CHEAPER FOR CASH.

City Officials Confer on a Proposition to Secure From Contractors

LOWER PRICES ON PAVING.

Slow Returns on Street Improvements Prove to Be Costly.

BIDDERS CHARGE FOR WAITING.

Senator Flinn Says It Would Be Better to Pay Interest.

COUNCILS ARE TO BE ASKED TO ACT

Councils will soon have to act on the question of paying interest to the contractors for street work from the time the work is taken off their hands until it is paid for. The Mayor, Controller and Chief Bigelow are also going to inspect payements that have been laid cheaper than those in Pittsburg. The intention of the whole thing is to secure cheaper street paying and street improvements for Pittsburg, and the ordinance is merely to give the City Attorney power to put in the city contracts the provision for 6 per cent interest on all deferred payments on contracts.

The heads of departments and the Mayor have informally discussed this matter for some time, and yesterday afternoon they held a conference in Mayor Gourley's office from 2 o'clock to 4. The members of the conference were Mayor Gourley, Chief Bigelow, Controller Morrow and City Attorney Moreland. At times matters grew warm and the voices could be heard on the

Trying to Cheapen Street Improvement When they adjourned Mayor Gourley said: "The whole conference was on the question of paying interest to contractors and how to have the clause inserted in the contracts. What we are aiming at is cheaper street improvements. The interest question was brought up by Senator Flinn on the Center avenue contract, when it was said street paving cost more here than in other cities. One of the reasons he gave was that contractors here were sometimes compelled to wait for their money from six months to two years, and therefore in making bids enough had to be charged for the work to prepare the contractor for these contingencies. He said if they were sure of their money as soon as the work was finished, or sure of receiving interest from that time, they could afford to do the work for 50, 60 or 70 cents less per yard.

"Our idea is to get it down as cheaply as possible, and nearly all the discussion was on whether it would be wise to incorporate this interest clause into the city contracts. Mr. Moreland was of the opinion that it could be done legally, but all of us believe it will require an ordinance to go through Councils before it can be done. Even if there is no trouble over the work the contractor always has to wait about six months

and it is hardly fair. Interest Cinuse in the Street Act. The last street act partially covers this for it provides that interest on street improvement contracts shall begin 30 days instance a contract for \$300,000. When the work is finished and approved by the city, then the appointment of a board of viewers to assess benefits and damages has to be asked for. They have to give notice for a certain time to the parties and then if there is no trouble the work can be finished up in from four to six months. If any of the abutting property owners appeal to court and then to Su preme Court it takes a year or possibly two years before the contractor can get his money. No man can afford to lay out of that amount of money for that length of

time. Of course they must calcula these contingencies in making their bids. I think in justice they should be allowed inheld over they can borrow money until the city is ready to square up by simply putting the contracts up as collateral security. Saving Money to the City. "There were many arguments brought up on both sides. One very good one is that by the city paying this interest, money would have to be appropriated for it by Councils and instead of coming off those directly benefited it would fall on all the citizens in general. This would hardly seem right, yet it possibly can be remedied. I believe this clause in the contracts would save money to the city, for it would bring

into the paving business people who now have not capital enough to bid for fear of being shut out of their money for too long a time. With such a contract they could borrow money and the result would be a great deal cheaper paving for Pittsburg." When Controller Morrow was seen he said: "We discussed the street improvement matter thoroughly, and definitely de-cided on two things. That Councils will have to act in the matter of paying interest on deferred payments and that we will examine the street pavements that have been laid cheaper than those in Pittsburg. The payment of this interest will have to be provided for by a fund set apart in the regular appropriation ordinance, but it will be a hard matter to tell each year just

how much will be needed each year for this specific purpose. Controller Morrow's Little Joke, During the progress of the conference the door was opened and Controller Morrow was heard asking the Mayor to call down Chief Bigelow for paying too much for horses. The Mayor said it was not his business and the Controller was asked about it and said: We were only joking. I am perfectly satisfied with the prices Mr. Bigelow pays for horses. I did think he was paying too much, but when I made inquiries among such men as Arbuckle and Jenkins who buy a great many horses, I found the city was getting theirs cheaper. I never object to a horse that costs less than \$250, and all that have been purchased recently have been under that figure. The highest has been

Hearings were held by the Board of Viewers yesterday on the grading, paving and curbing of Melwood street from the bridge to the city line, Thirteenth ward, and also on Howe street from Ivy to Highland. Many claims for damages were entered from both streets.

Allegheny County Sunday School Institute The Allegheny County Sunday School Institute will be held to-night in the Southside Presbyterian Church on Twentieth street. It is the fourth and last of the year. Rev. W. H. Knox will address the institute on "The Boys' Brigade;" Mr. S. Hamilton on "Music in the School," and Rev. J. F. Price will read a paper entitled "Stimulating the Pupil to Study."

Conl Dealers Must File Bonds, Some of the coal dealers who sell to families have not responded to Mayor Gourley's circular calling their attention to the ordinance providing for the filing of bonds by their weighmasters, and second notices were sent to them yesterday.

A FAMILY HOODOOED.

Daniel Tobin, of McKeesport, Attribute Many Things Which Have Happened Him to That Cause-The Mysterious Deaths of His Father and Sister.

Daniel Tobin, a tinner of McKeesport, has become convinced that some strange "hoodoo" is pursuing his family. About two years ago his sister Mary was found drowned at Staplet on, Staten Island. The case attracted attention, but a careful investigation failed to clear away the mystery that surrounded the unfortunate young woman's death. The telegram apprising Mr. Tobin of his sister's death was dated "S. C." instead of "S. I.," and Mr. Tobin started for South Carolina to find to his great disappointment that he had been hurying away from instead of toward the

scene of the tragedy.
Suit was entered against the Western Union Telegraph Company, but only small damages were secured. A few months after Mr. Tobin was called to Franklin, Pa., by another sad affair. The tamily residence had been set on fire, and his father, T. N. Tobin, was burned to death. There was every evidence that he had been murdered and the house set on fire to hide the evidences of the crime, but the perpetrators were not discovered.

Last summer Mr. Tobin was placing a tin roof on a house in McKeesport, when he slipped and fell to the ground, breaking his leg and sustaining other injures. The limb was not reset in the proper manner, and he had to spend several months in the hospital. He is still lame from the accident, and is compelled to walk with a cane.

Yesterday while working on a new residence in the east end of the city a carpenter named Rudabaugh, who was chopping with a hatchet, made a misstroke, striking Mr. Tobin on the biceps of his right arm, pene-trating the flesh to the bone, and, the attending physician states, forever destroying the use of that member.

FOR KENNEDY'S SUCCESSOR.

The Republican Nominees Chosen for Coun-

ctiman From the Fourth Ward. The Republicans of the Fourth ward, Allegheny, met last night in the Liberty street school to suggest a candidate for the unex-pired term in Select Council made vacant by the resignation of Mayor-elect Kennedy. There was a fair representation of citizens of the ward present, and when the meeting was called to order Joseph W. Prescott was chosen Chairman and W. F. Meese and

Frank M. Scott Secretaries.

Andrew Lysle suggested the name of John Fielding and this was quickly followed by the name of William K. Freid, by Captain Archibald. At this point Mr. L. D. Herts, who was also a candidate for nomination, withdrew his name. The suggestions were then closed on the names of Fielding and Freid. It was then decided that the two latter names should go before the Republican primaries, which will be held on Saturday between 4 and 7 o'clock in the evening. Each of these gentlemen left a deposit of \$50 to meet the expenses of the helloting.

balloting.
Mr. Fielding, one of those suggested, has been School Director in the Liberty School for 18 years and has resided in the Fourth ward for 25 years. He stated after the meeting that he was confident of winning the nomination of his party, and that he had the support of Mayor-elect Kennedy. There is no indication of any Democratic opposition.

TURNED OUT TO PREACH,

Closing Features of Allegheny U. P. Theo logical Seminary Commencement, The commencement exercises of the Allegheny United Presbyterian Theological Seminary were concluded last night in the First U. P. Church, Allegheny. A large number were present. The exercises were conducted by Prof. James A. Grier, D. D. The opening prayer was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Wilson, of Wooster, O. An address to the graduates was to have been deafter the assessment of benefits and damages livered by the Rev. Dr. J. B. Lee, have been confirmed and fixed by court. of Franklinville, N. Y., on "Theopneusty, or Inspired Words for God's Workmen, but he was absent, owing to illness, and his place was filled by Rev. Mason W. Pressley. He spoke at length instructing the graduates as to the proper spirit necessary for the prosecution of their future work of evangelism, and pictured to them the importance of the pulpit and the prominent part a minister of the gospel should take. Prot. Grier spoke next, bidding the grad-uates a farewell, and giving them words of good advice to govern them when they en-ter on the life of a minister. Prof. Grier then delivered to the 18 graduates their diplomas and bade them "God speed."

WANT HIM TO VIOLATE LAWS.

Numerous Attempts to Get a Beer Bottle Into Trouble.

Henry L. Berger, a beer bottler at 105 Fulton street, is averse to breaking the Brooks law, and is determined to defeat various attempts on the part of outsiders to force him into violations. For some time past, a certain clique living in his vicinity, have been trying to buy beer from him in bottles, but he has persistently refused to sell less than the law permits, which is 12

Colored men, particularly, after having been refused, have been in the habit of collecting in crowds and "chipping in" enough money would be in the pool to buy seven quart bottles. Then one man would be delegated to make the purchase and the beer would be divided. Mr. Berger did not care to do business this way, but be could not always be certain when beer was pur chased for a crowd.

Yesterday Mr. Berger applied to Chief Brown and secured the services of Officer David Lewis, who will be kept on duty daily to prevent the collection of those crowds for such purposes.

A WOMAN'S ARM FOUND

It Is Thought to Have Connection With

the Leg Recently Discovered. Robert Winter, one of the men engage tearing away old Central station, last night found a woman's arm. The member was discovered in the same place the limb was several weeks ago. This carries out the opinion prevailing at that time that there was a whole skeleton there.

Tuesday, Isaac Bliss found two ancient revolvers, a dangerous looking knite and a gold watch in the ruins of the old prison.

Gone to Hunt His Father's Fortune.

The mother of John Peoples, a missing glassworker from the Southside, is much concerned over the report that the father of the boy died in Australia sometime ago, leaving a large sum of money. Mrs. Peo-ples was on the Southside yesterday making inquiries among the glassworkers. She said her husband went to Australia eight years ago and died three years ago. The son went south two years ago, and has not been heard of since. She is inclined to be-lieve the story that her husband left a large sum of money is not true.

ONYX AWNINGS—Entirely new and fast in colors and exquisite in designs, at Mamaux & Son's, 539 Penn avenue. Tel. 1972. Theu

8:50 P. M. SATURDAYS Is the latest moment at which small advertisements will be received at the

ALLEGHENY BRANCH OFFICE For insertion in the SUNDAY DISPATCH.

On week days the office will remain open until 9 r. m. as usual.

A WIFE'S BITTER HATE

Mrs. Bodkins Writes Plainly About Her Faithless Husband.

HER LAMENT IS SAD AND DOLEFUL, And She Wants the Law to Be Fully and

Entirely Satisfied.

Thomas Flinn, alias Magee, the Law and Order detective who was arrested on Tuesday night, was yesterday sent to jail to await the result of the injuries to his wife by an operation alleged to have been pertormed by him. The wife is still at the Bethesda Home. Her condition last night was said to be precarious. The authorities of the Home are unable to say whether or not she will recover.

When admitted to the jail yesterday Flinn told Warden McAleese that he had always lived in Pittsburg. When arrested the night previous he told the police authorities that he came to Pittsburg from New York State. Flinn is a rather rough looking fellow. He has red hair and mustache, and his face is distinctly marked with hard lines.

A Letter From Mrs. Bodkins. Mrs. Rose Bodkins, the wife of another Law and Order detective, who was arrested in Pittsburg recently in company with a young girl, yesterday wrote a letter to Mrs.



Plinn, the Prisoner Droppel, of Second avenue, with whom she boarded while in Pittsburg. The letter is dated at Holly, New York. It was written hurriedly, but it seems to be overflowing with the hatred of a disappointed and abused wife. In the letter the wife does not use the word husband. She does, however, use the word husband. The letter is expended. some harsh terms. The letter is appended: I do not know how I can write to you after the way that notorious scoundrel has trented you. I knew your handwriting today before I took off the cover and felt there was something wrong. He has not written here in four weeks and then he just sent me \$4. If it were not that I am here where I first met and married the villain I would be even worse off than I ever was in Pittsburg. But the people are only beginning to find out his neglect, and now they will not see me want.

Suggests a Long Term for Bodkins. I hope and pray to God they will put him in prison for life. If ever he comes here I might be driven to murder film, besides the might be driven to murder flim, besides the people will tar and feather him. This is where he was born. He has a bad record, but I did not know it until I was in the trap. My brother did not let me visit anyone, therefore I knew nothing of his character until I made the wrong step. It will take me a lifetime to repair that step. I never want to see his face again, but I will only feel satisfied when I hear of his being sentenced for life or at least to ten years' imprisonment. He richly deserves such a sentence. He thought I was so far away that I would not know of his doings, but God always punishes in His own time and His own way. It satisfies me to know that his dark deceit came to such a sudden end. I will pay you or your children when I get

when myself and my children were starving to death. In every letter he wrote here he was either sick or out of the city on business. That was his reason for not sending me some money.

Blamed It All on McClure. Then he would inclose a few dollars, saying he just got that from McClure. He al-ways promised to send more, but he never sent it. But he is now where he rightly belongs. He is worse than a thief. He would swear your life away as quick as he could say it, and he would never feel the least sting of conscience. I hope to God he will never see any other sight than the prison wall. In murder there might be some forgiveness, as in a passion one might commit such a deed, but the licentions, deceitful hrute should be allowed to rot in prison. He does not now have me to intercede for him as I did with you, and then when he got out knocked me down. When he was freed he was worse than ever. He told me in his last letter that he was lonesome and would come home as soon as he got enough money.

A filnt to the Poice. sent it. But he is now where he rightly be

A ffint to the Police. Tell the police for me to give him the full extent of the law, as he is not fit to be at am almost crazed to-night, and people

are coming in to pity me, but pity is not what I want. I will not be satisfied until I hear of his being punished severely. The letter is signed "Your faithful, heartbroken friend, Rose Bodkin.' Agent McClure of the Law and Order Society said yesterday that he knew noth-

ing of Flinn's personal history. Nine of Mr. McClure's detectives have been arrested

SPEAK-EASIES RAIDED.

The Illicit Whisky Sellers of Lower St. Clair Township Caught.

A successful raid has at last been made or the speak-easies of Lower St. Clair township, and ten proprietors have been arrested. The raid was made at an early hour yesterday morning by Inspector Kelly, Captain Stewart, Detectives Kelly and Corrigan and ten officers.

It is thought this will practically put a stop to the illicit whisky selling on the

GONE TO OMAHA.

The Pittsburg Delegates Off to the M. E. The General Assembly of the Methodist Church convenes in Omaha, May 2, and last night Presiding Elder Miles, of the Pittsburg district, left for that city. He will be followed to-day by the following Pittsburg delegates: Charles W. Smith, A. L. Petty, T. H. Woodring, S. F. Jones, D. J. Davis, V. Harding, J. H. Lane, S. Hamilton and Dr. J. E. Rigg. Many of these gentlemen will take their wives with them

An Old Timer Run In.

Detective Shore and Inspector McKelvey last night arrested Nick Davidson on Second avenue. He was locked up as a suspicious person. Davidson is well known to the police, and he has just recently been released from the penitentiary, where he served a term for forgery. When arrested he was attempting to sell a pair of heavy gold bracelets which were handsomely carved and enameled. The police are satisfied the bracelets were stolen. He had no money when arrested.

One Fare for Round Trip to Omaha, Vis Pennsylvanta Lines.

Tickets will be sold April 27, 28 and 29, good to return until June 1. Address Samuel Moody, District Passenger Agent, Pitts-

THE greatest thing on earth to kill roaches, bedbugs, etc., is Bugine. 25 cents. LOCHINVAR AWNINGS at Mamaux & Son's, 539 Penn avenue, Tel. 1972. Theu

COSTELLO IS RE-ELECTED.

Michael McQuade Also Gets His Old Place in the United Mine Workers-The Scale Will Not Be Changed-President Mc-Bride in Pittsburg.

The United Mine Workers of the Pittsburg district opened their annual conven-tion yesterday and will be in session today. There were 38 mines represented, and the reports of the committees showed a commendable increase in membership and The principal thing done was the election

of officers. The contest was not very spirited and resulted as follows: Presi-FLINN IN JAIL, HIS WIFE IN DANGER dent, John Costello; Vice President, George Wilson; Financial Secretary and Treasurer, Michael McQuade; Executive Board, Sam-Michael McQuade; Executive Board, Samuel Devore, Thomas Oats and Nicholas Schumacher. Messrs. Costello and McQuade held these same offices last year.

To-day the scale will be taken up. At present 79 cents is the rate paid. It will be very peculiar if a higher figure is asked for. The organization is not in shape to stand a fight equinst the operators at the present. fight against the operators at the present time. The dead work scale will receive a great deal of attention, as it has been

great deal of attention, as it has been neglected of late.

National President John McBride came into the city last night. He will be present at to-day's session and to-night he and President Costello will address a meeting at Banksville. The next day he will attend the convention at Monongahela City. He had little to say about the miners. He is pleased with the progress the organization is making in the various States, and says he is satisfied with various States, and says he is satisfied with the scales that have been arranged so far. In speaking of the division of the river and railroad business, he said that would ma-terialize, whether it would be at the Monongahela City convention or later.

ROASTED A REVENUE AGENT.

Assistant District Attorney Williams Wants

Some Evidence Against Defendants. Jacob Geary, charged with illicit distilling of liquor, was given a hearing before United States Commissioner McCandless yesterday atternoon. He was promptly discharged, as the three witnesses examined knew nothing except good about Geary. Geary comes from Middle Creek township, Somerset county. The witnesses against him, who were subpænaed by the Internal Revenue agent in that district, were Joseph Miller, Daniel Barker and James Gallentine. Contrary to expectation they testified that, although they had known the defendant for many years, they had never purchased liquors from him, had never seen a still or mash on his premises, nor had they any knowledge that the defendant ever engaged in the manufacture of liquor.
Assistant District Attorney Williams conducted the examination and asked the Commissioner to dismiss the case. He remarked that it was a shame for any agent of the Government to give the authorities a case tounded on no facts, and that the wit-nesses should never have been compelled to leave their homes. Geary was brought from Trent on a writ of habeas corpus, as he is under \$1,000 bail there for trial on the fourth Monday of

May in connection with the recent murder of old man Hochstetler. WILL BE A GOOD BREWER.

Legal Obedience Promised for a License to Make Beer.

Michael Enz, a Glenshaw brewer who was refused a license because one of his drivers sold beer from the wagon, had a rehearing yesterday, and said he had discharged the offending driver and promised to obey the license laws to the letter if he was given a

W. C. Langhorst, an ex-county detective, prayed for a license as agent of a Fort Wayne brewery in the second ward, and upon being asked for evidence that he was an agent for the brewer, produced a written contract. Several other cases were reheard, but they were of little or no interest. John Roth failed to appear in court as a

witness when subponned, and was brought in vesterday upon an order of the Court. He was ordered to pay the costs of the case and give bail for his appearance at the hear-

READY FOR THE FREE BRIDGE Southside People Cannot Decide Where

They Want It Located. Controller Morrow says work on the Southside free bridge can be commenced

any time now. All that the city is waiting on is for the Southside people to decide where they want the bridge beated. Different factions want to have it anywhere from Twenty-ninth street to Grant street. As soon as that point is decided Councils
will authorize its construction and ask for bids. There is now an appropriation of \$2,-000,000 waiting for the purpose. Chief Bigelow and Controller Morrow believe the bringe will cost \$400.000, while A. F. Keating believes \$200,000 will be sufficient.

Councilman Robertson, who secured the free bridge, says he does not know where the people want it located. The Southside people also want an arcade that will open clear through at the market house.

Nearly one thousand adlets under To Let Rooms and Wanted Boarders for the month ending April 24, in the cent a word adver-tising columns of THE DISPATCH.

WILL START SOON.

The Blairsville Tin Plate Plant Finally Gets Its Siding Laid.

The railroad company has finally laid the siding into the Blairsville Tin Plate Company's plant. The delay has kept them back a month, but now they expect to be making tin before June 1.

The Leechburg Foundry and Machine Company furnished the machinery and it is now shipping it. The order was a large one and conissts of these pieces: Two hot mills, three cold roll mills, two double shears, one trimming shear and one bar shear. It also furnished a Corliss engine and a ponderous fly wheel.

A SPLENDID BARGAIN.

Fine Upright Piano, 8200. A magnificent 7% octave upright piano (used but a short time), of latest improvements, excellent tone and handsomely carved case, will be sold, fully warranted, at \$200, including cover and stool. A splendid bargain, at the music store of J. M. Hofmann & Co., 537 Smithfield street.

Also, three square pianos (Weber, Knabe and Hardman), at one-third the original cost. The unrivaled Sohmer pianos, Colby pianos, Bush & Gerts and Schubert pianos at lowest prices.

Gold Watch, To-Morrow, Friday, Between 2 and 3 in the afternoon it will be wound up. Lady guessing nearest the time it stops will be presented with it by Saller & Co., corner Smitnfield and Diamond streets.

Canadian Thistle. A beauty and one of the most popula papers we have. John S. Robents, 719 and 721 Liberty street, head of Wood.

"LAWRENCEVILLE Amber"
Flour.
Makes
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Readily.

Buging kills roaches, bedbugs and all in-ects instantly. Is non-poisonous. 25 cents sects, instantly. Is non-point all dealers. Try it.

The greatest spring and summer beverage is the Iron City Brewing Company's lager 110 nozza men's fast black socks, worth 50c

this week for 25c.
Trasu Litrall's, 308 Smithfield street. SIGILIAN AWNINGS, perfectly sun fast, at Mamaux & Son's, 589 Penn avenue. Theu

A TRIO OF SUICIDES.

But One of Them Was Too Faint-Hearted to Open Death's Door.

PETER ANDERSON'S TRAGIC DEATH.

He Succeeds in Strangling Himself With a Window Cord in Ped.

MISS DUGAN ATE POISON WITH A SPOON

Peter Anderson, aged 74 years, was found lead in a little iron bed in a dingy little room at No. 268 Second avenue, shortly after noon yesterday. The old man had hanged himself in a most peculiar way. He was found by his son, James Anderson, of Allegheny. He had suspended a rope between 'the little iron posts at the head of his bed. Midway between the two iron posts he fastened one end of a thin, green cord. He then fastened the cord about his neck and by pulling the other end of the cord he succeeded in strangling himself. When found he still held in one of his lifeless hands the destructive cord which was stretched as stiff as iron. With his other hand he had clutched his long, gray beard, much of which he had pulled out in the agonies of death.

The story of Peter Anderson's life reads like a romance. He was a Scotchman, was of good family and in early life was fairly well to do. He was married and had two sons. When but a young man his wife died and he then became restless and unsettled.

Anderson Becomes a Wanderer, He traveled aimlessly through Europe. When he returned to his former home in Scotland he tound that his two sons had Scotland he tound that his two sons had come to America. A year later he followed them and he went to live with his son James on Sturgeon street, Allegheny. His other son, William, the younger of the two, was employed in a mill at Woods Run. He boarded near where he worked. About a year ago William lost his situation and joined his father at the home of his brother

The father was greatly discouraged by himself and his son living upon his other son. James, however, endeavored to relieve his father's distress by assuring him that the two were not a burden. The father that the two were not a burden. The father was not content, however, and one morning about eight months ago he disappeared. Every effort to find him proved fruitless. The police of Allegheny and Pittsburg were notified of the mysterious disappearance. They were supplied with a description of the missing man, but no trace of him could be found. be found.

Left Home to Become a Peddler. About a month ago Detective McTighe, who had been detailed on the case, discovered the old man out near Glenwood. He had with him a box of cheap jewelry, a bundle of suspenders and a variety of other small articles. The old man was not arrested. He was traced to his room on Second avenue, and his son James was notified. He called at the room early one morning and found his father inst James was notified. He called at the room early one morning and found his father just leaving his place. The old man had not yet had his breakfast, principally because he did not have the money to pay for it. The son induced him to eat breakfast and gave him some money. He also pleaded with the old man to go with him home, where he explained he could rest and have everything he desired. The father refused to listen, however, and he continued through the streets as a vender of continued through the streets as a vender of jewelry. His son called upon him fre-

quently, but the father persistently refused Yesterday morning the father wrote James Anderson a short letter in which he said he was sick and was atraid he was going to die. He asked that his son come to see him at once. The letter was received by the son at noon yesterday. He at once hurried to

The Suicids Discovered by His Son. e thought his father was out, but he finally concluded to force the door, and when he

did so he discovered the dead body with the face turned directly toward him. An alarm was promptly sounded and the Coroner and police were notified. An investigation developed the fact that the old man had been dead several hours. It is probable that he took his life during the night. On a little stand near the bed was an iron candlestick. The candle had burned to the socket. Two pennies were found in his pocketbook, supposed to have been all the money he possessed. His body was taken to the morgue, where an inquest was held.

The remains will be buried to-day. ATE POISON WITH A SPOON.

One of Rev. Father Mollinger's Patients Grows Weary of Life.

Lucy Dugan committed suicide Tuesday evening at her home on California avenue She took the rough on rats route and left misery behind. Hers was one of the most determined cases of self-poisoning ever known. She had made a mush out of twothirds of a box of rough on rats and then ate the nauseous stuff with a spoon. Miss Dugan was 30 years old and resided with her sister, Mrs. Curran, at 2 Stewarts block, California avenue extension, Allegheny. She is a tailoress, and from her gneny. She is a tailoress, and from her work she contracted spinal trouble. She has been suffering with it for ten years, and has been attended by many of the prominent doctors of the country. Lately she has been going to Father Mollinger on Troy Hill. Her disease has recently developed into St. Vitus' dance and she could not get employment. On Tuesday afternoon she l

been up to see the venerable priest and when she returned her sister thought she walked more firmly than usual. She said walked more firmly than usual. She said she was going to lie down. At 5 o'clock Mrs. Curran went up to call her and found she was vomiting violently. On the mantel piece she saw a spoon with a white substance in a bowl. She suspected poison and called in Dr. Lindsay, but the woman died Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in terrible agony. Yesterday when Coroner McDowell in-

Yesterday when Coroner McDowell investigated the case he was puzzled as to what poison had been taken until on a roof below he saw a bit of pink paper. A man climbed down and found the paper contained about a third of the contents of a box of "rough on rats." A little further down they found a box that had contained "rough on rats." It showed that she had mixed up the stuff in the box and then ate it with a spoon. When she was through it with a spoon. When she was through she threw the empty box out the window. She must have eaten over an ounce and a half of the stuff, which is 95 per cent pure

IT HURT HIM TOO MUCH. Charles Roderns Tries to End His Life With a Spoon.

Charles Roderus, who shot his wife on Market street a couple of months ago, tried to commit suicide in jail yesterday morning by cutting his throat with a sharpened spoon. On Monday Roderns pleaded guilty to the offense and was sentenced to two years to the peultentiary. He had expected a lighter sentence and seemed despon-

At 6 o'clock the range boy reported to At 6 o'clock the range boy reported to the officers that the man's neck was bleeding slightly. Warden John McAleese went to investigate, and when he asked what was wrong the man said he was tired of life. He came of a good family, and the disgrace was hard upon him. When asked why he had not finished the job he did not raply. Soon after they toud his did not reply. Soon after they found his spoon with the handle sharpened. He had whetted it on the stone floor until there was a good edge on it. It is supposed it hurt him too much, and so he did not continue the operation. A physician was sum-moned but he was not needed, and the man was taken to the penitentiary yesterday

NEW POINTS BROUGHT UP.

The Baker Ballot Law Was a Perplexing System for the Allegheny Election Officers-Difficulty in Making Returns-Who Pays the Bills.

Numerous Alleghenians are now condemning the Baker ballot system. Its working yesterday did not meet with their hearty approval. Very few of the election officers understood its workings and their troubles did not ings and their troubles did not end-even with the closing of the polls or counting of the votes. Making out the returns seemed to be the perplexing problem. A part of the officers made their returns to the Prothonotary and the others to the County Commissioners. The disposition of spoiled and unused ballots was another thing not clearly understood. Some were returned to the Prothonotary, other officers sent them to the Commissioners, while some were stuffed in the ballot boxes. The County Commissioners are in the dark on this, as the law just says the ballots should be returned to the "proper officer," but does not

turned to the "proper officer," but does not designate who that is. designate who that is.

There was also some discussion concerning whether the county or munincipal government should pay the expense of holding the election. It was settled by the county paying for the rental and the cost of delivering supplies, the city paying the election officers. The election has also brought up the question of caring for the booths, etc. The law requires the Alderman of the district to take charge of the stuff. This could not be done in Allegheny county as there are as many as the stuff. This could not be done in Allegheny county as there are as many as twelve election districts in some wards or townships. It is probable the county will take charge of the paraphernalia. This will cost nearly \$5,000 a year.

As there was no opposition to Mayor Kennedy the vote will not be counted until Saturday.

til Saturday.

A QUARTET OF ACCIDENTS. Four Unfortunate Persons Are More or Less Injured.

Four accidents were reported yesterday, one of them probably fatal, as follows:

Young—Adam Young, a motorman, was running his car down the grade on Center avenue, near Overhill street, yesterday atternoon when a wagon blocked the track suddenly by losing a wheel. Young put on his brake quickly, but the handle flew out of his hand and struck him in the abdomen, knocking him senseless. He was taken to his home on Herron avenue, where Dr. Lee attended him. The doctor said last night that a blood vessel had been ruptured and he would hardly recover.

STRANE—Mrs. Straue, an old woman, attempted to get off a car at the corner of Federal street and Ohio street, Allegheny, last night, when the sudden start of the car threw her to the ground. She was shocked, but not injured to any extent. Her home is at 172 Sandusky street.

Donivar—Michael Donivan, a laborer at the Edgar Thomson Steel Works, was brought to the Mercy Hospital last night suffering from a compound fracture of the right leg and arm. He was working on a scaffold, missed his balance and iell to the ground, a distance of 20 feet.

MADISON—William Madison, a brakeman on the Junction Rallroad, had his right hand badly crushed yesterday afternoon while coupling cars near the Baltimore and Ohio Bailroad.

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Has One Side of His Head Paralyzod, About four weeks ago Edward Cleary, a Southside glass worker, was hit with a sandbag. He is able to be out now, but the right side of his head is paralyzed. His right eye is constantly fixed in one position and his flesh is cold. On the other side there is nothing wrong.

The Suit Is Settled, In the case of Thomas S. Bigelow against the Duquesne and Pittsburg Traction Companies, brought to have declared void the agreement consolidating the two companies, the costs have been paid and the entry "settled and discontinued" made on the

docket Removed to the City Farm. Kate Miller caused considerable excitement at Dr. Daly's office yesterday. She is When he arrived at the house he found the old man's room door locked. At first triends for treatment, While in the office LY IMPERFECT in the weaving.

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