William Glew Bobs Up Once More.

ask for a cut to \$6,720 on lot and \$4,400 or

FEW CHANGES ARE ASKED.

The County Board Not Encountering Many

Per Cent in Some Places.

Difficulties-One Assessor Taught a

Very Severe Lesson-Figures Raised 40

The County Commissioners are convinced

that their plan of revision will work a con-

siderable improvement this year. It forces

some assessors and objectors to shed light

on other cases than their own. Some as-

sessors' reasoning faculties seem to be

queerly constructed. A lady from a town-

ship in which petroleum is found in large

quantities, objected to her assessment, or

rather to her neighbor's. She said that \$52

an acre was not a large valuation for her

farm, that, in fact, she would not sell

it at that price, but she insisted that an adjoining neighbor's farm

was worth more than hers and was assessed

at but \$33 an acre. The assessor was called

down by the Commissioners, and he ex-

plained that he had been guided in fixing

valuations by the agricultural value of land,

notwithstanding the precept issued to him and others explaining that whatever added to the market value of land was to be cal-

culated in arriving at its saleable value. This assessor explained that the land of the

woman making the complaint was un-obstructed by oil derricks, pipes, etc.,

and consequently more valuable, agricult-urally, than her neighbor's on which there

were 35 oil wells and a perfect network of

pipes! That assessor went away, it is supposed, with a new idea fumbling about his

In Edgewood borough the assessors had

made an increase of 84 per cent over the last assessment, and the Board of Revision

added another 40 per cent to the assessors' figures, making a total increase of 124 per

cent. In Beltzhoover borough the assess-ors had made a raise of 84 per cent and

ors had made a raise of 34 per cent and the Board of Revision added 20 per cent more, a total increase of 104 per cent. In Brushton the assessors raised 56 per cent, and the board raised it 40 per cent more, a

total of 96 per cent. In the First ward, Millvale, the assessors made an increase of

4 per cent, in the Second ward no increase, and in the Third ward 32 per cent. The

In all these districts, it is stated, the as-

essment is still under the actual value of

the property. To-day appeals will be heard from Chartiers, Mausfield and Oakmont

Another Blow at Schenley Park.

The Taxpayers' Association of the

Twenty-ninth ward held a meeting in the

Bedford schoolhouse last evening. Speeches

any ordinance providing for an increase in salary of any officer or office.

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ment. Such water cannot but be unhealthy

as well as unfit for drinking or other house-

hold purposes. We will guarantee to re-move these impurities and furnish a supply

of clear, pure water at all times by the use of our "Davis Filter." Send for catalogue

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and price list.

· Impure Water.

board added 30 per cent to all the wards.

line office for dividends.

Twenty-first ward-Mrs. M. E. McClintock,

building.

The Lotus Club, Twenty-sixth ward, as-

George Shiras II. Announced as a Candidate for Judge Bradley's Place.

LAWYERS ARE DELIGHTED

of Their Associates

WHO HAS ALREADY BEEN HONORED.

His Brief but Interesting Experience in Politics.

ONE OF THE STATE'S ABLEST LAWYERS

announced as a candidate for the vacancy in the United States Supreme Court caused by the death of Associate Justice Bradley. The Pittsburg Bar Association will meet within the week to recommend the appointment of Mr. Shiras, Lawyers from Mr. Shiras and his campaign, and the Pittsburg attorneys are jubilant over the prospects of their new candidate.

Has a Erother in the U. S. Court. George Shiras II. yesterday celebrated shis 60th birthday. He was born in the First ward, Pittsburg, where his father was also born. His father is still living in Allegheny, and is 88 years old. His brother late last week, and since his disease has ble a close incognito for the interesting indi-Western States. A vacancy in the Circuit judgeship of the Western States has made Judge Shiras a candidate for promotion. George Shiras II. is a son of George and

Elizabeth Blaine Shiras and is a consin of

Secretary Blaine, with whom he is intimate and between the two there is a friendly, confidential feeling. Mr. Shiras entered the Ohio University September, 1851, and entered Yale law school in 1853. He studied law in Pittsburg where he was admitted to the bar, and with a probable single exception he has continued since his admission to practice to lead the uneventful life of a hard worker, whose time and thought have been occupied by his business. He is one of the very few on upon whom Yale College has conferred be degree of LL. D.

Was Once Chosen for the U.S. Senate. In 1881 when the creat fight against bossism was made in the Pennsylvania Legislature, and when a deadlock existed on the selection of a United States Senator, Mr. Shiras in a secret caueus was chosen by a majority of two votes as a compromise for the distinguished place. The next mornling, however, another caucus was ordered by the political leaders, and John I. Mirchell was nominated and was elected. He served until 1887.

Mr. Shiras has never been an active partisan. He is a high tariff Republican. #His income from his legal practice is said to be second to no lawyer in the State.

### SENATORS QUAY AND LEE MEET.

They Surprise Their Friends by Kindly Greeting Each Other.

enator M. S. Quay and his son Dick row last night. During his stay in Pittsburg Senator Quay met, at their request, nearly all of his political followers in Western Pennsylvania, and the scene in his parlors vesterday was the same as is seen there every time Mr. Quay comes to Pitts-burg. A constant string of would-be officeholders passed with profound consideration into the Senator's presence and then passed out again, more hopeful, but with more information, than when they called. Senator Lee, of Franklin, Pa., the arch-Independent Republican, came to Pittsburg about the same time the Quays' arrived. He, too, stopped at the Duquesne. At dinner about 6 o'clock last night the two Senators met face to face. Friends who accompanied the two and who had heard them roundly abuse each other fairly shuddered as the two political athletes and antagonists met. But relief came promptly.

Quay asked, extending his hand in a friend-"How are you, Senator Quay?" Senator Lee asked in answer, grasping the extended

hand with evident warmth. "You're well?" Quay remarked to Lee. "Very well," Lee answered to Quay. The two smiled kindly and passed on. "I thought you people were deadly enemies," one of Senator Quay's friends said to

the Senator after the handshaking.
"We have done a good deal of fighting with our mouths, that's all," Senator Quay

### BIG FIRE AT OAKDALE.

Twelve Houses and Most of Their Contents Burned Yesterday.

Twelve buildings in Oakdale, the oil town on the Panhandle Railroad, were burned vesterday morning. The fire broke out at 2:30 o'clock in P. A. Moeller's hardware store. It is supposed to have started from an overheated gas stove. The buildings in the row were all wooden structures, and the flames spread from one to the other rapidly. The efforts of the people to check the fire proved unsuccessful, and it burned itself out. A well from which water was secured soon gave out, and it was necessary

The principal losers are as follows: P. A. Moeller, hardware store, loss \$8,000, insurance \$3,000; residence, loss \$2,500. P. Dor-nuff, shoemaker, loss \$100; Pfaub & Webber, gents' furnishing store; W. H. Austin, grocery: Grant Murray, shooting gallery, loss \$500; Mr. Brown, store: Mr. McKnight, boarding house, \$1,500; Dr. M. P. Cullivan, office, \$200; J. Campbell, house, \$700; Rising and Van Siekle, drugstore, \$6,000; W. S. Beatty, billiard and pool tables, loss \$1,000, insurance \$750; McClelland & Snell, Central Hotel, \$1,500. Patrick Quigley and several other boarders at the McKnight House lost their personal effects. Goods and stocks were gotten out of some of the buildings and carried to the United Presbyterian Church across the street

Mrs. Catharine O'Leary Dead. Mrs. Catharine O'Leary, wife of Timothy O'Leary, Sr., and mother of Timothy O'Leary, Jr., the well-known politician, died at her residence about 10 o'clock last night of pneumonia, superinduced by the grip. Mrs. O'Leary was born in County Cork, Ireland, and was in her 66th year She came to this country some 43 years ago Her husband and four children survive her they are Timothy, Jr., John J., Jeremiah and Miss Nellie O'Leary. No arrange-ments have been made for the funeral.

George C. Wilson, attorney for Thomas Bigelow, in his suit against the consolida tion of the Pittsburg and Duquesne Traction lines, went East last night presumably to bring about a settlement of the case An effort was made last night to see Mr. Bigelow, but he was confined to his bed by EDWARD STOFIEL DEAD.

Consumption Causes the Death of the Well-Known Newspaper Writer-History of His Life and Work in Pittsburg-Started as a Messenger Boy.

Leonard Edward Stofiel died at his home

at Springdale, near Pittsburg, at 3:18 o'elock yesterday afternoon, aged 31 years. Ed Stofiel, as he was familiarly called, was one of the best known newspaper workers in Pennsylvania. He was earnest, industrious and competent, and every reader of THE DISPATCH will remember with kindly appreciation his writings on State politics and special features of With the Prospects of Honoring One State concern. He took an active part in all the newspaper events occurring within 8 years, and no one in the profession had a more expansive grasp or a keener appreciation of news features than he. He was a fluent, pleasant writer; while his pen was never used to wound, it was always ready to praise and reward. In all his work throughout the State he never left a sear. Those who knew him best will cherish most fondly his memory

and will feel most keenly his untimely The deceased was born in Lawrenceville on May 3, 1861. In early boyhood he became a protege of Rev. J. C. High and became a member of the Methodist Church at George Shiras II. was yesterday officially an early age. When 17 years old he was unnounced as a candidate for the vacancy in employed in the office of the Pittsburg employed in the office of the Pittsburg Post. He afterward become a reporter on that paper. In 1884 he was made city editor of the Commercial Gazette and two years later he become a reporter on THE DIS' PATCH. He served THE DISPATCH as appointment of Mr. Shiras. Lawyers from all parts of the State have expressed their determination to take an active interest in 1891, when he suffered a hemorrhage and was compelled to abandon the work. He conducted the road expedition for THE DIS-PATCH, and did active and excellent work at Johnstown after the flood there. He made a tour of the State, testing pub-lic sentiment during the prohibition amendment campaign in 1890, and he han-dled with rare skill many other features of

Mr. Stofiel visited THE DISPATCH office THE DISPATCH have been shorter and less frequent, but the last effort of his pen was published last Saturday. He also has a historical work now in the hands of his publishers.

The deceased was a victim of consum tion. He was married in 1886 to Lellyn McCall, a daughter of R. S. P. McCall, of Tarentum. He leaves a daughter 3 years old. His parents are still living.

### CAUGHT AT HIS HOME.

Murderer Le Feveer Caught at Plainfield After Having Been Chased Across the Continent-Story of His Western Crimes

-Price of \$5,000 on His Head. Sheriff R. F. Weaver, of Pear, Dakota, come to the St. James Hotel last night in charge of J. A. Le Feveer, of Plainfield, Cumberland county, Pa. When the two arrived at the Union station Le Feveer was in irons, hands and feet. The shackles were removed when the train stopped, but the removed when the train stopped, but the dignity and bearing of the ordinary or handcuffs remained intact. When the offi-cer with his prisoner went to supper the two were handcuffed together and each ate wift are hand. Le Feveer was being taken to Pear, Da-

The story of the murder as told by Sheriff Weaver is decidedly sensational. "Le Feever," he said, "is a tenderfoot. He came to our State only in the summer, and then he was a mystery. He never worked, but always had money, and was a popular fel-low. He spent last summer at Pear. While there he met and courted Miss Mary Gardner, a woman of good family and standing in our town. The two spent much time together. One night last May the two drove ten miles into the country to attend a the Duquesne Hotel. They left for hington over the Baltimore and Ohio last night. During his stay in Pitts.

After the party about midnight. Thomas Flinn was the first and only witness called. He looked mysterious. He were a soft, dingy hat, a faded fiannel shirt, dead body of Miss Gardner was found on a rusty suit of well-worn clothes and a subthe roadside within three miles of our town. Her throat had been cut. Le Feever was never seen since leaving the party until I arrested him at the home of his parents vesterday. The Commissioners of our county offered \$5,000 reward for his capture. I traced him to California and back to Canada, and then to his home. I got positive trace of him at Harrisburg, and going into Cumberland county I gave a farmer who knew him \$50 for entrapping him. He is a dangerous, desperate fellow. and he is said to have stolen many horses

out there. "Now that I have captured him it would cost me my life to allow him to escape. That is why I have him in irons." The Sheriff and his prisoner left on an early morning train for the scene of the

## TWO SITES SUGGESTED.

Chief Bigelow and James B. Scott Fach Have Plans for the Library.

Several members of the Carnegie Library Commission and Chief Bigelow, of the Department of Public Works, went out to Schenley Park yesterday to examine the proposed location for the main library at he entrance. Chief Bigelow's idea is to have the front facing toward town and the music hall facing Forbes street. Chairman Scott, of the commission, prefers to adopt the site first spoken of, except to have it moved up to within 50 feet of Forbes street instead of 300, as before. This, he claims, would allow ample room for the proposed

edifice at the bridge.

Chief Bigelow will have two charts pre-pared, showing both place, which will be abmitted to the commission for it to decide on.

The Allegheny General Hospital Officers. The sixth annual meeting of the contributors of the Allegheny General Hospital was held yesterday afternoon. The following board of directors were elected: F. R. Brunot, B. F. Woodburn, R. B. Mowry, James L. Graham, John W. Chalfant, William G. Park, Josiah Cohen, James McCutcheon, L. Peterson, Jr., D. E. Park and S. B. Harbison. There was no opposition to this ticket. The report of President B. F. Woodburn showed, among other things, the admittance during the year of 1,415 patients; 449 were pay patients, and 7,101 charity. The average number of days that pay patients were in the hospital was 15½, and charity 29½; the cost per day of each patient was \$1.01. There were 94 deaths during the entire

Iron and Steel Men Fail to Organize.

The sheet iron and sheet steel manufacturers of Pennsylvania and Western States met yesterday at the Mononganela House and made an effort to form an association for their own protection. They failed to complete their organization, and will meet again for the same purpose to-day. Among those who attended the meeting vesterday were W. C. Cronemeyer, of the McKeesport Tin Plate Works; J. A. Sague, of the Britton Iron and Steel Works, of Cleveland O.; Senator N. E. Whittaker, of the Whittaker Iron Works, of Wheeling; B. M. Caldwell and W. T. Graham, of Bridgeport, O., and J. G. Battelle, of Piqua, O.

A Pittsburger Honored.

Mr. George E. Vickers, of the staff of the Philadelphia Press, has been appointed General Agent for the World's Fair for Pennsylvania. Mr. Vickers is a Pittsburger, and in his early days was identified with the press of this city. He has won recognition in the Quaker City by honest, earnest effort. and the appointment is gratifying to his many friends here. Mr. Vickers has also struck a gasser on his Shaler township prop-erty, at Glenshaw. Dr. E. C. Rosenzi, also a former Pittsburger, who developed this property, says the well is a roarer.

THE BOGIE MAN AGAIN

Makes His Appearance Before Chief Justice L. &. O. Rohe.

A SUNDAY PAPER SELLER SOCKED. Not an American Citizen at the McClure

Headquarters. FULL STOCK OF IMPORTED DETECTIVES

After a considerable period of inactivity, superinduced by the expressions of resentful public opinion, the Blue Law agency yesterday made a somewhat feeble attempt to resume operations. It was supposed that as test cases were already brought against newsdealers, the B. L. A., or L. O. S., as it prefers to designate itself, would have the grace to wait until a decision could be had from a court higher than that which is peculiarly devoted to its business; but the hunger for costs came on in some quarter and seven or eight newsdealers who looked as if they might be able to contribute were summoned to appear before Chief Justice Rohe, of the Thirteenth ward, the L. and O. alderman. Mr. Rohe only a few days ago told the reporters how he despised this business. Some influence, however, induced him to take another turn at it yesterday. The turn he took was to do strictly as his patron's attorney, Mr. Yost, directed.

Cases Continued Indefinitely. Thus, though the Law and Order agent was not ready with evidence against any but one of the seven or eight newsdealers who were summoned, the Alderman, in place of dismissing the charges, postponed them indefinitely. In the one case which was heard, the aldermanic rulings were ludicrously strained to preserve as far as possividual who appeared as prosecuting witness. Enough was elicited, however, to show that this person who was so devoted to the Blue Law enforcement-and whose feelings were so harrassed by the sale in his unsolicited presence, of a family story paper, that he felt obliged to sue the vender-is not a citizen of the county: has lived here but three weeks; and that the Law and Order attorney and the 'Squire feel so delicate abouthis an-tecedent place of residence and environment that they refused to permit either to be di-vulged on cross-examination.

Attorney Yost Acted as Dictator.

Joseph Beck, news agent at the Pittsburg and Lake Erie depot, was charged by the agent of the society with selling a paper on Sunday. The other cases of the same nature were to have been heard yesterday, but they were rectanged just because Lawyer Vort were postponed just because Lawyer Yost said they should be.

The trial of Mr. Beek began promptly at order. The Alderman's court room, which Le Feveer was being taken to Pear, Dakota, to answer for a most brutal murder he is alleged to have committed. He is also charged there with stealing several horses. The story of the murder as told by Sheriff Weaver is decidedly sensational. "Le Feever," he said, "is a tenderfoot. He came to our State only in the summer and the course of the summer and the summer Law and Order training and his disposition to run things to his own liking; and De-

> were in attendance a room full of curious spectators, two or three alleged detectors and General Manager McClure. The Bogie Man in a New Form.

stantial pair of rawhide boots.

When Mr. Flinn was called to a point convenient to the alderman, Lawyer Yest promptly identified him as a Law and Order detective, and Flinn nodded assent. Then the testimony was taken. The witness confessed that he was a detective; that he was employed by Mr. McClure, and recognized Beck as the gentleman from whom he had bought a paper on Sunday, January

On cross-examination by Mr. Lambie, the witness said again that he was a detective; that he had worked for Mr. McClure for three weeks and that he had lived in Allegheny county just three weeks. It was not clear whether the witness supposed that this evidence was conclusive to show that he was the moment he srrived in Alleghenv county, but the speciators perceived that the effort of Mr. Lambie was to show that Law and

Order detectives are all imported.

Mr. Lambie asked the witness several other questions to which Lawyer Yost jected, all of which objections the Alder-

"Where do you live?" Mr. Lambie asked.
"At No. 16 Grant street."
"How long have you lived there?"
Mr. Yost objected, and the objection was

"You say you live at No. 16 Grant

street?" the attorney suggested. "Yes," the witness answered. Flinn Does Not Have a Home,

A number of other questions were asked, objected to and the objections were sustained. The Alderman then threw himself back into his chair, attempted to look wise, and then said that the case had been made out against Beck, and that he would fine the defendant \$25 and costs of prosecu-

Even before the Alderman had announced his disposition of the case the mysterious witness in the case had disappeared. "Where did Flinn go?" was asked Mr.

"He went home I guess," the L. and O. lender answered.
"Where is his home?" was asked.
"At No. 16 Grant street," Mr. McClure

About 20 minutes later a reporter called to see Detective Flinn at No. 16 Grant treet. Mr. Flinn was not at that number. When inquiry was made for Mr. Flinn the gentleman in charge of the place said, "This building is occupied by C. A. Balph, the building contractor. We have the entire building and no such a man as Flinn lives in or about the building. Inquiries at of er buildings developed the fact that Flinn sid not live in the neighborhood. Under the old existent of numbering Grant street the old system of numbering Grant street the building then numbered 16 is now a Chinese aundry and is occupied exclusively

by Chinamen. An hour later a reporter called at the L. and O. room in the Excelsior building. "Is Mr. McClure in?" was asked. was the answer from a rathe

choppy-looking man who stood in the half-opened door. opened door.
"Who recresents him?" was asked.
"I do. What do you want?"

. Not an American Citizen There, "I want to know if there is a voter in "I believe not," was his answer.

"Is there an American citizen here?"
"What do you mean? I guess not," he "Is there any one who has the rights an American citizen?" was asked.
"What do you mean?" he asked in retuwith some show of indignation.

"Well I guess not," the Law and authority answered.
"What do you want," the Law and O man asked. "I wanted the information I ha ten," the reporter answered.

Mr. Flinn testified that he was a cive. The reporter visited the dele

"Just what I say," the reporter

agency of P. J. Murphy. Mr Murphy was found there.
"Do you know a detective named Flinn?"

was asked Mr. Murphy.

"No, sir. Never heard of him," the gentleman replied.

"Do you know a detective named Thomas

"Do you know a detective named Inomas Flinn?" was asked Assistant Superintendent of Police Roger O'Mara.
"Never heard of Thomas Flinn as a detective," was Mr. O'Mara's prompt reply.
It is evident that Thomas Flinn's testimony in regard to his occupation and residence will not stand the test of investigation.

At Oakdale Samuel Newton was hauled up before 'Squire J. McB. Robb by Agent McClure yesterday afternoon and fined \$25 and costs for selling Sunday papers. His case will be appealed.

#### ON SCHEDULE TIME.

The Manchester Cars Run Regularly-One Shot Fired at a Conductor on Locust Street-Woods Run Unusually Oulet, and Things Assuming Good Shape, Every car on the Manchester line ran on schedule time yesterday. Last night, for the first time since the strike, the Woods Run cars did business without molestation. The only incident, which characterized vio-

lence occurred at 10:30 on Western avenue, car No. 7. Just as it was passing Locust street going down Allegheny avenue, some man fired a revolver at Conductor Geiger, who was standing on the rear platform. The bullet crashed through the center of the door and lodged in the front of the car. It was reported through the conductor, that some little stone throwing was indulged in by boys down at Woods Run, but no serious puble occurred. The women and children sympathizers in

the troublous districts were not so loud in their talk yesterday and last night. The cold weather had a great effect in keeping crowds off the streets. The saloons were all closed after 6 o'clock. The police and patrolmen have orders to arrest all and patroimen have orders to arrest an loiterers and to disperse crowds, also to look up tramps lying about gas houses and mills.

Mike Shanahan, who with a crowd of men attacked Officer Clarence Hutchinson on Saturday night at McClure and Preble on Saturday night at McClure and Preble avenues, was arrested last night by Detectives Zimmerman and Johnston. He is locked up in the Allegheny police station, to answer the charge of mayhem. He was identified as being the man who was on top of the officer, and bit the fleshy portion of the officer's nose off. The Troy Hill district is as quiet as a church, and the extra detail of officers will be called off by the Chief this morning. At 12 o'clock last night everything was reported quiet from the car barn in Manchester. Chief Murphy seems to think matters will be settled without further trouble.

George App, one of the strikers, who was

George App, one of the strikers, who was charged with riot, had a hearing before Alderman Gripp. The case was continued for one week, when some other men will be brought up to answer the same charge.

The hearing of A. J. Mitchell, charged with riot by Manager Greenwood, will take place at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

PREFER TO TRAVEL ALONE The Bricklayers Do Not Care to Affiliate

With Other Trade Unions. George Speed, one of the delegates sent from Pittsburg to attend the twenty-sixth national convention of bricklayers, held at Indianapolis last week, returned home yesterday. He says their delegates voted against the affiliation with the Federation of Labor, as the bricklayers might become involved in needless difficulties should they join forces. He thought it would be wiser for each trade to remain separate and apart.

Mr. Speed speaks in laudatory terms of
Governor Chase and Mayor Sullivan of
Indianapolis for their efforts in entertaintective Thomas Flinn, the mysterious min-ion of the law, was present. Besides these, ing and making everything enjoyable for

the delegates.

The local bricklayers' strike, which is now on, received the indersement of the convention, the sincerity of which move was demonstrated by a hasty subscription being raised for its benefit of \$2,000. The next convention will be held in Baltimore

Chile would tend only to improve all kinds of business, especially the iron business in America. Mr. Culbertson says active operations have begun on the proposed rail-road from Wheeling to Connellsville. The new road, he says, will be of great service to the manufacturers of Wheeling.

TUESDAY'S INJURED ONES.

Four Accidents Reported Yesterday, but None of a Serious Nature. Two men were injured by being run over

vesterday and a small child narrowly escaped being burned to death. The list fol-Spren-James P. Speer, the well-known rick manufacturer, in attempting to board Wylie avenue car yesterday fell and the

a wylle avenue car yesterday fell and the car passed over his arm and it is feared that amputation may be necessary. He was removed to his home on Olive street.

BOWMAN—John Bowman, a car repairer in the Pennsylvania yards, was run down yesterday while repairing a car. His left arm was so badly crushed that it had to be amputated. ntated. Richardson—John Richardson, in crossing

he Chartiers street bridge slipped on the ce and struck his head on one of the girders

pital.

Isaacs—The 5-year-old son of J. E. Issacs, the Smithfield street jeweler, was burned at his home, No. 78 Sheffield street, Allegheny, last evening by his clothes catching fire from agrate. The flames were extinguished before the little fellow was scriously burned.

Two horses attached to one of Charles Sproul & Co.'s carriages ran off yesterday at Penn avenue and Thirty-sixth street. The driver and a companion were thrown off. Dr. Gaerther saw the affair and ran to the men's assistance, thinking they might be hurt. He scarcely had time to ask a question when the driver caught him by the throat, almost strangling him, and then threw him to the ground. Then the men threw him to the ground. Then the men jumped on the horses and started off at a gallep. Before the doctor could find a policeman they had disappeared. The name of the driver could not be learned, but the doctor made information before Alderman Kerr, charging him with aggravated essault and battery. rated assault and battery.

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TRIFLE TOO HIGH.

An East End Man Complains of an Advance of Over 300 Per Cent.

PLAIN TALK BY THE APELLANTS. Claims That Values Have Been Based Upon

a Few Fancy Sales.

\$2,100: also 180x125 feet, Filbert and Ells worth, \$3,720; appeal, \$2,200. John Lang, \$2x 120 feet, Denniston near Marchand street. \$3,309; appeal, \$2,380. O. McClintock, 208x112 feet, St. Clair street near Friendship avenue, \$12,555; appeal, \$7,250. Barbara Houck, lot 40x200 and one 30x100 on Penn avenue, \$12,800; appeal, \$5,600. F. D. Stonerod, 40x100. Woodworth street, \$2,000; appeal, \$1,440. Alex. Boulton, 95x120 feet, Roup and Ellsworth avenue, \$10,510; appeal, \$5,000. Henry Barm, 1½ acres, Houp and Baum streets, \$35,538; appeal, \$15,000; also 0.56 acres Rebecca street. \$14,600; appeal, \$5,000. Mrs. G. A. Macbeth, 65x500 feet, Amberson avenue, \$14,800; appeal, \$2,350. Lydia Nolind, 50x245 feet, Liberty avenue, \$5,250; appeal, \$4,000. George W. Schmidt, 50 lots averaging 23x103 feet, at Shadyside, on Center and Ellsworth avenue between Neville and Bidwell streets, \$16,250; appeal, \$34,000. A. A. Fulner, 100x100 feet, Hennon street, \$5,150, appeal, \$3,500. William Glew Bobs Up Once More. TWO OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS SICK

The crowd at the City Assessor's office yesterday was not as large as it has been for a week past, probably owing to the cold weather, and fewer appeals were filed. Not over 300 were presented, and they were mainly from the Seventeenth ward. The Twentieth and Twenty-first wards contributed a large number, although their time for filing closed on Monday. Yesterday was the last regular day for the Thirteenth and Thirty-second wards, but only a few appeals came in. The work of revision by the board goes on slowly. Assessor Hoerr has been off duty on account of sickness for two weeks, and yesterday Assessor Larkin was confined to his bed with a hemorrhage, which may lay him up for some time. Chief Assessor Case, the other member of the board, concluded the revision of the Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth wards vesterday and will begin on the Thirty-second to-day. The County Assessor's book for the Third ward is expected in to-day, and assessment notices will be sent out at once.

Among yesterday's appeals was an interesting letter from W. J. Weixel, of the Twentieth ward. His property, 263x220 feet, at Fifth avenue and Murdoch street, has been valued at \$33,500. He says that it being 11/4 acres the tract should be assessed as "rural" property, and continues:

An Increase of Over 300 Per Cent. Last year the valuation was \$10,330, and an advance of over 300 per cent is unjust. In the face of such assessments if this and all similar acreage property in the East End was placed on the market at public sale it would not bring 25 cents on the dollar of assessment. It could not be sold at all: purchasers could not be found for it. The very intimation of excessive taxation has already put a stop to dealings in acreage property in the East End, and unless assegments are reatored to something like the figures of last year the result will be disastrous to all owners of such property. Some idea can be formed of what property would bring at bona fide public sale in the heart of the business part of the city, but none as to what rural property will bring at such sale. In the one case there are more buyers than property, and in the other more property than buyers. In view of the foregoing statement I would ask, in justice, that the assessment on my property be reduced as I have indicated.

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From the Fourth ward S. S. Marvin appeals from an assessment of \$20,400 on 24x112 feet at Penn avenue and Evans alley, his valuation being \$18,000. Allen Kirkpatrick & Co., assessed \$50,004 on 267x110 feet on Liberty street, state the figure is too high, and is rated according to recent sales at fancy prices, which they consider uniair. They make no estimate, but ask a reduction.

Only a few appeals came in from the Thirteenth ward, although it was the last regular day for filing, and the figures of owners and assessors differed but little.

Rachel Patrick, of the Eleventh ward, assessed \$16,200 on 60x243 feet on Center avenue, asks a cut to \$12,000, and Mrs. W. G. Dunseath asks a cut from \$2.310 to \$1,200 on 27x60 feet at Wylle and Perry streets.

Some Heavy Kicking From the Hill.

Some Heavy Kicking From the Hill. Eighth Ward-Samuel Scott, 192 Webster avenue, 30x60 feet, is assessed at \$4,050, his figure being \$2,100. John Glockner, 38x48 feet, Fulton and Wylie avenue, assessed \$5,040; appeal, \$3,000. J. D. Fackiner heirs, 40x70 feet, Fulton street, \$5,400; appeal, \$1,000. Ann Mullen, 20x120 feet, Clark street, \$2,000; appeal, \$800. Ernest Aring, 48x46 feet, Ful-ton and Webster avenue, \$7,716; appeal, \$2.800. James F. Moore, 40x100 feet, Center avenue, \$4.200; appeal, \$3.600. William Met-calf, 96x147, Cliff and Fulson streets, \$11.804; appeal, \$4,800. D. A. Bergman, 25x30 feet, Fifth avenue near Pride street, \$6,875 up-beat, \$6,000. G. Lager, 29x133 Crawford street, \$2,175; appeal, \$1,300. T. Callahan, 25x123,

on the first Monday of January, 1893. At the recent Indianapolis gathering John Hertz, Denver, Col., was elected President; Nicholas Dugan, Indianapolis, Vice President; Thomas O'Day, of Cohoes, N. Y., General Secretary, and Patrick Murray, of Albany, Treasurer.

The Iron Business Improving.

J. C. Culbertson, Secretary of the Riverside Iron and Tube Works at Wheeling, was in Pittsburg yesterday. He says the iron business is picking up and prospects are better than they have been for a year past. In his opinion a little war with Chile would tend only to improve all kinds of husiness especially the iron husiness in the general prosperity of the matter you will see the injustice of the increase and hope on reconsideration of the matter you will see the injustice of the increase and hope on reconsideration of the matter you will see the injustice of the increase, as no change in the general prosperity of the change in the general prosperity of the city has occurred since last assessment to in-crease the value of unimproved property." William Ward offers to sell at \$1,250 a 22x

William Ward offers to sell at \$1,300 a 22x 100 foot lot on Forty-second street which the board assessed at \$2,100, and a 33x50 foot lot at Butler and Fight streets, assessed at \$7,495; his valuation is #6,855.

Cauries Travelli asks for a valuation of \$30 per front foot on 165x100 feet at Sherman and Forty-fourth streets, which is assessed \$6,210. On 260x100 feet on Bruce street, near Forty-second, \$16,255; his valuation, \$12,000.

Based Upon a Few Fancy Sales. John Runnette, on a 50x 150 foot lot on But ler near Fourty-fourth street, is assessed at \$12,500. His valuation is \$10,600. He also ap-peals from a \$16,833 valuation on 72x150 feet at Butler and Forty-second streets. His figures are \$13,500, and he says: "One assessor's pures are detection the recent safe of an ad-plaint property, but it is not a normal rice, because the purchasers had to have business location, and were willing to

pay it,"
The Metropolitan National Bank accept the assessment of \$3,116 on its 24x150 feet at Butler and Forty-third streets, but ask a cut from \$13,500 to \$10,000 on building. from \$13,500 to \$10,000 on building.
Unistian Sieberr, assessed \$5,510 on 105x100
feet on Hatfield, near Forty-seventh street,
appeals to have it made \$5,000.
F. W. Siebert asks a cut on 100x95 at Fortysecond and Siebert streets, which he bought for \$2,250 a year ago.

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Frank Bruggeman wants a reduction from es coo to \$4,500 on 60x96 feet on Penn avenue \$6,000 to \$4,500 on 60x96 feet on Penn avenue, near Fisk street.

Martin Shaughnessy asks a cut from \$7,400 to \$6,000 on two 50x100 foot lots on Caivin street, with buildings thereon.

Other appeals from the Seventeenth ward include the following: T. G. Williams, 72x 100 feet, Madison near Thirty-third street, assessed at \$2,880; appeal, \$1,200. Jacob Seib, 20x56 feet, Penn avenue near Fisk street, assessed, \$2,000 feet, Forty-curth street, nma Actier, 58x100 feet, Forty-fourth street, assessed, \$2,700; appeal, \$2,000. Elizabeth Schafer, 42x139 feet, Forty-third street, assessed, \$4,800, appeal, \$4,000. J. M. Hasiett, 20x100 feet, Forty-fourth street, \$4,500; appeal, \$200. W. A. Schilling, 20x109, Eutler street, \$4,000; appeal, \$3,300.

George Fox, 100x i30 feet, Forty-third street \$11,000; appeal, \$8,300. P. W. Seibert, 28x35, Main and Seibert streets, \$1,827; appeal, \$1,400 and 75x100, Seibert and Forty-second streets, \$3,120: appeal, \$2,500. Calvin Wells. streets, \$3,120: appeal, \$2,500. Calvin Wells, 150x100 feet, Forty-fourth and Wells streets, \$7,800: appeal, \$4,800: also, 10x100, Forty-second street, \$4,344: appeal, \$3,200: also, 145x100, Wells street, \$6,795; appeal, \$5,725. Rev. J. A. Miller, 60x100 feet, Butler, near Forty-sixth street, \$13,622: appeal, \$10,700. Joseph Knapp, 42x130, Forty-third street, \$4,620: appeal, \$3,570. Emma Buvinger, 22x100 feet, Butler, near Forty-fourth streets, \$3,117: appeal, \$4,000. Dr. H. Clark, 123x100 feet, Butler and Forty-fourth streets, \$21,630; appeal, \$17,600. J. W. Wainwright, 78x153 feet, Forty-third street, \$5,500; appeal, \$6,240.

The Mechanics' Hall Association of Pittaburg appeals from an assessment of \$34,000

Calvin Wells Files an Objection

The Mechanics' Hall Association of Pittsburg appeals from an assessment of \$34,000 on 83x300 feet on Penn avenue, near Broad street. Its valuation is \$25,625.

A. G. Borland, assessed \$10,230 on 90x175 feet at Westminster and Liliac street, says: "I ouject on account of our assessment being much higher than other property in the neighborhood by about one-third. Assessment ought not to be more than \$6,000."

S. S. Marvin, assessed at \$230 37 per front foot ou 115x400 feet on Amberson avenue, and \$160 per foot on 60x100 feet on Penn avenue near St. Clair street, makes no appeal, but asks for a cut from \$12,476 to \$12,000 on 125x200 of Matilida R. Marvins, on Amberson avenue. STERLING SILVER We are agents for this celebrated make of goods and carry a complete line of their Tea and Tableware and Spoons and Forks. The product of all noted makers will be found in our large stock. Silver is now very moderate in price—de-signs are superb—chests of sliver a specialty with us. avenue.
W. T. Wallace, assessed at \$34,868 on 736 acres on Cypress street and Winebiddle avenue, asks a cut to \$18,500.

E. P. ROBERTS & SONS, Among other appellants in the Twe tieth ward were J. B. Eyth, 180x100, Bell fonts and Elisworth avenue, \$3,780; appea FIFTH AVE. AND MARKET ST.

THE SECRET IS OUT.

Superintendent Wilcox Solves the Mystery of Oily Water.

CAUSED BY DEPOSITS ON BANKS.

He Recommends a Wing Dam at the Head of Six-Mile Island.

BIGELOW WANTS -ANOTHER RESERVOIR

Superintendent Wilcox, of the Bureau of Water Supply, who has been making an investigation to learn the source of the oil which recently rendered the water supply sessed \$5,840 on lot 24x120, on Carson street of the city unfit for use, made his report to near Nineteenth street, \$6,200 on building. Chief Bigelow vesterday. It covers eight pages of typewritten matter, and gives the details of Superintendent Wilcox's operations in a trip to Oil City along the Alleassessed at \$9,289 on 68x290 feet, Penn avenue, near Linden, appeals for a cut to \$6.854. William Grew bobs up as an appellant on 36 gheny river. He made the trip from Parkers to Oil City, a distance of 50 miles, in a skiff. All along the river, from the Brilliant pumping station to Oil City, he found oil floating on the surface of the water. Between Oil City and Parkers, he states

mear Linden, appeals for a cut to \$5.854.

William Giew bobs up as an appellant on 36 x45-foot lot on Dallas avenue valued at \$545. His appeal says: "I paid \$150 for this lot two months ago."

J. K. Cass, assessed \$46,000 on house and 15/4 acres on Penn, near Larimer avenue, says: "I have offered to sell for some time at \$35,000, but could only zet a \$30,000 offer."

S. D. Nelson asks a cut from \$5,000 to \$5,000 on two acres on Lemington avenue. Maggie Kable wants a reduction from \$27,750 to \$19,000 on 18/4 acres on Lincoln avenue. Mrs. L. W. Nelson, 50x120/4 feet Larimer and Shetland avenues, assessed, \$3,810; appeal, \$2,500. Elizabeth Baird, 13/4 acres, Frankstown avenue, \$21,620; appeal, \$12,700. S. D. Nelson, 5/4 acres, Leamington and Nelson streets, \$14,450; appeal, \$8,625; also two acres near Lincoln avenue, \$5,000; appeal, \$3,600. Ed win Bardsley, 100x100 feet, Finance street, \$2,001; appeal, \$1,620. Joseph S. Brown, 92x 210 feet, Lincoln avenue and Meadow street, \$18,920; appeal, \$2,000. George Alexander, six lots 23x120 feet each, Murtland and Idlewild streets, \$4,259; appeal, \$2,000. George Miller, 40x120 feet, Frankstown avenue, \$8,479; appeal, \$2,500. T. H. Given, 91 lots, averaging about 50x123 feet, at homewood, assessed \$95,763; appeal, \$78,000.

In the Twenty-third ward but few were filed. M. L. Jenkins, assessed \$14,735 on three lots on Hazelwood avenue, Lowry and Blair streets, part of the Mond estate, in bis appeal states that he purchased the property in Sentember last for \$9,500. F. C. Biggert, \$95x185 feet, Hazelwood and Sylvan avenues, \$6,695; appeal, \$4,759. the river runs through 30 oil producing pools, all draining directly into the river or its small tributaries, while above Oil City there are several other pools which the river receives drainage from. In sight of the river I counted over 300 oil derricks. At all oil wells more or less oil and refuse wastes from the wells and tanks and finds its way to the river, the heavy rains in spring and fall carrying off the accumulations of the dry or cold weather. Where the wells were close to the river I noticed considerable oil on the surface of the water and that the banks had a heavy coating of oil and B. S. (refuse from the wells). This was noticeable even at a high stage of water. Fuel Oil Escaping Into the Water.

From Oil City to Brilliant there are 12 oil refineries near the river, and a number of others above Oil City which discharge more or less oil and refuse. As to the pipe lines I saw a large number laid along the river

or less oil and refuse. As to the pipe lines I saw a large number laid along the river banks, varying in size from one to eight inches, but I noticed little leakage from them except in the river just opposite the Bear Creek Refinery a small quantity of oil comes to the surface over the National Transat Company's fuel oil line.

From the sources named—oil wells, refineries and pipe lines—a large aggregate of oil and refuse gets into the river and during a low stage of water this stuff collects along the banks of the river on logs, rocks and bushes. Between Parker and Oil City oil could be scraped off the stones lying three or four feet under water. When a rise comes the current carries this deposit of oil and refuse off, in quantities at first, and then gradually the action of the water divides the deposit up into fine particles, mixed with or held in suspension in the water. That all of the oil does not flout on the surface is shown by the fact that I have taken samples of water over our water works crib at a depth of nine feet and the microscope revealed particles of oil in it. On allowing it to stand a few days the oil accumulated on the surface of the water. In passing down the river I found the smeil of oil very perceptible in places where there were eddies or where the current was not swift.

Referring to the Bear Creek Refinery and the salt works at Natrona, Mr. Wilcox savs they are careful about the refuse and a trifling quantity of it gets to the river from either place, though he recommends that the Bear Creek Refinery, be absolutely prohibited from throwing any refuse into the river until it has been settled in a tank and passed through a filter. He says the only way to totally abate oil pollution is to stop throw-ing oil and its refuse products into the river, but as the city has only jurisdiction five niles above the water works, legislation would be necessary. The same act might be applied to pollution by sewerage, but Mr. Wileox does not think the population on the river above large enough to warrant it. Caused by Deposits of Oil.

He concludes that the oily taste and smell of the water is caused by the deposit of oil along the river banks in low water being carried down durposed, with a new loca lumbing about his cranium. Here was property which had probably been injured by oil development assessed 40 per cent higher than adjoining land which was yielding a royal income to its owner without necessitating any further exertion than an occasional visit to the pipe-line office for dividends. burg. The river last summer, he says, reached a lower stage than for five years, and there was a greater accumulation of the deposit along the river to be washed down and this caused the unusual amount of it is

the water recently.

Mr. Wilcox recommended the erection of a wing dam at the head of Six-mile Island to produce deeper water and a swifter current over the crib from which the city's water supply is pumped.

Chief Bigelow in commenting on the re port, said: "In addition to the wing dam Wilcox suggests we must have additional reservoir capacity so that when the water is full of oil we can stop pumping and allow the water in the reservoirs to settle. I don't think the oil does any harm but it is unpleasant. The wing dan is needed because the Government dam on the river opposite our works produces an eddy on this side over our crib and we thus get more oil than we otherwise should."

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Hair Plaids, former price \$1.75 a yard. 42-inch Cheviot Plaids, were \$1.50. 44-inch Cheviot Stripes, were \$1.75.

42-inch Cheveron Camel's Hair, were \$2. 42-inch Silk Mixed Plaids, were

\$1.65.

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were \$1.50. ALL THE ABOVE GO TO-DAY AT 75c A YARD.

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