

Pennsylvania News.

LIVELY DEBATE ON PITTSBURG CHARTER

Senator Quay and Chairman Garman Favor the Measure.

OPPOSED BY FLINN AND MAGEE

Mr. Stewart, of Philadelphia, Also Protests on Grounds That People of the Quaker City Do Not Want to Be Placed in the Same Class with Pittsburg.

Harrisburg, May 6.—There was a full house this morning in anticipation of a bitter fight over the Pittsburg charter bill. The measure makes Pittsburg a city of the first class and authorizes the governor to appoint a mayor and other city officials within ten days after its goes into effect.

The Chairman Garman is here trying to line up the Democrats for the bill and the friends favor the bill and have made a careful canvass of the house. Senators Flinn and Magee and their followers are opposed to it.

Mr. Thibrook, of Allegheny, called up the bill.

Mr. Stewart of Philadelphia, protested against its passage because the people of Philadelphia do not want to be placed in the same class with Pittsburg.

Mr. Coray, of Luzerne, said it was a strange thing that not a representative from Pittsburg favored this position, if the people of that city were clamoring for it.

The afternoon session was devoid of interest. The order of business was bills on second reading and a large number passed this stage.

When the senate bill requiring political caucuses and conventions to be held in the district in which the delegates are chosen came up for second reading, Mr. Seyfert, of Lancaster, moved to amend so that the act should not apply to counties in which nominations are made by a direct vote.

The amendment was inserted that it would make the act unconstitutional. After Mr. Seyfert had explained the system of nominating Republican candidates in Lancaster county and the effect the measure would have on the party organization if it was adopted in its original shape, a motion was adopted to postpone for the present.

The senate civil service bill was called up by Mr. Lytle, of Huntingdon, and postponed for the present. The bill in its present form applies only to Philadelphia, Allegheny, Schuylkill and Luzerne counties.

The Rodgers charter bill, which makes Pittsburg a first-class city, was passed on second reading during the afternoon and was allowed to go over by its friends. Considerable time was given up to the reading of senate bill to revise and amend the act of May 23, 1883, enlarging and defining the powers of cities of the third class. The measure was framed by the convention of representatives of this class of cities held last summer at Williamsport.

The house adjourned at 5:49 o'clock until tomorrow morning.

THE LIBEL BILL.

Text of the Measure Passed by the House of Representatives.

Harrisburg, May 6.—The following is the libel bill as passed by the house of representatives yesterday.

Section 1. In all criminal prosecutions or indictments for libel the truth may be given in evidence to the jury, and if it shall appear that the matter charged as libelous is substantially true and was published with good motives and justifiable ends, the defendant shall be acquitted. The jury shall have the right to determine the law and the facts.

Section 2. In no case can the defendant in any prosecution for libel be indicted for the printing or publication of the same libel upon the same individual in more than one county of this state.

Section 3. All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

JUDGE REVERSES ALDERMAN.

Sets Aside a Fine Against a Water Company.

Williamsport, May 6.—Judge Mayor, of Clinton county, specially presiding, today directed a writ of habeas corpus to be issued for the defendant in the appeal of the Williamsport Water Company from the judgment of Alderman Batzle, fining the water company \$9,000 for digging up Edwin street 964 feet in excess of the 400 feet of open trench, permitted to be opened at any one time by a city ordinance which imposes a fine of \$10 per foot for all open trench in excess of that amount.

Judge Mayor announced that he would later file his reasons for the verdict.

GAVE UP IN DESPAIR.

Failing to Reform His Wife, a Pittsburg Man Takes Laudanum.

Pittsburg, May 6.—Martin Gray, aged 49, of Thirty-fourth street, died from the effects of a quantity of laudanum taken with suicidal intent, as shown by a letter he had written to his wife. His first wife died three years ago. In opposition to the advice of friends he then married Maggie Conlon, whose reputation was not considered good.

Eight times he fled a suit for divorce, but each time he withdrew his charge and again began the task of reforming the woman. Yesterday he gave up in despair and committed suicide. His death did not affect his wife.

COLLIDED WITH AN ICEBERG.

Rough Experience of the Dutch Steamer La Campine.

Philadelphia, May 6.—The Dutch oil tank steamer, La Campine, which arrived here today, collided with an iceberg in latitude 46.50, longitude 48, on April 29. Captain Markschlager says he was surrounded by a heavy floe of field ice, but kept the ship directly on her course. Suddenly he struck a huge berg, the base of which was hidden under water, while the body seemed some distance away. He said it was fully thirty-feet above water. The vessel was crippled, the plat-

form being torn away from her bow and the braces stove in and bent. Though the water poured into her damaged compartments, her engines were not injured and were able to keep the pumps going at a sufficiently good rate to bring the vessel safe into port.

\$3,800 FOR INJURIES.

Verdict Against Harrisburg in a Damage Suit.

Harrisburg, May 6.—The jury in the Gelsinger damage case came into court today with a verdict of \$300 for Mrs. Alice E. Gelsinger, of East Hanover, and \$300 for her husband, Samuel H. Gelsinger, or a total of \$3,800, against the city.

DOWN AN EMBANKMENT.

John Rominger and John Bell, of Hawley, Have a Narrow Escape from Death.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Hawley, May 6.—A bad accident occurred here about 2 o'clock this afternoon. John Rominger and John Bell, in the former's cart wagon, while trying to turn around on the road between the Delaware and Hudson Canal company's basin and the Lackawanna river, backed the wagon too near the edge, and horse and wagon and occupants were precipitated down a 25-foot embankment.

The horse and wagon went into the river, Rominger was thrown from the wagon as it was going down and received a dislocated shoulder and other slight injuries. Bell, who was found lying in the mud near the river, received a compound fracture of the leg, and was otherwise badly hurt. He is 76 years old, and is in a critical condition.

ATE WILD PARSNIPS.

Avoca Children Have a Narrow Escape from Death by Poisoning.

Yesterday afternoon, says the Pittston Gazette, the children of James Eaton and John Revisnik, five in all, of Avoca, were playing in the fields near their respective homes. Discovering something that they thought was edible, and which upon investigation proved to be wild parsnips, the children, without the aid of their parents, immediately notified and by the aid of a stomach pump, the children were brought out of danger.

One of Mr. Eaton's little daughters was in a serious condition last evening, and was still quite ill this morning, but Dr. Weston says that she is out of danger.

ERMENROUT TO PRESIDE.

Will Try the Knorr-Wintersteen Cases at Bloomsburg.

Reading, May 6.—President Judge James N. Ermentrout, of the Berks county courts, has been asked to try the Knorr-Wintersteen dynamite conspiracy cases at Bloomsburg on May 24. There has been considerable trouble in securing a judge to preside at the trial. Judge Ermentrout, of the Northern Berks county courts, was asked to preside, but declined.

REFUSES TO EAT FOOD.

Woman Unable to Die in Order to Meet Her Husband in Heaven.

Sharon, May 6.—Mrs. James Pierson, aged 75, who is living with her son near Orangeville, five miles east of town, has not eaten any food for over two weeks. Her husband died several weeks ago and at his deathbed she said: "I will join you in heaven."

Then she lapsed into a state of melancholy and refused to eat any food. She will not allow any of her friends to come into the room.

X-RAYS AS LEGAL EVIDENCE.

A Shadowgraph May Bring \$15,000 to J. G. Douty.

Williamsport, May 6.—In court here today in the case of John G. Douty, who is suing the city for \$15,000 damages for injuries received by falling through a defective cellar way, X-ray shadowgraphs of Mr. Douty's injured ankle were submitted as evidence.

DYING OF A COPPERHEAD'S BITE.

A Coventryville Toddler the Victim of a Deadly Reptile.

Pottstown, May 6.—Emma Yoder, aged 5 years, daughter of James Yoder, of Coventryville, Chester county, was bitten by a copperhead snake, and was taken very ill.

Her condition has continued to grow more serious, and little hope is entertained tonight for her recovery.

UNHAPPY PAIR WOO SUICIDE.

The Husband Cuts His Throat, the Wife Tries Poison.

Altoona, May 6.—Mrs. Joseph Toufel, of this city, today took a dose of poison with suicidal intent, but the timely arrival of a physician saved her life.

POUL PLAY SUSPECTED.

Searching Parties Exploring Sullivan County for a Missing Man.

Laporte, May 6.—Henry Upham disappeared from here last Friday and no trace has been seen of him.

hanna Dickerman, of Trenton, N. J., was married to a man named Gottlieb Henninger. The couple moved to Chicago, where Henninger went blind and was turned out of doors by his wife. He returned to this city and later went to Philadelphia, where he died. The woman took up with three different men at various times and they lived together as man and wife. By the last man, Curtis Robinson, she had two children. Six years ago the woman died and a year later Robinson died, leaving an estate worth about one million dollars. The lawyers have succeeded in finding two brothers of the first husband. They live in New Jersey, a few miles from here. They will claim a part of the estate.

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FOR THE WHISTERS.

The women's congress closed last Saturday with great enthusiasm among the members. The attendance was large each day. Nearly three hundred women whistlers were present and it is conceded that the whistling shown in the open air is of a higher quality than that of the Manhattan Beauty congress. The officers elected were as follows: President, Mrs. T. H. Andrews, of Philadelphia; vice president, Mrs. Joseph H. Hawley, of Washington; second vice president, Mrs. Clarence W. Brown, of Philadelphia; treasurer, Mrs. Silas W. Pettit, of Philadelphia; secretary, Miss Florence C. Green, of Providence, and a board of seventeen directors from various cities. The important team-of-four match for the Washington trophy was won by the Trist Whist club, of Philadelphia, by one-half a match. The champion four being Mrs. Frank Samuel, Mrs. Rodman Wister, Mrs. Eugene Ellison and Mrs. H. Toulmin. The women's pair contest was won by Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Brandt, of Boston. The mixed pair contest was won by Miss Goldsborough and Mr. McCoy, of Baltimore, by three tricks, the match score being a tie with Mrs. Toulmin and Mr. Work, of Philadelphia. It was intended to play a match on Friday between the women and men, but the attendance was so large that the preparations proved inadequate, and it was found to be impossible to arrange a satisfactory match, so the immense gathering had to be general in character. At this Women's Whist congress, which was at first regarded as a doubtful experiment, delegates were present from the following cities: Milwaukee, Washington, D. C., Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Decatur, Boston, Princeton, Chicago, Allegheny, Wilmington, New York, Baltimore, San Francisco, Newark, Pottsville, Minneapolis, Philadelphia and Detroit, and in fact from nearly all whist centers where whist is understood and its popularity is increasing. The truly said that one of the few remaining jokes in use for the past 150 years has been laid away in peace.

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YALE ON THE HARLEM.

New Haven, Conn., May 6.—Although Yale will row with Harvard and Cornell only in a "variety contest" this year, a plan is on foot to arrange a race in which Yale will compete with the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia in the Harlem regatta in New York on Decoration Day.

Yale has received an invitation to send down her second crew, and the proposition is being seriously considered by the navy management. Columbia has entered her crew already.

(It is reported from Philadelphia that Pennsylvania will not enter either the Harlem or Passaic regattas.—Sporting Ed.)

PLAYERS IN A DIVORCE SUIT.

Tommy Gillon and Jim Daly Are Two of the Co-respondents.

According to a Syracuse paper two of Scranton's base ball players, PITCHER GILLON and RIGHTFIELDER DALY, are named as co-respondents in a divorce case at Rochester. The Syracuse Herald gives the information in the following paragraph:

A man named Smith is suing his wife for divorce in Rochester and has named these ball players as co-respondents: Willie Calihan, Charlie Dooley, Tommy Gillon and "Sun" Daly. Mrs. Smith is a sister of Pearl Keyes, the bicycle rider.

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