

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29, 1892.

The democrats in the House having found it absolutely impossible to reach any agreement that would be satisfactory to the free silver democrats, have wisely concluded that the free coinage bill should not be made a party measure. This leaves every member free to vote on it just as he pleases. It will be taken up after the free wool bill is passed, and there will be a very warm fight on it, with all the chances in favor of its going through the House, unless the republican members shall disobey ex-Czar Reed's orders and vote against it.

Whatever may have been Secretary Noble's sentiments toward the Commissioner of Pensions at one time, his testimony before the House investigation committee leaves no doubt of his intention to shield Raum and his administration of the Pension Office in every possible way. This change of base on the part of the Secretary is said to be the result of a conference he had with Mr. Harrison, soon after the House adopted the resolution authorizing the investigation.

The House Committee on Banking and Currency will not begin the investigation of the wrecked Philadelphia and Boston national banks until chairman Bacon's return from Florida, which will be inside of two weeks. This committee has been considering the bill to incorporate the international American bank, recommended by the Pan-American Congress, and several of the members of the committee have expressed doubts as to the constitutionality of the bill.

Again the cry of three thousand men and women, compelled by stern necessity to labor daily or nightly in the unsafe and unhealthy building occupied by the Government Printing Office, goes up to Congress for relief in the shape of a new building; again the local papers are filled with indignant communications from patriotic citizens, who, after visiting the mammoth fire-proof palaces of industry erected by private capital for the use of the newspapers of our large cities, become heartily ashamed of the manner in which the largest printing office in the world is housed, and are calling upon Congress to remedy the evil before the civilized world is shocked by some awful catastrophe, costing many lives. The appropriations for public buildings will necessarily be curtailed to an unusual extent this year, but it will be in the interest of economy to provide for a new Government Printing Office.

Another change has been made in the programme of the Ways and Means committee, and the first tariff bill to be called up will be the free wool bill, instead of the free binding twine bill. The committee expects to call it up tomorrow and that about three weeks will be occupied in debating it.

It is believed that the House committee on Territories will favorably report the Utah bill likewise those for the admission of New Mexico and Arizona.

The published statement that Senator Gorman held a conference with Representative Bland on the free coinage bill was entirely without foundation. Senator Gorman did call on Mr. Bland and some other prominent members of the House, but it was to suggest that the House caucus should select the committee, which, in conjunction with a like Senate committee, selects the members of the Congressional campaign committee. Mr. Gorman thinks it is time for the campaign committee to be selected, if the party expects to retain its present majority in the House, and he is by no means alone in thinking so.

It was stern necessity that prompted the House committee on Public Buildings and Grounds to report a resolution declaring it unwise and expedient to enter upon legislation looking towards the erection of new public buildings at this session. The committee gives its reason in detail—the de-

pleted condition of the Treasury, owing to the lavish appropriations of the billion-dollar Congress—in a preamble to the resolution. A great deal of opposition to the resolution has already developed, and it appears to be growing. It is hard for a man who knows that towns in his district ought to have public buildings to support it, but the indications are that many of them will have to do so.

A GREAT MINERS' STRIKE

ONE MILLION WILL BE AFFECTED BY A LABOR STRUGGLE IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, February 29.—It is now estimated that the immense number of 460,000 miners will cease work in a fortnight, in their efforts to prevent the masters from putting into effect the scheme to reduce wages. The mining industry throughout Great Britain will be greatly affected, the only miners who stand aloof from the movement being those employed in South Staffordshire and East Worcestershire. Should the present intention of the miners be carried out and the strike inaugurated, the branch industries will also be adversely affected, and it is estimated that close on to 1,000,000 men will feel the effects of the miners' struggle.

The agitation is due to the action of the mine owners in Wales and Cumberland, who gave an intimation of their intention to reduce wages on the sliding scale principle, owing to the decline that had occurred in the prices of coal. The men refused to accept a reduction and declared that the mine owners must make the consumers pay. The men offered to make an alliance with the coal mine owners to maintain rates. The Coal Mine owners' Association declared that this would be impossible, as the mine owners outside the association are cut-throats. The men then offered, if the present rate of wages was maintained, to strike in all the collieries where prices were reduced below the rates of the Coal Mine Owners' Association.

When you have made up your mind to buy Bull's Head Poultry Powder for diseases in chickens and other game, do not allow the dealer to persuade you into buying a substitute.

A BIG COAL TRANSACTION.

COXE BROTHERS AND COMPANY SECURE THE PARDEE MINES.

Since the consolidation of the Reading and Lehigh Valley Railroad corporate interests Coxie Brothers & Co., the largest individual operators in the State, have consummated a deal with the mining firms of C. Pardee & Co., Pardee Brothers & Co., and Pardee, Sons & Co., whereby the product of their mines will be transported over the Reading Railroad system. The contract means that the coal output of these mines intended for Philadelphia which had been shipped by way of Phillipsburg, N. J., and the Belvidere Railroad will be carried hereafter directly from Bethlehem over the North Penn Railroad.

The deal means besides, steadier employment for the hands, as Coxie Brothers & Co., work their collieries more regularly than any of the individual operators in the anthracite coal region.

The combined tonnage of the collieries to be controlled by Coxie Brothers & Co., amounts to about one million tons annually, and the number of men and boys employed, exclusive of railroad employees, is about one thousand.

The mines of Pardee Brothers & Co. are located at Lattimer, and consist of three openings and two extensive breakers, which contain the most costly machinery used in the preparation of coal.

Pardee, Sons & Co. have their opening at Mount Pleasant, two miles from Hazleton, and although in operation for thirty years there are still hundreds of thousands of tons of coal unmined. C. Pardee & Co have mined at Hollywood, six miles from Hazleton, since 1874, and at this place, it is claimed, the most extensive coal beds of any in the anthracite basin lie. They are operated by stripping or removing the surface from the vein. The two basins on this company's property are supposed to contain 3,000,000 tons.

Coxie Brothers & Co., besides controlling the output of the mines, will also control the shipments from the Drifton, Eckley, Stockton, Beaver Meadow, Tomhicken, Deringer, Gowen, Green Mountain and Onondica collieries, which give employment to 4,000 men and boys. With the additional mines their product hereafter will reach 2,500,000 tons, all of which will be shipped over the Reading, excepting a small percentage which goes westward over the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Housekeeper's Friend.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and such a friend you will always find in Sulphur Bitters? They cured me of dyspepsia, when I had given up life in despair and was almost at death's door. They are a true friend of the sick.—Mr. R. Crague, Hartford, Connecticut. 3-4-21.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

World's Fair Notes.

An Ohio World's Fair commissioner has estimated that the exhibitors from his state will spend upwards of \$5,000,000 in the preparation of their exhibits for the Exposition.

The California building at the Fair will be an imposing structure of the "old mission" type, 100 by 500 feet, with a dome, and costing about \$75,000. It will be surrounded by a hedge of Monterey cypress.

Denmark will spend about \$5,500 in showing, as a leading feature of its World's Fair exhibit, a Danish dairy, complete and in operation. The dairy interest is one of the most important in Denmark, and the most approved methods and mechanical appliances are utilized in the dairies of that country.

W. L. Libby & Sons, of Toledo, intend to erect, on Midway Plaisance, a factory in which the manufacture of cut glass can be seen, from the furnace, on through the cutting, finishing and decorating departments, until the finished product is turned out. The factory plans call for a structure 125 by 200 feet, of stone, iron and glass, and with imposing dome. The firm intends to spend \$40,000 on the building alone.

Vermont will have a building at the Exposition without drawing on the State appropriation for the cost of its erection. One hundred substantial citizens have guaranteed \$10,000 for that purpose, each one pledging himself to pay \$100.

Italy will make no governmental display at the Exposition. The king, however, has recognized the Fair, by appointing a commission, and Minister of State, Rudini, has informed Vice-President Bryan and Director Higginbotham, that the government will encourage individual exhibitors in every way possible. He estimated that it would even pay or transportation of all exhibits. Mr Higginbotham reports that there is throughout Italy much enthusiasm over the Exposition and that the painters, sculptors and manufacturers of artistic wares are hard at work on intended exhibits.

The governments of Norway and Sweden have, respectively, asked for World's Fair appropriations of \$61,288 and \$52,600. In Norway a number of private citizens are raising a fund of \$10,720 with which to build and send to Chicago a counterpart of the Viking ship which was exhumed near Sandefjord, a few years ago.

Baron de Berlepsch, German minister of commerce, has written to the chamber of commerce of Crefield, the principal place in Prussia for the manufacture of silk goods, that the Emperor ardently desires that there should be as fine a display as possible of German silks and velvets at the Chicago World's Fair. A majority of the silk and velvet manufacturing firms in the Rhenish provinces will comply with the wishes of the Emperor, whose interest in Germany's share of the exhibition is having a stimulating effect in all directions.

Special World's Fair Commissioner Alexander Campbell has returned from Australasia and reports that great enthusiasm over the Exposition is felt in that part of the world. New South Wales, South Australia, Victoria, Queensland, New Zealand, Tasmania are all making extensive preparations for their representation, and splendid exhibits are reported sure to be sent. Three new steamers between Sydney and San Francisco are about to be put on.

Connecticut held an enthusiastic World's Fair meeting at Hartford on Washington's birthday, ex-Governor Waller presiding. A committee of sixteen, two from each county, were appointed to look after the State's representation at the Exposition. Sixteen lady managers were also chosen. Subscriptions being called for, \$50,000 was pledged on the spot. It is expected that the legislature, when its deadlock is broken, will reimburse the subscribers.

One of the remarkable features of the Exposition will be a series of religious congresses from August 25th through the month of September, 1893. The chairman of the general committee, Rev. John Henry Barrows, of Chicago, has associated with him members of sixteen different religious organizations. They have invited the representatives of all the great historic religions to confer together and to show what light religion has to throw on the great problems of the age. Their plan has met the approval of Mr. Gladstone, Cardinal Gibbons, the poets Holmes and Whitier, Archbishops Ireland and Ryan, Professor Drummond, Professor Godet, of Switzerland; Rabbi Maybaum, of Berlin; Justice Amer Ali, of Calcutta; President Washburn, of Robert College, Constantinople; Runyin Nanjie, a learned Buddhist, of Japan, and scores of the leading scholars of America and Great Britain.

The bald man's motto: "There is room at the top." This top may be supplied with a good crop of fine hair by using Hall's Hair Renewer. Try it.

WHISKY TRUST INDICTED

President Greenhut and Other Members Arrested.

CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

The indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury at Boston Feb. 11, but kept secret until Monday. When the warrants were served.

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 1.—Warrants for the arrest of the president and directors of the Whiskey Trust, who, it has just been learned, were indicted in a body February 11 under the Sherman Anti-Trust law by the Federal Grand Jury in Boston, were placed in the hands of United States Marshal Hitchcock and his deputies yesterday.

The list of men indicted includes Joseph B. Greenhut, of Peoria, President of the trust; Herbert L. Terrell, of New York, Vice-President and a director; William N. Hobart, of Cincinnati, Treasurer and director; Warren H. Corning and Julius E. French, of Cincinnati; Nelson Morris, of Chicago, directors; George J. Gibson, of Chicago, ex-Secretary and a director; Peter J. Hennessey, of Chicago, Secretary and director.

Secretary Hennessey was the first taken in and was released on a \$10,000 bond.

Two deputies left for Peoria on an early train to arrest President Greenhut, who, with several others, was about to take a European trip. Gibson and Greenhut were both arrested in Peoria and gave bond. Mr. Greenhut was to have taken passage for England March 2.

Morris is in California, and is not expected to return here for some months. He will probably go to Boston on his return, and give bail.

The indictment charges in effect that the members of the Whiskey Trust conspired to raise the price of spirits by freezing out competitors, cornering the supply, and scheming with dealers to make rebates, all of which the government alleges is detrimental to the interests of the people of the United States.

YOUNG MR. BLAINE'S WIFE.

Secretary Blaine Speaks in Regard to His Son's Marriage.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—Secretary Blaine has furnished a long statement relating to the marriage of his son, James G., Jr., to Marie Nevins and his divorce. He says that he and his family have borne quietly every publication inspired by the young woman, but the last outrage of the kind, embodied in the decision of a judge at Deadwood, Dak., says Mr. Blaine, assumes a character which makes it impossible to remain longer silent.

The statement opens with a letter written by the secretary to Rev. Father Ducey, who officiated at the wedding at the time, in which he protests against the act of the priest. The arrangements for the wedding in every detail, the secretary says, Miss Nevins made and was responsible for, and in a minute detailed statement of facts he asserts the falsity of the assertion that Mrs. Blaine broke up the marriage relations of her son and his wife. The latter refused the offer made by the secretary for the maintenance of the young couple. Mrs. Blaine at no time, in thought, word or deed, attempted to separate them.

"On the contrary," says the secretary in closing, "she did not fail by liberality, by consideration and by extension to foster in every practicable way their happiness, if happiness to them had been possible."

PERRY A FORGER, TOO.

The Bank Robber Identified by Scranton Business Man.

SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 29.—Oliver C. Perry, in jail at Rochester for the daring robbery a week ago of the New York Central express train, has been identified by several business men here as having swindled them a year ago by forged checks. Perry's method was to go into the stores after banking hours, close to one where he was clerk, without coat or hat on, present the check, saying his employer had deposited rather close and, needing some ready cash, would like to have the check cashed.

In one evening Perry received nearly \$400, and in the morning, when the fraud was discovered, had decamped.

AT ALBANY ON APRIL 28.

New York Republicans will Hold Their Convention.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The Republican State Committee met at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday, issued the formal call for the State convention to nominate delegates at large for the national convention at Minneapolis, cleared the desk of current business and adjourned within eighty minutes, in confident mood. The State convention will be held at Albany, on Thursday, April 28, in Hermon Bleeker's Hall.

The committee have opened permanent headquarters at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

They are Coming in Droves.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 29.—The 300,000 Germans who are preparing to leave the Volga provinces of Russia for the United States are very different from the natives of Germany. They are nineteenth century Rip Van Winkles, gaunt in form, wearing garments of the style of a hundred years ago, and having the furniture yet that their ancestors brought from Germany to Russia. They are excellent people, industrious in their ways and honest in everything, but entirely ignorant of the world as it really is.

A Coal Co. Sold Out.

The property of the Glen City Coal Co. was sold by Sheriff Moury on Friday last on a judgment of David Llewellyn. The labor claims amounted to about \$1,500, rent claim of Longenberger heirs, \$1,000, with judgments to the amount of about \$5,000.

The sale of leases, mules machinery, store goods, etc., amounted to \$458.55. The firm consists of W. H. Llewellyn. News Item.

The better element in the Republican party is after Senator Quay's scalp. An organization has been effected, the avowed purpose of which is to prevent his return to the United States Senate. How they will succeed remains to be seen. When an unscrupulous and corrupt politician becomes entrenched in office, and is willing to spend money to keep himself there, it is hard to overthrow him, as the people of Columbia county very well understand.

The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives will be petitioned to prepare a bill invoking the paternal condemnation of the Government upon the cigarette habit.

Representatives Cochran, Cummings and Stahlnecker, of New York, all have in their possession bills which they have been petitioned to introduce providing for the suppression of cigarette manufacture by imposing an internal revenue tax of \$10 per thousand on all imported or domestic cigarettes sold in this country.

Many pleasures in life are due to good health and good looks. Manner's Double Extract Sarsaparilla will bring pleasures as it increases the appetite, relieves all disorders arising from bad blood such as Headache, Constipation, Boils and pimples which when driven out of the system brings good looks. Manner's Double Extract Sarsaparilla can be found at all drug stores also at Moyer Bro's.

Col. R. Bruce Ricketts, of Wilkesbarre, is now general World's Fair Commissioner in place of the late Adjutant General McClelland.

It is quite probable that you may need the services of a physician some day; but you can postpone the time indefinitely by keeping your blood pure and your system invigorated through the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Prevention is better than cure.

Children Cry for It.

From Texas Sitings.

Little Mabel was saying her prayers the other night, and had concluded the usual petitions for earthly blessings for herself and family, when she suddenly paused, and, looking up into her mother's face, said:—

"There is one thing more I want to ask for, mamma; can I?"

"Certainly, if it is nothing wicked," was the reply.

At this the little one proceeded:—"And make all our folks stylish, amen!"

Be Sure

If you have made up your mind to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to take any other. Hood's Sarsaparilla is a peculiar medicine, possessing, by virtue of its peculiar combination, proportion, and preparation, curative power superior to any other article. A Boston lady who knew what she wanted, and whose example is worthy imitation, tells her experience below:

To Get

"In one store where I went to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla the clerk tried to induce me to buy their own instead of Hood's; he told me their's would last longer; that I might take it on ten days' trial; that if I did not like it I need not pay anything, etc. But he could not prevail on me to change. I told him I knew what Hood's Sarsaparilla was. I had taken it, was satisfied with it, and did not want any other."

Hood's

When I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla I was feeling real miserable, suffering a great deal with dyspepsia, and so weak that at times I could hardly stand. I looked, and had for some time, like a person in consumption. Hood's Sarsaparilla did me so much good that I wonder at myself sometimes, and my friends frequently speak of it." Mrs. ELLA A. GORF, 61 Terrace Street, Boston.

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RULE ON HEIRS.

Estate of William Beck Sr., deceased, COLUMBIA COUNTY'S F.

To William Beck Jr. Mary Beck of Centralia, Ohio; Sarah L. Interried with Wesley Miller of Orange, Ohio; and George Beck whose last known residence was Dixon, Lee county, Illinois; and all others interested. You and each of you are hereby cited to appear before the judges of our Orphans Court at Bloomsburg, Pa., on the first Monday of MAY next, then and there to accept or refuse to take the real estate of said William Beck Sr., deceased, at the appraised valuation put upon it by the inquest duly awarded by the said court, or show cause why it shall not be sold. Witness the Honorable E. K. Baker, President of said court, at Bloomsburg, the 1st day of February 1892. G. M. QUICK, Clerk C. C.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Harry B. Hess, deceased. The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, to distribute the funds in the hands of Henry D. Welsh, guardian and trustee of the estate of Harry B. Hess under the last will and testament of Harry B. Hess, late of this county, and whose heirs and next of kin are hereby cited to appear by their account, to and among the parties entitled thereto, to attend to the duties of their appointment at his office in the town of Bloomsburg, on Friday the 18th day of March next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, when and where all parties interested are requested to present their claim, before him, or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund. N. U. FUNK, Auditor.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Lavina Hendershot, late of Bloomsburg, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Lavina Hendershot, late of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to N. M. Hendershot, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims against said estate will make the same without delay. N. M. HENDERSHOT, Executor.