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# GLOBE

WAREHOUSE.

# Spring, 1896. CLANCE OVER THE FIELD

The Situation as It Is Regarded at Harrisburg.

VIEWS OF SCRANTON'S BOLT

The Action of Luckawanna's Congressman in Joining with Democracy to Defeat the Republican Ticket Is Regarded with Much Interest.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 17 .-- Every city, borough and township in Pennsylvania will hold an election today. Officers ranging in importance all the way from mayor to assessors and road supervi-sors will be chosen. No county elec-tions will be held. But the contests in the various towns are of the very first importance to the dwellers therein. And there are some decidedly lively lights in many cities, and the results are of more than local interest.

Outside of Philadelphia there is no city which has a livelier fight than Scranton, There Congresman Scran-ton, the old time Republican war horse. has joined forces with the Democrats to defeat the regular Republican ticket. The outcome of the battle at Scranton is of general interest. Fight for Magen's Scalp.

Another important municipal contest is on at Pittsburg. There the Demo-crats and Quay Republicans have joined forces to overthrow C. L. Magee. The latter's candidate for mayor is Mr. Ford, while H. I. Courgley is a candidate for re-election as city controller. Senator William Flinn, who is city controller will defeat the fusionists by 6,000 ma-

The leaders of the fusionists and the The leaders of the fusionists and the newspapers, nearly all of which are against Magee, claim that Quayifes and Democrats will win. Lieutenant-Governor Lyon, Senator Kennedy and Congressman W. A. Stone, although they all reside over in Allegheny City, have taken a hand in the Pittsburg campaign, and all are reaching for Mr. Magee's scalp. That wily leader, however, says that he will surely win his tight. His ticket will have a walk-over in Allegheny City, where no candiover in Allegheny City, where no candidates were named against it.

Ex-Congressman Sowden's Fight The battle at Allentown being waged by ex-Congressman W. H. Sowden for mayor, is of widespread interest. The city is usually Democratic, but the Republicans are making a strong cam-paign. Mr. Sowden's opponent, Mr. Lewis, has the support of a few Democrats, it is claimed. The ex-congress-man declares that he will be the next mayor, but the truth of the prediction can only be proved by the ballots on

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B. F. Davis for mayor, If they should
do so it would be a great defeat for the
Republicans in the Old Guard county.

Other Important Battles. can only be broved by the ballots on Tuesday night.

Lancaster has a fierce struggle on hand also. There the Republicans re-nominated Mayor Smeitz. That caused a defection of many Republican voters the same of the sa

Other Important Battles. There is a hot contest on in Harrisburg over the municipal ticket. Easton has also a lively election day ahead. There the parties are so evenly balanced in numbers that the outcome is extremely uncertain. Williamsport is in almost the same position. The Republicans now have the mayor, while the Democrats have the controller and city treasurer. For all three offices there is now a spirited struggle.

Reading's municipal campaign has been a series of arguments. Both par-ties have gone at the thing in a business-like way and the candidates of each have tried to prove that they will best serve the city. The Reading campaign has been extremely free from

#### PHILADELPHIA POLITICS.

Republicans Will Carry the City Elections by About 60,000 Majority.

Philadelphia, Feb. 17.—Tomorrow the citizens of Philadelphia will vote to elect a city solicitor and two magistrates, besides numerous councilmen, school directors, election officers, constables, etc., in the various wards. It is the expectation that John L. Kinsey, the Republican candidate for city solicitor, will be elected over his opponent on the Democratic ticket, Arthur Bid-dle, by a majority of anywhere about 60,000. The Republican campaign man-agers look for a total vote of about 100,-000 to be polled tomorrow, and they do not expect the Democrats to roll up more than 40,000 for the head of the city ticket. Mr. Kinsey's name in the wards where factional lights are fiercest appears under various headings and this circumstance is calculated to augment his vote.

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Edward A. Devlin will be elected magistrate on the Republican ticket; but the municipal league is making an attack on Maurice F. Wilhere, the Democratic candidate, and while not likely to defeat him, may cut down his vote below the nominal figures.

Vote below the nominal figures.
Very rarely at a February election
has there been so much general interest
displayed in the councilmanic contests
as there is at present. The elections of
city solicitor and magistrate are almost
lost sight of in the bitter ward conflicts to fill vacancies in councils. The election of select councilmen has es-pecially provoked much bad blood, and tomorrow's struggle at the polls in these cases is expected to be particularly lively.

In several of the wards factional

quarrels are rending the Republican ranks and in these cases Democrats may be elected where the Republicans have hitherto been sure winners.

#### JACKSON'S MOTHER ILL.

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effect. In her conscious moments she calls for her son, prays for him and asks to see his letters. Rev. Mr. Wood has returned from Cin-

cinnati and expresses the belief of his boy's innocence and is getting testi-mony as to his good character.

### STEAMSHIP MISSING.

British Boat Aswandy, with Thirty-Five Men, Long Overdue.

Philadelphia, Feb. 17.—It is feared in shipping circles here that the British steamship Aswanby, Captain Cameron, from Hamburg, Jan. 14, for Philadel-phia, with a crew of thirty-five men and 4,300 tons of beet sugar, valued at up-ward of \$300,000, has foundered at sea,

as nothing has been heard from her since Jan. 19, when she passed Dunnet Head, having taken the northern route through what is known as the Portland Firth, one of the most dangerous localities known to navigators.

The missing ship has on board the largest cargo of beet sugar ever shipped here in one vessel, and it is consigned to the Spreckels Sugar Refining company, who have it fully covered by insurance. In addition to this there are about 150 tons of general cargo. Should the vessel have foundered at sea the loss will foot up to upwards of \$500,000.

#### ANOTHER HOLIDAY BILL.

scheme to Honor the Memory of Discoverer Sebastian Cabot-Pavis on Monroe Doctrine-An Attack on Secretary Morton in the House.

Washington, Feb. 17.-In the senate today the senatorial election case from the state of Delaware was reported back from the committee on privileges and elections by Mr. Mitchell (Rep., Ore.) its chairman, the report being in favor of the right of Mr. Dupont to the seat. The views of the minority adverse to that proposition are to be submitted tomorrow and the question is to be taken up for action of the senate as soon as possible. Another proposition for a national holiday was presented today by Mr. Hoar. (Rep., Mass.) in the form of a memorial. It is to be the 24th of June and is to commemorate the first sighting of the North Atlantic coast by Sebastian Cabot in 1497. It was referred to the judiciary committee, to which had already been referred Mr. Hill's (Dem., N. Y.) bill for a "Jackson day," the 15th resolution heretofore reported

from the committee on foreign relations for the application and enforcement of the Monroe doctrine was taken up, so as to allow Mr. Davis (Rep., Minn.) its author—to address the senate in support of it. He did so, in a speech which occupied about an hour and a half in its delivery. He spoke of the conditions of our foreign relations hav-ing ameliorated within the last month, and said that if that amelioration was the result of any concession of the principles of the Monroe doctrine the American neonle would rise up in con-demnation of it. The United States, he said, under the Monroe doctrine and under the resolution, assumed no re-sponsibility whatever for the conduct of South American or Central American states towards foreign nations; and none of those governments was to ex-pect exemption from the chastisement of war by any foreign power. The intervention of the United States was to be when, and only when the act threat-ened or proposed by a foreign power might be dangerous to the peace and safety of the United States. Those were the general lines on which Mr. Davis' speech was constructed. Its delivery was listened to with great in-terest by senators and by crowded gal-No action was taken on the res-

Agriculture in the House house today resumed the con-

ment was not agreed to, and the appropriation was restored.

The urgent deficiency bill was sent

to conference. A bill was passed providing for the examination and classification of cer-tain lands in California.

A resolution was reported from the ways and means committee and agreed to, calling on the secretry of the treasury for information in detail as to the proceeds of the sale of the bonds under the resumption act of 1875; of the redemnited in the resumption act of 1875; of the redemnited in the resumption act of 1875; of the redemnited in the resumption act of 1875; of the redemnited in the resumption act of 1875; of the redemnited in the resumption act of 1875; of the redemnited in the resumption act of 1875; of the resumpt demption of greenbacks, national bank notes and treasury notes since 1879; the movement of legal tenders in bank reserves and in the treasury; what be-came of the proceeds of the bond sales and from what source the treasury derived the money to meet the excess of government expenditures over re-

When the house at 5.05 adjourned until tomorrow, the pending question was an amendment to the agricultural bill, providing for the purchase and distribution of seeds.

#### COLD DAY INCIDENTS.

Mercury Drops Below Zero - Sorry Plight

Easton, Pa., Feb. 17.—This was the coldest morning that has been experienced here this winter, the thermometer registering II degrees below zero in many places in Easton. The Lehigh river between this city and the chain dam, a distance of over two miles, was frezen during the night. The Delaware river is also covered with ice.

Reports from the surrounding coun-try today tell of the thermometer fall-ing still lower in the slate districts. At Bangor the mercury was 16 below; at Pen Argyl, 17 below; at Tatamy, 12 below, and at Walters, 13 below. Reading, Pa., Feb. 17.—Dr. Wilson M. Snyder was found on the commons near his home in the northwestern section of the city this morning. He was re-moved to St. Joseph's hospital. His eet and hands are badly frozen.

It is supposed he was seized with an apopletic fit shortly after leaving his office last night.

#### SWINDLER OF WOMEN.

Man at Terre Haute Is Also Wanted in Illinois and kansas.

Terre Haute, Feb. 17 .- The man giving the name of Howard, arrested here for swindling women whose acquaint-ances he made by pretending to want the employ a housekeeper, is wanted at Effingham, Ill., and Seneca, Kan. In the latter place he gave the name of H. C. Wilmoth. A letter from Mrs. Wilmoth received today says she was married to him under that name. He left Seneca Jan. 19 and robbed his wife of her haveley and what roomey the had of her jewelry and what money she had.

In St. Louis he induced a widow to dispose of all her household goods and stole the proceeds of the sale;

His real name is said to be H. C. Howe, and under that name he was recently married to Mrs. Belle Buell,

the daughter of a prominent citizen of Effingham. He probably will be taken to Effingham to answer to the charge

#### WYOMING ELK DESTROYED.

len from New York Said to Be Slaugh-

Lander, Wyo., Feb. 17.—Men said to be agents of ex-Secretary Whitney and several other fich men in New York, are in the southwestern part of the county, near New Fork, capturing cik. The method employed is to run down the calves less than a year old. So far they have not succeeded in getting 10 per cent. of those calves to a ranch alive. They often drop dead while being pursued. The destruction of cik now going on is said to be very large. Cow ciks make the run with the calves, and very often die while being pursued. Prosecuting Attorney Videl will at once take the matter in hand. tering Many Calves.

Discussion of the Venezuelan Matter in the House of Commons.

ARE STILL SCORING SALISBURY

The Members Wish It Understood That Lord Salisbury's Despatch Did Not Represent the Feelings of England Toward America.

London, Feb. 17.—In the house of commons today George N. Curzon, parliamentary secretary for foreign affairs, stated that the government had no knowledge that Russia had been invited to occupy and police the Turkish territory of Asia Minor. Such an act on the part of Russia without the assent of the powers, he said, would be a violation of the existing treaties.

The house took up the debate on the amendment to the address in reply to the queen's speech and Mr. Atherly-

the queen's speech and Mr. Atherly-Jones, radical, moved an amendment deploring the absence from the speech from the throne of an assurance that the whole bound dispute with Vene the whole bound dispute with Vene-zuela will be referred to arbitration in accordance with the suggestion of the United States. Before the motion could be seconded Mr. Balfour, in the house interposed and appealed to the house on his responsibility as a minis-ter of the crowned to sections. ter of the crown not to continue the de-bate. He declared that he was of the opinion that the continuation of the debate would not serve the purpose Mr. Atherly-Jones had in view, as it would not make an honorable solution of the difficulty easier. He therefore hoped that the house, realizing how grave the issues were that were at stake, would not further discuss on this occasion the policy that had been pursued or that would be pursued.

William Allan (advanced radical) then seconded the amendment.

Henry Labouchere, the radical lead-r, said that after the statement of er, said that after the statement of Mr. Balfour it was impossible to con-tinue the debate. He hoped he might take it that the dispute would be speedily settled to the satisfaction of both

ountries.
Mr. John Dillon (anti-Parnellite). member of East Mayo, followed Mr. Labouchere. He said he trusted that no appeal from the government would induce the mover of the amendment to withdraw his motion. The action of the American government had been most patient and forbearing, and it ought to be made known to the Aemeri-cans that Lord Salisbury's dispatch to Secretary Olney did not represent the feeling of the people of this country. He was glad to note the recent improved tone of public opinion. Even Lord Salisbury had turned his attention to insulting a somewhat smaller nation than the United States.

Liberal Leader's Opinion Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the Liberal leader in the house, said he The house today resumed the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill and the atack upen Secretary Morton and his policy filled in most of the tirce of the sest in. This led Mr. Pearson (Reb., N. C.) to ask if there were not some one in the house to defend the secretary. "Is there not," he queried, "a Democrat, Republican or Populist who can stoop thus low?" The committee recommendation dispensing with a chief clerk of the department was not agreed to, and the approach it is a liberal leader in the house, said he was glad that the amendment had been moved in the interests of arbitration, but he did not think he could insist that the amendment was the beloway to attain the end in view. Of course, such an amendment could not be accepted by the government and must, if pressed to a division, be lost by a large majority. If that happened it would go forth to America that the house had pronounced against arbitration, although he was convinced that tion, although he was convinced that that was the end that all wished to be attained. What the house had to do was to show that there was no difference of opinion on the subject.

There seemed to be a tendency in certain quarters to think that the United States had acted in a sudden of-fensive manner. As a matter of fact they had been pressing for a settlement of the question for the last ten years, always in a most friendly spirit. Sir William further said that the points of difference between Great Bri-tain and the United States were insignificant and could easily be settled by the cabinets of both countries, but if the populace on both sides were al-lowed to raise excitement through ignorance of the real matter at issue, there would be great danger of strife. He appealed to Mr. Atherly-Jones to withdraw his amendment, which was done, the speaker checking an attempt on the part of the Irish members to continue the discussion.

#### SCIENTISTS SKEPTICAL.

They Still Doubt That Nansen Has Discovered the North Pole-Facts Sup-

porting the Theories. Washington, Feb. 17 .- "Nansen knew that no Jeannette relics have ever been found in Greenland and whatever thought he may have given to arctic currents must have demonstrated to him that a drift across the pole was utterly impracticable."

This was Dr. Dall's comment today when his attention was called to the fact that surprise had been expressed at his statement yesterday to the Unied Press discrediting the long accepted Jeannette relic theory. Dr. Dall is the Arctic expert of the Smithsonian institute and has devoted most of a long life to a scientific research in the north frozen ocean. He believes that should the reported return of Nansen by way of Siberia be verified it will be found that he has not been to the pole and that his expedition was a failure though to some extent more successful than others entering the ice in the same vicluity through the fact that some one has returned to tell the tale. In that case it will be a repitition of the Jean-

case it will be a repitition of the Jeannette expedition.

That Nansen would return in the
Fram.Dr. Dall has never for an instant believed, and in this he is supported by Meiville. Greely, Nordenskield and a host of other great explorers. He declares that there are
records of more than a hundred ships
going into the ice between Point Barrow and the Lena Delta and not a single
relie of one of them has ever been relic of one of them has ever been found. All the wood that reaches Greenland, he says, is treasured as if it were gold. In that treeless land sleds are frequently made of small bits of wood pegged together with the most rigid economy of material, and yet scientists examining these sleds have found noth-ing from any Siberian source. Records of unquestioned accuracy demonstrate that no system of curents exists in the North bolar ocean such as are well known in temperate or tropical waters.

#### FATAL RESEMBLANCE,

John Swint Stops a Bullet Intended for His Brother.
Shenandoah, Pa., Feb. 17.—A striking likeness to his twin brother, William, will probably cost John Swint his life.

Theodore Eisenhower believes that William Swint has been intimate with his wife, and, seeing John Swint on the street this afternoon walking ahead of him, he mistook him for his brother, William, and fired a shot from a revolver into his back. Swint is probably fatally wounded and Eisenhower is in jail.

#### AS ASTROLOGER SEES IT.

tending the Answer to the Presidential Puzzle in the Stars. New York, Feb. 17.—An astrologer, the has made horoscopes of the possi-

# ble presidential candidates, finds that according to the stars McKinley has the best chance of nomination by the Republican convention. Governor Mor-

ton comes next; Speaker Reed third, and Senator Allison fourth. On the Democratic side President Cleveland is in the lead, with William C. Whitney a close second, Secretary Carlisle third and ex-Governor Pattison last.

The astrologer figures out that Senator Hill is entirely out of the running. According to the star green Cleveland. According to the star-gazer Cleveland and Reed would have about equal chances of election if they should be nominated.

#### WHIPPED INTO LINE.

It Is Now Thought That Bob Fitzsimmons Will Not Be Able to Dodge the Fight with Maller.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 17.-The fight atmosphere is clearer tonight than it has been at any time since the carni-val programme was broken into by the val programme was broken into by the development on Thursday afternoon that Peter Maher was prevented by physical disability from fulfilling his part of the contract. With the minor fights abandoned and the rapid progress toward complete recovery of the Irishman's eye troubles, there is a general belief that the outcome of the conference today, at which Fitzsimmons was whipped into line after he had broken through the traces and had debroken through the traces, and had declared that, so far as he was conserned, the match was off for good, will be ratified by the appearance of the men within the ropes early on the morning of the 2ist. That the backers of Maher are sure of their ground was made her are sure of their ground was made evident by the avidity with which they hastened to put up the additional thousand forfeit money that was a condition of Julian's piedge to have als man on hand upon the revised date. There are reasons for believing, moreover, that in view of the change in the situation, the hostility of the authorities may be moderate, at least to the extent hat the fighting party, provided that from now on the managers quit their blowing and their defiant talk, may not have to take chances of being hunted like a band of criminals on their way to the contest. The clergymen at least are satisfied both with the situation and the outlook. hastened to put up the additional thouand the outlook.

It is understood that Governor Ahu-

mada inclines toward a similar view. It was necessary rather than choice that compelled the Cornish man's manthat compelled the Cornish man's manager to accept the proposition from the Maher side after his principal had, with an effort toward the spectacular, retired, announcing that the fight was off. When a jury which, although selected by his opponent was composed almost entirely of his own friends, decided that he was not entitled to the forfeit money, Julian found himself completely whip-sawed and was glad to fall back as a last resort upon the proposition that a few minutes before Fitzsimmons had spurned with oaths and denunciations, and denunciations.

#### Combination in a Tight Place. The fact is understood to be that the

The fact is understood to be that the combination is in as tight a place financially as it was at the time of the Hot Springs and Little Rock complications and that if Fitzsimmons had been taken at his word and the fight been declared off without a forfeit. Julian would have been at his wits end to get his party into New York, where it has an engagement about two weeks hence. There was but one alternative, finding himself stranded, and that was to let his man try for the \$10,000 in the purse on the date named by the other side, and the certainty that date named by the other side, and the certainty that if for any cause whatever Maher was again un-able to enter the ring, there would be \$2,000 with which to tide over the present difficulties.

It was due almost solely to the cool-ness displayed by Connelly and Stuart that the conference did not break up in a bloody fracas. Of the mob of 200 sports and rangers on the other side of the wire netting partition, fully nine-tenths were armed and ready to shoot on the slightest provocation.

A United Press reporter met Gover-nor Ahumada this evening. The gov-ernor said he had given orders to redouble the precautions for preventing the fight taking place on Mexican soil. He stated that if captured in the state of Chihuahua a penal servitude of three years would await the principals, rainers and abettors.

The battle ground is as much of a mystery to all but the promoters as

#### PLAYED WITH MATCHES. A Little Girl at Pottsville Is Burned

Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 17.—A 5-year-old daughter of Michael Lynch, at Oak Hill, near Minersville, was burned to death this morning. She and her 3-year-old sister, in the temporary ab sence of their mother, were playing with matches when the clothing of the older girl caught fire and she was burned to a crisp. The little one escaped injury.

caped injury.

The house was saved by the prompt arrival of some neighbors, who saw smoke issuing from the door. The mother is prostrated from the shock.

#### RAYS LOCATE A NEEDLE.

Successful Operation Performed on a Woman's Foot in Toronto.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 17.—Friday in Grace hospital the value to surgery of Professor Roentgen's discovery was again demonstrated. A woman pa-tient, whose foo: had caused her intense pain, was submitted to the cathode rays, and the photograph re-vealed the presence of a needle. Professor Wright, of University college, who conducted the experiment, pointed out to the surgeons the exact location of the foreign body and an operation at this point proved the photo-

#### IN PRISON FOR CONTEMPT. An Ex-Bank President Falls to Account

graph to be a true one.

for Money Collected. Bloomfield, Pa., Feb. 17.-In the Perry county court tonight Judge Lyons committed William A. Sponster, formerly president of the wrecked Perry County bank, to prison for con-

Sponsler was the committeeman for Ephraim Clouser, and insane veteran, and collected over \$5,000 of Clouser's money for which he failed to account. Sponsler was committeed to prison until he would purge himself of the con-

#### RETALIATORY MEASURE. Governor Morton Signs the Husted In-

surance Bill. Albany, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Governor Morton today signed the Husted re-tallation insurance bill, which permits the superintendent of insurance to treat foreign insurance companies doing business in the state just as New York companies are treated by the govern-ment of said foreign countries. This was the bill introduced as a retaliatory measure against Germany for treatment of United States insur-ance companies

#### ance companies. Girl Burned to Death.

West Chester, Pa., Feb. 17.—Laura Barton, a 7-year-old girl, was ourned to death here this morning. She was left in charge of three small children. Her clothes caught fire and the house was gutted. The other children escaped.

# PERISHED IN A FIRE TRAP

Terrible Pate of Employes in Collar Pactory.

TWENTY GIRLS ARE ROASTED

Tragedy of a Conflagration is a Collar Factory-Three Hundred Employes in a Panie-Many Are Saved by Brave Firemen.

Troy, N. Y., Feb. 17.—A fire occurred late this afternoon in the collar factory of Van Sandt, Jacobs & Co., of Troy. Several girls jumped from the win

dows.

The fire started in J. Stethelmer & Co.'s shirt waist factory and Van Zandt & Jacobs' collar factory, situated in the same building, at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon. There were 300 girls at work in the establishments.

The thames spread so rapidly that the narrow stairway which was the only

exit outside of the fire escapes in the

rear, was almost immediately cut off, and during the panic that followed five girls jumped from the windows, three of them to their death, and many others were injured. The dead: Mrs. Horbort, Mrs. Kane, Mrs. Foley.
The missing: Miss Mamie Danks.
Miss Kittle O'Connor, Miss Kane, Miss

Foley.
The injured: Miss Mamie Day, injured and bruised; Miss Lillle Krelger, badly bruised and burned; Miss Mamie Body bruised and ourned; Miss Maime Rourke, driven insane by shock; Miss Maime Downs, almost suffocated; Miss Annette Harrington, face and hands burned; Miss Lillie Outhout, West Troy, badly burned; Miss Clementine Lloyd, Miss Gertrude Lloyd, Miss Johnson, all three of Lansingburg, bad-Johnson, all three of Lansingburg, bad-ly and perhaps fatally burned; James Ross, crushed by falling walls, leg broken and seriously injured; Officer Burke, crushed by falling walls, con-dition serious; Officer Guy, badly bruised; Officer Watson, scalp wound and bruised; Alfred Casey, Fireman Osgood, John Boland, fireman, Eddy company, scalp wound and leg broken.

Twenty Girls Perished. It is believed by everybody, even the proprietors and employes in the shops that about twenty girls were overcome before they reached the street and were burned up in the building. People who are familiar with the in-terior of the building and know how limited are the means of escape, place the total loss at thirty.

The scene of the catastrophe was at the corner of Broadway and River street, a portion of the city character-ized for its immense business build-ines. The structure is known as the Burdet building, is six stories in height, was occupied by J. Stetheimer & Com-pany, manufacturers of ladies' shirt waists, whose factory was situated on the fifth floor; Van Sandt and Jacobs, menufacturers of collars and cuffs, who occupied the three floors below, and a

restaurant and saloon on the ground noor. There were also several other minor enterprises carried on in the The fire started in the fifth story, in Stock of Latest Trimthe part occupied by Stetheimer & Co. About 5.25 o'clock this afternoon a little boy attempted to light the gas in what is known as the cutting department. This is where the goods are and where the shirt waists are made and cut. He climbed up on the cutting table and lighted the gas. Then he threw the match, which was still burn-ing to the floor and it ignited a pile of scrap cambric. In an instant there was a cracking of fierce and uncontrollable flames and the room was filled with

A Brave Girl's Act.

Miss Lilly Kreiger, at the risk of her own life, rushed through the different departments of the building and warned but the bravery of a volunteer fireman saved her from death.

The girls rushed about the room, some of them found their way down the stairway, others succumbed to the pur 1000 out of your pure around estup some jumped from the dizzy height of river street windows to the pavement below. About half of the girls who were employed on the top floor thought of the fire escape and found their way o the ground in safety.

During this time there was a contin

uous panic and in the rush for a place of safety manw were injured. The crush on the stairs was something frightful. About 200 men and girls attempted to make their escape by this exit at the same time. Many were trampled under foot, the ones who were in front were knocked from their feet and thrown to the landings, and some are said to have been left unconscious on the stairway. The majority of the employes finally reached the street, but they were so overcome by excite-ment that it was imposible to learn from them how many had been left in the building. The girls fairly threw themselves down the fire escapes to reach the ground quickly, and the fire-men had their hands full in carrying the girls down the laders from the terminus of the escape,

Heartrending Scenes.

Probably the most heartrending scenes were those witnessed on the streets. The mothers and other relatives of the girls who were at work in the factory soon learned of the disastrous fire and hurried to the scene. They gathered around the burned building, distracted with grief and fear and making anytous inquiries for the loved. making auxious inquiries for the loved ones. Some of them attempted to rush up into the burning building, and the officers and by standers found it diffi-cult to restrain them. A number of women were soon on their knees on the ce covered pavements, crying piteously to Heaven for assistance.

The spread of the flames was remark-

able. There was no strong wind blow-ing at the time and in less than it takes to tell it the building was after from top to bottom. Twenty streams of water seemed to have no effect and there was every indication early in the evening that the entire block would be consumed. The fire extended into the big structure north, gutted it; the Western Union building was burned out and it was not until about four hours after the fire started that it was under control. The loss will probably reach \$400,000. The three women who were killed by jumping from the win-dows were almost unrecognizable when picked up, so fearfully were their heads crushed.

The liremen who were injured were caught under falling walls. Superin-tendent of Police Willard made a careful investigation this evening and reported shortly after midnight that it s almost certain that twelve girls were is almost certain that twelve girls were burned up in the building. He believes that there were many more who never escaped alive and the names of any more who perished cannot be learned until tomorrow.

#### Hugs Women and Runs Away.

Altoona, Pa., Feb. 17.—A man who is thought to be crazy, is playing the role of "Jack the Squeezer," in this city. His plan is to grab women who are without company, give them a squeeze and then run. The police have caught sight of him several times, but he always manages to keep out of their grasp.

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#### WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware, fair, except a partial cloudiness and possibly snow flurries near the coast; slowly rising temperature Tuesday; decidedly warmer Wednesday; northeasterly shifting to southeasterly winds.

New York, Feb. is.—Herald's weather forecast: In the Middle States and New England today fair weather will prevail, with slowly rising temperature and brisk fresh northearly to northeastarly winds and possibly followed by snow on the coast. On Wednesday in both of these sections, partly cloudy to cloudy, slightly warmer weather will prevail, probably followed by snow in this section, with brisk northeasterly to easterly winds, dangerous on the coast.