting programme has been gneny. An interesting programme has been arranged. Among the papers to be read is one on "The Early History of the Sewick-ley Valley," by Rev. James Allison, D. D., and another on "The Oil Fields of Western Pennsylvania," by James W. Drape. The public is cordially invited to attend. ally would go down to far less than the authority from Congress to build a bridge figures named by the assessors and that con-sequently it is not a fair way of fixing the

precise cash value on such land.

Not Confined to One Class But while the increase in the rural wards is great there is a general increase all over the city. Chief Assessor Case says that it will average about 25 per cent over the city. In one downtown ward, in which the ap-peals have all been considered and reduc-tions accordingly made by the assessors, the tions accordingly made by the assessors, the increase only amounts to 13 per cent, but he says it will so far exceed this in some other wards as to make an average of 25. The valuations were fixed by the assessors, who have been working on the neatter for more than a year. While under the law they could not announce their fig-ures until the books of the county assessors came in from the wards, still they have paid little or no attention to these books, because

they argue that the county assessors, in order to keep the favor of the voters in their respective wards, hold the valuations down entirely too low. Mayor Gourley says the classification of property, as has been predicted, is a farce, and would be ended quickly. He says there is little rural property in the city, and none that should be called agricultural. In the Twenty-second and portions of the Eighteenth, Twenty-first, Twenty-third, and one or two Southside wards, he says

there is "rural" property, but in no others, and it should be so assessed. "Where people have paved streets, city water, lights and police and fire protection, "he said yesterday, "they should pay the same rate of taxes as the beople downtown, no matter what part of the city they may live in. I believe the whole scheme of taxation in this city is street. wrong, but it is a difficult thing to propose a better one. But, without a better one, this could be improved by taxing heaviest those who have plenty and can bear it, and

giving the working people the advantage of any classification measures that may be adopted. Lately, it appears to me, the ad-vantage has been given the other way." Little Hope for the Agricultural. A member of the Board of Assessors said

last night: "We have not yet settled the matter, but I believe the agricultural classmatter, but I believe the arricultural class-ification will be wiped out entirely and the rural will only apply to a few wards-the Twenty-second, for instance, portions of the Twenty-third and possibly one or two of the Southside wards. We have been so busy with the djustment of the assess-ment on the smeals that come in that sements on the appeals that came in, that we have not had time to determine the classification. But it will be done soon, and the change will be radical.

the change will be radical. "People get mixed on the preliminary assessments," he continued, "and imagine that the valuations we send out on tran-scripts are fixed absolutely. The fact is, final action is not taken until after all ap-peals are heard and the board goes over the entire work again. We always make allow-ance on appeals, unless there is a good rea-son for not doing so, and thus, while our original assessments may indicate an in-crease of 40 or 50 per cent in the valuation, it will not net much over 25 per cent if it will not net much over 25 per cent, if that. The only wards canvassed by the board the second time are the Seventh, Ninth, Tenth, Fitteenth, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth and Twenty-eighth. The first will be finished to morrow?

will be finished to-morrow The appeals filed yesterday came from the Fourth, Eleventh. Sixteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-third and Twenty-ninth wards. The Eleventh and Sixteenth wards produced the greatest number. Among the Fourth ward appeals was one Among the Fourth ward appeals was one from Henry Phipps on a number of Penn avenue properties, between Garrison alley and Tenth street. One lot, 30x160, was assessed at \$46,500 but, he appeals to have it only \$42,000. Three lots, 24x110, assessed at \$28,230, were not appealed, but he calls attention to four two-story brick houses on them, which should not be on them, which should not be assessed because they will be torn down April 1. T. C. Jenkins appeals from an assessment of \$274,500 on the 90x

240-foot lot occupied by his big storehouse, his affidavit being only \$247,500. He also

and it will not be granted. The railroad terminal bridge which the colonel's company intends to build will cost \$60,000,000. The tables will be 514 feet in thickness, and one span only will be used. In 1889 40,000,000 passengers were ferried across the river between New York and Jersey City. Colonel Andrews says the traffic is there to make the bridge pay.

Nothing but War Tatk in Washington.

Msjor Holliday, Commissioner of Cus-oms, was at the depot last evening returning to Washington. He came up from the Capitol yesterday morning to get his daugh-ter, who is going to school at Little Wash-ington. She has been ill for some time, and he took her back with him to recuperate. The Major said he heard nothing in Wash-ington but talk about the possibilities of of war with Chile. He remarked that so far as he could see it made little difference whether the country went into battle with the South American Republic or not.

A New Site Offered.

The special committee of Allegheny Councils having in charge the selection of a site for the proposed Government building and postoffice attempted to meet last even ing, but did not secure a quorum. The matter was, however, discussed, but no action was taken. A new offer was received from Joseph Walton, placing at the disposal of the committee a piece of property on North avenue, for \$65,000. It fronts 123 feet on that street and runs back 180 feet to Ellsworth street, on the corner of Race

Will Wrestle With Bottle Rates To-Day. The Pittsburg committee of freight agents will meet at the Lake Shore office to-day, to consider the classification of bottles. The pressed ware men who make tableware and bottles want some concessions on their products, if the third class rate is restored on bottles. An agent said yesterday that he couldn't see that the pressed ware men had any cause for complaint. He thought the

bottle men were entitled to the old classifi-cation. After visiting the manufacturers the agents say they are more confused than ever, and they don't know what to do.

IN THE GRASP OF THE LAW.

THE cold weather had its usual effect on the patrons of the Central station lodging house last night. At 11 o'cock there were nine weary and footsore wanderers reposing on the benches at the station, the tender heart of Sergeant Rosewell preventing him from turning away any of the applicants for a night's lodging even if their faces were formilies. familiar.

EUGENE SAMPSON, colored, arrested by Detective Kelly for stealing overcoats from the Monongahela House, was given a hearing yesterday by Alderman Gripp on the charge of inceny. He was held for court of every charge. In default of \$200 ball on each charge he was committed to jail. THE night relief of the police force, in all three districts, went on duty last night at 11 o'clock instead of 9, the usual hour. They were given the two hours off to make up for some of the extra time they have served at fires,etc., and for which they received no pay.

JOSEPH JOEDAN WAS given a hearing before JOSEPH JOEDAN was given a hearing before Alderman Richards yesterday on a charge of assault and hattery preferred by his wife, who testified that her husband struck her over the head with a fire shovel. He was committed to jail in default of bail for court. MAUD HUTCHINSON WAS sent to jail yester day after having a hearing before Alderman

Gripp on a charge of escape. She, with Mamie White, escaped from the dangeon of the workhouse some months ago, and were rearrested in Altoona. Sickness Among Children

Repectally infants, is prevalent more or less at all times, but is largely avoided by giv-ing proper nourishment and wholesome food. The most successful and reliable of all is the Gail Borden "Eagle" Brand Con-densed Milk. Your grocer keeps it.

the fact that the election of officers was scheduled to take place." This feature, however, was postponed until this morning at 9 o'clock. Nearly 60 delegates were in attendance representing 3 750 people. The business transacted was chiefly the reading of reports and a general review of the affairs in the district. All were very

encouraging. Six new assemblies were added to No. 3 in the past three months. Master Workman Dempsey and the Finan-cial Secretary read their reports, showing a large increase in the membership roles and financial condition of affairs. Assessments of 50 cents were levied upon all members of the district, which money is to aid the Man-chester Street Railway strikers in their cause. All delegates of assemblies pres-ent were instructed to have meetings called and urge the members to make prompt settlement. Resolutions were passed condemning the blue laws, and the methods of the Law and Order Society in its perni-cious activity. The General Assembly will be asked to prepare some measure to pre-sent at the next session of the State Legis-lature condemning the conspiracy laws. At the election to day there will be no opposition to Master Workman Dempsey or

Secretary L. Hoechstetter, both of whom will probably be re-elected. It is thought that \$1,000 will be collected for the aid the strikers by Saturday night.

Another Exchange May Be Formed.

P. J. Hamilton, Secretary of the Builders' Exchange, and about a dozen delegates, returned last evening from the meeting held in Cleveland. They were not in a good humor by any means, and telt sore over their treatment. Mr. Hamilton claimed the basis of representation had been changed so that only four delegates from Pittsburg would be admitted. He' said it was nothing but a scheme to exclude the Pittsburg members and none of the dele-gates attended the convention. They bolted the meeting and Mr. Hamilton says other cities intend to withdraw from the association. A report will be made to the local exchange at the next meeting. It is ex-pected that the action of the delegates will be sustained, and the chances are another ciation of builders will be formed. The delegates from Pittsburg had no desire to run the convention, as charged, but on this account they were excluded.

To Aid the Women

The press feeders of Typographical Union No. 7 will hold an entertainment at their rooms, No. 114 Smithfield street, next Saturday evening. The object is for the benefit of the women job typos who are out on a strike. The most popular young lady will receive a beautiful gold watch.

McKnight's Pets Bunning at Large.

A wolf and three foxes escaped last Satrday afternoon from the menagerie at Schenley Park. The park police made every effort to recapture them, but failed. Yesterday the wolf appeared at Station street and Collins avenue and was caught by Officer Shaffer and taken to the Nineteenth ward police station. One of the an-imal's legs was injured. The foxes are still at large.



COUNTY COMMISSIONER J. G. WEIR desire to express to the people of the community his deepest thanks for their kindness and asympathy over the death of his brother, Gamble Weir. From all sources came the assurances of condolence and respect, break-ing to some degree the polgnant grief felt by the family at the untimely death of their relative. **BIBER & EASTON.** relative.

CLOAKS AND WRAPS Ar the annual meeting of the stockholder of the Independent Natural Gas Company of Sewickley, yesterday, the following Board of Directors were elected: D. C. Herbst, F. Osburne, H. S. Becker, L. A. Miller, William Sipe, Joseph Hite, John Mc-Millen, G. H. Anderson and A. D. Millinger.

ONE-HALF AND ONE-THIRD THE Burns banquet at the Monongahela House on Monday, promises to be a success. The following gentlemen will make ad-dresses: Judge Ewing, Rev. W. H. Mc. Millan, Robert Pitcairn, G. I. Buchanan, A. Leggate, D. Kirk and Albert Kirk. Ger-nerts orchestra will provide the music.

The independent movement has started again, this time in the Thirty-fourth ward A club was formed in the First precinct on Tuesday evening with a membership of 72. P. J. McShane was elected Secretary and J. J. Calaghan Treasurer. THE Benedictine priests at St. Vincent's

Monastery, Latrobe, will build a new church near Beatty station. When completed it will be second to none in the country. It is estimated that the cost will be \$500,000.

At \$1, Ladies' Newmarkets, were \$5, \$6 A. H. ASKIN, the veteran telegraph operator of the Union depot, has been announced as a candidate for the School Board in the Thirteenth ward, and the depot boys are united in a strong pull for him. and \$7.

CARRIE STAUFFER, aged 6 years, was attacked yesterday by a dog owned by George Schumann, of Lawrenceville. The child was badly bitten on her arms and shoulders. The dog was shot.

Tux funeral services of Mrs. Julia Creigh ton Dilworth will be held this afternoon at 2:30 at Calvary Church, East End. Inter-ment will be private.

The report of the Bureau of Health yester day showed six new cases of diphtheria and six new cases of scarlatina. The cases are scattered.

Born branches of Allegheny Councils will meet to-night.

In Memorial.

fully 50c on the dollar. At a meeting of the trustees of the Central Presbyterian Church, called specially at the death of Dr. J. A. McKibbin, the following

was ordered: Resolved. That in this mysterious event of the providence of God, the death of one of our trustees and members of our church, we

our trustees and members of our church, we greatly mourn the loss of him, one who pos-sessed so many good qualities of mind and heart, and adorned his life among us with evident Christian virtues. Resolved, That we greatly deplore his loss for his family and sincerely sympathize with them, and devoutly commend them to the keeping of Him who looks with pitying eye on the widow and fatherless. That this small testimony of our sorrow be goods. That this small testimony of our sorrow be

published and a copy given to his family. W. P. SPEAKMAN, W. F. SPEAKMAN, JOHN W. JONES, A. H. PATTERSON, F. C. NEGLEY, Trustees.

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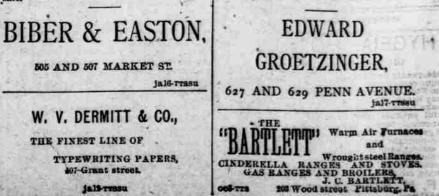
Navy Beaver Jacket with vest and handome braided collar reduced from \$20 to \$10. Black Diagonal Cheviot Jackets, furtrimmed, at \$7-a great bargain. A very choice line of Fur-trimmed Jackets reduced to \$9, \$11, \$15. Hundreds of fine CHEVIOT JACKETS

We will on Monday morning, January 18, place on sale a large lot of regular \$1 Moquettes at the extraordinary low price of 75 CENTS per yard. These are all new syles, new

very choice grades, full satin lined, reduced to \$8, \$9 and \$10. These were \$16 and \$18 colors and designs. Borders to match. Remember, these are \$1 a yard everywhere.

> Also a large line of Lowell All-Wool Ingrains at 60 CENTS a yard.

We still have a lot of short pieces of Velvet, Body Brussels and Tapestry Brussels Carpets (long enough to Misses' and Children's Jackets and made-up Suits marked down to force their rapid cover a room) at one-half the prices same goods are sold from full rolls.



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