******** THE BUYING PRICE.

By E. O. JAMES.

*** elerkship in Brandt's furniture store, the town of Laurel Grove enjoyed the proverbial nine days' wonder as to the In a town of two thousand people a position in such a store as Mr. Brandt's is considered fortunate McGeary. Naturally, a merchant of Mr. Brandt's standing was not given to public speaking about business secrets, but somehow Laurel Grove felt that Harold's excess of "brightness" had caused his discharge. Mr. Brandt could easily have confirmed this rumor with some interesting de- made Mr. Brandt laugh,

The young man had been quick at learning the details of the business, had taken an interest in values, and curiosity. For the McGeary family had asked intelligent questions to a could not relinquish the joys of read-Cegree that caused his employer to think him a wonder of business sagac- ins and outs of the furniture busi-

Geary family for the most confirmed Brandt, they shopped without ceasof "innocent" gossip-venders. Let us ing. not use a harsher term. They were meant no harm, but the delight of the purchase of five cents' worth of knowing and telling other people's carpet tacks. With sweet indifference secrets was to them as intoxicating as she examined the cards on a sewing

were denied further credit at different persons the amount which dining table. the new doctor and his bride owed for house furnishings? Or in the knowing public speculations of Daniel Mc-Brandt's income and his standing ip on the maple bedroom set, and b.er with the wholesalers? Or in the con- on a patent ironing board. At twenty scious pride of the other McGearys, minutes past eleven Mrs. McGeary as shown, for instance, by Eudora's sought portieres of a peculiar shade remarks about the price of the high to match a mythical color scheme for lavish distribution of yardsticks by limbo of her dreams. Portieres were Evadne, agen ten, and Bryan, aged marked y.pe, i.un and i.ec. Also the 'cause our brother works at handsome Brandt's?"

But when Mr. Brandt learned that The card ran thus:

A 8 H I N G T O X 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 and Bryan's talk was all of "marked

price," "selling price" and "discount." It was merely Mr. Brandt's pricemark code, in which each letter of the word stood for a corresponding figure, enabling him or his clerk to tell at a glance the margin between the cost price and selling price of an article. Thus

represented a cost price of thirteen dollars and fifty cents, and a selling price of seventeen dollars. And once they knew the code-word, the Mc-Geary family almost lived in the furniture store, learning just how much of each table and chair.

When John Walters, Harold's successor, had served long enough to himself thoroughly trustworthy, Mr. Brandt told him the story of the code-word.

"Remember, John, that you hold this position simply because another young man could not keep business secrets. Now you and I must remark every piece of furniture in the house

with a new code-word." lunch-hour, Harold McGeary sauntered in, and planted himself in a Morris-chair for a chat with John. Glancing casually at the price tag on

Aha, you're changing from 'Washingtox.' John was non-committal.

the next chair and the next.

"Oh, you can't fool me," went on the astute Harold. "I've studied code-words too long."

"Yes, you have," assented John,

"Codes aren't hard to read," ran on Harold, sweetly ignorant of John's on the various pieces displayed in the intended sarcasm. "Why, I got on to windows. At home he tantalized his Sisson's word—'Black Horse'—before I worked there half a day.'

"Working there now?" asked John.
"No, I quit." John smiled at the word "quit." "But I was just going to say, I figured out Luck Brothers' mark just by studying a few tags in the window. Their word's-"

"Never mind, I don't want to know

quiet tone that made the other flush. much a fellow sticks you for what

"The harm is just this: a clerk Hill, six miles away. who gives away a business secret of his employer-

"O bosh! Business secrets! Be- day. sides, so far as Luck's code is concerned, I wasn't trusted with that. I if I may be trusted with the precious just got it by using my eyes and doing secret?" asked the salesman.
a little clever detective work. You "Well, you see, John reasoned that can read any code-word. There are the extraordinary acuteness of our only ten letters. It's no trick at all young detective would cause him to

on half a dozen articles, smiled tri-umphantly, and said. "You're going don't expect it—extreme simplicity. to try 'Franz Sigel,' eh? I told you John's new word was just what the I could find out. I know that whole code stands for: list in Brandt's deak, from 'O Axminster down to 'First Kodak.'

What do you think of that?" "I don't believe you can decipher a good code," stoutly affirmed John. You just find one I can't. I'll get

your word before I've been in this jumbled things up a little, nonsense Which is just where you will not be fitteen minutes longer!" broke in Mr. Brandt, who had entered unob-

sed in the heat of the discussion. "I tell you plainly to leave this store

and to keep away. Good day, sir!"
Mr. Brandt, discouraged with this second undoing of their work, was for dropping the buying-price mark alto-sether, yet did not wish to make such a change in his business system.

"You see," he said, "I can very well close my door against the whole McGeary family. In a town of this size any such trouble is unpleasant, to say the least. And as sure as we change to another word, they will be here reading the tags inside the store, and Harold will take in those in the When Harold McGeary lost his window. See if he doesn't. It's no

"Still, I wish we could try just once more," urged John. "We can fool them, I believe, if we plan it right." His employer agreed. John did some hard thinking, and the next for a bright young man like Harold day handed Mr. Brandt a slip of

"He'll guess that, I'm afraid. It's too easy.

"That's just where he will miss it," argued John. "He expects something hard and artificial. Besides-" And he explained something further which

"We'll try it," he said. When they opened on Monday morning, there began a comedy of ing price tags and speculating on the ness. Maintaining the appearance of But all Laurel Grove knew the Mc- the friendliest feelings for Mr.

Evadue, evidently having arisen too kind-hearted to love scandal, they with the lark, came in early, bent on machine and a carpet sweeper, and What harm could there be in Mrs. duly reported at home, yg and u.nu. McGeary's telling the ladies of the At half past nine Endora bought two Wednesday Club that the Martins yards of picture wire, and incidentally memorized r.pn on the green Brandt's? Or in Delia McGeary's upholstered Morris-chair, c.ue on the revealing-in strict secrecy-to ten golden oak one, and bulne on an oak

At quarter past ten Bryan courteously begged to be favored with the gift of a yardstick-he had seven at Geary, head of the family, as to Mr. home-and stored his memory with school library furniture, or by the an imaginary room, located in the leather fire screen was yb.ge.

Harold pondered throughout the Bryan had proudly displayed to his lunch hour with the painful gravity young compeers a card lettered with of a seer confronted with mystic certain mystic symbols, then it was cabala. To tell the truth, Evadne that Harold was quietly discharged. and Bryan had one or two letters misplaced, and Mrs. McGeary was not absolutely certain whether that fire screen was yb.ge or gy.eb. These facts were falteringly confessed after the shrewd detective had made Morris-chairs cost one dollar and seventyfive cents and fire screens ninety-eight dollars.

"Hang it all!" he snapped. "How could anybody make sense out of an important problem like this without accurate figures? I'll have to make sure myself."

So on his way to the clothing store where he now worked, he lingered in front of the proscribed windows, twisting and craning to get a view of the forbidden fruit. The fine Mission couch was eg.pr. the smaller Mission chair c.rb, and the larger one Mr. Brandt would make off the sale e.gy. Now he would find that buying

In the afternoon Mrs. McGeary came again to ascertain the price of fixtures in case she should find the portieres of the clusive shade. She studied wicker rocking chairs and iron bedsteads. Delia McGeary accompanied her friend, Miss Kitty Hendricks, and while the latter looked at curtain rods for her moth-

er's parlor, Delia studied carpets. And all the while, Mr. Brandt and They chose another word from a John Walters indulged in hearty list commonly used by merchants for laughter as they congratulated each that purpose, and had, between cus- other, and at home Harold settled tomers, changed the tags on a part of himself with dogged determination the stock when, during Mr. Brandt's to work out the solution. That Mission couch should be somewhere in the range of twenty or thirty dollars. Well, suppose e is 2, and g is 4; p is probably 5; r should be 0. But that would make the small chair cost only the chair-arm, he became suddenly two dollars and forty something. To curious, and reached for the tag on it again. Suppose the larger chair cost about nine dollars. Let e be 9, g 5 and y 0-nine dollars and fifty cents. Horrors! That makes the couch cost ninety-five dollars. What in the world was the buying price?

Again and again in the succeeding days did the McGeary family sally forth for prey, and Harold, outlawed craned his neck to read the marks wits nightly till unseasonable hours, and made his days wretched with the problem of the buying price. His brain reeled with symbols and cryptograms. His head ached with "Cum berland," and all the other hateful words of ten letters. At last he grew so preoccupied and nervous that he lost successively his jobs in the it," said John, with something in his clothing store, the shoe store and the that made the other flush. grocery. And the McGeary family what's the harm? And grew so disgusted with the task of then it's interesting to know how trying to make sense out of the tags on Mr. Brandt's furniture that they bought their new linoleum at Pine

Mr. Brandt was laughing over the story with a traveling salesman one

look for something very intricate, so He sprang up, looked at the marks he opposed smartness with the most

"B U Y I N G P H(I)C E 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0." "And the goods in the window?"

asked the man. "Oh, he knew that Harold would use those marks for keys, so we just ashion, when we put a piece of goods on display out in front.

"Harold would hardly call that fair," said the salesman, laughing. "True, but think of the mental exercise it has given him. I believe he would give John all he ever hopes to

possess for that word, but John isn't selling any business secrets." "No," replied John, "I'm too he woking at the buying price. Youth's Companion. lied John, "I'm too husy



Miss Ethel Roosevelt, the President's youngest daughter, is the ssor of a horse and trap. She has always been a lover of out-

door sports and life in the saddle, but this is her first venture as a whip, at least to handle the ribbons over the back of her own horse. The animal is a high spirited, good- to much and could well have been looking sorrel, seven years old, and named Hempstead, after a village on Long Island. The trap is a high one, dark blue and shining.

Miss Roosevelt has her own groom, who takes the horse around to the them. White House almost every afternoon for her.-New Haven Register.

Easier to Lean Than to Lift. "It is a strange fact that the most buoyant young person cannot offset the depressing tendency of a single older one. How much less, then, can one young person counterbalance elders? It is about all two youthful persons can do to overcome

the downward trend of one old man or woman. One might think the younger would have the stronger influence, but such, unfortunately, is not the case. It is more difficult to lift than to bear down. One young couple of my acquaintance has three elderly persons under its roof. The result is that both man and wife in manner, habit and thought are a full decade older than their years. It shouldn't be permitted."-New York Press.

Jenny Lind's Piety.

Jenny Lind, who, as yesterday's Office Window recorded, gave her first £2000 to the poor, continued her and says "Good morning." have the assurance of a silly. of the author of "Philip van Artetoward evening on a south-coast beach, just after her withdrawal, giggles. with a book in her lap. She spoke

have so much to do to keep me from all these happy things.

If you will make these women sit down and analyze what it is that keeps them from all the pleasant things, it almost always turns out to be that they are overdoing their duty.

They give hours to a thing that when accomplished, doesn't amount put upon other shoulders. They make other people dependent upon them by the way in which they rush into unloading the burdens off shoulders which are well able to carry

They are too tired, for instance, to be amusing to their husbands in the evening, because they have spent hours in a hot kitchen trying to perfect some special dish which these husbands like

Then, when the other half, who likes a companion as well as a cook, tells them so, and tries to argue them out of this overdoing, they burst into tears .-- New York Times.

Learn to Smile.

If half the girls knew how silly they looked and sounded when they constantly giggle they would stop it. Learn to smile; not giggle

Nothing is more infectious and charming than a good laugh; but very few people know how to laugh. It is as rare in life ca it is on the stage.

A giggle usually comes from nervousness. A girl will giggle when she cannot think of anything to say or when she is trying to be at ease in company.

She will giggle when a boy meets She throughout her life a series of chari- will giggle when he says "Good-bye." ties and pieties, in regard to the lat- She is only nervous, but she appears

friend that this greatest of singers | It is no wonder that young men deliberately cut short her own public speak with utter storn of this gigcareer while her voice was still in gling girl. They seem to think her perfection. It was Lady Taylor (wife the least attractive maiden on earth; it is trying to attempt to hold any velde") who found Jenny Lind sitting kind of conversation with a girl who will punctuate her every remark with

It is not always possible to know, "I found that this" at first thought, whether or not you

Canned Peach Recipes .- Peach Salad -- Drain the peaches and wipe each one dry. Arrange on white lettuce, and put a little mayonnaise in the heart of each one; add a little whipped cream to this, if you have it.

Peach Melba-Simmer the peaches in thick syrup; drain them and arrange on plates. Make a quart of vanilla icecream; heap each peach full, and top with a candied cherry. Or, stand each peach first on a round of stale sponge-cake.

Peach Shortcake-Drain the peaches and slice them as though fresh; make a two-layer cake, put the peaches in and on top; serve with cream .- Harper's Bazar.

-the setting sun-"was becoming are one of the girls who giggle. Stop less to me, and that this"-the book and think about it. Watch yourself in her lap was a Bible-"was becoming nothing to me; and I knew then See whether this senseless trick is that I must check myself and change my life."-London Chronicle.

Crabbed Age and Youth.

"The law," said the Woman Who Sees Things, "ought to regulate the number of elderly persons living with Veneration for gray young couple. hairs is a laudable feeling and kind- your best to learn how to smile. ness toward the old calls for nothing Do not let yourself give a weary save praise. But it does not follow quantity of elderliness with which Haven Register. the youthful should be in enforced association. Every human being throws off more or less influence, according to temperament. There is no such thing as absolute passivity in anybody. Even the most colorless individual has an effect on others, if only in a negative way. If there are more elderly persons in a home than young ones, the atmosphere will be that of age. The proper proportion of old and young should be about one to two .- New York Press.

Amazing Garb of Parisiennes.

No wonder that in the shadow of the new hats New York women seem to be blind to other Paris whims of the moment. No longer the frou- rix for a light one. frou of underskirts is heard. Silk petticoats are scorned by the up-todate Parisiennes. Fashion now permits only tights underneath an un lined skirt, so scant and tight fitting that it falls almost like a pair of trousers. With this often is worn a Directoire coat with tails almost as long as the skirt. A high, etiff ruff encircles the neck. These ruffs are things of seauty and of price, the cheapest costing about \$3, the finest five times as much. They are made in brilliant colors or of plain white with shaded edges, wired up stiff and high, with a ribbon through this Pierrot ruff emerges a deadly pale face, for it is considered unfashionable to have colors. With bright red, rouged lips and nostrils reddened, the resemblance to Pierrot .s heightened. A huge hat jammed down on the head and almost touching the ruff at the back finishes the startling picture of the modern Paris society woman .- New York Press.

Overdoing Your Duty.

It is a wise woman who knows where to draw the line on just how much duty requires her to do in this world. It is really not helpful to yourself or to others to do more than your share under any circumstances.

There are women who always tell you how tired they are, and how much they have to do and how little time they have for the really pleasant things of life.

If they are young, they wish they had time for the theatre or a little social event. If they are marrie they wish they had the energy to b clever and bright when their husbands are not at home in the evening, or to see something of the girl

friends they had to give up.

They sigh over all the missed joy They sigh over all the missed joys music composer and critic, and lielen with the remark, "If I only didn't McGregor Berg, a brilliant writer,

the next time you are with any one. a part of your social equipment. If it is take any heroic means to

strangle that giggle until it is dead. Far better be silent; you may then get the credit for wisdom that you have not got. Better than all, if you don't know how to give a cheery, musical, spontaneous laugh, then try

smile, for that is the result of effort that the young should se aged before and self-consciousness; but anything their time. There is a limit to the is better than a silly giggle.—New



Big pink pearls or corals top pins intended for pink hats.

A natty touch is seen on a hat in the form of a gold quill. On a black hat this is smart.

Lapis lazuli pins are as stunning for a deep blue rig as turquoise mat-

Smocking is gradually returning to favor, although it is not practical for washable materials. Furniture fringe edges a fashion-

able parasol of printed cretonne, making a distinctly novel accessory. Lomoise lace is one of the most highly approved of all the laces for the trimming of linen coats and suits. Blue flax (instead of cotton) is used in embroidering a frock of white linen, and with it is combined blue

braid. So popular is gold as a trimming that bits of it are used on all kinds the middle tied in a big bow. From of accessories as well as the gowns themselves.

The noisy waistcoat and hat are worn with the quietest and neatest of suits in fine black or navy or gray herring-bone serge. Linings for evening wraps are of

white silk plaided, with blue, green or tan, and the outside is either white or the color of the plaid. Unless you have height enough and to spare do not wear the tunic

skirt, but hold to the long-favored gored or circular models. Criss cross stripes of color at the ends of the Windsor tie carry out the color scheme as well as bows of the

solid color, and seem a little more

Branches of small fruits that are exceedingly natural looking in every way, as blackberries, are a little newer and better liked as a hat trim ming than the large fruits which generally have a heavy look.

Walter Gilman Berg, chief engineer of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, who died at his home in New York City, was the son of Albert W. Berg, RELIBIOUS TRUTHS

From the Writings of Great Preachers.

ETERNITY.

Onquiet sea, that endlessly doth stretch Beyond the straining, finite sight of man: Why dost thou tows in infinite innest, Oh, why no far, faint shore-line can we

Full many a bark thy serried billows

Full many a sail hath apread before the wind,
But none hath e'er returned; the tempesttossed.
And anxious mariner doth haven find
In fairer clime, in sunny land afar.
Where no storms rudely break or winds
contend.
There nothing enters in their joy to mar,
Who have the peace of God, which
knows no end.
Oh, may we, too, that stand with straining eye—

ing eye— Looking far out, where wind and wave Set sail with hope to those fair lands that Beneath the peace of God, that knows

no end. -Walter Samuel Swisher, in the Christian Register.

Cantankerous Goodness Let not then your good be evil spo-ken of .-- Romans 14:16.

Too much of the goodness of this world is cantankerous goodness It is a rule of universal applicabil-ity full of universal fruitfulness-if you are going to do a thing, do it! Either come in or go out. God Al-mighty cannot make a door to be both open and shut at the same time. If you are going to do a thing, do it properly. Sit down and consider the cost if you must, though it is better to do the right in scorn of cost, not so much as considering whether there

be such a thing as cost.

But when you have decided to do the right thing, do it finely, nobly, greatly. Have you decided to give? Then give graciously, spontaneously, with open handed, whole hearted with open handed, whole hearted kindness, which doubles all the value of your giving. Consider: Why are you helping this man at all? Why, to help him! Out of the goodness of your heart and out of a wish to be of service to him. Then how foolish to do it in such a way as to spoil his happiness in receiving! How foolish to defeat your own object by a way of doing things which brings you no of doing things which brings you no gain and involves him in loss! are men who have tried to do us a kindness, and they have set about it In such a fashion that we have not forgiven them yet! Give or do not give—one or the other. But if you are to be seen that are to be generous, be generous generously, and get all the credit, all the enefit, all the happiness and all the influence for good out of it.

So with all life, not merely with the giving of money, time or service. Have you to make a concession or acept an unpleasant position or submit to an awkward fact or put your-self in the position of one who acknowledges error and offers frank apology? Then do it heartily. Let not your good be evil spoken of. Con-cede the point or refuse it; fight and die in your last ditch if you think that is Christian duty. These are reasonable, consistent courses. But it is neither reasonable nor consistent, it is neither Christianity nor common sense to yield grudgingly and with a bad grace, to submit to the humiliation of defeat without securing the self-approbation which accompanies whole heartedness, to say that you forgive while muttering under your breath that you will not forget, or to offer an apology which neither satisfles your conscience nor clears the oftense

Wisdom is in this advice, the common sense of daily life. But deeper things are in it. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ is in the spirit which gives itself freely, pouring out its own life in saving and redeeming men, in making life beautiful and sweet.—The Rev. Charles F. Aked, D. D., Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, New York, in the Sunday Herald

Taken by itself. tainly a very insignificant affair; placed as you happen to be placed, in the kind of universe which God has happened to make, your life be-comes of infinite importance. For God has chosen to work out His designs, not in spite of you, but through you; and where you fall He halts. Almighty God needs you. You are not your own, either to be insig-nificant or great; but you are in the service of that which is greater than yourself, and that service touches your life with its own grea ness.

It is as though you were a light-house keeper set to do your duty on your bare rock. Can any life be more unpraised or insignificant? Why sit through the weary nights to keep your flame alive? Why not sleep on, all unobserved, and let your little light go out? Because it is not your light—that is the rount. You was seen light-that is the point. You are its owner, you are its keeper. That is your name. You are a light-keeper. You are set there with this as your trust. The great design of the Power you serve takes you thus out of your insignificance. Fracis C. of your insignificance.-Francis G Peabody.

He Who Would Save Must Suffer. Soul-saving work cannot be car-ried on without suffering. If we are simply to pray to the extent of a pleasant and enjoyable exercise, and to know nothing of watching in prayer, we shall not receive all the bless-ing that we may. We shall not sus that we may. tain our missionaries who are over whelmed with the appalling darkness

of heathenism; we shall not maintain

the spiritual life of our own souls as it needs to be maintained. -J. Hudson Taylor.

The man who is narrow, and sordid, and stingy in his youth will probably be narrow, and sordid, and stingy all his life. Young men should know that the greatest asset they can have in this life is character.—The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, Phila-

No Reserved Seats There. The people with the opera cloaks won't have all the front seats in heaven.

THE DIFFERENCE.

Hoax-"I could never understand the difference between a klepto-maniac and a thief." Joax-"Oh! that's easy. A klep iomaniac steals because he thinks he can't help it, and a thief steals because he thinks the other fellow can't help it."-Philadelphia Record.

The Physical Model.

A well-formed woman o' to-day weighs 145 pounds—a gain of twenty pounds over her grandmouder.

FIGHT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH.

Harrisburg (Special). - The first unnual report of Commissioner of come from the printer's hands. The report shows the excellent

lature of 1905 had created the new department under health laws that of the kind ever held in Central have since become the models for many States throughout the country. After reviewing this

sets out the operations of the various divisions, the Division of Medical Inspection, the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Morbidity Statistics, Marriage Statistics, the Division of Sanitary Engineering, the work of the departnent's laboratories, the survey for mosquito control, the division for the free distribution of diphtheria

antitoxin and the financial report. Pennsylvania's new Department of Health at once attracted the attention of sanitarians all over the country by adding a number of commu-ulcable diseases to the list of those nicable diseases to the list of those usually required to be reported by in the physicians. The wisdom of this in the Lehigh Valley. The originary reform has been fully acknowledged, ator of the idea was Chief Burgess ator of the idea was Chief Burgess Fred Conlin, and the Industrial Comthe State have co-operated with the mission which is doing so much to Health Commissioner to secure the boom the town. reporting and sanitary control of all these communicable dis-

of cases to the Health Department essential, for without a knowledge on the part of the health authorities of the hiding places of the disease the fight against the disease could not be properly waged.

The placarding of houses infected ith measles, whooping cough, with chickenpox and other so-called minor but highly communicable diseases was another important innovation of the new State Department of Health, the results of which cannot help but prove of widespread benefit.
Dr. Dixon devotes considerable

space to the vital statistics of the State and declares that it "represents the first successful attempt on the part of Pennsylvania to collect, collaborate and publish the vital statistics of the entire State.

The statistics in relation to sui-cides and homicides are interesting, as they represent in a great degree the human passions and emotions in the most violent forms. Seven of the 780 suicides were less than 15 years of age, the youngest being 12 years. The report indicates that homicides show a tendency to steadily increase, not only in Pennsylva-nia, but throughout the entire registration area of the United States. The average rate per 100,000 population in the registration area for years from 1901 to 1905 was 2.9 The rates for 1996 in the same area was 5.1, and in Pennsylvania alone

The statistics in relation to births show the annual natural increase in

population is about 50,000. The work of the Sanitary Engineering Division shows the action of Health Commissioner Dixon has taken to carry out the provisions of the law to protect the waters of the State from sewage polution and to guard the people against impure water sup-

BOY HANGS SELF TO PRESS.

Chambersburg (Special). - The in Franklin County took place in the T. Bradley, Philadelphia, to be mempress room of the "People's Register," when a boy of 16 years, David Insane of Pennsylvania, at Werners-Shilling, took his life by hanging.

The lad tied his feet to the fly-wheel of a newspaper press with the jute twine used to tie bundles of paper. He then tied the twine about his neck and fastened the end to a job press nearby

Then slipping off the pulley wheel body hung suspended in a bow form, just escaping the floor, and he strangled to death.

and was a son of Mrs. Anna Shilling. His father works in Philadelphia lad was subject to epileptic and was a reader of dime novels. an examination was made and he He had made threats of hanging him- was found so deranged that he was self, but they were not taken serious- sent to Norristown

OBJECT TO NORMAL TRUSTEES.

Stroudsburg (Special) .- East Stroudsburg State Normal School afhearing was held before Governor of about \$10,000.

school Certain stockholders filed a pro test against the appointment of Charles H. Worman, Franklin J. Kistler and A. R. Wallace as trustees These men have been serving as local trustees for the stockholders and the majority in control of the school desires to have them renamed as State

BRUIN BADLY FRIGHTENED.

Altoona (Special). — While boat her, was arrested and given a hearing on the Juniata, near Mill Creek, ing before Alderman Keech. In de-Altoona (Special). - While boat-Harry Lindsay put in to shore to fault of \$1000 ball he was commit quench his thirst. He had no cup, ted to jail. so he lay flat down to drink from a

spring.
A noise attracted his attention and he looked up to find a bear within a few feet of him. Paralyzed with fear he didn't move until the bear a few feet of him. Paralyzed with fear he didn't move until the bear years, of Tyrone, attempted suicide discovered him. Then both fled, by breaking a glass bottle and swallowing the fragments. She is in a

WIFE ACQUITTED OF MURDER.

Norristown (Special) .- Mary Bal-Norristown (Special).—Mary Baldaz was acquitted here of the charge of aiding in murdering her husband Michael Baldaz, at Pottstown last February, when he was shot by Stephen Sabo, a boarder in the Baldaz home. Babo was convicted last week on his own confession and he tried to implicate Mrs. Baldaz.

She was not set free when the verdict was rendered, but was held on a charge growing out of her living with Sabo. She will be tried in October.

Moul's faculities are but little dimmed by age, and she retains much of the vigor of early womanhood.

George Gidoos, aged 40, was killed in the Cambria Steel Works at Johnstown. The block to the end of a crane boom fifty feet above him slipped from a fellow-workman's hand and struck Gidos on top of the head.

In England last year only the potato and hop crops fell short of the locked it.

LABOR PLANING A BIG DEMON-

Harrisburg (Special) - Every Cen-Health Dixon, covering the organiza- tral Labor Union in Pennsylvania don and work done by the State will be invited to send representa-Department of Health from June 6, tives to a great labor demonstration 1905, to December 31, 1906, has just planned to be held in Harrisburg on the printer's bands the coming Labor Day. The Central, of Harrisburg, made up of delegates from every union in this city and working organization that Health vicinity, has delegated the arrange-Commissioner Dixon effected in the ment of a program to the Executive Commissioner Dixon effected in the ment of a program to the Executive first year and a half after the Legis Committee, which announces that the celebration will be the biggest thing

Pennsylvania. Invitations will be issued to John legislation Mitchell and other prominent men the depart- to be present, and there will be adand the general work of the depart- to be present, and there will be adment, Health Commissioner Dixon dresses by several labor leaders of national prominence, whose names the committee is not ready to anclude a big parade, in which out-oflown organizations will have a prominent place.

HOLD FIRST FLOWER SHOW.

Bethlehem (Special) .-- More than one thousand amateur and professional flower growers competed for prizes at the first annual floral show

With fountains playing here and there, the Market House represented a huge tropical garden. More than In the battle against tuberculosis five hundred people viewed the dis-r. Dixon considered the reporting play. One of the freak plants shown was a green rose by O. C. Brunner. The clergymen of Bethlehem were the judges, as follows: Revs. B. S. Sanderson, A. B. MacIntosh, H. H. Smith, W. H. Erb, D. L. McCarthy, A. D. Thaeler, W. D. C. Keiter.

CHURCH MUSIC CRITICISED.

Allentown (Special). - Presentday tendency to give prominence to instrumental music in church services was severely criticised at the convention of church musicians of the Lutheran Church, which was held in this city, 200 clergymen and organists being in attendance. A pa-per on "Instrumental Music in the Caurch," prepared by Rev. Dr. F. F. Buermeyer, of New York, precipita-ted the discussion.

Many of the clergymen who par-licipated in the debate expressed the opinion that musical instruments should be eliminated as much as possible from the service, and that pre-ference be given oldtime congrega-

Rev. Dr. A. Spaeth, of Philadel-phia, declared that he was most pleased with the organ when it stopped playing.

WILL SERVE THE STATE.

Harrisburg (Special). - Governor Stuart announced the following appointments: A. J. Connell, Scranon; Levi I. Shoemaker and Robert J. Pegg, Danville, to be members of the Board of Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Danville Ethan Allen Weaver, John W dan, Julius F. Sachse, Philadelphia; Frank R. Diffenderfer, Lancaster, and Boyd Crumrine, Washington, and Boyd Crumrine, Washington, Pa., to be members of the Advisory ommission for the Preservation of

the Public Records. John W. Jordan, John T. Wind-rim, Philadelphia, and W. H. Sayre, Wayne, to be Commissioners of Val-

ley Forge. ost remarkable suicide ever known Jacob M. Shenk, Lebanon; Thomas bers of the State Asylum for Chronic

FRANK IRVINE IN ASYLUM.

Harrisburg (Special) .- Frank Irvine, one of the men indicted in the Capitol case now on trial, is at the Norristown Insane Hospital,

of the smaller press, upon which he must have sat to do the work, his in the third week of the trial the case was discontinued as far as he was concerned, a severance being granted. He had treatment in Phil-The boy was employed in the office adelphia and was then sent to Hyndman. Bedford County, for rest, but failed to improve.

When he returned to Philadephia

was found so deranged that he was

Fire Destroys Old Roadhouse. Allentown (Special). - Fire destroyed the Idlewild Hotel, one of the oldest road houses on the Lehigh Mountain, on the road from Philafairs are again before the public. A delphia to this city, causing a loss Stuart at Harrisburg in relation to paratus from this city was sent to the appointments of trustees for the the acene of the blaze, but arrived

too late to be of service,

STATE ITEMS. George A. Stegmaier, of Wilkes-Barre, won the first prize in the miner declamation contest at the Hilman Academy. The second prize was awarded to Frederick G son and third prize to Julius L. Stern

George Moneghan, of York, who attempted to spoil Miss Bertha Wit-mer's beauty by throwing acid upon

Richard P. Halligan, of Scranton, fell from the Lackawanna Bridge now under construction, at Scranton, and was killed.

Mrs. Susan Moul, the widow of the ed her ninety-first birthday. Moul's faculties are but little

In England last year only the potato and hop crops fell short of the 10-year average; all the rest far expected it.

STRATION.