

DOW'S FLAT.—(1856.) BY DREW HARTY. Dow's Flat. That's its name. And I reckon that you are a stranger? The same? Well, I thought it was true—

For that isn't a man on the river as can't spot the place at first view. It was called after Dow— Which the same was an ass— And as to the how—

That the thing came to pass— Jest tie up your horse to that buckeye, and sit you down here in the grass. You see this yer Dow?

He slipped up somehow On each thing that he struck. Why, he'd a staided that fence-rail the dern'thing'd get up and buck.

He mined on the bar. Till he couldn't pay rates; He was smashed by a car When he tunnelled with Bates;

And right on the top of his trouble kern his wife and five kids from the stems. It was rough—mighty rough; But the boys they stood by;

And they brought him the stuff For a house, on the sly; And the old woman—well, she did washing, and took on when no one was nigh.

But this yer luck of Dow's Was so powerful mean That the spring near his house Dried right up on the green;

And he sunk forty feet down for water, but never a drop to be seen. Then the bar pelered out, And the boys wouldn't stay;

And the chills got about, And his wife fell away; Bet Dow, in his well, kept a peeggin' in his usual ridiculous way.

One day—it was June— And a year ago, just— This Dow kern at noon To his work like the rest,

With a shovel and pick on his shoulder, and a Deringer hid in his breast. He goes to the well, And he stands on the brink,

And he stoops for a spell, Jest to listen and think; For the sun in his eyes (jest like this, sir), you see, kinder made the cuss blink.

His two ragged gals In the well were at play; And a gourd that was Sal's Kinner lapped on a bay;

Not much for a man to be leavin', but his all—as I've heard 'e folks say. And—that's a peart hose That you've got—ain't it now?

What might be her cost? Eh? O!—Well, then, Dow— Let's see—well, that forty-foot grave wasn't his, sir, that day, anyhow.

For a blow of his pick Sorter caved in his side, And he looked and turned sick, And he trembled and cried.

For you see the dern cuss had struck—"Water?"—beg your parding, young man, and asker after Dow—and that's a me. —Overland Monthly for June.

Generalities. Jerome Bonaparte. For some months ago returned fellow-citizen, Jerome Bonaparte, has been confined to his residence by suffering from cancer of the throat.

A Whole Family Poisoned. The family of Mrs. Buchanan, near Christiansburg, Broome county, Ind., consisting of six persons, were poisoned last Monday morning at breakfast.

Some thirty laborers in the employ of Mr. Edward Kelcey, a Newark contractor, engaged in building a sewer, struck on Monday for an increase of wages, and became so violent as to threaten to kill any other man who would interpose.

The Smuggling of a Bridal Trousseau. William Hall, late captain of the steamship Pennsylvania, who was accused of attempting to smuggle a bridal trousseau from Liverpool into this country, was discharged by Commissioner Osborn, on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence against him to warrant his detention.

Railways and Free Passes. The suit by Tracy E. Roberts against the Toledo and Wabash Railroad Company for damages for injuries received by the overturning of a car near Lafayette, Indiana, in January, 1865, which has been on trial for two weeks before Judge Brady, was recently concluded.

Walking. Some Great Strides in the Past which throw light on the present. The success of the great Weston in walking one hundred miles in less than twenty-two hours naturally calls attention to previous achievements of the same character.

Railroad Lines. 1870.—FOR NEW YORK.—THE CAMDEN AND AMBOY PHILADELPHIA AND TRENTON RAILROADS.

From Walnut Street Wharf. At 6:30 A. M., Express and 8:30 P. M. Express via Camden and Amboy, and at 8 A. M., Express via Camden and Amboy, and at 8 P. M., Express via Camden and Amboy.

At 7:30 A. M., 2 and 8:30 P. M. for Trenton and Bristol, and at 10:45 A. M. and 4 P. M. for Bristol.

At 7:30 A. M., 2:30, 3:30, 4, 6, 8, and 11:30 P. M. for Trenton and Bristol, and at 10:45 A. M. and 4 P. M. for Bristol.

Chester Valley Railroad. Passengers for Downingtown and intermediate stations, leaving Philadelphia at 8 A. M., and at 10:45 A. M., and at 4:15 P. M., and at 6:30 P. M.

Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore Railroad. Commencing on Monday, April 4, 1870. Trains will leave Depot, corner of Broad street and Washington avenue, as follows:

Way Mail Train at 8:30 A. M. (Sundays excepted), for Wilmington and intermediate stations, connecting at Wilmington with Delaware Railroad Line, at Clayton with Annapolis Branch Railroad and at Baltimore with Pennsylvania Railroad.

Philadelphia and Erie Railroad. On and after Monday, May 30, 1870, the trains on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad will run as follows:

West Chester and Philadelphia Railroad Company. On and after Monday, April 4, 1870, trains will leave from the Depot, THIRTY-FIRST and CHESTNUT, as follows:

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Philadelphia and Baltimore Central Railroad. On and after Monday, April 4, 1870, the trains on the Philadelphia and Baltimore Central Railroad will run as follows:

Railroad Lines. Reading Railroad.—GREAT TRUNK LINE.

At 7:30 A. M., 2 and 8:30 P. M. for Trenton and Bristol, and at 10:45 A. M. and 4 P. M. for Bristol.

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