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PENN AVE. STORES.

Blankets,

ways thought he had something to do with "Life has not been made any too pleasant for Henry Feicht since he was taken back into the fold, and naturally he feels sore. In the order of things it is apparent to everyone that the society must sooner or later come to an end. It is a socialistic community, with celibacy as the underlying principle. The religion of the founders had much to do in keeping the community together. As the society can only be main-tained by taking in outsiders, it is quite natural that they should class with the older people. This is what has occurred, and possible it could not be avoided.

Times Have Changed. "The conduct of affairs now is different from the methods of George Rapp. According to custom no accounting for moneys or expenditures was ever made, but the management of business was left to the trustees. I see that Mr. Duss intends to have the books audited by an expert. This will be a new departure. The trouble about legal proceedings is that the members are expected to obey the head trustee implicitly, and his authority can't be questioned. For this reason the Feichts and all concerned dou't want

any trouble if it can be avoided."
"Do you know why \$400,000 is borrowed "I do not. The only men that can speak about the financial standing of the society are Mr. Duss and Judge Hice. They may know the needs and resources of the com-munity; nobody else does."

During the discussion over the secular affairs of the society, Dr. Cyrus Teed, of Chicago, is lost sight of. It will be remembered that he visited Economy last summer, and had almost gained a foothold in society, but the opposition of Father Henrici, so he said, kept him out. Nevertheless, strange stories were told about Teed and some of the Economites.

Believe He Succeeded.

There are people who believe that Teed had succeeded in beguiling Mr. Henrici.
The old man was easy-going, and fond of
those who professed a belief in his religious
principles. At any rate a very fine building, nicely fitted up, was erected near the saw-mill, at the lower end of the village. Today it is occupied by the mill operatives, and probably no set of workmen have such elegant quarters anywhere in the country. Thinking people familiar with the society say it is strange that the house was built war for the men, and they are inclined to believe cited. it was intended for Teed until the newspapers took up the cudgel against him and opened the eyes of the aged Father.

Chicago reporters have been trying to locate the Messiah and Lofty Potentate of the Terrestrial Holy of Holies and Grand Keystone in the Arch Triumphant, by which high sounding title Dr. Teed is The Chief Koreshan is not in the Windy City, and the children in the neighborhood of his angelic resort on Washington Heights say they saw him take a train for the East.

He Is Lying Very Low. The supposition is that he came to Pitts-burg, but if he is here he hasn't been uncovered so far. Dr. Teed's ambition is to unite the ten communities like the Economites that exist in the United States. He openly proclaimed last summer that had it not been for the opposition of Father Henrici he would have been elected shief of the society. It was even charged at the time that some of his followers had joined the Economites for the purpose of making him the head of the But Teed went back to his female cherubs and male angels in Chicago without even getting his nose into the community. 'Tis said Teed is accumulating valuable proper and is a rich man already.

The line of his distinguished ancestry, as he remembers them, includes Adam, Moses, Noah, Euoch and Elijah. He teaches that he will never die, but will go to Heaven like a rocket. A Chicago paper sava: "For date of ascension see bill posters."

#### PRESIDENT DUSS TALKS.

THE \$400,000 MORTGAGE TO BE USED AS PREDICTED.

He Denies Any Late Selling of Securities and Says the Crisis for the Society Has Passed-Some Little Excited Talk About Doctor Teed.

The publication of the fact that a mortgage for \$400,000 had been negotiated upon the Harmony Society's land at Ecomony, the first and the final news of which THE DISPATCH exclusively gave to the community, created a sensation among Economites themselves and also in financial circles in Pittsburg yesterday. alarmed some of the Economites who had not been let into the secret and provoked comment not at all favorable to the new president of the society, Mr. Duss, For the first time the idea of a receivership was openly discussed, and in an interview the wife of Henry Feicht is said to have declared that an application for a receiver would be made as soon as possible. It is said now that no such action has been determined upon. As one of the members who are not satisfied with the virtual dictatorship of Mr. Duss said yesterday: "I would prefer to see how Mr. Duss intends to treat us, and what his conduct as the successor of Mr. Henrici is going to be, before asking the protection of the courts."

#### She Could Stand Another,

Last night a reporter of THE DISPATCH called at the Great House of Rapp in Economy where Mr. Duss resided. An elderly omy where Mr. Duss resided. An elderly woman opened the door. She said Mr. Duss had been seeing reporters all day, but she would see if he could stand another. After a few minutes' wait Mrs. Duss appeared and remarked that her busband really had not the time to see any more visitors. She consented to ask him, however, and returned immediately with an invitation from Mr. Duss to step into his sanctum. Mr. Duss was sitting at a table littered with letters and writing matters and did not look up until THE DISPATCH reporter had taken a seat by the little gas stove which warmed the room. Mr. Duss' greeting was cordial. While he talked be took off his spectacles and pushed his hand through the wavy shock of black hair, which crowns a high and wide fore-

#### The Paper Was Correct.

The reporter asked him: "Mr. Duss, would you tell THE DISPATCH why the society is borrowing \$400,000 upon mort-

Mr. Duss replied: "THE DISPATCH has putlined with remarkable accuracy for what the money has been raised. I really prefer not to be quoted at all. But I understand that if I say nothing, if I refuse to answer, people will say I have something The description of the mortgage and the uses to which the money is to be put in THE DISPATCH is surprisingly

THE DISPATCH said yesterday, it may be remembered, that the money was to be used to buy out the Blake interest in the file works, to facilitate the transformation of the Economy Savings Institution at Beaver Falls into a national bank, and to pay sundry bills of the society. Mr. Duss implied that this was correct.

"Is it a fact that the interest bearing securitles owned by the socioly have been sold, and largely during the last five or six

#### Mr. Duss replied: Says It Is False.

"It is false that the greater part of such securities have been sold recently. It is true that the society has disposed of most of the bonds and stocks which it at one time possessed. Few have been sold during the last five or six years. As to the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad holdings of the society, they were sold, let me see, about 1883, wasn't it?"

"You have read the statement that some of the members contemplated asking for a receiver to be appointed?"
"Yes," Mr. Duss replied, "and the same City Assessor John Hetzel, of Alle members have been talking about getting a and leaves seven grown up children.

receiver for a year or more. They have never got further than taiking about it, and I don't expect they will now. The trouble about this very small portion of the society is that they talk too much and do not taik the same way for any length of time. For instance, Dr. Feicht, atter doing all he could to oppose me, now is reported as saying that he is my friend."

"Do you expect to have any trouble in maintaining your position?"

"No," was Duss' reply. "All the care that has been taken in bringing the society

that has been taken in bringing the society affairs to their present shape is not likely to prove wasted. I regard the events of the last few days in the light of the apex to the pyramid," and Mr. Duss cheerfully slapped the table with his hand.

Mr. Duss Philosophical. "I know these troubles are to be expected. Winter must come before we have spring. I have not planned and worked as I have done for the good of the society without realizing that such disturbances must arise. I see Dr. Feicht says
that there is an uneasy feeling in the society. With a man running
around all day talking about a dragon, a
mysterious dragon hanging over their heads,
I don't wonder at the same uneasiness
aristics. But a the same uneasiness existing. But as the people here learn the truth they will regain their peace of

"A year ago the newspapers, by persistent hammering away about Dr. Teed, excited the quiet folks of this place, and from seeing the name Duss every day in the papers they no doubt blamed me for some of the disturbance, though they never

had any ill-will for me," Mr. Duss talked earnestly but without excitement. In answer to other questions he said that Samuel Siber, the newly elected trustee, had been off and on a resident of Economy for 30 years. Mr. Siber, so Mr. Duss said, had been in the habit of staying a few years at a time in Economy, and then tiring of the life here had gone out into the world for a spell. The last time he came back was five or six years ago, and he became a member of the society, not in August last as has been stated, but in February of this year.

Said to Be Coerced. It was stated yesterday that several members of the society, whose signatures are appended to the new articles of association, were persuaded or coerced in signing the paper in a very irregular manner. One case was specifically cited. It is said that Dorothea Hoehr, an old lady, aged 84, who occupies a house in Economy, was waited upon by the emissaries Tuesday night last week at about 8 o'clock, which is equivalent to 10 P. M. anywhere else. She was just preparing for bed, and was very scantily clad when a knock came at the door. The men who confronted her asked her to sign a paper they had. She said she would sign nothing till she had consulted with her friends in the morning. She was told that she could either sign the paper or be put out of her house. Under atress of this

threat she signed the paper.
It is said that several other signatures were obtained in the same way. Mr. Duss was asked if it were true that anyone had been forced to sign the new articles of as-

sociation. He said, "no sir, they were all asked in a proper way. Mr. Breitenstein, the land-lord of our hotel and Justice of the Peace, explained exactly what the paper was to every member who was asked to sign and afterwards asked each one, if he or she understood the papers meaning. The statement also that Mr. Henrici did not know what he was doing when he signed the articles and the mortgage is a lie. The members of the society who say they signed the articles under a false im-pression or against their will either lied when they signed the paper or are lying

#### SUGGESTION MEETINGS TO COME.

Many of Them Scheduled for This Evening by Democrats and Republicans,

Republican suggestion meetings are scheduled as follows: Third ward, Grant School, this evening; Nineteenth ward. Highland School, this evening; Eighth ward, Franklin School, this evening; Twenty-fith ward, Morse School, this even-

Democratic suggestions are scheduled in the Twenty-eighth ward at the Birmingham School this evening. In the Twenty-seventh ward they will make Democratic suggestions on Saturday night in the school

First ward, Allegheny, Republicans will suggest in the school house this evening.

#### WILL WATCH FOR THEM.

A Diphtheria Infected Family Said to Be Coming From Ohio,

Pittsburg police authorities are keeping a lookout for John Jones and family, of Portsmouth, O., it being said some of the children have diphtheria.

A telegram from Portsmouth last night stated that place has been suffering severely from diphtheria for four or five months Tuesday morning Jones' favorite daughter died from the disease, and a guard was placed over the house to prevent the contagion from spreading. Last evening it was found he and family had escaped on a train for this city, and that one of his children was itl when he started.

#### CUT FROM THE LIST.

Pittsburg's Assistant Immigrant Inspecto Dropped With Others.

A telegram from Washington last night stated that many newly appointed assistant immigrant inspectors had been dropped from the pay rolls because of the total sus-

pension of immigration making a reduction in the force necessary.

Among those mentioned as having been cut off is W. F. Eberhard, of Pittsburg. Strenuous efforts had been made by labor organizations of this district to secure another assistant immigrant inspector in order to take care of illegally imported laborers intended for this district.

#### THE MAYOR IMPROVING.

A Few Hours of Much Needed Repos Afford Him Great Relief.

Mayor Gourley's condition was somewhat improved yesterday. For the first time since his illness began he secured five consecutive hours of sleep yesterday morning with beneficial results.

His physicians say careful nursing is the only thing which can now be done for him. His illness will not seriously interfere with nunicipal business unless continued for a long period.

A New Railroad Division The heavy traffic of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at the terminus of the line at Philadelphia has led to the formstion of a new division to be known as the Delaware Extension and Kensington division. The office of the Superintendent will be at Cresson. Frank Ellmaker, formerly Superintendent of the Amboy division, has been appointed Superintendent of the new division.

#### Markiewicz Gets Back.

Clement Dartkerwize is in the Twentyeighth ward station house on a charge of assault and battery. He is the man who had Vincent Markiewicz arrested a night or two ago for beating him on the head with a beer bottle. A cross suit was entered by Markiewicz.

A Dull Day at Homestead. No orders were issued by the Homestead Relief Committee yesterday. The merchants did a good business, however, cashing old orders. Turtle Creek miners yesterday sent in a contribution of \$31 54.

Death of Mrs. Kopp. Mrs. Hannah Kopp died Tuesday night at her home on Main street, in the Fourth ward, aged 58 years. She was an aunt of City Assessor John Hetzel, of Allegheny,

The Doctor Withdraws From the Mayoralty Race at the Eleventh Hour.

HE GIVES OUT A LETTER

Saving Party Unity Above All Is Desirable at This Time.

TALK ABOUT OTHER CANDIDATES.

Charges That a Republican Slate Has Been Made Are Denied.

NOMINATIONS MADE IN MANY WARDS

The uncertainty which has overhung the candidacy of Dr. A. Æ. McCandless for the Republican Mayoralty nomination was dispelled late last night by a letter from him in which he withdraws from the contest. The letter is printed below. Dr. McCandless was seen after it had been submitted for publication, but could not be induced to say much.

"My position is clearly outlined in the communication to my friends. I might have gone into the convention and caused a lot of trouble. I might not have secured the nomination but still might have defeated the nominee. But I am not a sulker. I realize that unity is necessary in the Republican party in this contest. Whoever will be the nominee will receive my hearty support, and I hope, that of my friends." The letter written by Mr. McCandless is as tollows:

Fo my friends who are candidates for delegates to the Republican Municipal Convention, with the purpose of voting for my nomination for purpose Mayor:

Since many of you did me the honor to enlist your assistance in my behalf as a can-didate for Mayor, the Republican party, whose best interests we all desire to serve. has suffered a grievous national defeat, and the Democratic party, aided by the dissatisfied and discontented of various denominations, will shortly take possession of the general government. After such a defeat it becomes the especial duty of every loyal Republican to do his part to restore harmony among ourselves, and revive again the old united enthusiastic Republicanism which heretofore invalid us to victory. eretofore inspired us to victory. He Desires Its Unity.

It is especially important that the coming

It is especially important that the coming municipal elections throughout the country should show that the Republican party is once more firmly and determinedly on its feet. At such a time neither personal ambitions, however honorable, nor personal friendships, however grateful, should rule the counsels of the party.

Feeling this; realizing the necessity of a united front in this great manufacturing city of Pittsburg, the cradle of the Republican party; and believing that this end which all loyal Republicans so much desire, can be best assured if our convention comes together as a body of representative Republicans, untrammeted by any pledge to any man, but concerned only for the public and the party interests, I take this means of notifying you that I desire you to no longer consider me as a candidate.

Your assurance of assistance I can never

Your assurance of assistance I can never forget. You can put me under deeper obligation by heartily joining, as I will do, in assisting to nominate and elect a Republican candidate who will unite, revive and inspire the party to one of its old-time victories. Very truly yours, ALEX. F. McCandless.

Trouble Will Soon Be Here. Only two days remain until the Republican city primaries are held. The convention meets next Tuesday. With the exception of the city treasurership there is no positive assurance who will be the nomi-nees. John Lambie, Postmaster McKean, Controller Morrow and County Commis-sioner Mercer will each be represented on The nominees for Mayor and Controller will certainly be selected from this list. No politician can be found who is willing to

say which of those named will be selected orwhere they will be placed on the ticket.

Quite a number of Lambie delegates have been set up. Mr. Lambie said vesterday there would be a good many of them in the convention. He stated that he was not a candidate, as the term is usually employed. He was not seeking the nomination, but if it came his way he would ac cept without hesitation.

Controller Morrow's delegates will come from the East End wards. A number have been set up for him by friends who still hope he will accept a nomination. There has been some talk lately of the Controller as a Mayoralty candidate, notwithstanding that he has for weeks declared positively he would accept no nomination for any

Repeated His Old Song.

Only vesterday he spoke thus to some friends who were urging him to change his mind. Yet nearly every other man at City Hall, when asked who the convention would name, declares Morrow will be on the ticket. Postmaster McKean's delegates will come from various parts of the city. Many believe he will get the Mayoralty nomination, though, like Controller Mor-row, he has frequently said he would not

be a candidate.

Delegates for Mercer will come from the Southside. There may not be many of them, though some folks think he will be the nominee. This belief was strengthened yesterday by the fact that Mr. Mercer had a long interview with C. L. Magee. It is said Mercer was promised, at the time of the last mayoralty nomination, that he should have it this time and that, while be has not announced himself, he has set up quite a number of delegates and is ready to

start whenever the word to go is given. The spectacle of a Republican convention in this city meeting without knowing be-forehand whom it will nominate is considforeband whom it will nominate is considered a joke by the Democrats. They assert positively that a ticket has already been slated and claim the Republicans are only having a little fun by declaring no one knows anything about it.

#### It's a Week Old.

The slate was made in C. L. Magee's office a week ago, according to the Democratic authorities, there being present Senator Flinn, Magistrate Gripp, Chiefs Brown and Bigelow, Collector Miller, Register Conner, Prothonotary Bradley and Sheriff Mc-Cleary. What names were placed on it could not be ascertained, but it was stated that Mayor Gourley's was left off. Several of those who were said to be present declared yesterday they had never heard of the conference or the slate, and didn't be-lieve there was a slate. Magistrate Mc-Kenna, who will be the Democratic nominee for Mayor, said he knew the conference had taken place a week ago. "I heard of it from a source which could not be doubted," said he, "and they are trying to keep it quiet until the convention meets. You will find that the convention, after casting a complimentary vote on the first bailot, will go to some man add nominate him with a burrah."

him with a burrah."

Chairman Gripp, of the Republican County Committee, smiled when the slate was suggested to him. "I don't know who is on the alleged slate, and I don't believe there is one," said he. "I know I had nothing to do with making it, if there is. In my opinion, those who usually make slates will not be in it this time. When the convention meets it will be found no one man has enough delegates to elect. Then I expect a committee will be an-Then I expect a committee will be ap-pointed, representing all the candidates, to retire and decide upon one or more avail-able men for each of the offices. This will, in my opinion, be the only slate the con-

Says They're at Sea. Another Republican who watches closely by court.

but does not participate in politics said yesterday he believed the party leaders were really at sea as to their candidates. "It is my belief that the convention will organize on January 3," said he, "and probably nominate Morrow for Controllor and Denniston for Treasurer. Then it will adjourn until the 9th, the day of the Democratic Convention. In the meantime if it is found that Morrow can't be coaxed to run the ticket will be changed. This will give Mayoralty candidates a chance to pull at the delegates and a lively time will ensue. The delegates will recouvene the night after The delegates and a lively time will ensue.

The delegates will reconvene the night after
the Democrats name their ticket, and whoever has done the most effective missionary
work among the delegates will get the
nomination. I expect the ticket to be the
strongest named in this city for several
verse."

Mayor Gourley's illness has caused con-siderable apprehension among the Demo-crats and Alliance people. The latter are waiting to know if he will accept their nomination, and the Democrats are anxious as to whether he will be fit to accept a place on their ticket. Magistrate McKenna said last night that it was only a question whether the Mayor would accept the Democratic nomination for Controller. "If he recovers, as I hope he will," said the Mag-istrate, "he will get the nomination with scarcely a dissenting voice."

#### NAMING THE RUNNERS.

Suggestions and Nominations for Ward Officers-Several Hot Contests-New Rules Adopted in the Fourteenth Ward-Mayor Gourley Indorsed in the Seven teenth.

The Republicans of the Second ward met in the Ross street schoolhouse last night. A hot contest occurred over the nomination of constable. John L. Kerr and James Brislin, the candidates, have made a personal canvass of the whole ward. A resolution making the suggestions final nominations was offered and adopted almost unanimously. Brislin raised a protest that the meeting was packed in Kerr's interest, but after a great clamor he was declared out of order. Kerr was nominated by a vote of 47 to 2. The present school directors were renominated, and Joseph B. Eaton was named for assessor. Brisliu declares he will have his name placed on the ticket by nomination papers

and run independently.

The Republicans of the Fourteenth ward suggested John Aufderheide, James J. Booth and W. H. Woods for school directors; D. T. Williams, Jacob Joseph and Christ Weaver for assessors and C. Schmidt for constable. C. L. Magee raised the point that under the Baker law there was a doubt as to who should certify nominations to the County Commissioners. It was decided the election officers should meet the night after the primaries to tabulate the returns and certify the nominees to whomever the commissioners decided was proper. It was also decided that the ward members of the city committee should organize to protect the ward organization.

The Republicans of the Seventeenth ward indorsed Mayor Gourley for Controller on their party ticket in a set of ringing resolutions, and nominated for school di-rectors, John C. Smith and John Loresch ward assessor, James Talhorst; constable Republicans of the Seventh ward nomi-

nated William Shore for school director, J. E. Fife for ward assessor and James E. Glenn for constable. There was no opposi-Thirty-second ward Republicans last

night suggested F. M. Stone, Dr. Hogeman, James A. Benton and T. W. Eicher for Republicans of the Fifteenth ward, after a warm fight, nominated Dr. A. C. Clark and D. T. Crawford for school directors, George Horn for assessor and James Jack for constable. Tenth ward Democrats nominated John

Cooney for school director, T. F. Curran for constable, Joseph Crouse and Joseph Seifert for assessors and indorsed Mc-Kenna for Mayor.

### THE WAR IN ALLEGHENY.

Stirring Up Political Dregs by Charges and Counter Charges.

The Republican Mayoralty fight in Alle gheny is growing more lively as the date of primaries approaches. Heretofore there have been no campaign charges, but within the past few days both sides have been firing them off liberally. Mayor Kennedy is sitting back and letting his friends do the talking, though in a quiet way he is doing considerable hustling for votes.

Major Tyler is now openly charging that all the employes in the Public Safety Department have received their orders to secure votes for Kennedy's nomination. He also asserts, with strong emphasis, that a number of men have been dropped from the fire and police forces either because they were Tyler men or lacked ability to land any votes for the Mayor except their own. It is even charged that some of their dismissals came without provocation or the hearing guaranteed by the new charter legislation. The fact that the Mayor has this influence with him is used as an argument by Tyler's friends that the Mayor has withdrawn his allegiance to the reformers who secured his election, and is now on the other side. Tyler still claims to have Kennedy beaten and claims the indorsement of the Industrial Alliance has strengthened him greatly among the voters. Mayor Kennedy's friends think that the

Alliance indorsement went to the right place. They say the Mayor did not want it or he could have had it some time ago, an offer having been made to him. The Alliance leaders deny this statement emphati-cally, declaring they will defeat Kennedy without difficulty, though they doubt whether they could have nominated him if they made the effort.

Council candidates in Allegheny are being catechised by many of their desired constituents, as to whether they favor lengthening the terms of department chiefs, having the controller and treasurer elected by the people, and compelling street car companies to pay up their municipal claims shown by the auditors. To answer these questions a eandidate commits himself practically in favor of either Kennedy or Tyler.

#### GRIFFITHS ALSO WITHDRAWS.

The Republican Contest in Allegheny Confined to Two Candidates. W. G. Griffiths last night notified Secre-

tary Neeb, of the Allegheny City Republican Committee, that he would withdraw as a candidate for the nomination for

Mr. Griffiths was making a fight as a soldier candidate. He said sickness in his family and the advice of his friends had caused his withdrawal. The fight is now between Tyler and Kennedy, and both claim to have gained by Griffiths' dropping They Are for Tyler.

Local Union No. 211, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, of Allegheny, met last night and indorsed the resolutions of the Industrial Alliance supporting Tyler for Mayor. This is the largest local of the organization in this district. It has 600 members.

#### Will Select Ticket.

The East End Democratic Association at meeting on Tuesday night appointed a committee to make up a list of candidates for the Twenty-first ward to be approved at next week's meeting.

The Hanlons Again.

James and Andrew Hanion were given a hearing before Alderman McKenna yesterday on a hearing of larceny preferred by W. H. Stitzer. The Hanlon brothers were arrested some time ago for stealing brasses from the mills in Lawrenceville. They were held under \$1,000 bail each for a trial

# TO SEE WHERE HE'S AT.

Speaker Thompson Going East to Confer With Friends.

HE IS HOPEFUL OF RE-ELECTION. Apportionment Measures Eay Cause

Trouble Again.

A SHORT AND IMPORTANT SESSION

C. C. Thompson, of Warren county, Speaker of the last session of the Legislature, was in Pittsburg last night, on his way East. Mr. Thompson was admittedly one of the best, most apt and most industrious Speakers the Legislature of this State ever had. During his administration he was credited with being decidedly fair, and at the close of the session he was as popular with the Democrats as with the Republicans who elected him. He is a candidate for re-election, and it is highly probable that he will succeed himself. If S. M. Lafferty cannot be elected, the Allegheny county delegation will support Thompson. That has already been decided upon.

Mr. Thompson is 46 years old. He is a lawyer of strength and while he has friends everywhere he is especially strong in his own community. In appearance he is a rather striking figure. He wears a short cropped, full beard, which is just thin nough to expose his fresh complexion. He dresses well, and his clothes are fashionably out.

Watching His Fences "I am going East to look after my fences, as the politicians say," Mr. Thompson began. He was with several friends and admirers longing in an easy chair at the Anderson. "I am a candidate for re-election to the Speakership, and, as my fellow statesman Cobb says, I want to know 'where I am at." "Can you be re-elected Speaker?" was

asked. "I cannot say. I am very hopeful. My friends all over the State have assured me that I can depend on their support and un-less I am very much deceived I will be suc-

"Will Senator Quay and C. L. Magee support you for the place?"
"Well as I understand it, neither gentleman will east a vote on the question of Speakership. I believe that both gentle-men will keep their hands off. Personally both are friendly to me."

"What, if any important legislation do you contemplate for the next session?" "The apportionment of the State into Legislative, Senatorial and Congressional districts will demand attention and may cause considerable trouble. Both branches of the Legislature are largely Republican, and they will naturally see that in the ar-rangement of the new districts the Republican party does not get the worst of it. The Governor on the Lookout,

"Our experience teaches us that Governor Pattison will not allow his party to get the worst of it, and trouble may follow. Governor Pattison refused to approve the ap-portionment bills during his former admin-istration. The Legislature allowed the bills to go by default and the Governor called an extra session of the Legislature. Such a condition might arise again. It is to be hoped that such trouble will be avorded, because it is not only annoying, but it is decidedly expensive to the people of the State.

"The appropriation bills and other measures of necessity will require attention, but I have no information regarding other measures. Of course, there will be the regular flood of bills from every district in the State, but good committees can dispose of a wonderful grist of such bills without consuming much of the time of the session. "Will the session be long or short?"
"That is, of course, impossible to say.
My judgment is, however, that the session
of 1893 will be short but important."
Mr. Thompson went East early this
morning, where he will remain until the
next session of the Legislature averages.

#### next session of the Legislature organizes. TO HELP OPERATORS.

Local Railway Telegraphers Are Assisting Their Striking Brother Operators in the West-The National Association Is Said to Have \$50,000 in the Treasury.

Circulars explaining in a detailed way the trouble now existing between the Rock Island Railway and the B. C., R. & N. Railway and the Order of Railway Telegraphers are being liberally distributed among the railway telegraph operators of Pittsburg. The strike on the Western roads is said to be a vicious one. The Rock Island strike, it is explained, is for principle, while the struggle on the other road is

against a proposed reduction of wages. There are at present about 500 railroad telegraph operators in and about Pittsburg, and all are deeply interested in the Western struggles. All have been contributing liberally to their Western comrades, although their national association, it is

claimed, has \$50,000 in its treasury. The National Association of Telegraphers will meet in Toronto, Canada, in May. The Pittsburg district will send five delegates to the national gathering. This association is said to be the strongest labor organization in known. In the Rock Island struggle 575 men are concerned, while in the other strike 250 men are involved.

#### TWO BAD FIRES.

J. Painter & Son's Office and the Glenshaw

Postoffice Burned. Fire was discovered in the front office of J. Painter & Son's general offices on First avenue early yesterday morning. The firemen stubbornly fought the flames for five hours before they were gotten under control. The firemen were greatly handicapped by the intense cold, and had a hard time to control the fire. The heavy doors had to be broken in. The supports in the cellar had been burned away and the first floor fell in. The building was cleaned out. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an overheated steam pipe. Loss \$8,000.

The postoffice at Glenshaw burned shortly after midnight Wednesday morning. A drygoods and hardware store attached were also burned. A large amount of oil and gunpowder in the cellar caused general con-sternation among the residents of the place. There was no fire department and little could be done to check the flames that at one time threatened the entire town. The houses were completely wrecked. Loss \$9,000, and well insured. Incendiarism is suspected.

#### QUARRELED OVER POOL

Two Men Disagree Over a Game and Fight It Out When One Is Cut.

R. H. Blackwell was given a hearing be fore Alderman Gripp yesterday afternoon on a charge of unlawful cutting and wound-

ing preferred by M. J. Price.

Blackwell and a man named Edward Travers engaged in a quarrel in a poolroom at No. 5 Wylie avenue. The proprietor put them out and they went across the street and into an alley off Wylie avenue to fight it out. Blackwell out Travers with a knife. He was committed to jail to await this become a trial by court.

Three Inquests Held. Coroner McDowell held three inquests yesterday. Jeremiah Gaithor was killed on the P., C. & Y. road and Joseph Gerherding was hit by a Manchester car. Death was accidental in both cases. George Jerlemy, a baby 4 months old, died from convulsions. ANDREWS' ONLY CHANCE,

MEADVILLE, PA., Dec. 28 .- [Special.] The Board of Examiners finished their work of examining the impeached ballots in the Andrews-Highy election contest to-day. There is an element of grim humor in the conclusion, that their work does not change the returns, except in the way of increasing Higby's majority by 24 votes, making his final majority 52. Now the whole business of the contest resolves itself into the original question of the validity of the election in Cambridge and Sparta townships, these disputed elections having been held in the boroughs of Cambridge and Spartansburg. It was urged by the newspapers, which assumed to be speaking for the contest in this case, that he did not seek to take advantage of any technical presentation in the contest in the case. vantage of any techinal arregularity in the wantage of any technial irregularity in the matter of where the elections were held, but would rest his case entirely on the question of how they were held; that is, as to the alleged illegal votes cast, whether in or out of the proper polling places. In ended now. But it will not be. If the two precincts referred to are thrown out it will give Andrews a majority of 52, after de-ducting the 24 illegal votes which the in-

vestigation by the examiners has shown were cast for him. And this indicates the line of battle on which Andrews will now fight the case to a finish.

In conversation with one of the counsel for Higby THE DISPATCH correspondent was informed to-night that Highy and his attorneys fully expected Judge Henderson to throw out these two precincts, and it is the general impression here to-night that the court will so rule, although many of the leading Republicans of the city and county are of the opinion that he will not. Court adjourned until next Saturday, Judge Henderson giving the impression that he would render his decision at that time. Mr. Andrews is quoted as expressing confidence in the justice of his cause and its ultimate triumph.

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