How Colored Men Are Kept Out of the Democratic Party in Carolina.

TEN WHITES TO VOUCH FOR THEM.

Toronto Councilmen Investigating Local Street Bailways.

BATCH OF TALKS ON CURRENT TOPICS

Bishop Arnett, of the A. M. E. Church in South Carolina and Florida, was at the Union depot last evening, going South. He had been to Xenia to see his family. Several years ago the Bishop was a member of the Obio Legislature, and was the most prominent colored man in the State. He still takes a great deal of interest in poli-

"The Southern Republicans will undoubtedly support Harrison," said the Bishop. "The President has treated the colored peo ple very well, and he is popular with them. Former administrations followed the rule of giving the offices to a few big fellows to dispose of. Harrison has attended to the distribution of the patronage himself and he has given the blacks a good show. Colored men are Collectors of Customs in Wilmington, Galveston and other seaboard

Colored Men Will Be for Harrison, In Key West and Pensacola colored people are employed extensively by the Government. Under the circumstances a solid delegation is sure to come up from the South for the President. Hill made a number of friends on his Southern trip, but it remains to be seen what they will do for him. The masses of the Democracy are howling for Cleveland. I think, however, howling for Cleveland. I think, however, that Hifl will capture some of the delegates. "Here is a sample of how the Democrats are trying to keep down the colored people in South Carolina: Recently the leaders made a rule that no colored man should be given an office unless he could produce ten white fellows to swear that he voted the Democratic ticket since 1876. This virtual-Democratic ticket since love. This virtually means that they don't want our people in their party, and they can't have anything. It is impossible to get ten men to swear that a colored voter cast his ballot with the

Democrats for that length of time. Colored Democrats in the South. "Still there are some colored Democrats in the South. As a rule there are several colored members of the Legislature from Charleston. Our people are improving very rapidly. I can always tell how much by studying their social life. When a man provides a home for his wife, puts shoes on his children's feet and sends them to school, is a sure sign that he is growing better. If the negroes are left alone and given a chance, they will work out their own sal-

The Bishop is paying a great deal of attention to school work. The denomination is building a college at Wilberforce, and he has 28 schools under his supervision in South Carolina and Florida.

#### WORK FOR EVERYBODY.

A Chicago Man Says More Men Are Needed in the Construction of the Fair. H. H. Hill, an extensive manufacturer of

stand three-fourths of the structural iron comes from Pittsburg, and every building will be built to stay; no temporary affairs, to be pulled down like the Centennial after the exhibit closes. You would be surprised at the influx of people to Chicago, and if a census were to be taken to-day the population would greatly exceed New York. "There are several armies of men at work on the Fair Grounds, and there is work fo

everyone of them during the day and half of the night if they would consent to it. There is room for plenty of workmen yet, and any line-no matter how skilled or commo artistic or crude-the authorities can find a place for them. In fact, there is something

"Where people will make a big mistake is locating in Chicago after the Fair has been opened to the public. All the plums of location will have been picked then, and no doubt many will leave our city with disgusted feelings and a purse remarkable for its paucity of 'piastres.'"

#### A MISTAKE IN TIME.

The Christian Era Lucking Four Years and Six Days.

"To-morrow is the eighteen hundred and sixty-second anniversary of our Lord's Resurrection, which event is believed to have taken place in the 34th year of His age, and reckoned in our common era, places it in the 30th year of His age," said Mr. W. A. Miller yesterday. "Our present method of counting time was introduced in the year 532 A. D., which ten cen-turies afterward was found to be erroneous and lacking four years of the true period; but to alter the system, which had then been adopted by nearly the whole of Europe for a decade, would cause great confusion in both civil and ecclesiastical affairs. The error was, however, by general consent, allowed to remain. So we reckon our year as 1892 instead of 1896, lacking four years and six days of the real Christian era, making this the 23d day of April, 1896, and up till noon to-day the pendulum, keeping correct time, would have ticked 59,843,102,400 seconds in that time."

#### CHAT WITH AN EX-JUDGE.

Onkey Johnson Says West Virginia Will B

Democratic as Usual. Oakey Johnson, of Charleston, ex-Judge of the West Virginia Supreme Court, put up at the Monongahela House yesterday. Since he retired from the bench he has been practicing law. He came to the city to see E. M. Hukill about some law business. The Judge is a rampant Democrat, and laughs at the old Republican cry that the party will carry the State next fall. He says the Republicans have always made this claim, but they never succeeded. The Judge does not think that Steve Elkius will run for Governor He thinks the Republican nom-inee will be John Thompson, of Putnam county. He is a farmer, and Mr. Johnson says he has not much strength. The Farm-

of the long list of names presented. Every of the long list of names presented. Every section of the State is pushing the claims of a favorite son, and there are several aspirants from Wheeling. Among them are White and McCorkle. The Democrats are very much afraid that the Republicans will nominate Steve Elkins. They have a wholesome respect for his pocket book and ability. The chances are that the Democratic position will not be made until after the nomination will not be made until after the Republican Convention is held. Mr. Henderson says they have settled

NEED STRONG PROOF. down to send a delegation to Minneapolis to vote for Harrison, since Blaine is out of the race. He thought the Democratic delegates would not be instructed, but they will cast their ballots for Cleveland at Chicago.

#### PLEASED WITH THE P., A. & M.

Foronto Citizens in Pittsburg Inspectin Electric Railways-They Desire to Make a Change From the Horse Car System -How Canadian Roads Are Ma naged John Shaw, R. H. Graham, John Bailey, J. J. Wright, A. H. Clarke and W. P. Atkinson, Councilmen from Toronto, Canada, and John A. Ewan, of the World; Rowland Woolsey, Telegram, and E. A. Hutchinson, of the News, are all at the

The gentlemen are making a tour of the principal cities inspecting electric railways. Yesterday afternoon they were taken over the entire lines of the Pittsburg, Allegheny and Manchester Traction Company by Su-perintendent Greenwood. They were highly pleased with the road and pronounced it the best they had ever seen.

The Toronto street cars are being operated by horses, and it is the desire to change. The Canadians are not quite sure of just what they want. It is their desire to get something sightly, serviceable and not dangerous. They were surprised yesterday at the speed the cars could be run and at the same time be controlled so easily.

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In Toronto, like most Canadian cities, the city practically controls the street car line, although it is owned by a private company. The city government regulates the fare and the speed the cars can be run at and has charge of numerous other regulations. The company pays to the city 12 per cent of its gross earnings and paves the streets and keeps up the road.

#### TOO COLD FOR TROUT FISHING.

The Speckled Beauties Have Days of Grad Until the Weather Is Warmer,

The trout fishing season opened Saturday and will continue until July 1. Two weeks ago when the weather was, warm a number of small fishing parties were organized to start out as soon as the trout were free, but

closed by the fish commissioners when they were stocked a few years ago. The fish have had a chance to grow, and it is thought that larger and more trout will be caught than ever before. A favorite resort for trout used to be the river from Confluence up into the mountains. An old fisher from Somerset claims when he was a boy he caught 300 trout in a hole just below the clubhouse built by the Confluence and Oakland Railroad magnates. It is certainly a beautiful place in which to spend the summer.

#### A VERY ODD MANAGER.

A Monongahela City Opera House Owner

Who Won't Go to See a Show. Monongahela City boasts of a theatrical manager who has never seen a performance since he has been in the town. Once he Chicago, was in Pittsburg last night. He went in to hear his little son recite at a has been a great traveler in Europe as well school entertainment, and came out as soon as this country, in consequence of which he as the boy had finished his piece. But this is a well-informed and interesting talker on | could hardly be called going to see a play. is a well-informed and interesting talker on general subjects of the day. Speaking of the progress of the World's Fair he said:
"Nothing has ever been constructed on such an elaborate and extensive plan as this great institution when completed. It will be a miniature Venice. The principal mode of traffic will be by boats or gondolas of picturesque pattern through the improvised canals or water thoroughfares. I understand three-fourths of the structural iron.

The manager gives as a reason for his conduct that he despises the whole show business. He doesn't like the people who play, and he can't get over his aversion. The Opera House is a good thing, though, and he holds onto it for the money it yields.

#### DEPENDS ON THE WEATHER.

ters Are Cold and Summers Hot, The passenger men hope the cold weather will keep up until all the chilliness in the tmosphere is exhausted. They would rather have the winter now than to have it drop from the skies in mid-July, and spoil the popular excursion business. The increase in passenger receipts depends to a in passenger receipts depends to a considerable extent on the weather. Severe winters and hot summers are bonanzas for the railroads. The cold drives people who can afford it to the South and California, and in a red-hot summer even the poor can manage to scrape enough coppers together to spend a week in the mountains or at the seashore. But cool weather during July and August checks the travel and makes the passenger agents weary.

#### RAJAH WAS MAD.

The Big Elephant Smashed Yardman Russell in the Ribs With His Trunk.

Rajah, the big elephant from Rangoon, reached Pittsburg yesterday on his way to Kansas City. He was traveling in a box car, and evidently doesn't like his cramped quarters. The elephant has been giving his five keepers a great deal of trouble. Yardmaster Russell and his clerk, Mr. Patton, at Seventeenth street, poked their heads into the car to get a squint at Rajah. Mr. Russell got a whack in the ribs for his trouble, and Mr. Patton's hat was smashed flatter than a pancake. The elephant used his trunk dexterously. At first it was re-ported Rajah had killed several men, but it was untrue.

#### FREIGHT RATES ALL RIGHT.

H. J. Heinz Says He Is Satisfied With the H. J. Heinz, of the Keystone Pickling and Preserving Works, disagrees with Heinz Bros. & Co. in their views on freight

rates which appeared in THE DISPATCH last Sunday. Yesterday he said: "We know of no freight discrimination against Pittsburg so far as the pickle industry is concerned. We are entirely satisfied with present rates both East and West. Of course, the coast cities get cheap freights by water, but with the rates we are now getting we are enabled to meet com-petition in that quarter. The classification of pickles as first and third class was changed recently."

### HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL

The Easter Opening of French Pattern Hate and Bonnets at O'Reilly's, 407 Market St. ers' Alliance is not cutting much of a figure in the State.

WEST VIRGINIA FOR BEN.

Democrats Afraid Steve Eikins Will Be Nominated for Governor.

James Henderson, a West Virginia Republican, was in the city yesterday. He claims the Democrats of the State are at a loss to select a candidate for Governor out of the long list of names presented. Every

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#### A SAVING TO THE CITY

Contractors Must Wait for Their Money Without Interest.

AN IMPORTANT COURT DECISION.

Contest Renewed Over the Will of Late Alex. H. Miller.

CHAPED BY THEIR MARRIAGE PETTERS

. Judge Stowe yesterday handed down opinions in the cases of Booth & Flinn and Evan Jones against the City of Pittsburg, actions to determine the city's liability for interest on money due the contractors for work on streets, sewers, etc. The question in dispute was whether the contractors should receive interest from the date of the completion of the work, or from the time the city became liable to pay the amounts due

or have suits brought. In the case of Booth & Flinn Judge Stowe decided against the contractors and in the other case he decided in favor of Jones, because interest had been provided for in the ordinance. The ruling in the Booth & Flinn case, however, it is stated, will apply to almost-all the rest of the city's contracts, as the ordinance for the Thirty-third street sewer, constructed by Jones, was almost the only one which provided expressly for the payment of interest, on the balance due, from the completion of

the work. The opinion in the case of Booth & Flinn, which also gives the substance of the one in

the case of Evan Jones, is as follows: A Distinction Between the Two Cases, There is a very marked distinction between this case and that of Evan Jones vs The City, just decided, in which he was allowed interest on his claim from the completion of the work done by him in that ease, viz: the Thirty-third street sewer. There the ordithe continued cold snap has chilled their ardor for the present, and thanks to the weather the speckled beauties will have a few days of grace before the slaughter commences. Even the most ardent fishermen have no desire to wade mountain streams and camp out at night while the wintry blasts continue. This is too much of a good thing. The trout fishers are greatly disappointed, and they hope the "blawsted" weather won't last much longer.

People who know think that trout fishing will be successful this year. A number of streams will be opened this spring that were closed by the fish commissioners when they were stocked a few years ago. The fish have had a chance to grow, and it is thought that case at all events, and further, because the ordinance pre-supposes the money will be paid whenever the city is bound to pay, and appropriation is made in advance for that purpose. But here the case is different. The act of April 16, 1870, makes no direct provision for the payment of interest to contractors, but authorizes Councils to provide for the payment of contractors for the cost and expense of constructing sewers, the grading and paying of streets, etc., in whole or in part, as the work progresses, and authorizes borrowing of sums not exceeding \$100,000, the issuing of bonds therefor, and evidently the right to contract for payment of interest to the contractor is implied.

No Contract to Pay Interest.

No Contract to Pay Interest. If the city would borrow money at interest it would seem to follow that arrangements could be made with contractors to defer payments on interest, but apart from this I think it clear that, under the general authority of the act so provide for payment of contractors, a right to provide for payment of contractors, a right to provide for payment of interest is implied. Have the Councils done so in this case? It is said that the act of 1837 provided for the collection of interest on assessments and therefore it would be implied that it should be paid to the contractors. The answer is plain. That act is to be considered as though it had never been passed. The act of May 13, 1871, provides all assessments for payment of grading and paving, etc., of streets shall bear interest from the date of the completion of the work and all interest shall be at 7 per cent per annum, but this is only a means provided for the power of payment to the city of the assessments and does not imply that the contractors were to receive 7 per cent or any other amount for interest.

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receive 7 per cent or any other amount for interest.

The general rule is unquestioned. Interest will not be allowed against a debtor until time of nayment has arrived unless specially contracted for. We have seen nor heard nothing in the papers or on the argument which can properly be construed to amount to a contract to pay interest on this claim, and therefore we must refuse to allow a judgment for more than the plaintiffs claim without interest.

In the case of Evan Jones judgment was directed to be entered for the amount of the claim with interest.

THEY WANT TO BE FREE Three Ill-Assorted Couples Take Their

Troubles to the Divorce Court. J. K. Wallace, Esq., yesterday filed the divorce suit of John Seeberger against Mary Seeberger. They were married April 24, 1889. He alleges she deserted him June 1, 1889, returned to him in December, 1891, and deserted him again March 1, 1892. When she did live with him she staid out at nights, would not cook his meals, and

Attorney Bigham entered the divorce suit of Mary Duffy, by her next friend Isaac Saint, against Terrence Duffy. They were married September 7, 1869, and it is alleged he deserted her in March, 1888.

Sarah E. Doak, by her next friend Howard Jones, sues for a divorce from William Doak. Doak. They were married September 7, 1880, and, it is alleged, he deserted her over

two years ago.

The testimony taken in the divorce case of Henry Luckert, of McKeesport, against Magdalena Luckert, was filed yesterday. They were married November 4, 1882, and she deserted him in 1887, saying she was not satisfied with her husband.

#### MILLER WILL CONTEST RENEWED.

Son Declares His Father's Mind Was Weakened by Stimulants.

A motion was made in the Orphans' Court yesterday for a rehearing in the case of the contested will of the late Alex. H. Miller. The petition was made by the contestant, Hampton J. Miller. The application on his behalf was presented by At-torney Charles E. Hogg, of West Virginia. He contended that since the former hearing in the case, when the will was sustained, the petitioner has learned that dementia had been produced by alcoholism, incapacitating the deceased from making a will. He contended also that at the former hearing his counsel deserted him, and he was headicented.

andicapped.

The Court took the papers in the case and The will in dispute gives the bulk of the estate of the deceased to his son Florence C. Miller. His other children were cut off with comparatively small sums.

#### SUITS FOR PALSE ARREST

Several of His Officers. Three suits for false arrest were filed yeserday by W. H. Harris, James Smith and William Shelby against Superintendent of Police Roger O'Mara, Assistant Superintendent Dan Sivis and Officers C. K. Gallant and John Roach. Each asks for

On March 17 last the plaintiffs were em-ployed by a Sixth street clothing house to carry advertising banners around the streets. They were arrested and taken to Central station. Superintendent O'Mara at first told them that they might be released, but held them over, and they were discharged the next morning.

Pulling Up a Postal Card Dun.

8. D. Strausberger, of the Atlantic Glass Company, was given a hearing before United States Commissioner McCandless yesterday on a charge of using the mails

for improper purposes, he having sent spostal cards to David Pelz and Peter Cohn, storekeepers in Missouri, notifying them that they owed him money. Strausberger was discharged once owing to a difference of opinion as to the interpretation of the law. The suit is now brought as a test

Monday's Audit List. Accountant. Estate of Accountant.

John Flocker Sarah Flocker.

Fredericka Werner. Charles Beisel.

John King. Henry Flath.

Theo. Smith. Annie Smith.

Charles S. Cargo. H. D. Mason.

William McDonald George Hogg.

James Nimick. W. A. Nimick.

M. F. Krome. Frank Krome.

Harriet W. Pierce. J. T. Pierce.

O. A. Barrett. Joanna Barrett.

Sebastian Bob. Christ Roeseler.

John Lindsay. John D. McCune.

C. Wadsworth. Frances B. Toriey.

H. H. Phillips. B. J. Soney.

Julia C. Havekotte. Theo. Havekotte.

John D. Keisling. Samuel Keisling.

Common Pleas No. 1—Gourley vs Borough of Braddock, McMasters vs Negley, Boyle vs Biair et ux, Adams vs Scullv, Bandi vs Tay-lor et al, Holmes vs Coleman, Wiley Bros. vs Palmer, Boocker vs Booth & Flinn, Smith vs Dorris, Cure vs Cure, Reitzel vs Horst

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Horst.

Common Pleas No. 2—O'Brien vs Langhorst, Neel & Wampler vs Ganuon, Souden
vs Hacket et al, Straub vs Pittsburg and
Allegeny Traction Company, Pier receiver
vs Manning, O'Donneil vs The Eulon Oil
Company, House vs Tevans, Payne vs Smith
Bros. & Co.

Common Pleas No. 8—Beckert vs The
West Penn Raflway Company, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs Shirley, Grace vs
Baum, Wallace vs Denig, Wright vs Nichol,
Bash vs McGurk, Silkwitter vs Signer, Van
Voorhis vs Rea Bros. & Co., Jeannette
Planing Mill Company vs Hippely & Son,
Hutcheson vs Kiefer.

The Hum of the Courts.

A CHARTER was granted yesterday for the Mt. Oliver Turner and Singing Company. W. H. Lemon was appointed commissioner to hold an inquest in lunacy on Wilhelmina Phillips at the petition of L. A. Kelly. Morious for new trials were made yester day in the case of Hart & Co. vs O. E. Jones, and B. F. Rynd vs Lizzie A. Strouss, H. A. O. Nichols and others.

THE jury is out in the suit of F. L. McGarr The jury is out in the suit of F. L. McGarr against the Standard Underground Cable Company for damages for alleged poisoning by bi-sulphide of carbon.

A VERDICT for the defendants was given yesterday in the ejectment suit of A. B and J. C. Young, heirs of Mary Young, against Fred Mary, and W. H. Seuft.

JUDGE SLAGLE yesterday directed Clerk of Courts McGunnegle to accept \$300 bail each from the dealers indicted for seiling elec-margarine. About 60 entered bail yester-day.

#### JR. O. U. A. M. PARADR.

on the 22nd. A largely attended meeting of the Wash ngton Association of the Jr. O. U. A. M. was held last night in the new headquarters, No. 641 Smithfield street. Arrangements were completed for a grand parade of the association on Friday evening, April 22. They will meet at their headquarters at 8 P. M., wearing black silk hats, and from there will parade through the princi-pal streets of the city.

On Wednesday evening, April 27, a dramatic entertainment, under the auspices of the association, will be given by the J. C. Kober Dramatic Company at Turner Hall. The proceeds are for the benefit of the association in the same of the ciation library. HAVE you noticed that THE SUNDAY DISPATCH contains the largest number of

dvertisements of Rooms to Let in the cent word column? This fact insures you the Middlemen Make a Profit. Controller Morrow and Mayor Gourley

are investigating cost of hauling done for the city by owners of teams. It is suspected that middlemen reap a profit of from 50 cents to \$1 a day from each team.

WON ON THEIR MERIT. The Contract for the New Letter Carriers Uniforms Awarded to Kaufmann Bros.

Uniforms Awarded to Kaufmann Bros.

The strongest competitive test ever known to decide the relative merits of the clothing houses of Pittsburg has just ended in favor of Kaufmanns.

It is mighty easy for a house to claim year in and year out that its prices are the lowest, but to maintain and substantiate this claim in an impartial and severe investigation is quite another thing.

The Letter Carriers' Association, of Pittsburg, a body of 150 of as intelligent men as walk in shoe leather, has just decided that Kaufmanns only can truthfully lay claim to the distinguished title, "Lowest Price House in Pittsburg."

the distinguished test, in Pittsburg."

Bids on regulation uniforms had been solicited from and were handed in by all the prominent houses of Pittsburg as well as a leading Cincinnatt concern, but Kaufmanns' figure being the lowest, they were awarded the contract. ngure being the lowest, they were awarded the contract.

The competition among the various concerns was unusually sharp, and the result may be regarded as a most significant straw showing Kaufmanns' ability to undersell all other houses.

Edward Groetsinger Is selling carpets cheaper now than at the opening of any former season. Tusu

Fourteenth combination sale at Iron City Sale Stables, rear 623 and 625 Penn avenue Pittsburg, Pa., Thursday and Friday. April I and 22, at 10 a. M., of draft, driving and addle horses, Shetland ponies, harness and

ongies.
One black horse, sired by Egbert, 8-years old, can pace in condition sure in 2:25.
Bay horse Newsboy, a fine bay horse, will learn to tree fast; pedigree furnished on day of sale.

Several other young pacers and trotters sale positive, rain or shine.

GEO. R. WATTERSON, Proprietor,

J. A. McKelvey, Auctioneer.

Those Large Fur Rugs at \$2 50. Another thousand just opened at Edward Proetzinger's, 627 and 629 Penn av. Tusu

Manufacturers and families supplied by carload or at our retail yards. Our standard. We guarantee standard coal and standard weight (75 pounds to bushel). Lump, broken, nut coal and slack. Our broken size, for stoves and ranges best and cheapest in the market. Railroad yards only only.

Fourth avenue and Try street, Panhandle Railroad. Thirtleth street and Liberty avenue, Pennsylvania Railroad.

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LATIMER, MEYERS & Co.

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From loss by burgiars, robbery or fire in the burgiar and fire proof safe deposit vaults, German National Bank, Wood street and Sixth avenue. Accessible only from banking room. Boxes rented at \$5 and upwardper year, with combination and permutation locks, which can be opened only by the renter. Tin boxes and silverware stored. Rooms and desks adjoining vaults provided for renters. Vault open from 8:30 to 4:30 r. M. wau

Best stair oilcloth. 5%c
These are only a few sample prices. Thousands of short curtains at 19c and 25c. Big
values in lace curtains. Also, many remnants of carpets this week.

J. H. Kunkel & Bro.,
1347-1349 Penn avenue, cor. Fourteenth street.

Is selling carpets cheaper now than at the opening of any former season. CHAMPLAIN AWNINGS, latest out, at Mamaux & Son's, 589 Penn avenue.

China Martings.

An extra bargain at \$5 a roll, worth \$8. Forty yards to the roll, Gootzinger's, \$27 and \$29 Penn avenue.

## DETECTIVE'S WOES.

Every Mail Brings Applications for a Place in His Bureau.

SOME ENTERTAINING LETTERS

Written by Those Who Would Emulate the Famous Old Sleuth.

WHY THEY WANT TO BE MAN HUNTERS

"The young man who sees in himself the skill, daring and peculiar qualifications to make a detective is a confirmed nuisance," the superintendent of a local detective agency said yesterday. "Look here," he went on, pointing to a heap of letters that covered his deak, "that's to-day's mail, and the bulk of those letters are from young men who want to go into our business. Many of these letters are rare specimens in their way, and all are self-written indorsements of the applicant's qualifications and fitness for the place he seeks.
"The ambition to become a detective is

not confined to men alone. THE DISPATCH published an account of female spotters being employed to watch the conductors on our street railways. Since then our mail has been literally flooded with applications from women who want to go into the spotting business, and with nearly every application comes at least one case in which the applicant says she has seen conductors fail to ring up the number of fares

Women With a Grievanos. "All our women applicants seem to have a griavance, and with their application for a position they invariably file their grievance, giving in their letter enough routine facts to fill a book. Here is a letter received from a lady this afternoon. See, it is nicely written and the writer is evidently highly educated. It says:

I would like to have a position in your bureau. I live in the East End, and have often seen the street car conductors knock down the company's money. I know I could often catch them at it. I am anxious to earn a respectable living. I am 19 years old, and my friends say I am handsome. If you need a railroad spotter, I am satisfied I would suit you.

The lady then signs her full name and gives her address.

"Here is another," the chief detectivee went on as he fumbled over the stock of late mail. The letter produced was dated at Kansas City. The writer adopts the editorial "we" and talks glibly in the plural. He says:

We have had vast experience in all lines of detective work, and are thoroughly conversant with the topography of the country within a radius of 200 miles. Many cases brought to a successful issue by us demonstrates our shrewdness and sagucity, and we possess all those attributes which go to the make-up of a successful thief taker.

A Large Acquaintance With Crooks. We know and have had dealings with nearly all the crooks in Kansas City and out-side towns. This alone proves invaluable to side towns. This alone proves invaluable to a detective. In regard to our physical strength, constant exercise in the gymnasium has developed us info athletes of no mean order. We are a perfect giant in stature and strength. Our personal appearance is such as to warrant us in taking any kind of a case. We are equally at home on the polished floor of the ball-room or in squalid dives of the slums of a great city. We are very apt and ready in the matter of disguises, and have untold facilities for making a lightning change. We desire to see law and justice carried out in all cases.

The writer then signs his name with an The writer then signs his name with an anonymous signature, by which he asks to be addressed when the appointment is sent

Wants to Practice Up a Little. "Here is a letter," the Chief went on, "from an Indiana county boy, who tells of his ability as a detective, but admits in conclusion that he has never had any practice. See, he concludes by saying he knows a good deal about the people of Indiana county, and he is willing to come to Pittsburg and give the whole thing away if we agree to pay him \$100 a week.

"Here is another letter from a fellow in Homestead. He says he has been a constable and a freight brakeman. Those are all the recommendations he gives. He is confident, however, that he would be very useful in our business.

A young man from Chenango, Pa., where-ever that is, writes as follows: ever that is, writes as follows:

The point is have we got any laws to protect our Government; if so why not put it in force and not let men go on as they are doing? Why not have it stopped? We have got men that violate the laws of our Government every day. They have gone on so long that they think there are no laws for such things. I would like to try my hand for Uncle Sam. There is a good chance for some man to make Uncle Sam some money, and I think I am the right man, but I must be well paid for my work.

An Expert on Horse Stealing. Another letter was written from Frank-lin, Pa., in which the writer says: "I like lin, Pa., in which the writer says: "I like the principle that your bureau is established on if you only conduct it with men of integrity. I have had a large experience in the detective service since the fall of 1869 and I find that premeditated crime is studied by some of our officials as well as private persons. I have been among horse thieves, cattle thieves, counterfeiters, purjurers and murderers. I have a multitude of Christian triends, though I am now in jail here. I think I am a man that would suit you."

Another letter received yesterday from a young mau of Connellsville said: young mau of Connellsville said:

I have long had a desire of becoming a detective. I have thought several times of writing to some reliable agency to find out how I would have to go about the matter. I believe I have the necessary qualifications to make a detective. I can make myself at home with all classes of men, have plenty of cheek and am not easily scared. I know that the right kind of men are always in demand. I might be one of that kind. Please give me some information, and you will greatly oblige an aspiring detective.

P. S.—This phase of insanity was not developed by reading novels.

A young man from Dalles, Teyes, says:

A young man from Dallas, Texas, says: I want to be a man-catcher for you. There are a lot of tough people down here, and I am one of them. I have spent most of my life on the Mexican border. There I learned the traits of the Greusers and brigands. I have assisted in at least a dozen stage coach robberies and know all the highwaymen of the Southwest. I am a dead shot and the sort of a fellow who would either land my man or he would drop me. "These are only samples of the letters we receive and they really become an annoyance," the Chief said: "They all demonstrate how little is known of the detectives of this country, and it shows the uncertain

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