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## Mrs. Rorer

Uses "Snow White" in her Scranton Cooking Lectures.

#### PERSONAL.

William Morris is spending a few days

Frank Murphy, of Wilkes-Barre, was in the city yesterday.

Attorney E. H. House started yesterday for Salisbury, N. C., on a business trip. Rev. M. L. Shields and James Carmody. of Towanda, are visiting Father Shields, on Scranton street.

W. S. Decker, of this city, has returned from Toronto, where he has been pursu-ing a course in veterinary medicine. James Gaynor has returned from Den-ver, where he attended the meeting of the Supreme council of the Young Men's In-

Mrs. W. F. Hallstead and Mrs. C. H. Zeinder, wife of the Dickson company's new president, leave today for the North Carolina/hot springs.

Manager McDermott and John H. Brooks, of the Scranton Base Ball associ-ation, are in New York today attending the Eastern league meeting.

Number of the Y. M. C. A. Standard Course. Last night was given the closing en-tertainment of the Young Men's Chris-tian association standard course. The attraction was the Minnie Marshall Smith Concert company, of New York city, and the work of its members was

received with great favor.

The company included Minnie Marshall Smith, reciter: Miss Nellie Udelle. violinist: Philip Enger, violinellist: Frank J. Smith, accompanist, and Gwylm Miles, baritone. The latter replaced Miss Josephine Jennings, the company's soprano, who was prevented from reaching here by floods down the state. A large and enthusiastic audi-

### LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

(Under this heading short letters of in-terest will be published when accompa-nied, for publication, by the writer's name. The Tribune will not be held re-sponsible for opinions here expressed.)

### CAUSE OF THE ASSAULT.

Editor of The Tribune.

Sir:—In Your issue of Monday you note that Maggie Dimler was arrested for assaulting my husband. She said that my husband had assaulted me; this is not true. We had no difficulty whatever. The facts are that Mrs. Dimler, who had a room with us, brought a man to our house during Saturday night, and my husbant insisted that he shapid leave. Then Mrs. Dimler assaulted Mr. Coburn as gtated.

Maggie Coburn.

Buy the Weber and get the best. At Guernsey Bros.

# OUR

### Continued for Another Week.

We must get rid of the extra stock, because our Spring Goods will be in very soon.

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A dandy Men's Fine Calf Shoe, lace or \$2.00 congress, best of shape

An up-to-date Fine Calf Shoe, razor toe, \$3.00 A few Winter Rus-

sets, double soles, ex-tended, all sizes, - 33.25

## OUR KINDERGARTEN WORL

Interesting and Instructive Lecture by Mrs. Treat, of Chicago.

#### THE PRESENT A PIVOTAL TIME

We Are Beginning to Realize the Truth of the Teachings of the Early Kindergartners-Some Recommendations Concerning Child Culture.

A very interesting lecture on kinder A very interesting lecture on kinder-garten work was given by Mrs. Lu-cretia Treat, of Chleago, at the Albright library last evening. Mrs. Treat is one of the foremost instructors in this new education and by her many years experience is well fitted to speak on the subject. Her audience was composed almost entirely of school teachers, and despite the inclemency of the weather was quite large. She was introduced

by Rev. Rogers Israel.

Mrs. Treat is a woman with a smillng, beaming countenance, and appar-ently possesses the kindest of disposi-tions. She is just such a woman as children could not help but love. Her style of talking is informal; hurried but yet well connected, and her language in purity and grace makes up for the eloquence which she refrains from attempting. Even to one not interested or in any way concerned in the subject, she proves to be interesting to a great degree, so well does she dress and pre-

degree, so well does she dress and pre-sent her subject.

She began her lecture by stating that the present was a pivotal time in edu-cational work. We are just beginning to fully realize the profound truth of the contention made by the great think-ers along the line of child study fifty or seventy-five years ago, that it is impossible or at least exceedingly diffi-cult to build well on a foundation that is weak. As President Eliot, of Harv-ard, puts it: "It is very discouraging, this trying to plaster culture on a poor this trying to plaster culture on a poor foundation." Here Mrs. Treat gave a sketch of Frederick Froebel, the originator of the new education, which he styled kindergarten, and her lecture from this juncture on was an elucida-tion in a practical way of this great thinker's theories.

TWO GREAT NECESSITIES. Suitable companionship and organ ized working material, she said, were the two great necessities in the educa-tion of children. Mothers will say, give my child everything, and yet he or she is not contented." That child is geeting too big a dose of mother. She wants some one to associate with who is of her own age, who is not beyond her or beneath her in years, and who has the same hopes, aspirations, joys; some one who can and does do the same thing as the child. A child deprived of suitable companionship will grow mor bld, or, as Froebel said of himself, be come starved. It can not exercise its mind with the ideas of older folks, and as a consequence idleness begets mor-

bidness. By organized material should be un derstood the tools of kindergarten work, selected after years of study and experiment by Froebel and those who have followed him. Froebel's practical tools were as follows: First, instead of a discordant rattle, the effect of which on a child destring calmness and serenity, cannot be stated, a soft ball sym-bolic of perfect form should be its toy Then a hard ball, then a cylinder, a die building blocks, a plane, a line, a point. The first thing should foreshadow the next and so on. Thus the indisputable rule of teaching by going from the concrete to the abstract is observed. Thus the natural craving of children for continuity and converted. anostract is observed to be absent about two spent with friends and relatives in Germany.

Revenue Collector Grant Herring, of Bloomsburg, accompanied by Mrs. Herring, is at the Continental, Mr. Herring, who retired from the state senate to accept his present position, is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress in his district.—Philadelphia Press.

O. F. Biglin, mayor of the city of O'Nell, Neb. is the guest of his sister, Mrs. M. F.

Stanton, on Capouse avenue.

Inc. Their constant question of "Where did you get it and what are you going to do with it?" is answered. The child is interested and the interest is fixed. The result is the child is taught without being made to study. The first theory of advancing up the hill of science was to flog the pupil up. Then it was drag him up. Now it is let the pupil fly up.

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Then the other great feature of the work was taken up. This is character mending. First it was believed that crime would be lessened by the spread of education. Schools were built, the woods are full of them, but crime is not lessened. It was not enough to educate the head. Then it was said, "let both head and hand be educated and man will become better." Manual schools were established but still something was wanting, crime did not decrease. was wanting, crime did not decrease. The theory that if the head and hand were both educated crime would have no ally proved false. Then it was coned. "To the three R's." says Lyman Abbott, "another must be added R—for righteousness." This training of the heart is the "motherhood work" of the kindergarten, the highest thought of

the new education. APPLICATION OF THEORY.

Mrs. Treat then entered in detail upon the practical application of the theory to be followed in this schooling which is embodied in the thought "Emphasize virtue and vice fails away."

The old way of teaching righteousness was "iden" to this or that "That was was "don't do this or that." That was the negative way. The new style is called positive; it says: "Do this or do that," keeping vice in the background and virtue always to the face.

At the conclusion of her lecture, Mrs Treat told an interesting story of the practical working of this theory applied by herself, and then spent a short time in answering questions which she in-vited from her hearers. The lecture will, no doubt, have the effect of awakening a new and vigorous interest in kindergarten work in this city.

### FOUR NERVY BUMS.

Will Have to Explain Their Right to Lodge at the Station House.

For the past two or three weeks quartette of bums have been making the central police station their permanent home, coming and going when-ever they pleased and never saying as much as with your leave or thank you to Desk Sergeant Deiter. Last night they sneaked in as is their wont and appropriated the bunks in two of the warmest and leaves.

in two of the warmest and cleanest cells in the house. They were just starting to doze off for the night when starting to doze out for the night when they were startled by hearing the clang of the cell doors and the snap of the locks. Sergeant Delter had nothing to say to the fellows, although they pleaded for an explanation.'

The sergeant will have his say in the

### THE ACT OF VANDALS.

loodlums Smash the Door and Window of

an Old Lady's House. Four Sport Hill youths, William Thomas, Michael Walsh, Thomas Hennigan and Frank Godwin, were befor nigan and Frank Godwin, were before Alderman Millar yesterday charged with having smashed in a door and window in the house of Mrs. Mary Dougherty, an aged woman who keeps a little cigar store at Sport Hill.

These fellows, according to Mrs. Dougherty's story, are in the habit of loading about her place and cause her.

loafing about her place and cause her no end of annoyance. Saturday night, some time after 12 o'clock, four men. whom she suspected to be the ones she had arrested, came to the front of her house and demanded that she let them in. She refused to open her store at that unseemly hour and told them to go away, whereupon they burst in the door and smashed the window, glass, sash and all. She could not repair the door that night, and, as a consequence, suffered greatly from the cold.

Thomas admitted that he was one

of the crowd and Hennigan was quite clearly proved to be another. The other two men were exculpated by Thomas and were discharged. Hennigan furn-ished \$200 ball and was released.

Thomas could not get a bondsman and had to go to jail.

During the progress of the hearing Patrick Dougherty, a son of the prose-cutrix, interrupted the proceedings by suddenly leaping to his feet and calling one of the witnesses a curious kind of a liar. It cost him \$5.

#### THE SMALL-POX CASE.

It lise Created No Little Excitement in Priceburg.

A great deal of excitement prevails among the native residents of Priceburg over the case of smallpox in that borough, and which was reported in yesterday's Tribune. The home of Fiarski, the Polander who is said by Dr. Kennedy, the health officer, to be affacted with the disease, is quarantined in a perfunctory sort of a way. The same measure of precaution has been taken in the case of another rolander said to be suffering from the same dissaid to be suffering from the same dis-ease. He worked in the same mine as did Filarski.

Health Officer Kennedy and President Fadden, of the borough council, were in this city yesterday. They did not call on Dr. W. E. Allen, the health officer of this city. Dr. Allen, aside from his local office, is a deputy state health officer and in that canacity will see ficer, and in that capacity will go to Priceburg today and investigate the case. Whether or not Dr. Kennedy notified Dr. Lee, of Harrisburg, of the state board of health, of the case is not

Among physicians in this city it i doubted that the disease is really smallpox. They say the malady is diffi-cult to diagnose, and it is possible that Dr. Kennedy may be mistaken.

#### A MIDNIGHT MILL

Fifteen Round Go Between Two Prov

donce Singgers Last Night. Two Providence men, whose names could not be learned, had a fifteen-round will in the field near the old shaft on Oak street about midnight last night. They got into a quarrel in a saloon over their respective abilities with their fists, and adjourned to settle the matter in true ring style. Each man put up \$10, and their friends and backers made numerous bets besides.

The crowd adjourned to the field and

a finished battle was fought. One of the men was knocked out, so the re-port goes, and both were badly pun-

The police heard of the affair while it was on, but could not locate it. After it was over, however, they gained sufficient information to put them or

#### the track of the principals, and will proceed to have them arrested today. PERMITS FOR FEBRUARY.

Only Twelve Issued by Building la spector John Nelson.

The month of February was a dull one in building circles. Only twelve permits were issued by Building Inspector John Nelson for new buildings and improvements, the total cost of which were \$56,675. Those who obtained recently were. tained permits were:

John Jermyn, extension to stores, one story; Wyoming avenue, Flighth ward. J. J. Jermyn, stable, two stories, brick; Raymond court, Eighth ward. J. J. Marshall, double dwelling two and one-half stories, wood; Webster avenue, Seventeenth ward. A. Frothingham, stores and offices, one

A. Frothingham, stores and offices, one story, brick; Wyoming avenue, Eighth ward.
Thomas Murphy, extension to store and dwelling, wood; Robinson street, Foureenth ward.

teenth ward.

Board of control, No. 16 school, two stories, brick veneered; Chestnut street, Fourteenth ward.

John Rafter, double stores, one story, brick; Linden street, Sixteenth ward.

Thomas W. Phillips, double dwelling, two stories, wood; Division street, Fifth ward. ward, John H. Williams, double dwelling, two storeles, wood; Rock street, Fifteenth

Mrs. John Phillips, single dwelling, two stories wood; Maple street, Nineteenth ward.

L. Ainsley, single dwelling, two stories, wood; Eynon street, Fifteenth ward.

J. J. Van Nort, single dwelling, two stories, wood; Mulberry street, Seventeenth ward.

## COMING ATTRACTIONS.

One of the cleanest and most compe One of the cleanest and most competent fun-creators in the dramatic profession is Joseph Hart, who will present for the first time in this city the sparkling comedy, "A Gay Old Boy," at the Academy next Wednesday. As a delineator of refined humor, Mr. Hart has accumulated a following during his career as a co-star with Frederick Hallen, that will assaredly wish him wellen. career as a co-star with Frederick Hal-len, that will assuredly wish him well now that he has his own strong com-pany surrounding him in what is said to be a clever piece. He is cast in a hilarious role, and the amplest oppor-tunity if afforded for the display of his talents. The piot of "A Gay Old Boy" is very simple and yet full of promise of all sorts of complications. Mr. Hart of all sorts of complications. Mr. Hart enacts a susceptible old fellow who weds a Parisian "chanteuse" and is compelled to introduce her into his circle of riends under the most ridiculous circumstances. The fun is fast and furious, and the well chosen company has more to do, and is said to do it has more to do, and is said to do it better than is usually the case with farce-comedy people. The members have been chosen by the management from the ranks of the best comedy players, and their names alone should be a guarantee of consistent perform-ance. Mr. Hart's vivacious chief sup-cept is Miss Carrie De Mar. a consance. Mr. Hart's vivacious chief sup-port is Miss Carrie De Mar, a come-dienne who has a very high reputation as a soubrette.

"The Great Diamond Robbery" will be produced for the first time in this city at the Academy of Music on Thursday and Friday. It is a melo-drama pure and simple and comes here with the reputation of a New York success. It was produced at the American theater in that city with much elaborate ness and will be presented in this city with the original cast and scenery and properties. The authors are E. M. Alfriend and A. C. Wheeler. The plot of the play purports to trace the robbery of some clamonds by the adventuress through scenes that illustrate many phases of New York life and it provides fine parts for some notable actors. That distinguished actress Mme. Jansuschek plays the part of an old hag and thief plays the part of an old hag and thief in a way that has set the New York in a way that has set the New York critics writing special paragraphs about her. Lillian Lawrence has added to her reputation by her performance of the adventurers. Mrs. Annie Yeamans, whose delineation of character parts has made her famous. Maud Banks, Fanny C. Cohen, Frederick Bond, George C. Boniface, George D. Chaplin, Joseph E. Whitin, W. A. Whitear, C. R. Hawkins, Gustave Frankel, are some of the members of the origin. are some of the members of the original company who will be seen in their respective parts when the play is done here.

"A Trip to Chinatown," one of Hoyi's cleverest comedles, will be presented at the Academy Saturday night. No great strength is claimed for the story. the main idea being to introduce a number of character sketches and (up-to-date) episodes in New York. "A Trip to Chinatowa" is a clever musical concell, and satirizes popular themes and characters of the day, introduces pretty music, attractive girls, clever comedians, affording an entertainment in which there is hardly a break in the laughter. A flattering sale of seats is in progress for this engagement.

"Plays and Players." one of Davis' theater successes early in the season, is booked for a return engagement of three days, beginning Thursday, March three days, beginning Thursday, March
5. Many sterling specialties are now
e introduced in the travesty by such
well known vaudevillers as John T.
Tierney, late of the "Hustler," Richie
Foy, Emery and Nodine, Al. H. Weston, Bob Hodge, Etta Mmuts, Edith
La Monte and Etta Burger. Special
scenery and handsome costumes and
comedy of the most laughable description are leading features of "Plays and
Players." The company is a large one,
numbering twenty people.

Coroner's Jury Charges Him with Death of Jahn J. Rafter.

TESTIMONY OF EYE WITNESS

Ross Keogh, of Old Forge, Was with Rafter When Toni Fired Two Shots-Act Was Unprovoked. Verdict of the Jury.

The verdict of the coroner's jury places the responsibility of the death of John J. Rafter, of Green Ridge, upon Sam Toni, the Italian, who on the night of Tuesday, Feb. 4, on Main street, Old Forge, without the slightest provocation shot the deceased twice in the hip, inflicting two wounds which produced blood poisoning, from which death re-Ross Keogh, son of 'Squire John L. Keogh, of Old Forge, was the only witness at the inquest held last night at 8 o'clock in the arbitration room of the court house. Young Keogh was with Rafter when the shooting occurred, and he had been subposed to a supposed to a sup he had been subpoenned to appear as a witness, but at the session of the jury last week he did not respond, and adjournment had to be made until he could be got. County Detective Ley-shon went to Old Forge yesterday and made sure that Keegh would be on hand

Attorney John T. Martin is Toni's counsel and was present at the inquest.
Coroner Longstreet permitted Mr. Martin to remain while the testimony of Keogh was being heard, but he served notice on him at the outset that no cross-examination would be allowed. There were none of Rafter's friends present, and the coroner and the present: aside from the coroner and the jury the only ones there were County Detective Leyshon and newspaper repesentatives.

ROSS KEOGH'S TESTIMONY. Keogh's testimony was that he be-came acquainted with Rafter at the dinner table a few minutes before noon on the date of the shooting. They left together after eating and went to E. J. Fallon's hotel. Afterwards they went to several other places and later in the afternoon reached the hotel kept by Charles J. Keogh, a brother of the wit-

ness.
Along in the evening Rafter spoke of going home, but the witness advised him to go with him to his room and go to bed. Rafter declined and both started out. Keogh wanted to see him safely started for home. Rafter was in a very genial mood.

They walked about a block up Main street, and at the intersection of Main street and the road which leads to Barbertown, five boys and two girls were standing on the corner listening to the music of a band that was practicing in the hall of Mrs. J. W. Fallon. Rafter, in a playful mood, was jostling with the boys, when Toni and another Italian came along. The deceased was in the act of making a spring after one of the boys and he inadvertently bumped against Ton!, who, quick as a flash, pulled his revolver from his pocket and shot Rafter twice. The murderer ran away as soon as he committed the foul

NOT A WORD EXCHANGED. When Rafter struck against Toni, the former fell to the ground. Not a word passed between the men before the shooting, and after it Rafter lay moaning on the ground. Keogh knew Toni well and followed him to his boarding house. Soon afterward the constable came and took Toni before Justice of the Peace R. Willis Reese, by whom he was committed to the county jail.

was committed to the county jail.

In answer to questions put by Coroner Longstreat, Keegh stated that Toni's reputation for peace and well regulated behavior was bad. He knew Toni six or eight months before the affray, and being a bartender for his brother, Charles J. Keogh, was in a position frequently to judge of the prisoner's character. He said the Italian was noted fro his brutal and victous temper and that he had been concerned in lights and quarrels often. nghts and quarrels often.

The verdict of the jury was as follows: "We, the undersigned jurors, find that John J. Rafter came to his death from blood poisoning caused by gunshot wounds received at the hand

# guishot wouldes received at the hands of Sam Toni, in Old Forge, on Feb. 4, 1896. The jury comprised Dr. E. M. Pennypacker, Henry M. Coursen, John Ellis, J. B. Wideman, G. H. Lutts and Charles L. Teeter.

PATENT OFFICE PALAVER. The implements and materials used in buildings are protected by 7,782 patents. Trunks, valises and baggage con-trivances generally are protected by 1,233

There are 626 patented fuels or methods of preparing wood, coal and coke for use. Over 16,000 patents have been issued for the various kinds of electrical appliances. There are 1,771 patents on the machine. the various kinds of electrical appliances.
There are 1.771 patents on the mechanism employed in sinking artesian or oil wells.
Railways und railway appliances are represented in the patent office by \$,234 models.
The miller of this country is aided in his toil by 9.729 devices, sil covered by patents.

patents.
The American mind may be amused by 4,453 different kinds of patented games Inventors of military accourrements, harness and the like have taken out 435

harness and the like have taken out 435 patents.

The dentists of this country have at their command 1.233 patent instruments or processes.

The builder has a choice of 596 patent cranes or derricks with which to do his work. There are 1,549 machines or devices for the manufacture of cordage, twine and string.
The manufacture of stationery may be carried on by the aid of 4,532 pate chines.
There have been 2.717 patents issued for devices or machines employed by the car-

devices or machines employed by the carpenter.

There are 2.487 different varieties of
fire escapes and ladders to be used in
emergencies.

Soda water and other cooling beverages
are manufactured according to 278 patentied methods.

The steam engines of this country need
not lack for valves, 2.465 of these having
been patented.

The patent office has issued 2.077 patents
for inventions, contrivances and discov-

The patent office has issued 2,077 patents for inventions, contrivances and discoveries in telegraphy.

The fisherman has at his command 2,657 patented devices for attracting or capturing the finny tribe.

According to the reports of the patent offices here are 4,289 different varieties of patented chairs.

The number of patent medicines is not so great as might be supposed, there being only 1,332 in the reports.

Harness-making has received the earnest attention of the inventor, there being 7,400 patents in this line.

The erection of fire-proof buildings is encouraged by 455 patents, taken out for materials or methods.

Over 2,000 inventions for the manipular Over 21,000 inventions for the manipula-tion of metals have been patented in our

tion of metals have been patented in our government office.
Butter-making is encouraged by 4.4% patents either on devices employed or methods of manufacture.

There is no leading country in the world whose natives have not taken out patents in the Unied States.

Woodworking tools have developed 4.2% patents, of which one is an auger which bores a square hole.

The vegetabless of this country may be cut or crushel in our kitchens by the nid of 2.6% patent machines.

The art of printing is covered by 5.8% patents, either of machines or special devices employed in the work. Plano sale. Big bargains, Guernsey

Organ -:- Concert ELM PARK CHURCH.

J Alfred Pennington, assisted by Theodore Hemberger, violimist, and the Eim Park Church Quartet. Admission Free. Silver offering.

MOTORS FOR MAILS. dorseless Wagons to Be Introduced in

the Mail Service. Washington, March 3.—Horseless mail wagons will soon be used in all the large cities of the United States. The credit for the application of the The credit for the application of the horseless electric motor carriage to the mail service belong to Second Assistant Postmaster General Neilson. He has for several months been studying the project, and a few days ago completed the plans for the model carriage. It is new in course of construction and will be completed very soon. The dimensions of this new wagon will be 12 feet long, 6 feet wide and trifle over 6 feet high. It will simply be a small posthigh, It will simply be a small post-office on wheels. It will be fitted up

omee on wheels. It will be litted up precisely as in a mail street car or a steam railroad postal car, except that the scale will be smaller.

The body of the wagon will be hung on springs and counter springs, and the wheels shielded with heavy rubber tires. For a long time General Neilson has een engaged in making investigations of the various means by which the mails may be transported. These in-vestigations included street cars, pneunatic tubes and the electric horseles wagons. It has now been definitely de-cided by the postoffice department to employ the horseless wagons in the transportation of mails in city and country districts where there are no railway lines and where the service can be improved by making "separations" (assorting the mail) between offices while in transit. It is intended to place the horseless wagons in service cities which cover a large area and where "separations" between four or ive stations greatly facilitate mail deliveries.

#### THE BERMUDA FREE.

nited States District Attorney Decides That No Property of the Expedition Aside from Explosives Should Be Held. New York, March 3.—United States District Attorney Macfarlane has in-structed the United States marshal that he has no right to further detain the Burmuda or any other of the prop-

the Burmuda or any other of the property of the alleged filibustering expedition excepting the explosives found upon the J. S. T. Stranahan.

This frees the Burmunda from all claims, except the libel obtained against her by Robins and company, which, it is said, will likely be settled. Lawyer E. R. Olcott, who represents General Garcia and his associates, who are awaiting examination on a charge are awaiting examination on a charge of having violated the neutrality laws, said today that the seizure of the ex-plosives upon the J. S. T. Stranahau would be contested upon the claim that the boxes had been properly marked. The case will come up in the United States court March 17.

Late this afternoon Marshal McCarty

and deputies went on board the Ber-muda and arrested Thomas Nelson, chief engineer, James Howden, second engineer, and C. C. Taylor, chief stew-ard, to be held as witnesses. They were brought before Judge Brow, of the United States district court, who fixed the ball in each case at \$500, and pend-ing the filing of bonds the men were detained in the marshal's office. After waiting until 5 o'clock for ball bonds for the three men detained as witnesses, the marshal allowed them to go in the custody of their counsel, E. R.

#### Olcott, who promised to produce them omorrow morning. IMMIGRATION AND POPULATION.

A study of statistics of America's growth in poulation indicates that the native-born population has fallen off concurrent-ly with the increase of the foreign ele-ment. From 1800 to 1810 there was an in-crease of Americans of almost thirty-five per cent.

Since 1810 there has been a steady de-cline of the rate. The last decade shows the percentage of native increase to have been only 24's. The first decided decrease caincided with the first pronounced inrease of immigration The increase of native population of New England was phenomenal until the arrival of the foreigner. Since then it has

steadily declined. There seems to be

steadily declined. There seems to be at accounting for this unless it is on the theory that civilization restricts the increase of population. But in contradiction to that theory the fact may be cited that the English people who had never doubled their population in any 100 years almost quadrupled their number from 1789 to 1889. From 1750 to 1830 our native population never showed less of a gain than 33.17 per cent. each decade, except during the revolution, when it decreased to 28.81 per cent. But now, when our immigration is larger than it ever has been, the increase of our aggregate population is only 2185 per cent. That is almost four per cent, lower than the rate of increase of native whites during the revolution.

I. A. Weber will remove his barber shop to 119 Wyoming avenue April I.

DIED.

WARNER-In Hazleton on Monday, Mrs. Ida Eastman Warner, wife of Dimmock D. Warner, Funeral Thursday in Tunk-hannock.

# **Prices** Doing It

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