Last night, on the eve of Independen

sembled discussing the evils that threaten

In response to an invitation sent to many

of the Socialists and Freethinkers of Pitts

burg and Allegheny, a goodly number rep-

resenting these ideas assembled in their reg-

ular meeting hall, at the corner of Smithfield and Sixth avenue. In addition

to the discussion of the wage question by prominent Socialists, the political feature of it was considered, and action taken to

send delegates to the State Convention, to be held in Pittsburg on July 27, when delegates will be chosen from this State to

People's party, who claim that their plat-form is the embodiment of true socialistic

A new chairman is elected at every meet

said: "The Homestead workers are them-selves partially to blame for the present condition of things in the mills at that

THE HOTELS DESERTED.

Business Men and Drummers Gone Home

The hotel registers presented a dreary

waste of vacant space yesterday. The drum-mers had gone home for the Fourth, but

they will be on the road again to-morrow.

Immediately after a holiday there is a rush

of commercial men from the East. They

come in herds and swamp the business

houses of the town. The storekeepers are

now buying their fall goods, and the drum-mers know how to make hay while the sun

The hotels always furnish a good dinner on the Fourth. The Central is the only

on the Fourth. The Central is the only house that offers a special menu card. It is a combination of red, white and blue sheets of paper. The American flag, with a short history of how the colors and design were selected, adorns the first page. Special bills of fare are offered by all the hotels, and the stranger within the city's gate to-day can be accommodated with a feast that will cladden his heart.

ALLEGHENY'S SICK OFFICIALS.

Postmaster Gilleland Expected to Recover

Police Superintendent Muth, of Alle-

gheny, who has for six weeks been laid up

with a broken leg, was able yesterday to

leave his house, and enjoyed a carriage ride and visit to friends in the East End. Post-master Gilleland was much better vester-day, and his recovery is confidently ex-pected by his family.

PEOPLE COMING AND GOING.

P. J. Loftus, of Youngstown, is at the

George Himmelrich went to New York

Walter D. Appleyard, of West Newton.

was at the Duquesne yesterday.

W. G. Kohler, of Johnstown, and L. S. Coles, of Niles, are at the St. James.

George Pullman was a passenger on the timited last evening going to Chicago.

E. Trainer, of Franklin, and W. T. Clark,

Prof. E. Tucker, H. Backofen, C. Perry

Facts About the American Casualty Insur-

more City, Md.

ance and Security Company, of Balti-

In view of recent attacks that have been

made on the American Casualty Insurance and Security Company, of Baltimore City, in a manuer calculated to do it injury in

the minds of persons uninformed as to the true state of the case, that such remarks

may have their simplest refutation stripped of all mean motives, attention is called to

the official examination made recently by

appears in our advertising columns to-day, one made by the New York Insurance De-

partment and the other by the Maryland

Department. The figures certified by the officials referred to need but little comment. Coming as they do from two independent

sources, they show the remarkable progress made by the company in the very short

time it has been organized, while, as to its financial condition, the certificates show it

to be in a most satisfactory state. The comparative statement of the principal

casualty companies compiled from sworn official reports as of the 1st of January,

1892, clearly shows that the American Casualty Insurance and Security Company takes the lead. As necessarily happens the

phenomenal progress of this company has given rise to attacks from various sources,

but as these have so far appeared in anouy-mous shape, but little credence has been given to them, as is evidenced by the large annual business in premiums which the

company continues to receive. The offi-cers and general managers of the company are experienced underwriters, and the directors include a number of the most

prominent citizens of New York and Bultimore.

Bayard Is Popular With the Ladies,

family flours in this market. The women are learning that it is the best family flour

at a medium price offered to them. It is made by the Marshall Kennedy Milting Company, which is a guarantee to them

that it is made very carefully and of the very best of wheat. Bayard is a light

bread maker, white, rich and strong, and always regular. Try it.

SMALL in size, great in results; De Witt's Little Early Risers. Best pill for constination best for sick headache and sour stomach.

7s 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.

SATURDAYS

8:50 P. M.

Bayard Amber is one of the most popular

of Jamestown, are registered at the Monor gahela House.

and Superintendent Muth Gets Out,

gladden his heart.

for the Fourth.

the nation's happiness.

principles.

urday night I received a notice signed by the Advisory Committee, commanding me to turn off the gas. This I refused to do. No, I can't tell you when we will begin the work of repairing the mills. I suppose the company will do nothing as long as the present blockade lasts, but you must see the general officers of the company in regard to this or any other topic relating to the plant. I have nothing more to say.

Superintendent Potter Takes a Trip. General Superintendent John A. Potter left Homestead Saturday night. Before he boarded his train he said that he was off on a two weeks' pleasure jaunt. He expected to spend the most of his time in the Northwest, and to have a pleasant and profitable trip. Mr. Potter's iamily is at the seashore and his house is closed. In the absence of Mr. Potter, Mr. Wood has entire charge of the plant and property of

In spite of the commands of the Advisory Committee, a number of speak-easies located in and about Homestead were open yester-day and did a land-office business.

MILLS WILL LIE IDLE.

A Prominent Official of Shoenberger & Co. Says That They Will Not Sign the Amalgamated Association's Scale in Its Present Form.

In direct contradiction of the statement published recently concerning the future action of Shoenberger & Co., regarding the scale question, a high official of the prominent steel firm last night said:

We will not sign the new scale of the Amalgamated Association simply because we cannot afford to. If the workmen will not accept an adjustment and insist upon the enforcement of the scale for the ensuin

year we will close down our plant and allow it to remain idle.

There are many reasons why we do not agree to the new scale, but the main one is that competition is now greater than ever belore. The last time the scale question that competition is now greater than ever before. The last time the scale question was discussed at our mill we entered into an agreement with our men that their wages were to be based upon every hundled tons of material made. Since that time, however, new inventions have been introduced into the works whereby the men cannot only turn out 100 tons, but it is a common thing for them to finish 200 and 250 tons in a day, thus increasing their wages from 100 to 150 per cent. Of couse, this large increase in the pay of the workmen does not affect every department. I will adout that a \$5.50 basis for the puddlers is not large money, and the manufacturers would agree to pay this amount if some of the higher moneyed workmen would consent to a reduction. It is scarcely necessary for me to say that it is impossible to form a combine among the manufacturers to keep prices up, simply because there are too many manufacturers; they are now at every nook and turn and crossroad. I will venture to say, owing to the great reduction in the selling prices, that those iron and steel manufacturers who did not command good specialties did not make a dollar last year. The iron and steel trade has now reached such a stage that the manufacturers no longer control the prices, but they have to take just what they can get for their products.

Our workmen never stop to consider that

Our workmen never stop to consider that chinery and inventions that we use in the mills. They never think that it takes an enormous sum of money to build an iron and steel plant, and they do not seem to realize steel plant, and they do not seem to realize that such a plant has to be practically re-built every five years. Introduction of new machinery means a decrease in the selling price, and yet the workmen will not accept a reduction.

Iron Mills Shutting Down, The mills in the West End are all shut-

ting down for the summer. Painter's mill closed Saturday night, and will remain idle for two months. Singer & Namick's mill closed Thursday night and will not open until September. During the summer quite extensive repairs will take place in both They Will Be Rewarded.

of the Pittsburg and Duquesne Traction Companies, yesterday that all the motormen,

gripmen and conductors of the road who work on the Fourth of July will receive HURRYING TO WASHINGTON.

Orders were issued by President Elkins.

Congressman Bland is Satisfied With the

Senate Silver Bill, Congressman Bland, the free silver crank of Missouri, passed through the city last evening en route to Washington. The old man was hurrying back to try to have the silver bill passed in the Senate adopted by the House. He said the bill met his views, and he thought it could be pushed

through Congress.
"President Harrison is sure to veto it," he said, "but we can't help that. We want to put the President on record, and then the silver Republicans will know where he stands. If this bill is passed, the monetary conterence with other nations which Harrison is arranging won't be necessary America being the greatest silver producer anierica being the greatest silver producer in the world, and adopting free coinage, it would only be a question of a short time until the European countries would be compelled to fall into line.

"Yes, I like the Democratic Cleveland and Stevenson are good men. Missouri Democrats are satisfied, and will give the ticket at least 40,000 majority. Our chances for success were never better. The People's party will carry Kansas and Ne-

THE SHAVINGS SWELLED.

Rain Pours Into a Cork Store House and Causes a Collapse.

A store house located at the head of Thirty-seventh street, and owned by the Armstrong Cork Company, was entirery destroyed yesterday morning under the most peculiar circumstances. The building, a frame structure, is about 500 feet long, 30 feet wide and only one story in height, and was filled with cork shavings. The heavy rain yesterday morning soaked through the building and into the cork, swelling it to such an extent that the walis were forced out, the roof fell in and the entire building

Thomas Brabillon, the watchman, and his family lived in the building, and they were rendered homeless. The water did not do any material damage to the cork, but the loss on the building is estimated at

FAIR WEATHER PROMISED.

Weather Sharps Claim the Eagle's Feathers Will Not Be Dampened.

The Washington weather observer pre-

dicts fair weather for the day and Sergeant Stewart, of the Pittsburg office, agrees with him. Both claim it will be pleasantly cool. They say the rain clouds bave passed and the winds are too busy fluttering American flags to bother with carrying rain clouds. The weather yesterday was a combination of gentle spring, torrid summer and threatening snow. The rain and sun took alternate turns all vesterday afternoon, but in the evening the rain got the best of it. It was so cold that many people wore over-coats. At midnight the clouds parted and the stars came out so brightly as to promise

a fulfillment of the 'weather officers'

ALLEGHENY'S AUDITOR. Mayor Kennedy Will Sign the Ordinance

Creating the Office. Mayor Kennedy, of Allegheny, said last evening that he had decided to sign the ordinance creating the permanent office of city auditor, at an annual salary of \$2,000. As this is a legal noliday, his signature will be attached to-morrow, and the ordinance will then be a law.

The auditor will be elected by Councils in joint session, and it is said at City Hall T. W. Bigger, one of the temporary auditors employed by the auditing committee, will be elected, probably without opposition.

Probably the Last Donation J. Kauffman & Bro., late Saturday night, contributed \$25 towards to-day's celebration.

It will probably be the last donation.

Results of the Curative Act Prove Very Satisfactory to the City.

NO NEED TO ISSUE BONDS.

Over a Quarter of a Million Dollars Already Collected.

W. C. MORELAND A GOOD PROPHET.

The New Street Laws Proving a Stimulant to Improvement.

LEGISLATION THAT STANDS THE TEST

The curative act to which Governor Pattison affixed his signature on May 16, 1891, has proven very satisfactory to the city officials. Within a little over 13 months the city's officers have taken test cases covering every material legal point in the bill through the various channels of red tape necessary to get the Supreme Court's judgment upon its constitutionality. That done, the task of taking up the 160 street im provements affected by the act and passing them through the devious course of legal forms it requires, some of which necessitated months of time, was followed out to

To-day, all but 14 of the original 160 improvements have been confirmed absolutely by the court, \$256,628 have been collected from the property benefited by the improvements and the money is coming in at a rate which justifies the belief that by January 1, 1893, fully \$1,000,000 of the money will have been received and paid over to the contractors who hold claims against the city.

Reports Confirmed Absolutely. Last Saturday the court confirmed absolutely the reports of the Board of Viewers on the grading, paving and curbing of Tioga, Westminster, Howe, Copeland and Rural streets, and in ten days the city treasurer will begin the collection of the assessments for those improvements. These are included in the 136 confirmed. Next Saturday has been fixed for the arguments on the viewers' assessments on eight sewers to which exceptions were filed, but as the questions raised are generally considered of a trivial nature the city's officers are san-

avenues will be submitted to the court for confirmation ni si. Three cases have been appealed to the Supreme Court since the constitutionality of the curative legislation was determined. They are Boggs avenue, Shiloh and Wyoming streets, upon which the old street laws were thrown down.

guine as to the outcome. During the pres-

ent week the viewers' reports on the grad-

ing and paving of Aiken and Amberson

Testing the Practice of the Law. The appeal this time is not on the constitutionality of the law, but on the practice of it. The appellants claim that it is not necessary for property holders to appear before a Board of viewers, and that they can ignore such a board and go into court direct with an appeal, whereas the law itself creates the Viewers and provides in them a tribunal for the preliminary adjustment of claims for damages or assessment of

benefits.

This leaves but three cases not yet reported by viewers but which will be taken up at once. One of these is the assessment for the grading and paving of Center avenue, one of the largest street improvements eve made in the city and costing in the neigh orhood of \$275,000. It is expected that within less than a month all the cases outstanding will have been sent to the court for confirmation, leaving only the three that have been appealed to the higher court

out of the original 160.

When, in March, the city, by popular vote, decided to issue \$2,000,000 of bonds, City Attorney Moreland advised that a little patience on the part of the contract ors, who were hard pressed for their money, and on the part of the city officials, who feared financial difficulties in the near future, would let the city out without the issue of a dollar's worth of bonds.

City Attorney Moreland's Prophecy. He showed that as soon as the curative legislation would go into operation the money for the improvements made under the late-lamented street acts would begin to come in rapidiy, and, in an interview with THE DISPATCH, predicted that by the first of the present month at least \$200,000 would have been collected and paid over to the contractors, allowing them to float their paper, relieving their embarrassment and enabling them to proceed with their busi-

His prediction has been more than verifirst prediction has been more than veri-fied. The money is being paid in rapidly, in some cases property holders paying their assessments in full before the collection passes out of the City Treasurer's hands. Already \$256,628 has been paid in. The big Thirty-third street sewer for which mor than \$285,000 is assessed on about 7,000 separate properties is almost ready for coland the money will come in rapidly.

A Million by January 1.

With the other assessments soon to be collected, the outlook seems good to verify the City Attorney's further prediction that \$1,000,000 will be collected by next January, and the city will be ready to meet her obli gations to the contractors without delay. Beyond that point the city's officials say there can be no trouble in meeting all the claims as they come due. Under the law, after the Court confirms an assessment ab-solutely and it passes to the City Treasurer for collection it remains with him for 30 days for collection at its face. If not paid in that time it goes to the City Attorney and bears interest. If not paid within six months from the date of confirmation liens must be filed against the property. Already 115 such liens have been filed,

Already 115 such liens have been filed, and there is a large batch already prepared for filing in case the property holders affected do not come to time within a few days. The costs added to an assessment, no matter how great or small, foots up about \$50, and consequently the number who will permit their assessments to run over are comparatively few.

A Steady Flow of Money. The income of money under the curative act, therefore, is steady, and is expected to continue so until it is all in and the contractors paid up. As fast as this money ac-cumulates the Controller issues warrants in

Right here is a point which gives the Controller much trouble to explain to the contractors. The city keeps a separate account for each street where an improve-ment has been made. As the money comes in for each street it is credited to the street. and is checked out only to the contractor who did the work on it. In this way an equilibrium is maintained, but some of the contractors, when they happen to learn that a big payment has been made, can't understand why they should not be allowed a share of it, no matter whether it is from an improvement made by them or not.

Good Effect of New Street Laws. While the curative act has thus been vigorously prosecuted to collect the cost of improvements made two and three years ago, work under the new street laws which took the place of the acts of 1887 and 1889 have been pushed forward with equal vigor and through nearly as tortuous a path of

legal requirements. Nearly every week the City Aitorney files a big bundle of reports on new street pavements, sewers or other improvements for judicial examination and approval. Pittsburg's march of progress is going on with increased vigor, and the features of the new street act which were expected to prove an impediment are prov-ing a stimulant to improvement.

FREAKS OF SATURDAY JAGS.

Fancy Prices They Cost Their Owners at the Morning Hearings-Carried His Wealth in His Sock-Salvation Army Soldiers Fined for Fighting.

Magistrate Gripp heard 18 cases at Central station yesterday morning. One of them was peculiar. E. W. Weimar and Fred Smith had been arrested by Officer Murphy at 5 o'clock in the morning at 230 Second avenue. Weimar claimed he had been robbed. At the hearing a witness suggested the man might have the money in his socks Sergeant Rosewell made him take them off and found three \$20 bills, Magistrate Gripp fined Weimar \$5 and costs and told him he would have made it \$50 were it not that Weimar's family and five children need it. Fred Smith, the other prisoner in the case, was fined \$10. He is Weimar's brother-in-law. fined \$10. He is Weimar's brother-in-law. Charles McGirk was fined \$25 and costs. He had taken three men home with him on Saturday night to which action his wife objected and called the officer to put the men out and arrest the husband. She assisted in the latter feat, the policeman having more than he could do, going down into the gutter three times in the attempt.

Michael Caven and William Montgomery were fined \$5 each by Magistrate Succop. Caven beats the bass drum and Montgomery blows a horn in a Salvation Army post in the West End. They had a fight on Main street and Officer Fanney arrested them.

Charles Weish, Frank Rowand and Thomas Barrett wanted a man named Ried

Charles Weish, Frank Rowand and Thomas Barrett wanted a man named Ried to allow them to ride in his buggy, and because he refused the trio proceeded to wreck the buggy and tore the whole top off it. They were each fined \$25 and costs.

Magistrate McKenna had 27 cases before him at the Twelfth ward police

station. Magistrate Leslie had four offenders be-fore him at the Seventeenth ward police station yesterday morning. John Shannon and John Killduff went to the house of Mary Callaghan at 326 Edmund street, an started a fight. Shannon was fined \$5 and costs, and Killduff \$10 and costs. Mayor Kennedy had 13 cases. John Rafferty, of Walnut street, and Andrew Milligan, of Benton street, were each given 30 days for beating their wives.

BIG TIME IN GREENSBURG. General Koontz, of Somerset, Will Deliver

an Oration To-Day.

General W. H. Koontz, D. J. Horner, George H. Tayman and George Snyder, o Somerset, registered at the Monongahela House yesterday. The General is scheduled to deliver an oration for the Jr. O. U. A. M. at Greensburg to-day. Rev. Franklin Core is the other speaker. The order expects to have 10,000 people in line. The address of welcome will be delivered by Mayor J. B. Keenan. General Koontz said he had received an invitation from Mayor

Gourley to be present at Schenley Park, but he had already gone to Greensburg.

"I am glad to see a revival of the old-time Fourth of July celebrations," he said.

"It is well for our people to be reminded of what the day means. A few years ago the Fourth was passed by almost unnoticed I don't think that will occur again. can't have too much genuine patriotism, and the proper observance of our national holidays is a duty of the people. I am glad to see the interest reviving so generally."

A MANUFACTURER DEAD. .

John Fleming, Late of Fleming & Hamilton, Passes Away.

John Fleming, the well-known japanned ware manufacturer, died at his home or Sheridan avenue early yesterday morning,

aged 69 years.

Mr. Fleming was born in Pine Creek township, August 28, 1823. After s a common school education, he in 1840 a common school education, he in 1840 commenced to learn the trade he had so successfully followed. In 1849 he went into business for himself at Third avenue and Market streets. Up until 1834 he had Edward Agnew and John Hamilton for partners, but in that year Mr. Agnew retired. From that time until January 1 last the firm was known as Fleming & Hamilton. At that time Mr. Fleming withdrew. The firm carried on a vast amount of business.

Mr. Fleming was married in 1862, and his

Mr. Fleming was married in 1862, and his wife and six children survive him. He was ever a consistent member of the United Presbyterian Church. His politics were

Beat Bis Wife Because He Could. Henry Steele, who lives near the Point bridge, yesterday afternoon came home intoxicated, began abusing his wife and breaking the furuiture. He grasped a poker and dealt his wife a stunning blow over the head. He then drove his four children into the yard and returned to his wife and began to kick and abuse her. Officer Kinney placed him under arrest. His wife was cared for by the neighbors.

PICKED UP BY THE POLICE.

PATRICK FINNEGAN and wife were arrested in Woods' Run vesterday for fighting. They attracted over 100 spectators.

WILLIAM MILLER, Cluster Bid and Henry Row were arrested yesterday afternoon by Lieutenant Cramer for shooting crap and fighting down in Negley's Run, East End. MIKE SICK was arrested on Grant stree for shooting fire crackers last night. At the Central station he pulled out a roll of \$130 and put up a forfeit for his appearance this morning.

FRANK STANTON, of 573 Forbes street, was fined \$25 and costs yesterday morning by Magistrate Hyndman for beating Mrs. Mary Lamb. He knocked her down with a beer glass, cutting a gash in her head.

HARRY DENING, a Pole, was arrested at the Point bridge yesterday afternoon for beg-ging. He was taken to the West End police station, and shortly was taken with convul-sions that resulted in a dead faint. He was soon restored to consciousness.

SEVERAL small boys robbed Mrs. Sarah McLaughlin's cigar store, on Cliff street, of a lot of candy and cigarettes yesterday morning. They gained entrance to the store through the rear window. The police have the names of the boys. Two Bright Booklets.

Messrs. Paulson Bros. have just issued two booklets, entitled "Ideas" and "Re-

flections," which are so genuinely entertain-ing that they are read through before it dawns upon the reader that they are really advertisements! They are in the best style of modern high class advertising, and cal-culated to entirely please everyoody who secures one. The Paulson Bros. will be glad to supply them on request. THE FIRST

10 MONTHS' RECORD

THE DISPATCH'S ADLETS

Shows A GAIN OF 31,400 advertisements. or an average increase of more than 100 every day of those ten months! The figures are as follows:

Advertisers receive the most gratifying returns from the use of the Classified Columns of THE DISPATCH.

STRANGLED IN A CELL

Mysterious Prisoner Commits Suicide in the County Jail. Poverty.

ENDED HIS LIFE WITH A NECKTIE.

Contents of a Cabalistic Document Found on His Person.

HE SAID THAT HE WAS FROM BROOKLYN

James Riley committed suicide in the county jail yesterday afternoon by strangling himself with a silk four-in-hand necktie. The police and the Coroner are mystified as to who the man is and why he committed suicide. Papers found on him prove his connection with the Clan-na-Gael. He said

he was from Brooklyn. Riley was committed to jail yesterday by Alderman Hyndman from the Nineteenth ward station house for ten days. He arrived at the jail about 11 o'clock. Deputy Warden Soffel searched him and found a little piece of paper he did not take time to read just then. The man was well dressed and did not look as if he had been on a spree. A little alter dinner the man was singing in his cell. At 1:20 P. M. the rangeman saw him lying on the floor of his cell, and called one of the keepers. They rushed up and found him dead. Dr. Chessrown, who was there, said Riley had strangled himself with his necktie. He had tied a double sailor's knot and drawn it tight. The tie bore the stamp of "Rufus Waterhouse, New York.

An Agent of the Clan-Na-Gael.

The only thing known of the man was that when asked for his name and residence at the jail, he had said: "James Riley, Brooklyn, New York." The paper taken from him was then examined, and on it was written:

Give details of Callahan's work in Clan-na Gael. Do you belong to the Cronin or anti-Cronin camp? Is O'Sullivan's death com-mented on in the same camps? Do you know anything of abuse of Breslin and Nolin? Do you know the Irihs policeman at Tenth street?

It was written on a piece of plain blotting paper about 6x41/4 inches in size. On it were some unintelligible marks in red and blue, but when held to the light it brought out plainly the picture of a T-shaped gal-lows with the body of a man hanging to the right arm. The paper was carefully folded and wrapped up in the official list of the drawings of the Louisiana State Lottery for May, 1890. The way the list was creased and the greassy marks on it indicated it had been carried for some time.

No One Could Identify Him. When the body was taken to the morgne it created considerable comment. His hands were as soft as a woman's and looked as if he had never done any work. Inspector McKelvey, Detective Coulson and nearly all the front office force came to see the remains, but could not place the man.

mains, but could not place the man.

He is about 40 years old and 5 feet 10 inches in height. He weighed 180 pounds. He was broad shouldered and fairly good looking. His hair was combed up straight from a broad, full forehead. He had close cut side whiskers, which like his hair were reddish brown and streaked with grav. His nose was large and flat and he had thick lips. On the left side of his forehead and cheek was a deep scar that might have been made by a bullet. He had an anchor in India ink on his left arm. He was dressed in lain dark slother of a good quality and plain dark clothes of a good quality and they were in good condition.

The Coroner last night wired to the Chief of Police at Brooklyn asking for information about Relly. He also mailed a complete description of the dead man and will hold the remains until he gets an answer. Came Here on a Cattle Train.

Reilty was arrested by Officer Hanna as a Suspicious character. He arrived at the Stock Yards on a cattle train from Chicago. He said he had five cars of cattle coming through and wanted to know how he could get a pass to New York. At Beach's saloon he got several drinks on the contract of the saloon he got several drinks on the contract of the saloon he got several drinks on the contract of the saloon he got several drinks on the contract of the saloon he got several drinks on the contract of the saloon he got several drinks on the contract of the saloon he got several drinks on the saloon he got several of his story and was then thrown out. He then picked up two stones and ran down the Pennsyluania Hailroad track. He told Officer Hanna two men had tried to rob him, but his story would not bear investigated and he was locked up. At the hearing he was told he could go free, but instead he went back to the cell. Thinking he had been drinking the magistrate gave him ten days just to sober up.

Another letter was afterward tound on him from his mother, Ellen Reilly. It was dated Aberdeen, N. J., March 10, 1892, and was all about private family affairs

PITTSBURG'S BUSINESS MEDIUM.

Its Postoffice Shows an Increase Last Year of \$57,000.

The Pittsburg postoffice, the medium through which the city's progress is shown. ended its fiscal year July 1 and shows \$57, 000 of an increase over the business of 1891. The money order division of Postmaster McKean's postoffice alone handled over two and one-half millions of dollars.

The details of the business of the Pitts-

burg office is interesting reading matter. During the year over 65,000,000 pieces of During the year over 65,000,000 pieces of mail were handled, an increase of over 14,000,000 pieces. In the registry department 916,790 letters and packages passed through the office. This is an increase of 21,769. In the mailing division 47,083,280 letters and 118,444,300 papers were distributed. Both these articles show large increases. Of mixed and unmailable matter 284,181 pieces were handled. The Southside station leads all the other branch offices in money order business, but the East Liberty division is following close. Lawrenceville is in third place, and shows a healthy increase. The Oaktand station has done the least business, while the West End and Hazelwood offices are about on an equal footing.

STORMED A SPEAK-EASY.

Officers Have a Hot Battle at a Soho House.

Lieutenant Gallant and Officer Devlin noticed three intoxicated men come out of Michael O'Mara's, on Tustin street, Soho, yesterday afternoon. They went to the house and found it to be a speak-easy. The doors being locked Lieutenant Gallant essayed to gain entrance through the window. He was struck on the head with a handy-billy and knocked down. The two officers made a hard fight and finally forced their way in, but the delay had given the visitors a change to escape by the rear and visitors a chance to escape by the rear and down a 20-loot embankment to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

He Tells of His Native Land.

Ezekial Taminosian, of Syria, gave another of his interesting descriptive talks, in the Butler Street Methodist Episconal Church last night, on his native land. Mr. Taminosian has been in Pittaburg about four months, having filled almost all the large pulpits of the city.

SNAPSHOTS AT LOCAL NEWS, THE religious services at the jail yesterday

C. W. WADE fell from a ladder on Diamond street yesterday and sprained one wrist and was seriously cut on his hand. MRS. MARY J. BILLEB died suddenly at 54 Comrad street, Allegheny, Saturday after-noon. She was in her 70th year and very feeble.

THE Fred Wills Fishing Club, of the West end, will leave to-morrow morning at 7:20 over the Panhandle for a six weeks' outing on the Muskingum river in Ohio. There will be about 15 in the party.

William Brills, a conductor on a West End car, had his hand badly crushed yester-day forenoou. His carran off the track; he alighted and was placing a piece of wood under the wheels, when suddenly the car started and a wheel passed over his hand. He went to his home on Main street.

MOST DID NOT SPEAK. SOCIALISTIC LABOR PARTY.

They Denounce the Convention at Omah and Ridicule the Strikers at Homestead Anarchist Meet in Allegheny Pre--Pure Soc alism the Only Panaces for vented by Chief Murphy.

Day, the Pittsburg section of the Socialistic Labor Party of the United States were as-POLICE PATROL THE SIDEWALK.

Men Approached in the Darkness, Whispered and Went Away.

INCENDIARY PAMPHLETS CIRCULATED

Johann Most, the notorious leader of the Anarchists, expected to deliver a speech in Allegheny last evening, but did not. The neeting was prevented by the police. Most, it transpires, is taking advantage of the present labor disturbance in Pittsburg and vicinity to endeavor to spread his doc-

represent the Socialistic Labor party at a National Convention in Chicago, the date of which is yet to be named. The object of this action is to destroy the influence of the trines among the working people. It was discovered just a few days ago by Chief Murphy that Most has been in Western Pennsylvania for four weeks, delivering speeches in the smaller towns within a radius of 50 A new chairman is elected at every meeting. J. D. Lewis, a citizen of England, was chosen last night. He said that the action of the American Socialists would be watched with interest by the fraternity upon the other side of the water. Delegates from Chicago and other socialistic centers were present. The Secretary read a paper on the wage question, followed by an address on the "Wage Slave" by a prominent Socialist of this city.

Editor Gessner, of the Pottery and Glassworker, of Chicago, bitterly denounced the condition of the laborer at Homestead, and said: "The Homestead workers are themmiles from this city. Two weeks ago he spoke on Sunday night in Schwebel's Hall, at the corner of East and First streets, Allegheny. This hall is under the care of Anthony Block, who has the lease of the building from the Schwebel estate, and keeps a grocery store on the ground police knew nothing of it, but they learned enough afterward. The meeting was attended by Germans from that part of the city which is colloquially called "Dutch-town." It is said to have been very boisterous, and the speeches, led by the roaring address of the fiery Johann, are said to have

> A Fiery Brand of Freedom. A few days later there came into the possession of Chief Murphy one of the pamphlets which Most had quietly circuated. It is a hair-raiser, and in very distinet terms advocates the use of dynamite and bombs against the police and militia. It is entitled "Freedom," and leads off with this hint to the poor man, "You have only your poverty to lose—you have the

been exceedingly incendiary.

Word was then conveyed to Mr. Block that he must not permit the use of his heil for an Anarchist meeting. Mr. Block said that the hall had been rented from him under false pretenses; that those who hired it represented that they wished to hold a meeting of a German society; and he promised not to allow the same parties to occupy it again. The ball is used by other organizations, including the American Mecuanics, and some of the members of these bodies, learning of the Anarchist demonstration, went to Mr. Block and threatened to withdraw from the building if the thing oc-

curred again. During the past week word was passed around among the Reds, by those secret and underground methods which they have put into operation, that the great Johann would again hold forth last night at Schwebel's Hall and would rejoice the heart of the son of toil with visions of millennial joys.

Determined to Have the Hall, When the hall was first engaged for June 19 the committee said they would want it again for the same purpose on July 3, and that Mr. Block nad told them they could have it. On Saturday the committee of three called upon Mr. Block and told him they would expect the hall to be ready for them Sunday evening. They were told that they could not have it. They insisted that they had a verbal contract for it. Mr. Block said he could not help that; he would not allow them to use the hall. The committee then told Mr. Block that they had engaged the hall, that they would occupy it, and that Mr. Block had not better try to keep them out. With this

threat they departed.

The grocer at once sent word to Chief Murphy of what had occurred, and the Chief returned an assurance that Mr. Block would be protected.

Police Officers Take Possession, ter di Schatzman, Lieutenant Thornton and two officers, all in uniform, went to the corner W. G. Stevenson, of Wellsville, and Frank Alexander, of Canton, are stopping at the Anderson. of First and East streets and took their stands on the sidewalk in front of the en-trance of the hall. As soon as it had grown fairly dark small bands of men, two, three J. A. Cunningham, one of the Monongaheia House clerks, returned yesterday from a trip to Detroit and Star Island. He tells some very tall fish stories. or four together, came from different direc-tions, walking in the dark sides of the Richard Rogers, a brother of Commodore Rogers, arrived in the city on Saturday and will be the guest of the Commodore for two weeks. Mr. Rogers is a resident of London, Engiand. The two brothers had not met for 43 years when Mr. Richard Rogers paid his last visit to America. streets. They came within a few rods of the hall and paused. The electric light from the tall tower gleamed on the brass buttons and silver shields of the police officers. The figures in the dark whispered awhile, and then turned and went away as Prof. E. Tucker, H. Backofen, C. Perry and F. May, the experts who will put off the display of fireworks at Schenley Park tonight, are stopping at the Central. Mr. Tucker was with Pain nine years. He said they are very careful in making fireworks, and where accidents occur they are due to carelessness. People fail to follow the instructions for firing. quietly as they came. This continued un-til after 8 o'clock. In one group of half a dozen, which stood for quite a while in con-sultation on the opposite corner, was a short man who had some papers under his arm. Last of all this group went away like the

At 8:35 Captain Schatzman concluded that the affair was closed, and he and his men went away, instructing the patrolman on the beat to keep a watch on the corner.

Most Must Stay Away. Chief Murphy said last night: "Most must stay away from Allegheny. He would not have spoken here two weeks ago had I known it. I believe the way to suppress these people is to shut them off at the start. If Most tries to hold meetings again in this city and distributes his incendiary literature, I will send him to Claremont. I suppose he is working these big strikes and trying to stir up the men. If he tools around Homestead some of those big work-men will throw him into the river. They ion't want his nonsense."

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His Burns Proved Fatal. John Kierzewsky, 3 years old, djed at 5 o'clock vesterday afternoon at his parents' home on Davis street from the effects of burns received on Saturday. A new house was being erected close to where the little fellow lived and a fire had been started to burn up some shavings. The boy fell into the fire and was burned so badly that death

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