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The Ways and Means Committee of the House have called Secretary Carlisle before them to explain the ways and means he has of raising revenue that they would like to look after themselves.

They went so far in the legislature recently as to mention the advisability of purifying the primary elections; but the infant was strangled before it was fairly born. The primary elections are too pure to suit some folks already, and of course they don't want them any purer. It would have been refreshing to have read that bill through before the Republicans consigned it to the waste-basket. That's what they did with it.

As warm a campaign as Philadelphia has experienced in years will close the night before the coming election. The anti-combine forces are working zealously, and so are those who believe in subtraction, multiplication and division of spoils. The Women's Auxiliary are also into the fight for Pattison and reform, and it would not surprise us much if the fair sex gave one wing of the unfair sex a severe plucking and clipping.

Money being very scarce in the Treasury, and Hawaii being somewhat remote, an appropriation of a half a million is asked to connect us with this "Beautiful Isle of the Sea." It is proposed to be done by cable laid by some company who will take care that the government pays them enough per yard for laying it. There may be some perishable interest on this island that need to be looked after quick as lightning; but we rather apprehend it is only one of a thousand axes to grind before Congress.

On February 15th President Cleveland will have presented to him a petition from the Women's Christian Temperance Union containing 1,121,200 signatures. There are miles of names, one after the other, mounted on 1,928 yards of canvas. A zealous Mrs. Shuman has the matter in hand, having already bestowed about two years' toil in getting up this petition. The object being to sober up and move the rulers of all nations by force of female persuasion. The extensive document will be taken abroad after Cleveland gets a look at it.

The court house officials of to-day are as competent and gentlemanly a set of men as ever filled similar positions in this county. It is hard to understand the motive that constantly subjects them to annoying attacks and petty abuse through the columns of a paper, though the true explanation of it is that they are men of integrity and character who cannot be used as tools, either in politics nor in the awarding of the patronage. This constant criticism and attempt to belittle the men regularly and fairly chosen and elected to public office by the Democrats of this county, is an insult to the honesty and intelligence of the party.

WANT THE BRIDGE LAW REPEALED.

Representative Focht of Union County introduces a Bill to That Effect.

We publish a section of B. K. Focht's bill for the repeal of the free bridge law. It amends the act of 1881 and as amended in 1891, so that the first section shall read as follows:

Sec. 1. That county commissioners of the several counties of this commonwealth are hereby authorized to take charge of or rebuild and reconstruct any bridge over any stream or river running into or through any county, owned and maintained by corporations, where the same has been destroyed by ice or otherwise, and abandoned by the owners of the said bridge. If the commissioners shall neglect or refuse to act as herein provided, upon the petition of ten citizens and taxpayers residing in the city, borough or township in which the bridge is or was located, which petition shall set forth fully all the facts, supported by the affidavit of two of said citizens to the court of common pleas of the county, and said court, upon hearing, may issue an order of court directing that two consecutive grand juries shall view and ascertain the facts as to the necessity of the same and report to the court. If both are favorable, the court may issue mandamus for building same.

The present law, which the above section repeals, or rather amends, includes bridges crossing a street forming the boundary line between two counties, which are excluded from Mr. Focht's proposed law.—*Ed.*

A FEW OF THE MORE IMPORTANT LOSSES AT SEA.

While the recent loss of the Elbe has temporarily terrorized water navigators the calamity is only one of a number of sudden burials of human beings and treasure in the ocean. In the space of about 50 years the following ship wrecks and loss of life is a matter of true historical record. The treasure that went down with them is untold, not even approximated. It is possible the child is now born who will see some of the many millions of buried treasure reclaimed from the deep and at present impenetrable and unfathomable depths of the ocean. The following is a record of wrecks and the loss of life partially enumerated. The loss of war vessels and river and lake craft are not included in it, nor are the innumerable minor casualties always incident to navigating the water.

In the sinking of the Amazon, in 1853, over one hundred lives were lost. In 1863 the Anglo-Saxon went down and took with her 237 souls who never again reached the surface. In 1858 the Austria burned in mid ocean, and 470 souls were either consumed by fire or drowned in consequence. With the City of Boston, lost at sea, 191 lives were lost. In the wreck of the Borussia 200 lives were lost. The Cimbric collided with the Sultan in 1883, and sunk out of sight, taking down with her 454 passengers. The Central America, in 1847, lost 400 lives. The foundering of the Evening Star, in 1866, cost 254 lives. In this same year the George Canning went down with 96 lost. In 1854 the City of Glasgow got foundered, resulting in the loss of 480 lives. In 1860 the wreck of the Hungarian cost 205 lives. In 1878 the Metropolis went down and carried 200 souls with her. In 1893 the Naronic was lost in the Atlantic and with her 70 lives were lost. In 1856 the Pacific sunk and 186 passengers perished in the water. In 1878 Pommerania lost 38 passengers. In 1874 the Schiller lost 300. In 1888 the Geiser was struck by the Thingvalla and 105 passengers perished. Again, in 1888, the Sud-America was sunk in collision, drowning 105 passengers. In 1873, as the result of a collision, the Ville du Havre took down 226 souls.

An historic ocean calamity was the sinking of the Arctic. She was the crack ship of the Collins line, an American firm, and was built in New York. Leaving Liverpool on Sept. 20, 1854, she was struck when seven days out by the French screw steamer Vesta. The Arctic was worked by paddles. Of more than four hundred passengers about one-tenth escaped. Some seventy of the passengers were transferred, just as the ship was sinking, to a large raft. A passenger named McCabe was eventually the only person of this whole number to reach land. Here is an extract from his story:

"The sea, though not strong, was rough, and the waves, as they rushed remorselessly over the raft, washed away a portion of its living freight. Of those who dropped away, some floated off and were gnawed and eaten by fishes, while others were washed under the raft, where their faces could be seen through the opening as they were swayed to and fro by the waves. The raft at one time was so crowded that many had to hold on by one hand. Very few words were spoken by any, and the only sound to be heard was the splash of the waters or the heavy breathing of the poor sufferers, as they tried to recover their breath after a wave had passed over them. Nearly all were submerged to their armpits while a few could with difficulty keep their heads above the surface.

"The women were the first to go. They were unable to stand the exposure more than three or four hours. They all fell off the raft without a word, except one poor girl, who cried out in intense agony: 'Oh, my poor mother and sisters!'"

At the end of the day McCabe was the only person left alive on the raft. During the night of the second day he was rescued by the second officer and some sailors of the Arctic in a boat. Not a single woman of the Arctic's passengers was saved.

The steamship Central America, when she left Aspinwall for New York on Sept. 3, 1857, carried more than four hundred passengers and \$2,000,000 of treasure, shipped from San Francisco. She encountered one of the fiercest gales ever known, sprang a leak and sank off Cape Hatteras on Sept. 12. Three fourths of her passengers and all her cargo were lost. Several vessels came to the assistance of the Central America in her distress, but were only able to save 157 passengers.

The Atlantic, of the White Star line, when she sailed from Liverpool for New York on March 20, 1873, had on board 931 persons. Equinoctial gales of great violence caused the captain to make a course for Halifax, N. S. In the night of April 1 she struck the rocks near Meagher's island. Many of the passengers and crew were rescued by boats and life-lines, but 481 perished. More than a hundred steerage passengers were drowned in their berths.

The Naronic, of the White Star line which left Liverpool for New York on Feb. 11, 1893, and has never been heard from, is the most recent ship to

share a fate which has overtaken a number of Atlantic liners. Eight great steamships have left port never to be seen again. In most cases no trace has been left of their fate. It is, of course, reasonably certain that they have gone to the bottom, but whether they have been destroyed by collision, by storm, by a break down of machinery, by hidden rocks or by some other peril of the sea is a mystery.

QUAY COUNTY BILL PASSES THE SENATE.

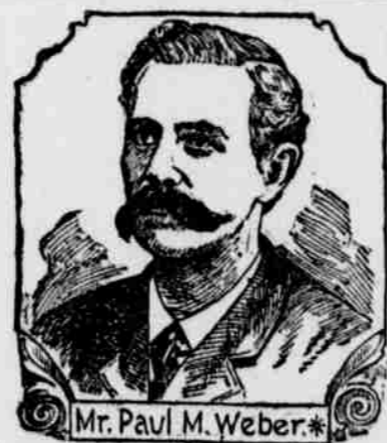
In the Senate last week the bill to make a new county out of portions of Luzerne and Schuylkill excited a lively discussion between its author, Senator Kline, of Luzerne, and Senator Coyle, of Schuylkill, the latter making a stubborn fight to have it amended so as to permit the electors of the counties interested to vote on the question. Mr. Kline contended that the opposition was largely confined to lawyers and hotel-keepers who feared they would suffer financially if the bill passed. The amendment of Mr. Coyle received but ten votes, and the bill was passed finally by a vote of 35 to 5.

Weather Prophet DeVoe's Prophecy.

"Our present winter will not break up during February, but it will be an extremely cold month, with the exception of a few mild days. There will be several heavy snow storms, and the street-cleaning commissioners will have their hands full to keep the streets from being blocked with snow. "The month of February will enter with snow followed by a cold wave on the 3d. But between the 5th and 8th there will be a mild spell, fogs and some rain on the 8th. On the 9th there will be a great change, and a cyclone will move up the coast, followed by a blizzard from the 11th to the 13th. Snow blockages will greatly impede travel.

"After the 14 there will be a few days of mild weather, but no break up. On the 17 more snow. After the 18th it will grow mild, and from the 19th to the 23d there will be a continuous fog and some rain. On the 24th another blizzard will suddenly descend upon us, followed by a very cold wave on the 26th, and the ice-dealers will be able to cut another crop of ice. The month will close cold."

In the course of senatorial proceedings, on the 11th instant Mr. Pettigrew introduced a joint resolution directing legal proceedings to be instituted against the stockholders and directors of the Union and the Central Pacific railroad companies for the recovery of amounts diverted or converted by them to any unlawful purpose and for the foreclosure of the government mortgages. He asked that it be laid on the table, and said he would undertake to show that the methods of railroad companies to rob their stockholders and bondholders have done more than anything else to effect the credit of the country.



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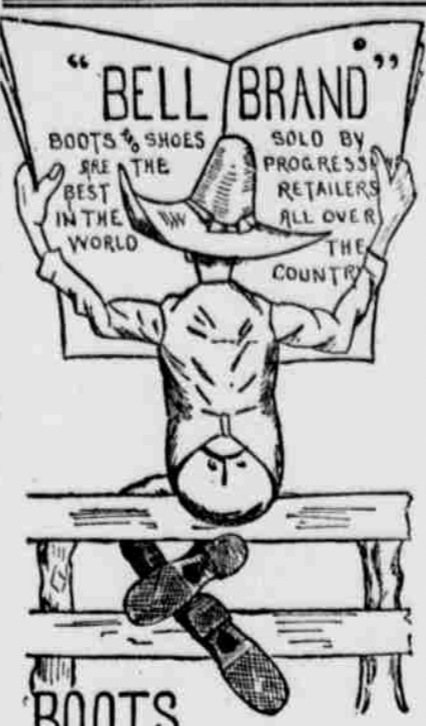
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