By the Score Among the Aristocracy of the Beaver Valley Towns.

A RUSH FOR WRENCHES

Follows the Discovery Just Made by the Bridgewater Company.

FOUR BANDITS FOUGHT BY A GIRL.

Espy, Sent Up for Life on a Murder Charge, Probably Innocent.

NEWSY NOTES FROM NEARBY TOWNS

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) BEAVER FALLS, Jan. 20 .- Since early last fall the Bridgewater Gas Company has received intimations that people in this place and other towns along their lines have been using gas that has never been reported at the office. The gas was used by means of what are called "mixers," which

had been purchased in Pittsburg. Monday the company quietly put an inspector to work, and the result of his investigations has astonished the officers of the company and caused a panic among the people who have been illegally using gas in this way. The result is that there has been a scramble for wrenches, tongs, etc., to ena-ble the people to turn off the gas, and the ble the people to turn off the gas, and the plumbers are unable to supply the demand. At the offices of the company no names will be given, but they say they are astounded at the number of people found to be stealing gas. They do not belong to the poorer class of people, but among them are many who are well able to pay for anything they desire. The list, so far, it is alleged, embraces church members, ward officers and other prominent people, including a minis-

ter of the gospel.

The theft is made easy, as the meter system has not been generally used. In most of the houses from one to two fires were being paid for, while from five to six were found running full blast. As a rule the excuses given are that when gas was low the consumers had to either freeze or burn coal, and now that gas is rather plenty they pro-pose to get even. A meeting of directors has been called, when some action regard-ing delinquents will be taken.

LIMITATIONS DIDN'T SAVE HIM.

An Honest Jury Convicts a Confidence Man Despite the Statute.

CLARION, Jan. 20 .- [Special.]-In the spring of 1889, W. B. Smitten, son of a prominent Indiana county farmer, came to Clarion county, spent the spring and part of the summer establishing agencies for a patent fence. He induced many farmers to become agents on commission, among them H. McCall, of West Freedom. Last moring McCall received notice from the National Bank of Clarion that a note signed by im in favor of Smitten, dated May 14, 1889, at two years for \$125, would be due May 14, 1891. This was news to McCall. He went to the bank, admitted the signature to be genuine and paid the note. He then made information against Smitten,

charging him with forgery.

Smitten was arrested and put on trial.

McCall alleged that he did not sign the note, but signed a printed contract and an agreement concerning commissions which was written in pencil, but signed by him in ink. About three inches below the writing was a promisory printed between the writ ing and signature. The writing was cut off, leaving a clean, straight promissory note made payable at two years to cover time enough to escape a prosecution for false pretense by the statue of limitation. The this evening rendered a verdlet of guilty. Smitten is now on trial on a similar charge, in which Charles Huefner is prosecutor. He has operated throughout the entire western part of Pennsylvania, Both the defendant and his counsel frequently admitted during trial that he was guilty false pretense, but that he had provided

AN INNOCENT CONVICE.

George Eskey, in Prison for Life in Ohio. Will Probably Be Pardoned.

STEUBENVILLE, Jan. 20 .- [Special.]-It is generally believed here that George Eskey, who was sentenced to life imprison ment in 1886 for the murder of Charles Hall, of Mingo Junction, is innocent. On the night of February 18, 1886, Eskey, together with James Higgins, Charles Roup, Ben O'Batch and George Brown, were celebrating the starting up of the steel plant. While under the influence of liquor the entire party started out to steal chickens from an old man named Hall. Hall heard a noise in his coop, and, coming outside, warned the intruders away. The reply he received was a revolver shot. Hall staggered into the house and died. A revolver was found on liskey, and the rest of the gang fastened the crime on him.

It is now known that the day before Eskey went to the penitentiary he stopped before Brown's cell, and holding out his hand, exclaimed: "Why did you swear to that lie? You know that I did not shoot Brown returned no answer, but was greatly overcome and retired to his bench and wept aloud. So strong is the feeling that Eskey did not do the shooting that lawyers for the State, the Judge who presided, the jury in the case and the widow and relatives of the murdered man have signed a petition praying for his par-don. It is thought he will soon be a free His aged parents are dependent and need him greatly. Brown, the one man who could probably have cleared him, has

BRADDOCK BREVITIES.

A Waif Picked Up on the Street-Pemickey Traffic Stalled-A Mill Mishap.

BRADDOCK, Jan. 20. - [Special.] - A little girl about 12 years of age was picked up by the police late last night while wandering about the freezing air. She gave her name about the freezing air. She gart as Annie McCain, and said her parents had moved from McKeesport to Oakland yesterday, and that she had been left at the depot here by an older girl, a cousin of hers. She here by an older girl, a cousin of hers. is being cared for while her story is being

Traffic is still at a standstill over the Pemickey Railroad between McKeesport and Pittsburg and on the Eastern division also, on account of the break in the trestle below Rankin station.

But 700 rails were rolled in the 12 hours at the Edgar Thomson Steel Works yesterday. The water pressure gave out and there was a bad break of an engine.

The remains of Robert A. Hart, who committed suicide by throwing himself under a train at Duquoin, Ill., last week, will be exhumed and brought home for interment.

Alliance Saloons Closed for Repairs ALLIANCE, Jan. 20 .- [Special.] - The wide-open saloon is no longer visible in this city. Where 24 hours ago 130 saloons openly

sold intoxicants, nothing is now to be seen but drawn curtains and numerous signs of "closed for repairs." The general opinion, however, is that it is simply a transition from the open saloon to the speak-ensy. Mayor Stillwell has given notice that from now on the law will be strictly enforced. Canton's Millionaire Widow Weds

CANTON, O., Jan. 20 .- [Special.] - Nor-

man Chance, a leading business man of this city, and Mrs. Alice Newton Miller, widow of the late Jacob Miller, of this city, chief owner of the G. Aultman & Co. Manu-facturing Company, were married to-day in Washington by Bishop Hearst. They will live in Washington for the present. Mrs. Miller's estate is estimated at over \$1,-

A NEWSY YOUNGSTOWN LETTER.

County Officers Must Disgorge Illegal Fees
—A Contest for \$100,000 Estate. Youngstown, Jan. 20.-[Special.]-This afternon Moore and Anderson, who have been investigating the annual report of the County Commissioners, reported that county officials, by excessive charges or misconstruction of the statutes, have drawn large amounts in excess of legal fees. Sheriff Ewing is asked to refund \$593, and ischarged with taxing mileage where service was made in the city and chaging boarrd for insane persons who were not in jail. Similar harges are made against other county officers,

the exception being County Clerk Curry and Probate Judge Wilson.

Mrs. G. T. Ambrose and Miss McCandless, of Apollo, Pa., claiming to be nieces of Dr. McCaudless, who was found dead in his sleigh, came here to-day, and it is understood will contest the revession of his derstood will contest the possession of his estate, estimated at \$100,000, which, in the absence of a will, it was supposed would revert to his only daughter, Mrs. E. W. McClure, of Apollo. It is claimed by con-

testants she was not a daughter of the Antonio Lombado commenced suit for damages for injuries received in the Pennsylvania vard, and settled the case for \$200 without the knowledge of his attorney, who compelled him, after being arrested, to disgorge the \$200 and prosecute the case. This resulted in a verdict for \$1,500. The company took the great to the Savarana Court

pany took the case to the Supreme Court, which has affirmed the judgment. The annual meeting of the Mahoning and Shenango Valley Car Service Association was held here this atternoon. Having exhausted all its resources in trying to effect a settlement with the iron manufacturers of demurrage charges, suits now pending will be prosecuted and additional suits commenced against other parties.

A WOMAN AGAINST POUR MEN.

She Succeeds in l'utting the Burglars t Flight After a Terrible Struggle.

READING, Jan. 20 .- A plucky young woman's tussle with four masked burglars in Augustus Findeisen's grocery store and dwelling last night, saved the life of Findeisen, her father, aged 70. Shortly after 8 o'clock in the evening the quartet of masked desperados entered aged Grocer Findeisen's place. The doorbell of the little store tinkled its warning to the small dwelling tinkled its werning to the small dwelling adjoining that somebody—possibly a purchaser—was in the grocery. Lillie, the 39-year-old daughter, an only child, living with the old Findeisen couple, answered the summons. She had no sooner entered the store than she was confronted by two masked men, each holding a revolver. In her fright she struck at the first one, wrenching the revolver out of his hand. The second man struck at her and attempted to hold her fast. to hold her fast.

In the struggle that followed the mar and woman rolled over and over on the floor each striving to use the revolver upon the other. While this struggle was going on two more masked men had entered and passed through the store into the sitting room, where they seized the old man and terrible struggle ensued. With clubs, which had been improvised from fence pickets, the robbers beat the old man on the head and shoulders until he was unconscious, and covered with blood. In the meantime the daughter had torn herself free from her assailant, and gone to the assistance of her father. As she appeared in the house one of the masked men struck and knocked her down. She quickly recovered and ran out into the street, calling for help. Her cries, although not heard by the neighbors, frightened the four men, and all escaped. The entire affair did not last ten minutes.

M'KEESPORT MATTERS.

Pushing the Federal Building Matter-A

McKeesport, Jan. 20 .- [Special.]-A committee of 20 business men met with a mass meeting of citizens to-night and framed an elaborate memorial, giving perfect data of the city and surroundings. This will be sent to Washington at once, in order to give assistance to Senator Quay in

his bill for a Government building.

The National Tube Works to-day gave \$600 to the Young Men's Christian Associa The People's Bank for Savings, Pitts-burg, has elected President Kuhn, of the

McKeesport First National Bank, a mem-ber of their board. Mr. Kuhn will represent their interes's here. He is also a di-rector of the Mechanics' National Bank, of Pittsburg.

John Jenkins, Jr., charged with a serious

erime, by Miss Huey, was to-day sent to The local Turn and Gesang Verein will dedicate their \$50,000 hall February 22. There will be present at least 65 turn and singing societies from Pennsylvania, Ohio

Rainmaker Melbourne in Mexico.

CANTON, Jan. 20. - [Special.]-E. H. Hathaway, a Boston man having interests in Mexico, on his return from an Eastern trip, stopped off in Canton to confer with Rainmaker Melbourne. Correspondence looking toward rainmaking experiments in Sonorra, Mexico, have been going on some time, and a deal may be closed with the Canton wizard. Experiments in February were spoken of. Mr. Hathaway has telegraphed to his friends in Mexico, and Melbourne may accompany him there.

Held Up at His Supper Table.

MARIETTA, O., Jans 20 .- [Special.]-This evening, while George Smith, a farmer in Salem township, was seated at the supper table, he was summoned to the door by a knock, and upon opening it looked down the barrel of two revolvers. Smith gave the two robbers \$16 from his pocket. While one of the bandits entertained the family, the other locked the house and got together quite an amount of watches, silver, jew-

Tri-State Brevities. Two electric cars on the Beaver Valley

line collided at West Bridgewater Tuesday night, Conductor Hazen may die. FRANK E. HILL, formerly of Greensburg and Scottdale, where he figured in several

scandals, has been arrested in California or a charge of bigamy. FARMERS in the neighborhood of Canton O., met in that city yesterday to arrange for a petition to the Legislature for the improvement of country roads.

THE silver jubilee of Father J. Mattingly, of Martin's Ferry, was celebrated yesterday. Bishops Phelan and Kain were present, with a large number of other clergy.

The snow plow on the Nickel-Plate ran into a freight train near Eric last night. Freight Conductor Thomas McCarthy was so badly injured that he cannot recover, and his flagman, James Lewis, was fatally THE State Agricultural Society, in session

at Harrisburg, elected the following officers President, John McDowell; First Vice Presi President, John McDowell; First Vice President, W. F. Rutherford: Vice Presidents, L. H. Twaddell, Thomas J. Jordon, Benjamin S. Kunkle, Robert C. Ogden, George H. Smith, David H. Branson, William H. Holestein, William Taylor, B. J. McGrann, Daniel H. Neiman, D. J. Waller, Hiram Young, Gabriel Hiester, Joseph Piollet, Joel A. Herr, John H. Lemon, John S. Miller, J. S. Wilhelm, R. J. C. Walker, George Rhey, W. W. Speer, James S. McKean, J. A. Quay, J. D. Kirpatrick, J. C. Thornton, William Ptwell, John A. Woodward: Corresponding and Recording Secretary, D. W. Seller; Treasurer, John J. Nissley.

Ocean Steamship Arriva's. Where From. Destination. New York Boston Liverpool New York

NEWSENATORSSEATED

They Came From Mississippi and Were Cordially Welcomed.

PUBLIC BUILDING BILLS PASSED.

The Ways and Means Committee Asks For Figures on the Finances.

PREPARING FOR TARIFF REFORMATION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 .- When the Senate met to-day the spectators in the galleries were more numerous than usual, the Woman Suffragists, who had been having a hearing before their Special Committee, being largely represented.

Only one of the two re-elected Mississippi Senators, Mr. Walthall, was in his seat and he received congratulations from his fellow Senators of both parties. Mr. George entered the chamber and took his seat while the business of the morning hour was in progress and was also warmly congratulated.

The following bills were introduced and referred: By Mr. Platt, to enable New Mexico to form a constitution and State Government and to be admitted into the Union as a State. He said that he introduced it at the request of the delegate from New Mexico but without committing him-self to its provisions.

Public Building Bills Passed.

The Senate then took up the calendar, the first 18 bills upon it being for public buildings. The following were passed: Grand Haven, Mich., \$50,000; Deadwood, S. D., \$200,000; Stillwater, Minn., \$100,000; Salem. Ore., \$100,000; The Dalles, Ore., \$100,000. The latter bill gave rise to a long discussion, but it was finally passed—yeas, 35; nays, 12.
All the negative votes were given by

Democrats, the only Democrats voting in the affirmative with the Republicans being Messrs. Blodgett, Brice, Call, Daniel and Vest. Mr. Peffer also voted aye. A bill also passed for a public building at Fresno, Cal. \$75,000

Minor Legislation Considered. Mr. Frye introduced a bill to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes, and to carry into effect certain recommendations of the United States delegates to the Inter-The Senate resumed consideration of the La Abra bill and after a tedious and wholly uninteresting discussion the bill went over till to-morrow without action.

Mr. Washburne introduced a bill defining options and futures and imposing sys-

ing options and futures and imposing spe-cial taxes on dealers therein. Referred to Judiciary Committee. Adjourned.

THE HOUSE.

The Secretary of the Treasury Called Upon for Figures on the Imports From the South-Mr. Springer Introduces a Bill for Free Wool.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 .- Although it was generally believed in the House this norning that the President would send his Chilean message to Congress to-day the tenor of the forthcoming document was speculated upon by the little groups of members who, around the fireplaces at the rear of the seats indulged in conversation while awaiting the noon hour.

On motion of Mr. Stone, of Kentucky, a resolution was adopted, calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for a statement of all goods imported into the United States from the Dominican Republic and from Puerto Rico, dutiable or free. Also a statement of all goods exported to these countries for ten years prior to the passage of the McKinley

Bills were introduced: For a public building at Ann Harbor, Mich.; directing the Secretary of the Treasury to call in at once and cover into the Treasury all moneys now deposited with national banks drawing no interest; for a public building at Hunting-

Mr. Springer, of Illinois, introduced his free wool bill, and it was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. Ad-

journed. TARIFF REFORM MOVES.

The Secretary of the Treasury Called Upon for Financial Figures.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20. - The House Ways and Means Committee met to-day and adopted the following resolution: Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be requested to appear before the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives at 10 o'clock on Saturday, the 23d of January, for the purpose of furnishing the committee with information in reference to the finances of the country. Mr. Springer, Chairman of the committee, said that the information was desired in order that the committee might have knowledge of the Government's receipts and ex-penditures before taking action with refer-ence to the tariff. Until this information is secured, he said, the committee will not de cide upon the course it will pursue. The tariff was not broached in committee to-day,

at least in a formal way.

Mr. Springer during the day introduced his free wool bill, but he said that it had no reference to the meeting of the committee in the morning. The bill is similar to that heretofore made public except as it respects the waste or shoddy wool section and a new section providing that goods in bond January 1, 1893, the date the bill goes into effect may be taken out of the Custom effect, may be taken out of the Custom House on payment of the new duties, the same as though imported subsequent to that date. The waste section of the bill as amended and introduced to-day reads as follows: "The articles mentioned in paragraph of said act and likewise all mungo, shoddies, gametted, or corded waste, or other waste product composed wholly or in part of wool, and which has been improved or adranced beyond its original condition as waste by the use of machinery or the application of labor, or both, shall, on and after the first day of January, 1893, be subject to a duty of 30 per cent ad valorem."

EDMUNDS LECTURED THE COURT.

The Justices of the Supreme Bench Astonished at His Speech.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States were astonished to-day, and a mild sensation created in court by the manner in which ex-Senator Edmunds, who was counsel in a case under argument, criticized the Court and stated his opinion that it was en-tirely wrong in its decision in the celebrated "original package" case from Iowa. The ex-Senator was in excellent spirits,

The ex-Senator was in excellent spirits, and he lectured the Court in the benignant, amiable manner familiar to his colleagues on the Senate floor. With great diffidence he said that he felt it his duty to tell the Court that it had gone wrong in its construction of the Constitution in its decision in the Loisy vs Hardin case (the "original reachage" case. The principle laid terms package" case.) The principle laid down in the case was one dangerous to the peace and security of the people of the individual States. He urged the Court to go back to the true doctrine in this case while there was yet time.

TRANSPORTATION TO THE FAIR.

Information Regarding Rates to Be Obtained at the Earliest Possible Date. WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The Committee on Tariffs and Transportation of the World's Columbian Exposition has ap-pointed V. D. Groner, Euclid Martin, G. C. Sims and W. H. Lane an Executive Com-

mittee on the same with all the powers and

authority vested in the Committee on

Tariffs and Transportation by the Board of ONLY TWO HITCHES

Control.

Director General Davis has been informed that Chairman Groner, of the Executive Committee, has been instructed to "commence immediately and procure all the information possible concerning that department, and make arrangements with all lines of transportation and perform such other duties as will best further the interest of that densetment." General V. D. of that department." General V. D. Groner was also to-day appointed Special Commissioner of the Treasury Department in connection with the World's Columbian Exposition to be held in Chicago.

FEVER AMONG THE CATTLE

Transportation of the Animals From the South Stopped for a Period.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Secretary Rusk has issued a notice to the managers and agents of railroad and transportation companies, stockmen and others interested, that splenitic or southern fever exists among cattle in a described area which includes nearly all of the territory lying south of and including the States of North Carolina, Arkansas and Tennessee and the Indian Territory.

From February 15 to December 1, 1892, no cattle are to be transported from this area to any portion of the United States, north or west of it, except by rail for immediate slaughter and certain stated regulations are to be observed. It is provided, however, that cattle which have been within a certain area in the State of een within a certain area in the State of Texas included in the infected district at least 90 days may be shipped to Colorado, Wyoming and Montana for grazing pur-poses under the regulations of these States.

PROTECTION FOR THE MINERS.

The Missouri Laws to Be Extended Over the Mines in Indian Territory.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.-The recent mining disaster at Krebs in the Indian Territory, whereby many lives were lost, has been one of the means of inducing the House Committee on Territories to act promptly on a bill introduced by Repreentative Mansur, of Missouri, to regulate mines and mining in the Indian Territory. The bill extends the general mining laws of the State of Missouri over the mining operations in the Indian Territory.

A feature of the Missouri law prescribes a after the employes have stopped work be-fore what is known as "shooting the mines" takes place. This process is for the pur-pose of clearing out the foul gas from the mines. Had this law been in force in the Indian Territory it is believed the accident might have been avoided.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE MATTERS.

An Amendment to the Constitution to

Proposed in the Senate. WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 .- After hearing delegation representing the Woman's Suffrage Association, the Senate select Committee on Woman's Suffrage to-day decided by a vote of 3 to 2 to report favorably to the

Senate the proposed measure in favor of an amendment to the Constitution giving the right of suffrage to women.

The Woman's Suffrage Association to-day elected the following officers for the ensuing year: First Honorary President, Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton; Second Honorary President, Lucy Stanton; Second Honorary President, Lucy Stanton; Active President, Miss Susan B. Anthony; Vice President at Large, Rev. Anna Shaw; First Auditor, Harriet T. Upton.

Revenue for Paying the Pensions. WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 .- Representative John Davis, one of the Kansas Alliance members, introduced a service pension bill to-day with income, Legislature and land tax attachments as a means of raising the necessary revenue to pay the pensions.

PEOPLE COMING AND GOING.

Colonel Willis J. Hulings, of Oil City, is at the Monongahela House. He tells some hirld tales about tramping through West Virginia laurel thickets. He spent last week in a lumber camp. The snow was only two feet deep. The Colonel is engaged in lumber business in that State.

Sister M. Ildefause, of the Sisters of Charity, will leave for Santa Fe next week, where she will be sent for a year by the order on account of ill health. She is a sister of Father Lambing, of Wilkinsburg, and Mayor Lambing, of Corry.

Among the passengers for New York last evening were J. E. Umbstaetter, Frank B. Robinson, of the Carbon Iron Works; Charles Robb, the attorney, and Charles Speer, As-sistant Cashier of the First National Bank. N. B. Billingsley, of New Lisben, President of the Pittsburg, Marion and Chicago road, passed through the city last evening bound for New York.

T. W. Tucker and wife, of Washington, and G. W. Marsh, of Zelienople, are among the mests at the St. Charles Hotel. M. V. Richards, immigrant agent for the B. & O. road at Baltimore, registered at the Monongahela House yesterday. E. D. Crandall, General Manager of the Western Electric Company at Chicago, is stopping at the Duquesne.

T. B. Wilgus, of Monongahela City, and F. G. Brown, of Titusville, are registered at the Schlosser. S. N. Johnston, of Akron, and Orton Hill, of Reading, are stopping at the Anderson. Senator M. S. Quay and his son Dick are

T. W. Phillips, of New Castle, was in the D. C. Herbst and wife went to New-York

FIRE RECORD.

AT Freeman, Mo., half the town. Loss, \$40,-000, uninsured. Ar Bridgeport, Conn., St. Thomas' Roman

At Providence a row of buildings on Canal street and the Armour Beef Company's structure damaged. Loss, \$20,000. Ar Cleveland, a wing of the large vapor and gas stove factory of the Schneider & Trenkamp Company. Loss, \$40,000; covered by insurance.

RIVER NEWS AND NOTES.

Louisville Items-The Stage of Waters and the Movements of Boats. ISPECIAL TELEGRAMS TO THE DISPATCH. 1 LOUISVILLE, Jan. 20.—Business improving. Weather clear and cold, The river is falling, with 12 feet 6 inches on the falls, 14 feet 10 inc

the canal and 38 feet below. The Charlie McDon-ald and tow arrived from Cincinnati and went to Cairo. No departures to-day. What Upper Gauges Show. ALLEGHENY JUNCTION-River 7 feet 3 inches and falling. Clear and pleasant.

MORGANTOWN-River 7 feet 8 inches and falling. Clear. Thermometer 12° at 4 P. M.

BROWNSVILLE-River 9 feet 8 inches and stationary. Clear. Thermometer 13° at 5 P. M.

WARMEN-River 1,3 feet. Fair and cold.

The News From Below. EVANSVILLE—River 23 feet 8 inches and rising.
Clear and cold. Arrived—Ohlo,
WHEELING—River 11 feet and rising slowly.
River full of new-made ice. Departed—Ben Hur,
Parkersburg.
CAIRO—No arrivals or departures. River 24
feet 6 inches and rising. Clear and cold.
CINCINNATI—River 35 feet 6 inches and falling.
Fair and cold. Departed—Carrollton, to Pittsburg;
New South, to Memphis; Henry M. Stanley, to
Kauawhis.

New South, to Memphis; Henry M. Stanley, to Kanawha.

NEW ORLEANS—Clear and cold, Departed—John Glimore and tow, St. Louis; State of Missouri, Cincinnati.

PARKERSENG—Ohio 13 feet and falling fast; filling with new ice, Mercury dropped to zero last night, Courier up, for Wheeling; rectia up.

MEMPHIS—Arrived—Kate Adams, Arkansas City. The State of Kansas, much overdue, passed down yesterday without landling. River 11 feet 5 inches and rising. Cold.

St. LOUIS—Navigation closed by the gorge. Cold but moderating. The ice blockade still remains. River stationary.

President Nick Young Talks About the Baseball Situation.

LYONS AND RICHARDSON CASES.

Callaghan Very Hopeful of Defeating Mc-Carthy in Their Coming Fight.

TRAINERS AND JOCKEYS LICENSED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.; WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 .- "There are but two hitches in the baseball situation," remarked President Young this afternoon "the first being the case of Danny Richardson, who is wanted by the New York Club, and the second that of Denny Lyons, claimed by Pittsburg. So far as the Committee on Assignments may be concerned, Danny Richardson will play with the Washingtons unless some deal is perfected be tween the management of that organization and the New York Club. We have nothing to do with the private agreements entered into by club managers, but we will stand by an assignment without regard to arguments pro or con. I was called upon to-day to settle a dispute between the New York and St. Louis Clubs, as to which organization was entitled to the services of Catcher Moran, formerly of the Joliets, of the Tri-State League.

It Wasan Oversight, "When the assignments were first made he was claimed and given to the St. Louis club, but when the lists were made up, he was inadvertently credited to New York. Consequently there was a dispute as to which club was legally entitled to Moran. This controversy I settled very promptly by assigning him as originally designed to the St. Louis club "

"Regarding the location of Pfeffer, I can only say that he was given to Chicago in the general distribution of players and despite the alleged friction between Anson and himself, there he will have to remain. I know of no private agreement entered into with Mr. Williams, of the proposed American Association team at Chicago, by which he was to retain Pfeffer and take him wherever he wished to, but on the contrary the Chicago club asked for and was awarded their former second baseman. It is all well enough for players like Richardson and Pfeffer to be holding aloof and declaring that they will sign in this place or that place just as their fancy dictates, but they will play with the clubs desiring them as

they were assigned originally. The Boston Deal Complete.

"Richardson made no objection to playing with the Athletics at Philadelphia, and the contract he signed with that organization will be equally binding under the new order of things. Everything is progressing satisfactorily at Boston regarding the transfer of the champion team and all the stock upon which an option was desired has been turned over to me in accordance with the agreement made between Messra. Prince and Soden. Negotiations of this character are naturally conducted in the privacy of an office and are not public property until some result has been reached. This, I am glad to say, has been accomplished, and with the exception of the cases of the two players cited above, everything is serene in the baseball world."

MORE LICENSES GRANTED

Trainers and Jockeys Get Their Paper From the Board of Control.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 .- [Special.]-Appearnees-at least some appearances-are as misleading as the melting glance of a woman. This was the case at the meeting of the Board of Control yesterday at their offices on Fifth avenue. Busy tongues—those that alwas attend to everybody's business but their own-had hinted that some H. B. Hilton, a son of Judge Hilton, of New York, returned to the metropolis last evening. He is a member of the firm of Hilton. Hughes & Denning, who succeeded A. T. Stewart. They do a business of \$16,000,000 per year. Mr. Hilton came to Pittsburg to see Paul Hacke, Joseph Horne and other business men here.

Hess Out there was had a limportant measure would be resolved upon. The duration of the session—from 4 o'clock until nearly 7—somewhat whetted the interest produced by this "tittle tattle," but whatever the turf magnates discussed, whatever they considered or whatever they have in their "mind's eye" was evidently not ever they considered or whatever they have in their "mind's eye" was evidently not ripe for publication, at least for the present. All that could be obtained was the granting of licenses to trainers and jockeys, which

are as follows: are as follows:

Trainers—Albert Cooper, Byron McClelland, J. H. Morris, J. McAdams, P. S. Donovan, J. P. O'Hara, E. W. McCoren, E. B. Snedeker, James F. Walden, G. P. Delliser, Wilson Taylor, C. Thomas, T. J. Healy, M. S. Mitchell, C. Miller and W. B. Cary, Jockeys—C. Bryant, James McLaughlin and W. J. Fitzpatrick.

Perhaps the beard resolved upon dis-countenancing one, two, three betting, a system which has become a medium for the greatest ramping, cold blooded sharping and

THE members of the Keystone Bicycle Club have purchased a lot in the East End on which to build a clubhouse. mpudent barefaced robbery.

The board was represented by Messrs. D. D. Withers, "Phil" Dwyer, James Galway, A. J. Cassett, John Hunter and J. G. K. Lawrence, Mr. J. A. Morris being absent on Southern trip.

MAKING A BIG CLUB.

The Shooters of Beaver County Form On

Big Organization. BEAVER FALLS, Jan. 20 .- [Special.]-A well attended meeting of the different gun clubs of Beaver county was held in the Central Hotel at this place last night, the object being to consolidate the clubs. The following clubs were well represented: Spring Chicken, and Beaver Falls of this place, New Brighton, Rochester and Beaver.

D. C. Braden, of the Beaver Falls club, D. C. Braden, of the Beaver Falls club, was appointed temporary chairman, and Herbert Wickham, of the Beaver club, secretary. The matter of consolidation was considered in all its bearings, after which the chairman appointed a committee consisting of the following gentlemen: George Reed, of New Brighton; George Woods, of Rochester; George Wolf, of Beaver; Jonathan Anderton, of Beaver Falls club, and Joseph Close, of the Spring-Chicken club, to select a suitable location for the new grounds and report at a meeting to be held grounds and report at a meeting to be held at the same hotel February 2. At that time a permanent organization will be eftected and officers elected.

Thought It Very Cheap. CHICAGO, Jan. 20 .- [Special.]-President Frank de Haas Robison, of the Cleveland club, arrived in the city yesterday on pri-vate business. Mr. Robison is highly elated over his success in bringing about a settlement of the baseball troubles, as to his settlement of the baseball troubles, as to his
efforts more than any others is due the 12club lengue as it now exists. "Many people
stem to think that the League bought peace
dearly in paying \$130,000 for it," he said,
"but according to my way of figuring the
price was cheap. We will save nearly that
during the next few years in salaries, with
unhealthy competition removed, and besides the public will pay the money by increased patronage at the games. The price creased patronage at the games. The price comes from the public pocket after all. Had peace not been declared anyone could have had my baseball holdings at 15 cents on the

The Chess Champions, HAVANA, Jan. 20 .- The ninth game of the chess match between Steinitz and Tschigorin was drawn after 35 moves. Tschigorin opened with the Evans gambit. Tschigorin, not Steinitz won the seventh

Omaha Not in It. OMAHA, Jan. 20 .- From lack of enthusiasm at a meeting of the local baseball men last night it is almost certain that Omaha

will not be in the new Western League.
Not over half a dozen were present. Mr.
McCord, owner of the franchise, offers to
turn it over free. A committee was appointed to try to secure subscriptions.
Little success is expected.

Manned by No Crew, a Ship From
Nova Scotia Sails Silently On

ABOUT OUR NEW CATCHER.

Some Kind Words Regarding Sim by Cincinnati Baseball Writer. Ren Multord has the following to say

about Earle, the Pittaburg catcher: "Last night's mail carried to Pittsburg the signed contract of Billy Earle, who has certainly had a queer experience since he took part in the contests which led to the downfall of both Chicago and St. Louis at Sioux City last fall. His work with the Western champions was so great that he was immediately corrated by Arthur Irwin for the late Boston Reds. At that time the shadow of dissolution was upon the team and the check for advance that came was returned with the famous old message of the Brotherhood days 'N. G.—N. F.,' which being interpreted means 'no good—no funds.' The little globe trotter was overly pleased with the violation of his contract and expressed himself in terms that brought an epistle from the Hub to the effect that he collected manage when aid and effect that no advance money be paid and that if he hidn't like it he was as free as the

ambient air.
"While this little farce comedy was in while this little large comedy was in progress, Ted Sullivan floated into town and got Earle's frame on an agreement to play at Washington. Then Sir Ted mysteriously and suddenly disappeared, and another Charley Ross case has been recorded. Uncle Anson—who feared that he had lost Kittridge-knew Earle's worth and sent for his terms with the hint-"wait awhile." while waiting the chance came along to go to Cuba, and he took it. A. C. Buckenber-ger knew just what Earle did last fall, and when he returned from Havana, he found a letter from his old manager. Pittsburg has signed one of the best cards in the land—a catcher who can hit and who is full of life and ambition.

THE LITTLE PUGILISTS.

Warren and Callaghan Are Confident

Defeating Their Next Opponents. BAY St. Louis, Jan. 20.—[Special.]— Tommy Warren, who is to meet George Siddons to-morrow night in New Orleans, and Tom Callaghan, who is to face Cal Mc-Carthy at the Olympic Club on January 26, are all reported to be in fine condition Warren says he is going to do his best to win back what he lost with Cal McCarthy, win back what he lost with Car includingly, and if reports are true that come from Warren's quarters in the town of Donaldson, La., he will be in much better shape than when he fought McCarthy. Warren then appeared to be over confident, or he had lost hope of winning. In this instance it is thought around here that Warren will win.

Tommy Callaghan, the Irish lad, is doing good work. In a talk today he said: "Me-

good work. In a talk to-day he said: "Me-Carthy is a good man, and if he defeats me I will give him my hand and wish him good luck. I am here, however, to win, and want only two good battles, one with McCarthy and the other with Dixon. This fight will be my twenty-third, and I have won 22, each in less than seven rounds. I think the "go" between McCarthy and myself will be less than ten rounds. McCarthy may win, but I will pledge you that if he does he will not think he has been to a Christmas party." At present Callaghan is lacking only a few pounds of being at weight. His injured hand is about well. Johnny Griffin says that if Callaghen's hand is entirely well he will be a safe man to bet on. Fitzsimmons thinks a great deal of him, and Carroll says that if he keeps as well as he is now he can-

Will Have Fast Trotters.

FREEPORT, Jan. 20.-Arrangements have been completed whereby M. E. McHenry, the well-known trotting horseman, will make his headquarters here this season. He will have a great string of trotters to drive. Among them Delmarch, 2:1134: Charleston, 2:15; Lobasco, 2:164; Bonnie Mack, 2:2034; Reserve Fund, 2:2634; Stoner Boy, 2:2634; Haldane, 2:2634; Beauvoir, by Mambrino Russell, May Marshall, full sister to Mary Marshall, 2:1234; Joe Jett, no record, but can beat 2:20; and others. H. S. and J. D. Stout, of Dubuque, Ia., will also make their headquarters in Freeport, it is thought.

Arion Going East.

BOSTON, Jan. 20 .- The 2-year-old stallion Arion recently purchased by J. Malcolm Forbes, of this city, is now en route East, and will make the journey by easy stages. General Sporting Notes.

JOHN SPLAN has 35 trotters in training at Doan Brook farm. JOE GOODMAN, of Hartford, Conn., is the father of relay road record riding. THE old officers of the Duquesne Kennel Club have been re-elected for another 12

ALL but two of Pilot Medium's 29 2:30 per-formers were bred in Battle Creek, Mich., where Pilot Medium is owned. MAURICE DALY writes that he will not make his European trip until late in the season. He wants Frank Ives to go to France with

Manned by No Crew, a Ship From Nova Scotia Sails Silently On

WITH HER CANVAS FULLY SET.

The Deserted Ship Sighted in the Evening, Only to Vanish.

HER NAME AND HOME PLAINLY READ

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 .- One of the strangest of tales of the sea was that which the Italian bark Colombo D. brought to this

port yesterday.
On the 11th inst., while the Colombo D. was about 150 miles off the coast of Bermuda, Captain Vigiliana states that his lookout sighted a vessel about three miles off on the starboard bow. She was a three master and square rigged. She was signaled, but no answer came.

She was steering very erratically, too, and although the shadows were gradually deepening into twilight, Captain Vigiliana de cided to bear down upon her and see what, if anything, was the matter. Nearer and nearer they came, but to their repeated hailings not a sound of answer came. a trace of life was on board. All was silent save the soughing of the wind through the rigging. Stranger still, all sail was set, and the ship, in charge of the fates, was sailing

on with no hand at the helm. Found to Be a Nova Scotia Vessel. As the Colombo sailed by her stern her name could be plainly made out. It was Hutchins Brothers, a Nova Scotia ship. Captain Vigiliana held a consultation with his officers and called a volunteer crew to investigate, but the night was growing dark and the superstitious sailors refused to go, It was finally decided to stay by the strange vessel until morning. Lights were already in the rigging of the Colombo, but none shone from the Hutchins, giving additional

evidence that no life was on board her. Strange as has been the experience already, and great the expectancy on board the Colombo, the morning brought deeper mystery, for when dawn broke there was mystery, for when dawn broke there was only a waste of waters where the lifeless Nova Scotia ship had been. The night had been calm and peaceful. A skiff could have lived in the roll of the gentle sea. There was no land within sight and no storm had risen, and yet nowhere could be found the strange ship. She had disappeared as mysteriously as she had come into sight.

A Thoroughly Frightened Crew. The crew of the Colombo, with all the superstition of sailors, believed the vessel had had no natural existence and portended evil, and it was with glad hearts that they reached quarantine in safety. Captain Vigilians promptly reported the matter at the Maritime Exchange, where its recital created much excitement.

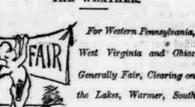
The Hutchins Brothers is a Nova

Scotian ship, and according to the register was commanded by Captain Armstrong, a skipper of 20 years' experience. She had sailed from Pernambuco on December 16 with a cargo of sugar for this port, and that was all that was known of her until the sensational story of Captain Vigilians yester-

day.

The ship was named after Hutchins Brothers, of this city, who were their agents. They are utterly at a loss to acagents. They are utterly at a loss to acagents. count for the absence of life on board her, unless it was that yellow fever had attacked the crew and consequently they could not make their presence known. That she should have been swallowed up in the night is a mystery deep and unfathomable to them as it was to the astounded crew of the

THE WEATHER.



TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL.
 8 A. M.
 4 Maximum temp.

 12 M.
 8 Minimum temp.

 2 P. M.
 13 Mean temp.

 5 P. M.
 16 Range.

 5 P. M.
 16 Prec.

The storm has moved very rapidly from Manitoba to Lake Superior. A second storm has developed in Alberta. The clearing condition extends on a ridge of high pr from the Middle Pacific coast through Mis souri to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Snow flurries have occurred in the lake regions. The temperature has fallen in the Atlantic and East Gulf States and in the extreme Northwest, and has generally risen elsewhere. Clearing weather may be expected to the Lake regions, slightly colder in the

Northwest and generally higher tempera-

BARGAINS in ladies' winter underwear.

ture in all other districts.

Special sale now on.

Nonrox, formerly of the Staten Island Athletic Club, who was so well thought of while at Dartmouth, will be in this year's Yale crew. Jos. Horne & Co., 609-621 Penn Avenue. HOUSEKEEPERS ARE WARNED against the impositions of a company of females, who, under the lead of a male agent, are now infesting the kitchens of this city, performing a trick which

they pretend is a test of baking powders. It having been intimated that these persons are the paid agents of the Royal Baking Powder Company, this is to advise all concerned that this Company has no relation whatever to them, that their so-called test is a sham, and that the females are instructed and employed to perform these tricks and make false statements in all kitchens to which they can gain access, by concerns who are trying to palm off upon housekeepers an inferior brand of baking powder through the operation of fallacious and deceptive methods.

The Royal Baking Powder Company in no case employs such agents, and whenever the name of this Company is used to gain entrance to houses, the applicant, no matter how respectable in appearance, should be regarded and treated as an imposter.

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