A MODEL CAPITAL

Is What Engineer Wolfenden Asks and Plans For.

HIS CENTRAL ELDORADO

Would Be Two Miles Square, Built on a Plan Like Washington's,

WITH MOST UNIQUE FEATURES.

Railroads Would Draw to It as if By Magic, So It Would Boom.

TWO GREAT POLYTECHNIC SCHOOLS

James Wolfenden, of Lock Haven, is an engineer and mechanic, stopping at the Central Hotel. He has been in the city for the past four weeks, putting in boilers for the Westinghouse Electric Company. During his hours of rest Mr. Wolfenden does some quiet thinking of his own, and for some time has been trying to work up public interest in two or three schemes, a little visionary, probably, but commendable for the novelty of their conception and the progressiveness of the design.

Mr. Wolfenden has embodied his ideas in quaint language in an appeal to the Legislature, which he has sent to Representative Graham. He wants the Capital located near the center of the State. His plan is to set aside a section of country

TWO MILES SQUARE

and have it graded and laid out like the city of Washington. Here the new State buildings would be located, and in time a town would spring up. The proceeds from the sale of lots, he thinks, would be sufficient to repay the State for all the money expended.

As proof of his position, Mr. Wolfenden cites the example of Pierre Lorillard, who bought a wild tract of country in the northern mountains of the State, made a park out of the barren wastes, built a hotel, and as a summer resort it is a financial success and unsurpassed. Continuing, Mr. Wolfenden said:

There are no railroads in the central part of the State. The counties of Center, Clearfield, Clinton and others are rich in deposits of iron and lime. The Central Railroad of New Jersey, the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, the New York and Hudson Canal Company, and the Susquehanna and Western roads that terminate at points in the eastern portion of the State, could easily be extended and made to center through these counties at the new Capital. The interior would be developed, iron industries started, and the wage workers suffering from the effects of too much concentration in the large cities could be scattered through the State and materially benefited.

AFRAID OF PROGRESS.

Ten years ago I started at Milton, and tried to secure from the farmers the right of way for a railroad to run through Sugar Valley and Nittany across the State. They were behind the times and didn't want any railroads. Now, they are perfectly willing to give the land, if the road would only be built.

I would recommend also two polytechnic schools to be established, one to be located in Allegheny and the State buildings at Harrisburg could be used for the other. The advantages of the location of such a school in Allegheny are incalculable. There is such a variety of machinery in the two cities that students would have excellent opportunities for study.

Some time ago I talked with Governor Beaver about locating the capital somewhere near the center of the State. He was flattered to have it near his home, but he did not look on the idea with much favor. In his last message he recommends that $1,000,000 be spent to build additional buildings at Harrisburg. With this money a tract of land two miles square could be bought and some of the buildings put up, but what the interior of the State needs is railroads to develop the wilds and waste places.

HIS OFFICIAL WORDING OF IT.

In his appeal to the Legislature, Mr. Wolfenden says:

We stand to-day apparently at the parting of two ways; one is the equitable plan to broaden the people's earning capacity by executive leadership, to obtain a metropolitan State capital and build an Eastern and Western Pennsylvania Central road; the other way is to submit to the monopoly route of one railroad, having its first conception as a competitor of river and canal transit for lumber, etc., trades now almost extinct, which can only be revived by building other roads. This particular road will not branch out, and does all in its power to prevent other parallel lines from being built. They combine with bankers, and give editors and public officials passes to secure their influence with the Legislature for sectional interest and retard healthy competiton and the beneficial distribution of labor.

AS A LIFTER OF LACES.

The Grave Charge Made Against a Young Matron of Allegheny.

Officer Hugh Madison yesterday afternoon arrested Mrs. Louis Reese for shoplifting in Fleishman's store on Market street. She was taken to the Central station and about $15 worth of lace was found upon her. She claims to have bought the goods, but the proprietors of the store deny this. Her husband's house, at the corner of Hemlock and Federal streets, Allegheny, was searched last night, and some articles, supposed to have been stolen, were found and taken in charge.

Mrs. Reese is a young woman and the mother of three small children. She will have a hearing this morning.

THERE WAS NO RAIL WAR.

Report of Trouble Near the Stockyards and a Groundless Rumor.

A report was rife last night that the police in the East End had been tearing up a stretch of railroad track that was not in compliance with a city ordinance. But, on inquiring at the Nineteenth ward station house, the report was denied, and said to have started from an alarm of a fight on the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's tracks, near the stockyards, which proved to be groundless.

He Alleges a Tough Conspiracy.

Joseph Schmidt, John Schmidt and Paul Washalinsky were sued for conspiracy by Patrick Morrow before Alderman Richards yesterday, and each of the defendants gave bail for a hearing to-day. Morrow was tried in court this week for selling liquor without license at his place in the Fourteenth ward. He was found not guilty, and now alleges that the defendants conspired together to secure his conviction and paid money to get witnesses to swear that they had bought drinks in his place.

A Head and a Cobble Stone.

George Keller, who lives on Clark street, made an information before Alderman Richards yesterday, charging George Layman with assault and battery. It is alleged by Keller that Layman struck him on the head with a cobble stone, knocking him down. He was arrested and gave $300 bail for a hearing to-day.

New Regimental Colors.

The Eighteenth Regiment yesterday received from Adjutant General Hastings a new regimental flag and two markers. The boys prefer the old ones, and both colors will be carried.

VERY NOVEL LITIGATION.

A Lady Sues Knights of the Mystic Chain for Forcibly Ejecting Her From a Reception in a Hall Her Husband Owned.

Through her attorneys, Messrs. W. C. Erskine and John C. Thompson, Mrs. Elizabeth Peet yesterday brought a somewhat novel lawsuit against J. B. Nobbs, Grant C. Nobbs, Frank McGee, John H. Mitchell, R. H. Thompson and the Keystone Commandery No. 1, Ancient Order Knights of the Mystic Chain. It is a summons in trespass, and the cause of complaint is recited about as follows in the legal papers filed yesterday afternoon:

That, on the evening of the 17th day of January, 1889, a public ball or dance, called a reception and drill, was given under the auspices of Keystone Commandery, No. 1, A. O. K. of M. C., one of the defendants, at a public hall, known as Imperial Hall, new Grant street, Pittsburg; that plaintiff's husband, J. M. Peet, is the owner or lessor of said hall, and as such leased or let unto the commandery the hall for the occasion; and the commandery sold to him a ticket for the reception and drill, and also gave to him a printed invitation to the same, which ticket and invitation were non-transferable, but entitling himself and lady to attend the reception and drill; that Peet paid to said managers in cash the full price of said ticket, viz: $1, thereby entitling himself under the agreement, and his lady or wife, to enter the hall and attend the entertainment.

That, on the evening in question, Peet and his wife, the plaintiff, presented themselves at the hall, tendered the invitation and ticket to the officers and persons at the door who were acting in such capacity for Keystone Commandery; that a large number of persons had assembled and were assembling for the purposes of social enjoyment, at which it was lawful for the plaintiff to be; that, afterward, on the same evening, while she, the plaintiff, and her husband (and her children, who were also present) were in the hall lawfully and peacefully, the said Frank McGee, J. B. Nobbs, Grant C. Nobbs, R. H. Thompson and John H. Mitchell (and more especially McGee), and others unknown to the plaintiff, claiming to be and acting as officers, managers and members of Keystone Commandery, came to the plaintiff, and then and there, in the presence of a great number of persons there assembled, seized and took hold of plaintiff by her arms and shoulders, and forcibly ejected her from the hall and from the companionship of her husband and children and the company assembled, against her will, protest and consent.

That said plaintiff is a lady of good repute, and as such has always deported herself, and been esteemed as such among all her friends and neighbors and acquaintances; that, on account of this trespass and assault, she was greatly hurt, bruised and wounded, and greatly injured, outraged and insulted, and put to great indignity, and hath thereby suffered great scorn, contempt, humiliation and shame to herself, and from the persons in whose presence the trespass was committed, without any just cause, excuse or provocation whatsoever, and was committed by said defendants for the mere purpose of publicly gratifying against and on said plaintiff their ill will and malice.

Plaintiff, therefore, says she hath been greatly injured and hath sustained damages to the amount of $5,000; and therefore she sues.

NOT SO POPULAR EAST.

The Strong Prohibition Sentiment Here Surprises Governor Beaver.

Governor Beaver returned to Harrisburg last night. He said he was very much pleased with the new Normal School at Centerville, accepted by the State yesterday.

The Governor was rather surprised at the strong prohibition sentiment in this part of the State. He intimated that it was not so popular around Harrisburg and the Eastern sections.

The Governor did not think that the State appropriations for charity would reach $1,500,000. His idea is that the amount will be much less.

TOO BIG TO BE LOST.

Liquor Men's Interests in the State Valued at About $217,000,000.

"Our property in Pennsylvania represents $217,000,000 in value," said a leading spirit in the liquor men's anti-Prohibition movement yesterday, "and I submit we have a right to protect that property from being swept away from us without compensation."

Four representatives of the liquor interests of Pittsburg have been in Philadelphia during the past few days consulting with their business colleagues respecting the formation of an organization that will extend through the State.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

The Catholic Literary Societies to Have a Division in the Parade.

A meeting of Catholic societies was held at the rooms of St. John's Society last evening for the purpose of forming a distinct division of all Catholic literary societies in Allegheny to participate in the Catholic parade on Washington's Birthday.

John Schaffer, of St. Augustine's Society, was elected Marshal of the Literary Society division. Another meeting will be held next Thursday at the hall of St. Charles' Society, Fourteenth street.

Will the Parrot Squeal?

Charles Espich yesterday reported to the police that his bird store on Smithfield street had been robbed of 35 canary birds and one parrot on Wednesday night. The police believe that the robbery was committed by some insider, as an entrance had been gained by the use of a key, through the front door.

For a New Braddock Church.

The congregation of the Braddock Methodist Episcopal Church have set apart Sunday, February 17, for contributions to the fund for the new church enterprise. The aim of the congregation is not to build an expensive but a commodious edifice, and it is expected that on this day the members will contribute liberally.

For Lugging Away the Brass.

Richard Foley and Dominick Cunningham were arrested yesterday morning at Jeanette City by Officers Kelly and Richards, charged with being implicated in the robbery at Oliver Bros. & Phillips' mill. Two weeks ago there was a lot of brasses stolen from the Fifteenth street mill.

Belva Will be in Braddock.

Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, who is a standing candidate for the Presidency of the United States, will lecture in Braddock next Monday night. Her subject will be "Social and Political Life in Washington," and she is expected to draw a very large house.

Attacked by Four Men.

Four men are alleged to have attacked John Barnes, of First avenue, last night on the corner of Sarah and South Twentieth streets. The man was found with several cuts on his head. He gave the name of one of his assailants as Gallagher. No arrests were made.

Result of a Sudden Stop.

An inbound Pittsburg Traction car stopped so suddenly yesterday that C. J. Clark, a boy, was thrown through the glass window into the smoking apartment. He was badly cut.

In Honor of George.

W. T. Kerr, chairman of the Jr. O. U. A. M. parade committee, has issued a circular to merchants, manufacturers and citizens to observe Washington's Birthday and display flags.

GAIL HAMILTON *will hereafter be numbered among the contributors to the Sunday issue of* THE DISPATCH. *Watch for and read her clever satire in to-morrow's issue.*

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HE SPEAKS AT LAST.

The Cashier of the Defunct Farmers and Mechanics' Bank Avers

HIS INNOCENCE OF THE CHARGES

Against Him, and Says He is a Victim of Personal Animosity.

MR. J. H. SORG SAYS THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE

A visit was paid yesterday to Mr. Henry F. Voigt, the former cashier of the defunct Farmers and Mechanics' Bank, on the Southside. He is now in jail awaiting a hearing on charges alleging that he embezzled large sums of money from that institution. Mr. Voigt promptly acquiesced when he was told that a DISPATCH reporter would like to have a talk with him, and, when the question was asked whether he would be able to get bail at to-day's hearing, he replied:

"I really do not know as much about this affair as I ought to, considering that I am the one chiefly interested. Last week I thought the hearing would proceed, but at the last moment my lawyer told me that he could not be present, and on that account a postponement was applied for. To-morrow I hope, however, that things will advance. Whether I shall get bail or not, I cannot tell. I will make an effort, however, to have it reduced, and then I dare say I will be able to secure it."

NOT NECESSARILY PERJURY.

"Do you think that the prosecutors will be able to prove the charge of perjury?"

"No, I do not think so. The mere fact that they have found larger accounts in the books than I made in my statement does not prove me culpable at all. I made my report to the best of my ability and knowledge. I could not do any more than that."

"Did you think it was likely you would be arrested when you heard that the bank had been closed?"

"Yes, I did. That is in this way: I felt that if any defalcation or deficiency was shown I would be likely picked upon as the perpetrator of the evil."

"But why did you not run away? Were you watched?"

"No; I had all the opportunity in the world to get away if I wanted to; but I was willing to wait and watch developments. I was in Buffalo last summer for about a month, and, if I had any fear, I could have been into Canada very quickly, if I wanted to. Even after the bank was closed, I went to some friends of mine in Ohio for several weeks; but I also returned from there. But I do not feel guilty, and they will have to prove their accusations.

EXTRAORDINARY DELAY.

"Does it not seem peculiar to you that they did not find out that things were wrong with the bank until seven months after I had left the institution? During my time as cashier the books were audited every month. Why was it that nothing was found out then? And again, previous to my leaving the bank, the books were re-audited in the presence of the whole board, and still I went out without anybody accusing me of anything. Everything seemed to be entirely satisfactory."

"But how was it that Mr. Sorg insisted upon your leaving the bank?"

"That is a long and complicated story which, by the way, I would rather not see in print. The people on the Southside know all about it, I think. He made several attempts to get rid of me, and failed several times before he succeeded. At the time when I went into the glass business he came to the board and stated that I could not hold the position of cashier in the bank and be also engaged in another business. On this plea he wanted me to get out. But the board argued that if I were not able to follow two callings at the same time, he could not do that either.

A SHOE THAT PINCHED.

In other words, it was intimated to him if he forced me to resign as cashier, that he would have to do the same, as president, or else leave his business as real estate and insurance agent. That settled it. He never came with that plea again. But, of course, I had to get out eventually."

"Then you believe that he had a grudge against you, and that a feeling of personal animosity prompted him to work against you?"

"Yes, but I would rather not have you publish the story; everybody knows it."

Mr. John H. Sorg, President of the Farmers and Mechanics' Bank, did not like to be quoted as refuting the charges made by Mr. Voigt against him. He simply said:

SHORT AND POINTED.

"I never had anything against the man personally; but when I, as the President of the bank, became convinced that something was wrong in the institution, it was my duty to see that the wrong was righted, and, as Mr. Voigt had failed to make the bank a successful and paying institution in 18 years, I concluded that it might be advisable to give somebody else a chance. It was in the interest of the stockholders and the bank generally that I insisted upon his resignation and for no other reason whatever."

A PHYSICIAN'S MISTAKE.

Two Cases of Supposed Smallpox Turn Out to be Chicken Pox.

Two cases of smallpox were reported at the office of the Bureau of Health yesterday morning by a physician from the hill district.

Superintendent McKelvey at once ordered an investigation of the cases, but the examination developed the fact that the physician had been mistaken, and that they were only chicken pox cases.

No Suggestions Were Made.

A meeting of Republicans of the Second ward, Allegheny, was held last night to suggest candidates for Councils and ward offices. Before the meeting was called to order Mr. Drum announced that it was unauthorized, as it had not been called legally by the ward committee. Health Officer Bradley, who is Chairman of the ward committe, stated that an official call would be issued in a few days.

Allegheny Police Business.

The Police Committee of Allegheny met last night and approved the bills and pay rolls for the month. Mayor Pearson was present and requested that the patrol wagons be covered as they are in this city. The matter was referred to a sub-committee. The report of the business done in the Mayor's office last month showed that there were 199 arrests, and the receipts amounted to $576 50.

Acknowledged the Debt.

In the hearing yesterday in the case of Lovine, formerly Secretary of the lapsed Assembly 6330, K. of L., against District Master Workman Ross for $61 salary, the defense did not deny the debt, but claimed the officers are not responsible. The Alderman reserved his decision.

They Had to Fight.

F. Tyler, colored, claims that William Yellow came to his home on Webster avenue on Tuesday and hit him with a bottle. He had him arrested for aggravated assault and battery.

In a Critical Condition.

At midnight the wife of County Commissioner McWilliams was not expected to live until this morning. Drs. McCann and Hamilton are attending her.

BILL NYE, *the Prince of Humorists, contributes a laugh-provoking sketch for to-morrow's issue of* THE DISPATCH.

WANTING MORE WAGES.

Conductors of the Citizens' Traction Co. Demand 25 Cents Advance.

The conductors of the Citizens' Traction line have made the demand of the company for an advance of their wages. They receive now $2 per day, but they want $2 25, the pay of the gripmen.

The Fifth avenue line's gripmen and conductors are now receiving the same pay, and it is on this fact that the Penn avenue men base their claims.

However, the best of feeling has so far existed betwen the men and officials of the Citizens' line, the latter listening to the claims of the men and treating them with respect. On these grounds it is hardly thought that there will be any trouble. The men, however, are constantly increasing the strength of their organization, and it is feared that on this account they are prompted to urge their demands.

The new eleven hour system of running the crews has not been put in force yet, as enough gripmen have not fully learned their duties yet, and it being the policy of the company to give all the old men a chance rather than drawing a supply from other sources.

UNCLE SAM'S WAR SHIPS.

Captain Steel Says the Yorktown is Ready to Go to Samoa.

Captain Steel, of Cramp & Sons, returned to Philadelphia last night. The Captain stated that if the Government needed war ships in the present Samoan imbroglio the Yorktown is ready, with the exception of putting on the guns, and this could be done in a few days. By working night and day the Baltimore could be completed in three months.

But, Captain Steel says, Germany can't afford to fight. France is waiting for such an opportunity, and nothing would please the wily Frenchmen more than a national fisticuff between Americans and Teutons. The Germans, he thinks, in such an event, would soon find themselves hard pressed on their own borders.

LAYING FOR A TRACTION CONDUCTOR.

Two Roughs Board a Fifth Avenue Car to Clean it Out.

Last evening about 7:30 two roughs boarded car No. 3, of the Pittsburg Traction Company's line, near the railroad bridge, with the evident intention of "cleaning it out," but, discovering that they were on the wrong car, got off.

It seems that the conductor of car No. 5 had in some way incurred their ill will, and they had been waiting for him to come along to avenge themselves.

As car No. 5 came along they boarded it and made a raid on the conductor. In the melee that followed most of the windows in the car were broken and the car generally jammed up. The conductor and gripman finally pitched their assailants off, after quite a struggle.

CUT NEAR THE HEART.

Two Friends Quarrel in a Saloon and One is Hurt.

A cutting scrape, which might have resulted seriously, occurred in Schneider's saloon on Federal street, Allegheny, about 10 o'clock last night. E. S. Giles and Otto Kaiser had a quarrel and the former stabbed him with a penknife, inflicting a wound near the heart.

Captain Wilson arrested Giles and he was locked up. Shortly after his incarceration Kaiser appeared and wanted to go bail for his assailant, saying he believed the wound was inflicted accidentally.

ANOTHER LIQUOR PEDDLER

Is Arrested in Braddock for Acting as the Alleged Agent of Browarsky.

Henry Newman, another of Hyman Browarsky's agents, was arrested in Braddock Thursday night for unlawfully peddling whisky through the borough. He had a hearing and was held in the sum of $1,000 for his appearance at court. The borough authorities are making it exceeding warm for the Pittsburg liquor dealer, himself and several of his men having been arrested out there a short time ago.

Squeezed on the Cable Line.

Yesterday afternoon a cable car on the traction road struck John Harrison, a teamster, who was walking along beside his wagon, near Gist street, on Fifth avenue. Harrison was badly squeezed between the car and his wagon, but his injuries are not considered dangerous.

Deserves a Rest.

Rev. Richard Lea, pastor of the Forty-third Street Presbyterian Church, handed in his resignation last Wednesday on account of old age. It was accepted. Rev. Mr. Lea was ordained in 1836. A committee was appointed to secure another pastor.

They Deny It.

The proprietors of the Anderson deny that they are trying to buy the property next to the hotel on Penn avenue. They never had any intentions of building an annex, and laugh at the story as the clever concoction of a needy reporter.

Ninth Ward Nominations.

The Democrats of the Ninth ward held their primary election in the Ralston schoolhouse last night. T. M. Brophy was nominated for Select Council and J. Schweinhart and Peter Seibert were the nominees for School Directors.

The Brick is En Route.

Secretary Follansbee received a letter yesterday from the Colorado Smelting Company apologizing for the delay in sending the silver brick. They had to make the mold, and the engraving took some time. It will soon be here.

He Broke Some Ribs.

Frank May, a conductor of the Birmingham street car line, broke several ribs yesterday. He was standing on the platform when he slipped and fell very heavily on the steps of the car. He was taken to his home in Brownstown.

Two Charges Against Him.

Edmundson & Perrine accused Samuel McElhaney yesterday of embezzling $14 while in the employ of the firm. His wife also charged him with desertion. He was sent to jail for a hearing.

He Will Want Automatic Couplers.

James McCabe, a brakeman on the Panhandle Railroad, had two of his fingers taken off yesterday while coupling cars near Sheridan station. The hand was dressed by Dr. Hiett.

Hayes Will be Here.

Ex-President Hayes and Dr. M. A. Newell, of Maryland, will deliver addresses at the teachers' institute on Friday evening, February 15.

The Last Day.

To-day is the last day of our successful $8 sale. Included in this sale are imported kerseys, chinchillas, elysians and fur beavers, worth all the way from $25 to $35. Our price to-day—and the last day at that—$8. Many of these overcoats are silk and satin lined, and not one in the lot is worth less than $25. Anyone who don't buy one of these to-day has himself to blame, as we expect to sell them out clean and clear by 10 o'clock to-night. At the price these garments are sold they are worth buying now and salting down for next season's use.

P. C. C. C.,
Cor. Grant and Diamond sts., opp. the new Court House.

READ "The American." Out to-day. On sale at R. S. Davis' and at 423 Smithfield st.

THE STRIKE BEGUN.

Several Hundred Cokers at the Donnelly and Leith Works Quit.

A GENERAL STRIKE NOT PROBABLE

The Vesuvius Lodge of the Amalgamated Association is Suspended,

AND THE WORKS ARE CLOSED DOWN

The expected trouble in the coke region began yesterday, the men at several of the works refusing to allow the operators three days' grace in which to agree to their demand for an advance in wages. Among the works where a strike was inaugurated are the Donnelly works, of the McClure Coke Company, and the works at Leith, belonging to the Chicago and Connellsville Coke Company. This is evidence that the men are not working in harmony, and it is therefore probable that the strike will not be general.

The men employed at the various works of the H. C. Frick Company will not strike, because they are being paid the wages they have demanded. At some of the other works the men who belong to different organizations are divided on the subject, and some seem to think that as the Frick company is receiving more money for coke the company is able to pay higher wages than the other operators. Many of the men are of a different opinion, and believe that the wages in the region should be uniform.

All the leading operators were seen yesterday and stated that they had received no communications from their employes and would continue present wages as long as the men were willing to work.

Colonel J. W. Moore said that under the present scale of wages and selling price the workers are receiving all the money and nothing is left for the owners of the works. He said if the men wanted to strike he could stand it as long as they desired to remain idle.

Mr. Frick was seen, but positively refused to talk on the subject. It is charged that he is attempting to "stir up a strike in the region;" but when this report was mentioned to him he merely laughed, and said it was too ridiculous to deny.

The following report of the condition of affairs was received last night from Scottdale:

The strike expected in the coke regions has commenced at a portion of the works. Schoonmaker's Jimtown works are out, and his Alice and Redstone works will probably be out to-morrow. Only a portion of the men were working at the Alice to-day. The men at the Donnelly works, of the McClure Coke Company, are out and Mayfield is also reported out. At Leith the drivers have struck for an advance of 12½ cents per day, and the works are idle. The H. C. Krick Company have not signed the scale, but merely continued it indefinitely, as the probabilities are that the strike will become general by Monday.

At the works not controlled by the Frick Coke Company it is said that some of the men are not in favor of striking unless the Frick miners come out for the scale also, and claim that his merely continuing his present scale will not be any help to them in their demand. It is also thought that an understanding exists between the Frick Company and the leaders of the National Progressive Union, and it is reported that several conferences have been held—and one was witnessed to-night—between one of the Frick Company clerks and a member of the Executive Board of the National Progressive Union.

The Stewart Iron Company works, near Uniontown, are also out. The men who are not working are equally divided between the two organizations. Peter Wise is at the Redstone Coke Works to-night and will use his influence to bring the men out there.

A LODGE SUSPENDED.

The Amalgamated Association is Drawing the Lines Very Close.

The Amalgamated Association, it is reported, has suspended the Vesuvius lodge, composed of several hundred members, the cause being that they admitted a man to membership who is accused of "scabbing" at Zanesville. This is one of the first cases of the kind that has occurred since the association was formed, in 1874. The puddlers are in the majority in this lodge, and it is said they are now trying to revive the old organization, the Sons of Vulcan, with a fair degree of success.

None of the members of the suspended lodge could be seen, but a DISPATCH reporter had a talk with Secretary Martin, of the Amalgamated Association, and he said:

"I have nothing to say on the subject. I will neither affirm nor deny the report."

In addition to this non-commital statement and the fact that the Vesuvius Iron Works is closed, there is an inference that the report is correct.

A FIGHT AHEAD.

Coal Operators Will Make an Effort to Reduce the Mining Scale.

The annual meeting of miners and coal operators, to fix the rate of mining for the year, will be held in Indianapolis next Tuesday. Messrs. Sanford, De Armitt, Dempster, Schleuderberg, Robbins, Blythe, Reisinger and Hall, coal operators, will attend.

The operators claim they are losing money, and will make a strong effort to reduce the present mining rates from 79 cents in the winter, and 74 cents in the summer, to 75 and 70 cents respectively. The miners will oppose the reduction, and some fun is expected.

A FINISHED CONTRACT.

Three Nice Locomotives for a Well-Known Indiana Railroad.

The Pittsburg Locomotive Works has just completed a contract for three large locomotives for the St. Louis, Vandalia and Terre Haute railroad, and they will be shipped to-day. The locomotives are valued at about $13,000 each.

Standard Plate Glass Election.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Standard Plate Glass Company for organization was held at their office in this city, Tuesday, January 29, 1889. There were present at the meeting James A. Chambers, H. Sellers McKee, John M. Kennedy, Esq., William E. Schmertz, William Loeffler and W. D. Wood. The meeting resulted in the election of James A. Chambers, President; William E Schmertz, Vice President and A. F. Chandler, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Gas in the Mines.

The results of the labors of the board who examined miners for positions of mine bosses in this city last week have not yet been announced. They have decided, however, that the persons selected will be compelled to go through the mines in this section with safety lamps and ascertain the different kinds of gasses in each mine.

A Reduction in Wages.

The employes of the Braddock Wire Mill have been notified of a 10 per cent reduction in wages, to go into effect on Monday next. The men say they will not accept the reduction, but will strike.

Labor Notes.

A SCARCITY of gas caused a shutdown at the Southside works of Oliver Bros. & Phillips yesterday.

THE annual meeting of the Stove Manufacturers' Association will be held in Chicago, beginning next Tuesday.

IT is said that Moorhead Bros. & Co. have refused to pay the increased gas rates imposed by the Philadelphia Company, and that their works are closed.

SECRETARY WILLIAM MARTIN, of the Amalgamated Association, is an applicant for the position of Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor under the new administration, and has no formidable opposition.

DRAVO OUT OF THE WAY.

James H. Lindsay, of Allegheny's Charter Committee, Tells How a Troublesome Obstacle Was Disposed of.

Mr. James H. Lindsay, President of Allegheny Select Council and a member of the Charter Committee sent to Harrisburg, returned yesterday morning. As a DISPATCH reporter stepped into his office in the afternoon, Mr. Lindsay was found reading a telegram with a look of satisfaction on his countenance. Handing the telegram to the reporter, the cause was evident, as it was signed Samuel Watson and George Elphinstone, and stated that things were "fixed."

When asked what "fixed" meant, Mr. Lindsay said:

It means that the new bills have been fixed with the committee and will go through the House and Senate all right. It was the only thing that could be done, and I think the people will be satisfied with it. The third class charter provisions have kept things lagging; there were about 86 pages of it to be gone through, but they were disposed of yesterday, and gave us a chance. Whether our new bills would go to the committee all hinged on Dravo, of Beaver. He objected because he thought second-class cities all wrong; but, by this telegram, I suppose he was conveniently absent when the time came. It was all fixed before I left last night.

You asked why Dravo wasn't there for a final kick. I don't known that he wasn't; but he probably had "another appointment" then. Andrews will help us, too, and there is nothing that I can see that will hinder it going through all right. It will come before the House next Tuesday. I think that there is now no faction of the people which it will not suit. The Select Council is only half; the Common Council about the same, and we need not have as many magistrates as Pittsburg. It will not be necessary to have as expensive departments as Pittsburg, or pay the heads of them as large salaries. I see no hitch now to prevent its coming before the people, and think it will satisfy all. It is the best that can be done, anyway. Messrs. Watson and Elphinstone will be home to-morrow.

A GOOD DINNER, *is the subject chosen by Mrs. Admiral Dahlgren in to-morrow's issue of* THE DISPATCH. *The writer is an authority on fashionable entertainments, and gives a number of valuable hints to society hostesses.*

We Have Finished Stock Taking

And find we have a larger stock of imported artistic wares than we desire, and in order to close out our entire stock before sending our buyer to Europe will offer our entire line of Worcester, Doulton and Crown Derby wares, Vienna bronzes, French marble clocks, French bronzes, lamps, pedestals, etc., at a reduction of from 20 to 40 per cent. This is not an ordinary clearance sale, but an extraordinary, as in many cases the prices asked are less than cost of importation. This is an opportunity seldom offered for purchasing high-class goods at the prices of the ordinary, and we hope the public will appreciate it.

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To-day is the last day of our successful $8 sale. Included in this sale are imported kerseys, chinchillas, elysians and fur beavers, worth all the way from $25 to $35. Our price to-day—and the last day at that—$8. Many of these overcoats are silk and satin lined, and not one in the lot is worth less than $25. Anyone who don't buy one of these to-day has himself to blame, as we expect to sell them out clean and clear by 10 o'clock to-night. At the price these garments are sold they are worth buying now and salting down for next season's use.

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Vitalized air and laughing gas are one and the same, and killed Mrs. Hirsch. Dr. Charles S. Scott, 624 Penn avenue, opposite Horne's, gives the only absolutely safe anæsthetic given in the city, and when you awake your teeth are out.

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Opened to-day. A beautiful line of fine novelties, cards and books.

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ANGOSTURA Bitters is known all over the world as the great regulator of the digestive organs.

READ "The American." Out to-day. On sale at R. S. Davis' and at 423 Smithfield st.

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Prices are very low and it will be a good investment. $5 buys an excellent Ulster or Newmarket; better ones at $10; still better at $15; the $20 ones are elegant.

Several hundred Seal Plush Wraps also, including Jackets, Coats, Mantles and Newmarkets. Then come the Colored Cloth Jackets, $25, $20, $15, $10, $5—all reduced, and the most stylish and finest Jackets shown.

Special values in Black Jackets at $5 and $10.

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Don't forget the 900 Ulsters and Newmarkets.

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BUSINESS CHANGES.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION—THE FIRM of Grace & Lamker, Insurance Agents, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business of the said firm will be settled by Edward S. Grace at his office, No. 96½ Fourth avenue (second floor), Pittsburg, Pa.

EDWARD S. GRACE,
J. F. LAMKER.

The undersigned have this day associated themselves together as partners, under the firm name of Grace, Lamker & Co., to carry on the general insurance business at 96½ Fourth avenue (second floor), Pittsburg, Pa.

J. F. LAMKER,
J. S. GRACE,
EDWARD S. GRACE.

PITTSBURG, PA., January 31, 1889. ja31-68

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE have purchased of L. P. Rider his patent, dated July 9, 1875, for improvement in casting axle boxes and other tubular articles, and that all parties infringing said patent will be held strictly accountable. KINZER & JONES.

PITTSBURG, January 17, 1889.

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ELECTIONS.

ELECTION — CENTRAL BANK, PITTSBURG—The annual election for Directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, No. 47 Fifth avenue, on TUESDAY, February 12, 1889, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M. M. HUNNINGS, Cashier.
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OFFICE ALLEGHENY BRIDGE CO., PITTSBURG, February 1, 1889.

ELECTION—AN ELECTION FOR PRESIDENT, Managers and officers of "the company for erecting a bridge over the Allegheny river opposite Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny," will be held at the Tollhouse at the south end of the bridge on MONDAY, MARCH 4, next, at 2 o'clock P. M.

fe2-88-s W. ROSEBURG, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSTRUCTION CO., No. 132 First avenue, city.

ELECTION—THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the Pennsylvania Construction Company will be held at the office, No. 132 First avenue, on MONDAY, February 11, 1889, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M., for the purpose of electing five (5) directors to serve for the ensuing year.

ja31-30 W. N. VOEGTLY, Secretary.