

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

A WONDERFUL PUMP.

A Simple, Inexpensive, but Powerful Arrangement for Raising Water—What was seen at Bridesburg—Fifteen Million Gallons of Water a Day from a 30-inch Pump.

A number of gentlemen, under the leadership of Colonel Barton H. Jenks, whose extensive machine-shops have contributed so much to the prosperity and reputation of our city, were yesterday taken to Bridesburg in the miniature yacht Harold, the property of Colonel William H. Mann, to note the operation of a newly-patented compound pump.

The pump is a simple, but powerful arrangement for raising water. It consists of a cast-iron pipe about 12 feet long and 30 inches in diameter, which stands upright in a basin of water, the lower end of it resting upon an iron cone which is attached to the pipe. From the upper end projects a nozzle to direct the stream of water as it is pumped up.

Through this cast-iron pipe is run a steel shaft, upon which are placed cast-iron propeller wheels, each of two blades with an angular pitch of sixty-five degrees. Having described this much, the reader will at once discover, "in his mind's eye," the principle upon which this pump works.

At the top of the shaft is a pulley which is pulled eight inches in diameter, and runs by a 10-inch belt at the rate of four hundred revolutions to the minute, the motor being a 22-horse power engine. This is what is much to the astonishment of the party that yesterday saw it, that these two propeller wheels, running at the speed we have mentioned, discharged from the pump ten thousand gallons of water per minute, six hundred thousand gallons in an hour, and nearly fifteen million gallons of water per day, or just one-half of the amount supplied by all the engine pumps in the entire water works of the city of Philadelphia!

The advantages of this pump are thus summarized:—First, its great simplicity of construction, having no valves and consisting of but three pieces, pipe, shaft, and propeller.

Second, Economy, costing much less than any pump of the same power. The eight-inch pump yielding 1700 gallons per minute, at a height of 300 feet; the twenty-inch pump giving 10,000 gallons to the minute.

Third, It sustains, with but little friction, a column of water at any height desired.

Fourth, It can be used either as a lift or force pump.

Fifth, It requires no oiling, and is adapted for all kinds of mines, quarries, breweries, ice-houses, or any place where water is wanted, and especially useful for waterworks in towns and cities, as the water can be introduced by this apparatus at less expense than by any other means.

THE FIRST OF APRIL.

The Feast of Fools—Its Origin and History—Its Observance.

To-morrow's sun in its annual and annual cycle will bring to us once more the first of April, conspicuous in the calendar as the day upon which foolishness is particularly rife, and which by common consent has come to be known by the name of All Fools' day, perhaps after the fact that the first grand festival was held on this day.

Concerning the occasion, the well-known Scottish bard, the Ettrick Shepherd, sings thus:—"Hail, glorious grand festival, hail, auspicious morn! My soaring mind in goose-pull pinion born, From that wide limbo sang in Milton's tale, Hail, glorious grand festival, hail, glorious morn! For thou to me a day most sacred art; And I shall call around a jovial crew, To move and warship thee with single heart, Come crowned in footcap, rolling forth this day, Hail, mighty morn, hail, glorious All Fools' Day!"

From this it will be seen that at least one great poet has condescended to notice the day with all the flourish of poetic license. It may be objected that the occasion does not call for any such effusion, and that the words "independence day," or some such phrase, could more properly be preferred to "the first of April"; but this only serves to show how much more the day was esteemed in former ages, and of what an ancient date the festival is.

But in this prominent mention the old-time poet has not done justice to the occasion. He has also noticed the occasion in a conspicuous manner, for what says the immortal Shakespeare? From the following extract, which every true friend of that great poet will instantly recognize, it will be seen that he has treated the occasion in a manner which is not only novel, but which is also in a measure unique, in making the luckless victim, who is not upon his guard, to play the fool for the edification of the bystanders. Here it is:—"Call him that man, man! And when he comes, when his foot from the ground is turned, do you a scroll of words to his tall make fast, whereon is writ fool, fool. That all may know his calling and his aim."

The origin of the day is so remote that no accurate account can be given of how the various practices peculiar to the season originated. Some attribute them to the Persians, whose orgies, at the time of the beginning of the year, which was then about April, resembled the modern customs of making merry. But against this explanation we have steadily set our face as unfair. The Persians now have the monopoly of origin of nearly all the festivals, ecclesiastical and civil, which are upon our calendar. It is therefore supposed that they were the originators of making merry. But of opinion, or research perhaps (so called), is not checked, we may be obliged next February also to attribute to them the observance peculiar to the first of April, commonly called "Washington's Birthday."

Of late years the foolish practices of the season have fallen much into disuse, save among a fewurchins, who are ever ready for a laugh at anybody's expense, but whose intellects are not yet sufficiently developed to produce anything new in the line of jokes; the old "sloggers" doing duty year after year, until now few are deceived by them. A first-class "sell" on the 1st of April would be so refreshing that its effects would willingly be borne by those upon whom the mischief might be done. The "sloggers" in vogue, repeated incessantly, give but little pleasure to the performer, and nothing but vexation to the victim.

Nearly every other festival of the year is observed in a particular manner by some society or organization, who are especially interested. But poor "All Fools' day" has no such honor. There is no organized body of "fools" owning to the name who in the list of toasts of their annual dinner give "the day we celebrate." This year, however, the shooting war is to be partially, at least, supplied. The day which nobody will father has at last been claimed by a class in the community whose members are a place much frequented by the newsboys, those valuable little aids of one of the world's greatest institutions, have taken the day in hand as their own peculiarly, and will celebrate it in their own peculiar manner. To this end they have arranged to have a hearing, and if such celebration will take the place of the many less harmless tricks to which the newsboys in particular are addicted, we say it is a very good move in the right direction.

The particular features of the occasion are to be seen in the shooting war, in which the newspaper proprietors of the city, to the boys, in the press-room of a city newspaper establishment, and a parade of the boys and their friends, who are to march, so to speak, under the fool's banner, a place much frequented by the professional, running east from Third street, between Chestnut and Dock streets, at eight o'clock A. M., at which time the boys will be comparatively free, being about through with the sale of the morning papers, and not yet ready for those of the afternoon. We believe his Honor Mayor Fox has been made acquainted with the particulars of the affair, and in the kindness of heart peculiar to that genial gentleman, has given orders for a squad of policemen to accompany the parade, and to see that no mischief is done by the most prominent down-town streets. A full report of all that may transpire will be found in THE TELEGRAPH of the same afternoon, which all who are at all interested in the newsboys will do well to consult.

EXPLOSION.

A Blast Pipe Explodes in Morris' Foundry. An explosion occurred at the Morris Foundry, on the corner of Morris and Chestnut streets, and at the corner of Morris and Chestnut streets, which had its origin at another hour might have been attended by the most frightful consequences. The hour was at dinner time, when the workmen were absent from the shop, and at that time the blast pipe exploded with tremendous report and a violent concussion. Three hundred panes of glass were shattered to pieces, and all articles within reach were knocked about and heaped in the utmost confusion. The building itself was damaged to some extent.

Petty Thiefs.—Frank Smith yesterday stole a quantity of money from the cash drawer of a store at Ninth and Clinton streets, and for this offense he has been sent to prison by Alderman Morrow.

John Hay was arrested by Officer Moore at Sixth and Alaska streets in the act of sneaking out of a store with a pair of shoes he had stolen when inside. Alderman Hogan has sent Hay to prison.

Larceny of a Watch.—A policeman at Twelfth and Locust streets last night heard a man cry "Stop thief!" He saw a fellow run across the street, and ran over and caught him. Presently a man came up and accused the prisoner of stealing a watch which he had just bought. The accused was taken before Alderman Morrow when he gave the name of James Brown. He was held to answer.

SUBURBAN TRANSIT.

Additional Trains on the Germantown Railroad—Depot Improvements.

We learn that twenty-one additional passenger trains will be added upon the Germantown and Norristown Railroad as an after effect of Monday, April 3, making a total of ninety-six passenger trains daily to and from Ninth and Green streets. Of these there will be twenty-nine trains each way between Philadelphia and Germantown, fifteen each way between Philadelphia and Chestnut Hill, nineteen trains each way between Philadelphia and Manayunk, and fifteen trains each way between Philadelphia and Norristown.

One train will run to Phoenixville, leaving Ninth and Green streets at 11:5 P. M., and returning from Phoenixville at 4:45 P. M. The Chester Valley regular passenger train will also run via the Norristown Road to and from Ninth and Green streets, leaving Downingtown at 6:40 A. M. arriving in Philadelphia at 8:45 A. M., and returning, leaving Philadelphia at 4:40 P. M., arriving at Downingtown at 6:35 P. M. Additional trains will be run on the Plymouth Railroad, and direct connection made at Conshohocken with trains to and from Philadelphia and Norristown. There will also be a large increase in the number of Sunday trains, forty trains being run to and from Philadelphia instead of eighteen, as at present.

Important improvements are now being completed at the passenger depot, Ninth and Green streets. The ladies' and gentlemen's rooms and ticket office, with their appointments, are being remodelled, papered, and painted, and the entire depot arranged for the exclusive use of the passenger business. The milk and business will be transferred to another building, and the way of passengers. A greater number of the spacious and comfortable passenger cars of the Reading Railroad Company will also be placed upon the Germantown and Chestnut Hill branches, as well as the Norristown Road, and the depot on the latter are widened, which is being done as rapidly as possible.

The new depot at Chestnut Hill will front on the Bethlehem Turnpike at the terminus of the railroad, and will be 420 feet long, and 200 feet wide, will have a hall sixteen feet wide, a ladies' room 25 by 19 feet, and a general meeting-room 25 by 35 feet. Two broad platforms will be attached to this depot, and run 280 feet between the tracks, and will be used for getting on and off trains under cover. The new depot at Germantown will front on Chelton avenue, and will be similar in all respects to the depot at Chestnut Hill, and will be 420 feet long, and 200 feet wide, and will be used for getting on and off trains under cover. The new depot at Germantown will front on Chelton avenue, and will be similar in all respects to the depot at Chestnut Hill, and will be 420 feet long, and 200 feet wide, and will be used for getting on and off trains under cover.

REARRESTED.

A New Development of the Shooting Affair in the Sixteenth Ward—The Wounded Man Will Probably Die. Thomas Wilson, who is charged with shooting Washington Smith, at the office of Alderman Shoemaker, some time ago, was rearrested yesterday. The recollection of the shooting was arranged for a hearing before the above-named magistrate on the 23d instant, and was admitted to bail in \$3000, on the certificate of Drs. George P. Oliver and E. B. Shapleigh that Smith was out of danger. Smith, for a number of days after the shooting, was in an exceedingly precarious condition, but at the time stated his improvement became so marked that Dr. Oliver considered himself justified in giving the certificate. Yesterday, however, Dr. Oliver reported that the wound in the leg was an abscess to the effect that the condition of Smith is not quite as favorable as on the 23d, and that the wounded man was in such a condition that death might ensue at any moment.

In accordance with this statement, Justice Kerr, sitting at the sitting of the Central Station, was directed to issue a warrant for the arrest of Wilson, which was accordingly done. The defendant was taken to the Central Station, and the hearing of the case was fixed for this morning at 9 o'clock, at which hour Alderman Kerr was in waiting to call up the case. A letter from Dr. Oliver was received, however, stating that he could not be present at the hearing, as he was unavoidably detained with a sick patient. The case was then postponed until the hour of the regular hearing this afternoon.

SALE OF MR. MORAN'S PAINTINGS.—Mr. Edward Moran's collection of paintings, which have been on exhibition for some weeks past under the general title of "Land and Sea," were sold last evening by Mr. B. Scott, Jr., at the new art gallery of Henry W. & B. Scott, Jr., No. 1129 Chestnut street. The attendance was very large and the bidding spirited. The following are the prices realized for some of the principal works:—"Evening at Cape Ann," \$243; No. 13, "Squally Golfing out to Wreck," \$300; No. 17, "Squally Day at Newport," \$325; No. 24, "Beach at Atlantic City," \$150; No. 25, "Moon Rise at Nahant," \$210; No. 29, "Village Harbor," \$270; No. 32, "Philadelphia from the New Park," \$325; No. 36, "Outward Bound," \$750; No. 66, "Storm at Mount Desert," \$180; No. 71, "Low Tide," \$400. The picture entitled "To the Rescue," representing the relief-ship bearing the Haver, which was presented to the Relief Fund by Mr. Moran, was purchased by the Union League for \$625. The frame upon this picture was presented by Messrs. J. S. Earle & Sons.

COMMERCIAL OF THE PORT OF PHILADELPHIA.

Table with columns for COASTWISE and FOREIGN, listing various vessels and their destinations.

FIFTY CENTS!

MILTON GOLD TO 50 CENTS FOR EACH AND EVERY ARTICLE, SAME AS SOLD ELSEWHERE FOR ONE DOLLAR. Milton Gold for OLD DOLLAR STORE, No. 712 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

FROM THE WEST.

Important Railway Decision. INDIANAPOLIS, March 31.—The argument was concluded today in the United States Circuit Court before Judge Drummond on the application of Charles E. Bill to be placed in possession of the Louisville, New Albany, and Chicago Railroad. The application was refused, and the case remains in possession of Leo H. Chapman, receiver, until the rights of parties in interest shall be adjudicated.

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FOURTH EDITION

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

The Ku-Klux Debate.

Affairs at the Capital.

Receipts of Customs.

Currency and Revenue Statements.

Evening Cable Quotations.

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New Dominion Advices.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Washington, March 31.—The following are the customs receipts for the week ending March 25:—New York, \$4,041,139; Philadelphia, 910,337; Boston, 449,897; Baltimore, 139,081; New Orleans, 178,370. Total, \$5,010,714.

Currency Statement.

The following is a detailed statement of the United States currency outstanding at this date:—Notes, \$98,621; U. S. notes, new issue, \$202,166,337; U. S. notes, issue of 1869, \$123,833,663; one-year five per cent. notes, \$134,567; two-year five per cent. notes, \$46,453,507; two-year five per cent. coupon notes, \$33,720,626; four per cent. notes, \$85,498; fractional currency, first issue, \$4,445,000; fractional currency, second issue, \$3,240,000; fractional currency, third issue, \$6,330,012; fractional currency, fourth issue, \$36,350,311. Total, \$398,520,377.43.

House.

Mr. Wheeler introduced a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to change the name of the ship William F. Storer to that of Hamilton Fish. In reply to a question it was announced that the bill would be reported to the House on Monday.

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THE FRENCH RELIEF FUND.

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FROM THE DOMINION.

Toronto Board of Trade.

Toronto, March 31.—At a special meeting of the Board of Trade on the question of sending a deputation to cooperate with the western deputation in pressing the claims of the Huron and Ontario Canal on the High Commission, it was resolved that no deputation should be sent.

OTTAWA, March 31.

In the Senate the Past-Pastor-General stated that the claims of Canada for Fenian raid expenses had been submitted to the High Commission in Washington. If they were not entertained the Government would press them on the attention of the Imperial Government. In the Commons, after the rejection of several amendments, the House passed a resolution in favor of the construction of the Pacific Railroad, were adopted by a vote of 91 to 70.

FROM NEW JERSEY.

The Jersey City Charter Repealed.

Trenton, March 31.—The Jersey City charter has passed the Senate over the Governor's veto, by a strict Republican party vote, and will now become a law. Both houses have adjourned for the week.

CONGRESS.

Forty-second Term—First Session.

Washington, March 31.—The debate upon Mr. Sherman's resolution, directing the Judiciary Committee to report on Ku-Klux legislation, was continued.

Mr. Pool addressed the Senate in a lengthy exposition of the cause, effect, and remedy for outrages in the South. He announced that he had secured North Carolina, and he claimed that the people of that State, as shown by the testimony before the investigating committee, had no complicity in these outrages, but that the law was being violated by secret organizations. The popular voice of that State condemned them, and he (Pool) was influenced by a desire to insure peace and tranquility among those whom he represented. One instance had been shown in the investigation in which a band of negroes, under the leadership of a white man, had committed depredations upon other negroes. Their prompt punishment was due to the fact that the real trouble was not with the negroes, but with their white protectors. After commenting upon the extensive ramifications and influence of these secret organizations, which were growing enough to protect their members when brought to trial in the State courts, and who avowed purpose was to overthrow the 14th amendment and the measures necessary to carry it out, Mr. Pool stated that if the Government designed to protect loyal citizens and execute its policy, some positive and determined measures must be taken. He stated that he would support anything that would bring about the control of the desperadoes. His opinion was that the real trouble was not with the negroes, but with the white protectors. He stated that he would support anything that would bring about the control of the desperadoes. His opinion was that the real trouble was not with the negroes, but with the white protectors.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Evening Telegraph Office.

The demand for money this morning is moderate, except for speculative purposes, which continues quite lively. With a let up in the regular business demand there is a slight tendency to further ease. It now appears almost certain that the stringency which has been feared with the opening of April will be avoided, and that money will be abundant to meet all the requirements of business without any material advance in rates. We quote call loans at 5 1/2 to 6 per cent, and commercial paper at 7 to 8 per cent.

STOCKS.

Stocks were quite active and steady. Sales of stocks at 103 1/2 for the first session, at 103 1/2 for the second. City gas changed hands at 101 1/2 for the old, at 101 1/2 for the new, and at 102 1/2 for the ante-war old.

RAILROADS.

Heading Railroad sold in a small way at 51 1/2, 60, Pennsylvania at 62, a small lot; Rock Island and Amboy at 117, Norristown at 82 1/2, Minehill at 52, and Catawissa, preferred at 43 1/2. Canal shares were sought after. Sales of Lehigh at 35 1/2. 10 1/2 was bid for Schuylkill preferred.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Miscellaneous stocks were quiet but steady. Sales of Fifth and Sixth Streets Railway at 41, and Central Transportation at 45 1/2 to 46.

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