Subject: "Different Modes of Measuring the Flight of Time"—Life Should Not Be Wholly a Span of Years—The Curse of Wealth—The True Gauge. TEXT: "How old art thou?"—Genesis xivil., 8.

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and ten thousand blessed surroundings. It is the spreading of the table that feeds the children's hunger. It is the lighting of the furnace that keeps you warm. It is the making of the bed on which you rest from care and anxiety. It is the carrying of you out at last to decent sepulcher, and the putting up of the slab on which is chiseled the story of your Christian bope. It is simply hypocrisy, this tirade in pulpit and lecture hall against money.

But while all this is so, he who uses money or thinks of money as anything but a means to an end, will find out his mistake when the glittering treasures slip out of his nerveless grasp, and he goes out of this world without a shilling of money or a certificate of stock. He might better have been the Christian porter that opened his gate or the begrined workman who last age to the constitution of the mount of the mount

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

House.

The Senate organized last Tuesday by electing Senator Snyder, of Chester, president pro tem. He commended the administration of President McKinley during the recent war, and he praised the work of the charitable institutions, saying they should receive appropriations from the Legislature as large as the revenues of the government will permit. Snyder said it was not within his province to make suggestions to the Senate, but he desired to call the attention of the Senators to several questions of importit was not within his province to make suggestions to the Senate, but he desired to call the attention of the Senaters to several questions of importance. He recommended the increase, if possible, of the public school appropriation; the enaction of the ballot law so simple that the uneducated voter can exercise his franchise without fear of making mistakes; the building of good roads, so much to the benefit of the agricultural districts; the revocation of the patent land lien act; the carrying out of which, he declared, would entail more cost than the claims are worth, and the holding of a brief session of the Legislature. Chief Clerk Smiley, of Venango, and John M. Rhey, of Carlisle, were reelected. J. Allen Leeds, of Philadelphia, was appointed Reading Clerk; Captain J. S. Crago, of Waynesboro, Message Clerk; R. M. Range, of Crawford, Executive Clerk, and Dr. B. F. Dimmick, of Harrisburg, Chaplain. Herman Miller will be re-appointed Senate Librarian.

In the House last Wednesday Mr. Fow, of Philadelphia, moved to reconsider the vote by which the House non-concurred in the Senate resolution fixing April 20 for fimal adjournment. The motion was ruled out on a point of order made by Mr. Bliss, of Delaware. No bills will be introduced until after the appointment of the standing committee.

Speaker Farr appointed the following committee on the part of the House to arrange for the Inauguration of Governor Stone on January 17: Messrs, Stewart and Fow, of Philadelphia, Kreps, of Franklin, Harris, of Clearfield, and McClain, of Lancaster. Speaker Farr is working on the committees, but will probably not be ready to announce them until after the inauguration. The House followed the example of the Senate and adjourned until the 12th.

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The House was called to order by Chief Clerk Rex last Tuesday, Prayer was offered by Chaplain Sangree, after which Secretary of the Commonwealth Martin delivered the certificates of the members. These were read, the roil called and the solons arrayed themselves before the bar of the House, where they took the oath of office administered by Judge Biddle, of Carlisle. John R. Farr, of Lackawanna, was nominated Speaker by William T. Marshall, of Allegheny, and William T. Creasy, of Columbia, by George R. Dixon, of Elk. Farr was elected by the full Republican vote of 127 and escorted to the chair by Messrs. Bliss, of Delaware; Hosack, of Allegheny, and Mr. Creasy. Owing totheabsence of a judge there was nobody to administer the oath to the Speaker. John Fow suggested that this could be done by a member. Chief Clerk Rex read the Constitution to show that Fow was wrong, and after a long wait Judge Simonton, of Harrisburg, was summoned and the new Speaker took the oath. Farr made a short speech of thanks, promising to be fair and courteous to his members. Jere B. Rex, of Huntingdon, was relected chief clerk, and A. D. Fetteroll, of Montgomery, takes his old place of resident clerk. The usual committees were appointed to wait on the Governor and Senate to notify them that the House had organized and was ready to proceed to business. Clarency, of Philadelphia, was appointed a teller on the part of the House to compute the vote on the 19th inst. Senator Magee's resolution, fixing April 20 for the final adjournment, was concurred in.

Senator McCarrell, last Wednesday rising to a question of personal privilege, defended the capitol building commission, of which he is a member, against what he termed the unjust criticism by the governor in his message of the action of the commission in connection with the construction of the new capitol. He characterized the governor's statements as "without foundation in fact and unjust." The commission has acted strictly under the terms of the act creating it, which was passed on the rec

and childishness which would disgrace a boy in knickerbockers." He disputed the governor's claim that the building as it stands could have been constructed for \$225,000 instead of the \$350,000 it has cost, and said that if the builder quoted by the governor could have done the work so economically he should have come forward at the time bids were advertised for. The senator closed by giving a pledge to the General Assembly and to the people of the State that when the work of the contractor has been fully completed the commission will justify its acts and purge itself of the preposerous and wholly unfounded charges of the governor. The Senate then adjourned until Thursday, the 12th.

Lora Kelvin's Reprimand.

The eminent English scientist, Lord Kelvin, who for many years has held the chair of natural philosophy at Glasgow University, is the subject of an amusing story illustrative of the singular force of habit. As a professor of science, Lord Kelvin can use long words in such formidable array as to paralyze the average layman, but the Glasgow student is made of sterner Glasgow student is made of sterner stuff. During a course of lectures on magnetism, he once defined an ideal magnet as "an infinitely long, in-finitely thin, uniform and uniformly and longitudinally magnetized bar," and the misguided students vocifer-ously cheered, which caused the venerable professor to say: "Silence!"
The definition was made and cheered, with the usual reprimand, frequently during the lectures. Once, near the conclusion, however, the students did not cheer, but Lord Kelvin promptly rapped out "Silence!" as before.

There are now 20,000 Indians in school outside the five civilized tribes.

KEYSTONE STATE NEWS CONDENSED

FIRE AT WASHINGTON.

The Hotel Main, a Well-Known Hostelry Burned-Other Buildings Destroye-Property Valued at \$140,000.

Fire which broke out Saturday morning at Washington destroyed property valued at \$14,000 on which there was about \$15,000 of insurance. The buildings destroyed were the Hotel Main, a four-story brick structure, and the Levino building, a three-story brick. The hotel, the oldest hostelry in the town, formerly the Fulton rouse, was owned by Dr. G. W. Roberts, who paid \$41,0.0 for it several years ago. His insurance is \$25,500. D. H. Goodwin, proprietor, loses a large amount of furniture.

Near Dummore, Lackawanna County, the body of Patrick Grady, an old hermit, was found frozen in the snow close to his hut.

The following pensions were granted last week: John C. Miller, Springdale, \$6; Thomas Murphy, Sewickley, \$10; Thomas Honiter, Clearfield Bridge, Clearfield, \$12; George J. Rock, Schellsburg, Bedford, \$16 to \$30; Jacob Neely, dead, Prospect, Butler, \$2 to \$8; John Weaver, dead, Grantville, Mifflin, \$6 to \$8; Joseph Rockenstein, Butler, \$8 to \$10; Thomas Ramage, Hopewell, Bedford, \$8 to \$10; James W. Goodwin, East Charleston, Tloga, \$16 to \$17; Cornelius Wright, Grand Valley, Warren, \$6 to \$8; Solomon Lucas, Flotz, Franklin, \$8 to \$10; Jonathan Rice, Pine Ridge, Bedford, \$8; Sain Andrew Castle, \$8; Magriad Weaver, Granville, Mifflin, \$10; Anne E. Cahili, Allegheny, \$8; Sarah J. Cole, Lincolnville, Crawford, \$12; Amanda Schaefnocker, New Castle, \$8; Magriad Weaver, Granville, Mifflin, \$8; Eliza A. Neely, Prospect, Butler, \$8; Matilda Weaver, Granville, Mifflin, \$8; Eliza A. Neely, Prospect, Butler, \$8; Matilda Weaver, Granville, Mifflin, \$8; Eliza A. Neely, Prospect, Butler, \$8; Matilda Weaver, Granville, Mifflin, \$8; Eliza A. Neely, Prospect, Butler, \$8; Matilda Weaver, St. Philip Thomas, Brownsville, \$6; Albert W. Tucker, dead. Titusville, \$12; Robert M. Black, Predericktown, Washington, \$6; John Shank, Pennsville, Payette, \$8; Philip Thomas, Brownsville, \$8; Goorge Gray, West Finley, Washington, \$6; John Shank, Pennsville, Payette, \$8; Mary Miller, Lewisburg, \$8; John Monger, Glade, Somerset, \$8; Maryen, Gla

locomotive. None of the cars were wrecked.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hare, of Johnstown, died Sunday and it was arranged that the funeral should be held Wednesday. When the mourners and the undertaker arrived the husband forbade the interment of the body. His wife had been subject to fits and he does not believe her dead. The efforts of half a dozen physicians to convince him of the fact have been unsuccessful.

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After enduring horrible agonies for weeks, Miss Alice V. Hager, a young school teacher of Clay Hill, near Chambersburg, died Wednesday night, slowly strangling to death. In drawing Miss Hager's tooth last August the dentist broke the soft palate, and a bone formation soon grew in the young woman's mouth. Leading specialists could do nothing for her.

William P. Wolfe, a bainter in the employ of the Cumberland Valley Rallroad Company, fell 50 feet to the floor of the round house at Chambersburg, where he was repainting the inside of the roof. His neck was broken and he died instantly. He was the son of Zadoc Wolfe, of Altoona, a well known miller, and leaves a wife and two children.

Aged Henry Miller, of Westville, was brought to the Lancaster Hospital a few days ago to be treated for a broke.

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While Charles Freshcorn. a black-smith, employed at the stone quarries north of Beaver Falls, was at work at his forge a spark flew out and ignited a keg of powder standing near. A terific explosion followed, almost demolishing the shop and blowing Freshcorn out into the road. He was seriously burned about the head, face and hands, but will :ecover.

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It is authoritatively stated that the life of 0. Perry Jones, the cashier of the Philipsburg First National Bank, who committed suicide one week ago, was insured for \$106,000 for his wife's benefit. Most of it has been carried at least ten years, and all of it so long that there can be no contest. So far as has been developed his estate is entirely solvent.

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Bert McManus, an Erie railroad conductor, was arrested recently at Sharon, on a charge of breach of promise preferred by Harriet Thomas, of Orangeville. McManus was married recently to another young woman. He was bound over to court.

The winter term of the Normal school at Slippery Rock opened this week with 400 students enrolled. This is the largest attendance of any winter term in the history of the school. The Northampton County Court yesterday appointed Dr. Noah W. Reichard, 'Chief Burgess of Bangor, in place of B. Frank Miller, who was elected to the Legislature.

Mine Inspector William Stein, of the Sixth anthracite district, residing at Shenandoah, reports that there were if fatal accidents in the district during the year 1898.

For the first time in the history of Clearfield county the Court House is filled with Republican officials.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

House.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY.
The House spent Wednesday considering the bill to define and punish crimes in Alaska and provide a code of criminal procedure for the territory.

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Mr. Moody (Rep., Mass.) made a bitter attack upon that section of the bill which repeated all existing laws relating to the sale of liquor in the district of Alaska, and made it only unlawful to sell liquor to Indians.

An amendment was adopted giving a jury, in case a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree was returned, discretionary power to inflict capital punishment.

Chairman Loud of the House post-office committee submitted to a favorable report on his bill to amend the laws relating to second-class mail matter. It provides that books or reprints of books in serial form shall pay I cent for two ounces instead of 1 cent per pound. Publications of institutions of learning are placed on the same footing as other periodicals instead of being privileged.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

The first bill called up was that to create an additional circuit, 1t is this judgeship with which rumor has connected the name of ex-secretary of State William R. Day, Mr. Henderson (Rep. Ia.), chairman of the judiclary committee, said that there were 7,108 cases pending in this district. It was passed.

THIRTY-THIRD DAY.

The anti-civil service scored a victory in the House. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was taken up, and when the appropriation for the civil service commission was reached Mr. Evans (Rep., Ky.) made a motion to strike it out. This motion has been made annually for a dozen years or more, but has invariably failed. It carried by a narrow majority, 67 to 61. This was in committee of the whole, where no record is made of the vote.

Mr. Grosvenor (Rep., O.) the head of the anti-civil service movement during the last session, said that no one could deny the civil service law had overreached itself. It had throttled the appointing power of the government. Men who supported it when would be carried to the extent to it which it has been carried.

Mr. Hepburn (Rep., Ia.) said when the law was originally passed 10,00 offices covered the largest estimate

United States.

Senate.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY.

The first session of the senate after the holiday recess occupied only 14 minutes, last Wednesday, although in that brief time two open sessions and an executive session were held. The peace treaty was presented and referred to the foreign relations committee. Maj. Pruden, assistant secretary to the president, presented the message from the president, containing the treaty of Paris. The senate then went into executive session in order that the treaty might be referred to the committee on foreign relations. It was not read, but the president's message accompanying it. This was a simple letter of transmission, without any word of recommendation or suggestion, and was only a few lines in length. On reconvening n open session the death of Senator Morrill was announced. The usual resolutions were adopted, and as a remark of respect the senate adjourned at 12.15 until to-morrow.

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"The history of the world," said he, "shows that God has set the bounds where the different peoples of the earth shall abide. When I look at the conditions of the world, I am unalterably convinced that no permanent sway can be held by the white man over the black man in the sub-tropies, except by a strong, military and cruel despotism."

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A good story is told by Rudyard Kipling at his own expense. During his stay in Wiltshire one summer he met little Dorothy Drew, Mr. Gladstone's granddaughter, and being very fond of children, took her in the grounds and told her stories. After a time Mrs. Drew, fearing that Mr. Kipling must be tired of the child, called her and said, "Now, I hope, Dorothy, you have not been wearying Mr. Kipling." "Oh, not a bit, mother," replied the small celebrity, "but he has been wearying me."

THE MARKETS

WHEAT No. 2 CORN— No. 2 3 Mixed OATS—

PITTSBURG.	
Grain, Flour and Feed	١.
-No. 1 red	71@
red	69
No. 2 yellow, ear	41
yellow, shelled	40
ear	37
No. 2 white	33
white	32

72 70 42 41 38 38 34 36 3 60 3 60 3 45 9 00 8 25 16 50 13 50 6 25 6 25 6 50 3 40 OATS-No. 2 white.
No. 3 white.
RYE-No. 1.
FLOUR-Winter patents.
Fancy straight winter.
Ryo flour.
HAY-No. 1 timothy.
Clover, No. 1.
FEED-No. 1 white mid., ton.
Brown middlings.
Bran, bulk.
STRAW-Wheat.
Oat.
SEEDS-Clover, 60 lbs.
Timothy, prime.

CINCINNATI.

PHILADELPHIA. FLOUR. \$ 3 50@ 3 70
WHEAT—No. 2 red 75 76
CORN—No. 2 mixed 41 42
OATS—No. 2 white 35 36
BUTTER—Creamery, extra 21 22
EGGS—Pennsylvania firsts 28

NEW YORK.
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 FLOUR—Patents.
 \$ 3 60@ 3 80

 WHEAT—No. 2 red
 80

 CORN—No. 2.
 43 44

 OATS—White Western.
 38

 BUTTER—Creamery.
 15 22

 EGGS—State of Penn
 26

LIVE STOCK. Central Stock Yards, East Liberty, Pa.

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 CATTLE.

 Prime, 1300 to 1400 lbs.
 \$ 5 00@ 5 15

 Good, 1200 to 1300 lbs.
 4 70 5 00

 Tidy, 1000 to 1150 lbs.
 4 50 4 75

 Fair light steers, 900 to 1000 lbs.
 3 80 4 40

 Common, 700 to 900 lbs.
 3 40 3 80

 Hoos.
 3 80 3 82

 Heavy
 3 75 3 80

 Roughs and stags.
 3 15 3 40

TRADE REVIEW.

Advance in the Price of Iron and Steel Products.

Business Increasing.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade reports as follows for last week: The year begins with the kind of business demand that counts. For months there has been a rising demand for materials, but now the crowding demand for finished products begins to advance prices in the iron and steel industry about 1 per cent., without quotable changes in pig except at the East. Beams have advanced \$2 per ton, angles \$1, bars \$1 and plates are strong, with an Australian order for \$2,000 tons refused at Chicago because the works are already overcrowded.

Many thousand cars are covered by orders at Pittsburg; 10,000 tons bars are taken for agricultural works at Chicago; 105,000 tons rails are taken by the Pennsylvania Company; the Midland Railway Company of England has ordered 20 locomotives from the Baldwin works, and many other home and foreign orders are reported. The demand has never been greater at the beginning of the year than it is now.

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THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

In the senate a resolution, offered by Mr. Hoar, directing the committee on foreign relations to report to the senate whether the treaty of Paris makes any provision for the claims of citizens of the United States against Spain which were in existence before the present war and the status of such claims after the ratification of the treaty, was adopted.

Mr. Hoar introduced a resolution requesting the president for interest, to communicate to the senate all instructions given by him to the commissioners who negotiated the treaty of Paris; all correspondence between the executive and the state department and the commissioners, made either to the president for the peace commissioners, the resolution were over the peace commissioners, the resolution when we over.

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420 bushels, flour included, against 2, 540,318 last year, with Pacific exports of 814,833 against 872,446 last year, would give some reason to anticipate higher prices were not the western receipts 4,101,532 bushels against 2,876,-072 for the same week last year. The wonder is that the foreign demand for corn continues so heavy, 3,572,412 bushels having been exported in this week against 2,954,890 in the same week last year.

The country is on the upgrade and the men who expect it to take the downward road have yet some time to wait. There are no indications of the reaction which always follows a large and rapid business recovery and existing conditions in the industries and in foreign trade by no means forbid the hope that the increase may continue, as it did after the revival of 1879, for several years. Exports compared with imports continue to indicate an enormous balance in cash due this country and gold imports begin cate an enormous balance in cash due this country and gold imports begin

again. Failures for the week have been 243 in the United States, against 322 last year, and 24 in Canada, against 32 last year.

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year.

The Connecticut supreme court has decided that the buildings of Yale college at New Haven cannot be taxed.