ONE DELEGATE EACH

Is Likely to Constitute the New Ward Representation

FOR COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Republicans in Boroughs and Townships to be Similarly Fixed.

SOME PROBABILITIES IN RULES.

Sub-Chairman Gripp Tells Why no Meeting Was Held Last Night.

EX-JUDGE FETTERMAN ON THE PLANS

The sub-committee of the Republican County Executive Committee, appointed at the last meeting to revise the rules for representation in the county convention, was to have met last evening at 7:30 o'clock. The committee consists of John Gripp, Walter Lyon, William Germon, and William Flinn as ex-officio member, he having been the last County Chairman. Owing to the absence of Mr. Lyon and Mr. Germon, no meeting was held.

Chairman Gripp, sticking out his head from the second-story window at No. 10 Montour way at 11 o'clock last night, said: "We didn't have a meeting, because we couldn't get a quorum. If we make any change at all in the rules, it will be that there shall be 367 delegates in each convention."

That was not the idea that ex-Judge Fetterman, for several years Chairman of the County Committee, had when he talked to a reporter of THE DISPATCH yesterday afternoon. "The county conventions have become too cumbersome, and a change is absolutely necessary," said he. "When I was Chairman of the County Committee I tried to get a change made. With one or two others I drew up a set of rules, by which there should be two delegates from each ward in the two cities and two from each borough and township, and that they should

VOTE AS INDIVIDUAL DELEGATES.

"Nothing was done with it at the time, but the necessity for cutting down the number of delegates was fully realized by everyone. There are now 367 election precincts in Allegheny county," continued Judge Fetterman, "and in a year when most of the county officers are to be nominated there are nine conventions. Some delegates are elected to two conventions, but it is safe to say that there are over 10,000 delegates. That makes a big draught upon the people, and a considerable drain upon the pockets of the candidates, as legitimate election expenses must be paid, and in addition the delegates expect the successful candidates to pay for their meals. The County Commissioners have refused to allow any room in the Court House to be used for a county convention, and, therefore, outside halls must be rented. It wouldn't make much difference, anyhow, that the rooms in the Court House cannot be used, for there are few of them large enough for a convention with 367 delegates and the many other persons who attend. It costs $100 to $150 to get the use of one of the theaters or big halls in the city, and yet such a place is necessary when there are so many delegates.

"The plan adopted at the first meeting of the County Committee had some objections. It was to have two delegates for each member of the Legislature, to be elected by Legislative district conventions. That gave 35 to Pittsburg, 10 for the Southside and 35 for all the districts north of the Allegheny river. This made a total of 80 delegates, making 41 enough to nominate. The objection was that either side which would be able to obtain six of the Southside delegates could gain control of the convention. The Northside people objected to that, and I don't know but what the objection was legitimate.

ONLY ONE DELEGATE EACH.

"Now the plan is to elect only one delegate from each ward, borough and township, and let that delegate vote the Republican vote that he represents. There are in Pittsburg 35 wards, in Allegheny 13 wards, there are 25 boroughs and 53 townships, making a total of 127 delegates in the convention. I think it is the best and fairest plan that could be devised, and is the best compromise in the Crawford county system that could be made. Ever since Ben Morgan ran for the nomination for Mayor of Pittsburg on the Crawford county system, the city it has had no faith in the Crawford county system. Mr. Morgan had more votes for the nomination than there were Republicans in the city, and yet his opponent had several thousand votes besides, all supposed to be Republicans. That settled the Crawford county system here. It was never tried again.

"It is true that the primary election laws now are more stringent and the penalties more severe than for a general election, but it is much more difficult to enforce them. Subterfuges of all kinds are resorted to, and it is extremely hard to detect them.

"Under the plan of electing delegates by Legislative districts, I can see that there might have been much hard work to little good. The delegates were to deposit the Republican vote of their districts. Suppose Tom Jones and John Brown, were running against each other? Jones would set up delegates in five or ten districts, which had, say, a total Republican vote of 20,000.

BROWN WOULD LAY LOW

until he found where Jones had put up his delegates, and knowing that three districts, like some of the big ones in Allegheny, had, say, a total of 22,000 Republican votes, he would concentrate all his energies there, and although he might have only 6, as against the 10 or 20 delegates for the other man, he would gain the election."

"The system of electing one delegate for each ward, borough and township, cuts down the number of delegates in each convention one-third, and gives a fairer show than by the Legislative district plan. Suppose I put up a delegate in a ward which is for me, but where the delegate is personally unpopular, and the voters defeat my delegate, then the responsibility rests on them. Or, suppose they elect a man to represent their views, and he does not, then, still the voters are responsible for him. The system requires the selection of the best and most responsible men in a ward. The delegate will have the same responsibility as a member of the Legislature; if he does not carry out the views of his constituents he is responsible to them, not to the candidates nor to the system.

"Such a plan will require candidates to select men who are widely known. There are a great many persons who can carry their own precinct who would be overwhelmingly defeated in their ward. It will make candidates more careful in the selection of delegates, and make the delegates of a much higher standard than has been the rule."

While Judge Gripp says that there will be a return to the old system, Judge Fetterman says that the change will be made, and that Mr. Flinn says that it will be consummated.

ANOTHER SOUTHSIDE BANK.

It Will go Into Operation as Soon as the Machinery is Gotten—The Defunct F. & M. Charter May be Purchased.

A new bank to take the place of the defunct Farmers' and Mechanics' bank on the Southside will shortly be organized by manufacturers and business men on that side. The committee of stockholders, or those who will be, consisting of Messrs. Wenke, Brickel and Heisy have been conferring with John M. Kennedy, Esq., relative to a charter, Mr. D. O. Cunningham is also one interested.

There was some talk that the company would purchase the charter of the F. and M. Bank, but Mr. Kennedy says this will not likely be done, as it has but three years to run. It was chartered in 1872, before the general banking law was passed by the Legislature. It is not, as some suppose, an omnibus concern like that of the Penn Bank, which allows the making of soap, keeping of a pawnshop, second-hand clothing store and any of a score or so other things, but a straight-away charter for the purpose of banking.

Under the bill gotten up by Mr. Shiras last winter bank charters can be renewed. This bill was intended to meet the exigency of the expiration of the charter of the Bank of Pittsburg, but it had to be made all to take in one.

A new bank was talked of for some time before the F. and M. collapsed, but it was proposed to be located in the lower Southside, or rather about central, as many business men over there found it a hardship to come over to this side of the river daily to do business.

WESTERN UNIVERSITY MEETING.

Arrangements Demoralized by the Flood—A Quorum Hard to Obtain—Little Done Yesterday—Preparatory Abolition.

The officers of the Western University held a meeting at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association yesterday to elect the officers for the ensuing year. The meeting had been called three times before, but no quorum could be obtained, and yesterday nothing further was accomplished than electing J. B. Scott President of the Board of Directors and Prof. Griggs secretary and treasurer. The others will be elected at another meeting, soon.

In a chat last night Prof. Griggs said that the Johnstown flood had completely demoralized the arrangements for building the new University, and it was hard to get a quorum of the officers or different committees together again.

When the new building is completed, the preparatory department, now in the R. P. building, will be done away, and the students required to obtain their preparatory education elsewhere. The standard of the college will be raised in every particular. A Visiting Committee has been inspecting the different schools throughout the country, and will probably report at the next meeting.

A WEST END SCARE.

The People There Want the Saw Mill Run Dam Removed.

An indignation meeting of the citizens of the West End will be held Friday evening, June 28, at the Thirty-sixth ward schoolhouse, to take some action relative to removing the dam situated at the mouth of Saw Mill run. It is said that this dam has caused the run channel to be filled in to the extent of closing all the sewers emptying into the same and is now a constant menace to health.

The original depth of the run was eight feet. Constant rain has washed the bank considerably and has filled in the channel. Upon every heavy rain the water is forced into the sewer pipes, and from thence into the cellars of many houses on Wabash avenue and Main street, causing loss to property and endangering health. The dam was erected by the trustees of the Woods estate. A year since an appeal was made to the trustees in regard to doing away with the dam. No attention was given to the request, and now the citizens propose to take the matter into their own hands.

ALL EXPECTED TO SIGN.

No Iron Firm Has Yet Agreed to the Scale of the Amalgamated Association.

No iron firm has signed the new Amalgamated Association scale, but all are expected to do so. President Weihe said yesterday that the scale was not presented until late Friday night, and that he did not expect any of them to sign it until the expiration of the scale year. He has no doubt that all will sign, but says that Jones & Laughlins have not yet affixed their signature to it, reports to the contrary notwithstanding. A member of the firm said yesterday that they had not yet received the scale and did not know officially what it contained.

No trouble is expected, however, but the officials say that almost all the firms will undoubtedly sign before the end of the scale year.

THE HEARING POSTPONED.

A Woman Charged With Starving Four Children Given Her.

The hearing which was to have been held last night before Alderman Porter in the case of M. J. Dean, of the Anti-Cruelty Society, against Mrs. Aurilia Metler and Tillie Quillen, managers of the Infants' Farm, Mansfield, charged with neglecting and starving four children, was postponed until Tuesday week.

The women have been taking care of the children given to the Children's Aid Society, and was paid $2 per week for each child. The society's officers say she has always been kind to the children, but the humane agent alleges otherwise.

Two Serious Charges.

Fritz Reubecht gave bail before Alderman Doughty last night for a hearing Tuesday to answer a charge of felonious assault and surety of the peace, preferred by John Kollish. Both parties live at No. 3714 Penn avenue, and have had frequent little quarrels, one of which occurred Thursday afternoon and resulted in the prosecutor being beaten and driven from the house by Reubecht, who ominously flourished a large butcher knife, threatening to carve him.

Fate of a Speak Easy.

Yesterday H. Kohler was committed to jail by Judge Gripp in default of $500 bail on each of two charges of selling liquor without license and selling on Sunday, for trial at the June term of court. This is the result of the raid made by the police on a Water street "speak easy" last Sunday. Inspector John McAleese is the prosecutor. James Pearson, a co-defendant in the same case, was discharged.

Killed the Engineer.

John Neely, engineer of a gravel train on the Pittsburg, Virginia and Charleston road, was killed yesterday by a wreck upon the Redstone branch of the road. His engine jumped the track on a sharp curve and went down a 15-foot embankment. The fireman was severely scalded.

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TO KEEP IT INTACT.

Homewood Driving Park Directors Will Raise $5,000 to

KEEP THE HANDSOME PARK AS IT IS

The Next Legislative Session Will be Asked to Allow Pool Selling.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING YESTERDAY

The Homewood Driving Park Association dies hard, despite the blows dealt it by moralists who decry poolselling. A move was made yesterday by the directors of the association, which looks as if the gentlemen interested had faith in the future of racing in this vicinity.

For some months rumors have been rife crediting the stockholders of the Driving Park with an intention of disposing of the park, either in whole or in part, owing to the discouraging aspect of racing hereabouts. It is well known that the deprivation of the receipts of the pool box places the association beyond the possibility of holding a successful meet, the distance from the city rendering the item of receipts from attendance entirely too uncertain for any dependance being placed upon it.

POOL-SELLING NECESSARY.

The refusal of the last session of the Legislature to take action favorable to the association was thought to have placed a quietus upon the future of racing in Pittsburg. It has been currently rumored and believed that the association was even pressed for money to meet current expenses and demands.

A meeting of the directors was held yesterday in the banking office of Mr. Charles J. Clarke, on Wood street. President Edward H. Brainard occupied the chair and an animated discussion of the future prospects of the park was indulged in and views were freely exchanged. Although several directors were in favor of giving up the fight and selling the park, others took the opposite ground.

President Brainard was seen subsequently and said: "After a great deal of discussion a strong feeling in favor of holding on to the property was developed. Mr. Thomas H. Phelps offered, and Mr. McLean seconded, a resolution to offer to the stockholders

CERTIFICATES OF $50 EACH

to the amount of $5,000 in order to raise money to meet the taxes and accruing interest. The vote in favor of the resolution was unanimous, and several handsome subscriptions for certificates were made by those present. The raising of this sum will enable us to pay the county and water taxes, and meet the interest which falls due on the 29th of the present month. There is no other debt at present upon the association, and the money raised in this way will relieve our financial embarrassment."

"With regard to the future, Mr. Brainard, will an effort be made to secure legislative action which will remove the disabilities under which the association now rests?"

LEGISLATION HOPED FOR.

"Oh, yes! We shall wait patiently until the Legislature meets again, and will then make a vigorous effort to obtain the concessions which are so essential to the future existence of the Driving Park. It may be smoother sailing next time. At any rate, we shall not be bothered with these small encumbrances, which have really occasioned some uneasiness to our members.

"I am glad that this decision has been arrived at, for we all contemplated the breaking up of the park as a genuine calamity, as an extreme step to be taken only when all other expedients fail. The Homewood Driving Park will remain intact until the decision of the next session of the Legislature shows what we may expect in the future."

THE NEW SHIP CANAL.

A Conference Between Quay and Pittsburg Operators at Beaver.

A delegation of Monongahela coal operators met Senator Quay at Beaver Friday to confer in regard to the proposed new waterway between Pittsburg and the lakes. The plan is to build three dams in the Ohio, between Pittsburg and Beaver, in order to make it navigable. A ship canal would then be built between Beaver and the lakes. Ten thousand dollars has already been appropriated to make a survey of the best route.

Senator Quay, it is said, will endeavor to have the next Congress appropriate the money to build the dam in the Ohio, in connection with the improvements of that river.

In a chat yesterday, a prominent coal operator, who was at the conference, said:

The benefits which Pittsburg would derive by having a water route to the great lakes is simply beyond comprehension. It is estimated that at least 6,000,000 tons of coal and iron would be shipped by this route to and from Pittsburg proper in the course of a year. The cost of shipping iron ore to Pittsburg would be greatly reduced, while, on the other hand, the coal producers of Western Pennsylvania would be able to send their coal to the lakes and the great northwest at much less cost than it can be transported by rail. The railroads cannot supply the demand. They are not able to give the transportation required. Give Pittsburg a water way to the lakes and there will be a revolution of incalculable benefit to all branches of industry here and hereabouts.

NEITHER PRESENTED NOR SIGNED.

Jones & Laughlins Set Themselves Right on the Scale to Date.

The following correction, to which Messrs. Jones & Laughlins are certainly entitled, is due to misinformation furnished late Friday night by the News Agency. Upon receipt, about midnight, of a simple item from that source stating that the firm named had "signed the scale," THE DISPATCH industrial editor added to the item the significance which would attach to such a statement, if true. It seems to have been entirely misleading, however, as this letter clearly shows:

OFFICE OF AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL WORKS, PITTSBURG, PA., June 22, 1889.

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

DEAR SIR—The statement in your edition of to-day, that the Amalgamated scale for the ensuing year had been presented to us and was entirely satisfactory, and the statement in your issue of this morning that we had signed the scale, are misleading. We have not only not signed the scale, but it has not yet been presented, and we have no knowledge of its terms or conditions. We would thank you to make a correction of these statements at once.

Yours truly,
JONES & LAUGHLINS, LIMITED.
G. M. LAUGHLIN, Secretary and Treasurer.

HE STRUCK HIS CUSTOMER.

A Sobo Story About a Green Grocer Told in a Few Words.

J. M. McDowell is a green grocer on Forbes street, Soho. Mrs. Mary Hague is a resident of the neighborhood, and "deals" at McDowell's store. Last night, Mrs. Hague disputed Mr. McDowell's word about giving her sufficient measure. Mr. McDowell gently struck his customer in the face with a wooden box, and knocked her down on the floor. An Alderman will be the gainer from the little pleasantry.

Injured After the Ball Game.

Peter Schuk borrowed his brother John's horse and buggy and went to the baseball game yesterday afternoon. On the way home the horse ran away, smashed the buggy and severely injured Schuk. He was gathered up by friends and taken to his home in Allentown.

SOUTHSIDE HOSPITAL BENEFIT

At Salisbury Hall Last Night a Grand Success—Over One Thousand Present—An Excellent Programme.

An entertainment for the benefit of the new Southside Hospital, on South Twenty-second street, was given in Salisbury Hall, on South Twelfth street, last night, by the children of the Birmingham (Twenty-eighth ward) school. About 1,500 tickets, at 50 cents each, were sold by the school children for the entertainment during the week, and an audience of over 1,000 persons witnessed the performance last night. The Misses Taylor and the Misses Houston, Maguire, Sellers, Davis and Dalzell, teachers in the Birmingham school, got up the programme and trained the children in their parts.

The opening performance was a song, "Star Spangled Banner," by a chorus of 100 of the school children. The Misses M. S. and A. Gainer and Miss Ailman followed with some instrumental music. Minnie Peacock, of Mount Washington, aged 11, and one of Miss Maguire's pupils, recited "The Inventor's Wife," and Tillie Keller, aged 12, of Miss Seller's room, sang a juvenile solo, the "Wand Drill," in which 20 boys, under Miss Houston's instruction, went through a formula of military maneuvers to the music of the piano and excited great applause. The effect was increased greatly by the calcium lights. Miss Emma Bingler Wolf followed with a solo. "The Sculptor's Studio" was a tableau arranged by the Misses Tailor. Eight little girls acted the parts of statues.

The duet "When I Behold," by Miss Blanche Stevens, aged 10, and Mr. Rudolph Runk, aged 12, were loudly applauded. "Four Little 'Tchin, 'Tchin Girls," arranged by Miss Davis, was a humorous song by four little girls dressed up in Japanese costume and was well received. The "Gypsy Camp and Dance" was performed by eight boys and girls. Miss Jennie Evans, of South Tenth street, sang the solo, "Sing, Smile, Slumber."

Part second opened with 12 couples of Miss Maguire's pupils waltzing onto the stage singing the humorous song "Cawn't Do It, Ye Know." A mimic game of baseball followed. Dr. W. T. English sang the solo, "Ballad Answer." "The Tambourine Drill, by 20 of the pupils of the Misses Davis and Houston, dressed in Egyptian costume, was well received. Miss Ada Thomas followed with a solo. A violin solo, by Minta Keller, was loudly applauded. Miss Evans and Dr. English sang a duet. "The Milkmaids' Song," by four little girls, was a great success. Mrs. Wolfe sang a solo, and the Misses Gainer and Ailman gave some instrumental music. The last act was a tableau, "Good Night," in which 20 children took part.

Select Knights' Band furnished the music. The affair was a grand success in every way, and the originators are highly pleased.

A LIVELY SESSION.

The Grand Council of the Sovereigns of Industry Meets—A Hot Discussion on the New Constitution.

A lively meeting of the Grand Council of the Independent Sovereigns of Industry was held last night in the Moorhead building. The object was to consider the new constitution, which gives the grand body jurisdiction over the order in all States and Territories. At present the Grand Council only possesses a charter allowing it to work in this State. The idea to extend the order outside met with general favor, and a committee was appointed a year ago to secure a new charter and make a new constitution. It was intimated, after this committee got down to work, that the grand officers were engineering things to suit themselves, and there was a general objection in the subordinate councils.

There were about 125 delegates present at the meeting last evening, and Grand President Buckley was in the chair. Numerous objections were filed to the new constitution, and when the Council adjourned, at 11 o'clock, the first, second and part of the third articles only had been considered.

The first objection that was raised was to the proposed makeup of the Grand Council. The committee recommended that all officers and members of the present Grand Council, and all Presidents of subordinate councils, now holding office or that shall hereafter be elected, should be made permanent members of the Grand Council. This was defeated after a long discussion, and the present system of representation was adopted.

The section giving the Grand Council the power to enlarge or diminish the number and qualification of its members was also defeated.

The recommendation that the Grand President be given the power to appoint a Deputy Grand President at Large and a District Deputy Grand President for each district occasioned a lively discussion, which resulted in the majority of the votes being recorded against it. As the representatives had gotten pretty well divided by this time, this was considered quite a victory for the opponents to the new constitution. Another recommendation, providing that each grand officer should serve as chairman of some standing committee, got a black eye.

At 11 o'clock the Grand Council adjourned, to meet again on Saturday evening, August 10, when the report of the committee will be continued.

Grand President Buckley stated after the meeting adjourned that he had been a target for the members of the order long enough, and that he would not accept the office again.

BAIRD DECLINED

The Assistant Secretaryship, and That is Why Mr. Madden Was Appointed.

Most of the delegates to the Amalagamated Association Convention have gone home. Some of them were at headquarters yesterday and all were pleased over the result. Mr. George S. Baird, who was a candidate for assistant secretary, and who received the appointment by Secretary Martin, said that the public might be mislead by the report of the proceedings as pulished yesterday. He said that Mr. Martin did not withdraw his name for the position, but when he he (Mr. Baird) said the feeling of the convention on the matter, he declined to accept the office, and Mr. Martin re-appointed Stephen Madden.

"I did this," said Mr. Baird, "to restore harmony, and do not want it to appear that Secretary Martin was forced to appoint Mr. Madden. Although Madden was his opponent for the secretaryship, he did not entertain any spite against him on that account."

THROWN FROM A PACER.

A Lawrenceville Man Probably Injured While Out Riding.

Frank More, a driver in the employ of Byrnes and McCabe, liverymen, was thrown from a horse on Johns street, near Thirty-seventh street yesterday afternoon and was severely injured. The horse was a pacer, but More, unaware of this, pulled the reins tight in his efforts to stop the animal. The effect of this management forced the horse to run off. More was thrown from his seat, his leg was crushed and he sustained several severe scalp wounds. His condition is considered serious.

SUICIDE BY DROWNING.

A Man Who Jumped From the Smithfield Street Bridge Yesterday.

An unknown man committed suicide yesterday about noon by jumping into the Monongahela river from the Smithfield street bridge. He was of medium heighh, about 35 years old and of dark complexion. The undercurrent carried him away before he could be rescued. His body was not recovered, owing to the high stage of the water.

$135 60 Per Week.

One agent made $135 60 last week selling Johnstown flood views made by the "Elite gallery," 516 Market street, Pittsburg. Others ought to take hold of this enterprise.

FIRM AS GIBRALTAR.

That Johnstown Stone Viaduct the World's Model Bridge.

ITS STRENGTH COST MANY A LIFE.

Something About Its History and How it Came to be Built.

RELIEF ITEMS AND OTHER FLOOD DRIFT

Ever and anon will there be indirect causes attributed for the awful Johnstown disaster; but a striking one presented itself yesterday, and that was the Conemaugh viaduct which, in a measure—on account of it's strong proportions and resistence—caused a loss of life far greater than would have occured had it been carried away with minor structures. The viaduct has been known and considered by engineering experts as the finest work of bridge architecture in the railroad world, and its history is one of great interest.

Inquiry among the Pennsylvania Railroad people resulted in little information; but at the engineers' headquarters, and through the courtesy of Colonel T. P. Roberts, a brief outline was learned in regard to the viaduct. The disastrous feature of the structure in the late cataclism was that it acted as a fortification, which temporarily dammed the water and floating debris, and then, when everything else built by human hands would fail to resist the powerful avalanche, as it toppled in with the common wooden wrecks, the fate of thousands of lives was sealed.

EXPERTS DISBELIEVED

that the viaduct had gone, but added: "If any or all of it has been swept away, the greatest flood has come down there that ever occurred in the Conemaugh Valley."

The resisting force of the bridge was most apparent, as there was a new water course cut to the left and over the side of the mountain after the rubbish had risen over the structure. This is another plausible argument that its staunchness caused greater devastation than if it had been swept away at once. The water mark shows now that above the bridge the water touched a point of 60 feet; but after the structure had in part collapsed the marks below showed an altitude of only 30 feet, which gradually diminished between the viaduct and Johnstown. The temporary stoppage of the water, and subsequent breaking away of the bridge gave all the more momentum to the mad rush of waters, and made many more watery graves.

Just think of a huge rock, weighing 425 tons, being carried out like a frail skiff and landed on the opposite side of the river. This will give an idea of what the famous Conemaugh viaduct had to withstand before being carried away.

The bridge is a famous structure, and has been examined by dukes, other noblemen and a legion of other prominent people, who considered it a marvel in the architectural and engineering line. It was a portion of the old Portage road, a continuation of the Pennsylvania canal, which is well known as a State institution.

AT A VERY LARGE COST.

It was afterward purchased by the Pennsylvania Railroad for $5,000,000, and utilized from Summerhill to Johnstown as a roadbed for the railroad. The late Colonel Milner Roberts was the designer, engineer and builder of the great bridge, and at that time—1832—there were very few civil engineers in the country. Many doubted the feasibility of making a curve in a canal aqueduct: but this was effected very successfully, as has been proven by the results. Associated with Colonel Roberts were Solomon W. Roberts, Edward Miller, William E. Morris and W. M. Roberts, all practical civil engineers.

The bridge was remarkable in that day, from the fact of its span, and skilled reservoir builders marveled at it. The single span is 80 feet, and its length is also 80 feet. Its cost could not be ascertained definitely; but the Portage road alone cost the State $35,000,000. Shortly after the road had been finished, in 1832, a tremendous flood occurred in that portion of the State which obliterated the canal for miles down toward Pittsburg; but this memorable bridge withstood that terrible shock, while smaller ones were dashed to pieces.

Even after the recent annihilation of lives and property, portions of the grand old structure stood in the main intact, showing its great strength.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is rebuilding it; but, with all credit to the builders, there can be only one Conemaugh viaduct. Unfortunately, it was too strong, so that its resisting forces caused additional loss of life—which goes to show that the virtue of a good thing may prove a powerful enemy to the world.

FROM THE FOUR CORNERS.

Contributions From Nearly Everywhere to Relieve Johnstown—The Total in Pittsburg, to Date, $659,559.

Treasurer Thompson reports that up until last night the contributions to the Johnstown relief fund amounted to $659,559 13. The contributions reported yesterday were:

The Misses Patterson, $10; Sixth U. P. Church, $654; County Democracy fund, through W. J. Brennen, $107 50; Citizens of Grand Rapids, Mich., additional, $99 80; Pennsylvania Club, Butte City, Mont., $179; Order Eastern Star, $25; citizens of Moline, Ill., $1,312 19; Citizens of Rockford, Ill., $131; Employes Bolivar Fire Brick Co., $36 25; Buffalo, N. Y., per *Advertiser*, $83 85; Tom Keely, Hampton, Ia., $20; Buffalo, N. Y., per *Courier*, additional, $634 74; Standard Plate Glass Company, $100; Sunbury, Pa., and vicinity, $84 50; Daniel Gibson, London, Mercer county, Pa., $20; citizens of Ft. Barrington, Mass., $23 50; citizens of Alfard, Mass., $15 25; Baptist Church, N. Egremont, Mass., $10; Rev. Thomas B. Hudson, Chuton, N. Y., $2; citizens of Kane, Pa., $320; citizens of Winona, Minn., $107 35; citizens of Cedar Rapids, Ia., $79 50; American Dramatic Company, Waynesville, O., $80; citizens of Short Creek, O., $30; employes *Pioneer*, Warsaw, Wis., $17 50; citizens of Milledgeville, Ga., $53; citizens of Bulger, Pa., (additional), $2; Mrs. Eliza Sibbett, $10; employes Miller, Metcalf & Parkin, $425.

The list of money contributed by the different railroad employes and reported to Treasurer Thompson is as follows:

Pittsburg and Junction Railroad, $52; Chicago and Northwestern, $5; Panhandle, superintendent's office, $30; dispatchers and operators, $21; West Penn Railroad, operators, $25; superintendent's office, $27; train dispatcher's office, $12 50; Pittsburg and Western Railroad, superintendent's office, $10; general manager's office, $55; shops, $73 25; freight department, $22; general passenger agent's office, $5; chief engineer's office, $5; Pennsylvania Railroad, J. W. Renner's office, $66 25; C. A. Carpenter's office, $150 50; Union Line, $10; J. T. Dennison, $75 80; Pennsylvania Company, Superintendent's office, $127; Superintendent of Transfer office, $23; Auditor's office, $43; Freight offices, $113 50; P. C. & Y. R. R., $15; St. L., A. & T. R. R., $5; P. & L. E. R. R., Treasurer's office, $50; General Freight office, $12; Passenger Department, $45; train men, $208 75; Auditor's office, $13; freight depot, $64; operators, $7; P., C. & St. L. R. R., $33 50; C., M. & St. P. R. R., $5; Wabash R. R., $4; A., T. & St. F. R. R., $5; Monongahela Connecting R. R., $1; Montour R. R., $58; B. & O. R. R. freight depot, $5; Master Mechanic's office, $113 35; general office, $106; P., C. & Y. R. R., $22; A. V. R. R., general office, $108 50; agents, $62; local freight department, $1,750; trainmen, $60; dispatchers and operators, $18; total receipts yesterday, $1,995 90.

AN EXPRESS MESSENGER'S ADVENTURE.

His Thrilling Experience in Getting Safes Full of Valuables Through.

Adams Express Messenger Fritz, who was on the day express which left Pittsburg on the morning of the flood at Johnstown, had a very lively time reaching New York with his five safes full of money and valuables, according to the report he filed with Superintendent William Hoey at New York. He sat on his safes from the time of the flood until Sunday morning, when he hired six four-horse teams and commenced the journey across the mountains to Altoona.

Three days and four nights were spent in idleness in Altoona, and the journey eastward was commenced by rail, and a series of remarkable experiences were gone through with in order to reach New York. Streams were crossed in boats and by means of shaky foot bridges, and several narrow escapes for life and property happened.

The journey was finally accomplished after eight days and seven nights of hard work. The distance between Pittsburg and New York was traveled several times in doubling back and forth. The experience is quite unwonted in the history of the Adams Express.

FROM ALLEGED JEALOUS RIVALS.

Mrs. Dr. Easton Leaves the Ladies' Relief Committee on Account of Trouble With Her Associates.

At the rooms of the Ladies' Relief Committee yesterday there was a noticeable absence of the ladies who formerly presided over the Bureau of Information. Mrs. Dr. Easton, Chairman of the bureau, and her assistant had withdrawn, and refused to work there any longer.

Mrs. George A. Kelly, member of the Executive Committee, stated that on Friday afternoon an article had appeared in one of the papers that reflected somewhat on the Executive Committee, and she thought the information had been furnished by the Bureau of Information. She spoke to Mrs. Easton about it and that lady denied that the facts came from her department. Mrs. Kelly also stated that she was not pleased with the action of the chairman of the Bureau of Information, going to Johnstown to consult with the authorities there. The request had been sent to her by General Hastings for the information as to the sufferers entertained in this city. She sent the desired matter, and afterward found that Mrs. Easton had been in Johnstown and supplied the information.

Mrs. Dr. Easton was seen last night and stated that she had retired simply because she did not wish to submit to the insults of jealous minded members of the Executive Board. She did not propose to be domineered over by them. Her visit to Johnstown was made at the suggestion of Chairman McCreery, who advised her to consult with the Bureau of Information in Johnstown. She was working under the direction of the State authorities and she did not propose to give up the work. She said she will continue it at her own home where she will not be bothered with jealous rivals.

THEY WILL REMOVE.

The Ladies' Relief Committee Systematize Their Work for Johnstown.

The Executive Committee of the Ladies' Relief Committee have at last determined to change their headquarters, and during the early part of next week will remove from the Female College building to the Exposition building. The cause of the change is the fact that there is a large lot of goods at the Exposition building which have been placed in the ladies' hands, and in order to get things into a systematic shape so that they may know just what goods they have the change in headquarters is made.

The list of persons cared for yesterday by the ladies is as follows: John Besky, Mrs. H. Heidrick, Mrs. William Morrison, Mary J. Hale, Mrs. William Welzer, Joseph Blockhard and four children, Mrs. A. Adams and four children, Mrs. Mary Fentman, Maggie and Katie McGoverne, Mrs. William James and family, Mrs. Wappington and child, William C. King, Mrs. J. K. Gilmore, Gertie Hannen, Mr. and Mrs. F. Keene, Mrs. Zachariah and three children, Mrs. Edwards and five children, Mrs. James Barnhart and five children, Katie Connors, Mr. and Mrs. William Costill, Harry McCarrill, Mrs. Muir.

The contributions of yesterday were: Railroad employes through William Livinger, $78. Bellevue U. P. Church Bible Society, Shadyside Church and Mrs. H. K. Porter.

A HAPPY MANAGER.

He Receives the Warmest Kind of Thanks for Relief Sent to Johnstown.

Manager P. Harris gave benefits for the Johnstown suffers at his theaters in various parts of the country. The sum realized was $3,562 20, as follows: Baltimore, $1,091 50; Washington, $681, Minneapolis, $1,200; Louisville, $589 70. Mayor Latrobe sends the following complimentary acknowledgment to Manager Harris:

BALTIMORE, June 15, 1889.

P. Harris, Esq:

DEAR SIR—Permit me, in behalf of Mayor Latrobe, to acknowledge the receipt of check for $1,091 50, the proceeds of a benefit given at the Academy of Music last Sunday for the benefit of the Johnstown suffers. It will be forwarded as directed, and your reward will be the prayers and blessings of the poor who will receive it. Very respectfully,

W. H. LOVE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bridge Builders at Johnstown.

About 25 machinists, bridge builders, etc., left last night for Johnstown to go to work at their respective trades. All of them were experienced men and were sent up by the Pittsburg committee.

What the New Harry-Up Will Do.

The new patrol wagon for the Second police district will be located in Hazelwood at engine house No. 13, and will be driven by the members of the engine company, as no extra men will be engaged. The wagon will be called to answer the boxes between Soho and Hazelwood, as patrol wagon No. 4 has too much territory to cover and the hot weather has caused considerable hard work for the horses. One of them was overcome with the heat last Sunday.

Cruel to His Wife and Children.

M. J. Dean, Superintendent of the Anti-Cruelty Society, made information against George Meyser, before Alderman Porter yesterday, charging the former with cruelty to his wife and children. The defendant lives on the hillside of Twenty-eighth street, and it is alleged that he frequently beats his wife. The children suffer also.

LOCAL ITEMS, LIMITED.

Incidents of a Day in Two Cities Condensed for Ready Reading.

A HORSE fell upon John Carney's leg yesterday and broke that member.

THERE is no change in the situation at Homestead, and a strike seems to be inevitable.

JOHN LANIGAN, a laborer at Morehead & McClain's mill, had his right foot badly burnt by hot metal yesterday.

A. J. CARR, the traveling representative of Giesenkamp & Sons, returned to-day from a tour of the Southern States.

CHIEF ENGINEER BRENNAN stated yesterday that he would have all the water out of the Center avenue pond by Tuesday.

THE grand reunion of the American Flints will be held at Rock Point next Saturday. It will be one of the largest picnics ever held in Western Pennsylvania.

WILLIE SHAFFER, a boy aged 6 years, living on Wylie avenue, near Elm street, had his hand badly lacerated yesterday by hitting it with an ax while chopping wood.

W. C. CONNELLY, JR., Associated Press agent, and Dr. J. C. Lang, of the Western Pennsylvania Medical College, left last night for New York, to be gone several days.

CLARENCE KLEGES, a horseshoer at George Pafenbaüh's shop, on Pennsylvania avenue, Allegheny, was painfully hurt yesterday afternoon. He was shoeing a horse when it trod on his foot and crushed it badly.

THE police were notified last night of the disappearance of Edward Faber, of No. 1807 Wharton street, Southside. Faber is about 19 years of age and was employed in Evans' glass house. He left home on last Thursday and has not been seen since.

A 12-YEAR-OLD daughter of Mrs. Doran, of Shanghai row, Allegheny, was knocked down and run over by a train in the Pittsburg and Cleveland Railroad yards yesterday afternoon. Her arm was badly crushed, and she was taken to her home in a patrol wagon.

THE General Manager of the Associated Press has sent a letter to William C. Connelly, the agent of the institution at this city, conveying to him the compliments and appreciation of the Joint Executive Committee for his valiant work in reporting the Johnstown flood.

DON'T WANT THE ZOO.

Allegheny Millionaires Have a Remonstrance Against It.

CALL IT AN OUT AND OUT NUISANCE

Alleghenians Probably Will Do Without a Zoological Garden.

SOME OF THOSE THAT HEAD THE LIST

It is probable that there will be a great deal more fun about the proposed Allegheny Zoo, before it has been actually established, than could be afterward, even if the menagerie were ever so large.

The fact of the matter is that the residents along the park are raising very strong objections to any zoological garden being established on Monument Hill, and in order to make their opposition effective a remonstrance has been drawn up, and with the signatures of all the millionaires along Irwin, Lincoln and Ridge avenues it is to be handed to Councils with the urgent request of prohibiting the establishment of any menagerie on the top of the hill.

THE OBJECTIONS ARE MANIFOLD.

Somebody anticipates a very strong odor from the close proximity of Polar bears, hyenas and monkeys. Another has an idea that the sudden roar of an African lion in the middle of the night might seriously cause him to be inflicted with a nightmare of horrid dreams, beside waking up the children. The professors of the Western Theological Seminary think that the attractions of the study of practical zoology might prevent their students to take the necessary interest in the ethics of theology and ruin their institution. In short everybody in the neighborhood of Monument Hill is already in fear of the consequences which might possibly arise from the Zoological Garden, and while they are all primed with reasonable objections against it, they have not even mentioned the fact that a tiger might some day break loose and murderously attack somebody.

EVERYBODY IS AGAINST IT.

THE DISPATCH was apprised of the movement of remonstrating against the Zoo late last night, and when a reporter went over to Allegheny all the residents around the park were apparently in deep slumber, but Mr. McHenry, the druggist on the corner of Western and Irwin avenues, was still visible in his store, and when he was asked about the remonstrance he said:

"Yes, the people along Irwin avenue, Ridge avenue and Lincoln avenue are all up in arms against the Zoo. I am not posted on the particulars of their objections, but I know that they are equally strong against it. Every prominent man, I believe, from Mr. Henry Phipps to Mr. H. Darlington, Mr. E. Gregg and many others, say that the thing would be an out-and-out nuisance, and if they can prevent it from being established, they will certainly do it. I saw the remonstrance and there are about 50 names on the list, which will be handed to Councils as soon as possible."

IN THE OLD GERMAN WAY.

**The Feast of Corpus Christi