Pittsburg Coal Is Now Expected to Displace the Ohio Product.

A CHANGE IN THE RATES

By the Railways, to the Disgust of Hocking Valley Operators.

THEY CLAIM THEY HAVE NO SHOW

In the Lake Trade, and That Everybody Will Purchase Here.

FIGURES ON THE INCREASED BUSINESS

At the meeting of the railroad officials at the Monongahela House yesterday the differential of 5 cents against Pittsburg coal in favor of the Hocking Valley was wiped out. A straight rate of 85 cents per ton on lake coal only and \$1 0234 from West Virginia was made to the lake ports. The latter rate is an advance of 21/2 cents over the present one.

For the first time Pittsburg and Hocking Valley coal has been put on the same basis by the railroads. The freight differential originally was much larger, but in 1884, at the introduction of natural gas, it was cut down to 25 cents. After a steady fight for eight years the Pittsburg operators have finally been able to remove all handicaps against them, and they expect to end the year with a largely increased tonnage to their credit. The Pittsburg operators left the hotel with smiles on their faces, while the Hocking Valley men professed to be very painfully surprised and depressed in

Spoiled the Regulation of Prices.

It worried them to such an extent that an association of Ohio operators that had been formed during the day to maintain prices disintegrated as suddenly as snow before the warm vernal sun. At least, this is what their leaders said. According to the claims of the Hocking Valley operators, the reduction in freight rates is a big thing for Pittsburg coal. They say the market is at the feet of the local operators, and it will be useless for them to try to com-pete. The brunt of the shock, however, talls on the Hocking Valley road, which will be the greatest sufferer. President Waite was nonplussed, but he could see no way out of the hole. In short, this is the position of the Hocking Valley men as they outlined it last evening:

"The Pittsburg people misrepresented our shipments for the year. They claimed our increase last season was 260,000 tons. According to the figures furnished by the Ohio Coal Traffic Association, the Hocking Valley tonnage fell off 43,000 tons. This reduced freight rate means that our shipments will be greatly reduced this year. Some of our people and both miners and shippers and buyers of coal. As soon as the result was announced a few of the latter made large contracts with the Pitts-burg operators. It doesn't make any difference to them where they buy, and now Pittsburg and Hocking coal can be delivered at the lake front for the same

What Pittsburg Will Gain.

One shipper of Hocking Valley coal declared that it meant a difference of 150,000 tons in favor of Pittsburg for the year, so far as he was concerned personally, and an-30,000 tons of Ohio coal last season, but that amount would come to Pittsburg in 1892. A third Hocking Valley operator remarked that he owned a mine, but he handled annually 600 000 tons of coal besides along the lakes. He bought Ohio coal because it was cheap, but this year the local operators hold the whip handle, and he would purchase from them. At first it was suggested that rates could be cut, but the Ohio roads are too poor to engage in a fight which would swamp them in the end. The Hocking Valley road is loaded down with \$16,000,000 in bonds, and the company must pay annually \$1,000,000 in fixed charges. The bulk of their business is coal, and it can be seen how the new arrangement will injure the Valley to fight roads as powerful as the

Pittsburg lines.
This was how the Hocking Valley operators talked. They appeared to be badly demoral-ized. The local coal men were not greatly elated, though they appreciate the reduc-tion of 5 cents. They claimed the Ohio people were talking for effect. To-day the coal men from the three States will meet at the Morongabela House to try to agree on a selling price. In the past a difference of 25 cents was allowed for Ohio coal on ac-count of its inferior quality. The cut in the freight rate reduces it 20 cents with present

conditions continuing. In a Very Humble Mood.

The Hocking Valley operators are now on their knees, and they do not feel sure that the Pittsburgers will grant them any concessions. Even if a differential of 25 cents is allowed, they claim they have no assurance that it will be maintained. Patrick McBryde, Secretary of the United

Mine Workers, is in the city. He was at the Monongahela House yesterday, urging the Pittsburg operators to agree to a resto-ration of the inter-State agreement. He said the Ohio coal owners to a man are willing, but the West Virginia opera-tors have positively refused to come in. Colonel W. P. Rend thinks the agreement should be restored. He states that it was a great blessing to men and operators. He claims it was broken by the miners, but they were misled by their leaders. He has faith in the integrity of John and Patrick McBryde, and he believes the miners are sincered in their dealers. the miners are sincere in their declaration to do the square thing in the future.

Mr. McBryde said many of the Pittsburg operators received his offer favorably, and he believes an agreement about wages will be made between the Ohio and Pennsylvania coal men. Colonel Rend thinks the present rates of mining in force now in both States will be continued for another year.

SANDBAGGED IN A TUNNEL

An Allegheny Man Claims He Was Held

Up for \$400. Samuel Miller was sandbagged and robbed in the tunnel under the Ft. Wayne Railroad at Martin street, Allegheny, last night. He was found in an unconscious condition lying on the floor of the tunnel by Charles McOwens, who notified the police. He was removed to his home, 92 Robinson street, and examined by a physician, who found there was no serious in-

jury.

Miller is a young man recently married, and claims he was attacked from behind, laid senseless by a blow on the head with a sandbag and robbed of \$400, which, he says, he had intended investing in a home. The police have been unable to find any trace of his assailants.

To Pave and Grade Perrysville Avenue. The citizens of the Second and Tenth wards of Allegheny, will meet in the Second ward school house Friday evening. The object of the meeting is to consider the advisability of paving and grading Perrys-ville avenue. It will likely be asked for as the citizens are strongly in favor of it.

#### MUNICIPAL MISMANAGEMENT.

ent Citizens Hold a Quiet Meetin Last Night to Discuss That Topic and the Remedies-The History of an Exclusive Organization.

An interesting meeting of a very ex-clusive organization in the East End, known as the S. S. S. C., was held last night at the residence of Major W. B. Negley at Fifth and Amberson avenues. None but members were invited. No reporters were present, and no sketch of the proceedings could be secured from anyone participating in them, yet it is known the meeting was of an interesting character. As proof of this it need only be stated that the organization fully discussed the proposition, "What is the best remedy for our municipal misgov-ernment?" and that the discussion was opened by Attorney Marcus A. Woodward.

The S. S. S. C. was organized in 1872. A number of wealthy gentlemen in and about number of wealthy gentlemen in and about Shadyside having reached the period in life when a quiet smoke, with a talk over the issues of the day, live or otherwise, were preferable to the more vigorous forms of pleasure or dissipation, organized a club which was intended to bring them together socially on two evenings a month during the winter season. The originators of the plan were Major Negley, Robert Pitcairn, M. A. Woodward, Judge Magee, E. M. and the late David Aiken, D. D. Bruce and others. They talked the matter over and the idea pleased them. To insure exand the idea pleased them. To insure ex-clusiveness, the membership was limited to 20 persons and it was provided that in case one member should die or leave the circle for any reason, no other could take his place unless approved by the whole club. One black ball would settle the application

negatively.

† The club was organized as the Shadyside Social Club, and the idea was emphasized that only persons of more or less proficiency in debate were desirable as members. It in debate were desirable as members. It was to meet fortnightly during the winter at the home of one of the members, each taking his turn as host, and providing cigars and a collation for the evening. The club was to meet promptly at 7:30 on the appointed evening, dispose of routine business, and then a member selected for the purpose was to open the debate, the proposition having been decided upon at the previous meeting. After an hour and a half of discussion the party adjourned to the dining room where the discussion took another

This organization with all its original This organization with all its original rules and regulations is still in existence and judging from the satisfaction evinced by members in speaking of it, bids fair to live indefinitely. Its membership has changed somewhat, but a number of the originals are still in it. The President is William H. Denniston, Henry A. Breed is secretary and the others are Judges Magee, Kennedy and Reed, Rev. Drs. Holmes, McClelland and Holland. W. B. Negley. M. Clelland and Holland, W. B. Negley, M.
A. Woodward, William Scott, W. K. Jennings, Robert Pitcairn, Oliver McClintock,
John Renshaw, D. W. C. Bidwell, Dr. J.
H. McClelland, David B. McCargo, S. L.
Seymour and E. M. Aiken.

#### THE LIBRARY MYSTERY.

A Lack of Definite Information Concerning

the Published Design. There is still a mystery surrounding the plan published as the latest Carnegie Library design. Mr. Scott is represented as saying that the picture was printed in the Contract News, with these words below it: "One of the proposed designs of the Carnegie Free Library, Pittsburg." This was not so. The words below it were: "The proposed Carnegie Library, Pittsburg." It is a little singular how any architect would now, months after the competition has been completed, publish as the proposed library a design which was rejected, which would have to be the case to accord with Mr. Scott's theory—that this was one of the rejected designs. One of the local architects, speaking vesterday of the matter, said he did not believe the plan published was one of the old rejected plans. He was familiar with those exhibited, and did not recollect this

In answer to a telegram sent to Longfellow, Alden & Harlow at Boston yester-day it was stated that those architects knew nothing about the design printed in the Contract News, but that their own working plans would be ready next week. An effort of Chief Bigelow to obtain definite infor-mation from the editor of the New York paper also proved fruitless. A member of the commission remarked that the plan might have been given out as a feeler, and that, if so, it had certainly aroused considerable feeling.

A Dispute on Acreage Valuation. The County Commissioners had a big vrestle with Twenty-second ward property owners yesterday. There was no dispute on the valuation of acreage along Fifth avenue. as it is the dividing line between the Twentieth and Twenty-second wards, and the Assessors having agreed on both sides of the line to \$15,000 an acre the Commissioners thought their judgment good, but they advanced values over those fixed by the Assessors of the Twenty-second ward on property back from the avenue and 23 people objected. Their complaints were heard but no intimation was given out as to the probable effect.

Penalty for Keeping Bad Company. Officer Ed Cross arrested Peter Megraw and John Cunningham, alias "Spaz" Grogan at Wylie and Fifth avenues yesterday afternoon, having been in company with a man known to the police, as a confidence man. The latter got away. Megraw was held only a few weeks ago for keeping com-pany with suspicious characters and was only allowed to go free on a promise to keep away from them. At the time he was arrested with Eddie Steele, since tried and convicted and sent to the penitentiary for larceny. Superintendent O Mara will dis-

pose of the prisoners to-day:

Charles A. Haller, aged 80 years, dropped dead at Thirty-third and Liberty streets yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. Mr. Haller is well known in Lawrenceville and lived with his son-in-law, Andrew Marshall, on Ridge avenue, Thirteenth ward. He is also the father-in-law of Mr. Frank Tinker, the well known Lawrenceville contractor He had been out taking a short walk and was returning home when suddenly stricker down. The body was removed to Upper-man's livery stable on Butler street and the family notified. His death was undoubt-edly caused by heart disease.

### TALES OF TWO CITIES.

THE Allegheny Water Committee approved bills last night, there being nothing else to do.

THE Retail Grocers' Association will change their place of meeting to the Grain and Flour Exchange building on Liberty ONLY one case of scarlatina and three

cases of diphtheria were reported to the Bureau of Health yesterday. This is the smallest number of cases reported in one day for some time. THE "Q" Club, composed of ministers, held its monthly meeting at the Seventh Avenue

Hotel yesterday afternoon. The latest theo-logical ideas were discussed. The meeting closed, as usual, with a supper. MICHAEL SHEIF, of Columbus, a brakeman on the Ft. Wayne Railroad, had his right

shoulder broken yesterday by falling from a train at the Washington avenue, Allegheny, crossing. He was removed to the Allegheny General Hospital. The body of the young man found dead or the cinder bank at Clark's mill on Monday was taken to the morgue yesterday and Coroner McDowell will endeavor to have it identified before it is buried. It is thought the man was a Pole or an Irishman.

GRAND millinery opening! Grand millinery opening! Thursday and Friday, at ROSENBAUM & Co.'s.

## AN APPEAL TO ITALY

In Behalf of the Foreman Maltreated in West Virginia.

A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

The Man Arrives in Pittsburg With the Details of the Outrage.

Last Saturday THE DISPATCH exclusively printed the story of the abduction of Frank Amoroso, the Italian foreman, in Logan county, W. Va. It has since turned

MADE A TARGET AND ALMOST DROWNED

out that he was not lynched, but his fate

was nearly as bad. The case has increased in interest and it is now very similar to the New Orleans Mafia cases. Amoroso's friends were very much surprised on Sunday, when he walked, or rather limped, in upon them. The story he told was quite similar to the one his men related, but there are still several unpublished

following story:

facts. Yesterday he was seen at the Key-

Nearly as Bad as Lynched. "I was not lynched, as was generally suposed, but I would about as soon have been. To go back to the beginning, the trouble started with Mason, Harder & Co., the railroad contractors. When I took my men down there I was promised \$1 40 for ten hours' work a day. Instead of working ten hours, we had to work 11 hours and re-ceive the same money. I kept kicking from time to time, but it did no good. One day I was surprised to see a party of negroes brought into the camp. The same day I was notified that myself and men were discharged, and we were to move from the company's property just as quickly as we could. We did this. My men went to some huts outside the camp, and I took up my quarters at the house of

"The advent of the colored men and our March 10. That afternoon we tried to col-lect the back money due us, but the com-pany would not settle. I then went to the pany would not settle. I then went to the nearest justice of the peace and placed the case before him. He set the next morning as the time of hearing in the case. Of course the bosses were mad because we knew enough to ask for our rights, and the fact of my suing them did not allay their feelings

Dragged From His Bed. "That night I instructed the men to at-"That night I instructed the men to attend the hearing, and went to Mr. Dingess'. I went to sleep early, and did not know the mob was at the house until they dragged me from the house. The facts of my removal have been truly printed. Up to the time I was out of hearing of the camp. I was dragged along the mountain paths for over ten miles.

My persecutors rode but I had to walk or My persecutors rode, but I had to walk or run, just as they were so minded. Numerous times I fell over stumps and stones and would be jerked bleeding from the ground. In this way they hurried me along until the steep bank of a wide stream was reached. "Here the party halted and held a confer-ence. It only lasted for a minute or two and at its conclusion I was told to jump into the water and wade across. My long tramp over the hills had nearly exhausted my strength and I felt death awaited me in those muddy waters. I knew to disobey meant death any how, so I plunged in willing to take my chances. The men had evidently thought I chances. The men had evidently thought I could not swim, and knowing the stream was too deep to permit of my reaching, thought I would go beneath the water and their crimes would be hidden. I waded out about 20 feet and I began to sink quickly; throwing myself in position, I commenced

to swim Followed Through the Water. "The gray light of dawn was beginning to break, and the men on the shore saw me swimming. Instantly I heard a great splash in my rear, and I knew the men had plunged their horses into the water and were in pursuit. I kept a little distance in the lead the whole way over, landing a

minute or less before them.

"The water was so cold that it almost froze my blood, and I had hardly landed until I dropped down exhausted. The men rode out of the water. It was now fairly rode out of the water. It was now inity light, and I recognized among them some of my former bosses. I looked into their faces, but mercy was not written there. They came toward me, I begged to be spared, for I surely thought they meant to kill me. Paving no attention to my pleadkill me. Paying no attention to my pleadings they commenced jerking off my clothing, and did not quit until every stitch of it was gone. My hands were then bound, and I was made stand up. The men gathered around me and lashed me with their whips till my back and legs were a mass of cuts, bruises and welts. When the blood commenced to run down my body and I dropped to the ground they stopped. Even with all this barbarity the villains were not satisfied. They jerked me onto my feet and made me

Fired Upon as He Ran.

"The leader then pointed up the hill and said: 'There's your road. You have one minute to get out of sight.' I started to run, but every move I made pained me and I slowed up to a walk. This was greeted with the command to 'run.' I tried to again, but couldn't. Then there came several shots and the balls whistled past my ears. The firing was kept up until I was lost to view by a bend of the road.
"I kept on for a long time before I dared

to stop, but finally exhausted I dropped down on the ground and rested several hours. I then made my way to a little town, where I stayed until I was able to get back to Pittsburg.
"There is one thing peculiar about the adventure and it was the only luck I had save that I escaped with my life. In my clothes I had about \$900 in paper money, but the men did not find it.

"I am still a subject of Italy, and on that ground I think I can make it very warm for my persecutor. I have placed the matter in Attorney H. L. Christy's hands. He will at once notify the Italian Consul to the United States, and through him the case

the United States, and through him the case will be presented to the Government. I will certainly demand redress.

"I will also bring suit against Mason, Hardee & Co. for our back pay. When the case was brought before the Logan county 'Squire he dealt out some queer law.' He ordered the company to pay one-half of the money. That is, if it owed me \$50, it would only have to pay \$25. The Alderman also held out a fair margin."

### ALL PROMISES FULFILLED.

Commissioner Massey Says Chicago Has

Done Ils Duty Toward the Fair. T. W. Massey, of Delaware, one of the National World's Fair Commissioners, was on the limited last evening going to Chi-cago. The Congressional Committee will visit the Fair grounds to-morrow, and he wanted to be there to show them around. He says the buildings are going up rapidly, and the work done so far reminds him of some of the Arabian Night's wonders. He said Chicago had fulfilled all its prom-ises and the Government must do the rest. ises and the Government must do the rest. Mr. Massey believes the appropriations asked for will be granted without a hitch. He paid a fine tribute to the late Adjutant General McClelland, who was associated with him on the commission.

On the subject of polities he said Little Delaware would vote for Harison. He thinks Hill is a man of great ability, and that he will be able to kill of Cleveland with himself. He expects to see the Democrate nominate a Western man.

PARLOR furniture reuphlos HAUGH & KEENAN, 33/Water st. IN THE SOLICITOR'S HANDS.

The 30-Day Limit on Some of the Street As

sessments Expires. The 30-day limit during which the City Treasurer can collect for street improvements, closed yesterday for a number of streets, and the unpaid assessments were handed over to the City Attorney for collection. Less than one-half has been paid on them. These are the first street improvements confirmed by the Court under the curative legislation, and are sewers on Arabella street, Aiken street, Claybourne street, Harvard street, Braddocks auenue, Comrie alley, Lowell and Winslow streets, and the grading of Bayard street. Under the new law, unless the assessments for such improvements are paid to the Treasurer within 30 days from the time they are placed in the City Treasurer's hands, they go to the City Attorney, who may proceed at once and file liens against the property affected. But it is his attention to allow reasonable time, not less than 30 days, before he will file liens, during which time the assessments may be paid, the additional cost being 6 per cent interest on the amount unpaid, dating from the time the collection went into the hands of the City Treasurer. Under the old law 5 per cent was added when the City Attorney began to collect, without regard to time without regard to time.

During the past two days there has been

stone Employment Agency and he told the During the past two days there has been a mild rush of taxpayers at the City Treasurer's office, paying their year's taxes in order to get the 5 per cent off on the second half. Nearly all who have paid thus far are small property holders who come in and pay the cash. In a few days the big firms and holders of real estate will begin to send in their checks and the receipts will make some kind of a show. The assessors have nearly finished the taxbooks and the only wards not ready for collection are the Fourwards not ready for collection are the Four-teenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth. The latter will be ready to-morrow and the other two a day later.

#### JACK'S RUN EXCITED.

Possible Oll Developments and Other Features Are Interesting Citizens. Jack's Run thrills with excitement this week. Just how it came to come about is not exactly known, but Attorney N. W. Shafer was informed yesterday that the valley was full of steam and that the boilers that have been cold since the 100-foot sand yielded up the ghost were all fired up on Monday morning and the old-time bustle is

taking possession It appears that some information gave operators an impulse to drill the old wells deeper and get to the fifth sand, and each is trying to be the first to reach it. At the time the Jack's Run territory was operated no one had any idea of going below the 100-foot, and that soon becoming exhausted desolation reigned, but now the operators appear to have gotten a pointer of some kind, and think the witch-hazel points to constitute better further devices.

something better further down.

There is also great rivalry in that section between the natural gas companies. The Philadelphia Company has been crowding to the borders of territory owned by the Bellevue and other natural gas companies, and each appears to be afraid the rest will get some of its gas.

Sunday Schools to Be Organized. Prof. Hammill and Mr. Reynolds, who are to conduct the Sunday School Institute in the Union Avenue U. P. Church, Allegheny, on Thursday and Friday of this week, have beenconducting a series of interesting institutes in all the large cities of the Northwest, all of which were well attended. They are now on their way South and their next stop after leaving here will be at Richmond, Va. They have been appointed for this work by the International Sunday School Executive Committee. The second World's Convention of Sunday School Workers will be held in September, 1893, at St. Louis, and it is the desire of the committee to have the United States well organized prior to that time.

Honoring Dead Comrades.

A largely attended memorial meeting of Duquesne Post No. 259, G. A. R., was held in the Union Veteran Legion Hall, Sixth avenue, last night in honor of their late comrades who have died during the past rear: Benjamin Darlington, L. Halsey Williams, William H. Irwin and Adjutant General McClelland. Judge Slagle read a report from the Memorial Committee on the late Adjutant General. Other remarks were made on the dead comrades by John S. Lambie, Rev. Dr. Jones, W. R. Thompson and Rev. Dr. Riddle. The music was a pretty feature.

### PICKED UP BY THE POLICE.

THOMAS DAWSON was arrested on the Southside last night, charged with having ordered three meals at various times during the day at Barney Tierney's and refusing to pay for them.

In the case of Mary Crilly, of the East End, who was sued for fortune telling by Mary Spencer, Magistrate Gripp yesterday dis. missed the defendant as there was not suf-ficient evidence to prove a case.

EDWARD DRAMBLE was arrested at Eleventh and Liberty streets last night by Detective Bendel on a warrant sworn out before Alderman McKenna by John Peats, who alleges Dramble stole \$9 from him. He was taken to the Twelfth ward police scation.

A Successful Event Yesterday Was the display of imported novelties in the suit and millinery departments of Joseph Horne & Co., at their Penn avenue

stores.

To be sure the weather was not propitious, but all drawbacks of this kind were unavail-ing to prevent the customers of this house

ing to prevent the customers of this house seeing the treat in store for them.

Paris millinery at its best and brightest, all selected personally by the representative of this house, made a bright and spring-like picture that told of sunshine to come.

This unequaled millinery display will continue to-day and during the week, and will conclude on Saturday with a display of everything that is new and lovely in children's and misses' hats.

dren's and misses' hats.
On the second floor parlor of the cloak-room the exquisite array of Paris costumes, come the exquisite array of Paris costumes, capes and tea gowns were surrounded by groups of admiring beholders, who could fully appreciate the artistic draperies and true Parisian deftness of design so charmingly shown in the elegant and striking display which brings the best efforts of Paris workrooms of world-wide celebrity to the

workrooms of world-wide celebrity to the easy and comfortable inspection of the ladies of these cities.

Quite cute and pretty are the novelties shown in the adjoining room devoted to the wants of young girls and small children, including the wee little ones, the latest comers to the family. Also taking styles in boys suits are shown here in styles exclusive to this house. The fact that their children's clothing is made to order in the most perfect manner and newest ideas is a matter of some importance to ladies who formerly naid eximportance to ladies who formerly paid ex-

travagant prices to Eastern houses for inferior service.

Just a word about the parasol display. A little early, but it is a well-known fact that this house always is alert to furnish the proval; hence this summer parasol display brightens the entire store by its gay color origines the entire wore by its gay color-ing—Paris parasols, of course, to make a correct tout ensemble with the Paris bon-nets and Paris costumes; so, all in all, this triple display of spring fashions can be written down an unqualified success, as the remaining days of the week will show.

EXTRA five matched driving teams at Clever, Dunkin & Long's auction, 192 First avenue, Thursday, March 24, at 12:30.

HUCKINS' CELEBRATED SOUPS will be served hot at our store every day this week. Call and taste these delicious soups.

J. A. RENSHAW & Co.,

WILL GO INTO COURT.

If the Citizens Opposed to the Armory Are Beaten in Councils

THE FIGHT WILL BE CARRIED UP.

With the Proposed Fouthside Bridge the Market House Would Pay.

ANOTHER MEETING OF REMONSTRANTS

The opposition to giving the Fifth Avenue Market House up for a military head-quarters has not abated since the action of he Finance Committee last Saturday, and the fight will be continued whenever the matter is taken up in Councils Another meeting of the property holders of that district was held last night. There was little oratory, but much determination was shown by the gentlemen present. They decided to get up a number of remonstrance papers, signed only by property owners, and opposite each signer's name will be put down the amount of property owned by him. Sev-eral of those interested in the movement will circulate these papers and get as many responsible signers as possible. Such a remonstrance, they argue, cannot be ignored by Councils, as is usually the case when petitions of that character are presented. In addition to the remonstrance, one or two members of the opposition will be delegated as spokesmen, and if Councils will grant them a hearing, will state their side of the case in proper form. Failure to make this provision was a drawback when they appeared before the Finance Committee, and put them at a disadvantage. A Plan to Quiet Oppositi

The feeling among those present at last night's meeting was pretty clearly stated

by John R. Aufderheide. Said he: "We don't take much stock in that move of the Finance . Committee in reducing the from 50 to 25 years. It be that it was done lease may in good fhith, but it looks to us like a trick in good inith, but it looks to us like a trick to quiet down opposition. It is also probable that it was done to satisfy for the time-being the members of the committee who were opposed to the scheme. But we don't believe those who are at the bottom of this thing are willing to make it a 25-year lease. They have figured how many votes they will be able to muster in Councils, and they can get them as easy for a 50 as a 25-year

"The people here are deeply interested in this matter and will fight it to the last ditch. If we fail in Councils we will go down in our pockets and take it up to the courts. I think there is no doubt about what the court will do. No court of justice could countenance such an outrage. Aside from the damage we, as property holders in this locality, would suffer, the tax-payers in general are and should be opposed to this scheme going through. If it is not checked this city will be simply throwing away \$500,000 city will be simply throwing away \$500,000 of the people's money. An armory building will not benefit the locality as is claimed. It will be a drawback. No matter how fancy they may make it, there will be nothing about it to enhance the value of be nothing about it to enhance the value of surrounding property, and consequently the city will gain nothing from the returns. The only thing that will enhance surrounding property will be to make that property available to business men. A block of stores there would do more good than anything else, but it would be better to keep the property and use it for some of the purposes now costing the city big money in rents than to give it away as they propose doing."

The Whereabouts of the Lease. The Whereabouts of the Lease.

"Yes," broke in Louis Hahn, at this juncture, "they had better lease it to somebody for \$2,000 or \$3,000 a year than to the soldiers for \$1. Anybody else would be more desirable tenants to us, and would pay more. It would be easy to get \$3,000 a year for it. But what I would like to know is why did they not show us that lease? Why didn't they let us know what kind of a building they want to put up? Why don't they show up the plans and make everything plain? I think there is a big snake in that lease; that's why it was not to be found when we

"Another thing," continued Mr. Hahn excitedly, "Mr. Paul said the Market House hadn't been paid for, and Mr. Keating said the money was all ready to pay. That was not true. Mr. Paul was right. Controller Morrow says there is not a dollar on hand to pay the market house bonds, and I guess he ought to know. Why, the refunded bonds for the Fifth avenue market won't be due until 1910. Many of us will be dead and gone by that time. It

and smocked it galley west. I guess all the mock, subscribed was used up in making surveys, plans and the like, for I don't remember getting back any that I put into it."

Of Interest to License Applicants,

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The Wm. H. Holmes Company are booking a great many orders this year subject to granting of license. They are distillers of the celebrated "Holmes' Best" and Holmes' Old Economy pure rye whiskies, and in addition carry a more complete assortment of yeand bourbon whiskies in bond or tax paid, brandies, wines, liquors, cordials, specialties in bottled goods, etc., than any house in Western Pennsylvania. Get in your orders early to secure prompt delivery

your orders early to secure prompt delivery of goods during the spring rush. NOS. 120 WATER ST. AND 158 FIRST AV.

A Penny Saved Is a Penny Earned,

A Penny Saved Is a Penny Earned.

But a few dollars of those savings invested in property that is bound to double in value within a year is better than saving. Such a turn is not speculating; it is shrewd business foresight. You know people who have made big money by buying lots at first cost and selling on the advance. Why not you? The new town of Aliquippa is one of the safest and best in this land of investment. See the plans at the office of the Aliquippa Steel Company, room 30, Westinghouse Building.

IF you want a good horse for any pur-pose attend the great auction sale of Clever, Dunkin & Long, Thursday, March 24, at 12:30, No. 192 First avenue.

#### MINNESOTA FOR HARRISON.

ry of State Mattson Says the Pecple Want Lower Tariff Duties. Colonel H. Matteon, ex-Secretary of State for Minnesots, was at the Anderson yesterday. He is now at the head of a security and loan association, and is on his

curity and loan association, and is on his way to Europe to secure money. He says they get a great deal from Holland and England, which is used to assist the Western farmers at a good rate of interest.

Speaking of polities the Colonel said: "We are nearly all Republicans in Minnesota. We were for Blaine, but since he has refused to be a Presidental candidate our delegation will undoubtedly be for Harrison. The Democrats will support Cleveland. We have a Democratic Congressman in the State who favors Hill, but the people are afraid of the New York Senator. They think he is too much of a machine politician. Yes, the Minnesota Republicans want a reduction in the tariff duties. We believe that the necessaries of life should not be taxed. The farmers, however, are more contented than they were two years ago. The McKinley bill was not all they asked for, but it gave them more protection than they had. This is apparent along the border. I have a large wheat farm near Manitohe. I can get 80 cents per than they had. This is apparent along the border. I have a large wheat farm near Manitoba. I can get 80 cents per bushel for my wheat while just across the line the prevailing rate is 60 cents. There is no danger of Minnesota going over to the Democrats. The people feel that they can get more from the Republicans than the Democrats."

The Colonel is loyal to Minneapolis, where he lives. He claims the accommodations for the Republican delegates next June will be ample.

Lower Duties Mean Reduced Wages. L. F. Humphrey, a Boston wool buyer, is stopping at the Monongahela House. He is a rabid protectionist, and is opposed to free wool and lower duties on woolen goods as proposed by Springer in his piecemea attack on the McKinley law. The Demo attack on the McKinley law. The Democratic woolen schedule is lower than it was in the Mills bill. Mr. Humphrey says if the tariff is cut that wages will have to come down. It will do the workmen the greatest injury. He claims that three-fourths of the expense in running a woolen mill is the wages of the men. With improved machinery and cheap raw material, the cost, outside of the wages, is not a great deal. Mr. Humphrey thinks it is a bad sign when so much money is lying idle in the banks. It is an indication that business men are afraid to invest their money. ness men are afraid to invest their money. He adds that tariff agitation should be stopped.

Missouri Will Stand by Grover. Colonel J. D. Burrows, a prominent St. Louis Democrat, spent an hour at the Union lepot last evening. He was bound for Washington. He says the Missouri delegation will be solid for Cleveland. In St. Louis Morrison is talked of as a strong can-didate. The Illinois Democrats claim if he is nominated that he will carry the State. The St. Louis Republic is booming Boies for the Presidency. The Colonel thinks that either the Iowa Governor, or Gray, of Indiana, will be the Vice Presidental nominee. He admires Hill, but the voters are atraid of his machine methods.

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