DEAD.

Ah God! how strange the rattling in the strees Comes to me where I lie and the hours pass. I watch a beetle crawling up the sheet That covers me, and curious, note The green and yellow back like mouldy brass. And can not even shudder at the thought How soon the loathsome thing will reach my face

and by such things alone I measure ont The slow drip of the minutes from Time's eaves for if I think of when I lived, I doubt t was but yesterday I brushed the flowers; But when I think of what I am, thought leaves he weak mind diary in a waste of hours. O God, how happy is the man that grieves!

Life? It was life to look upon her face, And it was life to rage when she was gone; But this new horror!-In the market-place A form, in all things like me as I moved Of old, is marked or hailed of many an one That takes it for his friend that lived and loved-And I laugh voicelessly, a laugh of stone.

For here I lie and neither move nor feel. And watch that Other pacing up and down The room, or pausing at his potter's wheel To turn out cunning vessels from the clay Vessels that he will hawk about the town, And then return to work another day Frowning; but I-I neither smile nor from

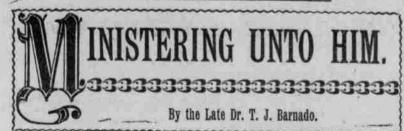
I see him take his coat down from the peg And put it on, and open the white door, And brush some bit of cobweb from his leg. And look about the room before he goes; And hen the clock goes ticking as before, And I am with him and know all he does, And I am here and tell each clock-tick o'er.

And men are praising him for subtle skill; And women love him-God alone knows why! He can have all the world holds at his will-But this, to be a living soul, and this No man but I can give him; and I lie And make no sign, and care not what he is, And hardly know if this indeed be L

Ah. if she came and bent above me here. Who lie with straight bands bound about my chin! Ab. if she came and stood beside this biar With aureoles as of old upon her hair To light the darkness of this burnal bin! Should I not rise again and breathe the air And feel the veins warm that the blood beats in?

Or should I lie with sinews fixed and shrick As dead men shrick and make no sound? Shot See her gray eyes look love and hear her speak And be all impotent to burst my shroud? Will the dead never rise from where they lie? Or will they never cease to think so loud? Or is to know and not to be, to die? Should I

-Richard Hovey.



It was a murky evening at the few minutes then brought us to the close of September, and the outlook corner of a dingy, pestilential lookwas drab and dreary. A few splashy ing court, lined on each side by tumdrops of rain fell occasionally, and ble down two story houses which the muddy streets were most unpleas- looked as though they had been orant for pedestrians. Truly, an un- iginally jerry built, and had been out inviting night in which to be abroad! of repair for many years back. They

I had been attending the board were noisome in the extreme, fetid, seeting of a society in which I was reeking of slime and neglect. No. 13 interested, and I was absorbed in presented a set of creeky and very thinking over some few points of filthy stairs. My guide hooked his the business transacted. I hardly small hand firmly into mine, and noticed, therefore, that as I left Moor- without delay we began to climb up gate street station a timid little voice and up, until at last we reached a began to assail my ear. "Matches, back room on the top floor. The boy sir," it said in a curious persistent ran in first, while I waited outside. whine. I walked steadily on, but the Only a minute elapsed, when the voice followed, challenging my atten- door was opened, and in response to a tion. The speaker must have been a muffled "Come in, sir," I entered. diminutive little match seller, for the The room was literally devoid of sound was near the ground. Again furniture. There was no chair to sit he repeated earnestly: "Two a ha-penny! Two boxes a ha-penny! Buy floor space. Yet there was a mar-'em, sir!" Then after a pause, he velous air of peace, and even of comresumed: "Could give yer three, but fort, in that empty garret! All, for there ain't much profit!" instance, was wonderously clean, And

That curious chant wich its quaint one felt that there was a decent and comment at length checked my pro- gracious air about the place which gress. My thoughts were effectually spoke well for its human occupants. broken into. I stopped, and at a It was sometime before my eyes glance took in the scene and the could take in my surroundings. But speaker at once. I saw a sight, com- presently I saw a figure lying near mon enough, alas, in London-a lit- the window, on the floor, on a heap tle street vender, shoeless and stock- of rags. It was that of a poor, decent ingless, his bare feet well mudded, his looking woman. A few words of symtrousers ragged, his jacket torn. pathy and explanation, and I learned Trousers and jacket were all he had her simple story. The woman was a to cover him from .ae drizzling rain widow of about forty-five. She had and shivering fog. A queer little old injured her leg, and the wound, inpatched cap was perched on one side stead of healing, apparently had fesof his head in a knowing fashion, tered. A large, unwholesome ulcer pathetically at variance with the sad was exposed to view as I examined it. lines of his face. The child looked to She had gone twice as an out patient me about eight years of age; but I to the nearest hospital, but she could guessed him to be nine, for he was of walk no longer. Her work as a charstunted growth. woman had had perforce to be given

"Look here, sir, read that!" And | TO GIRLS WHO under my very eyes she placed a short narrative of one of my own rescues, which had been reprinted in its col-umns! How the page had drifted to her I know not; but the last lines of the story contained the statement of mine which has been so often repeated, and which all my readers know so well: "Never during all these years have I refused a single destitute child who has made appli-cation at our doors." "There, sir,"

said the poor creature, not knowing in the least to whom she spoke, "I have been hopin' and prayin; that God would let Billy and our Bess get in there. I know they'd be safe, and they'd both be together, and then I'd go in cheerful to the 'ospital." I thought for a few moments before I answered. At length I said "I did not tell you who I slowly:

am; but now I must let you know. The poor woman looked up with something like alarm written on her face. I continued: "My name is Barnardo, and I have a great many poor girls and boys in my keeping. And really that is why I asked your little lad to bring me here to-day, Now, if I can help you by keeping the children for a while, I will." It is impossible to describe the emotions of wonder and amazement which passed over that poor suffer-

ir : mother's face! The tears poured down her cheeks. "Billy," she called, and the boy ran quickly to his mother's side. "Bess, dear," she added; sud then, holding the two children in her trembling hands, she said: "This is the gentleman that has all the little boys and girls. I told yer God would hear to take and keep you both until I am well again."

As for me, I felt at once humbled. encouraged and thankful: humbled to think that in any hour of darkness and difficulty I had ever doubted that God heard and answered prayer; encouraged by this fresh proof of our Father's guiding hand; and thankful for the opportunity thus afforded me

of stretching out a helping hand to one of our Lord's own children. There and then I entered fully into the mother's story, and made notes

of the various names and addresses with which she supplied me, so that we could verify the facts and assure ourselves that there was genuine need and friendlessness in the case. I left with a promise that, if all proved right, I would admit the children to the homes for a time while the mother entered the hospital. Of course. I saw to the immediate needs of the family, but not until I made

Billy tell me once again the story of the "nice gemman. "Now, Billy, what shall I do to be like the nice gentleman? Shall I give you a shilling now, or shall I take you both into my home, and send your mother to the hospital?" Billy hesitated; but there was no feeling of doubt in Bessie's mind. The words were hardly out when she sidled over to me, and placed her little hand trustingly in mine. Billy said more slowly: "If mother wor well, I think it would be nicer to have the shillin'; but I'll go with you, sir. all right."

Ere long one of my good woman helpers was in the room supplying the wants of the patient, bringing food and fuel and a few needed garments to the children, while I obtained an order giving admission to the hospital to this poor member of 'the household of faith."

And that was how Billy and Bess came to be counted among the greatest family in the world, 5450 strong! -Sabbath Reading.



Many a girl is obliged by force of streumstances to make her own way in the world. When such is the case, she is indeed fortunate if she has peen brought up to work and given the necessary training for her career in life. But there is another sort of girl who starts in life heavily handisapped by her ignorance of any kind of craft or profession-the girl who is suddenly left almost penalless, to face the world as best she may; or the girl whose parents have lost their money and who feels it incumbent on nerself to provide for her own maintenance as well as assist in their support.

Now, the first thing that any woman should do who is obliged to make her own way in the world is to carefully consider what talents she has, so that she may not take up work for which she has absolutely no natural taste and in which she can never be a success. For instance, It is unwise for the girl who is a good housekeeper and who has been thoroughly trained in all the domestle arts to try to find artistic work. Even the homely occupation of taking boarders will pay her much better and bring her more happiness in the end than a profession for which she has no natural aptitude.

The chief rule of success is to persevere, and yet to persevere again. Work is not easily found, and rebuffs are sure to be many. But the girl who succeeds in life is never daunted me, and now He's just sent him here or disheartened. She accepts defeat cheerfully, and in trying to rise above circumstances eventually conquers them.

> In an article of this sort it is impossible to particularize on exactly how one should go to work to make money, for circumstances alter cases so greatly, and the sort of thing that would be a success in one environment would fail in another. One an only generalize, but the following few hints may be useful: Do not attempt to write unless you have a good education and are certain you nave a talent for writing. To wend me's way successfully through the chorny paths of literature to the goal of success one needs not only talent, out an endless amount of energy and patience. If a girl is a particularly bright and interesting letter-writer, she may safely assume that she will write an interesting, chatty article; but articles are many and competition is great, and I should advise everyone to try a less overstocked market.

A doctor's daughter might take up nassage. There is always an opening for a skilful masseuse. It is not very expensive to take a threemonths' course, and you may be a iong time in working up a connection, but if you send your business ards to all the doctors of your acjuaintance or, better still, interview them personally, modestly explaining your capabilities, they will probably be only too glad to recommend you to patients in need of your services.

If you have deft fingers and are slever at the better kinds of fancy work, you can nearly always dispose of good needlework at the shops or woman's exchanges. The great thing to remember, if you wish to sell your work, is to keep it spotlessly clean. it would be as well if some of the girls who work things and expect :heir friends to buy them would renember this. I should be inclined to allow a cake of soap to every large plece of work.

I have said nothing about the fessions of stenography, bookkeeping or trained nursing, in which many thousands of women are profitably employed, because these are professions that require from one to three or four years' training, and this article is intended especially for girls thrown suddenly on their own resources, who are not able to spend such a long time in preparation. Perseverance in whatever line you take up cannot be too great, but it must be perseverance allied to dignity, a stern and wise desire to get on, not a vulgar wish to elbow everyone out of the way. All girls should be careful of taking offense at real or imaginary slights. I have helped a good many people both to seek and find employment, and I must regretfully say that the chief thing that has struck me about the girl in reduced circumstances who wishes to work is her want of perseverance and her readiness to imagine she is being slighted. A friend once asked me to help such a girl to get something to do. She said she had no accomplishments, and she did not think she was very useful. However, she was a nice girl and exceedingly pretty, with beautiful large dark-brown eyes and a tender, mobile mouth. It struck me that she might with advantage make something of her precious gift



It is said that the method of producing anaesthesia by means of elec-tricity, discovered by Professor Le Duc, of Nantes, France, is applicable to the painless execution of criminals.

The aluminium books for the blind now being printed in Edinburgh are of thin sheets embossed in the usual way. They are easier to read than paper books, do not soil and are practically indestructible. Their expensiveness is their drawback.

Radium acts upon the chemical constituents of glass, porcelain and paper, imparting to them a violet tinge; changes white phosphorus to yellow, oxygen to ozone, affects photograph plates and produces many other curious chemical changes.

Professor Roy, the French Esperantist, is urging the establishment of an independent Esperanto State in Europe. The site he has selected for his experiment is on a neutral strip of territory which lies on the frontier between Germany, Belgium and Holland, some five miles from Aix-la-Chapelle.

The world has never learned the name of the genius who conceived the idea of spreading butter upon his bread, combination of food elements more palatable, more wholesome and more universally popular than any that the combined wisdom of all the professors who have ever lived has been able to devise.

Ground mica is used in somewhat increased quantities, the coarser grades in mica bronzes and paints. and also as an absorbent for explosives. Ground mica also forms an ingredient in some heavy lubricants. The finest ground mica, or mica flour, finds a considerable market with the manufacturers of high-grade wall paper, the lustre obtained by the use the muscovite dust having the advantage of both permanency and brilliancy.

To demonstrate his faith in the practicability of electricity for all domestic purposes, an official of an Illinois electric company has recently built a house at Carrollton, Ill., without a chimney or any other means of making use of fire. The house is heated by steam and the cooking is done by electricity, both supplied by the heat, light and power company with which the gentleman is connected. This construction marks the beginning of an effort to obtain customers for current to be used in

TREE'S RESTING TIME.

The Evergreen in Winter - Tropical Plants in the Dry Season.

been fixed for that kind of service.

"What we call evergreens," says a gentleman formerly connected with the Park Department of St. Louis, "are not really green during the winter, nor are they really alive, but are dormant.

"Every plant must have its period of rest at some time in the year, and in our northern latitudes the winter is, of course, the most appropriate season. The evergreens generally retain the greater part of their foliage during the winter, but a close examination shows that it dries to such an extent as to be really dead, and a

NEWS OF PENNSYLVAN **************************

BULLDOG AIDS SUICIDE.

Harrisburg (Special) .- After makng two attempts to commit suicide, when a vicious bulldog used its beat indeavors to prevent the rescuers from pulling the man, weary of life, from the water, Henry P. Turpin, aged about 32 years, managed to frown himself in the old Pennsyl-vania canal at Steelton, near here.

Turpin spent the night drinking ind early in the mortilng, accom-panied by his bull terrier, went to the canal and plunged in. Edward the canal and plunged in. Edward McCord and Frank Magnellia made and that he escaped payment of State in attempt to reach him, but the iog sprang at them, biting a piece but of the wrist of Magnellia. The dog was thrown aside and held by nother man while McCord and Mag. another man, while McCord and Mag-nellia swam to the side of Turpin ner declared was illegal. and dragged him ashore. Turpin appeared angry because the men would go that in the event of an adverse not permit him to end his life.

Shortly after 6 o'clock he returned to the canal and again jumped in. Another attempt to reach him was made by the two men, but the dog attacked both and bit McCord on the neck. Once more Turpin was rescu-

ed and a pollceman was telephoned

Before he arrived, however, Turpin, with the assistance of his faith-ful dog, got away from his rescuers John Boner his son, who is charged but the dog, more vicious than ever, chased one after the other from the edge of the canal. One of the men succeeded in passing the dog and iumped into the stream, but the dog followed and attacked him.

After some minutes an officer arrived, and by shooting at the animal scared him from the canal. The rescuers then succeeded in dragging Turpin to shore after repeatedly div-

g for the body, but he was dead. Turpin was the son of James P. ing Turpin who committed suicide 10 years ago.

REDUCES LAND VALUES.

Judge Kunkel has rendered a de- along the stream some time ago cision in the matter of the appeal have been abated. of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal the version of & Iron Company from the valuation of property in Rushtownship, this River, are progressing rapidly with county, in which he reduces the as-sessment over \$100,000. The com-Reading. pany appealed because there was an increase of over \$50,000 in the

values, the assessors' valued what had been previously assessed as wood land as coal land.

In the decision Judge Kunkel directed that all land within the coal measure be valued at the uniform rate of \$15 an acre, that timber the kitchen and a special rate has land be taxed at \$9 per acre and barren land at \$3 per acre. The decision is important as it is the first appeal of the kind to be made

of coal land. Some of the cuts made were striking, one tract being reduced from \$43,180 to \$3,951, another from

\$16,611 to \$1,911, and a third from \$16,640 to \$2,025.

ENJOINS UNION MINERS.

Butler (Special) .- On the application by attorneys representing the Independent Coal Mine Operators in the Butler-Mercer field, Judge J. M. Galbreath, in the county court is-

sued a preliminary injunction against President Francis Feehan, fourteen organizers and all members of the United Mine Workers' of America in Mary, the 14-year-old daughter of the field.

In the petition filed with

STATE TO APPEAL.

Harrisburg (Special) .- An appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court from the decision of Judge Wanner, of York County, in the case of the commissioners of York County aginst H. M. Schmauck, which in-volves the payment of personal property tax to the State and under which the Commonwealth would lose many thousands of dollars.

It is charged that the defendant, who lives at Hanover, did not make

decision the Legislature can be asked to pass a bill covering the defect

SLAYER MAY BE INSANE.

Wilkes-Barre (Special) .- Because Frank Boner, who is charged with John Boner, his son, who is charged and made a third and successful at-tempt to drown. He ran to the canal, yelling "good-by" and jumped in. Once more the men followed, cases against them were postponed by the Court and a commission in lunacy was appointed to examine John Boner.

During a family fight last Fall, John shot and killed his brother, Louis, and was then stabbed and severely wounded by his father. The latter became insane after a few weeks in jail and is now in an asy-lum, and the son has been acting queerly for some time

HEALTH OFFICERS AT WORK.

Reading (Special). - A corps of field officers from the State Department of Health arrived here and started work on the water shed of Harrisburg (Special). - President the Maiden Creek supply to see if the pollutions which were discovered

their work and expect soon to reach

PARENTS FORGOT CHILD.

Shamokin (Special). - William Rothermel and wife, of Kingerstown, awoke early and found the bed they occupied being licked by flames. The

house was on fire in many places. Fleeing for their lives they forgot Nellie, an infant child. As the roof fell in the child crawled down the burning stairway to the street. The house burned to the ground, entailin the county, which has a large area ing a loss of \$2,000.

TRAIN ROBBERS ON "PENNSY."

Pittsburg (Special) .- Two men secreted on the New York-St. Louis express on the Pennsylvania, which left this city at 9.55 P. M., entered the express car at Walkers' Mills, ten miles west of this city, on the Pan Handle Division, overcame the express messenger and escaped with four sealed bags containing currency.

Candle Starts Blaze At Funeral.

Chester (Special). - During the funeral services over the remains of Saverlo Cariello, one of the lighted candles ignited a lace curtain. The

Sold much to-day?" I inquired. up; so there she lay, helpless to move He shook his head.

"Six boxes ain't much-only t'ree her side stood a little girl of about Pole. 'a'pence for the lot." six years of age-- "our Bess," she Who sent you out?" "Mother.' little lassie "And why does mother send out a chap like you?" He it was who kept the wolf from the 'She can't help it' she's werry bad." "Where is she?" "Home. "Anybody else there?" 'Sissy," "How old is she?" "Oh, she don't count! She's littler than me-lots littler." "Do you make much money?" scurity. Billy was of the true stuff, Sometimes, if I'm lucky." "Are you often lucky?" made an epic "Not 'xactly often; I wor in real

luck yesterday." 'How's that?"

tion was hardly asked when I felt re-"Such a nice gemman kem along buked. "What would become of the and says he: 'You are a poor little children?" said the poor woman. chap;' and he gev me a bob. Oh, he "Billy might dowfor a bit by himself; wor a nice gemman, he wor." he is a brave lad! But our Bess-

My young companion had wasted And then the poor soul fairly broke no words, and now, when such emdown. Yet in a minute the tears puasis was laid upon this particular, were wiped away, and as I looked at gentleman, I felt he was being held the calm, resolute face, I discovered shape pierce the air vertically with up for imitation! where Bill got his bravery from

Why don't you go home with your Well, then," said I, "why not try three ha'pence?" I continued. to get the children into some home or "Tain't no use," said the boy.

refuge, while you are taken to the "Tain't no use going home with lit-tier nor a tanner, sir!" "Ah, yes, sir!" repiled she eagerly.

"Must you always have a tanner?" 'that's what I would like; but then The little head was nodded quick- I don't know how to set about it. ly and emphatically. Clearly six-Then, to my surprise, she added, in

p"nce was the irreducible mimimum. "Well, now," I said "tell me where imaginable, "" have been prayin' to

your mother lives." the Lord all the time I have been acre Thirteen Plough Court, Banner to take care of the children, and to street, St. Luke's," was the prompt keep our Bess from the streets." answer.

Here in this wretched room, de-I knew Banner street well; the place was not more than ten minsolutely upon a child of nine years of utes' walk away. "Come on with age for food and fuel-here lay this me," I said, "and I will see your decent, industrious creature with a of the oil gland. nother. I am a doctor, you know. firm trust in the God of prayer, and and perhaps I can do hor some good." in her breast there still burned the

Without more ado the little chap fame of faith and hope gave himself up to the new idea, and "Yes, indeed, God has His own in trotted off by my side, his tongue waging briskly the while. Here was every nock of the great city! Poor Mrs. Rider was a Christian woman, strong in prayer, and drawing in sim-time at Florisant, Col., which exhibits adventure, or at least, an event! He managed to keep up a never fail-ing stream of small talk which, I de trust upon all the powers of the a peculiar venation of the wings, ex-Omnipotent

aid not help observing, always me round, often by very sharp an-es, to the "nice gemman!" We soon reached Banuer streat. A could not help observing, always came round, often by very sharp an-



The greatest heat is never found on the equator, but some ten degrees to the north, while more severe cold has been registered in Northern Sihand or foot on her own behalf! By beria than has been found near the

called her-a bright-eyed, wi me A patent has recently been issued to a Washington chemist for extract-But Billy was the bread winner! ing alcohol from natural gas, and it is announced in the consular reports door. It was he who had boldly gone that a plant for demonstrating the into trade in the endeavor to supply commercial value of the invention mother, sister and himself with is soon to be erected at Bradford, in bread. Deeply affected, I listened to Pennsylvania. The product obtained the simple, homely, heroic story. Men is like wood, not potable alcohol. are inclined to the belief that heroes Five thousand feet of gas, at a cost are made only on special occasions. of from twenty-five to fifty cents, will Yet in truth the finest heroes are produce about fifty gallons of alcohomespun, and often hidden in obhol.

and his modest struggle might have What is claimed to be the first elec-Why, I asked of the woman, did trical furnace for the production of she not go to a hospital? The quessteel in Belgium is approaching completion at the works of the Societe des Acieries Liegeoises, at Brussels. It is of the Kjellin-Roechling type.

> Pear-shaped balloons are the fashion in Belgium. The point is upward. the base of the balloon is spherical. It is claimed that balloons of this far greater speed than the ordinary spherical balloon. Consequently they are steadier. Also the upper pointed end prevents the accumulation of moisture or snow on the surface, which frequently weighs a balloon down and destroys its power to rise.

The "luminous owis" that lately startled certain good Britons almost certainly owe their light, it is now agreed, to foreign matter on the feathers. This is probably phosphorescent bacteria from decaying wood. but it might be a phosphorescent prived of everything, depending ab- feather fungus such as is known in geeze, or an excessive section of exuding oil from a diseased condition

> Professor T. D. A. Cockerell, of the University of Colorado, describes a well-preserved specimen of a wasp, ctly as it appears in the same genus

of beauty. I consulted a celebrated lady art ist, who was also a friend of mine. She offered to let her sit as a "study of a head" to a class of lady pupils. The pay was fairly good and the work light (four hours a day), and she was not obliged to keep her head in one stiff position. She came to see me after the first day, and seemed very pleased and grateful. Then suddenly I heard she had left. The artist told me she thought it a great pity, as she could have given her plenty of work. I met her not long afterward and asked her why she had left. She said the pupils had treated her as though she was a common model, and "had not even said 'Good morning' to her" when she came into the room.

Now, that is the sort of spirit which is the keynote of failure. Girls must remember that there are both kind and unkind people in the world. They may meet the former; they are certain to come across the latter. If women wish to enter into competition with men as bread-winners, they must be ready to take the bitter with the sweet, and remember that, although the bitter often comes first. with time and steady perseverance the sweet will always follow, and that success in any profession is not gained without hard work .- McCall's

large part of it falls off when the plants begin their spring growth. The drying is not peculiar to the foliage. The branches and stem become as dry as the foliage, and being almost entirely devoid of moisture are little damaged by the winter's cold.

"In some parts of the tropics, however, as in the highlands of Southern Mexico and Central America, the summer is the resting time of the trees. The intense heat of the sun dries up the earth, the trees drop their leaves, the woody portions become as dry as our evergreens in winter, and the tree takes its rest until the autumn rains begin.

"Of course this rule does not apply to a large number of tropical plants which grow in moist jungles or swampy places. They have accustomed themselves to their conditions, but even they still retain the resting habit, and at some time of the year relax in their growing and become as near dormant for a time as circumstances will permit." - St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

New England Breakfast Food.

There is a village in New England which clings fondly to the customs of the past and has small regard for innovations. Not long ago an old resident died. The lawyer who went up to settle the family affairs stayed over night at the little inn.

He was a dyapeptic, and ever cautious about his food. Therefore he looked searchingly at the waitress as she stood at the breakfast table the next morning to greet him.

"I'm-er-obliged to be very careful of myself," he said solemnly. "My diet is extremely limited. What sort of breakfast food have you? except dry toast."

in kindly and sympathetic fashion. 'You can take your choice, or have all three, if you like."-Youth's Com-

Nothing to It.

A gentleman, whose name is with-held by request and who conducted a large bakery until he lost all he had on the stock market, is quoted as authority for the assertion that "this casting bread upon the water don't always work out just as some olks claim it does."-Toledo Blade.

The Octopus.

Measuring ten fest six inches, an topus, while being killed at Tooradin, Victoria, entwined a tentacle so firmly around the foot of one of its captors that the membrane had to be cut to free the man.

Court, it was declared the employees of the various operators had been satisfied with the terms on which they had been employed until organizers from the Mine Workers' Union the house when the fire broke out. put in an appearance. It is said in the petition that

hose who refused to join the union were termed "scabs" and "black bands," and that in addition to this hey were frightened by the dissharge of revolvers, rifles or exploions of old powder kegs, accompanied by threats. Conditions at the mines are quiet.

HURT ON "PENNSY" LIMITED.

Pittsburg (Special). - Three pastengers on the Pennsylvania Limited. iue in Pittsburg at 9.45 o'clock P. M., were injured when the combined Pullman and observation car Justitin became derailed just The train was bound Union Station.

from New York to Chicago. The injured were Matthew Wilkinson, of Philadelphia, hurt about shoulder and head; Mrs. Matthew Wilkinson, contusion of left side and face; W. D. Wilson, Chicago, leg sprained and head cut,

WANTS LANCASTER TOBACCO.

Lancaster (Special) .-- That the fame of Lancaster County's tobacco has become widespread was ovidenc S. Weaver, of Kinzer.

seed and that experiments would be made on his farms at Barada.

Bank Cashier Dies Suddenly,

Milton (Special) .- Major John M Caldwell, cashier of the First National Bank, a Civil War veterah, and one of Milton's most prominent citizens, died suddenly of a bowel malady.

Trolleymen Reject Wage Cut.

Pittsburg (Special). - By practically a unamimous vote the street car men of this city have rejected reduction of one cent an hour pending arbitration.

Home Mission Workers Meet.

Chester (Special) .- The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Phil adelphia Methodist Conference held ndelphia Methodist Conference held their quarterly meeting in the Madi-son Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. C. W. Bickley presid-ing. The devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Carrie N. Wilson and Miss Anns McNuit; Mrs. Sey-mour Eaton read the minutes. Mrs. J. A. Hudson read a report on the Young People's Missionary Move-ment. Miss Bertha Fowler, of the Deaconess' Home, Philadelphia, de-liverad an address.

room quickly filled with smoke the blaze was extinguished before any serious damage resulted. body was about to be removed from The fire companies responded, but did not go into service.

Accused Of Attempt 'To Steal Patenr.

Reading (Special),---Charged with being implicated in an attempt to secure from the local plant of the American Iron & Steel Company a secret process for the manufacture of a screw spike, which is a new thing used in railroad construction, W. P. Kelly, a stranger in the city, was arrested and committed to jail in default of \$1,000 bail. Several employees of the plant may be arrested as accomplices.

Chester Fire Victim Dies.

Chester (Special) .--- Charles Pullen, one of the colored workmen burned at the explosion and fire the American Dyewood Extract Company's plant, died in the Chester Hospital. The other twelve men in hospital bocame very restless the when they saw Pullen's dead body removed from the ward. Several of the men are in a critical condition

Motormen Badly Beaten. Chester (Special). - Two motored by the receipt of an order for men were assaulted at Tweifth seed from Prince Hayoji Rad III. Street and Edgmont Avenue by Gaekevar of Barada, India, by John strike sympathizers and badly beaten. They were rescued by Lieuten-ant Voorhees, of Troop A, State Con-The Indian prince specifically ant Voorhees, of Troop A, State Con-stated that he desired the broad leaf stabulary, who arrested one of the men suspected of being in the at tacking party.

STATE ITEMS

The Schuylkill County Commissioners, despite the depressing finan-cial times, have decided to redeem cial times, have dee \$60,000 of bonds, \$20,000 more than they had agreed upon for this year. This will leave but \$250,000 of county indebtedness.

Rev. A. R. Meyers resigned as pastor of Covenant U. B. Church, ancaster, and Rev. Dr. Lowery, presiding elder of the East Pennsyl Conference, appointed Rev. O. E. Pil-grim, of Lisbon, Iowa, to the charge,

State Constabulary Trooper Cooley was compelled to use his revolver at Freeland in an effort to subdue Sal-vadore Measinie, an Italian, whom de caught stealing brazs from the thops of Coxe Bros. & Co., at Drif-ton. After a hand-to-hand encoun-ter in a dark alley the brass thiel was eventually subdued. Following a recent order suspend-ing 100 employees at the Coxton thops of the Lebish Valley Indiced Company, near hore, another use was

impany, near hore, another and suspending forty ritely and placing those ork on half t

That is all I take in the morning "We have apple, squash and mince," said the girl, regarding him