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A BILL has been introduced in the A BILL has been introduced in the Kansas House of Representatives to confer the right of suffrage on women. It provides that women twenty-one years of age shall be entitled to vote at all general, special and municipal elections in the state, and shall be entitled to be voted for and hold any office in the state. The Alliance mem bers are practically unanimous on the question of women suffrage.

The Philadelphia Herald says that the pending investigation into Statte Treasury fafairs must not be a whitewashing affair, and gives these reasons: The recent Treasury losses and the well authenticated rumors of Treasury manipulations have enlisted the interest of the taxpayers to such an extent that they will demand a full and searching inquiry and a fair report. The committee which has charge of the investigation cannot afford to go into the whitewashing business this year. THE Philadelphia Herald says that

The coke operators of the Connells ville region say that wages must be reduced ten per cent. The twelvathousand coke workers are quite astrenuous in their demand that wagemust be increased. The year's scale expired on Tuesday and with so wide divargage between workers and expired on Tuesday and with so wide a divergence between workmen and employers it looks as though the adoption of a new scale would be a matter of time. While the parties are negotiating they are likely to do nothing else; in other words to quit work for an indefinite period. It seems a little strange that the McKniley bill, which, according to its advocates, was chieflesigned to increase wages, should only have resulted in ten, and, in some cases, in twenty per cent reductions instead.

About Mine Inspection Laws.

The Philadelphia Record says:

We do not wish to at ticipate the investigation of the Mammoth Mine disaster, but venture to predict that the report will show: First, that State inspection of mines does not inspect, and secondly, that the importation of cheap and unskilled labor does not pay in the long run.

ong run. The *Record* never printed a truer paragraph than the above. The inspectors, as a general thing, are men who have had experience in the mines themselves, but the manner in which they are appointed places them above the common level of their former fellow workmen. It would not take a very long search in the mines of this vicinity to find out that many of the provisions of the law are being violated; noticeably, the part relating to hoisting men up from deer slopes. Who ever, during the past twenty years, saw an inspector traversing the mines alone, or in company of, or asking the advice of the miners. In nearly every case he is accompanied on his tour of inquiry by one or more of the bosses; and where is the poor mines that dare speak to him then of any grievance—real or imaginative There have been exceptions to this, but the term of a man who dared to speak of any such a thing in the bosses' presence was of short duration at that colliery that W.

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Experience has taught the minersthat "Inspection" does not inspect, and until some system is adopted different to the one in use at the present time cover-ing the appointment of the inspectors,

we may not expect any improvement.
In examining the reports of the Anthracite district for years back, the reader is confronted with such phrases as "caus as contronted with such phrases as "caused by his own neglect," "caused by carelessness on the part of the miner," etc., and rarely, if ever, is there any suggestions offered whereby the loss of life can be avoided.

This is no fancy sketch written for to catch the eye of those who blame the inspectors for some scaled that the control of the catch the second of th

inspectors for every accident that occurs.

A lifetime spent beneath the ground, in contact with many of the grievances A lifetime spent beneath the ground, in contact with many of the grievances that present themselves to miners, and the manner in which many of these grievances have been treated enables us to say in all sincerity that "Inspection" does not inspect.

—Mr. and Mrs. James F. Boyle while driving along Laurel Street, in Hazleton, last October were severely injured by falling into an unprotected sewer excavation. They recently brough suit against the borough and were awarded \$3100.

Tariff Reform on Both Sides of the Line

Like causes produce like results, espe cially in countries so closely allied in sentiment and in interest as the United States and Canada. In obedience to a growing demand for relief from tariff burdens and iniquities, Sir John Mac-Donald has dissolved the Dominion Par-Donald has dissolved the Dominion Par-liament, and the new elections will take place on the 5th of March. Like the Protectionists in this country, Sir John MacDonald and his Tory party have all at once become quite enamored of the at once become quite enamored of the idea of trade reciprocity; and the Ministry proposes to renew the old Reciprocity treaty of 1854 with the United States. Upon the small concession to Tariff Reform opinion in Canada Sir John Machael to be the concept to severe a new yets of Donald hopes to secure a new vote of public confidence in the March election.

There is no doubt that a permanent tettlement of all disputes between the United States and Canada on the basis of reciprocity is very desirable to the mother recipitedly is very desirate to the motion country; but the real pressure that has brought about this dissolution of the Dominion Parliament comes from the Canadian people themselves. The grow-ing demand for Tariff Reform in Canada could no longer be resisted; and Sir John MacDonald has thrown out the old treaty as a tub to the whale. It is true that the Tory organs in Canada assert that the first advances for reciprocity were made by the Government at Washington; but

The little Republic of Uruguay has set to the nations a good example of disarmament. It is true that its standing army consists of only two or three battalions of troops; but this is considered too much for a peace-loving people. But while little Uruguay has thus disarmed, the Senate of the United States has begun the task of establishing a wall of iron and steel fortifications all around the coast. It is stated that some Senators are un able to sleep o' nights in their constant fear that a British fleet may bombard New York.

Much has been written lately about the safe of the Senate of the United States and the Liberals respond with a demand for tariff revision theory than the process of the Canadian Liberals, whose programme does not stop short of a complete revision to the existing tariff. In its general features the contest is much the same on both sides of the line. While the Democrats of this country insist upon Tariff Reform, the Protectionists pass the McKinley act and prate about reciprocity treaties with South America. In Canada the Protectionists, in order to save the high tariff, talk of a stated that some Senators are un able to sleep o' nights in their constant fear that a British fleet may bombard New York.

MUCH has been written lately about the threatening letters sent out by the so-called Molly Maguire societies. Does it not seem strange that right here in the very heart of the coargeion that there is so little known about these outrages. It looks, as if to save themselves from disruption in the near future by state legislation, that the Pinkerton agencies are at this work. Such tricks have been done before and in writing such stories they seem to court public sympathy and are fighting hard to keep their place.

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The Borough Tickets.

Saturday evening the Democrats of the borough met at Haas' Hall for the purpose of placing a ticket in the field. The meeting was called to order by K. M. Rinker as Chairman of the Vigilance Committee. Bernard McLauglin was elected Chairman and John Conaphan Secretary. James Brennan and Bernard Boyle were selected as Tellers.

James Kennedy was nominated by acclamation for the office of Chief Burgess. There were five names placed in nomination for Councilmen as follows: E. W. Rutter, Bartholomew McClennan, John Zeisloft, William Johnson and A. Donop. One ballot was taken and Rutter and McClennan were nominated. Frank Barthold, Hugh Malloy, A. W. Washburn and Thomas Campbell were placed in nomination for School Directors. Malloy and Campbell were the two highest and were declared the nominees.

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D. J. McCartny was nominated by aclamation for the office of Justice of the Peace.

Robert M. Rinker was again nominated for High Constable, and there being no one anxious to contest the honors with him he was given a walk over.

The most interesting contest of the evening, and the only one as far as known that there was any canyassing made for, was that of Tax Collector. The contestants were Peter Carr, Jr., and Patk, J. Boyle. The result of the vote stood: Carr 50, Boyle 29. H. G. Deppe was nominated by acclamation for Auditor for three years. Daniel Daubert for Judge of election and Matthew Dennion for Inspector completed the ticket.

A resolution was passed endorsing the nominees of the Democratic Poor District for Poor Director and Poor Auditor.

The Republicans of the borough met

The Republicans of the borough met in Haas' Hall Monday evening and placed in nomination the following gentle-men: Burgess, John M. Powell, 1st; Councilmen, James Williamson and Frank Depierro; Tax Collector, Thomas J. Moore; School Directors, John Smith

Juros Drawn.

The following persons from this vicinity have been drawn to serve as jurors at the term of court commencing Monday, March 23:

S. S. Swinson, policeman, Foster.
Charles Norris, laborer, Foster.
Daniel Craig, miner, Foster,
John Brown, peddler, Foster,
J. R. Davis, miner, Foster,
Peter Shovlin, mmer, Foster,
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Peter Showlin, mmer, Foster,
Penis O'Donnell, barber, Freeland,
Soloman Santee, dairy, Butler.
Monday, March 30.

Evan Woodring, carpenter, Freeland,
Frank Malloy, clerk, Freeland,
E. J. Sweeney, clerk, Foster,
James Iles, driver, Foster,
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Jas. Woodring, saloonkeeper, Butler,
A. B. Cook, farmer, Butler.

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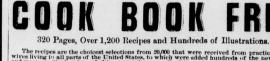
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