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THURSDAY, JULY 5, 1900.

Col. J. M. Guffey has been re-elected the member of the Democratic National Committee, by the Pennsylvania delegation.

Capt. Henry W. Whitney has been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on Gen. Miles' staff, with headquarters at Washington.

THE CHINESE SITUATION.

Late dispatches from China state that Ministers and other foreigners in Peking are in a desperate situation. There are fifty thousand Chinese troops inside and outside the city, and the food of the foreigners is almost exhausted.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The Democratic National Convention met in Kansas City yesterday. The nomination of William Jennings Bryan for President is a foregone conclusion.

TWO HUNDRED LIVES LOST BY FIRE.

One of the most horrible disasters in many years occurred at Hoboken on Saturday. Some bales of cotton on the North German-Lloyd Steamship Company's pier caught fire, and the flames spread so rapidly that they communicated to several ocean liners, and the men on the piers and in the holds of the vessels were caught in a death trap.

Farmers Victimized.

A number of farmers in the vicinity of Muncy, have been victimized by a party of men representing themselves to be of the "Ball Bearing Churn Company," selling a churn that would make butter inside of two minutes.

WASHINGTON.

Washington, July 2, 1900. Naturally, Mr. McKinley is being harshly criticized for going away from Washington for an indefinite stay just after he has issued orders which commit this government to a participation in the war which the combined European powers are preparing to wage on China.

"He Laughs Best Who Laughs Last."

A hearty laugh indicates a degree of good health obtainable through pure blood. As but one person in ten has pure blood, the other nine should purify the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Then they can laugh first, last and all the time, for



around Washington that Perry Heath has been asked to resign the position of First Assistant Postmaster General, because of the publication of the fact that he was one of those who vouched for Neely and procured his appointment.

RAILROAD NOTES.

CHAUTAUQUA—LOW RATE EXCURSION VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

On July 6 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run a special excursion from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Reading, Altoona, Bellefonte, Lock Haven, Shamokin, Wilkes-Barre, Sunbury and Williamsport, and principal intermediate stations, and stations on the Delaware division, Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, and on the Cumberland Valley Railroad, to Chautauqua, N. Y.

Passengers from Atlantic City, Bridgeton, Vineland, Clayton, N. J., and stations on the Delaware division will use trains to Philadelphia on day preceding date of excursion.

For specific rates and time of connecting trains apply to nearest ticket agent.

SUMMER TOURS TO THE NORTH—TWO TOURS TO CANADA VIA PA. R. R.

For the summer of 1900 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged to run two personally-conducted tours to Canada and Northern New York. These tours will leave July 21 and August 11, including Niagara Falls, Thousand Islands, Rapids of the St. Lawrence, Quebec, The Saguenay, Montreal, Au Sable Chasm, Lakes Champlain and George, and Saratoga, occupying fifteen days; round trip rate, \$125.

Each tour will be in charge of one of the Company's tourist agents, assisted by an experienced lady as chaperon, whose special charge will be unescorted ladies.

The rate covers railway and boat fare for the entire round trip, parlor car seats, meals en route, hotel entertainment, transfer charges, and carriage hire.

For detailed itinerary, tickets, or any additional information, address Tourist Agent, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, 1196 Broadway, New York; 860 Fulton street, Brooklyn; 789 Broad street, Newark, N. J.; or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Phila.

Postoffice Thieves Arrested.

Two men, suspected of the robbery of the West Nanticoke postoffice, were cleverly trapped Saturday, after six weeks' hard work, says the Shick-shinny Echo. They are Melvin Moore, of Wilkes-Barre, and George Pennington, of Fairmount township. The arrests were made by Deputy United States Marshal Lowery and Postoffice Inspector George Gorman.

The postoffice was robbed on May 12, the safe being blown open, and \$75 in postage stamps, \$100 in cash, \$30 in silverware, and \$20 in jewelry were stolen. The robbers also took six bridge tickets, worth 10 cents each. It was these that led to the arrests. The tickets were not reported by the postmaster as among his losses, owing to their trivial value, and it was not until after two weeks' fruitless work, during which the detectives talked often with him, that he mentioned their loss.

Although it was feared they had been used, a watch was set at the bridge, and after patient waiting, last Wednesday Joseph Speery, a truck farmer, presented one. He was arrested and said Pennington had sold him the ticket. The detectives went to Fairmount Springs, where Pennington lives, traced him to Kitchen's Creek, where he had sold a couple of tickets, and then to Wilkes-Barre, where they arrested him. He said the tickets were sold to him by Melvin Moore, a huckster. Moore was ar-

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rested, but claimed he knew nothing about the tickets. Both were jailed.

Suicide at Sunbury.

With a rope, taken from a binding machine, E. D. Killian, aged 62 years, of Chicago, hanged himself to a tree on an island two miles north of Sunbury, Sunday morning. The body was discovered by a party of small boys, who were out for a pleasure ride on the river.

Killian was formerly a minister of the Gospel at Chicago, and became demented over religion. After the death of his wife, a year ago, he went to Buena Vista, Virginia, and became prominent as a railroad promoter. He became entangled in a company formed to develop several ore mines in that vicinity and lost all of his money.

He then accepted a position with the Acetylene Gas Company, of Bridgewater, Virginia, and was given Pennsylvania to work. At Lebanon and Harrisburg he was unsuccessful and left large hotel bills unpaid.

He came to Sunbury on June 24th and got many men of influence interested in his machine, and wired J. H. Pursely, the head man of the company, to come on to close several large deals. When Pursely arrived Friday evening he had a short talk with Killian, who said he believed he was losing his mind, and asked Pursely to see him again in an hour.

In the meantime Killian left the hotel and was missing until Sunday morning. The motormen on the street cars saw him walking backward and forward on the bridge spanning the river early in the morning and watched him, fearing he contemplated committing suicide by jumping in the water.

That Killian carefully planned his death was shown in a note he left under his hat near the tree, saying no one knew what mental and physical agony he suffered from the death of his wife and his many financial reverses, and he wanted to die. He removed his shoes to climb the tree and jumped from a limb. The body was suspended eight feet from the ground.

Half Yearly Clear-Up. Our busy season is over and now let's clear up stock, which means bargains for you and a clear store for us. Make a visit to our store and it will pay you. You can find bargains at every turn. 25c Lawns and Dimities at 17c, 15c Lawns and Dimities at 12c, 8 and 10c Lawns and Dimities at 6 1/2c, 25c, 30c, 35c and 40c Ribbons, reduced to 19c, \$1.25 Shirt Waists reduced to 87 1/2c, 50c Ladies' Night Robes, reduced to 42c, 40c Ladies' Night Robes, reduced to 29c, 10c Gingham Night Robes, reduced to 7c, \$12.50 Ladies' Suits, reduced to \$8.50, \$12.00 Ladies' Suits, reduced to \$10.00, Bed-Room Furniture reduced, 75c Black Dress Goods, reduced to 58c, 12 1/2c Hose, reduced to 10c, 35c Dress Goods, reduced to 19c, \$1.25 Umbrella, reduced to 98c, 12 1-2c Seersuckers, reduced to 10c.

SCROFULA thin blood, weak lungs and paleness. You have them in hot weather as well as in cold. SCOTT'S EMULSION cures them in summer as in winter. It is creamy looking and pleasant tasting.

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