GORKY'S FATE NOT DECIDED

May Yet Be Tried by Court-Martial and Life Imperiled.

PRINTERS SEE CZAR.

Promises to Visit Them Personally Bloodshed in Polish Towns-Sixteen Strikers Killed and Fifty-Eight Wounded in One Fight-Nobility's

It is the intention of the Government to bring Maxim Gorky and sev en other authors and publicists to trial on political charges. Governor eral Trepost this afternoon said: Governor Gen

The whole case is now in the hands of the Ministry of Justice, which is conducting the investigation, at the conclusion of which the Procurator General will decide wheththe prisoners shall be tried by a civil or by a military court. I am in receipt of letters daily from abroad imploring me to spare Gorky's life.

'We have every reason to feel satisfied. Masters and men are now on excellent terms, and work is proceeding everywhere quietly. The re-ception of the workmen's deputation by the Emporer has created the best 'upression.

Emperor Nicholas received at Tsarkoe-Selo a deputation of five tivity, but there is still much to be workmen from the Star printing works. He questioned each man factories have only a moderate closely regarding the character of the amount of business in sight. Railwork and hours of employment, ex- way earnings for January were 1.1 pressed satisfaction with those who per cent, larger than a year ago, and had conscientiously performed their duty and said he hoped to visit the establishment in person.

At the conclusion of the interview the delegates were given permission to visit the palace buildings and afterward were entertained at dinner. The higher educational classes for women at Odessa have been suspend-

OFFICIAL CROP REPORT.

Wheat Well Protected Winter Throughout the West.

The weather bureau's summary of crop conditions for the month of Jan-Rocky mountains the month was than the average, with light precipitation in most districts. In the Rocky mountain region and to the westward the temperature was milder than usual, with more than the average precipitation in the southern plateau region and Southern California, and much less than the average precipitation as a whole. Throughout the southern states the month was unfavorable for agricultural interests. The reports indicate winter wheat was generally well protected west-

ward of the Mississippi river and also in portions of the Ohio valley and middle Atlantic states, but over much of the last named district there was insufficient snow protection during the severest weather, and in portions of Illinois and Indiana it is feared the crop has suffered injury. large areas being covered with ice. On the North Pacific coast the outlook is favorable, except for late sown in Washington. In California the prospect is excellent, except along the Sacramento river, where some damage has been caused by heavy rains.

Carnegie Gives \$125,000 to College. Andrew Carnegie has given Rens selaer Polytechnic institute, of Troy. N. Y., \$125,000 to assist in rebuilding its main building, which was burned last June.

Cuban Cabinet Resigns.

The five members of the cabinet visited President Palma and presented their resignations. They stated they desired, since President Palma had announced his allegiance to the moderate party, to open the way for him to make whatever selections he chose. President Palma courteously but emphatically declined to consider the resignations.

AIMED AT UNFAIR LISTS.

Drastic Bills Are introduced into the Colorado Legislature.

Two bills, said to be indorsed by the Denver Citizens Alliance, were introduced in the legislature. One, intended to prevent boycotting, prohibits the distribution of unfair lists. with a penalty of \$250 to \$500 fine or 60 days' imprisonment for violation. The other requires labor unions to incorporate, and that certified copies of the minutes of union meetings be furnished on request to corporations employing members of such unions.

"Military necessity recognizes no laws, either civil or social," says Ad-Jutant General Sherman M. Bell, of Colorado, in his biennial report made public. Referring to the use of troops in mining camps during the two years Peabody's administration, the adjutant general says:

"As military commander the authority and dignity of the state of coaches left stumps of telegraph poles his four-year term of service, which Colorado were at all times upheld and eight or ten feet high, showing that expires in December, 1995. The presiserted in seeking to ameliorate a condition of dynamite, murder and assination, under the guise of labor, that was intolerable."

Floyd Is Given Reprieve.

The death warrant in the case of Westmoreland Edward Floyd, county, Pa., murderer has been withdrawn by the Governor, to permit the condemned man to present his case to the Supreme court. Floyd was to ve been hanged February 7. maximum penalty for violating the

J. F. Rudolph, of Loretto, was jolted off a train near Coalport, Pa., and was killed. He was 20 years old had worked on the railroad but a

RUNNING AT FULL CAPACITY.

Quarterly Reports of Leading Concerns Show Enormous Tonnage Yet to be Delivered. Railway Earnings Larger.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: Trade progresses steadily, all speculative excesses having been avoided thus far, and the numerous negotations now pending Padicate that the maximum of activity at Their Work-More Rioting and is yet to come. Some irregularity in reports for the first month were un doubtedly due to exceptionally severe weather. The weakness of cotton also had a tendency to check operations in the South. Taken as a whole, however, results for January were very much better than in the same month last year, particularly as to allures. Distribution of merchandise is once more on a liberal scale, traffic blockades having disappeared, and in many cases large clearance sales hav disposed of burdensome stocks. Collections are still somewhat irregular, but on the whole there is little cause for complaint. Few labor dis putes are interrupting work, although several new controversies are threat ened. Manufacturing plants are making the best returns. Iron furnaces and steel mills operate close to their full capacity, and the quarterly report of the leading concerns showed an enormous tonnage of business on the books at the end of the year, de spite the fact that the closing months of 1904 made very good exhibits Woolen mills maintain records of ac desired at the cotton plants, and shoe

foreign commerce at this port for the last week showed an increase of \$979.089 in exports and a gain of \$528,067 in imports. Prices of hides weaken only in proportion to the deterioration in quality that is seasonable, and the tone is really firm, with a fair volume of business in progress, Leather is quiet, with no disposition ed owing to disturbances among the to force sales. Commercial failures

this week in the United States, are 259, against 305 last week, 335 the preceding week, and 246 the corresconding week last year. Failures in Canada number 30, against 43 last week, 24 the preceeding week, and 29 last year.

Bradstreet's says: Widespread cold weather hampers trade in nearly all uary, 1905, is as follows: East of the lines, thus retarding, but not entirely checking the opening of spring distribution. Pig iron remains quiet, as heretofore reported, but this quiet in the crude form is not indicative of the very large business in finished prosaid to be of next record proportion so far as orders on hand and specifications coming in can indicate. Hardware, while rather quieter, is in excellent shape, and manufacturers are largely sold ahead. Copper and lead are higher on the weel

Serious Disturbances Reported.

A telegram from Czestochowa, Russian Poland, says all the factories there are closed and serious disturbances are reported to have occurred. The Socialists are very strong there. The Warsaw-Vicana railroad shops are closed. At Pruszkow 1,200 men struck in one day. All the factories are closed at Kaliaz. The strike at Lodz continues without disorder. A deputation of strikers requested the authorities to close all the liquor stores, as otherwise the workmen would not be responsible if disturbances occur The workmen themselves watched the liquor stores to prevent the sale of liquor. The workmen in coal manufacturing districts of Combrowa, Bendzin and Sosnovice

CURRENT NEWS EVENTS.

Senator Dillingham introduced a bill making more stringent the laws prohibiting the importation of women for immoral purposes.

Col. Philip G. Eastwick of Portland, Ore., father of the manager of the International Bank, died at Panama of yellow fever, after a few days' illness. about 70.

The first Presbyterian congregation of Altoona, Pa., has elected Rev. H. L. Bowley pastor of the church. He graduated from Princeton in 1904 and came to Altoona as assistant to Rev. J. W. Bain, who has been made pastor emeritus.

CARS HURLED MANY FEET.

One Person Killed and Others Injured in Wreck on the C. H. & D.

Running at the rate of 50 miles an hour the northbound Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton limited train was ditched, from a cause not yet learned, near Belmore Ohio. Mrs. Florence Frazier of Sidney, O., was killed; Miss Garrett of Deshier, fatally injured, and more than a dozen other persons hurt. The dining and sleeping cars were shattered and thrown from the track, while the rest remain-So tightly had Mrs. Frazier's body been wedged in the window of

the dining car that it was necessary to cut it loose. the cars had been forced through the air 20 feet before alighting. landing about 40 feet from the track.

Cigarettes a Crime in Indiana. The Indiana senate has passed an anti-cigarette bill. The measure eran of Maysville, Ky., died from in-makes it unlawful to own, sell or juries when he kept a Chesapeake give away cigarettes, cigarette wrappers or cigarette tobacco, and pro-

D. W. Young was arrested at Canonsburg. Pa., and gave bail for trial suicide at St. Clairsville, O., by shoot-

DEALS BLOW AT BEEF TRUST

United States Supreme Court Decides Against Swift & Co.

UNANIMOUS OPINION.

Judge Grosscup's Permanent Injunction Continued by Highest Tribunal.

The beef trust was placed permanently under the ban of the law by the highest tribunal of the land. The supreme court of the United States, la a decision rendered unanimously and at an unexpectedly early day, sustained the injunction which was issued in a preliminary proceeding by Judge Grosscup of the United States district court in Chicago, May 2, 1902, and by him made permanent May 27,

As showing the remarkable strength of the case put into the form of a bill in equity by Attorney General Knox and his assistant, Judge W. A. Day, and the masterful way in which the case was carried forward by Attorney General Moody, it need only be said that the supreme court of the United States only took three weeks from the time the case was argued in order to put its decision into form, every member agreeing. It is a very unusual thing when a case of any magnitude whatever is decided by this tribunal in such a short space of time. reading of the opinion, however, would indicate that the court had probably made up its mind on the very day that Attorney General Moody and Mr. Miller, the counsel for the beef trust, finished their arguments. In his opinion Justice Holmes discussed at length the various contentions of the packers and disposed of them individually. He admitted that some of the charges were less specific than desirable, but said this was necessarily true on account of the vast extent of the field covered. He added that sufficient had been shown to prove continuous offense, and an offense of such a nature as to justify the proceeding. Summarizing the bill, Jus tice Holmes said:

"It charges a combination dominant proportion of the dealers in fresh meat throughout the United States not to bid against each other in the live stock markets of the different states, to bid up prices for a few days in order to induce the cattlemen to send their stock to the stock yards, to fix prices at which they will sell and to that end restrict shipments of meat when necessary, to establish a uniform rule of credit to dealers and to keep a blacklist, to make uniform and improper charges for cartage and finally to get less than the lawful rates from the railroads to the exclusion of competition."

TRIES TO SAVE CHILDREN.

Father Receives Fatal Burns in Futile Attempt.

Two children were burned to death and William McCarrier sustained burns which will prove fatal in a fire which destroyed his home at Parkersburg, W. Va. The dead are: Gladys McCarrier, aged three years; Charles McCarrier, aged three months. iam McCarrier, the father is fatally

McCarrier and his wife were working about the farm, leaving the house playing, started a fire, and when McCarrier returned the house was althe flames, inhaling the fire.

\$12,000 Fire at Oakland.

second disastrous fire in a month, destroying West hotel, Hesson's saloon and a dwelling nearby, The Balside of the saloon. Loss \$12,000.

Standard Cuts Refined Oil.

The Standard Oil company has re-

Mrs. Rogers Reprieved.

rites of the Catholic church and hearing her father confessor read the prayers for the dying, Mrs. Marv Mabel Rogers, who was sentenced to die nouncement of High Sheriff Henry H. Peck that Gov. Charles J. Ben had granted her a reprieve of four months.

Mr. Darling Resigns.

Charles W. Darling, assistant secretary of the navy, tendered his resignation to the president, asking that In leaving the track, each of the it take effect near the expiration of dent stated in a letter to Mr. Darling After that when his resignation took effect that they rolled over several times, it was his purpose to appoint him collector of the port at Burlington, Vt.

Saved a Train; Lost His Life. William H. Case, a Civil War veteran of Maysville, Ky., died from in-& Ohio train from being wrecked. Case pulled aside a hand car standing vides six months' imprisonment as the in front of an approaching train, but

was himself struck by the train and

fatally hurt.

Miss Lavina Johnson committed

Soldiers if Hargises Resist Arrest.

Judge Benton has issued orders for the arrest of Judge James Hargis Alexander Hargis, Edward Callahan and B. F. French, requiring them to execute bond for their appearance at Winchester, Ky., on the first day of the April term of court and charging them with contempt of court in bribing, intimidating and threatening wit nesses in the recent Hargis-Macrun trial and sending them beyond th jurisdiction of the court. B. F. French was arrested and gave bond. Th

others will be arrested at Jackson "Unless the Court of Appeals should grant the Hargises a temperary writ shall ask Governor Beckham for troops to support an officer we will send to Jackson to serve the bench warrants of the Fayette Circuit Court," said Colonel John R. Commonwealth's attorney, in answer to a question as to the position of the court should the Hargises and Calla han resist arrest on the Fayette Circuit Court indictment.

LOOKING FOR ROCKEFELLER. Chicago Man Advertises for Information Concerning Whereabouts of the Standard Oil Magnate.

The following advertisement appeared in several Chicago newspapers: "Personal-A very liberal reward will be paid for reliable information as to the present whereabouts of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., president of the Standard Oil company. Call or address L. A. Gourdain, 121 Dear-born street, Chicago, Ill."

Gourdain is under indictment by a Federal Grand Jury on a charge of advertising a lottery through express companies. It is understood that Gourdain desires to subpena Mr. Rockefeller to testify regarding the legality of his business. He gave the United States Marshal \$200 to de fray Mr. Rockefeller's expenses to Chicago, but that official reported that the capitalist could not be found. Gourdain maintains that he ply dealing in "options on oil lands in Louisiana." The State has subpensed 5 witnesses from Chicago, New York, New Orleans and San Francisco.

CELESTIALS LOOK TO HAY.

Complain of Police Raid Upon Chinatown in Which Innocents Suffered.

Acting on behalf of the Chinese tian League of Philadelphia, Rev. Frederick Poole, Superintendent of Chinatown Mission, has gone to Washington to ask the Chinese Minister to take up with Secretary Hay the recent raid by the police on the Chinese colony here. A police raid recently was made upon alleged Chinese gambling houses and about 100 Chinese were taken into custody. It is claimed by the American Chinese Reform Association that the raid was unwarranted and that peaceable merchants were among those arrested. It is further charged that the police looted some of the establishments they visited.

FOLLOWS HER HUSBAND.

at Their Home in Washington, Pa .- They Are Survived by Five Children.

The death of Morgan Hayes, was followed by the death of his wife a few hours later. Mr. Hayes was 85 years old and his wife was 76 years in charge of the children. The latter old. Morgan Hayes for many years was senior member of Haves & Wilson, carriage makers of Washington. most consumed. Two older children He was born in Hartford county, Combrowa, Bendzin and Sosnovice bave held meetings and have decided little ones the father rushed through 1841. Mrs. Hayes's maiden name was The couple are survived by Fitts alone appeared in opposition. five children.

Oakland, Md., was visited by its Insane Waltress Caused Panic in a

Restaurant. Miss Lizzie Gloss, a waitress at a restaurant in Richmond, Ind., became place the woman under restraint.

Col. Peter P. Hall.

Col. Peter Pen-Gaskill Hall, a reduced the wholesale rate of refined tired officer of the United States army When Bonbon Box is Opened Serpent oil 4 cents a gallon in Kansas City, and a descendant of William Penn is and in some towns 5 cents. In dead at his home in Philadelphia, Missouri similar reductions have been Pa. Col. Hall was 75 years old. Bills were introduced in the When the Civil war broke out Col. Kansas Legislature aimed at the Hall enlisted in the Sixteenth volunteers. He rose rapidly and was hon-A few hours after receiving the last pointed paymaster with the rank major in the United States army. He retired in 1891. Col. Hall was a member of the Pennsylvania commandery of the military order of the Royal on the gallows at Windsor, Vt. IIs. legion and was president of the Col-tened without emotion to the an-onial Society of Pennsylvania.

Thief Operates at Princeton.

A well-dressed man entered uni- Untrue Report of Husband's Death versity hall at Princeton, N. J., while the students were at dinner and stole jewelry and other valuables worth nearly \$1,000. The chief losers berland, Md., aged 21, a bride of five of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of were H. L. Dillion, 1997, and H. R. McAlphin, 1905.

company at Bradenville, Pa., was of flour and groceries.

Richard Croker Sails for Son's Funeral Richard Croker arrived in London Wednesday from Wantage and will sail for New York on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse to be present at the funeral of his son Frank.

Banker Beckwith Seriously III. President C. T. Beckwith of the defunct Citizens National Bank of Oberlin, O., is reported to be in a at court. Young is charged by B. E. suicide at St. Clairsville, O., by shoot-ing herself. Long illness is said to have been responsible for the deed.

State's Attorney Says He Will Ask for

His Companions Brains Beaten Out With a Club.

TELLS STORY OF MASSACRE.

Salem Youth, Who Alone Escaped Gives Graphic Details of Companions' Deaths.

Charles E. Tolerton, of Salem, O., the only American who escaped unwounded in the Yaqui Indian massaere at Torres, Mexico, in which four Americans and one Mexican were killed, arrived home after having accompanied the remains of his dead cousin, M. A. Call, to Sioux City, Ia. Tolerton, who was the youngest of the party, though much wrought over his terrible experience, told a vivid story of the attack and escape. At the first volley, after firing one shot at the Indians, he took to the brush and after a run succeeded in overtaking the runaway team. For three miles he rode in the coach, and when one horse dropped dead, although pursued by the Indians, he succeeded in cutting the lead team loose and escaped

on the best horse. Mr. Tolerton brought with him a large club, weighing about five registered at the Bellevue Hotel at pounds, of mesquit wood, with which Wheeling, W. Va., and were assigned the Indians beat out the brains of their victims, and also cartridges and other souvenirs picked up when the rescuing party returned for the bod-Tolerton will probably return to the West in the near future.

McKINLEY FULOGIZED

Justice Day is Toast Master and Herrick, Harding, Fitzhugh Lee and Gen. Black Respond.

Almost every citizen of Canton and vicinity joined in remembering the birthday anniversary of the late President McKinley in what proved to be a celebration of national importance. The pathetic feature of the banquet was the presence of the widow of the martyred President. Heavily veiled and half led, half carried to a box of honor, Mrs. McKinley received one ovation, respectful and unanimous, not accorded the distinguished statesmen As if to cement further the policy peace so long the ideal and aim Merchants' Association and the Chris of President McKinley, Grand Army tian League of Philadelphia, Rev. veterans of McKinley and G. D. Harter Posts of Canton held an enthusiastic reception at the Auditorium this afternoon in honor of General John C. Black, Past Commander of the Grand Army, and General Fitzhugh Lee, intrepld Confederate leader, but later one of those ready to lead the forces of the reunited Union against a common enemy

WOMAN'S LIFE IN BALANCE. Vermont Governor Will Say To-Day Whether Mrs. Rogers Will Be

Reprieved. Whether Mary Mabel Rogers will die on the gallows at Montpelier, Vt., Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Hayes Are Dead as ordered by the court in which she was found guilty of murdering her husband, or be granted a reprieve while the Supreme Court is petition-

ed for a new trial, will be announced by Governor Bell. Governor Bell said that the privilege to resign belongs to the Sheriff perform the execution under protest. Five officers of the law charged with day pleaded with the Governor to detheir duties. Att

Mrs. Campbell Leaves Hospital. Mrs. Patrick Campbell, an English the actress, who has been a patient at the University hospital at Philadelphia lasane and threw cups of tea and cof- since the night of January 2, when timore and Ohio telegraph wires were fee over the diners, several of whom she injured her true cap by slipping burned down, the burned buildings being near the railroad. The two dwellings belonged to Gilmore burned and many women fainted. It home of Mrs. Spencer Ervin, a close Hamiil. It is believed the fire was required two policemen, assisted by personal friend, where she will remain Col. Eastwick was aged kindled by incendiaries on the out- the attaches of the restaurant, to temporarily. The wound in her knee is said to have completely healed.

SENDS ADDER TO ACTRESS.

Springs at Her. Fraulein Reubke, of the theatre, Munich, found on her dressing table a beautiful bonbon box with a note requesting her to open box before going on the stage. orably mustered out in 1865. He was actress was too much occupied to do so until before the last act, and when did open it an adder darted out and fastened its fangs in her dress. Fraulein Reubke screamed and fell in a faint and the attendants killed the adder. After some delay the actress was able to finish the performance.

BRIDE DIED OF SHOCK.

Proves Fatal. Mrs. Hannah May Cheshire of Cummonths, died from fright. She was Central Pennsylvania, and whose ef- of the First Baptist church at Sharon, greatly shocked upon being told that her husband, Edward Cheshire, a rail-The store of the Unity Mercantile road man, had been killed in an accident on the Pittsburg division of robbed. The thieves entered a rear the Baltimore & Ohio. The report states that he is actuated by a window and carried off a wagon load proved untrue, but she never recovsire to prevent further scandal in ered from the shock.

Russians Left 1,200 Dead. Manchurian headquarters

which has occurred since January 25 at Likajentan, Chenchiephao and Heikoutai the Russians left over 1,200 dead on the field. The Russians shelled the Japanese center, using field guns and mortars. Simultaneously they shelled a portion of the Japanese using 12 heavy field guns. There has been a series of small infantry encounters in front of the Japanese center and left.

RUNAWAY LOCOMOTIVE.

Unmanned on Allegheny Mountain Grade by Collision.

The railroad men on the eastern slope of the Alleghany mountains and in the Altoona yard were given a scare by a runaway engine. Eastbound freight No. 2062 got beyond control coming down the and at Kittanning Point dashed into engines 440 and 34. The enginemen all jumped to avoid injury, and in the collision 2062 was badly damaged and 440 was derailed. Engine No. 34 was cut loose and started down the mountain at full speed. The operator at McGarveys Station saw the unmanned engine pass his tower and speed-

ily notified Altoona. The officials here hurriedly arranged for a clear track for the runa way through the Altoona yard. No. 3 passenger track was cleared for a number of miles east of the city and one engine was prepared to capture runaway. No sooner had it passed GD tower, in the lower end of the yard, than the engine started to capture it. After a race for a mile or more, the locomotive was recaptured.

ENTER HOTEL TO DIE.

Two Men Found in Wheeling Room Almost Dead from Gas.

Two men giving as their names T. T. Shirley of Hundred, W. Va., and B. S. Moag of Pipesburg, W. Va., to a room. Late in the afternoon the men not appearing, the room was entered, and it was discovered that both were all but dead from asphyxiation, the gas jet having been left open. The pair are now at the City Hospital and cannot recover.

On Shirley's person was found an accident policy issued to Robert S. Neely of Baden, Beaver county, Pa., and a letter to the same address from his sister, in which he is addressed as "Dear Bob." A card bearing the A card bearing the name "Ada McMullen, 518 Third avenue, Pittsburg," was also found.

Moag's true identy is unknown. is evidently a case of suicide, though no cause is disclosed. The hospital physicians say both men will die before morning.

GEORGIA FEUDISTS IN ACTION. One of the Principals Is Dead and Five Others, Including a Woman,

Are Wounded. One person is dead and five are wounded as the result of a feud over a line fence near Rhine, seven miles west of Abbeville, Ga. The dead is W. H. Livingston, bailiff, and the wounded M. A. Burnham, W. B Bryant, W. T. Bryant, Thomas Coffee and Mrs. Georgia Ray.

Livingston and one of the Bryants, it is alleged, attacked and seriously beat a son of M. A. Burnham. Burnham met Bryant the next day and thrashed him. When the aggrieved men and their relatives met, the shooting began. Mrs. Ray, a sister of the Bryants, rushed to the scene and wounded by a stray bullet. Further trouble is expected.

ON THE WARPATH.

Are Killing Americans and Mexicans Indiscriminately.

W. V. Daly, a mining engineer and mine owner just arrived. Tucson, Ariz., from Minas Prietas, says that the Yaqui outbreak in Mexico is ser-There are Yaquis, divided into and deputies, who said they would 15 bands. The Indians are killing Americans and Mexicans without discrimination. Twenty persons, Daly the infliction of the death penalty to- says, have been killed within the last week. Gen. Torres and Gov. Ysabel, renegades. Advices received Sunday ere Torres had surrounded a large band of Indians in Uvalama canon, the same place where a year ago soldiers surprised a band of Yaquis and slew many of them.

Oldest Harvard Graduate Dead. Dr. Edward Linzee Cunningham, who was the oldest living graduate of Harvard, he having been the last survivor of the class of 1829, died at his residence in Newport, R. I., in his 96th Among the doctor's classmates year. in Harvard was Dr. Oliver Wendell

GET TRACTION CONTROL. New Management for Chicago Street

Railways. Actual control of the Chicago City Railway Company has been transferred to the Morgan-Field-Mitchell-Valentine syndicate. John J. Mitchell, who has directed the negotiations of the syndicate, made the announce ment that the amount of stock necessary for control had been secured. President D. G. Hamilton will retire from the presidency of the company. It is understood that his suc cessor will be John A. Spoor, president of the Union Stock Yards and Yards and Transit Company and Chicago Junction railroad.

Irvine Drops Talbot Charges. Rev. I. N. W. Irvine, D. D., who was deposed by Bishop Ethelbert Talbot, fort recently to present the bishop failed, has issued a signed statement announcing his intention to drop all proceedings against Bishop Talbot,

Episcopal church. FIGHTING THE ICE KING.

graphing reports that in the fighting Cincinnati Rivermen Adopt Novel

Tactics to Prevent Gorge. a special meeting of river and coal men at Cincinnati a fund was raised to be used in freeing the local harbor from ice. All the available towboats in the harbor are to be chartered and sent to Coney Island Thursday to form a barricade against heavy ice coming from above. The is to prevent the ice from gorging below Cincinnati.

KEYSTONE STATE CULL**ings**

TEST SUIT HAS BEEN BROUGHT.

The Directors of Bridgewater Borough Bring a Test Case.

A test suit has been brought by the school directors of Bridgewater borough against M. and S. H. Darrah, who own a property in the Sharon Independent school district, in the north end of the borough, to compel them to pay a school tax to the borough, after they have already paid a tax to the independent district. If the borough wins the suit all property owners in the independent district will have to pay the double school

Reasons against the merging of Thiel College and the Greensburg Seminary, the hearing of which will come up in the February term Common Pleas Court, have been filed The petition for the merger was made by the trustees of the college and is opposed by John Packard, L. L. Keck and other Greensburg citize who allege that they contributed to a fund of \$15,000 for the permanent location of the college in the Mercer county town. It is recited in the answer to the petition that to permit the removal of the college in the indirect manner attempted under the proceedings would be in direct violation to the permanent injunction previously secured in the Mercer county ocurts and sustained in the Supreme Court, that neither Thiel nor the Greensburg Seminary, or both of them com-bined, have assets amounting to \$500,-000 and that the merging of the two institutions would be detrimental to both institutions.

A report from Hazelton says that a fire broke out at Jeddo, Number 4 Slope, operated by G. B. Markle & Co. one of the largest in the region The miners were hurriedly notified and made their escape by another opening. The fire started in the enanother gine house, operating a drag line at the bottom of the slope. The mules were removed to the surface. Shifts of fire fighters are hard at work to The colliery emsubdue the flames. ploys 300 men and boys.

James M. Everett, of Councilsville. a brakeman on the Pittsburg, Virginia and Charleston railroad, while stepping from one car to another, at Homestead, slipped on the snow and falling between the cars went the wheels. One leg was cut off. He was removed to a hospital and may die

Mrs. Martha Brothers, 92 years old. is dead at her home at New Castle, She fell a few days ago and broke her hip bone. Five children survive her, all of whom live at New Castle. Ira Wagle, 17 years old, was caught in the belting of the West Penn

foundry, at Avonmore, and was killed. Word has been received that Andrew Carnegie will pay half of the \$2,500 for a pipe organ at the Sec-ond Presbyterian Church of Union-The congregation has raised

the other \$1.250. George D. Vandegrift, with stx mformations for forgery against him, was lodged in jail at Uniontown, having been brought from New Castle. Vandegrift had been employed at West Brownsville and it is said secured nearly \$500 on checks which, it

is alleged, were worthless. The regular convention of the Central Luther League was held in Trinity Lutheran Church at Latrobe, Delegates from Ligonier, Youngstown, Blairsville, Derry and adjacent towns

were in attendance. Otis Sacket was arrested at Kittanning, Pa., on charges preferred by Miss Barbara Peters, of Oil City. She claims Sacket borrowed money her and never paid it back. Sacket is a wellknown boxer.

Samuel Coulter, a ploneer, died at his home at Salina, aged 90 He was born in Ireland and had been engaged in the hotel business in this section since the discovery of oil. His

wife and eight children survive. Charles Thompson, a carpenter, of Beaver, has been missing for several days. He had been ill, but his friends are unable to account for his ab-

The grocery store of McClelland

Bros. at New Castle, was entered by forcing the ware room door and about \$125 worth of goods taken. There is no clue. Mr. and Mrs. John Hoskey, proprietors of a foreign boarding house near

Dunlo, were seriously beaten in a fight with one of their boarders. The woman may die. David Ruby was killed and John Havnes was painfully injured by a fall of slate in a coal mine operated by William J. Williams near Johns-

town. The plant of the Swift Packing company at Mendville, was destroyed by fire. The loss amounts to several thousand dollars, partly covered by

insurance. During a quarrel with his wife last night Henry Looplow, of New Castle, was terribly beaten over the head with a club. His condition is serious. Rev. George B. McKee, D. D., pastor has resigned, the resignation to take

effect April 1. Thieves plundered the home of William Jones at Bradenville, securing about \$50, an overcoat and other

articles of clothing sire to prevent further scandal in the At Washington, H. L. Banzhoff and E. D. Miller, representatives of the State Pure Food Commission, caused the arrest of the following merchants charged with violation of the oleomargarine laws: W. G. Nease, J. F. Baldwin, A. D. Mair, A. M. Vester and T. J. Connors. The charge is using

coloring matter. In the damage suit of L. W. Gilpin against C. K. McCormick, tried in the Fayette county courts at Uniontown, a verdict of \$500 was awarded against the defendant. He was charged with allenating the affections of Glipin's wife.