

FROM ALL AROUND THE STATE.

News Gathered from All Sections of the Commonwealth.

RENOVA, June 23.—The Ridgway bank, a private institution, yesterday posted the following notice on its doors: "Owing to the present depressed financial situation, rendering it impossible to realize on securities of any kind, and, therefore, being unable to meet all obligations, we have decided that it is for the best interests of all creditors of the Ridgway bank to close its doors. We believe the assets to be in excess of the liabilities, and that all depositors will be paid in full as soon as the assets can be realized. A full statement will be given to the public as soon as the same can be prepared."

The notice was signed by D. C. Oyster, president and I. D. Bell, cashier. A gentleman, who was in close consultation with the officials of the bank during the night, estimates the assets at \$364,000 and the liabilities at \$216,000. This bank had the confidence of the working people, many of whom have all their wealth in the bank's care.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—The following fourth-class postmasters were appointed in Pennsylvania yesterday: Aquetong, Bucks county, D. Krusen Ely, vice B. C. Doan, resigned; Grills, Berks county, E. L. Fritz, vice H. A. Clemens, resigned; Manataway, Berks county, T. K. Houreman, vice F. R. Claaver, resigned; Mountain, Berks county, Sarah A. Levan, vice Moses Youser, resigned; Pine Ridge, Bedford county, Mrs. Martha Ward, vice Mary A. Vonstein, resigned; Piney Creek, Bedford county, T. Campbell, vice John Morse, dead; Seemsville, Northampton county, C. H. Surder, vice J. S. Bartholomew, resigned; Seward, Westmoreland county, J. G. Hill, vice Andrew Kerr, resigned; Wallsville, Lackawanna county, N. B. Phillips, vice F. A. Seaman, resigned; Worman, Berks county, E. M. Fryermuth, vice H. Smith, resigned.

EASTON, June 26.—The following resolutions were adopted Saturday afternoon at the meeting of the Bar Association of Northampton county relative to the death of Congressman Mutchler:

"The members of this association have learned with profound regret of the death of Hon. William Mutchler, our fellow-member, and offer this tribute to his memory. His was a life of unusual influence and prominence, and his death is a marked loss to the bar, society and the country. Mild in manner and retiring in disposition, yet his life was an aggressive force, far-reaching and beneficial. Gentle and conciliatory in all his acts, yet in his influence strong and assertive.

"As a citizen he was a living good to his community; as a representative a strength to his party and a benefactor to his country; as a lawyer clear, faithful and profound; as a man honorable, courteous, kind-hearted and true. To his friends a living pleasure; to the community a constant benefit; to the bar deservedly an ornament, his death is a public loss."

KANE, June 26.—The second section of freight train No. 59 was wrecked about six miles west of here. Four sailors who were on route from Baltimore to Erie were stealing a ride in a box car, and two of the number, Harry Tray and John Stewart, of Philadelphia, were instantly killed, the former's body being literally ground to atoms. J. Kennedy, of Hartford, Conn., and Thomas Nolan, of Baltimore, were seriously hurt, but may recover.

The men had been shipped from Baltimore to join their boat at Erie, but at Benovo they stopped over and spent all the money provided for their car fare at a bar and close to steal transportation to their destination rather than walk. Fifteen cars were totally wrecked and the tracks were blocked for several hours. The accident was caused by the breaking of a wheel on one of the cars.

WEST CHESTER, June 24.—A delicate surgical operation was performed upon Miss Ella Manley, of this borough. Recently she hit her head with a hatchet, which caused a bruise, but no rupture of the skin. A lump developed, and for some days she has suffered great pain. The surgeons found that the skull had been so greatly injured that the brain was oozing through it. The doctors removed a portion of the brain, treated the skull, and Miss Manley has greatly improved.

READING, June 24.—Max Wissel, residing at Waynesburg Junction, is lying in the Reading hospital in an unconscious condition with a fractured skull. Wissel caught a horse in this city, and in driving home with him the horse shied at the cars, and when Wissel alighted from the wagon and seized hold of the reins the animal dragged him across the tracks and trampled upon him. Wissel is 38 years of age. He is not expected to live more than a few hours.

TEBENVILLE, June 26.—Mrs. Emma Cress is under arrest here charged with the murder of her husband, John, who died on July 25, 1892, under suspicious circumstances. Marvin Newton was also arrested in Jamestown and brought here on the same charge. Mrs. Cress says she has been expecting this for some time, as the relatives of her husband have been persecuting her for over a year. The informant against the accused is John F. Farker, a brother-in-law of the deceased.

JENKINTOWN, June 24.—The class room at Abington Friends' school, near this place, was well filled with an intelligent audience yesterday to witness the graduating exercises. The class was composed of five graduates, as follows: J. Russell Smith, M. Katharine Leland, Henrietta Steward, Levi S. Taylor and A. Lucile Levick. After the principal had presented the diplomas the graduates rendered their class day exercises.

READING, June 27.—The drought which has prevailed in Eastern Pennsylvania the past four weeks has been broken. Rain began falling Sunday evening and continued until yesterday afternoon. The potato, corn and oat crops were suffering greatly for want of rain. It is now believed that these crops are safe, and that the yield will be fully up to the average.

PHILADELPHIA, June 28.—United States Commissioner Edmunds yesterday rendered a decision in the case of Lee Kee, in which he decides that the defendant "was and is found unlawfully within the United States and orders and directs that he, the said Lee Kee, the defendant, be removed from the United States to China, the country from whence he came, at the cost of the United States."

READING, June 28.—The puddle mill of the Reading Rolling Mill Company resumed yesterday, the differences between the puddlers and the management having been satisfactorily adjusted. The puddlers asked for an advance in their wages, which, after a few days' delay, was granted. They were receiving \$3 per ton and wanted \$3.40 which the company has agreed to pay.

WEST CHESTER, June 23.—John Russell, of Chadd's Ford, shot into a group of men at that place, wounding David Flemming and Spencer Horvoting. Delaware county officers have chased him over the Chester county line, and he is supposed to be

hiding somewhere in the woods in the latter district. It is alleged by Russell's friends that he is feeble-minded.

PHILADELPHIA, June 26.—In crossing a fence around the property of Samuel Adleman, on School Lane, where one of his companions had thrown a baseball, 18-year-old Adam Gutron, of the Falls of Schuylkill, was set upon by a bull dog and had a narrow escape from being chewed to pieces. The dog fastened his teeth in the boy's right forearm, and only released his hold when struck with a stone. It hit the boy on the right knee and on the left arm, besides tearing his clothing almost entirely off his person. The owner refused to shoot. The dog has bitten several of the boys of the locality, but none of them seriously.

HARRISBURG, June 27.—There were chartered yesterday the Westminster Coal Company, of Wilkes-Barre, capital \$500; Van Gunden Granite and Marble Works, of Philadelphia, capital \$5,000; the treasurer is William F. Van Gunden. Oxford Oil Company, of Pittsburg, capital \$3,000; Red Lion Water Company, of Red Lion, York county, capital \$10,000; Duquesne Reduction Company, of Pittsburg, capital \$50,000; Pittsburg, Crafton and Mansfield Street Railway, capital \$500,000.

EASTON, June 27.—H. C. Gill, manager of the Crystal museum, this city, has disappeared, leaving a lot of unpaid bills to Bostonians. He also owes performers for last week. Performers for this week's bill arrived yesterday and are greatly distressed. Most of them had only enough money to get here and have telegraphed friends in New York, Philadelphia and Chicago to help them out.

HARRISBURG, June 28.—It is expected now that work of the re-modeling of the old capitol and the erection of the new fire-proof library building will begin very soon. The board of public buildings and grounds met yesterday and selected John T. Windrim, of Philadelphia, son of Director Windrim, as the architect to prepare the plans and superintend the work.

LEBANON, June 28.—The two Bird-Coleman furnaces at Cornwall have been blown out, throwing a large number of men out of employment. A number of laborers on the ore banks will also be suspended. Thirty-five men employed at Light's rolling mill in this city, have received notice of suspension, owing to lack of orders.

READING, June 28.—In the courthouse here a fracas occurred between Constable Lyon and Sergeant Gehret, of the police force. They had a dispute about costs, during which Lyon called Gehret a liar. For this Lyon was knocked down and severely punned. The sergeant was subsequently arrested for assault and battery.

HARRISBURG, June 27.—There were chartered yesterday: Sheaffer's Creek Water Company, of Llewellyn, Schuylkill county, capital \$16,000; the Downie Pump Company, of Valencia, Butler county, capital \$75,000; Lenoxtville Co-operative Butter and Cheese Company, of Susquehanna county, capital, \$5,000.

READING, June 28.—After a long delay the city tax rate has been fixed by council at 6 mills. The tax committee had recommended an 8-mill rate. The appropriation for house sewerage was out to the extent of \$40,000. The total amount of all appropriations, with this reduction, is \$410,000.

HARRISBURG, June 27.—Governor Pattison last evening announced his disapproval of the bill appropriating \$5,000 for the purpose of erecting a protection wall and filling the washouts caused by the erection of dam number one and abutment thereto of the Beaver division of the Pennsylvania canal at Bridgewater.

PRESCOTT, June 27.—Mrs. Isaac Geib, residing on the farm of Aaron Vogt, near this place, was engaged in raking hay with a horse rake when the horse ran away throwing the woman from the seat directly in front of the rake. She was dragged some distance and very seriously injured internally.

READING, June 26.—The prison inspectors have decided to issue but three hundred passes to the hanging of Buccieri on Thursday next, owing to the limited space in the jail yard. The sheriff was authorized to issue the cards of the admission for the city and country newspaper representatives.

READING, June 24.—The members of the Pennsylvania Editorial Association, who have been enjoying their annual summer outing this week, left this city yesterday for their respective homes. They expressed themselves delighted with the entertainment furnished them by the Reading Press club and board of trade.

PHILADELPHIA, June 26.—John Simmons, aged 67 years, of 2312 St. Albans place, while riding a bicycle, fell from the machine under the wheels of a passing ice wagon at Twenty-First and Fitzwater streets. He was taken to the Polyclinic hospital, suffering from a broken ankle.

PHILADELPHIA, June 26.—The candy store of George Kendel, Main and Sumac streets, Germantown, was entered by thieves and robbed of a small quantity of goods. A thief also broke into the residence of George Knowlton, No. 118 Aspley street, and stole several articles of jewelry.

FITZTOWN, June 26.—The large Swiss barn on the farm of Adam Meyer, near this place, burned to the ground. The origin of the fire is unknown. The harness and cattle were rescued. The dwelling was saved by the wind blowing the flames away from the building.

EDINBURGH, June 28.—A. H. Smith, the lawyer's clerk who was arrested in December last on a charge of forging literary and historical documents, a number of which he sold to collectors at large prices, was found guilty yesterday and sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

GETTYSBURG, June 27.—Rev. Charles A. Hay, president of the theological seminary of the Gettysburg Lutheran College, died suddenly at his home here yesterday. Dr. Hay was born in York on February 11, 1821.

WEST CHESTER, June 27.—Mary A. Tels, of Phoenixville, has brought suit for \$10,000 against the Philadelphia and Reading railroad for injuries sustained in the West Manayunk disaster.

WEST CHESTER, June 28.—Eli Davis, an old soldier who died here from lockjaw, caused by the bite of a cat, was buried yesterday.

READING, June 28.—George Seiling, a well-known settler of this city, died yesterday after a short illness, aged 70 years.

JOHNSTOWN, June 28.—During a quarrel Mrs. Jacob Jones, a bride of two weeks, in Cambria, bit off her husband's ear.

Captain Gardner Spoken.—Schooner Julia Costa reports that she spoke Captain Gardner of the dory Flying Dutchman, 140 miles east southeast of Cape Sable. Captain Gardner, who sailed from Sheburne, N. S., some time ago for the nearest European port, wished to have his dog, his only companion, landed, as it was ill. The captain of the Costa brought the dog to port.

A WOMAN'S REASON.

She Was Afraid of What People Would Say.

A man and a girl were sitting together in the soft dusk of a gentle summer evening. She was trifling with a bit of embroidery, now gently chafing him, now humming a bar of song; while he sat silently watching her and smoking his pipe.

They were very old friends, for the man had watched the girl grow from childhood into womanhood. He was but five years her senior, yet she seemed more than five years younger to him.

His first feelings toward her had slowly changed with her increasing years to one of extreme fondness, and then another change had come, but he had not told her of his love.

As he watched the delicate outline of her face, softened into even unusual sweetness by the waning twilight, he felt happy beyond expression. He caressed his pipe as his thoughts went back over the long span of their friendship. He remembered noting every action of hers that had bespoken a budding love for him. Her sisterly reproofs—well he knew how sisterly they were—her anxiety about his inveterate smoking, her little jealousies; all her expressions of fondness for him came before his mind.

Yet sometimes she seemed to relish the cub admiration that her youthful neighbors bestowed upon her. But then probably she had not guessed of his love, and perhaps a word was needed to light hers.

But that evening she would learn all. Perhaps it was too soon, but—well, he loved her. For a moment fleeting dread unnerved him—but no, surely no one else had talked of love to his little sweetheart.

He covered her little soft warm hand with both of his, and he looked deep down into her gentle eyes.

"Dear, we have been friends so long that it seemed as though no change could ever come. But a change has come. You have always had my friendship, darling, but now you have taken my heart. Can you give me yours?"

She turned her head away. "But you must take it back, please. I cannot give mine for it."

Then came a few moments of silence, and his face aged as he stared out into the lonely darkness.

He heard her voice again, "Just think what people would say"—his face darkened and his brow lowered with a proud frown as he turned his face toward her—"if it was generally known that I had a tobacco heart."—Brooklyn Life.

He Didn't Bring It Home.

After the return of the drummer from his travels his young wife explored his grip with an expectant face. Failing to find that of which she was apparently in search, she turned to him and said:

"Where is the jag?"

"The what?" he asked in astonishment.

"The jag. Mrs. Laces says her husband saw you in Chicago with a lovely jag on. Whatever it is, you are not wearing it, and it isn't in your grip."

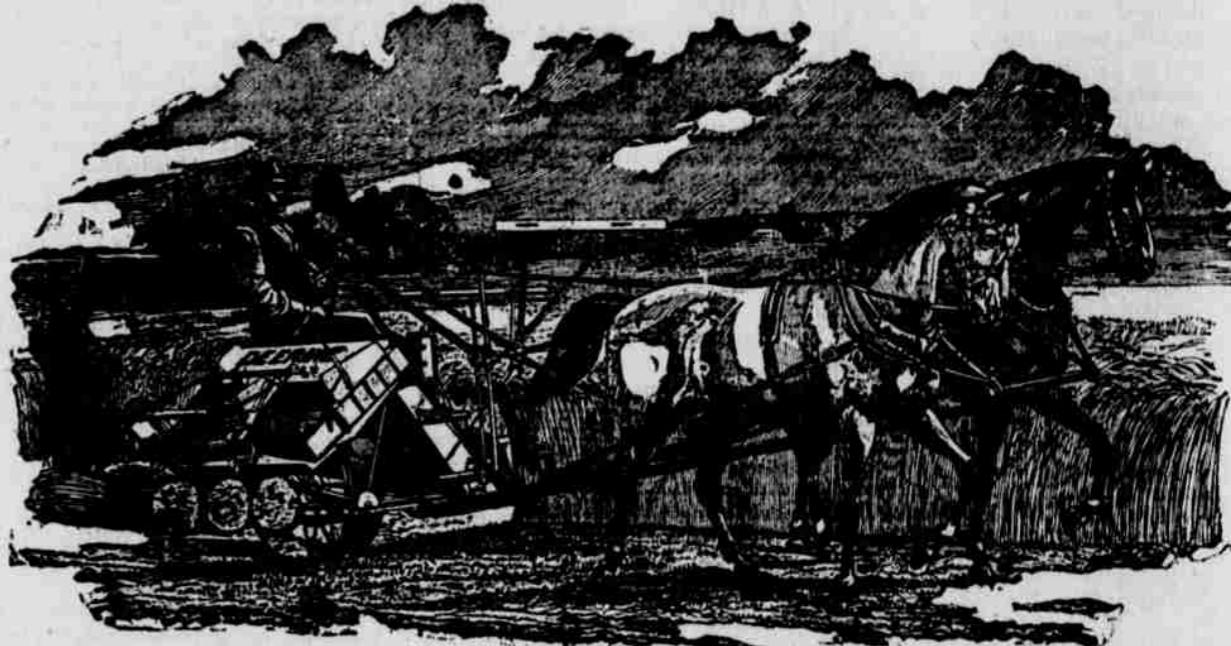
"O, that's all right. I left it at the office. By the way I saw a handsome spring hat in a milliner's shop down town. If you care we will go down town and you can look at it and if you like it you can have it."—N. Y. Press.

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