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The Flour Trust Formed.

The Eastern Milling & Export company, which was incorporated last week at Trenton, N. J., with a capital of \$4,000,000, has secured options on a long list of the flouring mills in this state. Among the number is the Flemington mill. Mr. Kelsey recently stated that it is likely that the papers will be signed in a short time. The company has been formed to control the supply of flour in this section of the country.—Lock Haven Democrat.

Comfort for Letter Carriers.

An innovation, looking to the comfort of letter carriers throughout the country during the heat of summer, probably will be introduced this year by official permission to them, to divest their coats on their rounds when felt to be necessary. It is expected that the postmaster general will soon issue an order formally granting authority to postmasters for this purpose and modifying the requirements so as to allow the carriers to wear a suitable gray blouse with turn-down collar and a black tie.

PENNA. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

There Are Nearly a Million and a Half in Attendance.

The most reliable statistics of Pennsylvania Sunday schools put them one hundred thousand scholars and teachers ahead of the next in numbers, our more populous neighbor, New York. Pennsylvania leads the Union with 10,145 schools, 173,151 officers and teachers, and total membership, 1,403,553. But it is likely that there are nearly 1,000 more schools and 100,000 more scholars in the state. Mr. Hugh Cork, one of the state association's field workers, is now gathering figures with his untiring energy and thoroughness, and the result is eagerly awaited. The value of exact figures can not be overestimated for Christian work. They will show that less than 25 per cent. of population probably are yet enrolled in Bible teaching schools, and will spur every worker to greater effort and show just where the effort may be most successful. Secretaries of county associations are assisting Mr. Cork, and it is hoped every superintendent will promptly respond to the request for figures when he receives it. The Pennsylvania Herald, 913 Crozer building, Philadelphia, will give the results and the interesting developments of this state canvass by Mr. Cork.

STATE NEWS.

Nicholas Capice, of Freeland, who is alleged to have shot and killed Rudolph Damaris on the main street of that borough, was indicted by the grand jury on the charge of manslaughter. The case will come up for trial in May.

Embracing the triangular territory from Wilkes-Barre to Jersey Shore and Selinsgrove, the Susquehanna synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church will convene in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Williamsport, for seven days, beginning Tuesday, April 30.

The Pennsylvania railroad company will erect a new station at Williamsport, the plans having been definitely arranged a day or two ago. The new station will be an architectural ornament, and the building with its platforms and approaches, will extend a distance of one square.

A census bulletin on the area in square miles of the various states, showed that Lycoming is the largest county in Pennsylvania, the area in miles being 1,240. Tioga is second with 1,180 and Clearfield third with 1,141, while Bradford follows closely with 1,140. Philadelphia is the smallest county with 130 square miles, and Montour comes next with 142.

Pottsville will have a big industrial boom in a few weeks. T. H. Griffiths, general superintendent of the William colliery which shut down two years ago announces that operations would resume on July 1, employing 400 men. The Pottsville Bridge Works, after an idleness of several years will resume May 1, employing 100 men, and later the rolling mill plant, furnishing employment to about 600 men, will resume.

The summer encampment of the National Guards will be by brigades this year and will be the latter part of July. The Third brigade invariably encamps at Mt. Gretna, and the members of the command are anxious that a change be made. It is believed that the camping grounds will be changed this year and that instead of Mount Gretna, of which everyone is weary, the soldiers will receive their summer instruction in the coal region.

Thursday last the jury in the case of Dr. Goodman, Andrew Belter and August Czenski against the Shamokin and Mt. Carmel Electric Railway Co., rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiffs as follows. Dr. Goodman, \$5,000; A. Belter, \$5,000; A. Czenski \$3,500. These cases grew out of an accident by which the wives of the two former were killed while driving along the road which it is charged was made dangerous by the negligence of the company. Czenski was injured in the accident.

A Famous Old Canal.

The days of the Pennsylvania canal are now numbered and soon the famous old waterway will be abandoned forever. Manufacturers and others have been notified to look elsewhere for their supply. The canal, which was built by the State, came into possession of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company by purchase in 1859. The Pennsylvania Canal, and its branches, consist of 144 miles of navigable canal, with a width at water line of fifty two feet, extending from Columbia, Lancaster county, to Northumberland, thence to Luzerne county, and from Northumberland to Loyalsock, near Williamsport. General Isaac J. Wistar is president of the company, and Thomas T. Wireman, of Harrisburg, is its chief engineer. It is a model of canal navigation in its construction, and all of its appliances and in the maintenance of its sixty locks (overcoming 277 feet in elevation), 99 houses for employees; 73 wasteways and overflows, covering 7,322 feet of surface; 309 bridges, 71 culverts, five dams, across large streams; 33 aqueducts, comprising 2,832 feet of superstructure; 193 canal boats, 8 lumber boats, all involving a watchful care and zealous supervision. Although the traffic on the canal has not yielded any profits to its owners for some years, it is, nevertheless, a worthy monument of the once famous line of Pennsylvania's system of internal improvements which formed a memorable part in the history of the Commonwealth.

Pat. Meany has signed to pitch the coming season with the Philadelphia American League baseball team. Several years ago he was a member of the River League and twirled many games against Bloomsburg. He was a left hander at that time and was forced to retire on account of a sore arm. Now he is throwing with his right arm and is said to be in excellent form.

WAR ON STEEL TRUST

President Shaffer Says the Fight Has Begun.

MAY ORDER OUT SIXTY THOUSAND MEN

Conference Today Will Be Urged to Close Every Plant of the American Sheet Steel Company.

PITTSBURGH, April 17.—President T. J. Shaffer of the Amalgamated association has issued a call for a special meeting of the national advisory board, together with the vice presidents of every district in which the sheet combination has a plant. It will be held at national headquarters in this city.

President Shaffer, in speaking of the meeting today, said, with considerable emphasis:

"I shall advise and urge all the members of the board to vote for an immediate closing of all the plants of the American Sheet Steel company in the country. This will be the beginning of the fight, and I will say nothing further on the subject."

It is estimated that 60,000 men will go out if the order to strike in all the trust works is given.

When asked if the association could win by simply shutting down the sheet mills and whether an order would be sent out to close all the union tin plate and steel plants of the United States Steel corporation, Mr. Shaffer replied:

"I will say nothing more than 'this is the beginning,' and you can take whatever meaning you desire from what I have said."

The officials of the American Sheet Steel company stated yesterday that about 11 fires were at work and that applications for employment were coming in rapidly. It was stated that 73 applications were received Monday, but the applicants were informed that no definite answer would be given them for several days.

An official very close to the management of the sheet steel company said yesterday that it is the intention of the company to close down the McKeesport plant for an indefinite period. The present is not an opportune time for a labor contention, owing to the transitory state of the company's future policy, caused by its absorption by the United States Steel corporation.

It was further stated that the nonunion plants of the company were producing 45 per cent of the tonnage of the commission and that no serious inconvenience would result to the trade by the suspension of the union sheet mills.

The strikers secured accessions to their ranks yesterday by the 125 men in the Knobling department joining them. This leaves only the steel mill and the hammer departments at work, and they will continue in operation until the work now in progress is finished, when the shut down will be complete.

Boston's Poor Remembered.

BOSTON, April 16.—The poor of Boston are liberally remembered by the will of George L. Thordike, who was a real estate dealer and lived in East Boston, which has just been offered for probate. The city of Boston is given \$10,000 in trust, the income of which is to be used to purchase coal for distribution among the widowed women of East Boston. There are many personal bequests, and the testator suggests that "on the death of the last legatee of the will the trustees of the will shall co-operate with the trustees of the Boston City hospital," so that when the estate exceeds the value of \$200,000 the entire value shall be devoted to the establishment of a free hospital by the city.

Steyn Re-elected President.

CAPE TOWN, April 17.—A rather extraordinary gathering for the purpose of electing a president of the Orange Free State has been held in the Boshof district. Forty burglers, claiming to represent a commando, attended. It was really a haphazard collection of Boers, including a number of youngsters from marauding bands. Mr. Steyn was declared re-elected president, and a feast followed. A dispatch from Petrusberg says that Boers who refuse to take the oath of allegiance to Great Britain are being sent across an imaginary border line.

Shamrock II's Launching.

NEW YORK, April 16.—David Barrie, American representative of Sir Thomas Lipton, has received a cable message from Sir Thomas that the Shamrock II, the challenger for the America's cup, would be launched on Saturday next and that the Marchioness of Dufferin would christen the vessel. The husband of the marchioness is commodore of the Royal Ulster Yacht club, through which Sir Thomas Lipton's present challenge and that of two years ago were sent to the New York Yacht club.

The Gainsborough J. P. Morgan's LONDON, April 17.—The society paper Onlooker says that J. Pierpont Morgan has practically effected the purchase for \$25,000 of the famous Gainsborough portrait of the Duchess of Devonshire, which was recently recovered in the United States. The negotiations will be closed when Thomas Agnew, the head of the Bond street firm, returns from Turkey. This newspaper also says that Mr. Morgan has recently paid an enormous sum for a noted painting by Turner.

The Latest Combine.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—A combination of umbrella rib manufacturers has been completed, and the new company, to be known as the National Umbrella Frame company, will have headquarters in this city. There are only six firms engaged in the manufacture of umbrella ribs in this country, and their aggregate production amounts to about \$1,000,000.

Sealing Crew Rescued.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., April 17.—The sealing steamer Greenland has arrived here, having rescued 194 members of the crew of the sealing steamer Hope, which was wrecked on Bryon island. In the cabin of St. Lawrence. All are well. The Hope was broken up by the furious gales, but her cargo of 5,000 seals was saved.

Prosperous Horse Show Association CHICAGO, April 16.—The Chicago Horse Show association has broken a record for such enterprises and will declare a dividend of 25 per cent tomorrow on a capital stock of \$25,000. This is the first official indication of the financial success of the exhibition in the Coliseum during the winter.

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SHERIFF'S SALE. The Court House, in Bloomsburg, county and state aforesaid, on SATURDAY, MAY 11th, 1901, at ten o'clock a. m., the following described property, to wit: All those two certain messuages, or tenements, and tracts of land, situate in Columbia County, Pennsylvania. The first tract, situate in the Borough of Catawissa, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone, in line of lands of George Zarr, deceased, and running thence by lands now of William Hornberger (known as the Grist Mill Tract), and a quarter there by the same south two and a quarter degrees west, ten perches to the north end of the county bridge over Catawissa Creek; thence through the centre of said bridge south thirty-eight degrees east, fifteen perches to the intersection of a public road leading to Ashland; thence by said road south eight and a quarter degrees west, nine and two-tenths perches to a point in the centre of said road, in line of land of Mrs. Berger; thence by said line south eighty-one and a half degrees west, twenty-three and a half perches to a post, originally a spruce tree; thence by land of Jonathan Fortner north fifty-eight and a half degrees west, sixty-four perches to originally a maple, on the south side of Catawissa Creek; thence south eighty-one and a half degrees east, crossing said Catawissa creek, and running by a public road, leading down Catawissa Creek to the Town of Catawissa, forty-four perches to a point in said public road; thence by land of Wm. Long and land belonging to the estate of George Zarr, deceased, north seventy-four and a half degrees east, thirty-nine perches to the place of beginning, containing 9 ACRES AND 38 PERCHES (be the same more or less), on which are erected A PAPER MILL, DWELLING HOUSES, BARN, STABLES and other outbuildings. There is a chemical fibre mill, ground wood mill, and paper mill, and the appurtenances, including the waters of said creek, to supply the mill with water power, &c. The second lot, or parcel of land, situate in the Township of Catawissa, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post, in line of lands of Jonathan Fortner, a corner of a lot of ground belonging to Mrs. Berger, and running from thence by the same north eighty-three and a half degrees east, seven and a half perches; thence by the same north seventy-two and a half degrees east, nineteen and a half perches to the south post of a gate; thence by land of Mathias Gitzgros south fifteen and a quarter degrees west, nineteen and a half perches to a chestnut tree; thence by the same south twenty-five degrees west, eight perches to a post; thence by the same south nineteen degrees west, six and six-tenths perches to a post; thence by the same south forty-three degrees west, nine and a half perches to a corner of a lot or tract of land known as the Foundry Lot, now owned by Samuel J. Frederick; thence by said lot north forty-nine degrees west, nineteen perches to a post, in line of land of Jonathan Fortner; thence by said line north five and a half degrees east, thirty-four perches to the place of beginning, containing 5 ACRES AND 13 PERCHES (be the same more or less), on which is formed and constructed a dam or basin for the purpose of gathering fresh or clear water for the aforesaid paper mill. Seized, taken in execution, at the suits of Matilda Hughes, surviving executor and trustee of the estate of Douglas Hughes, deceased, vs. The Catawissa Fibre Company, Limited, terre tenant; Wilhelmina McCreedy vs. Catawissa Fibre Co., Ltd.; The Appleton-Wooden Mills vs. The Catawissa Fibre Co., Limited, and Travers Brothers & Company vs. The Catawissa Fibre Company, Limited, and to be sold as the property of the Catawissa Fibre Company, Limited, terre tenant, and the Catawissa Fibre Company, Limited. DANIEL KNORR, Sheriff. C. A. SMALL, ATTY.

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