will certainly be able to identify the

"stranger" if he is caught by the au-

thorities. He describes him as being

light in features. He were a dark

suit of clothes, black Derby hat, and a

sandy, well-trimmed moustache. The

Mr. Cohen went further and describ

ed the modus operrandi of the deft

stranger. The man came into his place

if business and displaying two rolls of

what, to the uninitiated, appeared to

be a heavy gold leaf. This he wished

to dispose of and of course had reasons

which were not in a roll. He even of-

fered his goods to Mr. Cohen at his

(Mr. Cohen's) own valuation and after

a careful weighing and a partial test-

stuff there was about thirty penny-

weights, or about \$26.50 worth. He of-

ered \$22. The stranger accepted and

FISH COMMISSION MEETS.

Assembled at the Jermyn Vesterday and

Considered a Number of Matters of

Interest to Fishermen.

Excepting one member, all of the

Pennsylvania board of fish commission

vere in this city yesterday and held a

neeting at the Hotel Jermyn during

The members here were S. B. Stil-

well, of Scranton, president: H. C.

who is in Fierida. The assistant sec-

retary, W. E. Mechan, of Philadelphia,

No appropriations were made by the

last legislature for the commission's

the commission voted to put the station

commission which has facilities for

shad there yearly. The station is the

largest and best equipped of its kind in

Fishermen will be interested in the

result of an experiment made by the

the western part of the state. It was

reported at the meeting that a success-

ful cross had been made between a

ellow perch and a California trout.

Out of 500 eggs twelve fish were pro-duced. This has both a scientific and

a practical value. The result had been

thought impossible as it was a produc-

tion of offspring between different

genus, corresponding almost to human

propogation from the lower scale of

animal life. The twelve fish are now

one year old and resemble the perch,

Reports received at the meeting de-

veloped the fact that the present catch-

es of shad are the greatest in the his-

tory of the Delaware river. The aver-

age shad now weighs five and one-half

ten years ago. This is due to artificial

hatching and the protection of the river

which now produces an annual retail

long and weighed ten pounds when tak-en from the water. The fish is now on

exhibition at Fifth and Chestnut

WILSON IN HALF A KING.

Demand for Seats Not as Large as

Anticipated.

The sale of seats for Francis Wilson

began yesterday morning at the Ly-

for tickets, but not as large as was

expected. This is one of the best attractions that has been offered to

Scranton theatre-goers this season, one

that requires a large outlay on the part of the management of the Lyceum to

It is to be hoped that Mr. Wilson will

be greeted by a crowded house when

he re-appears before a Scranton audi-

ence tomorrow night. "Half a King,"

his greatest success, is the comic opera

in which he will be seen. His last ap-

pearance in this city was in "Erminie'

Manager Long, of the Lyceum, said

last night that the Wilson company

cost him \$1,990 and that even at the ad-

vanced prices asked he cannot hone to

make any money out of the engage-ment. He said he was anxious to give

the theatre-goers of this city the very

best comic opera attraction on the

stage today and if he comes out even

will be satisfied. He felt that those

who are constantly clamoring for the

best the theatrical market affords

should show their appreciation of the

efforts to please them by giving Mr.

such as their merits deserve.

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pany, and three car loads of scenery

ceum. There was a generous demand

ommission at the Corry hatchery in

departed.

the afternoon.

which are held yearly.

the United States.

which was a male.

wight of two and

streets, Philadelphia.

me years ago.

\$150,000 in 1880.

clothes were slightly threadbare

small in stature, middle in age and

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SOCIAL EVENTS.

Mrs. Horace B. Ware gave a charming tea at her handsome home, on Clay avenue, yesterday, when a very large number of guests were entertained. The rooms were elaborately decorated A beautiful arrangement of La France roses and maiden-hair forn adorned the mantel in the reception room, where Mrs. Ware, assisted by Mrs. B. B. Bab-cock, of Hornellsville, N. Y., and Mrs. Rogers, of Binghamton, received. About the various rooms were Mrs. H. W. Kingsbury, Mrs. G. B. Jermyn and Mrs. F. D. McGowan. In the dining where the table held a lovely centre piece of white roses, white car-nations and delicate ferns, Mrs. E. S. Moffat and Mrs. Frank E. Platt presided. The young ladies who assisted in serving refresh, onts were Miss Eloise Gilmore, Miss Augusta Merrill and Miss Anderson, Mrs. Waiter M. Dickson and Mrs. H. P. Simpson served frappe in the palm-lined haft. At the Howe. head of the Staircase Bauer's orchestra afforded music for the occasion.

The Misses Jermya gave a dinner last night at the Country club in honor of their guest, Miss Taibot, who will leave the city today for her home in South Bethlehem. Those entertained were Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Jermyn, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Jermyn, Miss Talbot, Miss Dule, Miss Coleman, Mesers, Joseph Green, of Syracuse; H. D. Merrill, E. E. Chase, Selden Kingsbury and Ruscell Dimmick.

PERSONAL.

C. H. Schadt Is III. William Blume was in Port Jervis yes

Mrs. James S. McAnulty and Mrs. C. W. Fulton are in Washington Hon, and Mrs. John Kuhhach, of Hones-

dule, are at the Scranton house Mrs. Chauncey H. Derby, of North Park, is visiting West Pittston friends. J. Morrison Carr. of St. Louis, Mo., is the guest of Frank J. Leonard, of Jefferson avenue.

Newton Jackson, of Scranton, Pa., is among the arrivals at the Menger.-San Antonio Daily Express.

yesterday to inspect the Governor's troop. He will return at noon today. Mr. and Mrs. B. Moses, of Mulherry street, are entertaining Mrs. M. D. Fos-ter and her daughter, Miss Jeanette Fos-

ter, of Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Elwell, of Norwich, Conn., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Black-inton at their suburban home. Mr. Elweil is a classmate of Mr. Blackinton and made the address at the Engineers' club

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION.

Conducted at the Government Building for Postoffice Department.

inst night.

At the government building on Washington avenue yesterday afternoon a postal department examination was onducted by the local civil service beard, which consists of W. D. Reche, D. H. Jenkins and Louis T. Schautz. The examination was divided into three clauses to conform to the different grades of positions sought by the twenty three persons who took the examination

The highest grade examination ineluded these studies: Spelling, arithmetic. letter writing, penmanship. copying from plain copy, copying from rough draft. In the other grades the qualifications required are not so high. To be successful the applicant must get a percentage of seventy per cent. Those who took yesterday's examinations were:

For Clerk-Mary E. Hickok, Rush, Pa. Anna W. Broadbent, Scranton; Anthony O'Donnell, Ebervele; Royal Taft, Dun-more; Edward J. Leonard, Scranton; Louis J. Coons, Plymouth, Messenger-John A. Gough, Scranton, Compositor-Horare Miller, Ecividere,

Tagger-Charles H. Quinn, Wilkes Barre; Harry H. Hulbert, Lovelton, Pa. Edwin S. Roberts, Danville; Walter M.

Watchman-William Hopkins, Parsons; Francis A. Heffedlinger, Scranton.

Railway Mail Clerk—Jacob M. Hum,
Port Munroy, N. J.; Harry E. Smithcora,
Rockport, Pa., Freeman A. Tallman,
Carbondale; Harry C. Cope, Stanhope, N.
J.; William Buckwalter, Lighistreet, Pa.; Bertram S. Ropp, Elizabeth, N. J.; Will-tam J. Thomas, Stull, Pa.; Clarence B. Gale, Hamlinton, Pa.: Edward E. Schultz, Strawberry Ridge, Pa.

Strunk, Portland.

ARE NOT EXCITED ABOUT IT.

Visiting Marines Refer to War in a Matter-of-Fact Way.

Two United States marines, wearing their service uniforms, attracted much ittention about the city yesterday, They are Frank Courtright, of this city, and Robert Smith, of Boston. They came here on their way from New York to Philadelphia to visit Courtright's brother, Harry Courtright, of this city, the well-known "Georgia Pine Knot." Smith has been in the service for four years and Courtright for two. Both were on the Lancaster, which came from southern waters recently to New York to get on her war paint and feathers. Her crew was transferred to the Texas and are now bound for their new berths. Smith and Courtright secured a short furlough and took advantage of it to make a flying visit to Scranton

They don't become very much excited in talking of the impending war. To them it appears to be a rather matter-of-fact business, judging from talk. There is more real excitement on land than on the ships, they say. The sailors and marines, however, are anxious for hostilities to begin, each crew seeming to feel that their particular ship can settle the whole question, and that it ought to be given an opportun-

ity of proving that it can. Smith and Courtright evidenced much less concern about the war than they did about the fact that they have overstayed their furlough and are likely to erction. It was, however, a long time between "lands," with them, and they could not resist the temptation to stretch their holiday, when the chances the brightest.

FELL FROM A BOX CAR.

Brakeman William Bush Seriously Injured in the Yard.

William Bush, a Delaware, Lackahe top of a box car in the gard yesterday afternoon.

He was standing at the farthest end lutions were adopted: f a train that was being backed down one of the switches, when the engineer suddenly applied the air, bringing the rain almost to a standstill and causing Bush to topple backward from the car. He struck on his back across one of the rails and his right leg was pinched beneath a wheel, the train moving just far enough to catch him before coming

to a dead stop.

He was taken to the Moses Taylor hospital, where it was found that his back was severely sprained and the permanently affected.

He is a married man and lives at 1022 Webster avenue.

TWO COLORED, ONE WHITE.

Suits and Counter-Suits Before Aldermen Howe and Kelly Yesterday.

aldermanic courts, swore out a war- were set on fire January 25, by the carerant before Alderman Howe yesterday lessness of some miners who were atcharging Payton Taylor, also colored and countly well known, and Kate Mul- mite with a safety lamp. Repeated atherin, with assault and battery. The defendants were arrested by Constable Aiderman Kelly entering ball in the sum of \$200 each.

Taylor entered a suit before Alderman Kelly charging Miss Reed with assault and battery. She waived a hearing and entered ball before Alderman

FORD VERDICT WILL STAND.

Judge Buffington he fuses to Grant a New Trial.

Judge Buffington has refused a new trial in the case of William Ford against the Delaware and Hudson Canai company, which was tried at the recent term of the United States Circuit court in this city. A verdict of \$7,500 in favor of Ford was returned by

When Ford was seven years of age he had one of his legs cut off by a train on the Delaware and Hudson road at Spring street, Moosic.

NEW BRIDGE AT DRIVING PARK.

Is a Substantial Wooden Structure and Was Completed Yesterday.

iver at the Driving park was completed yesterday by Street Commissione Dunning and was opened for travel during the afternoon It is a substantial wooden structure and its crection was one of the crying

The new bridge over the Lackawanna

needs of North Scranton for some time

WOELKERS LANDS TRAVER IN JAIL

The Reformer Went to the South Side Once Too Often.

PICKED UP AS A DEAD DRUNK

The Anti-Speak-Easy Crusader White in the Enemy's Territory Takes on Too Much of That Which Stingeth Like an Adder and White Under the Influence Encounters, or Is Encountered by Constable J. F. Woelkers -- Each Tells How It Happened

Constable Joseph F. Weelkers may have his faults, but it wouldn't be well to go around the South Side today shouting them from the house-tops, In fact, it wouldn't be well to do that very same thing for some days to come, for the gallant Joseph is going to have a whole lot of friends over

there, heresiter. It was all accidental, too. C. W. Traver, of Wilkes-Barre, the famous moral crusader, who is scheduled to prosecute twenty-one South Side speak-easy keepers in criminal court next week, was down on the South Side last night, for some purpose not disclosed, and, as many a good man before him did, in making a tour of the South Side, became drunk; in fact, ex-

ceedingly drunk. About 11.30 o'clock he started for his hotel in the central part of the city, carrying his troubles with him. Upon reaching the corner of Hickory street and Cedar avenue his burden be came too great to bear and he paused

Just what happened then has to be told in two stories.

THE CONSTABLE'S STORY. Constable Woelkers says that he hapsened along and found Traver lying on the sidewalk, dead drunk. He roused Demuth, of Lancaster; Louis Struber, him and tried to start him on his way, of Erie; J. W. Correll, of Easton, and but Traver, instead of going, turned Dr. James A. Dale, of York. The abupon his would-be befriender and smote him rudely on the side of the face with his clenched fist.

"He might have finished me right there," Woelkers said, "only for my brother came along and took him off For this base ingratitude Woelkers shad station at Bristol on the Deladecided to lock his assatlant up for ware, where 10,000,000 shad have been

the night and to this end telephoned hatched annually. In view of this fact for the patrol wagon. The wagon went over on a gallop, at the disposal of the United States fish with Sergeant Ridgeway and Patrolman Boland in charge, but Woelkers hatching forty additional million o was impatient to get his man behind shad there yearly. The station is the the bars, where he would be safe from harm, and before the wagon arrived he and his brother and a crowd of South Siders were on their way to the station

house with Traver in tow. The prisoner was locked in a cell and charge of "dead drunk" placed against him on the docket.

Woelkers wanted to have "assaulting in officer and resisting arrest" also charged up, but Sergeant Ridgeway only answered the request with the but voluminous ejaculation, Bosh!

TRAVER'S VERSION.

The other story staggereth thus: "I hic-was going my-huh-going about my business. That's all. These here -hic-here fellows was followin'-huhme all around-every p-place I went. Somebody knocked me d-down and I'm hic-here and that's all I know 'bout

Traver had Woelkers arrested a ouple of weeks ago for committing pounds, compared with an average eriury in reporting to court that there re no unlicensed saloons in his ward. The case was dismissed, but a more serious one grew out of it, Woelkers assaulting his captor, Special Officer shad revenue of \$1,250,000 as against of having another very seen are not Mink, and injuring the old man so severely that the district attorney made the indictment one of aggravated assault and battery. It is to be tried next | taken from French creek near Corry, Monday.

THEY FAVOR WILLIAM CONNELL.

wanna and Western brakeman, was Resolutions Adopted by the Junior seriously injured by being thrown from Republican Club.

At a meeting of the Junior Republican club last night the following reso-

Whereas, Honorable William Conneil, our present efficient congressman, has andidate for the subernatorial nomina tion, at the hands of the members of the Republican party, of the grand old Keytone state, be it

stone state, be it Resolved, That we, the members of the Junior Republican club, of Scranton, Pennsylvania, believing that Mr. Connell would make a most efficient governor and would be the strongest available candidate that the party could select, have Resolved. To enderse the candidacy of flesh of his leg badly lacerated. It is Mr Connell and to do everything in our thought, however, that he will not be power to further his efforts for the office to which he aspires.

MINE IS STILL ON FIRE.

Much Trouble to Quench the Blaze in the Alden Workings.

Efforts are again being made by the Pennsylvania Coal company to save Fila Reed, colored, and well known in the Alden mines at Nanticoke, which tempting to thaw out a stick of dynatempts have been made since then to extinguish the flames and prevent the Cole and they waived a hearing before destruction of the mines, but to no avail, as was evidenced by the appearnce of smoke and gas seen coming rom the air shaft recently.

> The fire is raging in the Cooper vein, 450 feet below the surface. Its extent s not known. No attempts to investigate having been made since the first me when Mine Foreman Griffiths was killed by an explosion of gas. mine has been sealed, also flooded with vater and steam and similar action will be tried once more.

AFTER A BRANCH ROAD.

Lehigh Valley Negotiating for a Williamsport Connection.

According to the Towards Review the Lehigh Valley road is negotiating or the purchase of the Williamsport and North Branch railroad from the Satterfield heirs, the road being practically owned entirely by that estate The consideration is said to be \$450,000 The possession of this road, which extends from Satterfield to Halls, would

port region. CLEVER STRANGER SELLS GOLD LEAF A Practical Jeweler the Victim of

give the Lehigh Valley its long-desired opportunity of tapping the Williams-

New Gold Blick Scheme. This city is fast assming a metropo litan phase in more senses than one as mong the arrivals at the Menger.—San past.

Alderman Millar went to Harrisburg Music skating, dancing; Armory tonight.

Scranton for some time can be attested to by A. B. Cohen, manufacturing jeweler, of 396-8 Spruce street, who was made the victim of a

joke yesterday morning. Whether **GUARD OF STATE** practical, theatrical or otherwise he is unable to say, but according to his own estimate he is out \$20 as a result. The transfer of the \$20 was brought about by the clever trick of a stranger who

Could Be Placed in the Field Under Canonly used a new style of the gold brick vass in Twenty-lour Hours. Jeweler Cohen reported the matter to the police shortly before noon, He

GOVERNOR IS DELIGHTED

IN FINE CONDITION

Strong Spirit of Patriotism Shown in the Many Letters and Telegrams Received by the State's Chief Executive from Persons Who Volunteer Their Services in the Event of Wars-Fifty Thousand Volunteers Could Be Raised in Pennsylvania.

The governor's troop at Harrisburg vas inspected yesterday afternoon by Major W. S. Millar, of this city, in spector of the Third brigade, in the presence of 3,000 people. Governor ing. Mr. Cohen decided that in the Hastings and Adjutant General Stewart were present and at the close con gratulated Captain Ott and his command on their fine appearance and perfection of drill. The guard of the A better test was made by Mr. Cohen state was never as splendidly equipped later, with a view of putting his bar- and in response to a call for troops gain to use. When heated, the leaf the entire division of 2,000 officers and flaked and became as charcoal. There men could be placed in the field under was some gold about it, say \$2 worth.

canvass in 24 hours. The governor is delighted with the spirit of patriotism that prevails in Pennsylvania as evidenced by the nuperous offers of service since the de struction of the Maine. More than six hundred letters and telegrams have been received at the executive department during the past six weeks from all classes of people to volunteer in the event of hostilities with Spain.

Every one of these offers has been acknowledged by the executive and carefully tabulated and filed under the direction of Private Secretary Beitler. The course of proceedure is the same

in the adjutant general's office. If the governor were to accept the services of all who have responded, 50,-600 volunteers would go to the front from Pennsylvania. These offers have senter was D. P. Corwin, of Pittsburg, come from old soldiers, ex-members of the national guard, patriotic societies and officers of the regular army, who was present at the meeting, five of have entered the United States service from this state. More than 100 women have offered their services as

> If there is war with Spain the Rey-stone state will respond quickly and generously to any demand made upon it by the president and the governor. If there is war with Spain the Key-

STORRS COLLIERY HAS SHUT DOWN. Continuation of D., I. and W. Com

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