Condition of the Order.

Assistant Adjutant General S. P. Town submitted the following report, showing the disbandments, growth of posts, etc.:

The posts disbanding were Colonel Bates, 83, Middleborough, Eric county; J. M. Phillips, No. 421, Clintonville, Venange Contain Simon Littenberg, No. 489. county, Captain Simon Litzenberg, No. 480,



Juniar Vice Commander Jacob R. Swoye Clinton Heights, Delaware county; J. C. Markle, No. 57, West Newton, Westmoreand county, and Daniel Leasure, No. 402,

Darlington, Beaver county.

The posts showing the largest gains during the year were: Nos. 176, 50, 400, 41, 384,31, 194, 30, 97, 29, 62, 24, 385, 23, 128, 22, 334, 19, 60, 17. The posts with the heaviest losses were: Nos. 35, 79, 84, 67, 71, 62, 94, 54, 45, 94, 51, 218, 30, 10, 374, 25.

The report of the chaplain, J. W. Sayers, was read and attentively listened to. It contained the following in reference to the

contained the following in reference to the lite Adjutant General McClelland:

"As we meet to day in the lite of the lite and the lite of the lite of

"As we meet to-day in joyous intercourse the lingering strains of the requiem of one more of our noble dead still lingers in the air—Comrade William McClelland is mustered out. As a soldier he was brave as the bravest; as a comrade loving and traternal; as a citizen pure; as a Christian earnest. He followed with fidelity the banner of the cross and the flag of his country. Honors came to him on battle plain and in the fields of peace. As Adjutant General of the State of Pennsylvania he filled the high civic station with consummate ability. The reports were all unanimously ac-

The Plan of Representation.

The proposed plan for nomination and election of representatives and alternates to the National Encampment, based upon the membership in Congressional districts, was then brought up. The plan gives the dis-trict one delegate and one alternate for each 1,000 members, and one for a traction of 500 or over. The districts would have the following representation: First, second, third, fourth and fifth, 8; sixth, 1; seventh, 1; eighth, 1; ninth, 1; tenth, 1; eleventh, 1; twelfth, 1; thirteenth, 1; four-teenth, 2; fifteenth, 2; sixteenth, 2; seven-teenth, 1; eighteenth, 2; nineteenth, 2; twentieth, 2; twenty-first, 2; twenty-second, twenty-third and twenty-fourth, 5; twenty-fifth, 2; twenty-sixth, 2; twenty-seventh, 2; twenty-eighth, 2. This would give a repre-sentation of 44 delegates and 44 alternates. The plan had many friends but the ene-mies seemed to be in power and the scheme was tabled. This brought the encampment up to 12 o'clock, when it adjourned until

The afternoon session was attended with even more interest owing to the election of Department officers. The election was com-menced at once, and resulted as follows: department Commander, General J. P. Taylor, Post 176, Lewistown; Senior Vice Commander, W. O. Russell, Post 151, Pittsburg: Junior Vice Commander, J. K. Swoyer, Post 1, Philadelphia; Chaplain, John W. Sayers, Post 16, Reading; Medical Director, Dr. W. H. Edwards, Reading.

A Sufficiency of Candidates.

Fifteen names were then placed in nomination for the election of five mem-bers of the council of administration. This election will be held to-day, and of this number the following four gentlemen are pretty sure winners: Levi Shingle, Phila-delphia; William J. Patterson, Pittsburg;

J. B. Maxwell, Philadelphia; and A. A. Pancoast, Philadelphia.

Delegates to the National Encampment were then nominated and before the nominations closed there were over 300 names slated. Out of this number there are to be 45 elected, so it can easily be seen that there must be some tall hustling done. There certainly was Yes-terday afternoon the cutrance to the house was thronged with candidates, and the veterans were deluged with cards and requests for support. At the campfire, hotels and on the streets the would-be delegates were getting in their work. A number of caucuses were held at the different hotels last night and the ropes were laid by the different factions.

Personality of the New Chiefs. The new officers are all well known in G.

A. R. circles and but little need be said about them. The new Department Commander, John P. Taylor, was born in Kishacoquillas Valley, Mifflin county, June 6, 1827. He still lives there, profitably following agricultural pursuits. In 1858 he helped to organize a cavalry company and was made its first lieutenant. On January 29, 1861, his company was ordered to get ready for service and before it was called out he was made its captain. His first engagement was soon after the Bull's Bun battle, and from that until the end of the war he was constantly in the service and never missed a battle. From captain he was promoted to lieutenant colonel and then to the position of general. In every battle he ever fought in he carried off honors for himself, and at the mere mention of his name many stories of his bravery are told. He is a member of Post 176, o Lewistown, and the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association

W. O. Russell, the Senior Vice Department Commander, is a man yet in the prime of life. Some ten years ago he located in Pittsburg, and has since been employed at glass engraving. He was a member of the Fitth Massachusetts Regiment, and ever since his residence in Pittsburg has been a member of Post 151. He is un usually well known in Pennsylvania, hav-

ing served on the department staff.
Junior Vice Commander J. K. Swoyer is a Philadelphian and he fought with much distinction in the Seventeenth Pennsyl-vania Volunteers. He has served on the Department staff two years and one year on the national staff. At present he is Inspector at Large.

A DECIDED OBJECTION

Against the Making of a Legal Holiday of Jefferson Davis' Birthday in the Southcenes at the Big Campfire at Old City

Old City Hall was crowded to its utmost last night at the Grand Army campfire. The historic old hall was decorated with flags and bunting and had the appearance of celebrating its record of soldiers fed, and sick and wounded cared for, as inscribed on the wall. Every seat was occupied and the aisles and stage were crowded. General Louis Waggoner, of Phila-delphia, presided, and his lively remarks interjected between speeches kept the au-dience in a good humor. After a few introductory remarks General Waggener in-troduced Rev. W. J. Reid, who made a short address of welcome. He referred to the glorious services of the Union soldiers, and said that what they had done entitled

them to a hearty welcome and a godspeed them to a hearty welcome and a godspeed from every citizen of the country.

General John Palmer, Commander in Chief of the G. A. R., was then introduced. He interspersed his speech with a number of anecdotes of a humorous nature. The speaker said that he had seen in a paper that he was a politician. To this he would say that he was a politician in the great army of labor; he was a politician who never held office; he was a politician who believed in the old soldier being elected to office whether Republican or Democrat, and he whether Republican or Democrat, and he was a politician who enlisted in 1861 and fought shoulder to shoulder for his country.

Worth, Not Wealth, the Thing. He believed it was neither blood nor wealth that makes the man, but worth, and all he hoped was that he would leave his office at the end of his term as clean as his predecessors. He said the memories of the war should never be forgotten, as the peo-ple to-day all enjoy blessings, peace and prosperity as a result of that war. On these occasions mothers should bring their children and teach them lessons of patriot-

ism from memories of the war. General George W. Boyer, Department Commander of Pennsylvania, followed General Palmer. He said that during the past year 788 comrades had died, an entire regiment in funeral procession. They could realize, he said, how fast they were nearing the end. Their task was becoming more onerous, and sympathics were needed for all their efforts. The Women's Relief Corps stood ready to back them in all their move-ments, and he bid them godspeed in their efforts, and thanked them for what they had done. In conclusion, he said they could never forget the people of Allegheny county and the grand reception they had given the

encampment.
General Boyer was followed by a reading by Miss Jennie Eckert. Past Department Commander Chill W. Hazzard was then

Speaking of the use for the organization of the Grand Army he said that when the State of Louisiana has made the birthday of Jeff Davis a holiday, and as long as they deify a traitor and make him in the South on a par with Washington, there is great need for the G. A. R.

Recollections of Army Life.

Past Department Commander Thomas J. Past Department Commander Thomas J.
Stewart was the next speaker. He related
amusing stories of army life and joked
about Comrade Hazzard. In conclusion he
said that every encampment shows vacant
seats. One vacant seat in this encampment
was that of x distinguished citizen and
brave soldier who is missed by all, the late
General William McClelland.
Thomas I Flord was the next marker.

Thomas J. Flood was the next speaker. He gave a number of appropriate stories of army days, and exhorted his hearers to ad-here to the principles that were fought for and teach them to their children.
General James W. Latta followed. He also had stories to tell of army life, and insisted that the members of the G. A. R. are still in their youth and vigor, and gray-heads are an exception. He said that the record on the wall in that hall and the record in Philadelphia of the treatment of soldiers passing through made these cities compare Javorably with any other city in the Union. General Gobin, of Lebanon county, said that the young should be taught lessons in patriotism from the altars created at these meetings of the

George W. Bryant, colored, of St. Louis, Mo., made the closing address of the even-ing. He spoke in favor of the negroes in the South who, he says, are imposed on, and remembered the soldiers for what they had done for the negro race.

CARNEGIE HALL CROWDED.

The Campfire on the Northside a Decided Success - The Veterans Revive War Memories and Have a Very Pleasant

The campfire held last evening in Carnegie Hall, Allegheny, in honor of the G. A. R. Encampment, was one of the grandest affairs that ever took place in that hall. The hall was packed to its capacity and about 2,100 people were present.

Thomas G. Sample opened the campfire by introducing General Beath as Chairman. He made a few appropriate reparks, in which he said: "It is a great pleasure for me to stand before an audience like this one for, and I hope I will not be the cause of

for, and I hope I will not be the cause of any drawback here to-night."

General W. Bryant, of Missouri, was the first speaker. He denounced the condition of certain things in the South pertaining to his creed and ended by saying it is better to be a citizen and a member of the G. A. R., regardless of creed or color, than to wear the diadems of treason on your brow and the

American negro proposes to keep the star of liberty in the family of loyalty.

"Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue" was sung by a chorus of 25 voices, led by Prof. Martin. This was followed by J. D. Brinton, who recited "An Original Love Story."

The Chairman then introduced John W. Vanderman, of Philadelphia, whom he ad-dressed as the school boy cavalryman. He spoke of the origination of the Grand Army of the Republic and denied the supposition that it originated from the "Society of the Cincinnati," which was formed after the Revolutionary war. He said that the con-tinental society was confined to officers and no private, who had suffered during the struggle, no matter who he was, could become a member. It was a similar organiza-tion in respect to campfires, but entirely different in regard to its members. Rev.J. W. Sayers, Chaplain of the G. A.R.

next addressed the camp. He said, among other things: "You don't find an old soldier, for it was the young men who fought the battles, and even to-day you cannot find a veteran who is too old to become President of the United States." He ended by saying that if the veterans were as loyal and true to their God as they were to their flag, all

Short addresses were made by Commander in Chief John Palmer, Department Com-manders George Bover, Chill W. Hazzard and Comrade Stewart, who had come over from the Pittsburg campfire to assist the Allegheny camp.

THE NINTH MEETING

Of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Grand Army of the Republic Convenes -The Reports Show a Gain in Member ship and Good Works.

The ninth annual encampment of the Women's Relief Corps of the Grand Army of the Republic convened in Grand Army of the Republic Post 3 rooms, on Fourth avenue, yesterday morning. The encampment was called to order by Mrs. Lindsey, President, and the morning was spent in en-rolling the 200 delegates and other routine Past Department Commander Mrs. Whillenmyer was present and assisted in the opening exercises.

The atternoon session was presided over by Mrs. E. S. Lindsey, President. She was presented with a beautiful badge and a was presented with a beautiful badge and a set of table spoofs as a recognition of her services. The badge was a tribute from the Department of Pennsylvania, and the spoons from Corps 45, Warren, Pa., a gift from her old corps.

During the year there was a gain of 1,903, division members of 6 201

giving a membership at present of 6,301.
For general relief there was expended \$4,906 05 during the year; for the posts, \$1,788 18, and for the Home, \$6,435 11. There

were 26 corps organized during the year.

Dr. Stone, of the Department of Georgia, was present, and addressed the ladies to influence them to assist in the purchase of Andersonville prison; \$400 is the amount he

A Cavalry Reunion.

Headquarters of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry were opened at the Boyer yesterday. The cavalry will hold a re-union there this morning, closing with a banquet at 2:30 this afternoon.

Celebrated Barnsley Bleached Damask. 72 inches wide, regular \$2 value, at \$1 45 a vard. JOS. HORNE & Co.'s

Major Brown Argues Against the L. and O. Interpretations of Blue Laws.

SOME PRECEDENTS CITED,

Where the 1794 Act Was Construed According to Common Sense.

YOST WITHDRAWS ONE CHARGE.

the Detective.

The Law and Order triumvirate rose to the dignity yesterday of appearing before Judge Porter in a continuation in the heating of appeals from the judgment of Alderman Robe in the Sunday newspaper cases. With the exception of one case in which the Law and Order detective-witness was unintentionally delayed by being drunk, all the cases that were held over were heard and argued yesterday. Judge Porter re-

served his decision. After the hearing of the Law and Order detectives in the cases called, Major Brown called up the representatives of the different Sunday newspapers to show how universal is the demand for the Sunday paper. In his argument Major Brown explained that Sunday papers are a necessity, as the term is legally understood. Attorney Yost argued for the Law and Order Society. He

made his usual stereotyped speech.

The first case called was that of Adam Walter, who was charged with the highly offensive crime of selling a DISPATCH on Sunday, December 27. The witness called was Walter Lewis, who, with a marked display of pride, laid particular emphasis on "was" as in answering a question he said : 'I was a detective in the employ of Mr. McClure." In view of the fact that Mr. Lewis had taken up respectable employment, Major Brown let him down easy on cross-examination.

The Same Familiar Story. Mr. Lewis also appeared against The dore Schubert from whom he testified he had bought a Press on December 13. The purchase he said had been made at the Forks of the Road in Lawrenceville. The case against Thomas Matthews followed and the familiar face of Detective Fisher appeared in response to Agent McClure's call. Mr. Fisher looked better than when he appeared before Alderman Rohe. He had evidently rehearsed the piece he had to say, and retold how he had bought a paper from Mr. Matthews' daughter without making any greater mistake than to violate all the known rules of the English

When he got through Agent McClure was called by Attorney Yost to repeat a conversation he had some time in the present century with Mr. Matthews. The attempt was to prove that Mr. Matthews owned the

was to prove that Mr. Matthews owned the place where the paper was alleged to have been purchased, but as that wasn't denied, the only reason that appeared for Mr. McClure testifying was to furnish some excuse for drawing his salary.

Mr. Matthews was called by the defense, and explained that he had seen Fisher standing around in the cold a good while before the alleged sale is said to have been made. He claimed that he watched Fisher, saw him go into the store, speak to Miss Matthews and go out again without buying a paper.

"And you are sure this man Fisher did not buy a paper in your store at the time indicated," asked Major Brown. "I am," was the decisive reply.

One Case Hastily Abandoned

By this time Attorney Yost had evidently became disgusted with irresponsible de-tectives. He consulted with Agent Mc-Clure and a moment later announced that the Law and Order Society would drop the case against James Hughes, of the Southside. In explaining the strange action Mr. Yost explained that Detective Chambers, who appeared as witness against Mr. Hugher before Alderman Rohe, had been accused by Mr. Hughes with an attempt to collect blackmail. Since then, Mr. Yost said he had investigated the case and found that Chambers had been drunk and therefore could not be trusted. He explained to the court, however, that Mr. Hughes had not denied selling a paper to Mr. Chambers. As a matter of fact, however, Mr. Hughes As a matter of fact, however, Mr. Hughes did deny selling a paper to Chambers at the time the latter testified he had purchased it. He not only made the denial before the Alderman, but came prepared with witnesses to prove what he claimed. After Mr. Yost's confession for the Law and Order Society the Court asked who would

pay the costs.
'Oh, that's all right, we've got an rangement with the magistrate to lose the costs in such cases," explained the Law and Order detective, without realizing that in doing so he directly contradicted a statement made by Alderman Robe to a Dis-PATCH reporter after the last hearing in

the newspaper cases.

This ended the testimony of the prosecution and Major Brown called on Theodore Nevin, of the Leader, for the defense. Mr. Yost wanted to know what he was going to prove and Mr. Brown said he would show prove and Mr. Brown said he would show that there are 45 Sunday papers in the State and that 'they circulate more than 500,000 copies. With regard to the papers interested, he said he would show that the DISPATCH has a circulation of over 60,000, the Leader 35,000, and the Press 25,000.

Extent of the Patronage. "We will show," he continued "that in this county about 200,000 people are patrons and readers of Sunday papers; that for 30 years in Pennsylvania Sunday papers have been regularly published, and that during that time their circulation and reading has been unchallenged. That the act of 1794 has been treated as obsolete by general con-

sent as far as Sunday papers are concerned. I will show further that in consequence of the fact that these papers contain notices of funerals, telegraphic news and matter of funerals, telegraphic news and matter of general interest, they have become a necessity. We claim the Sunday newspaper is a reasonable, although not an absolute, necessity, and will ask the Court to so rule. Civilization demands them. In addition to that we will show that the act of 1794 was passed three-quarters of a century before Sunday newspapers came into general use, and that, therefore, they were not contemplated by

the Legislature that framed the law."

Mr. Yost tried to have the testimony of
Mr. Nevin refused, but the Court ruled to
admit it. In his testimony Mr. Nevin gave
newspaper statistics about similar to those
mentioned by Major Brown. He was not
allowed to state how much, work is done on allowed to state how much work is done on Sunday in getting out a Sunday newspaper.

Richard Burke, Superintendent of the Union News Company, stated what part his company takes in the distribution of Sunday newspapers. He said that he receives about 1,000 papers from cities outside of Pennsylvania. Mr. Yost attempted to get a little legal practice by asking out of the way questions from the witness, but failed at every attempt to produce even a ripple of confusion.

Charles W. Houston, business manager of

the Press, testified as to the manner in which carriers are given routes. In the distribution of his paper he thought about 75 people, exclusive of newsboys, were employed in Pittsburg and Allegheny. He

o'clock in the morning.

Arthur Von Sunden, acting business manager of The Dispatch, and George A. Madden, managing editor, stated that The SUNDAY DISPATCH is prepared with special attention in its literary style and a view to making it an acceptable household paper. Mr. Madden stated that the circulation has varied from 63,000 to 75,000. stated that they do their work before

The Argument of Major Brown. This closed the testimony. Major Brown spoke about 40 minutes for the defense. In opening he referred briefly to the act of 1794. He said: "There is no doubt this opening he referred briefly to the act of 1794. He said: "There is no doubt this act is very broad and sweeping. It is perhaps the only statute of its kind in any of the States of the Union. Although it has never been repealed or modernized, no one believes anything similar could pass a Legislature of the present day. Intelligence is advancing. The people are more refined, better educated, and their tastes, their necessities are different."

The speaker called attention to two cases

The speaker called attention to two cases in Pennsylvania; one in 1859 against Nesbit, in which the defendant had been fined for driving his employer to the Second Presbyterian Church, and another in 1854, in which the omnibus companies of Pittsburg were the defendants. In speaking of them he said that since that time it is considered a recognition of the control of the said that since that time it is considered as the said that since that time it is considered to recognite the said that since that time it is considered. Because of the Admitted Unreliability of JUDGE PORTER'S DECISION RESERVED sidered a necessity to have a coachman, and, instead of having omnibuses, there is a multiplicity of conveyances that were not thought of when the obnoxious law of 1794 was passed. "Omnibusses are too slow for us, just as the act of 1794," said the Major with a smile.

Commenting on the case of the Common-wealth against Nesbit, Mr. Brown called attention to the fact that the coachman was only performing a work of necessity, and that therefore he could not be fined.

One of the Points Raised. "The gentleman could have walked to church," said Mr. Brown. "He could have driven his own carriage or he could have stayed at home. It wasn't an absolute necessity for him to be driven to church, but it was a reasonable necessity and was so held by the Supreme Court. A sentence in the decision in that case was: 'Law there fore does not condemn those employments which society regards as necessary.' A universal demand makes it evident that society considers the Sunday newspaper a necessity. By a strict construction of the act of 1794 the statute forbids many things that no

person has questioned. "We do not draw a line between secular and religious newspapers. So long as they are decent, clean, elevating in their tone, we think they are a necessity. So are books, and the literature of all kinds that have done so much to place American people in the front rank of civilization. There is nothing so educating as the daily news-paper, and by that I include the Sunday paper. They cultivate a taste for literature, as well as being elevating in themselves. It does seem strange to me that in this community, or in any other community, there should be any number of people, however small, who think humanity would be benefited by suppressing the Sunday paper. For thirty years these publications have been made unchallenged.

Half a Million Allegheny Readers.

"Half a million people read them in Allegheny county alone. They have grown up to read them and have learned to consider them a necessity, but now we have three or four people, holier than their brethren, who would deprive half a million of their light.

who would deprive half a million of their rights. They want to reform the world; make people holy against their own wills. They do not give other people the right to think for themselves. They think holiness synonymous with their own opinions.

"I think every person should have one day's rest in the week, and according to testimony we have received carriers get through work before 8 o'clock on Sunday. That certainly gives them enough time for a rest. They disturb no one; not even the people who are crying against them. The object of the statute of 1794 was not to make men religious, but to give them rest." In conclusion Mr. Brown said that if In conclusion Mr. Brown said that if Sunday newspapers were suppressed there was just as good reason for stopping the Pennsylvania Railroad and street railways. The result would be to empty the down-town churches, to cage people in their

Attorney Yost made a very short reply to Major Brown. He cited cases in Minne-sota and Massachusetts, and also the milk cases in Pittsburg. He compared the Sun-day newspaper with the liquor traffic be-cause they are both run for gain. Referring to Senator Neeb's bill in the last Legislature that passed the Senate by a big ma-jority and lacked only one vote in the House, Mr. Yost made the astonishing statement that it had been killed by a vote of 14 to 1 in committee. He confessed that he himself took two or three Sunday papers, but he thought they were printed on Fri-day or Saturday.

A NEWSBOY'S CONFESSION.

He Admits Having Been Stealing for Son Time Past.

Yesterday Morris Moses, a guest at Staley's Hotel, on Penn avenue, reported at the office of the hotel that some person had entered his room and taken a scarfpin. He said the pin was worth \$8. A strict watch was kept and finally a newsboy was found roaming through the halls and acting in a suspicious manner. He was arrested on suspicion and information was made against him before Alderman McKenna. The Alderman held him in \$500 bail for a hearing Friday. At this he weakened and confessed that he took the pin and sold it to a boy for 15 cents.

a boy for 15 cents.

"I have been stealing things for some time," said he, "and giving them to my mother. When other newsies steal things and don't whack up with me I lick 'em."

At the jail he made quite a scene, cried, fought the officer and begged to be let off. He is only 10 years old, but is a sharp little fellow and has a bad reputation.

PILING THEM UP.

Several More Executions Filed Against the Iron and Steel Band Company. Several more executions, aggregating

\$15,828 05, were issued yesterday against the Iron and Steel Band Company, limited. Moorhead, McCleane & Co. issued an execution for \$7,497 68, J. Painter & Sons one for \$201 50, the Oliver Iron and Steel Comfor \$201 50, the Oliver Iron and Steel Com-pany one for \$4,111 70, and the Apollo Iron and Steel Company one for \$4,017 17. John Goff, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer of the company, said yesterday that they were endeavoring to bring about an amicable ad-justment of the difficulty. Mr. Hunt, of the Moorhead, McCleane Company, said that the judgments entered yesterday were probably the outcome of the ones entered on Tuesday, and were entered to protect themselves. A meeting of the creditors will be held

to arrange a settlement of the affairs. The total amount of the judgments to date is \$23,324 13.

YOUR

TENANTS

If not satisfactory can be promptly replaced by better ones, through the medium of

DISPATCH ADLETS.

A WOMAN FRIGHTENED

By a Colored Man's Actions on Sylvan Avenue the Very Same

NIGHT OF SARAH JOYCE'S DEATH.

The Description She Gives Tallies With

That of Pulpus.

PROGRESS IN SOLVING THE MYSTERY

The veil of mystery is being gradually drawn from around the death of poor Sarah Joyce, and it is quite probable that by the time the Coroner's inquest is concluded on Saturday morning the identity of the murderer will have been clearly demonstrated. From present indications John Pulpus, the colored suspect first arrested in connection with the case, will be held for her murder by the Coroner's jury. The toils are closing about him tightly, and each day the police are adding strength to the evidence against

They have now secured three witnesses who will testify before the Coroner that they saw Pulpus on the Sylvan avenue road within a few feet of where Sarah Joyce's body was found on the night she met her death. The importance of this testimony lies in the fact that Pulpus positively denies being on that part of the lonely road known as Sylvan avenue on that night. He positively and repeatedly insists that he left the road by a foot path at a point fully 250 yards further down the hill, and that he went directly from that point to his boarding house down in the

A Woman's Important Testimony. The direct contradictions to this story are statements by Mrs. Bridget Holleran, of Bates street, her 12-year-old son Thomas and by Jeremiah McDonough, who lives in the ravine near the colored man's boarding house. McDonough is a boy of 15, and knows Pulpus well. He tells the police that shortly after dark on Thursday night last he was making his way up the hillside to Sylvan avenue, when he passed Pulpus, who was going down, almost on a run. The who was going down, almost on a run. The boy showed Inspector Whitehouse and Detective Fitzgerald the point where he met Pulpus and showed that the colored man was going in a directly opposite direction from that indicated by him in his statement to the police and Coroner. The boy also showed that Pulpus was coming from the direction of and he met him near to the root where the rile head was found. The spot where the girl's body was found. The boy is unable to fix the time of the meeting any more definitely than to say it was shortly after dusk, but the police consider his evidence of the highest importance. Mrs. Holleran and her son also met Pul-

pus, or a man whose description fits him closely, on the Sylvan avenue road within 30 feet of where Sarah Joyce fell or was thrown over. Mrs. Holleran had received word early last Thursday evening that her sister living east of Sylvan avenue was seriously ill. Immediately after supper she and her son started from their home on and her son started from their home on Bates street to call on her sister, going by the way of Sylvan avenue. It had grown dark enough to light the lamps in her house when she left. A walk of from 10 to 15 minutes brought them to the bend in the road near which the tragedy occurred. Just as they reached that point they ob-served a man loitering along and when they

came near him he stopped. He Frightened Another Woman

Mrs. Holleran was frightened at his actions and eyed him closely. She passed over to the other side of the road in passing him and as she did the man spoke to her. She was too much scared to notice what he said and walked as rapidly as possible away from him. He made no attempt to follow. The description given of this man by both Mrs. Holleran and her son is so dose that there seems no doubt but that Pulpus is the man, though they have not yet identified him. The identification will be attempted

Police Surgeon Moyer yesterday said that the full report of the post mortem examina-tion when submitted to the Coroner's jury on Saturday would show that the girl had died from suffocation. Her blood was dark colored, as is usual in cases of asphyxiation, and the lungs also gave evidence that she had met death in that way. Dr. Moyer thinks it probable that her assailant threw the girl's skirts up over her face until she had suffocated. It is his opinion that he in tended then to assault her, but was fright ened away before his purpose was accom

plished. The Views of Dr. Mover.

"I have no doubt but that she was mur-dered," he continued, "and criminal assault is the only object her murderer could have had in view. There was no evidence of in-

had in view. There was no evidence of intention to rob, and the position of the body and the clothing support the other theory." Is it then settled beyond a doubt that no assault was committed, doctor?"
"Well, I should not swear as to that. Her assaulant must have had a motive, and I think the assault theory explains it."
The police of the Second district are following up every suspicion of a clew in the case, and are hopeful of clearing it up in a few days. A statement published yesterday that they have fixed the crime on a white man, and are simply holding Pulpus white man, and are simply holding Pulpus as a blind, is branded as silly by Inspector Whitehouse. The officers undoubtedly have evidence that they will not divulge at preent, but they say it affects no white men, and may not affect anyone but Pulpus. They seem to regard Pulpus as a convicted man already, though they are guarded in their statements concerning the case. Several persons not yet mentioned in con nection with the case will be called for the

inquest on Saturday, among them Dr. Wishart, who lives near by and was one of the first to examine the body on the hill-side, but his evidence is not expected to be Regular Prices for Medical Service,

A meeting of a committee of the South-side Medical Society was to have been held last night at the office of Dr. M. A. Arn-holt to prepare a uniform scale of prices for Southside physicians. Only three memfor Southside physicians. Only three mem-bers of the committee put in an appearance and no meeting was held. Those present, however, discussed the question and will adopt a scale, which they will present to the general committee at a meeting to-

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he will accept this position. He said yesterday:
"It will be purely a matter of conviction of duty if I accept. It would be painful for me to leave Pittshurg. The chair to which I have been called is a more important work and the question of higher duty is the only one to be considered. I have made a study of New Testament literature and it is a study which is of the greatest importance now when so many strange views are being study which is of the greatest importance now when so many strange views are being introduced. This branch deals directly with the life of Christ and the proofs of the apostolic writings."

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