LEY.

Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Gazette. BEAVER VALLEY, August, 1873. [Paper No. 23.] With all the charming memories of the past that cluster so richly around.

THE HISTORY OF THIS VALLEY. with all its favored resources for unlimited expansion of industries, and with all the advantages, business, social or domestic that it has, it has not yet advanced beyond a few separate towns. with scarcely anything in common but that many of the early settlers dreamed of nor a thithe of that prosperity that they labored so hard to bring to pass. A on the prestige of past success, or by vain boasting about what beneficent nature has so bountifully bestowed upon it. Day dreaming never made either ag individual or a community great, but, on wrest from a grudging world the treaspres that are in it. By first apologizing for the presumption of suggesting imyears and experience, I take the libertyhumbly, of course—to point out

A FEW OF THE NEEDS. The pressing and imperative needs of this otherwise favored region, of course, it is not intended to even mention all of them, that were too great a task, but merely to call attention to a few of the enterprise on the part of all its citizens, it is every time, when our people deter-Beaver vallians are day dreamers. There mine to do a thing, they do it—and the is not a man or woman in it but can and does suggest a thousand and one imof which, if carried out, would make the

NOBLE SPIRITS AMONG US, who bear the brunt of the battle, and never lag in any enterprise. Is there a proposition for iron works, gas works, water works-they are on hand, and their names head the list of subscriptions, and their time is devoted to the interests of the enterprises. But there are scarcely enough to save us from destruction. Ten righteous men, you will remember, would have saved a doomed city at one time, but the city was lost—not because none were there, but not enough. I would very much dislike to see ten righteous, enterprising men taken from Beaver Valley; not that it would thereby be lost, but there would be a great stag. are literally at a stand still for the want of enterprise. Of course, a full-bound volume of the last census will be thrown at me at this jancture.

Has not BEAVER FALLS INCREASED TEN-FOLD within ten years, and has not New Brigh ton increased fifty per cent. in population in the same period? True, but it was started in New Brighton, Fallston, Bridgewater or Beaver, in ten years, by home them that is now in successful operation establishment and a coffin factory, but the old glass works in Bridgewater and the National Plow Factory in Rochester have stopped; and this all within ten years.

Beaver Falls is

FULL OF FACTORIES.

What are they? A cutlery, removed from Rochester—not much gain; a file factory, saw factory, axe factory, brush factory-all large and paying-but who built them? Men outside of Beaver Valley. The old paper mill, flouring mill, foundry, and a few smaller establishments are the products of Beaver Valley enterprise. Notice further, that nearly every home enterprise of any magnitude, most of the flouring mills, on the south, to Barnardville on the woolen mills, wire factory, some of the north, ye inhabitants can clamber over foundaries, twine and paper factories, stones and gulleys and cellar doors, and were started from

TWENTY TO FIFTY AND SIXTY YEARS AGO. just as your fathers and mothers used to scarcely any within ten years, started at | do. Don't need gas, of course not, couldn't a time when your Townsends, Merricks, clamber and wade if we had it. Hoopes, Miners, Wilsons, Pattersons, Bakers, Wildes, Pughs, and a mighty while. Men of ample means won't inhost of workers were in active life. The vest, and the enterprising men who do sons of these men who have remained the work can't invest for want of funds, in the Valley form the larger part of and the enterprise must stop. And some enterprise to-day, aided by some others not identified with the early life Oh, they have invested, and been "fooled" of the Valley. But these are but a small and lost some of their money. Not a number, and the majority of them are very strong argument, it is true, but then cramped for want of means. Outside of it is sufficient to prevent our pleasant these there are men with ample means, dreams from being disturbed. but they lack the spirit and enterprise. The leaven must work in the pockets of these men before any great work is done for the good of the Valley.

Now as to

THE INCREASE OF POPULATION. terr, bricklayers, masons, etc., came to of it in Beaver and Ohio rivers. But build homes for the hands employed in the new mills and as well for the em. has two historic pumps. The wells were one of your greatest needs, is the "attrac- home to her mother, concludes with—"P. boys free.

and many imagined that a large city was at their fest. But when the Economites invested all they could, the

GRAFFS, FESSENDENS, BLAKES and others, exhausted their immediate means, then the day dreamers went to dreaming again, and so they will sleer and dream, Rip Van Winkle-like, until something or other "turns up," or turns sufficiently to pray "Good fortune send us selves on the handles of the pumps, until

a few mere Pittsburghers and New Yorkers and Economites,"-without the Chinese. A Cincinnatian was among us a few

jealousies and rivalries. There is no days since, stayed over Sunday: got a well-built, thriving and populous city carriage, went to Beaver, Alum Rocks and Beaver Falls. Was asked, "Well, how do you like our neighborhood?" Van Winkle sleep." Bless the gentleman coffee. But from Porkopolis, the factories don't disturb us any, kind o' lulls us to sleep, and then, under their gentle murmur, we the contrary, the most untiring industry dream all about them and imagine ourand the hardest of labored toil can alone selves brave fellows. The Chinese will turn out to

BE A BLESSING IN DISGUISE. The good people had been pleasantly provement to men much my superior in day dreaming for about one and onehalf years when this foreign and detested element came among us. It turned us up, and there was more energy displayed than had been seen for many a day. The Beavers became strong, active men once more, as they are naturally, and the way things flew about generally was a caution to everything in the heathen line, and most pressing. The first is the want of this uprising had a good effect—just like

provements, the one five-hundredth part and all those Ahs have betaken themselves to a more congenial clime, will, in place famous. There is plenty of theory, all probability, go to dreaming again. any number of planners of campaigns, until something else turns us up. Oh, but precious few who are willing and shame, descendents of those old worthies ready to execute them. Every general who wrested this fair heritage from the rule seems to have its exceptions, so I | hands of the savage, are you going to sit must make a few honorable exceptions calmly down and watch all these mighty natural powers elude your grasp, and not may be seen wrestling with the old south utilize them?

Chinese are leaving, and then when

Remember the

TOWNSENDS, HOOPES, PUGHS, AND WIL

who seventy years ago made this water power work for them, and emulate their example by making the valley bloom as a rose. New Brighton wants gas works, and the enterprise is put on foot. Some of our very best men are put on the committee, and they head the list with their names and means. FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ARE WANTED,

and after weary weeks and months of anxious waiting the books show not onehalf the stock taken. Of course this is mainly from an over-whelming sense of modesty and something else. Mr. B is nation. The facts are, that these towns | asked to subscribe, and he says, "Well, I can't tell just yet, but think I can help it; but I'il not put my name down until certain others have." Messrs. C, D and E all do the same thing until the end of the alphabet, until it comes to X. He has a little home and enough surplus for | tieth part of the demand. five shares. He feels the need of the enterprise and gladly invests in it. The modest people applaud X for his spirit, yet. We need a general and most thorontside enterprise. Name a factory &c., but he stands alone almost, outside of the committee. But then, what do we want with gas? Haven't we an occasional enterprise. You can count every one of lamp on our streets? All true enough; we have street lamps, but we have run on the thumbs of your two hands. It is out of oil and they are of no account extrue that Rochester has a large tumbler cept on moonlight nights, when most any one can walk alone. So it may be that New Brighton may settle down to the good old times, and have none of your new-fangled pipes and burners and the terribly dangerous gas. We won't stand it to have our property taxed to pay for putting down pipes and furnishing gas to light up our streets. What's the use in it? There is none, 'tis true. People in the rural districts ought to go to bed when the birds do, and they won't

> Then there is Beaver Falls, has had a charter for gas works these many months, and yet there is not the remotest sign of gas to light the streets. From

"BLOCK HOUSE RUN" wade through mud or dust, as it may be,

And so we must dream over this a

WHY DON'T MEN OF MEANS INVEST?

Enterprising

BEAVER FALLS HAS WATER WORKS. Good old Beaver has water works. | New | Brighton has no water works-don't need any. We have two town pumps and plenty of private wells and cisterns, What brought it to Beaver Falls? It and pray what do we want with water was the direct effect of the building of works? Beaver Falls and Beaver peothe mills, &c., by outside parties. The ple have water in their kitchens and mills already in operation had their hands rooms; the rest of the towns have it and they needed no more. The carpen- there, too, or if not there, there is plenty from this series of notes, but how

ployers, and for their own immediate dug and the logs hewed out, lo! many tion of brains and capital to the Valley." S.—You will see by my signature that I

watered many a man and beast for all these years: but like the old-fashioned "sweeps" of still earlier times, they require no amount of muscle. There is probably no institution in the town that has been the innocent cause of more profabity than these poor, old, unoffending pumps. Here most of our good people who are near enough get ther supthem up. They will probably arouse plies of water. Little boys swing themthey have gymnatics enough for a week. before they get their buckets full. Hard working women, leaving their children to cry natil their return, baste to the wells to get what water they need. And oh! how they envy Rachael of old her complacency of mind, as at the well she drow water for man and beast, while they, poor "Very well," said he, "a good, quiet place women, must needs almost break their neighborhood cannot thrive and grow to rest, and were it not for the few fac backs and lame their arms to get enough tories on the race, you could take a Rip for the good, enterprising husbands IS THERE NO DEFENCE FOR THESE OLD

PUMPS? Yes, there is, and I gladly don my coat of mail to be the knight that shall defend their fair fame. Many a tired, weary man and beast has been refreshed at these fountains. The man who put them there deserves the chicest blessings and benedictions of all the people for the great good already done. But oh, ye town fathers, oh, ye men of capital and enterprise, don't you know that in the muta tions of time better fountains for water supplies have been found than these pumps? Have you never heard of reservoirs and hydrants? Have you never seen the weak child and weary woman unthrottle the pipe that held the gurg-Don't you know that even wells and cisterns give out in times of drough? Then don't you see the need of water works? But they cost money! Do they? How much, suppose you, have those two solitary pumps cost the goodly borough of New Brighton? Enough to pay interest on money borrowed to put in operation water works. Yea, much more. There is scarcely a "quarter" in the year but the "Squire" and his helpers ward pump. They pump, but lo! no | navigable for light draught ducks? water comes. They take out the sucker and put in a new one. Again they pump and no water comes. They take out the old logs and clean them, put them back again and pump, but no water comes. Again the logs are lifted and cleaned and scraped, and sawed and refitted until the work seems perfect. Again they pump and no water comes. That pump is refractory, and the "Squire" retires in

pay a fair dividend whon they are built. Of all the towns in this valley, New Brighton, more than any other, needs MESSES. MINER & MERRICK have done what they could to supply a part of the town from their spring, but it necessarily does not meet the one-twen-

disgust from the field, discomfited, beaten,

and now it takes a hercules to bring

water from the depths, through that old

works. Yes, and they can be made to

But we NEED SOMETHING ELSE

ough cleaning and fixing up. Why, Beaver Valley streets and mud and dust have become proverbial. Streets covered with holes and hills, side walks dilapidated and neglected, sewers choked with "smart-weed" and "dog-fennel," cellars open for pedestrians to stumble in, holes to break the shins of night walkers in. and lay the foundation for bills of

GENERAL NEGLECT-GENERAL DISORDER. Here it is again, no money. If no better can be done, why not borrow money? Get in debt by doing that. Of course we'll get in debt, and what's our town worth unless they are in debt? Debt means taxation, and taxation means the unsettling of the nerves of our good, conservative, modest people. In addition to all this, we must have more business for our people. These water courses must be lined with factories and mills, or just as sure as we exist, so surely will we stop right still and die in our tracks, an unlamented and unmourned death. Enterprise, men,-enterprise, enterprise, work and will are what we want.

We must dream less and act more, or we can never reach the goal of our ambition. Why let our powers and capabilities lie dormant when there is so much that can be done and at so little a cost. his tail off.

"Let us, then,

BR UP AND DOING. with a heart for any fate," never falter- him the bone he had stolen from the ing, never losing courage, never looking | dog; but the ox tossed him up into a tree. back, until we shall be what we oughtto be-one of the most prosperous people on God's fair footstool.

But how can we erect mills and factories ween we have not the means to do so? We can build gas works probably, we can build water works, perhaps, we can repair our streets, &c., if it must be, but it is far beyond the bounds of posibility, that we can utilize all this water power. What can be expected of us in this regard? That brings me to a point. that reminds me of something else I have to say, and must say it. I promised the good Gazette people that No. 23 would relieve them of any further infliction

CAN I REFRAIN FROM NO. 24? So I will tell you in another letter, that Lie. Great excitement was the result, years ago, and these old pumps have and that you ought to show "liberally to am married."

those who wish to come among you to ald you in developing the valley." and one or two other points, all of which will be told very briefly, plainly and humbly Now, neighbors and friends, with an carnest hope that you may at once awaken to active duty and labor, I bow my best bow, and invoke upon you the guardianship of the good and mighty over-ruling spirit of enterprise.

BEAVER.

Civil Service Questions. Give the year, month, day, hour, and minute of your birth, to the best of your

knowledge and belief.

Do you believe in Darwinism? If so, how many of your ancestors do you calculate you would be compelled to dig up before you found an extra length of spine?

When is the best time to trim corns? Do you differ from Webster in your style of spelling? If so, in what words? At the present rate of punishing crime, how long will it be before murderers are pensioned?

What was the number of acres in Rhode Island when first discovered? Do your shirts open in front or be-

What was the name of the son; of Austerlitz, and did the old man have any daughters?

Who was Secretary of the Navy while the Eric Canal was built? Do any members of your family make any pretentions toward keeping Lent,

save your umbrella and brass ket tle? Who was commander-in-chief of the armies of the United States, when ling waters, without pain or backache? Sergeant Bates made his raid through

England? In your judgment, which should prevail, the bias of jurisprudence or compulsory hanging, where the jury are temporarily idiotic?

Are you well posted in vulgar fractions and polite literature of the day? Is there any sentiment in the human

heart more tender than the bosom of a dollar-store shirt?

What is the length of the Chicago River, and how far from its mouth is it

Did the Smiths come to America, before the Browns? If so, why?

In what year was the Colorado potatobug patented?

Should lighting rod peddlers be allowed to vote until after death? Who was the fruit dealer who first

cried "Hang out your bananas on the outer walls, the cry is give us rum?" Square a Cincinnati hog's root, by taking a segment from the circle of his is without a rival in the world for curing or pre-tail and adding it to the diameter of his venting roughness and chapping of either hands or

nump. It costs money to build water Are you in favor of "local option" as applied to sparking on the gate of your prospective father-in-law?

Under what circumstances would you suspend the habeas corpus act in order to string up a milk-peedler?

Give the names of six of the wealthiest horse doctors in the country since the epizootic left.

At which end of a chicken-pie do you commence an attack? 🥆 Do you prespire freely while carving before a large dinner-party?

Does it take any more cloth to dress the Goddess of Liberty in fashionable attire, than it does to rag out Hail Columbia, so that the Washington society papers will notice her?

Which is the greatest female character in history—Joan of Arc or Lydia Tomp.

Are you insured in the Travelers, of Hartford? If so, how much?

Stand on your head and repeat the multiplication table backward, at same time give the "Heathen Chinee" in Latin, and sing "We may be happy yet."

This comprises the most important questions in the list. We have omitted a few pretaining to mathematics and grammar, but the above will convey to the minds of young men who desire govern. mental positions some idea of what they must undergo previously. - Missouri Democrat. St. Louis.

The Meddlesome Monkey. There was a meddlesome monkey that

set out to reform the world. "Milk isn't good for you," he said to the cat, upsetting the saucer, and the cat

scratched one of his eyes out. "You were not meant to gnaw bones,"

he said to the dog, and he ran off with the bone: but the dog ran after him and bit "How can beef be made of grass, you

foolish beast," he said to the ox, offering As he sat there, minus an eye and a tail, and plus a broken rib, he moaned

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