

NOTES FROM GOTHAM.

LI HUNG CHANG WAS A GREAT WEEK'S SHOW.

Perhaps the Visit Had an Object—Disappointed Millenarists—The Hudson River Tunnel—Return of Richard Croker Gold Still Coming—News of Dr. Barth.

Special New York Letter.

The visit of the Chinese Viceroy, Li Hung Chang, has been decidedly the event of the past week. As the biggest man in a nation of 300,000,000 or more, and a big man in his own right, as Gen. Grant and many other good judges have recognized, the eminent Celestial was undoubtedly worthy of all the distinction shown him. He had a good time evidently, and anybody who caught a sight of his intelligent and good-humored face was enabled to form a pretty clear judgment of what a really high class Chinese mandarin is. "Li's" visit here is not fully explained by any public utterance of his. He appeared to be much impressed by our activity and enterprise as a people, and his interviews with public officials, and his interviews with business magnates and politicians, generally showed an earnest purpose to gain all the information he could during his short stay about our habits, enterprises, wealth and social conditions. The question whether he had a particular object, or whether he was only extending a visit of courtesy, will doubtless be answered in the future. The trade of China is immensely valuable, but it is possible that, if we increase our present share of it, we will have to do it upon the "give and take" principle. After all, this shrewd Asiatic did not appear at a disadvantage with the ablest and shrewdest of the men he met. His self-possession was remarkable, and the bluntness and keenness of the questions he put were embarrassing to their recipients, who were in some cases very eminent business men. But "Li" evidently did not understand a society where the possible imposition of an income tax has



Li Hung Chang. been potent to disarrange all sorts of business and political combinations, and has buried the whole country in the gloom of commercial despondency. One can always sympathize with these good sort of people who are every once in a while getting ready for the end of the world. The world did not come to an end on September 2d to the small sect of earnest Christians who believed in the prophecies of Pastor Stutzke, a local preacher, who had duly predicted that it would end on that date, but it did come to an end for many thousands on that day who were not expecting it, and the end will reach Pastor Stutzke's faithful followers in due time, although it may be on a "day and hour that no man knoweth." To the properly instructed eye, the end of the world and the day of judgment are events that occur every day to those who meet the grim messenger who, according to more or less reliable statistics, claims his victims at the rate of about one a second, whether the day of judgment is predicted for that particular date of the calendar or not. There is a rather grim flavor to the humor spent upon such enthusiasts as Pastor Stutzke and his followers. These are mere signs of the times, and it is scarcely philosophical to laugh at them in view of conditions that any mere mortal would be singularly stupid not to recognize.

We again have assurances that the Hudson River tunnel between this city and the Jersey shore is to be completed. It is stated that the tunnel, which was abandoned after about one-half of the work was completed, has been taken in hand by an English company, and that an experienced engineer is already making an investigation preparatory to resuming work. Whatever may be thought of the scheme for throwing a suspension bridge across



Disgruntled Business Men. The Hudson, and it is probably only a question of cost, there is no reasonable doubt as to the feasibility of the tunnel scheme. From a merely utilitarian standpoint the tunnel would seem to present many advantages over any scheme for bridging the Hudson at this point. The report that Richard Croker has engaged passage for home on the Atlantic Star line will interest politicians generally. The information was brought by William Sulzer to Senator Gorman, who was here this week. The return of the ex-Tammany boss may or may not have political significance at this time, although, in view of the efforts to unite the Irish party in England and Ireland, and the rather varie-

gated condition of American politics, it is certain that any views he has on political questions affecting either side of the water will be sought with interest. The local Democratic organization is just in that condition that a man of clear purpose and strong will is sorely needed in leadership, and if Mr. Croker were disposed to take the helm again he would find a strong backing awaiting him. But it is probable his visit here has no open political purpose.

The continued inflow of gold from London still attracts attention, and there is a very general impression among business men that the effect upon business must prove favorable at an early day. There has been much grumbling lately at the dull condition of business, although the situation has not been exceptional for the time of year. Midsummer dullness has become



Hon. Joseph Chamberlain.

A feature of dog days in this town. The effect upon credits of the large receipts of gold, which is mostly in the shape of American eagles, cannot but prove stimulating both to enterprise and investment. This seems to be a part of entry for distinguished foreign visitors at the present time. We have had Lord Russell and Li Hung Chang, and among the arrivals this week are Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, the British Colonial Secretary, and the real leader of the Unionist party in England, and Dr. Theodore Barth, leader of the Liberal party in the German Reichstag. The visit of this latter gentleman may be significant, as he is a well-known advocate of the gold monetary standard. As the German-American vote of the country has become a pretty important element in our national elections, and they are generally believed to favor the gold standard, the views of Dr. Barth are of interest.

"I do not come to meddle with your politics," he said to a Herald reporter, "but to watch this most interesting Presidential campaign and to learn. The most intense interest is felt in Europe in the American situation, and the desire of all is to see an outcome that will bring prosperity to the United States, for trade relations are so close that prosperity for you means prosperity for us. I regard the currency question as the vital one to a country's prosperity. International bimetalism has long been discussed in Europe, but it will never come to pass, I believe. England and Germany will never consent to abandon the gold standard, and without them the other powers will be helpless. I regard the attempt at bimetalism by any single nation as absolutely impracticable, and I doubt if all the great commercial nations together could succeed. I do not believe that free silver coinage would benefit the agricultural classes in the United States. Between the time of Mr. Bryan's election and the passage of my free coinage law at least four months would elapse, and during that time you would have a panic which would ruin your agriculturists. Mortgages would be foreclosed, loans called in, and great suffering would result. Of course this is only my opinion. I am eager to hear the arguments of the other side."

Where the Stones are Wood. The Falklands produce no trees, but they do produce wood in a very remarkable shape. You will see, scattered here and there, singular blocks of what look like weather-beaten, mossy, gray stones of various sizes. But if you attempt to roll over one of these rounded boulders you will find yourself unable to accomplish it. In fact, the stone is tied down to the ground, tied down by the roots, or in other words, it is not a stone, but a block of living wood. If you examine it at the right time you may be able to find upon it, half hidden among the lichen and mosses, a few of its obscure leaves and flowers. If you try to cut it with an axe you will find it extremely hard to do so. It is entirely unworkable, being made up of countless branches, which grow so closely together that they become consolidated into one mass. On a sunny day—if you are lucky enough to see a sunny day in Falkland—you may perhaps find on the warm side of the "balsam log," as the living stone is called, a few drops of a fragrant gum, highly prized by the shepherds for its supposed medicinal qualities. This wonderful plant is the Bolax glebaria of botanists, and belongs to the same family as do the parsnip and the carrot.

Hint to Stamp Collectors. Our philatelist collectors should be on the outlook for the new postage stamp issued by the Spanish Government. A Spanish M. P. still enjoys the privilege of "franking," which, as we know from the delightful correspondence of Cowper and of many others in our great age of letter-writing, is a great advantage. If Hitherto a member of the Spanish Cortes had simply to get his letters stamped by the secretary of the chamber, which procured them free passages through the posts. Henceforward every legislator will have to put a postage stamp upon his letters, but the stamps are to be obtained gratuitously by the deputies from the same official. The new stamp is red, has the Spanish arms in the centre, around which runs a circular frame inscribed with the words, "Congreso de los Diputados."—Westminster Gazette.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, OCT. 3, A. D., 1896, at 2 o'clock P. M., the following described property to-wit:

Beginning at the corner of lot of William Penstermacher on south side of Fifth Street and extending eastward along said street fifty feet or thereabouts to corner of First Alley East of Iron Street, thence along said Alley Southward 175 feet more or less to an Alley, thence along said Alley Eastward to line of said William Penstermacher, thence to the place of beginning.—Being lot No. 36 in general plan of said lots: Recorded in Book No. 55 page 688, &c: whereon are erected a two-story

BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, BARN AND OUTBUILDINGS.

Also at the same time and place all that certain tract of land and water right, described as follows: Commencing at a stone on the upper side of the road leading from Light Street to Orangeville and a few rods South of the Hoffman flouring mill the Bearing is North 10 degrees West, distance Fifty-Two Perches on the Orangeville road to a post, thence North eleven degrees East, 26 perches to a post, thence North 42 degrees West, 36 perches to a stone. Thence North 10 degrees West, 31 perches to a post. Thence North 12 degrees East, 41 1/2 perches to Cassell's line, on the East bank of Fishing Creek in Orange township. Thence South 8 1/2 degrees West, 11 and three-tenths perches to a corner on the West bank of Fishing Creek in Mount Pleasant township. Thence South 74 degrees West, 34 perches to a post and joining lands of the late George Oman. Thence South 7 degrees East, 81 and eight-tenths perches to a post. Thence South 5 degrees West, 18 and 2-10 perches to a post, thence south 6 degrees west 30 perches to a hemlock (gone), thence south 20 degrees east 34 perches to a post, thence south 20 degrees east 34 perches to a corner, washed away, north 02 degrees east 2 and 5-10 perches to a post, thence north 23 degrees east 33 perches to a post, thence north west corner of Abram Court property, thence north 5 degrees east 28 perches to a post, close the creek, thence north 30 degrees east 9 and 7-10 perches to a stone, on the bank of tail race, thence north 19 degrees east 19 and 3/4 perches to the stone near the mill, at which we started, containing

SIXTY-FIVE ACRES GRIST MILL, ONE DWELLING HOUSE AND SAW MILL.

Also, At the same time and place, on all that, the undivided one-half of a certain tract of unseated land, returned in the name of Hess, Creveling & Co., situated in the township of Sugarloaf, County of Columbia, State of Pennsylvania, containing

125 ACRES OF LAND, BEING THE SAME TRACT WHICH H. W. McEINERNEY'S TRUSTEES, CONVEYED TO J. H. CREVELING AND H. W. VANDERLIEDE IN FEE.

Set, taken in execution, at the suit of H. H. Grotz, claimant, &c., vs. Henry W. Vanderville, and Mordecai Millard vs. Same, and to be sold as the property of Henry W. Vanderville. J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, the undersigned Trustee, appointed to make sale of the real estate of Sallie Johnson, Eliza Pruitt and others, after proceedings in partition had in the estate of Sallie Johnson and by virtue of an agreement entered into between the parties, will expose at public sale on the premises in the township of Madison, county of Columbia, on

SATURDAY, SEPT. 26, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described real estate: Being a farm containing

120 ACRES, more or less, bounded on the north by lands of B. F. Fruit, on the east by lands of B. F. Fruit and John A. Funston, on the south by a public road leading from Jerseytown to Washingtonville and land of James Kinlen, and on the west by land of D. Laidacker. Whereon are erected

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TERMS OF SALE.—Ten per cent. of one-fourth payable upon striking down of property; one-fourth less the ten per cent on the confirmation of sale and the remaining three-fourths in one year thereafter. J. B. McHENRY, Trustee.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the following account has been filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, and will be presented to the said Court on the fourth Monday of September, A. D. 1896, and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute:

- Jonathan Ritchie est., Pine twp. Personality \$74.40; Realty, \$22.00.
William H. Swenitzer est., Bloomsburg. Personality, \$72.15.
Joseph Shaffer est., Bloomsburg. Personality \$21.45; Realty, \$20.25.
Miles Oil est., Bloomsburg. Realty, \$300.00.
Abram Miller est., Beaver twp., Personality, \$40.00.
George W. Ande est., Madison twp., Personality, \$25.40.
C. W. Eves, est., Millville Boro. Personality, \$23.25.
Charles E. Bescooter est., Sugarloaf twp., Personality, \$94.91.
Harman G. John est., Main twp., Personality, \$30.00.
Theodore Lewis est., Benton twp., Personality \$90.78.
Joseph Yorks est., Jackson twp., Personality, \$30.00.
Josiah Kröner est., Centre twp., Personality, \$29.00; Realty, \$250.00.
Clerk's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Aug. 31, 1896.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Pl. Et., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, and State of Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, on

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m., all that message and tract of land situate in Madison township, and bounded and described as follows to-wit: Northwardly by lands of the heirs of John Stout and Joseph A. Zetloff, southwardly by lands of A. J. Carr and Joseph Zetloff, and westwardly by lands of John Shultz, containing

60 ACRES and 120 perches of land more or less, whereon are erected a

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, BARN AND OUT-BUILDINGS.

It being the same real estate which was conveyed to Alexander Carr by deed recorded in Deed Book "M," page 561, &c., and on page 562 and 563. Seized, taken into execution at the suit of G. W. Supple, Trustee, assigned to H. G. Supple vs. William T. Dixon, and to be sold as the property of Wm. T. Dixon. J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, on the first Monday of next term, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, under Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations to-wit: April 29, A. D. 1874, and the supplements thereto, by Wm. H. Smith, Ira B. McHenry, H. L. Malins, J. B. McHenry, and G. A. Gyselman, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called "First Christian Church of Boston," the charter and object of which is the support of the public worship of Almighty God according to the constitution, canon, discipline, doctrine, faith, government and forms of the Christian Church, which it hereby recedes to and adopts, and for the purpose to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by the Act of Assembly aforesaid, and its supplements. Bloomsburg, Pa., July 26, 1896. W. H. SMITH, Solicitor.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of A. K. Smith deceased. To Emma Smith, intermarried with Frank Cotner, Limestoneville, Montour County, Pa., William Smith, Milton, Northumberland County, Pa., Miles Smith, Jerseytown, Columbia County, Pa., Ida Smith, intermarried with William Shop, Jerseytown, Columbia County, Pa., Charles Smith, Lake City, Utah, Laura Smith, intermarried with Elmer McBride, Bloomsburg, Pa., and the following Grand children being children of Florence Warner deceased who was a daughter of the said A. K. Smith deceased, viz:—Geraldine Warner, intermarried with Martin C. Fry, Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pa., John C. Rutter, Jr. Guardian ad litem for Helen Warner intermarried with Harry Wilson, Sidney K. Warner, Laura Warner, Charles Warner, and Nellie Warner, minor children of Florence Warner deceased.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of the Court of Columbia County, a writ of partition has issued from said Court to the Sheriff of said County returnable originally the first Monday of December, A. D. 1896, and continue from time to time until the fourth Monday of September, A. D. 1896, and that the request will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Saturday the 19th day of September, A. D. 1896 between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M. on the premises of A. K. Smith deceased in Madison Township, Columbia County, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper. J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Estate of N. J. Hendershott, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of N. J. Hendershott, late of the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia, Pa. deceased, have been granted to Mary N. Hendershott, resident of said town, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims against said estate will make known the same without delay. MARY M. HENDERSHOTT, Executrix.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Mary C. Conner, deceased. The undersigned Auditor, appointed to make distribution of the balance in the hands of D. E. Sloan, Executor of the estate of Mary C. Conner, deceased, to and among the parties entitled to the same, will meet the parties for the purpose of the performance of the duties of his appointment at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Friday, the 25th day of September, A. D. 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all parties will present their claims or be forever barred. L. E. WALLER, Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the first and partial account of H. A. McKillop, Receiver of the Bloomsburg Iron Co., of Bloomsburg, Pa. The undersigned Auditor appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, sitting in equity, to pass upon the exceptions filed to said account and make distribution of the funds in the hands of said Receiver, at which time and place all parties interested shall attend. W. H. RHAWN, Auditor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Susan E. Punston, deceased, late of the Town of Bloomsburg. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Susan E. Punston, dec'd., late of the Town of Bloomsburg, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to JOHN Q. BARRELY, Administrator, c. l. u.

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