

Democratic Watchman

Belleville, Pa., July 23, 1897.

IF I KNEW.

If I knew the box where the smiles are kept, No matter how large the key...

The Story of Charley Ross.

An Abduction That Was the Talk of the World 23 Years Ago—His Fate Even Uncertain Now—The Death of Christian K. Ross Reveals the Extraordinary Efforts Made to Apprehend Moshier and Douglass, the Assumed Abductors of His Son.

The recent death of Christian K. Ross recalls vividly the world-wide sensation created by the abduction of his son, Charley Ross, on the afternoon of July 1st, 1874.

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the capture of the miscreants, from blood-hounds and clairvoyance to ambulances. One man went so far as to offer Mr. Ross \$20,000 in cash, that he might get his son back, but from the heinous nature of the crime...

At length Superintendent of Police Walling, of New York, found a clue that ended in the capture of the abductor on the person of William Moshier and William Douglass, two notorious burglars, who had long had their headquarters in Philadelphia.

Detective Sharkey and his surviving partner, Detective Charles F. Miller, of this city, were convinced of the authenticity of this clue, and confirmed it to the satisfaction of nearly everyone connected with or interested in the famous case.

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Crop Prospects are Improved.

Excepting the Miners' Strike, There is Scarcely a Feature of the Business Outlook Which is not Encouraging, Considering the Season—Less Apprehension Than There Was of the Fuel Supply Failing.

With money markets unclouded, there is nothing in sight to hinder rapid improvement when uncertainty about legislative action has been removed, for the miners' strike could not last long if business and industries should become active.

The cotton goods market does not yet reduce large accumulated stocks, but is curtailment of production shows, but is growing a little more healthy without change in prices.

Presumably an unprecedented share of it is to supply the great steel companies, which are even now putting more furnaces into blast, and have heavy orders taken when prices were dropped, while the demand for structural shapes and plates is large, and for bars improving, though steel bars are now at the lowest quotation ever.

For the convenience of those who seek the most attractive way of spending a few days in the Pennington railroad company has arranged two delightful tours to the north, under the personally conducted tourist service, June 27th and August 17th.

Each tour will be in charge of one of the tourist agents, assisted by an experienced lady as chaperone, whose special charge will be unaccompanied ladies.

The rate of \$100 from New York, Brooklyn, Newark, Trenton, Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Baltimore and Washington covers railway and boat fare for the entire round trip, parlor car seats, meals en route, hotel entertainment, transfer charges, carriage hire—in fact, every item of necessary expense.

For detailed itinerary, tickets, or any additional information, address Tourist Agent, Pennington railroad company, 1196 Broadway, New York; 860 Fulton street, Brooklyn; or Geo. W. Boyd, assistant general passenger agent, Broad street station, Philadelphia.

G. A. R. Encampment, Buffalo. Half Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, at Buffalo, August 23rd, the Pennsylvania railroad company will sell special tickets from all points on its system to Buffalo and return at rate of a single fare for the round trip.

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The Pennsylvania railroad company announces that a through sleeping car service between Pittsburg and Atlantic City has been established on train leaving Pittsburg at 4.30 p. m. daily, arriving at Atlantic City at 6.30 a. m. and returning on train leaving Atlantic City at 8.35 p. m. daily, arriving at Pittsburg at 8.30 a. m.

Connections are also made at Broad street station, Philadelphia, with trains leaving Pittsburg at 8.00 a. m. and 8.10 p. m. daily, and returning with trains leaving Atlantic City at 7.50 a. m. week-days and 10.25 a. m. and 4.45 p. m. daily.

Why pay rent year after year and have no farm when you get through? The landlord has your money and the farm at the end of the year. Why not go to South Dakota and buy a good farm, with the money that you now pay for rent?

Visitors to Lincoln Park in Chicago. Will be delighted with the souvenir book of this beautiful spot being distributed by the Chicago Milk and Creamery Company.

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Williamsport Masons have taken the preliminary steps for the construction of a magnificent temple, to be erected on the site of the old Second Presbyterian church, corner of Market and Fourth streets.

The building will be four stories and will cost about \$30,000.

Saddlery. \$5,000 \$5,000 \$5,000. HARNESS, HARNESS, HARNESS. SADDLES, BRIDLES, PLAIN HARNESS, FINE HARNESS, BLANKETS, WHIPS, Etc.

THE LARGEST STOCK OF HORSE COLLARS IN THE COUNTY.

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