TWELVE DEAD MEN

And Two Little Girls on the Grim Roster of County Coroner McDowell.

ONE DAY'S SUDDEN DEATHS

Five Bodies in the City Morgue and the Others in the Suburbs.

ELECTROCUTION OF TWO POLES.

Recovery of Two of the Victims of the Woodville Disaster.

TOOK HIS LAST DRINK ON A TRAIN

Coroner McDowell was one of the busiest men in the city yesterday. During the day, in addition to personally attending to the distribution of tickets, etc., in connection with his candidacy for renomination, he had 14 cases of sudden or violent deaths to take care of. Last night at the morgue there were five bodies stretched out on the slabs, there were three others at Braddock, two at Chartiers and one in Allegheny. The Coroner during the day and evening had partially investigated each case besides disposing of three other bodies at the morgue from the previous day.

Speaking of the day's business last night, he said: "This seems a little out of the ordinary, but I expect as the town grows such days as this will be common, and yet there seems no prospect of a public morgue and it is only individual sympathy and enterprise that enables us to have a place to lay these poor fellows out properly where they can receive proper attention and be easily available to their friends who come to identify or take charge of the remains. It's a pity and a shame. Few cities where they have public morgues have such a large number of cases in a day."

Two Polish Laborers Electrocuted.

In the cases of yesterday death came in a variety of forms, but strange to say none of them were victims of the traction car, although steam railways furnished their full share.

The first and most startling case of the day was the killing of the two Polish laborers by an electric wire early in the morning. They were Joseph Zwalem, of this city, and Antonio Sokal, of Braddock. Both were employed at the Edgar Thomson Steel Works. A gang of men were put to work at putting a hammer in position. A movable crane was being used to shove the hammer. On the level with the beam of the crane an arc light was hanging. The crane was swung to one side and touched the light, breaking it and charging the iron frame with 400 volts of electric fluid. The men were cautioned not to touch the crane. The two Hungarians did not hear the order and placed their hands on the machine. Instant death came to them, they holding hands and forming a circuit of their bodies, through their ignorance of the danger.

The Coroner held a partial investigation and will complete the inquest at the morgue to-morrow morning. Both were young single men, and will be buried with the honors of several Polish orders from the Catholic Church at Braddock this afternoon.

Killed While Crossing the Track.

Joseph Thompson, aged 59 years, was instantly killed at Rankin station just before noon. He was employed at the Carrie Furnace and was crossing the track in front of the works, when, confused by the trains going both ways, he was run down and horribly mangled. He lived at Keating station and leaves a family.

The death of Enoch Cooper, a machinist, at Mrs. Goodman's boarding house, No. 4902 Hatfield street, last night looked like a sensation. His brother, Isaac Cooper, at a partial investigation before the Coroner, testified that the deceased on Friday night had told him that his wife had threatened his life and he was afraid she would carry her threat into execution. The mother had not seen the deceased since, but he had been seen sober and in apparent perfect health at 2 o'clock yesterday. An investigation was begun and it was found that the wife of the deceased had been preparing to leave him on Friday. The Coroner ordered a post mortem, which showed that death had resulted from alcoholism and heart failure, the lungs being greatly congested. It was found that Cooper had been drinking heavily during last evening, and had gone to Mrs. Goodman's with another man. He fell over dead without having uttered a complaint.

Mrs. Cooper called at the Coroner's office and denied emphatically that she had ever threatened her husband's life and that he had any reason to be afraid of her.

Took His Last Drink.

William Hoover, a painter, has taken his last drink. He had been working on the public school building at Parnassus, and last evening boarded the Buffalo express for the city on the Allegheny Valley road at Kensington. He stepped out on the platform of the car to take a pull at a bottle. The train gave a sudden lurch, when he was thrown off and instantly killed. Charles O'Brien saw him just before the train started and called at the morgue and identified the body. His ticket had not been lifted. Hoover was 24 years old and has relatives in Port Perry.

An Italian, name unknown, about 30 years old, was running down the West Penn railroad track just above Hoboken station last evening when he was overtaken by a passenger train and almost instantly killed. It was learned that he was boarding on Fulton street, Allegheny, and he had papers in his pockets bearing the name of John B. Cunningham. The body is at Willison & Spencer's, in Allegheny.

Of the four children who were drowned at Woodville Friday evening only two have been found. The names of the drowned are as follows: Elizabeth Coyne, aged 11 years, daughter of Mrs. Bridget Coyne-Robertson, of Nimick station; Julia Coyne, aged 9 years, sister of Elizabeth; Mary Enfelt, aged 9 years, daughter of Henry Enfelt, of Mansfield, and James Holland, aged 7 years, son of Patrick Holland, of Woodville.

Brave Girls Go to Their Death.

On Friday the Coyne children were the guests of the Holland family. The four children, in company with an older girl named Williams, started out Friday evening to drive the cows to pasture. The road to the pasture field was along the bank of Chartiers creek. The Holland boy was playfully tossing his hat in the air and the breeze carried it out on the water. The creek is greatly swollen. He ran down the slippery bank to rescue his headgear, but his feet slipped and he fell into the water. Elizabeth Coyne started to his rescue, catching him by the clothes. In her efforts to pull him out she became overbalanced and fell into the water. Mary Enfelt next rushed down to the water's edge and succeeded in catching Elizabeth's dress. Bravely they fought, but the waters were too much for them, and hand in hand they went down beneath the waves. Little Julia Coyne stood on the bank and watched her playmates drown. As they disappeared she made a dash and joined them in death.

Assistance was speedily called. Soon a party was searching for the dead. Julia was first found 200 yards below clinging to a water-soaked log. Mary Enfelt was found a little later near her companion. The creek is still being searched for the other two bodies, but as the water is so swift it is a hard task.

Knocked Off the Top of His Head.

Solomon Matthews, a handsome old man from Washington, Pa., was instantly killed on the Pennsylvania Railroad opposite the East Liberty stock yards last night. He was a drover employed by John Hester & Co. stock dealers, of this city. In company with Timothy Ross, a fellow drover, he was returning across the tracks, near the overhead bridge, from a barber shop, when the third section of the eastbound fast line passed. As the train passed the two men stepped on the westbound track, Matthews a little in the rear, when the Wall accommodation came along. Ross barely escaped with his life, but Matthews was caught, the whole top of his head being knocked off. Matthews was 55 years old and leaves a wife and family of grown children at Washington, Pa. He never drank a drop in his life and was highly esteemed at the stock yards.

All the inquests in the above cases except that of the drowned children will be held at the morgue to-morrow morning.

TESTING THE BLUE LAWS.

A Downtown Druggist Publicly Announces That He Will Sell Soda Water To-Day—He Is in Search of Information as to His Rights.

Pittsburg has an unerowned hero. A hero who has daringly ebbed forth on the tidal wave of progress and has flaunted his fist in the grim, stern face of the Blue Laws of Pennsylvania. He has openly announced that he will sell soda water on Sunday.

This enterprising soda water seller has not decided what band he will employ to play that tuneful ditty entitled "Hail the Conquering Hero," but he has decided to test the Blue Laws to such an extent that he will learn whether or not John Jones can sell ice cream on Sunday with dauntless impunity and Smith Smythe can only sell soda water on week days. John Jones and Smith Smythe are in this case purely mythical, but the question is not. The question is very much fact, as they say.

Yesterday a prominent down-town druggist posted the glaring, awe-inspiring notice that "Soda water will be sold here on Sunday," and the little bootblacks, who aspire to revel in soda water dissipations when they become wealthy, felt their mouths water most deliciously. The young men and maidens, and old men and children, who thirstily wend their Sunday way, put an odd dime in their extra pocket in order to forget they had it until the regular weekly thirst comes round.

The cause of all this looked stern and unrelenting as he counted his thousand-dollar bills last night and incidentally told a DISPATCH man he did not intend to defy the law, nor to work a new and free advertising scheme, but simply to find out the whyness of the Blue Laws abuse of the downtrodden soda water man.

PROSPECTS FOR BUSINESS.

Colonel Moody Says Most of the Dates at Rock Point Are Taken for the Season.

"The general outlook for summer business was never brighter," said Colonel Sam Moody, Division Passenger Agent of the Pennsylvania Company, yesterday. "Fishing clubs are springing up in lots of places. The old ones are increasing their membership, and a number of them have already selected their camp grounds for the summer. The Rock Point dates are nearly all taken. Only Sundays are open in July, and a few days remain in August. The Amalgamated Association, G. A. R. and several other large organizations will picnic there this season."

The Beaver Valley German Soldiers' Association, 200 in number, left for Columbus over the Panhandle at midnight to attend the annual meeting of their organization.

WELSH BAPTISTS IN SESSION.

They Are Devising Means to Help the Weaker Churches.

Yesterday afternoon's session of the Welsh Baptist Union of Pennsylvania and Ohio, which is being held in the Chatham Street Baptist Church, consisted in a discussion as to how to help weaker churches. It appears the churches in some of the Ohio districts have become greatly weakened by families moving away. This was particularly true in such towns as Church Hill and Brookville, where the mines have been deserted and the churches, therefore, become practically unattended. After some discussion it was decided to send out missionaries who are to build up singing societies, and in this way try to interest the people and build up the congregations, and thus save the property which is owned by the Church.

In the evening Rev. D. Evans, of Mineral Ridge, O., and Rev. J. A. Evans, of Sharon, Pa., preached sermons. This afternoon there will be an open meeting to which the public are invited.

FLAG PRESENTATION.

The First in the History of the Western University of Pennsylvania.

The history of the University of Western Pennsylvania has not upon its records an event more deserving of remembrance than that of the presentation of the beautiful tricolor of the Republic, the American flag, which took place yesterday afternoon. It is the first in the annals of the school.

There was a splendid attendance at the service when the class of '95 unfolded the Stars and Stripes, and Prof. C. F. Rohrbacker, in a stirring address, laid it in the hands of Chancellor W. J. Holland for the University. Chancellor Holland, in a graceful and appropriate speech, received the emblem of the Republic with gratitude. And now by this generous act of the class of '95, the nation will be recalled daily in the school.

MAY CONTAIN DYNAMITE.

Mysterious Trunk That Is Being Kept at the Fourteenth Ward Station.

There is a lost trunk at the Fourteenth ward station which has been there for about three weeks, and for which no owner can be found. About three weeks ago Captain McLaughlin found two boys guarding the trunk on Fifth avenue, near St. Agnes Church. On being questioned the boys said that some man had paid them 5 cents to watch the trunk. About three hours later the boys brought the trunk to the station, saying that the owner had failed to call for it and they were tired guarding it.

The trunk bears a stamp showing that it was shipped from Liverpool, England, on April 6, on the steamer Lord Cline, and the owner's name on the check is William Burton.

Pattison Not a Candidate.

James A. Stranahan, Deputy Attorney General, was in the city yesterday, bound for Harrisburg. He claimed not to know much about Democratic politics, but he says Governor Pattison is for Cleveland. He doesn't believe the Governor has any intention of being a Presidental candidate.

Remember Donation Day.

First annual Donation Day of the J. M. Gusky Orphanage and Home will be held on Tuesday, June 9, at the institution, Perrysville avenue, Allegheny, where donations of money, groceries or dry goods will be thankfully received, or they may be sent to B. N. Jacobs, Secretary, 300 Market street.

ADVERTISERS in THE DISPATCH'S cent-a-word column of "Rooms To Let" soon secure tenants. Try an adlet a few days.

DR. B. M. HANNA, Eye, ear, nose and throat diseases exclusively. Office, 720 Penn street, Pittsburg, Pa. 88u

THE BULK FOR BLAINE.

Only Ten Out of the State Delegation Will Vote for Harrison.

VON BONNHORST FAVORS ALGER.

Senator Quay Advocates the Unit Rule, but Magee Is Against It.

H. W. OLIVER FOR PLATFORM CHAIRMAN

The delegates to the Minneapolis Convention from this section will go over the Ft. Wayne and Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul roads. A special train of five Pullman cars, in charge of George Miller, City Water Assessor, and Colonel Sam Moody, will leave here next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mr. Miller says they want to spend a day in Chicago, leaving there Saturday evening and arriving in Minneapolis Sunday morning. Senators Quay and Cameron, Wolcott, of Colorado; the California Senators and some others will occupy the special car Wildwood, and will leave Washington next Thursday for the Flour City. The Washington correspondents will begin their pilgrimage on the same day in a special train over the Pennsylvania road, leaving the capital at 12:01 A. M., and arriving here at 11:10 A. M. They are very exclusive, and will not permit anybody else on the train except themselves.

Senator Quay is still at Beaver, but he will be at the Duquesne at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and will start for Washington over the Baltimore and Ohio road in the evening.

Magee Doesn't Want to Be Chairman.

It was learned positively that C. L. Magee will not be a candidate for National Chairman. He is now in the East, but before he left he told a friend he wouldn't have the place if it was tendered to him on a silver platter. His business interests are quite extensive, and it is claimed he has all he can do to look after his own affairs.

Nobody seems to know how Senator Quay regards the chairmanship. Some insist that he would have no objection to Magee, while others who are well posted say that the Senator would not support him. The general opinion is that if Blaine is nominated Clarkson will succeed himself. Mr. Clarkson was Harrison's choice four years ago, but things have changed since then, and now the President hasn't much love for the shrewd Iowa editor. Mr. Clarkson has been very outspoken in favor of Blaine. Should the administration forces succeed in stemming the tide of public sentiment flowing toward the Secretary of State, and the President is renominated, then the chairmanship will lie between ex-Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, and General Frank Reeder, of Easton.

Spooner's Chances Being Discussed.

Spooner was unfortunate, and was swamped in the last Democratic wave that swept the country. He is a brilliant speaker, and a man of considerable executive ability. While in the Senate he was one of the most earnest advocates of the force bill. Spooner and old Philetus Sawyer, his former colleague, are fast friends, and he would have the frank advice of this aged political wheel horse. General Reeder is the new Chairman in Pennsylvania. He is well known to Keystone politicians, and the indications are that he will stand a good show with the committee if Harrison is successful.

A meeting of the State delegation will be held in the West House on Monday afternoon before the convention. Senator Quay will advocate the adoption of the unit rule, but C. L. Magee is opposed to it. It looks, at this early date, as if the leaders will clash.

Only Ten Delegates for Harrison.

Out of the State delegation ten will vote for Harrison as long as he has a show to win. Magee will stand by the President. George Von Bonnhorst will support General Alger, the other Allegheny delegates will cast their ballots for Blaine, the choice of the people. Harry Oliver wants to be chairman of the Platform Committee. He enjoys the reputation of having prepared a number of the tariff planks in late years. He has been offered the chairmanship of another committee, whose work is closely akin to the preparation of the platform, which he may be induced to accept. At the meeting of the delegation in Minneapolis the members will also select a man to represent Pennsylvania on the National Executive Committee.

State Treasurer John W. Morrison was at the Union depot last evening going east. He laughed at the story that he had gone to Beaver to talk politics with Senator Quay. He said he went there to visit a relative, and didn't know the Senator was at home when he arrived.

Simply Made a Friendly Call.

When he learned of his presence he made a friendly call, and he says only social subjects were brought up. The Senator had nothing to say on politics. The Captain added that he had not voted in the primary election. He preferred to stand aloof from the present Senatorial contest. He is not going to Minneapolis, either, for the reason that he thinks it would be out of place.

There is no longer any doubt in the minds of the people that Blaine will accept the nomination, if it is offered to him. A gentleman yesterday said he had seen a letter a few days ago from a friend who is in the Blaine household in New York. The writer stated that the members of the Secretary's family are delighted at the prospect of his nomination. Mrs. Blaine in particular is jubilant, and her husband is acquiescent and complacent.

REDUCING THE AGE LIMIT.

Annual Meeting of the Royal Arcanum to Be Held at Providence This Week.

Colonel Chill Hazzard left for Providence last evening to attend the spring meeting of the Royal Arcanum. The question of reducing the age limit for admission from 55 years to 50 will come up. As the order has an insurance feature many claim that a man 55 years of age is a shaky risk, and they want the limit reduced. It is suggested that the rule about sending out notices of assessments be abolished. This is done to avoid a ticklish legal question, as a member may claim that he had not been notified, and the order has no way of knowing whether he is telling the truth or not. The books will also receive a thorough overhauling.

Colonel Hazzard is the Supreme Orator. He says the Arcanum now has a membership of 130,000 in the United States, and in the last ten years the order paid out over $25,000,000 in insurance.

COAL FOR THE FAIR.

Secretary Reber Wants the Bituminous Fields Well Represented.

Louis E. Reber, Secretary of the Pennsylvania World's Fair Commission, conferred with river coal men yesterday morning about a display at Chicago. I. N. Buntoy, John A. Wood and Harry McDonald had been appointed a committee from the Coal Exchange to see him. Mr. Reber is anxious that the bituminous coal fields of the western part of the State should be well represented at the Fair. The rivermen are not very enthusiastic, as they feel that their product can't be shown to good advantage.

Captain Bunton said last evening that the coal men would certainly make a display. It was decided that no further meetings are necessary, and all the details will be arranged by letter.

Kranich & Bach Pianos.

Sole agents, Lechner & Schoenberger, 69 Fifth avenue.

MONEY NEEDED FOR MUSIC.

Mr. Mellor Says People Have Not Been Trained to Contribute in Pittsburg—Why the City Is Without a May Festival—L. & O. Society Roasted.

C. C. Mellor, the musician, went to New York last evening. Speaking of the development of musical taste in the city, he said the various societies were doing the best they can with the limited means at their command. "The May festival in Cincinnati," he continued, "closes to-night. Pittsburg didn't have one this year, because they don't pay. We have as much money here as they have in Cincinnati, but the people have not been trained to giving as in other cities. If the citizens want music on an extensive scale, the wealthy must guarantee the losses. Why, the Theodore Thomas Orchestra just closed the season in Chicago at a loss of $52,000. The money was paid by 52 men who became responsible for $1,000 apiece. It is impossible to have musical entertainments on an extensive scale unless such liberality is manifested.

"The Mozart Club is doing a great work cultivating taste in Pittsburg, but the managers have a tough struggle every year to make both ends meet. I don't think much of spasmodic efforts like May festivals. I believe in maintaining a good musical average all the year round, giving our people a chance to see the best artists at different times during the season. The trouble here is that the city was settled by the straight-laced Scotch-Irish and Irish Presbyterians. I have no fault to find with them for they are good, honest people. They sing their psalms, fold their hands and that is all. They have made money, but haven't developed their taste with the times. The same narrow spirit is now cropping out in the efforts of a few L. & O. people to suppress the Sunday newspaper. Our people need to grow and I must say that the young are improving rapidly."

WINNERS OF THE BABY SHOW.

The Pretty Infants Who Carried Away the Harry Davis Prizes.

The baby show at Harry Davis' museum closed last night. The prize for the small class baby was won by No. 40, Zelda Carn. She is 10 months old, weighs 16 pounds, and is the daughter of Maggie Carn. The long-haired baby prize fell to No. 24, William H. Bedling, son of W. H. Bedling, of the Southside. He is 6 months old. No 20, the child of Mrs. M. B. Sine, won the fat baby prize. It was 11 months old and weighed 30 pounds.

During the week there were over 40,000 ballots cast for the handsomest mother and the handsomest baby. The count cannot be concluded before Monday. The prize for the mother lies between No. 7, Mrs. Maud McDonald, of Fourth avenue; No. 24, Mrs. W. H. Bedling; No. 1, Mrs. Tillie Young, and No. 40, Mrs. Maggie Carn. The handsome baby prize is between No. 1, Elliana Young, daughter of William Young; No. 7, Maud McDonald; No. 11, Nettie Gillespie, and No. 10, Annie Gibbs. Manager Davis presented each of the babies with a $5 gold piece.

PAINTERS WITH A GRIEVANCE.

The Masters in the Business Want Free Railway Transportation.

A committee representing the Master Car Painters' Association met at the Monongahela House yesterday. The painters claim the railroads discriminate against them in the matter of rates to and from their annual conventions. The car builders' trade certificate is good for a pass on any railroad, but the painters have had to whackup. They want the same privileges. After discussing the subject it was decided to lay their complaint before the various traffic associations. The next convention will be held in September.

Among those present yesterday were: W. J. Orr, Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg road; Robert McKean, Nypano; W. O. Quest, Lake Erie road, and J. A. Gohgen, Huntington, W. Va.

A MORGANZA REFUGEE

Is Caught Yesterday Afternoon and Returned to the School.

Detective Ben Sterck rearrested Clarence G. Kaufman at Negley's run yesterday, who had escaped from the Reform School at Morganza on Friday.

The boy's home is in the East End, and Detective Sterck sent him to the school four months ago for incorrigibility. He was returned yesterday. He made his escape with Samuel Donovan, of New Brighton. Donovan was caught in a freight car at Bridgeville, but managed to escape again from an officer, and is still at large.

LATEN PROFESSES IGNORANCE

Of Shooting Arney and Himself, as He Was Drinking.

John Laten, who shot Henry Arney on Thursday night and then shot himself, was given a hearing before Alderman Kerr. He was held in $2,000 bail to answer at court for felonious shooting.

At the hearing Laten affected surprise when the story of the shooting was told and professed ignorance of the entire affair due to drink.

QUALITY is as necessary as quantity. While THE DISPATCH adlets of boarders wanted and rooms to let have wonderfully increased in number they maintain their select character.

PICKED UP BY THE POLICE.

THE lumber office of J. E. Patterson, of McKeesport, was broken into Friday night and $2 secured.

SOMEONE entered the house of T. R. Morris, of Woods' Run, yesterday morning and stole considerable silverware.

JAMES BYERS, of Clay alley, made an information before Alderman Richards yesday charging George Grant with assault and battery.

HAMILTON OGLE, colored, was committed to jail last night by Alderman Cahill on two charges, assault and battery and criminal libel, preferred by Miss Josephine Dickson.

W. H. MUNCEY, of the Murphy Detective Agency, made an information yesterday against John Wendell, a Beaver avenue saloon keeper, charging him with selling liquor to minors.

JOHN THOMAS, of No. 20 Clay alley, was held under $300 bail yesterday by Alderman Richards on a charge of assault and battery preferred by his wife, Emma Thomas, who alleged her husband knocked her down with his fist and almost picked her eye out.

SAMUEL LAINY, was arrested by Captain McLaughlin last night and lodged in the Fourteenth ward station, charged with being a suspicious person. Lainey was loafing about the residence of C. L. Magee, on Halket street. He told several different stories.

SNAP SHOTS AT CITY NEWS.

FIVE cases of diptheria and five of scarlatina were reported to the Bureau of Health yesterday from different parts of the city.

YESTERDAY was pay day among the Pittsburg school teachers, and it took $31,000 to pay them off.

APPLICATIONS for charters were filed yesterday for the Women's Christian Association and the Christopher Columbus Beneficial Association.

ABOUT 40 carloads of immigrants arrived in the city yesterday over the Baltimore and Ohio road. Most of them went West over the Pittsburg and Western.

ROSIE SELBSTEIN, aged 2½ years, who lives at 347 Fifth avenue, was knocked down by a Fifth avenue car at Elm street and Fifth avenue yesterday. Her right foot was badly crushed.

MRS. MARY MCGREARY, of Twentieth street, aged 70 years, was knocked down by a Penn avenue car at Twentieth street, Friday night. Her skull was fractured and her shoulder dislocated.

WHY not secure a situation by advertising in THE DISPATCH? One cent-a-word.

STILL THINKING HARD.

Mayor Gourley Has Not Yet Reached a Decision on the

EXCHANGE RAILROAD ORDINANCE.

Councils to Meet on Tuesday and Hear His Final Conclusions.

CONTROLLER MORROW WANTS A CAR TAX

Notices were issued yesterday for the regular Council meetings next Tuesday, following the rule and custom that when the regular meeting day falls on a holiday Councils meet on the next day. The political leaders had desired to have Councils meet on Wednesday in order to give plenty of time for the various Republican County Conventions on Tuesday, but it was decided yesterday that Councils would hold the right of way and the political conventions must time their sessions so as not to interfere. The Southside conventions have no meeting place since the destruction of the market house and they will probably meet on this side of the river this time, though the matter will not be settled until to-day or to-morrow.

It is understood that an attempt will be made at Tuesday's Council meeting to revive the garbage boat ordinance and have it passed as originally presented. Chief Brown is still firm in his opposition to the measure, however, and declares he will exert his influence to kill it unless some very material modifications are made in the bill.

Worried by the Railway Ordinances.

The street railway ordinances for the Bloomfield, Exchange and Manchester companies are still unsigned by the Mayor, but must be settled definitely by the time Councils meet Tuesday. No bills passed by Councils since the Mayor assumed his executive position have caused him so much worry as those for the Exchange and Manchester companies, and which provide for tracks along Market street. The Bloomfield company's ordinance worried him for a few days also, but he has decided his course on that matter and dismissed it from his mind, though he will indicate to no one what that decision is before Councils meet.

Regarding the Manchester and Exchange ordinances, the Mayor received an interesting communication yesterday. He refused to give the name of the writer, as the letter was a confidential one, but in a general way gave its contents. The letter exposed what the writer declared was a deep and comprehensive scheme to drive business men from Market street and force them to other downtown thoroughfares.

The Mayor Rather Likes the Idea.

If the ordinances became laws, the writer stated, Market street would be ruined for business, and all the other streets being fully occupied, they would have no place to go. Then those interested in the traction companies and also in the bulk of the property on Diamond street would go to them and either offer to sell to them or persuade them to buy from others on Diamond street with the understanding that the street will be widened. By getting a few more property owners on the street willing to sign a petition the scheme of widening the street would be an assured success, and this, the Mayor's informant states, is what the traction people want more than a right of way on Market street.

The Mayor smiled when asked his opinion of the communication. "I don't know what to think of it," he said. "It seems plausible, in a way, but it would be hard to find out positively whether the statements, made as facts, are true or not. If I was fully satisfied they were, I believe I would sign the ordinances at once in order to get that street widened without cost to the city. Another good street in that locality is certainly needed and needed bad."

Will Burn a Little Midnight Oil.

That he was not convinced by the letter is shown by the fact that he took the troublesome ordinances home with him last night and intends to burn some midnight oil over them before the meeting on Tuesday.

Controller Morrow wants a meeting of the Finance Committee called for Tuesday some time previous to the hour for Councils in order to get action on the street car tax ordinance prepared by him and presented by Mr. O'Donnell, and on his communication relative to the Mayor's approval of contracts, referred to the committee and the city attorney. He is more anxious about his car tax ordinance than the other matter just now. Common Council requested Chief Brown to prepare an ordinance on this subject after the Controller's had been referred to the committee, but if the Controller gets the committee together in time he will endeavor to have his ordinance amended to suit the chief and rushed through as quickly as possible.

VERY SUSPICIOUS CHARACTERS.

Officer Cross Makes a Big Haul of Corner Loafers.

Officer Ed Cross arrested nine men last night for corner loafing at Fifth and Wylie and Sixth avenues and Grant street. Three of them were past 60 years of age, and only one was a young man. One of them, Samuel Dougherty, has been searched for by the police for some time on a charge of stealing an overcoat, and Michael Schultz had an additional charge of suspicious character placed opposite his name because he had two watches in his pocket.

The same officer arrested four men who had two kegs of beer in a stable on Strawberry alley, and who were playing cards for money.

A BEAVER TAILOR MISSING.

Leaves His Wife Penniless and Friendless and He Can't Be Found.

Mrs. Kate Kreitzer, of Beaver Falls, was at the Allegheny police headquarters yesterday to ask aid in searching for her husband, Charles A. Kreitzer. He left Beaver Falls on March 2 last to look for work in Allegheny or Pittsburg, and wrote her a letter three days later that he would send her money to come to him.

She has not heard from him since, and is at a loss to know what became of him. He is a tailor. Mrs. Kreitzer is penniless, and has neither friends nor relatives in this country.

Changing the Name of a Church.

Permission was granted to the Siloam Regular Baptist Church yesterday to change the name of the congregation to the Carron Street Baptist Church, the reason assigned in the application for amendment to the charter being that there is another congregation in the city by the same name.

HYACINTH AWNINGS, at Mamaux & Son's, 539 Penn avenue. Tel. 1972.

RARE bargains in silverware this week at Steinmann's, 105 Federal street. TTSU

8:50 P. M.

SATURDAYS

Is the latest moment at which small advertisements will be received at the

ALLEGHENY BRANCH OFFICE

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SUNDAY DISPATCH.

On week days the office will remain open until 9 P. M. as usual.

DEATH ON EASY TERMS.

Monuments and Coffins on the Installment Plan—People Who Attend to Their Own Funerals While They Can—Insurance Given Away With Goods.

A notice appeared in the daily papers a few days ago to the effect that an application would be made to the Governor on a certain date for a charter for a corporation to be known as the American Monument Company. The incorporators are Gaines E. North, C. E. Succop, Henry Miller, Donat Stehle, J. F. Armstrong, P. F. Kane, Otto Schmidt, Peter Shields, H. S. Bicker and others.

Alderman Succop said last evening that the object of the company was to manufacture and sell marble, granite and metal monuments, headstones, curbing, pillars, vaults and general cemetery work. "Our idea," he said, "is to place our goods on the market within the reach of everybody. That is, we will furnish anything ordered in our line on the installment plan. Very often people feel like paying tribute to some dear departed friend or relative, but have not the money to spare. Under our plan a nice headstone or monument can be secured and be paid for at so much per week or month until all is paid for without the money ever being missed."

Several firms in the marble business were visited and the idea broached to them. They did not think it would affect their trade much. "You would be surprised," said Mr. Boyle, "at the number of people who purchase headstones for themselves. Hardly a day passes that we don't receive an order for a stone with all the inscriptions to be filled in except the date of death. Sometimes we set the stone up in the owners' lot or store it to await his death. The date is then cut in and the stone set up. It is remarkable the different ideas people have. There is a stone for a little child not 2 years old with 12 lines of inscription on it. When it was ordered the lady insisted on having all that was on an obituary that she had received.

Following up the somber subject with the thought, do people ever purchase coffins for themselves? a visit was paid to several funeral directors. John O'Reilly & Son, of Fulton street, had a case of that kind. Mr. O'Reilly said: "About two years ago we received an order from a lady who was an invalid. She is well-to-do and alone in the world, and desired that everything be attended to before she died. We still have the order on file and when she dies we will bury her in first-class shape. Certainly, we received the money long ago, but that doesn't make any difference. We are ready to fulfill our part of the contract at any time."

Another curious thing run across was a company that will bury people on the installment plan. The Pittsburg Burial Company will enter into a contract with any person under 50 years of age for 10 cents per week to bury or cremate, as may be desired, such person's remains in a respectable manner, at a cost limited to $100, and under the direction of any undertaker such person or his family may select.

A person can also have his life insured against accident for the period of seven days without cost to them. A company in New York styled the Coupon Company have made arrangements with the Life and Accident Insurance corporation to cash all coupons presented. The coupons are good for $500 and are sold to merchants in 5,000 lots with the printed ad of the firm purchasing them on the back. The coupons are issued to customers with purchases of $1 or over, and are good from 6 o'clock A. M. of the date of issue until 12 midnight of the seventh day following. The coupon must be stamped with the date of issue and have the signature of the holder with signature and address of the witness to it.

The Peddler Wanted Revenge.

H. Golond, a peddler, was arrested on Fifth avenue last night for beating and abusing Alexander Kaker, a boy. It is alleged by the officer that there is a crowd of boys who congregate at the corner of Logan street and Fifth avenue nightly and amuse themselves by throwing stones and mud at unfortunate Hebrews who pass by. Last night when Golond passed the corner he was struck on the head with a stone. Golond turned and caught young Kaker, who happened to be passing, and began to beat and kick him. Several citizens interfered and stopped Golond. They will appear against Golond this morning.

A Woman's Wonderful Wit.

Miss Lucinda Q. Gore, a school teacher at Lackharsbad, India, was confronted by a royal Bengal at the open school room door. With woman's wit, she jammed the brush end of a broom into his eyes, and when he drew back with a growl of pain, slammed the door in his face. Help came before the maneater could gain ingress elsewhere, and the brave woman and her pupils were rescued.

A Suggestion That Might Be Followed.

(Philadelphia Times.)

Chicago is now boiling its drinking water. This kills its microbes. Why doesn't it be consistent and sandbag them?

PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO.

J. C. McMichael, of Indiana, is at the Anderson.

Harry Sellers and W. A. Forsythe went to Cleveland last night.

George N. McCain, of the Philadelphia *Press*, was in the city yesterday.

H. A. Newkirk, the Chicago agent of Chambers & McKee, is in the city.

J. C. Burdick, of Johnstown, and J. A. Thomson, of Wheeling, are stopping at the St. James Hotel.

T. F. Birch, of Washington, and E. M. Richardson, of New Castle, are registered at the Monongahela House.

Dr. G. A. Carson, of Mt. Vernon, and Dr. Koch and N. N. Schroeder, of Magdeburg, two German tourists, are at the Duquesne.

Mrs. Newell, the wife of Clerk Frank Newell of the St. James Hotel, has gone to Rimersburg to visit the family of S. H. Castor.

S. B. Cochrane, of Kittanning, who is a candidate for Speaker of the next House, was in the city yesterday watching the Republican primaries.

Nat Tyler, a well-known Ft. Wayne conductor, returned yesterday from his honeymoon. He spent two weeks with his bride visiting Western cities.

William Hainsworth started for his home in Seattle last evening. He was formerly connected with the Pittsburg Steel Casting Company, and had been here for the last eight weeks promoting Western silver mine.

George M. Taylor, Auditor of Freight Receipts for the Pennsylvania road at Philadelphia, and a brother-in-law of State Treasurer John W. Morrison, was at the Union depot last evening going home. He had been in Chicago attending a meeting.

CASH REGISTERS.

The National Company Win a Victory From the American.

In the United States Circuit Court here decrees were entered in the cases of the National Cash Register Company, of Dayton, O., against Henry Nuss, Jr., Jonathan C. Hare and William Stonebach, users of the American cash register.

Defendants were enjoined against using the American cash register, which was declared an infringement of the National Cash Register Company's patents.

An accounting was ordered, upon which damages will be assessed against Henry Nuss, Jr., Jonathan C. Hare and William Stonebach in favor of the National Cash Register Company.

Starr Pianos.

See them at Lechner & Schoenberger's, 69 Fifth avenue. Old instruments exchanged.

WINDERMERE AWNINGS, at Mamaux & Son's, 539 Penn avenue. Tel. 1972.

Excursion to Ohio Pyle

To-morrow, Decoration Day. Special train will leave B. & O. R. R. depot at 8:10 A. M. Rate $1 50 the round trip.

SPECIAL rates to Chicago, St. Paul and points West and Northwest at Gleason's, 59 Fifth avenue and 978 Liberty street.

INSANE ON CANALS.

Harry Reynolds Wants to Build a Waterway to the Pacific,

BUT HE WILL BE SENT TO DIXMONT.

Takes McAleese Into the Scheme and Offers Unlimited Funds.

THOUSANDS OF ACRES ARE GIVEN FREE

Harry D. Reynolds, the first victim of the great Erie Canal project, is now in the county jail waiting to be sent to Dixmont. He is a fine-looking young man. Reynolds drove stakes on one of the surveys and become so imbued with the grandeur of the undertaking that he has become insane on the subject. His ideas gradually grew beyond the narrow limits of a mere waterway from the "great unsalted sea" to the center of America's industries. He decided to construct an artificial waterway from Pittsburg clear through to the Pacific coast. Hills and mountains were nothing to him. He proposes to get big wharf privileges, and will have floating saw mills to cut the timber through which the canal passes. He has taken Warden McAleese in as a partner, and is willing to place unlimited means at his disposal. The warden has, however, taken the cue, and Tuesday will ask the court to have the man sent to Dixmont. Reynolds, in notifying the warden of his having been taken into the new scheme, wrote the following letter on brown paper:

Details of Reynolds' Great Project.

DEAR SIR—I would like to get out and go down and see Henry Sculiy to make arrangements to get $250,000 on our account. I am well acquainted with him; met him in the West. I will also get two steamboats and barges for our stone and will put one in the canal and one on the Monongahela. I have the finest of quarries and lumber of all kinds. I want to get our wharves on the Allegheny and Monongahela started so we can let them know we mean what we say. I will arrange with the Steubenville Bank for what money we will need. I will put three floating sawmills and planing mills afloat, also our stone cutters. I will see the architects as to our needs and also as to our men. As this is Saturday I will have to hustle. every hour now is money to us. I will give you a check for $800 as security, and then enter suit. Send all that I have ordered in picks, shovels, and I will get scrapers, plows, wagons, mules and horses and all the men I can. Will cut the river through first and also commence on canal and railroads and purchase our land for town sites.

Thousands of Square Miles Free.

I will try and secure by free grant one mile on each side of the canal. Will call a mass meeting of Steubenville citizens tonight, and will address them on our interests. I would like to have an immediate answer. Will accommodate a big day the Fourth of July here. Your partner,

HENRY D. REYNOLDS.

Reynolds was committed to jail last week for court on a charge of false pretense. He bought some stuff from a store out in Lawrenceville and then told the proprietor he did not have the money just then but if some one would accompany he would get security. A clerk went out with him but Reynolds gave him the slip and getting back to the store first, said it was all right and the goods were turned over to him. Reynolds has a brother and sister living in Steubenville, O., but they have not paid any attention to him.

LEGAL NOTICE.

Dissolution Sale.

The firm of Safier & Co. has been dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Marks retiring and Mr. Morris Safier continuing at the old stand, corner of Smithfield and Diamond streets. The complete stock of men's, boys' and children's clothing, hats and furnishings on hand must be sold at once, and will be slaughtered unmercifully at the dissolution sale, which started yesterday and will be continued all this week. Every department is loaded with new, fresh and seasonable goods, in all the popular makes and styles, and they will have to go. Cash is what we need, so come and take the goods at your own prices! Here are just a few of the startling bargains: All our 75c striped or plain balbriggan underwear 35c; 500 dozen pair men's durable hose will be sold at 75c per dozen pair; 250 dozen men's stylish $2 stiff hats will go at $1. Hundreds of children's suits