SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 2, 1898.

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Congressman Stone is

Scored by the Member

from New York.

IMMIGRATION BILL DEBATE

Mr. Lodge, s Bill Causes Con-

siderable Angry Talk.

Senator Clark Explains His Action

in Voting for the Teller Resolution,

and Maintains That His Vote Was

Consistent With His Republican-

ism -- Jerry Simpson Turns the Bat-

teries of His Eloquence Upon New

Jersey Trusts -- Comparison of the

Soup House Patronage, Shows an

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# SHERIFF MARTIN'S CASE CLASSIC BOSTON SNOWED

# mer Affair in Court.

OF THE DEPUTIES

Nearly All Answer to the He said he had a strong opinion as to Roll Call.

A Large Crowd Gothers at the Wilkes. Barre Court House to Witness the Proceedings .- The Work of Selecting a Jury is Slow and Tedious. Fruitless Endeavors to Find Men Without Opinions -- Rev. Father Mr. Lenahan. Aust One of the Interested Speciators-Prosecution Claims to Have Cases Against Fifteen of the Depu- ed Mr. Martin.

Wilkes-Barre, Feb. 1.-Seven jurors were obtained today in the trial of CLAIMS TO HAVE Sheriff James Martin and his deputies charged with shooting and killing twenty-two striking miners and woundover fifty more, at Lattimer, near

Hazleton, on September 10, 1897. The session was long and tedious, being almost entirely devoted to the examination of candidates for the jury box. In all, forty were questioned, and it lacked a few minutes to 6 o'clock when court adjourned. The remaining five men will be selected tomorrow and then the trial proper will begin.

The Luzerne county court was besieged by such a crowd that it early for the production of Mrs. Louisa Luetbecame necessary to close the doors. around the lawyer's tables sat some of produce her within the same space of the best attorneys in this part of the

District Attorney Martin opened the case by asking that the special attorneys for the prosecution, five in number, be permitted to assist. Counsel pictures and from them selected that for the defense did not object, saying of Mrs. Luetgert without trouble. He that one thousand assistants would not said he could produce the woman at avail the commonwealth. The request

### DEFENDANTS RELEASED.

The commonwealth then asked for a nolle pros in the cases of Leonard Bab-William Drum, John Dougherty, J. J. Gallagher, William Muthall, Fred. A. Sleppy, William Costello, William Siewell, Calvin Pardee, jr., John W. Crooks, jr., R. C. Warriner, Thomas A. derson.

The district attorney explained that

these names were in the indictment, the men were not present at the Attorney Lenahan, for the defense bjected, averring that it was unfair

to rob these men of their constitutional right to a fair and impartial trial by jury, after having been indicted on the terrible charge of murder.

After some argument granted the nolle pros. The commonwealth and the defense

nutually agreed that the remaining defendants should be tried together, Two of the defendants left after the

shooting and are still missing. The examination of jurors was then begun, and during the morning six men were heard, but none chosen,

Samuel J. Sundrey, another deputy, was also given a nolle proseque on motion of Attorney Wheaton for the defense, who said the man's wife was dying, and he could not be present. There are now sixty-three men who will stand trial.

Each deouty answered to his name when called and stood aside. The following names on the list did not answer: George E. Ruble, who is unknown; Harry Deal or Deahl, who it is said disappeared after the shooting and Michael Cezek at Lattimer, September last, are: James Martin, Alfred E. Hess, Robert Tinner, Amantes M. Eby, Charles Houck, Arce P. Platt, jr., Arce Pardee Platt, T. Milnor Morris, Frank D. Clark, Alonzo Dodson, Harry Zierdt, Charles Beisel, John Zierdt, W. J. Douglass, Rodger A. McShea, John Cook, John Turner, Edward Barton, F. P. Bartholomew, Edward Turnbach, Thomas H. Hall, Thomas Marsden Schuyler Ridgeway, Samuel B. Price, Willard Young, George Ferry, George Trieble, W. Isanc Rayert, Augustus W. Drake, Conrad Zeigler, William W. Roth, William Berryman, Edwin Balwood, Robert H. Kay, John E. Ander- this morning. son, Harry Polgrain, Anthony Moyle, John L. Salem, James Ferry, Joseph Nichols, Charles J. Haen, Frank James Osborne, James Henry Sobers, Henry L. Manley, Richard C. Jones, A. where he severed his jugular vein with Evert, Herbert S. Houck, Stephen a bowie knife, dying almost instantly. Jones and George W. Fritzinger.

# CURIOUS CROWD ASSEMBLES.

When cov - eassembled at 2 o'clock, another targe crowd was present and the police were kept busy keeping the corridors clear. George Scureman, a fireman, of Wyoming, was the next juror called. He said he had a fixed opinion on the matter and was afraid to rely upon himself to render an impartial verdict. He was stood aside Eli Weaver, a laborer, of Hemlock ownship, was the next juror examined. He proved satisfactory to both sides to the table, and was sworn. Mr. Weaver, when asked if he was a German, replied: Yes, I am what you would term a

Pennsylvania Dutchman." "That is the kind of a man we want in the jury box," said Mr. Lenahan, chief counsel for the defense and a smile passed over the face of the only

juryman in the box. I., J. Coyle, a carpenter of this city, was called. He said he read and talk-

Defendants in the Latti- about it in the Times and other papers. He said he had a fixed opinion and it would take strong evidence to shake it. Did not think he could lay aside his opinion, would not be willing to trust bimself in the jury box. He was challenged and Judge Woodward asked: "Could you go into the jury box and render a verdict in accordance with the law and evidence?"

"I could," said the witness, and the challenge was dismissed. The juror was asked to stand aside.

G. R. Shaw, a carpenter of Rose ownship, was called for examination. the case on trial but it would not prejudice him as a juror. He did not now any of the defendants or their attorneys. He had no prejudice against foreigners. He was sworn as the sec-ond juror. When James M. Coughten, superintendent of the Wilkes-Barro chools, was called to be examined here was an interesting colloquy between the juror, the judge and the atency. Judge Woodward stated that the juror wished to be excused. "We are writing to excuse him," said

"We don't care to use such a man," said the district attorney.

"Have you formed an opinion?" ask-Yes. Phave

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# FOUND MRS. LUETGERT

#### Latest Sensation in the Trial at Chicago -- A Sane Man Offers to Preduce Her for a Reward.

Chicago, Feb. 1 .- A man giving the ame of Jacob Luthardt, called at the central police station this afternoon and announced himself as prepared to accept the \$20,000 reward which Police Inspector Michael Schaack has offered gert alive. The man said he had seen Woodward presided, and Mrs. Luetgert within 48 hours and could time. He told a straightforward story, and although subjected to a close examination by Captain Colleran, of the central station, insisted upon the accuracy of his story. He was shown 300 any time and would do so immediately

if he was assured of the payment of the 329,000. He said Mrs. Luetgert was within a short distance of Chicago, and with some friends of her's. According to authard's story she is insane, but has lucid intervals. He was given a letter o Inspector Schaack and that official not only agreed to make good the \$20,-000 he had originally offered, but prom-Harris, Samuel Arnold and Craig An- ised to give Luthard \$500 additional for every day that was saved in the trial

ction of Mrs. "The trial will last about one week shooting, and therefore could not be \$2,000 more," said the inspector. "You bring the woman into court and I will personally pay you \$23,000. I will also guarantee that you get a total sum of \$25,000, as I know others who will put up a little besides my \$23,000. Now,

bring her in."

Luthardt sat still a moment, and then with the remark, "well, I must be

oing." he left the station. Chief of Police Kipley's private sec etary, James Markham, says the man s irsane. He says he has called at the hief's office several times for an inerview with the chief. Each time he ofused to state his errand, but said he had very important business to transact with the chief.

## LEISENRING INDEPENDENT.

#### Will Join Neither the Quay or Anti-Quay Party.

Wilkes-Barre, Feb. 1.-It has been sserted that the Hon. John Leisenring. the Luzerne candidate for governor, would attend the meeting of the anti-Quay people in the Bourse building in Philadelphia tomorrow night Mr Leiswas never arrested. The names of the but from one of his closest friends it enring is out of the county at present defendants charged with killing was learned that Mr Leisenring will at attend the meeting, and that none of his friends will be authorized to at-

tend and act for him He had not been invited nor had any f his friends been invited to attend the meeting. His purpose is not to belong to any faction, Quay or anti-Quay, and to make an independent canvass.

## POLITICIAN'S SUICIDE.

#### Ex-Minister Thomas L. Thompson Severs His Jugular Vein.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Feb. 1 .-- Mr. Thomas L. Thompson, ex-minister to Brazil, tlett, Louis Long, C. Wesley Hall, Wil- ex-congressman, ex-secretary of state liam J. Hill, Henry J. Pfaff, T. J. Wil- of California, and one of the most liams, William Kulp, Curtis W. Dowd, prominent Democrats in California, cut Joseph M. Stevens, William Under- his throat while temporarily insane

He had worried over business affairs Thomas H. Brown, J. W. Bornheisen, until he imagined he was in serious trouble.

Mumey, Nick Michael, Peter H. James, as usual this morning and shortly af-Mr. Thompson appeared at breakfast ter locked himself in the bathroom,

## RECEPTION TO MR. DOLE.

Washington, Feb. 1.-The most elab orate entertainment of the present official season marked the welcome of Prestdent Dole, of Hawaii, at the white house this evening. In the east room the Pres ident and Mrs. McKinley, Vice President and Mrs. Hobart, the guests of honor, President and Mrs. Dole, and the members of the cabinet, received the other guests for a short space before repairing

## Turley Nominated.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 1.-The Demcratic caucus on the first ballot tonight numinated for senator Thomas B. Turley, of Memphis, to fill out the unexpired term of Isham Gharsis, and who was appointed by Governor Taylor, senator, after Senator Harris' death. The result was a surprise to all spectators, for it was not expected that the deadlock would be broken tonight. The hallot stood: Tured about the case frequently. Read ley, 46; McMillin, 45; Taylor, 1.

# SNOWED UNDER

The Hub for Several Hours Controlled by the Elements.

DUSINESS COMPLETELY PARALYZED

Street Car and Steam Railroad Traffic Abandoned -- Electric Lights tion and may be washed to pieces. The Extinguished in Many of the Suburban Towns .- The Storm in Other Eastern Cities.

Boston, Feb. L-A northeast snow storm which set in yesterday and raged until this afternoon, completely paralyzed all branches of business and street car and steam railroad traffic, and shut off the city from communication by wire with all places outside the limits of Boston. The storm is the most severe this city has experienced in twenty-five years, and caused the loss of several lives, besides doing a money damage of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Between 1 and 4 o'clock this morning foot of heavy, wet snow settled over he city, and leveled wires in all quarters. The snow stuck to the poles and wires with remarkable tenacity, and, tided by a wind blowing at the rate of tifty miles an hour, prostrated all telephone and telegraph lines out of the city. More than half of the electric lights of the city went out and in suburban towns the fire alarm service was

In Newton, broken wires falling across others, started a fire in the electric room of the elegant residence of unities are reported but none of any Charles J. Travelli, the wealthy Pittsburg steel manufacturer, and in two hours nothing remained of the house

Mr. Travelli's family escaped in their clothes without saving anything. The

ess amounts to about \$100,000. Late last night the big three-masted schooner Charles T. Briggs, of Bath, Me., coal laden, was dashed to pieces on the Nahant coast, and it is believed her crew of eight men perished. The body of one of the crew has been recovered.

In the business district it was nearly noon when many employes reached their places of employment, all suburban trolley lines having been abandoned at midnight and the steam railroads being unable to run more than two or three suburban trains during the forenoon. All through trains from New York and the west, as well as those from the east, were at least from four to six hours late, and many did not get in until late in the afternoon, The New York and Albany express, one section of which left New York at ? o'clock last night and was due at 6.15

a. m., did not reach here until 1.25 o'clock this afternoon, The Boston and Albany road started two express trains for New York during the forenoon, but it was 2 o'clock before they were able to proceed be- FATAL HOTEL FIRE yond Natick, ten miles from the city. The tracks were not only blocked with wires scattered over the road were encountered at many points. A freight train which ran off the rails near South Farmingham blocked the Albany ex-

press trains for three hours. The city and suburbs are covered with broken poles and tangled wires. Many horses were killed in the streets by

stepping on wires which had fallen across trolley wires.

SITUATION DANGEROUS.

Tonight the situation assumed such dangerous aspect that Mayor Quincy ordered that none of the electric lights be turned on except in districts where the wires are under ground. It will require weeks to restore the telephone and telegraphic service. Not a single telegraph wire out of Boston was in operation all day and the telephone wires were in almost as bad condi-

The wholesale and most of the business districts was deserted all day. The stock exchange was lifeless and transactions were limited, chiefly due to the absence of news from New

York. Shipping in the harbor was damaged greatly during last night and the early morning. It is feared that many disasters to coast shipping will be reported when telegraphic communication is restored.

At Dedham today three Italians shoveling snow on the Providence division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford road, were struck by a train and killed. A number of less serious

accidents were reported. A number of trains met with accidents in different parts of the state,

but as far as known there were no additional fatalities. Fall River, Mass., Feb. 1.-The New York boat which left this city last

night had to put into Newport, abandoning the rest of the trip. Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 1.-The storm at Gloucester was one of the worst in many years, and the damage which

lies in its wake will foot up about \$200,-About one thousand fishing and other vessels were wholly or partially wrecked. A dozen of there were wholly

wrecked. Eighteen lives are said to have been ost, and there may be twelve more which have gone down on missing ves-

Providence, R. I., Feb. 1.-The storm here today was one of the worst ever known. Telegraph and telephone wires are all down and the city is overwhelmed by three feet of snow, which has blown into immense drifts. Trains are blocked in all directions. The only

mail since yesterday arrived at 10

o'clock this morning.

The New York train which left at 10 clock was blockaded at Highland sta-

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 1.-Eight inches of snow has fallen here in the last twenty-four hours. The train leaving Boston at 11 o'clock last night, via the Boston and Albany, had not reached Worcester up to 10 o'clock this morning. The midnight train from Boston, via the Shore line, has not yet reached London

At Waterbury about twenty inche of snow fell and drifted badly. The train service on the western division of the New England road was badly delayed and there were slight delays on the Naugatuck division of the Consolidated road.

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 1 .- A special of E0.000.

from Greenfield says that the Fitchburg railroad is snow-bound, and not a trolley car in Franklin county is run-

UP IN MAINE.

Rockland, Me., Feb. 1.-The storm has stopped traffic, and no trains are moving. During the storm the fishing schooner Lena Young, of Matinicus parted her lines from Atlantic wharf and drifted ashore, striking on the ledges of the Bobb Butler ship yards A large hole was smashed in the bot tom of the vessel and other damage donc. She is now in a perilous posi-

crow was rescued. North Anson, Me., Feb. 1.-The snow fall here was nearly 30 inches and drifted badly Waterville, Me., Feb. I.-Small houses

have been buried by 20 feet drifts of

The Lockwood cotton mills

have been closed, the operatives being unable to reach the factory. There has been no train over the Maine Central railread for twenty-four hours. Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 1.—The storm as paralyzed business and traffic. Street car lines are tied up and communications with other towns is almost suspended. All the mills are seriously affected by the storm. The forty passengers on the 9.40 train out of Boston passed the night stuck fast in

#### this city until late this afternoon. STORM IN PENNSYLVANIA.

### Catastrophes Result About the State.

Strondsborg Snow Bound. Philadelphia, Feb. 1.-The snow and wind storm of last night and today was one of the mest severe experienced in this section since the big bilzzard. All trains are behind time, and several casgravity. The storm was severely felt throughout Eastern Pennsylvania.

Two Reading railroad freight trains collided near Tamauqua, demolishing both engines and injuring the fireman, brakeman and conductor. Traffic was

delayed several hours. A dispatch from Stroudsburg says that communication between that place and other towns nearby has been cut off. At Tobyhanna the gale was so violent that the ice cutting industry had to be suspended, throwing 500 hands out of work The storm is very severe up the Delaware valley, and the stage was stalled just outside Stroudsburg and compelled to return

with the mail. From Susquehanna it is reported that raffroad tracks are being badly drifted and highways are almost impassa-The Carbondale express on the Eric railroad left with two locomotives A freight train on the main line of the Eric railroad is snowed in and a steam snow excavator went to its relief. All

trains are behind time. At Lancaster the nigh wind heaped hig drifts on the line of the trolley road to Lititz, and up to a late hour this afternoon the road was still block-

# AT GLOVERSVILLE

#### The Alvord Totally Destroyed .- Six Persons Perish in the Flames. Dozen Others Injured.

Gloversville, N. Y., Feb. 1.-The Alord house, a five-story brick building, was totally destroyed by fire between 7 and 8 o'clock this morning. Six persons perished in the flames and a dozen others were more or less injured in making their escape. The dead are: E. C. KIMBALL, of Indianapolis, and his

wife and daughter.
BENJAMIN F. STRICKLAND. CHARLES RUPPERT.

and Mr. Day were business men. Ruppert was a bell boy in the hotel.

A large number of the guests sustained severe burns and many of them escaped with slight injuries, although they jumped from the second story windows. Among the most seriously njured, besides L. C. Lambert, are: William Maloney, traveling man, residence unknown; badly sprained

B. M. Ross, traveling man, Roches-

ter, N. Y., badly bruised. Dr. J. D. Davis, of Westfield, N. Y., jumped from the third story. He struck the wires opposite the second story and was thrown violently to the ground, but was not seriously hurt. J. H. Barry, of Troy, jumped from

the third story and was only slightly injured. Elwood Delong, a fireman, seriously frozen.

Andrew Watson, of Toronto, Ont. jumped from the fourth floor to a shed and was only slightly hurt,

#### TREMENDOUS GAS EXPLOSION. Occurs in the School . Shaft at Exe-

ter This Morning. Pittston, Feb. 1 .- A gas explosion of tremendous force occurred o'clock this morning in the Marcy vein in the Schooley shaft of the Pennsylvania Coal company at Exeter. The explosion blew down and shattered all the doors and brattices in the section

of the mine where it occurred, and shook the surface above. Mr. Bryden, the superintendent, says that the full consequences of the accident are not vet known and will not be until an investigation will have been made. The officials were today considering the best method of exploring the damaged portion, for it is a very precarious undertaking, owing to the existence of large bodies of gas. Fortunately nobody was hurt by the ex-

## Quny Resolutions Lost.

Condersport, Pa., Feb. L-At the meet-ng of the Republican county committee here today resolutions were offered to instruct the chairman to have Senator Quay's name printed upon the ticket for United States senator, and to instruct the representative to vote for Quay for re-election. Both resolutions were lost by a decided majority.

## Roseustock Arrested.

New York, Feb. 1.-Moses Resensted n-in-law of David Wilfson, of Bal-Md., was taken from this city oday to Baltimere. Rosenstock was arrested in this city on Saturday charged by Mr. Wilfson with the embezzlement

# THE KLONDIKE SITUATION BAD

War Department is Urged to Check Immigration.

SUFFERING WORSE THAN SUSPECTED

The News Placed Before President McKintey -- Congress May Be Asked to Act .- No Placer Discoveries There Within the Last Eight Months -- The Lawless Are Band ing Together.

Washington, Feb. 1.-General Merrium, under instructions from Acting Secretary Meiklejohn, yesterday opened at Seattle the despatches brought by Special Messenger Wells from Captain Ray, the department's special rep resentative in the Klondike, and for-warded an abstract of them to the war department by telegraph. Acting Secretary Meiklejohn was so much impressed with the statements wired that submitted the despatch at once to Secretary Alger, who is new convales-cing at his home from a long illness, a snow drift between Ballardvale and Lowell, without food, and did not reach and after consultation between those officials the paper was sent to the white house, where it formed the subject of consideration by the cabinet meeting today. It is said at the department that the report fully justifies all that has been done by Secretary Alger and Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn, under the authority conferred by congress, relieve the situation in the Klon-

The report of Captain Kay is particuirly acceptable in view of the conlicting statements as to conditions in he gold fields that have been made persons coming out this winter. The state of affairs in the Klondike as thus vealed is worse than was suspected the war department, and indeed so targe is the task that remains to be xecuted in order to ensure the safety of life and property on the American side of the line alone, that the war department officials have concluded to advise congress as to the facts and place upon the legislative branch the duty of devising ways and means to meet the exigencies of the case. The bstract of Captain Ray's report, as elegraphed by Major Robinson, is as follows:

# TRUE STATE OF AFFAIRS;

Scattle, Wash., Jan. 31, 1898. Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C. Complying with telegram of today, five tters and two packages from Captain . H. Ray addressed to you in hands of pecial Courier E. H. Wells, intercepted y mc. Substance as follows: Latest ear date of Nov. 2 and 3, refers to acon and attempted robbery of caches: commends that United States government take steps to effectually check im-nigration to interior of Alaska of all sersons not fully supplied to last two years Give as reason no way to earn a living and that no placer discoveries have been made within last eight months.

ory. by November 15, when the building is to precipitate a race question, as one required by the act to be completed who had attacked the Irish, the Gernumber of persons in any capacity, all calues are speculative, and there is no ixed standard for labor. There is not, nor is there likely to be within twelve nonths adequate or sufficient means of upplying persons now in Alaska or Forthwest Territory. About 7 per cent. of all people who have entered during th past year have earned their living, and hundreds are now scattered along the river destitute of food, clothing and money. Persons coming in have not had the faintest conception what to do to carn a living, and after spending the money they brought they have become dazed and helpless. The rush from the United States is likely to be great this year, and any step to prevent people from coming in their ignorance is an act Mr. Kimball was an agent for a glove factory of this city, and Mr. Strickland are banding together along the river for purpose of robbery, renew suggestion for government placing on the river small draft steamboats with high power, armed and used to patrol river, and the placing of detachments as the movement of people demands. Courier sent with dispatches by 4 p. m. train today to re-port to General Merriam. Also recommends preliminary survey by Cook's in-let to the interior for all American roads, (Signed) Robinson, Quartermaster.

# CEREMONIES AT BETHLEHEM.

## Enthronization of Right Rev. Ethel-

bert Talbot, D D., Lt. D. Pethlehem, Pa., Feb. 1.—The enthro nization of the Right Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, D. D., L.L. D., as bishop of the Central Pennsylvania diocese of the Protestant Episcopal church, will take place in the Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem, tomorrow morning, The services will be imposing and elabcrate. The choir under the direction of Professor E. A. Daltry, will render pecial music on the occasion. Bishop Talbot and family arrived this

#### vening and are the guests of Mr. R. Linderman, president of the Bethhem Iron company. Many priests are in town.

Senate Resumes Consideration the Annexation Scheme. Washington, Feb. 1.-The senate reumed consideration of the Hawalian annexation treaty in executive session today with Senator Platt, of Connecticut, as the principal speaker. He advocated the ratification of the treaty

as in the interest of our commerce and

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our civilization. He said that the trade of this counry would as in other countries inevitably go where our civilization goes, and argued that if we would extend our commercial relations in the Pacific we must control the Hawaii islands for all times.

#### Japan Prepares for War. ondon. Feb. 2.-A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Nagasaki says: "The far east-

ern situation is very serious, and it is

selleved that Japan is actively preparing for war." Woman Suffrage Hearing. Washington. Feb. 1.—The house judi- spinning mill at Oggino, thirteen miles iary committee today fixed Tuesday, from this place, has collapsed, killing

### Feb. 15 for a hearing on the proposition to make woman suffrage amendment to

Hend Cut Off by Train. Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 1.-William Crumrein, of Parkersburg, a laborer on the Pennsylvania railread, was struck by a train at that place last evening and had jestic. New York for Queenstown and his head cut off.

# THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

### Weather Indications Today:

General-Sheriff Martin Trial. War Department Urged to Check Immigration to Klondike.
Uneventful Day in National Legisla-

Fair; Continued Cold Weather.

tion. Effects of the Storm. Hastings Protests the Governor Awarding of the New Capitol Con-

Local-Criminal Court Business. 3 Local-Mid-Year Convention of the W.

Editorial. Comment of the Press. Local-The Kohut Murder Trial. Banquet and Ball of Schiller Lodge. Adams Avenue Fire.

Local-West Side, South Side and Su-Lackawanna County News.

Neighboring County Happenings. The Markets.

#### THE GOVERNOR'S EARNEST PROTEST

### Objects to the Awarding of the New Capital Contract .- Specifications

Not Complete. Harrisburg, Feb. 1.-Governor Hastngs addressed a letter to State Treasurer B. J. Haywood, secretary of the capitol building commission, tonight, protesting against awarding any contract for the erection of the new capitol under the terms and conditions issued by the commission and the plans and specifications accompanying them. The governor states that under the proposals and specifications of the commission, if the contractor were to provide all the materials and perform the emplete, fire-proof, nor ready for the use of the next legislature, as required ing his vote in favor of the Teller resby the Act of April 14, 1897. The combined plans, specifications and proposal contemplate a building manifesty incomplete both structurally and architecturally.

"The specifications provide for marble facings on only two sides of the building," Governor Hastings adds, two end walls to be of rough brick without windows. As the building will be so placed as to be viewed on all sides, to have two ends faced with polished marble and the other two ends faced with rough, common brick would e a monstrosity, and the only explanation possible is that it is intended to add additional wings and to make capitol building you are authorized to build, a part of a greater structure which you are not authorized to build and for which no appropriation importance were passed. has been made. Although your plans and perspective show a massive and imposing dome, yet your specifications provide for no dome whatever."

The governor calls attention to the fact that much of the woodwork will desired to close the gates to immigrafact that the contractor must give a him he turned upon the Pennsylvanian bend for the completion of the work and denounced him as one who desired He says if the work be temporary the permanent work will take place after tionality. November 15. Among other things the executive says plastering of the senate and house chambers, the rotunda and whose Americanism cannot stand the some other rooms will be omitted; that no provision whatever is made for heating and ventilation, nor for gas or electric lighting. He takes the ground that unless these things are provided for in the original contract the commission cannot let separate contracts for them hereafter. He argues at length that the commission is not authorized to make a temporary structure requiring further appropriations of money to complete the building, neither has it the authority to make the building a fractional part of a larger building. That work belongs to the general assembly. He says experience has shown in the erection of pub-He buildings the wisdom of confining the total cost to a specific sum. He urges the committee, in conclusion, to so modify their plans and specifications as to require a completed fireproof building, adequate for the use of the general assembly, to the end that no stain may come upon the honor and sound judgment of the men selected by the people of the state as their trustees to perform this responsible duty.

## GRIGGS IN THE CABINET.

The New Attorney General Attends His First Meeting. Washington, D. C., Feb. torney General Griggs sat in his first cabinet meeting today. Although it was originally planned that he should take the oath of office today, at the request of the president he did so last evening, so that he was a fully qualified member of the president's family

today when the cabinet met. The cabinet proceedings were rather brief, and aside from some expressions of opinion upon the results of the silver vote in the house of representatives yesterday the principal subject of discussion was the state of affairs in the Klondike as revealed in the reports

#### coming to the war department from its agents in Alaska. PORTO RICO TOBACCO TABOOED.

# The Weed Witt No Longer Be lowed in Cuba.

Washington, Feb. 1.-All Porto Rico tobacco has been forbidden entry into according to United States Consul Hanna at San Juan in Porto Rico Heretofore this tobacco has been shipped to Cuba and there made up into cigars branded "Habana." The best cigars that have been going to the United States during the past three years were made of Porto Rico tobac-

As a result of this order, which the consul says was to take effect January last, the price of Porto Rico tobacco has greatly declined.

#### Storms in Lombady. Como. Lombardy, Feb. 1.-Heavy storms have visited this city and vicinity.

eight persons and burying eight others Steamship Arrivals. New York, Feb. 1.—Cleared: Friesland, Antwerp; Germanic, Liverpool. Sailed: Nomadic, Liverpool. Arrived—Kensing-ton, Antwerp. Browhead—Passed; Ma-

Liverpool

### Increase Under Democratic Administration.

Washington, Feb. 1.-No business of importance was transacted by the senate in open session today. The feature work in exact compliance with every of the short session was a statement detail, the building would neither be made by Mr. Clark (Rep., Wyo.) as a matter of personal privilege, concernwas in no way inconsistent with his Republicanism and declared that he would not permit anybody to read him out of the party, as he was satisfied

the masses of the party would not conviet him of political heresy. The house devoted most of the ses sion today to the District of Columbia appropriation bill, but had not completed it at the time of adjournment Some politics were injected into the debate just at the close, the feature of which was a bitter denunciation of Mr. W. A. Stone, of Pennsylvania, by Mr. Mahany (Rep., N. Y.) for the former's position in favor of the immigration bill. Mr. Stone did not see fit to reply, Before the district bill was taken up several bills and resolutions of minor

Mr. Mahany presented the protests of 10,000 German-American voters against the Lodge immigration bill. He made an impassioned speech against the intolerance of those who "temporary," notwithstanding the tion, and when Mr. Stone interrupted

> mans, the Poles and every other na-"I commend you." he shouted, "to the voters of Pennsylvania as

test' "Is the sergeant-at-arms present" was the only comment of Mr. Stone

#### when Mr. Mahany concluded. CANNOT SEE PROSPERITY.

Mr. Simpson (Pop., Kas.) attempted to show from elippings from Maine papers that there had been no return of prosperity in the lumbering industry in that state. He also attacked New

Jersey as the home of the trusts. Mr. Dingley, in reply, declared that the Maine papers were full of evidences of the improvement in the lumber industry. The clipping quoted was the exception. It was, he said, another proof that gentlemen on the other side could see the speck on the barn door,

but could not see the door. Mr. Pitney (Rep., N. J.) defended his state. He declared that New Jersey had been trust-ridden because for years it had been under Democratic domination. The Democratic legislature had knocked down legislation to the highest bidder. Laws were to be had by those who had the price. The last crowning infamy of the Democratic legislature was an attempt to carry out the mandates of the coal combine by which the price of coal was to be advanced \$1 per ton. But, at last, said Mr. Pitney, the wise, patriotic people of New Jersey had risen in their might and swept the Democrats from power. They had repudiated utterly the infamous doctrine preached by Bryan in 1896, and had elected as governor last year a gentleman (Attorney General Griggs) who had been today called to larger sphere of usefulness in Mc-

Kintey's cabinet. (Republican ap-Mr. Handy (Dem., Del.), as an evidence of lack of prosperity, read a letter from a friend in Philadelphia, who said he had counted 240 unemployed persons who on a single day

visited a charitable soup house in Kensington. Mr. Adams (Rep., Pa.), in reply, declared that the report of the factory inspector of Pennsylvania showed that 125,000 more persons were employed in the factories row than at this time last year. As to the soup houses in Kensington, they fed 30,000 unemployed

#### under the free trade tariff, Food for Cubans.

Philadelphia, Feb. 1.-The Grocers' and mporters' excharge today made its third and final shipment of provisions to the suffering pooe of Cuba. This shipment makes an aggregate of 150,000 pounds of food supplies sent to Cuba by the exchange in the past three weeks, representing a cash outlay of \$4,500.

### Pittsburg, Feb. 1.-Mark Baldwin, the base ball player, issued an execution to-day against Chris Von der Ane for \$2.55. This is the amount of the verdict Bald-

win received for being illegally arrested

The Hern'd's Weather Porceast.

New York, Feb. 2.—In the middle states and New England, today, fair to partly cloudy weather and brisk to fresh northand westerly wind will prevail, preceded by lower and followed by higher temperature, and by light snow in the northern districts,