

COLUMBIAN SUPPLEMENT.

Bloomsburg, Pa., Friday, February 11, 1887.

A New Tramp Law.

WHAT A CHESTER COUNTY MINISTER PROPOSES—WAYFARER'S LODGES.

Rev. William L. Bull, of Chester county, has prepared an act to be presented to the legislature providing for the temporary care and employment of wayfarers. It is intended to abate the tramp nuisance, and has the endorsement of a number of prominent citizens of the state. After providing for the establishing and maintaining of wayfarers' lodges, or places at which homeless or destitute persons may receive food and shelter, the third section of the act reads:

Whenever any homeless or destitute person shall apply at the wayfarers' lodge for food and shelter it shall be the duty of the person in charge thereof to receive such applicant that he or she will be required to labor in return therefor. If the person in charge of the lodge has no room for a space not exceeding one hour and a half for each applicant in the lodge in return for such labor, and if any person applying for food or shelter at the lodge for work, or having no other means of shelter in any way, the lodge shall refuse to perform work as above mentioned, and being physically able to work it shall be the duty of the superintendent or any other person in the lodge to cause such person to be brought forthwith before a magistrate or justice of the peace, and upon proof before him that such person applying at the lodge for food or shelter has refused to work or to perform food and shelter in any way, and has refused to perform work as above mentioned, and is physically able to do the work demanded, and such person had notice that he or she would be required to perform work in return for food and shelter, such refusal shall be evidence of vagrancy, and such magistrate or justice of the peace may commit such person as "vagrant."

Interstate Agricultural Convention, at Lake Charles.

Governor McEnery, of Louisiana, has issued a call for an Interstate Convention in the interest of stock-raising, dairying, fruit-growing, and general agriculture, to be held at Lake Charles La., on the 22d, 23rd and 24th of February, 1887.

The convention will be formally opened on Wednesday morning, after the close of Mardi Gras.

One of the most noteworthy indications of the great industrial progress of the Gulf States is the marked attention of their public men to agriculture and the efforts they are making to bring the theory and the methods of agriculture in those States into harmony with the teachings of science and the highest demands of a progressive civilization. Nature has been prodigal of her gifts to the State of Louisiana. For fertility of soil, salubrious climate, and for great variety of products, Louisiana ranks among the most favored countries of the globe.

Governor McEnery has shown commendable wisdom in thus giving the weight of his official influence to call a convention which cannot fail to be of inestimable value to the farm interest of that State and the country generally. We trust it may be widely noticed by the press, and that the results may be all the people anticipate. This convention is so called that excursionists can remain in New Orleans till the close of Mardi Gras and take the train for Lake Charles on Tuesday evening.

Full information in regard to the convention and the low rates of transportation, can be obtained by addressing the Secretary,

S. A. KNAPP,
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Sub-Treasurer Canda Explains.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Mr. Canda, United States sub-treasurer in this city, was shown a telegram from Montreal stating that a quantity of counterfeit United States \$1 bills have been put in circulation in Canada. The telegram states that the counterfeits were numbered B 18,631,361, and are an excellent imitation of the genuine notes. Mr. Canda said he had heard of no such counterfeits, and none of them had been presented at the treasury for redemption. He claimed that genuine \$1 bills are often mistaken for bogus bills by people who are not experts, if they differ at all from the notes they are accustomed to handle. Mr. Canda said that these mistakes are particularly liable to happen now, because two years ago when the government stopped issuing one and two-dollar bills a number of people collected all they could of these denominations and put them away. Now that the new silver certificates are in circulation they are paying out the old bills many of which are of an almost forgotten issue, and as they are faded, they are mistaken for counterfeits.

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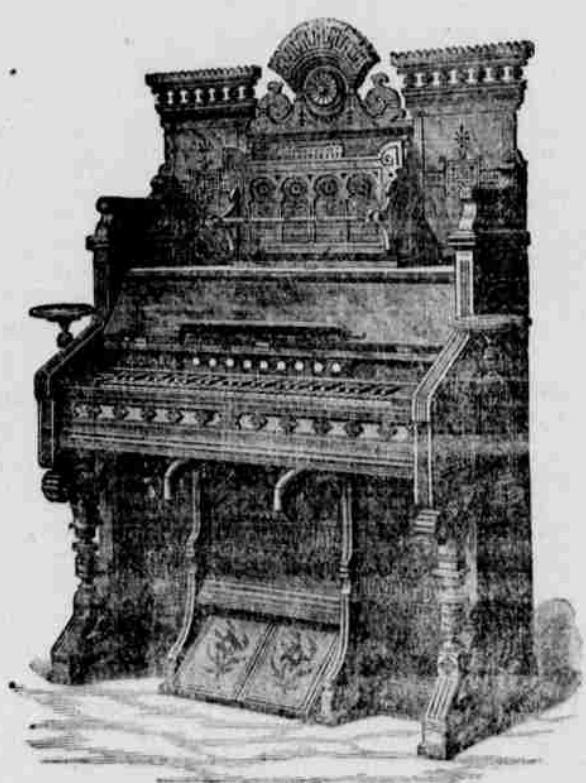
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