-A cubic foot of newly fallen snow weight 514 pounds, and has 12 times the bulk of an equal weight of water.

-A New York man, who was liberated from a hospital a few days ago, danced so violently for joy that he burst a blood vessel and died.

-It is probable that Cornelius Drebbel, a

-Some univalves do a great deal of dam-

trance. -The members of the Japanese Club in New York City issue a Japanese newspaper. It is printed on a hektograph, and only a small number of copies are made. It is intended chiefly for the information of their friends at home.

prowned the dome of the Capitol building at Washington for the past 29 years 19 feet 6 inches high and weighs 14,983 pounds. The figure was cast in five sections, the heaviest being of 4,740 pounds weight. -Snuff has been made from a very early

-Swords of prehistoric and even much later times were often of bronze, but for many ages steel has been the material exclusively employed, except that ocacsion ally some other material has been used for swords designed for state occasions and

thunder stone, and although many women now appear to have strong superstitions prejudice against wearing one, it was in by-gone days held in the highest estimation, for it was supposed to combine the virtues of several other gems. -The chief element in the composition

ated minute proportions of salt, sods, phosphate of lime, phosphate of sods and mucus, and when seen under the microscope a tear after evaporation looks like a very small fish bone, owing to the salines forming thomselves into lengthened crosslines. -A most curiously wrought funeral pall.

nearly 400 years old, presented some time previous to the year lolf to a fraternity or brotherhood, dedicated to St. John the Bap-tist at Dunstable, by Henry Fayrey and Agnes his wife, has just been forwarded to Canon Macauley, the rector, and church-wardens of the parish church, in trust as a valuable relic. valuable relic.

se used in steaming out barrels was accidentally dropped into a keg, and the keg was filled with beer. Some time afterward a customer reported that he had received one keg of fron bitters with his last load of beer, which gave his patrons such appetites that three men and a boy couldn't keep the free lunch counter stocked.

-The Royal Library at Berlin contains 800 600 volumes; the library at Copenhagen, 510,060; the library at Dresden, 500,000; the University Library at Gottingen, Germany,

-The latest count of the population of the city of Rio de Janeiro, the Brazilian capital, computed up to about a year ago just published in the Diario Official, gives the population at 515,559 classified as follows:

-It was largely the fashion in the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth cen-turies with ladies of wealth to have their watches richly incrusted with precious

stones. A lady's watch made toward the end of the reign of Queen E'izabeth had a gold case set with 200 turquoise stones arranged in eight concentric circles with a single one in the middle. On the upper portion of the case was a Tudor rose of crimson and green in translucent enamel, and on the margin crimson and blue leaves and fruit in enamel. The balance wheel was protected -One of the first settlers of Wayne

county. Pa., was John Swingle who settled in South Cannan nearly 100 years ago. He came from Gormany. His wife presented him with a child every two years for 50 years, and was only 68 when she died. When years, and was only 68 when she died. When Swingle died the 25 children were all living. Eighteen of them married and had large families. One of the children, Mrs. Catharine Maines, died a few days ago in Dunmore in her 90th year. She was the last but 2 of the 25, 2 brothers being alive, both octogenarians. Besides them she is survived by 6 children, 12 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren. It is estimated that the descendants of John Swingle in Pennsylvania number over 600.

-Patrons of an unpretentious restaurant

JOKELETS FROM JUDGE.

THE BOSS FOOL, Of all the fools, who leads the van?

Who jumps to catch the boat DUBIOUS.

"I think I'll let my beard grow for a "Do you think it will?" asked Ethel.

"Is she in society?" "No; I don't believe she ever took a lesson in Delsarte in her life."

LUCK IS WEALTH.

In all this world of good and had:
If I could have the thing I want,
And what I wanted could be had,
With wesith and fame I'd have no truck,
I'd just take Russell Sage's luck.

POPULAR SUBJECTS.

rology and doxology.

Gentleman-What is your name, little

Little Girl-Yes, sir; but ma lived in Chicago

"This must, be a female turker," observed Hunker, at the dinner table.
"What makes you think that?" asked Mrs.
Small.

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UNAPPRECIATED ENHANCEMENT. While city officials have been talking about a probable increase of valuations this year, not exceeding 20 per cent, on the total, a great number of cases are already reported in which assessments have been jumped from 50 to 300 per cent! It is needless to say that the reception of transcripts from the Assessor's Office informing property owners of this immense enhancement of their holdings has led already to an acute stage of indignation; and unless the symptoms err, there will soon be a lively storm in the neighborhood

It is perfectly intelligible that values have increased everywhere through the city since the last triennial assessments. But it will be an impossible task to satisfy a minority of property owners that their properties have doubled and trebled in value, while in other cases the enhancement is taken as relatively trifling. So far, the great jump has been made upon the rura! holdings. Grounds around residences, and vacant tracts in the East End and Southside wards have risen over night quicker than yeast. In place of being estimated rural and agricultural as before, they are now classed as directly in the market for building purposes; and the squeeze has surprised not a few of the property owners out of their power of speech.

Of course the contention at City Hall is that if the property holders in the rural wards now have merely a true "cash value" assigned to their holdings they have no cause to complain, even though formerly they were assessed much below that. This, however, does not by any means cover the whole case. To much of the vacant ground there cannot be assigned a positive and precise "cash value." That is to say, the market could not absorb anything like the whole of the vacant property in the city at anything like the price which is paid from time to time for occasional lots as they are wanted. Should the owners then be taxed for such property upon a purely speculative basis?

The whole plan of assessments is sadly in want of revision. The system itself under which we are now working, as frequently demonstrated in The DISPATCH, is incorrect in principle and always defective and inequitable in operation. A just and uniform series of valuations covering the whole city has never been and can never be made under it. But that will not of course relieve the Assessors from the duty of proceeding slowly and cau-Wild advances had better be thought over carefully before being at-

tempted. If the smaller property owners, or those in the business part of the city, were to get any advantage in the shape of reduced millage from the swelling of the rural districts there would be so much of an advantage in that respect; but if the idea is to have a general increase all round and also keep up the millage so as to swell the appropriations and city expenses, there will justly be a tremendous kick from all quarters over the proceeding.

A FREE BRIDGE IDEA.

The suggestion of one of the city bridge companies that arrangements could be made by which the city could purchase free passage over all the Monongahela bridges for foot passengers is an interesting and important one. The idea is advanced that free bridges for foot passengers can thus be obtained for the same amount or less than the cost of a new

Of course, the practicability of the plan depends on the amount for which the bridge companies would sell this privilege. It would have to be a private purchase for which it is competent under legislative authority to take a bridge, with compensation, for public use, the right of eminent domain could hardly be extended to the condemnation of the footwalks. If it is true that the cost of a new bridge would pay for making the bridges free to foot passengers, the privilege thereby obtained would be far more valuable. But the accuracy of that view can hardly be

determined except by actual negotiations. The suggestion certainly seems to warrant investigations. It would be worth while for the city to take some steps toward determining the cost of such a purchase. Or perhaps the bridge companies may perceive their interest in making an

offer to the city?

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT. It is pleasant to read that the Chief of the Department of Public Safety proposes to devote his second term-which he declares will be his last-to showing the degree of vigilance and efficiency that can be maintained. "Efficiency will be the watchword of this department," Mr. Brown is reported as saying, and he reinforces that pledge with the statement of a valuable principle, in the following words: "I have always maintained that good government is good politics, and I will give this such a thorough opportunity to be demonstrated during my coming term that there will be

no doubt on the subject hereafter." These are undoubtedly correct principles and such as should shape the policy of every public official. It is encouraging also to find an official in Mr. Brown's position commencing his second term with a recognition that there is room for improvement and a determination to effect that improvement. The too frequent disposition is for officials to take a re-election as an evidence that everything is all right and cannot be bettered. If the Chief of the

Department of Public Safety places it on the basis of the highest efficiency and all the citizens.

But another remark is attributed to Mr. | the term," he is reported as saying. Here is an allegation which implies something about which the public have the right to full information. If there are any influences or any methods in connection with the city government, which burden the efforts of the head of the department to secure complete efficiency in the fire and police bureaus, the people are entitled to know exactly what they are. Indeed, the complete efficiency at which Mr. Brown is aiming cannot be realized, unless it is made certain that the influences which militate

against it will be exposed and corrected. If it is true that Mr. Brown was handicapped during his first term in his efforts to raise the efficiency of his department, he owes it to himself and the public to let it be known just how it was done.

THE USUAL MISREPRESENTATION. The report about the Chilean Government refusing its safe conduct to the refugees on board of the Yorktown, having been used to the utmost to inflame the war spirit in this country, the truth comes out that instead of this being an act of enmity it was the direct opposite.

Anyone who took time to think could have seen in the original statement of the case that there was ground for suspicion of its use as fuel for the fires of war. If the Chilean Government had changed its mind and desired to recapture the refugees, it need not have given warning. It could have taken them from the passenger steamers, when they touched at the southern ports of Chile; and in so doing would not have given the United States the slightest cause of complaint. The most comprehensive view of the functions of our Government cannot be stretched to include the protection of German and English steamers from the Chilean police; and the arrest of the refugees if the Chilean Minister had held his peace would have been entirely an affair between Chile and Germany or England.

It was therefore to be suspected, what the fuller explanation makes clear, that this warning-which Mr. Egan took care to report in such shape as to rouse the wrath of Fighting Bob-was a warning in good faith to prevent a miscarriage of the understanding by which Chile permitted the refugees to be removed from her territory by the representatives of the United States. It was simply to prevent the charge of bad faith that might be made if the magistrates at ports where the passenger steamers touch should cause the arrest of refugees. It was rather an act of friendship than of enmity; but the parties interested in producing war took care to distort

it into the latter character. This, together with the official announcement that Chile has offered reparation, but that the administration is disposed to make war on the question of language, should be enough to open the eyes of the country to the realities of the situation.

TREASURY DEPOSITS OUT WEST. The termination of the law suits by which the State of Wisconsin recovers interest on State deposits made with numerous banks which paid the interest to a line of State Treasurers from 1878 to 1891 is one in which Pennsylvania might feel a sort of sympathetic interest. The law suit and one of its collateral ramifications in the dispute as to whether Senator Sawyer tried to bribe Congressman La Follette or not were referred to in these columns some time ago. The result of the suits is a decision under which the State

recovers some \$350,000 in interest. The impression has long prevailed in this State that the political influences surrounding the management of the State funds was something unique. The Wisconsin suits, however, disclose that the Western State has had something in that line which rivaled, if it did not surpass, Pennsylvania's peculiar institution. It is notable that the Wisconsin affair is elevated into national importance by having a United States Senator at the head of it. Whatever dispute there may have been about the attempted bribery, there was no concealment in that dispute of the fact that Senator Sawyer was vitally interested in defending the suits. Is it possible that the amiable old Senator, whose liberality has occupied the admiration of Washington correspondents, drew a large share of his revenues from this interest paid to State Treasurers who held office by his

favor? In one respect, however, the Wisconsin case has a radical point of difference from the Pennsylvania Treasury management Wisconsin seems to stand a very fair chance of getting her money back.

GO SLOW, GENTLEMEN!

If the effect of the general increase city valuations for taxable purpose is meant to be a reduction of the millage rate to 5 or 7, or even 10 mills in place of 15 as heretofore, that is one thing. Perhaps such a programme would be a pleasing surprise-quite a stroke on the part of the powers that be.

But if the idea is to swell the valuations along the line, and still keep up the millage so as to get more money for spending

purposes, it will not do, at all. At present the property-owners will have to bear these increased taxes. But before the year is out the workingman will find the principal burden upon him in the shape of increased rent and cost of

Rigid retrenchment of city expenses must come before increased taxes. Go slow, gentlemen!

DEFIANT CRIMINALITY.

The contest over the suppression of what might, by adapting the phrase of the gambling rooms, be termed the "brace" race tracks at Guttenberg, shows some remarkable features. The move ment at Chicago for the suppression of a similar nuisance there seems to have been attended with prompt results. But the Guttenberg shrine of gambling has become so rooted in the politics of its New Jersey babitat, that up to the present time it has been able to defy all legal attempts at its suppression.

The nature of this strength is of a character which it would be pleasant to de-scribe as singular, if it had not existing parallels in the country to-day. The receipts of the track from bookmakers and other sources amount to \$2,500,000 a year, and when the profits of the bookmakers from their gulls are added, it is estimated that the gross revenue of the business is \$6,000,000. Given the additional factor of a notoriously corrupt political ring in Hudson county, New Jersey, it is easy to conceive that the local powers of that neighborhood turn a very blind eye to the disgrace and criminality of the place.
But it is startling to find all these au-

law, as was the case last week. One magistrate having been found to issue war thorough protection, there is no doubt that it will prove the best politics possible, and will secure the enthusiastic endorsement of ers of the track revealed that they had the police, the bench, the clerk of the courts ready to back them up Brown, which, if correctly reported, seems in their defiance of the law, and to call for further specifications. "I will the interesting spectacle was presentnot be handicapped as I was in my first | ed of rival aldermen of Jersey City setting up their courts in corners of the racing grounds and each promptly nullifying the efforts of his brother magistrate to enforce the law by releasing the offenders on trivial ball.

It is also a noticeable feature of the case that it rises into the plane of State if not national politics. We can hardly endorse the assertion of some newspapers that Governor Abbett, of New Jersey, is directly responsible for this defiance of law and decency. But as the back bone of his political strength is the corrupt ring which manifests itself in this case, and as he is taking good care to look the other way while it is going on, it certainly makes an expose of his affiliations which must be anything but gratifying to a public man with aspirations toward national

FROM all that has recently developed it would be strange if there were not a good deal of business to be done at the meeting of

the Allegheny Councils to-night, THE City Boiler Inspector of Chicago condemned a boiler: but it was continued in use with the result that five men lost their lives by an explosion. The owner, his superin-tendent, engineer, and two firemen are held responsible by the Coroner's jury, and ac-tion is to be taken against them. This is right, and should be a lesson to those who persist in various forms of carelessness in the use of boilers.

THE French Chamber of Deputies has once more shown its childish lack of dignity and good manners by disgraceful scenes leading to two alleged duels.

THE announcement that John A. Brashear has completed an instrument to be used as a standard for weights and measures is one of which Pittsburg may be proud. Vain efforts were made to get such an instrument made in Europe, but Pittsburg's practical scientist had to be called on to accomplish it.

THE vague information received through one of Garza's officers loses any little value it would have had by reason of its source.

THE news of another case of body-snatching for medical purposes, this time near Indianapolis, again calls public attention to a repulsive crime, and raises the question of the necessity of bodies for dissection, and the absence of arrangements for legally securing subjects, in case the necessity be

THAT Pittsburg is a cosmopolitan city is evident from the fact that three inter-preters were needed for obtaining evidence

THE most pathetic incident yet reported in the Russian famine is the spectacle of a whole village uniting in the last sacrament in preparation for their expected death from starvation. If further appeal to the charity of any nation were needed, it is surely supplied herewith.

PITTSBURG has fogs, it also has the grip. ondon has both in much severer form.

AMERICA has much to learn in the detailed finish of work of all kinds from China and Japan. We are too apt to rest satisfied f we turn things out so that "they will do."

MAKE hay while the sun shines and leighing while there is snow.

RYE having been cornered by the Whisky Trust, there is now on hand a similar, though smaller, movement to proce an artificial rise in the price of rice.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury canters about London on a fine cob.

MISS SEARING, of New Orleans, who is lescribed as a young and charming woman, is conductor of a large orchestra. RODERT RAPPETT REOWNING has leased

a studio in Florence and is executing a por trait order for an American friend. MR. RIDER HAGGARD pronounces his

name "Reeder," and the critics are beginning to ask if his new African tale is going to turn his readers pale. RANDOLPH ROGERS, while yet a boy. showed his talent by carving curious cane-heads on gnarled sticks which he found in

his rambles in the woods. RICHARD HENRY STODDARD'S handwriting is so minute that he can compress the equivalent of half a column of newspaper type into a single page of manuscript. MISS AUGUSTE INUJE, the daughter of

the former Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs, is now a pupil of the famous Augusta school in Berlin, supported formerly by the late Empress Angusta THE new Bishop of Carlisle, Dr. John Waring Bardsley, comes of a sturdy English family which contributed seven sons to the Church, Seven American brothers have

rarely, if ever, become preachers one after WILLIAM GARDNER HALE, the Cornell professor who koes to Chicago to organize the Latin department of the new Baptist University there, is known among classical scholars from his book on "the cum construc-tion," which was honored by a translation

CONGRESSMAN DUBARROW, of Chicago is called the "Adon's of the West," the "handsomest man in Congress," and is otherwise referred to in complimentary terms. He is a bachelor of only 84 years, and has not yet made his maiden speech, either within the House of Representatives or without.

PROF. LOVERING'S FUNERAL

The Students of Harvard Pay a Last Tribute to His Memory.

CAMBRIDGE, Jan. 20. — [Special.] — Joseph Lovering, Professor of Harvard College for more than a half century, was laid at rest in the family lot at Mt. Auburn to-day. Historic old Appleton College, where the funeral services were held, was crowded with men and women, and a large delegation of students stood throughout the exercises, their last tribute to the honored educator. The venerable Professor of Christian Morals, Rev. A. P. Peabody, D. D., used the King's Chapel burial service. The body reposed in a black broadcloth casket in front of the pulpit. A few sprays of paims and bunches of calla lilies were the only floral offerings. The pall bearers were President Char W. Elliott, Charles E. Choate, Dr. Morril Wyman, Prof. Alexander Agassiz, Librarian Justin Winsor, Prof. John Trowbridge, who officiated but honorary. No sermon or eulogy was delivered, the entire service lasting but half an hour. Amöng the distinguished gentlemen at the chapel were President Charles Elliot Norton, Prof. Charles F. Dunnar, Prof. William W. Goodwin, Prof. Ephraim Emerton, Prof. Benjamin O. Pierce, Prof. Frederick D. Allen, Prof. Josian Royce, Prof. George M. Lane, Prof. H. W. Terrey, representing the faculty of Harvard College. The Hon. Fred L. Ames, Dr. Henry Walcott, the Hon. Martin Brimmer, the Hon. Leverett Saltonstall, of the corporation; ex-Mayor Greene, of Boston; Dr. John L. Nicholis, of Cambridge; a delegation from the Academy of Arts and Sciences, Prof. Taussig, Prof. Hart, Prof. Brooks, J. G. Williams, R. W. Wilson and others. W. Elliott, Charles E. Choate, Dr. Morril

stehing Initials on the Dollars.

Chicago News.] Mr. Holman is reported to be scratchi But it is startling to find all these au-thorities combined in an effort to defy the without his permission.

THE BLUE LAW CRUSADE. ART AT THE FAIR. Plotting Against Legitimate Business.

The Part That Pennsylvania Will Take at the World's Exposition-1 Committee of Seven to Pass Upon All the Works for

South Pittsburger.]
That trio of nonentitles who constitute the Law and Order Society ought to have the thanks of the public for beginning a contest PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 20 -Sitting in secre which means the obliteration of the Pennsylsession under the act of the Legislature, which created the Pennsylvania Commission vania blue laws of a century ago. In their attack on Sunday newspapers, by the arrests of agents and carriers, they have opened up of the World's Fair, there was a meeting of the Committee on Fine Arts of that body, on themselves and the nonsensical laws they work under, the batteries of the most and the Auxiliary Committee on Art in one of the rooms in the Art Club yesterday afternoon. Executive Commissioner Benjamin Whiting was also present, prepared to explain the progress making toward a proper display of the riches of the State at the great Exposition, both for the benefit of the mempowerful weapon of modern times—the public press. It requires some move like this to awaken the public to the power any two or three men can use to interfere with matters that do not concern them, and we Exposition, both for the benefit of the mem-bers present and the public, but the doors look for a public upheaval that will not only wipe out the blue laws, but put an end to the Law and Order Society and that ilk. In confinunities in which police protection is guaranteed, there is no more need for an adjunct like a Law and Order Society than were nevertheless closed notwithstanding the fact that Committee K, as the Commissions Committee on Fine Arts is designated is working under a State appropriation. R. L. Bromfield is the Chairman of the comthere is for Pinkerton detectives to belp the police keep the peace. The Law and Order people have done nothing since their organization that the police could not do, and the

mittee. Commissioner Whiting, who is untiring in his efforts to push things, was armed with a mass of information regarding the outlook.
"I think we will have an extraordinary exhibit," he said to a reporter, and then referring to his report pointed out that the vast oil, gas, mining, lumbering, agricultural, dairy, horticultural, floricultural and quarrying interests of the State were of too dif-fuse a character to be properly shown through individual efforts, and that steps would have to be taken to meet the difficulty in this direction.

Transportation Left to the Railroads. In the matter of the transportion exhibit he says they may be safely left to the lead-ing railroads and the ship builders of the State, as may that of electricity and elec-trical appliances to the parties who have embarked in that growing branch of enterprise. "Yes," he said, hurriedly, as the Chairman called for the secret session, "we will un-doubtedly present a wonderful exhibit. In the matter of live stock and poultry, liberal premiums are offered by the National Commission, while in respect to machinery and manufactures it is believed that the firms and corporations that are engaged in their line of industry will be wide awake enough

to their own advantage to exhibit on an extensive scale. As to the art display to consider which the secret meeting was held, there are \$3 000 apsecret meeting was held, there are \$3,000 appropriated for the committee's expense. Aside from Mr. Bromley, the members are Lewis Emery, Jr., of Bradford: Mrs. Harriet A. Lucas, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Mabel C. Jones, of Harrisburg: H. J. McAteer, of Huntingdon; William Hassar, of Oil City, and A. G. Roenigk, of Pittsburg: About a month ago this body asked for the appointment of an auxiliary committee of seven to be composed of men who are known to be experts, they to have power to pass on all works of art submitted from the State of Pennsylvania.

Work Ahead for the Committee As a result of the meeting these fivegentle-men were named, the remaining two to come from Pittsburg later on: William Dalliba Dutton, Chairman; Clifford P. Grayson, Secretary: Charles E. Dana, Henry Pettit, Frank Miles Day, all of this city.

All of these gentlemen are prominent in the art and architectural circles of the city, especially Charles Dana from his important connection with the Academy of Fine Arts, and Mr. Pettit, as the Centennial architect. This committee will have the authority to This committee will have the authority to receive or reject the works that will be offered, and will be recognized at Chicago in connection with the State Commission.

That a great deal of work of the most perplexing character will devolve upon them is evident from the statement of a member of the commission proper that the exhibit of Pennsylvania is limited by the World's Fair management while there will be offering reansylvania is limited by the world a fair management, while there will be offerings from nearly every little town in the State. Commissioner Whiting is confident, how-ever, that this branch of the display will re-flect credit upon the Commonwealth, as will all the other exhibits which it will send Westward.

CORNERED THE COIN MARKET.

Neat Revenge on the Banks Played by a Detroit Baker. DETROIT, Jan. 20 .- The banks of Detroit will not accept any considerable deposits to the credit of mercantile accounts in 1-cent pieces, and this rule has often been a source of inconvenience to merchants who have received targe quantities of this character of "chicken feed" in the course of trade. Barrie & Saladin, proprietors of a bakery on West Fort street, suffered in common with call for an extensive use of small change. This firm could not deposit its "pennies" its banking house, and so laid plans to reap a sweet revenge. All the minimum fra tional currency which came their way they threw into a barrel, the lid of which was s

threw into a barrel, the lid of which was secured by a padlock, and time was allowed to pass by. In the course of several months there was a scarcity of 1-cent pieces.

Merchants would call upon each other for change, the banks would be applied to and newsboys found it necessary to either sell 5 cents' worth of papers or eise open an account with their customers. The pennies kept on growing scarcer and scarcer and the barrel at the store of Barrie & Saladin kept growing fuller and fuller. Finally there came a real famine of 1-cent pieces and merchants were obliged to con-Finally there came a real famine of l-cent pieces and merchants were obliged to content themselves in either raising their goods up to half-dime marks or in cutting the price. The situation became painful for the banks before the cause was ascertained. Barrie & Saladin had accumulated \$700 worth of pennies and there was a universal demand made upon them for change. In buying out their corner in copper coins the banks were glad to pay a slight premium which Barrie & Saladin charged them.

CORPSES PRESERVED BY NATURE.

They Are Not Changed Though in

Ground for Several Years. DENVER, Col., Jan. 20.-A most singular fact in relation to the remarkable preservation of human bodies interred at Glenwood Springs, this State, presumably by the chem ical properties of the overlying lime strata, has just come to light. On account of the growth of the town it was decided to remove the remains of the pioneers from the old to the new cemetery. Little general attention was given the matter beyond that shown by the local authorities in seeing that the worl of disinterment was properly carried out, which was left in charge of the sexton. There were about thirty bodies to remove and they were all in time interred in the new cemetery. The work was done slowly and scarcely anybody but the sexton and his assistants were present when a grave was opened, and when the remains were taken out they were not disturbed, but left inclose in the coffins, which were found in a remark-

in the coffins, which were found in a remarkable state of preservation, considering the fact that they had been buried, in many cases, from five to seven years.

This finally led to an inspection by the sexton, out of mere curiosity, of one of the bodies, and what was his surprise to find the remains in the condition of those that have been interred only a short time—that is, before decomposition has set in. The body was not shrunken or in any way changed apparently from what it was when first buried: but on the contrary the fiesh was soft, the limbs pliable and the reatures as natural as life. Many of the other bodies, in fact all of those that were exhumed after the condition of the one mentioned was discovered, were found to be in the same extraordinary state of preservation.

STATE EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION.

HARRIBBURG, PA., Jan. 20.-These officers were elected at the annual meeting of the State Editorial Association held to-day: President, P. Gray Meek, Bellefonte; Vice Presidents, H. L. Taggart, Philadelphia, William B. Givin, Columbia, and R. B. Mc Kee, Freeport; Secretary and Treasurer, H. H. Thomas, Mechanicsburg; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Wolfe, Shippensburg; Executive Committee, W. Hayes Grier, Columbia; ntive Committee, W. Hayes Grier, Columbia;
H. A. Rutter, Hughesville; J. Irvin Steele,
Ashland: E. F. Acheson, Washington; E. K.
Meyers, Harrisburg; S. E. Fleming, Huntingdon; John A. Mellon, Beaver,
A resolution was adopted heartily recommending the World's Columbian Exposition
to the consideration of the newspaper press
of Pennsylvania. A new Committee on
Legislation was appointed, with J. Somer,
of Carrisle as Chairman. The Executive
Committee will arrange for next summer's
excursion.

COUSIN TO A MILLINER. Smart Bonnet Maker in Vanity Pair Claims Kinship With Lady Henry

merset-She Is of Noble Descent Also -Pittsburg Parlor Paragraphs. LADY HENRY SOMERSET, who has been such a success in New York, is the daughter of the third Earl Samner, and daughter-inlaw of the Duke of Beaufort. She was known before her marriage as Lady Isabel Caroline Somers-Cocks. She is a tremendous social reformer and teetotaler, and goes about everywhere in the slums preaching reformation and a sort of Robert Elsmerian gospel, diluted. She it was who added largely to the dowery given by the Duke of Bedford to Miss Rachel Gurney on her mar-ringe with Lord Dudley, and who lent the riage with Lord Dudley, and who lent the young couple' Eastnor Castle for the honey-moon. A very great many ardent reformers know and admire her ladyship, but it is only the very few who are aware that her coust make both a Somers-Cocks—keeps a bonnet slop, and a very smart one, too, in Ebury street, Belgravia, trading under the firm name of Mmc. Zero et Cle.

Social Chatter.

THE Secretary requests the publication of the following intimation: The final meeting

of committees working tor day nursery en-tertainment to be held in Old City Hall, Jan-uary 26 to 30 inclusive, will be held this afternoon in the Eighth Street Reformed Presbyterian Church at 3 r. M.

THE ORINDA COTILLONS will be supplemented by three more dances, as follows: Friday, January 22, Friday, February 12, and Tuesday, March 1; when the same ladies, Mr. Curry, Mrs. Normecutt and Mrs. Lindsay, will perform the duties of patronesses.

THE Spanish Orchestra being trained in the music chambers belonging to M. Charles W. Fleming will proceed by lend its talents to a benefit that is talked of in the spring for the Allegheny General Hospital.

MRS. WILLIAM S. FRASER'S first "at home" this evening at her home in Stanton avenue. Mrs. John P. Knable receives with her sister.

to-day, Western avenue, Allegheny.

WILDCATS IN CONNECTICUE

Near North Bridgeport.

ion of North Bridgeport, three miles above

this city, is all excitement over the depre-

dations of a family of wildcats which has

been working havoe for the past two weeks

in that thriving suburb. On Sunday even-

ing Tommy, the 9-year-old son of Timothy

everal years, and around Danbury they specially numerous.

It Smoketh Every Day,

PLAYS TO COME.

On Monday evening next the world famo

dramatic company, "The Meininger," will make its first appearance in this city. An unusual reputation has preceded this com-

any, and theater-goers are, therefore, en-

titled to expect more than ordinary merit in

their performance. The "ensemble" of "The

Meininger" has never been equaled on the

Meininger" has never been equaled on the American stage, it is said. Even the smallest part is played by a competent artist who may be called upon to play a principal part in another play. The scenery, the costumes, the armor and all the moperties are from the court theater of the Duke of Saxe-Meiningen. The claimed superiority of this company's productions lies in the perfection of the cast and the correctness of every detail. There is no play in the extensive repertoirs of this company that affords such excellent opportunities for the strength of the entire cast as Sinkespeare's "Julius (mear." This will be the only play given during the entire week's stay of "The Meininger" at the Duquesne.

THE most successful comic opera of the

season on the road is "The Tar and the Tar-

"MY COLLERN," by James A. Herne, author

of "Hearts of Oak," will commence a week's engagement at the Bijou Theater next Mon-day night. It is described as a story of Irish

RICHARD GOLDEN returns to Pittsburg next

Monday evening at the Alvin Theater, who

Monday evening at the Arvin Theater, where he will present his successful stage picture of New England rurnl life, "Old Jed Prouty," of Bucksport, Me. Nearly the same people are in the cast as there were last season, and all the accessories, including the old-fashioned "fire tub," buckboard and "fast horse," will be used in the forthcoming engagement.

LOWANDA, the strong man, now at Harry

Davis' Museum, is certainly a wonder. He

And the smoke it smoketh every day.

Chicago Tribune.]

A Family of Them Commit Depredat

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., Jan. 20 .- The pop

quesne way.

Small.

THE presents for Princess Mary, some of money and time they have spent would be which continued to arrive even after the young Prince had been dead some hours, came by the wagon load, and the Duchess of Teck was at a loss to know where to thrown away in the suppression of speak-easies and other business, clearly illegal, if the police had not actually done the work. The observance of the Sabbath is the de-sire of every right-minded man, and public use everything. There were sent no less than three pianos, sufficient furniture for a dozen boudoirs, two landaus, a doz cart, an organ, two sewing machines and a skiff among the other useful gifts, which the Duchess intimated would be as useful to the young people as plate or jewelry. She hardly dreamt that she was going to be taken so liberally at her word. opinion is such that illegal or unnecessary business will not be allowed, whether or not a law and order society exists. In our judgment a society like the L. and O. people have, by their harassing those engaged in necessary occupations, such as the publish-ing of Sunday papers, running street cars, etc., are clearly guilty, though these blue INTIMATION has been received in society laws exist, of what the laws of Pennsylvania in the form of announcement cards of the term conspiracy. They certainly meet and marriage of Miss Delilah Madison, daughter of J. Russell Thornton, Esq., of Uniontown, plot together to do harm to legitimate business, and as the Judges of our courts can so ness, and as the Judges of our courts can so easily convict striking workingmen of conspiracy, surely there should be no trouble for those most interested to convict the L. and O. people. It is also true that the detectives in the employ of the L. and O. folk are paid wages for working on Sunday, gathering evidence, and they are as guilty of violating the blue laws, and subject to fines, as are their victims. We should like to see the Sunday newspaper proprietors test these points in the courts. to Alonzo Caneden Hagan, on Thursday evening, January 14. The bride is promievening, January 14. The bride is promi-nent socially, her father being a representa-tive of a very old and distinguished family in Fayette county and Mr. Hagan is a young attorney standing well among his legal associates in Uniontown. The announce-ments of the marriage were issued in the names of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thornton. "At home" cards accompany them, dating April 1, at 102 Gallatin avenue, Uniontown.

Likely to Repeal the Law.

New York Times.

We are not aware whether the effort of the Law and Order Society to stop the sales of Sunday newspapers is the work of honest fanatics, or is instigated by vindictive saloon keepers whose business has been in-jured by the enforcement of the Sunday laws. This latter was the case with an atlaws in Newark, and the Law and Order Society is reported to be about to include Newark in its sphere of operations. At present those operations are particularly active in Pittsburg. It is not necessary, in order to condemn such an effort, to go into the general question of Sunday laws. It is necessary only to point out that there is not an American city where the prohibition of the Sunday traffic in newspapers is sustained by public opinion. That is a conclusive reason why no effort should be made to enforce the legal prohibition, where it exists, although it may be of service in suppressing Sunday traffic as to which the public supports the prohibition of the law, and may therefore properly be left on the statute book. An effort to enforce the Sunday laws book. An effort to enforce the Sunday laws indiscriminately and in all their rigor would be likely to result in the repeal of those laws. That would meet the views of the Law and Order Society only if that body is the instrument of the liquor dealers.

The Lines Drawn Too Closely.

McKeesport News.] The move made by the Law and Order So ciety of Pittsburg against the Sunday papers, resulting in a hearing before an alde on Saturday and a decision against the de-fendants, suggests that this would be a very proper time for a popular move for a repeal of the "Biue Law," under which the informa-tion was made. There are other restrictions in this measure, the enforcement of which does not seem to be justified. The rigid restriction of the sale of soda water, lemonade milk skakes or confections on Sunday in Pittsburg seems to be drawing the lines just best church going people in that city. Mc-Keesport has had a visit from the agents of this society during the summer season. The crusade against Sunday newspapers seems to be furnishing winter employment for the alleged reformers, who in summer eke out an existence trying to put down the innocent-milk shake and harmless lemonade. a little closer than is desired by even the

Cannot Be Made Effective

New York Commercial Advertiser. 1 Pittsburgers had their Sunday newspapers esterday in spite of the Law and Order peo ple and the prosecution of newsboys and calors last week. A law that has eauction of public sentiment can seldom be made effective, and there is no public senti ment worth speaking of that opposes Sunday newspapers.

This Is Not 1794.

Philadelphia Inquirer.] The law of 1794 has been resurrected by the Pittsburg Law and Order Society as a weapon against the Sunday papers. This is not the year 1794, but some people seem to wish it was.

NATIONAL DIVORCE LAW.

In the vicinity of Sioux Falls Senator Kyle's new bill is looked upon as the pre-cursor of an iniquitous and monopolistic divorce trust .- Chicago News.

SENATOR KYLE'S printed resolution look ing to a constitutional amendment giving Congress power to enact a national divorce law is worthy the support of Congress and the nation.—Minneapolis Journal.

SENATOR KYLK'S bill for a national divorce

law is a good starter for a discussion of a very grave American problem, and there is no person more eligible to start it than a Senator from the neighborhood of Sioux Falls, S. D.-Minneapolis Journal. As to adopting a constitutional amendity South Dakota enjoys as a resort for ma

Chicago desires from the proceedings of her courts it can never be thought of. SENATOR KYLE'S bill for a uniform and national divorce law cannot be enacted ex-cept through an amendment to the federal stitution. The necessity of legislation control the growing evil of lax divorce laws in the several States has been red nized, and such an amendment would prob ably secure the approval of the requisite

A BRIDE WITH A BEARD.

The Cruel Hoax That Was Played Upon Chicago Tailor.

ber of States to make it law for

tire land .- Minneapolis Times.

season on the road is "The Tar and the Tartar," which pays Pittsburg a second visit next week. Its 300th performance will be celebrated at the Grand Opera House on Monday next by the distribution of souvenir silver spoons among the ladies of the audience. The theater is also to be decorated with palms, ferns and flazs for the occasion. The company is the same as that which Manager Askin prought here earlier in the season, and includes the inimitable Digby Bell, Marion Manola, Laura Joyce Bell, Herbert Wilke, and others of prominence. CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Charles Rosenberg, who objects to a bride with a beard, swore out warrants this morning for Jacob Zeman and Jennie Lambosky, charging them with fraud end conspiracy. Thereby hangs a strange tale. Sunday afternoon Rosenberg was married, but he afterward discovered that his wife was a boy and that he was \$25 out of pocket. A few weeks ago Rosenberg. who is 38 years old and a tailor, decided to marry. He knew no damsel who would share his fate, and he called upon Jacob Zeman, After stating his case and handing over \$10 to Zeman, that individual took him to Haisted street and introduced him to Jennie lambosky, a maiden of 20 summers. Jennie agreed to marry him, and the wedding was set for Sunday afternoon. Rosenberg called upon his future wife several times and all went well. Saturday night she told him they would have a lanch after the wedding and he gave her \$10. Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock he was on hand. A man who was introduced as the rabbi demanded \$5 and Rosenberg gave up the money. Then the supposed bride was led forth heavily velled. The ceremony was performed. When the vell was removed Rosenberg observed that the bride had a beard and hastily left the place. The others remained and enjoyed the benefits of his hard-earned cash. They claim it was all a joke, but Rosenberg cannot see the joke, and says he will prosecute them to the end. who is 38 years old and a tailor, decided day night. It is described as a story of Irish life, intensely interesting, with the drollest of Irish comedy and entchy songs. Tony Farrell, the young comedian, is said to be especially well equipped for the portrayal of the role he assumes, that of a generous-hearted, rollicking Irish lad, whose courage brings happiness to his family. Mr. Farrell nightly sings his charming Irish ballads, which have aided essentially in making "Jerry Doyle" a wonderful success.

Not Afraid to Attack Sheep. Boston Traveller.]

The popularity of Hyde's Vaudeville Com-pany is attested by the large audiences which are attending Harris' Theater. Mr. Springer is a man of courage, not afraid to attack sheep.

Hollander, in the year 1630 first discovered a method for indicating changes of tempera-ture by means of a glass bulb.

The passenger cars of the world are capable of seating 1,500,000 people, and upon the freight cars could be loaded the weight of all the pyramids of Egypt, and all the state capitol buildings in the United States beside.

age by destroying oysters in beds, drilling through the shells with their file-like tongues and sucking out the occupants of the houses into which they have thus forced an en-

-The bronze statue of Liberty which has

period, first and most largely by the Spanish, who prepared it with care and scented it with various materials. Next the low countries, Scotland and England, extended and popularized the use of snuff.

pageants. -The opal was once looked upon as a

of a tear is water, but with water is associ-

Miss Edward Graham Freguson, who was Miss Burt, will hold her first "at home" on Thursday afternoon, January 28, tollowing it with another a week later. The "at homes" will be held at the house of Mr. Ferguson's mother, Mrs. J. Scott Ferguson, Forbes avenue, Oakland. -In a Utica brewery the iron nozzle of a

Mr. AND Mrs. Francis Murhhy and daughter, Miss Ella Gibson, of Millerstown, Pa, are paying a visit to Mrs. B. F. Leech, of East End. -Dan, the male ostrich of Robinson's Circus, died on Thursday afternoon in Cincinnati of la grippe, wite which he was seized some days are. A post-mortem was beld. The lungs were found congested and the threat was enlarged and ulcerated, while firmly fastened in the coating of the stomach the \$800 diamond that Dan picked last sum-mer from a gentleman's shirt front in Mon-treal was found imbedded.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Charles A. O'Brien, of Mt. Washington, for a reception on Thursday, January 28. MRS. EDWARD RIDDLE, of Arch street, Allegheny, will entertain the Dinwiddle Street Euchre Club this evening. Miss Oline and Mr. Jesse Jones' dance this evening at the Jones' residence on Du-600,000. The Royal Library at Vienna has 400,000 volumes, and the University Library in the same city 370,000 volumes; at Buda Pesth the University Library has 300,000 books, the corresponding library at Cracow nearly the same number, and at Prague 205,000. Miss Ruth Bailey, of Penn avenue, gave a luncheon yesterday for her friend, Miss MRS. D. T. WATSON'S luncheon at 1 o'clock

Mrs. Christy's dance at her house, Washington avenue, Mansfield. Miss Ewing's tea this afternoon for her guest, Miss Hancock. First of the ladies' evenings at the Linden Clubhouse.

On Dit.

It is said that nothing larger than a No. 2 boot is worn by the fair fashionable residents of Ridge avenue, Allegheny.

be population at 515,559 classified as follows: Males, 287,490; females, 228,059; whites, 322,293; blacks, 64,035; native Indians, 17,294; Meastizos, 111,967; single, 371,009; married, 113,633; widdowed, 30,432, and divorced, 495. It is estimated that the present population is between 600,000 and 700,000. In 1870 it was 335,000

Collins, was attacked in the back yard while carrying a bundle of wood from the barn to the house. He was knocked down barn to the house. He was knocked down and fearfully lacerated.

His cries aroused his father, who drove off the cat with a cart stake. It was a very large and savage one and weighed at least 35 pounds. Two calves belonging to another resident were killed and mangled, and innumerable chickens have lost their lives. Women and children are afraid to venture out after dark. A hunting party will be out after dark. A hunting party will be organized to-night. From the howls in the woods it is thought that there are two old ones and two cubs. Wild cats have been increasing in numbers in Fairfield county for

in New York have been interested in a curious case of heredity. A year or more ago a small and extremely lively jet black kitten became a feature of the restaurant. As the kitten grew a small lump appeared As the kitten grew a small lump appeared on its beily, and by the time the kitten had reached cathood this lump had developed into a wen as big as a small hen's egg. In due course the cat became the mother of five black kittens, all of which, save one, were entirely normal. That one, however, inherited the maternal wen, and the customers are waiting with interest until the old cat shall become a grandmother, and wondering whether the wen will extend to the third generation.

"You are a prohibitionist, ch?" "Yessir: to my dying day." "From choice or necessity?"
"Neither, sir; from Toledo."

If it were put to vote I think he'd be the silly man

If I could have the thing I want,

Professor-Mr. Smartman, you may name ome of the more prominent 'ologies.

Mr. Smartman—Biology, sociology, geology, as-

Mrs. Kingsley (proudly)—Do you know, as long as I have lived with my husband I have never known him to utter an oath.

Mrs. Bingo—Then he doesn't tie his own neck-

Little Girl-Evelyn Antoinette Billings Smith Bedfern Hathaway Jacobs Strathmore Clum. Gentleman-You have a long name for a little

"It has such rich dressing."

Sunday School Teacher—Now, children, what do you suppose became of the Red Sea when it rolled back for the hosts?

Johnny Parker—I know. It went in the storage

officers Elected and Resolutions Adopt Concerning the World's Fair.

It Isn't Cutting Much Ice. Toledo Commercial, 1
The Democratic majority in Congress is