

FLOOD CAUSES FLAME

Threatening Conditions Pre-vail at Richmond, Va.

TWO HUNDRED FAMILIES HOMELESS.

The James River Has Risen to With-in Seven Feet of Great Freshet of 1877—City's Gas Supply Cut Off.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 1.—Flood, fire and general excitement prevail in Richmond. The water in the James river has risen to twenty-three and a half feet, within four feet of the level of the great freshet of 1877.

The property is situated on the creeks of the flooded district, and at one time it seemed inevitable that it would be destroyed, but a change of wind and the splendid work of the fire department averted that.

It is estimated that the occupants of some 200 small houses on this and the Manchester sides of the river have been vacated temporarily.

Live Stock Lost in Floods. MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 1.—Talliese, where the great dam of the Montgomery Water company is located, is still cut off from all communication.

Tennessee River Very High. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 1.—The Tennessee river reached a stage of forty feet here last night and is still rising.

Damages at Philadelphia. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—The rain which fell almost incessantly for nearly two days resulted in a dangerous freshet in the Schuylkill river.

Miller Named For Comptroller. ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Governor Odell has appointed Nathan L. Miller of Cortland county as state comptroller to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Erastus C. Knight of Buffalo.

Could Not Change His Color. BUFFALO, Dec. 31.—John Jackson, a negro bellboy, formerly employed at the Geneva hotel, drank carbolic acid and died in great agony.

New York Postoffice Makes Record. NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Postmaster Van Cott announces that for the first time in the history of the postoffice the receipts for the year exceeded \$10,000,000.

Oberlin Wins Rockefeller Prize. CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 1.—By the narrow margin of a few hours the rustics of Oberlin college have raised the sum of \$200,000 necessary to secure the conditional offer of \$200,000 from John D. Rockefeller, made a year ago.

Gifts For Employees. NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Edward Kemp, the millionaire druggist, by his will, just filed for probate, bequeathed \$50,000 to employees who have been in his firm for five years or longer.

DEATH OF SENATOR SEWELL.

New Jersey Loses One of Her Fore-most Citizens.

GARDEN, N. J., Dec. 28.—United States Senator William J. Sewell, who died at his home here yesterday, had suffered from diabetes, complicated with stomach and heart trouble, for over two years, but his condition was not considered serious until about a year ago.

General William J. Sewell was born in Ireland in 1835 and came to this country in early boyhood. When fourteen years old he entered a commission house, but soon shipped in the merchant marine service, making two voyages to China.

General Sewell was elected to the United States senate in 1881, succeeding Theodore F. Randolph. He gave way to a Democrat six years later. In 1895, however, he re-entered the senate, taking the place of John R. McPherson.

CAPTAIN LEARY DEAD.

First Governor of Guam and Famous For Samoan Incident.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Captain Richard P. Leary, U. S. N., formerly governor of Guam, died at the United States Marine hospital at Chelsea, where his brother-in-law, Dr. J. Fairfax Irwin, is the surgeon in charge.

Death was due to heart disease, from which the captain had suffered since his return from Guam. The body will be taken to Annapolis, where it will be given a naval burial.

The Missouri Launched.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 28.—Members of the president's cabinet, with their families, and several bureau chiefs of the navy department were here as guests of the Newport News Ship-building and Drydock company to attend the launching of the battleship Missouri, which took place at 11 o'clock today.

A large number of senators, members of the house and others were present, including Senator Francis M. Cockrell of Missouri and his daughter, Miss Marion Cockrell, who acted as sponsor at the launching. The Missouri is a sister ship of the Ohio and the Maine.

Pardoned by Governor Savage.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 1.—Governor Savage has granted an unconditional pardon to Joseph S. Bartley, former state treasurer, who five years ago was sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary on conviction of having embezzled \$210,000 of state funds.

To Release Captive Indians.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 31.—General Frank Armstrong, as agent of the war department, is at Fort Sill, Okla., making arrangements for the release of Chief Geronimo and the 208 Arizona Apache Indians who are held by the government as prisoners of war.

Lived 107 Years.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Almon Streeter of Rensselaer Falls, the oldest man in St. Lawrence county, is dead, aged 107 years. He was a life-long Democrat and is survived by a large family.

New York Markets.

FLLOUR—State and western inactive, but firmly held; Minnesota patents, \$3.80; 15; winter straights, \$3.60; 15; winter extras, \$2.90; 15; winter patents, \$1.70; 15. WHEAT—Opened easy with cables, rallied on strength in the northwest and toward noon weakened again through heavy realizing sales; March, \$7 1/2-16; May, \$5 1/2-15 1/2-16 1/2. RYE—Steady; state, 70¢; c. i. f., N. Y., car lots; No. 2 western, 75¢; c. i. f. No. 2, 80¢. CORN—Advanced for awhile on local covering and then weakened toward midday with wheat; May, 77 1/2-18 1/2. SUGAR—Quiet and barely steady; track, white, state, 54¢; track, white, west, 54 1/2¢; firm; mess, 51.50; 17 1/2; family, 47.50-48. LARD—Easy; prime western steam, 10 1/2¢. BUTTER—Steady; state dairy, 15¢; creamery, 16 1/2¢. EGGS—Quiet; state, full cream, large, fall made, fancy, 10¢; state, full cream, small, fall made, fancy, 11¢; white, state, 64¢; track, white, west, 64 1/2¢. HAY—Steady; shipping, 60¢; good to choice, 82¢-85¢. MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans, 37¢; 45¢. RICE—Quiet; domestic, 43¢; Japan, 45¢-50¢. TALLOW—Firm; city, 5¢; country, 6¢. MEAT—Steady; shipping, 60¢; good to choice, 82¢-85¢.

RESCUED BY A BASS.

How Mr. Bingwater Was Towed Ashore by a Fish.

Angler Fortunately Gets Hold of a Lively Black Bass Just When He Had Concluded That All Was Up with Him.

"You may call black bass wormy and say they are not fit for white men to eat," Mr. Bingwater was saying, earnestly, to a Bangor (Me.) Times man, "but just the same I want you to understand that they are about the gamiest fish that swims, and if it hadn't been for one of them I should not be here smoking cigarettes to-day. Hereafter I'll stand by the black bass and all their shortcomings. It happened this way:

"One afternoon early in the week I got the craze and drove out to Pushaw on a little fishing trip all by my lonesome. I had my fish basket and my tomato can full of worms and an old rod which I picked up somewhere about the house, and I made up my mind if there was any fun to be gotten out of bass fishing I would get it. I chartered an old flat-bottomed punt, the cleanest one which I could discover in the vicinity, and then I started out. I rowed like one of the Pennsylvania oarsmen at Holey until I came over near the point of Dollar island, and then I let down the anchor and began to fish.

"It was but the work of two or three minutes to put my rod together, bait the hook with a worm and throw it overboard. After that I waited. I happened to have brought a little pocket edition of Kipling with me, and for the next ten minutes I was deep in the story of the Gadsbys. As I was in the midst of the most exciting part I got a bite.

"I don't suppose that there is need to say anything further in this connection. I played that bass with the hand of a master, and some five minutes later he was flopping and gasping for breath in the stern sheets. As I took



SEIZED BY A HUGE BASS.

the bass off the hook and flung him in the bottom of the boat I made a disagreeable discovery. My punt was leaking badly and there was already quite three inches of water in the bottom. Moreover, it was pouring in with greater rapidity every minute. It was only a question of time before the craft would be swamped. As I can't swim a stroke it didn't strike me that the situation was a particularly pleasant one.

"I decided to toss my line in once more for luck, anyway, and the hook had no more than disappeared beneath the surface when it was seized by a huge bass, who started out toward shore, pulling like a mogul locomotive. The water was rising rapidly and I was getting desperate, when I happened to realize that here was my chance. I quickly made one end of the line fast to a thwart, and seizing the oars, I helped my friend, the bass, with all the strength that was in me. At last we reached the beach and safety.

"The bass who so fortunately took my bait is still swimming about in the clear, cool depths of Pushaw. I decided that one good turn deserved another, and I carefully removed the hook and tossed him back." "When Mr. Bingwater finished an awful hush fell upon the party and for several minutes no one spoke.

"Why didn't you bail the boat out?" asked little Freddie finally.

Spectators Have Some Rights. Among the feats of a wild man on exhibition in Wichita, Kan., the programme stated that he would eat chunks of raw liver. He failed to do this, and the spectators wrecked the tent. A learned police justice upheld the act, stating that when people pay good money to see a man eat raw liver they have the right to see him eat raw liver or know the reason why.

Belfast is Ireland's richest and most populous city.

THE COUNTRY PAPER.

Amid the pile of papers, And swam my desk each day, And drive me weak with clipping - And fling stuff away. Comes once a week—on Thursday— The quaint old eight-page sheet That's printed up in Pelham, A drowsy county seat.

You see, 'twas up in Pelham That first I saw the light, And—well, my heart grows softer And I feel my eyes shine bright; Right reverent my touch is, It spreads the columns wide, The local's what I'm seeking— The patent-d inside.

The sturdy names of boyhood Come tumbling through our thought, Of Tom and Brick and Fatsey— How we loved and how we fought! The friends when years grew graver, Called now beyond our ken, In the type-lines of the paper They live and speak again.

Oh, toilers in life's workshops, Are not those dream-mists sweet, Which memory casts about us? When past and present meet? And so, I love that paper, From the village in the hills For the old life that it wakens, For the weariness it stills.

— Nathaniel S. Oles, in Rochester, Post.

TRIAL LIST.

For Week Beginning February 10, 1902.

Jacob Gilbert vs. Moses Strasser. Wm. H. Lambert & Co. vs. Simon Raup. W. M. and J. E. Harmony vs. Geo. Breish.

The Trustees of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Danville, Pa., vs. The Overseers of the Poor of Conyngham and Central.

J. B. Rodison vs. B. H. Karns, D. W. Campbell and Elmira J. C. Walker. Harry Harman and Martha Harman, his wife, to use of said wife, vs. The Pennsylvania Canal Co. Nelson C. Hartman vs. Frank W. Boone. James Gilmore vs. Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Joseph Judge and Mary Judge, by John J. Judge, their guardian and next friend, vs. L. V. Coal Co.

F. E. Miller vs. Borough of Berwick. Henry Hinerliter vs. Daniel Derr and Clinton Derr. Emanuel Mauser vs. J. W. Ketchner. Simon Yedinsky vs. Charles J. Fisher and M. Waleck.

Simon Hons, executor and trustee, et al., vs. S. H. and W. R. R. Co. and the Fennar. R. K. Co., lessee. George Farver vs. American Car and Foundry Co. Calvin Pardee & Co. vs. Theo. F. Conner. P. M. Thornton vs. Frank Ikeler and Fred Ikeler, executors of E. R. Ikeler, dec'd. W. H. Khawn vs. P. H. Shuman. C. A. Smaii vs. same. Lillie Atherholt and John Atherholt vs. Charles Hughes.

Am. J. Zahner vs. the Twp. of Roar'ck. H. W. Houck vs. Main, Beaver and Black Creek Mutual Fire and Storm Ins. Co. Jesse Hess vs. Ira R. Sutliff. Charles B. Noelling vs. Philadelphia & Reading Railway Co. George W. Boyer vs. American Car and Foundry Co. Henry A. Heid vs. Fishing Creek Twp. Theo. F. Conner vs. J. Lloyd Dillon. W. H. Neyhard vs. Boro. of Orangeville. Thomas Mooney vs. L. V. Coal Co. Same vs. Same.

DON'T SNEEZE.—Sneezing, snuffling, excessive blowing of nose, congested air passages, watering of eyes and all the other disagreeable symptoms attendant upon colds in the head, influenza, catarrh, hay fever and similar diseases are instantly banished by the use of Clark's Antiseptic Cream. One application gives relief in the worst cases in ten seconds and permanently cures in a very short time. The greatest discovery ever made. Sold under a guarantee. Large tube postpaid for 25c.

AGENTS wanted everywhere to introduce this remedy. Big inducements offered. Write today for a sample (stamps taken) and terms. CLARK CHEMICAL CO., Blairsville, Pa. 12-12-01.

DOCTORED NINE YEARS FOR TETTER.—Mr. James Gasston, merchant, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., writes: "For nine years I have been disfigured with Tetter on my hands and face. At last I have found a cure in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. It helped me from the first application, and now I am permanently cured."—68. Sold by C. A. Klein.

It takes a wise man to get other things financially interested in a fool scheme. SOME FOOLISH PEOPLE allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price, 25 and 50c. Trial size, free. At all druggists.

A friend in need is a friend—who usually wants to borrow a fiver. DR. AGNEW'S CATARRHAL POWDER has proved a blessing to many a "man before the pulpit" in cases of hoarseness, bad throat, tonsillitis and catarrh. Some of the most recent evidence of its efficacy comes from a well-known actor, whose home is in New York City. He says: "I have never found anything to equal this remedy for quick relief." 50 cents.—69. Sold by C. A. Klein.

Superstitious people consider it a bad break to crack a looking glass. MANY SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE SICKLY. Mother Gray's Sweets Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York. Break up colds, in 24 hours, cure feverishness, headache, stomach troubles, teething disorders, and distressing ailments. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y. 12-01.

When a man wants to stop smoking let him buy his wife some new curtains. COULDN'T ESTIMATE ITS VALUE!—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart never fails. It relieves in 30 minutes, it cures. It is a beacon-light to lead you back to health. W. H. Musselman, G. A. R., Weissport, Pa., says: "Two bottles of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart entirely cured me of palpitation and smothering spells. Its value cannot be estimated."—70. Sold by C. A. Klein.

RAILROAD NOTES.

LACKAWANNA RAILROAD. NEW SUMMER BOOK.—The Lackawanna Railroad is about to issue a Summer Book for the coming season, in which each town along the line will be attractively written up. For the information of those desiring summer homes it has been decided to admit a limited number of advertisements of hotels and boarding houses, and these advertisements will be placed immediately following the reading matter relative to the town in which they are located.

The demand for such advertisements has been so great that the Company has decided to modify the policy established a year ago and permit a brief number to appear. It is believed that the change will be a gratifying one to those who are anxious to secure some of the increasing patronage along the line. The local ticket agent has been supplied with specimen pages from this book, showing rates for advertising and other details in connection with it.

SEABOARD AIR LINE RY. CHANGES. FLORIDA AND METROPOLITAN LIMITED. Leaves Philadelphia 3 29 p. m., Baltimore 5 45 p. m., and Washington 7 00 p. m., daily, and arrives Jacksonville 9 05 a. m., Atlanta 8 50 a. m., connecting at Jacksonville for all Florida East Coast points and Cuba, via Miami, and for Tampa, Tallahassee, and all other interior Florida. Seaboard Fast Mail avoids an unseasonable hour of arrival in Atlanta through coaches to Jacksonville on both trains.

STOP OVER PRIVILEGES. At Pinhurst, Southern Pines, Camden, Columbia and Savannah on winter tourist tickets not offered via any other line, good either via Richmond or Portsmouth over Seaboard Air Line Railway. MILEAGE TICKETS. Good from Washington and between all points on Seaboard Air Line, including Florida, are on sale at \$25.00 for each thousand miles, good one year from date of sale. These afford many privileges and cheap rates. This is the shortest, quickest and best line to Florida, which this season is more attractive than ever, as never before in the history of the State has the orange crop been so large and the many other fruit-growing industries so far developed.

For all information call on Ticket Agent, or address Jos. E. Miller, Passenger Agent, 836 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. Jno. R. Daval, Passenger Agent, 201 E. Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md. W. H. Dill, General Agent, Passenger Department, Washington, D. C. 4112 26.

Spring openings in pocketbooks are in evidence all the year round. CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Castoria. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Sold by C. A. Klein.

Uncle Sam's Greatest Secret.

The Paper on Which Our Money Notes are Printed is Jealously Guarded from Pulp to Press.

If there is any secret which Uncle Sam jealously guards it is the process of manufacturing the fibre paper upon which his money notes are printed. He pays a Massachusetts firm forty-three cents a pound for it, and this firm does its work under the surveillance of a Government agent. The paper is manufactured of the finest rags, cleaned, boiled and mashed into pulp. As it is rolled into thin sheets silk threads are introduced into it by a secret process. These are the distinguishing marks making imitation of the paper well-nigh impossible. The sheets of paper, already counted twice and placed in uniform packages at the paper mill, are stored in a Treasury vault and issued to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing as wanted.

Before leaving the Treasury they are counted three times more, and the receiving official at the bureau must receipt for them. Then the bundles are unwrapped and the sheets are counted twenty-eight times by a corps of women. This is to insure that each printer gets the recorded number—no more, no less. If one sheet of this precious paper be lost the entire force of men and women having access to the room where the misplacement has occurred are kept in, like so many school-children, to find it. Each sheet is issued from the vault for the printing of a definite amount of money upon it. If the lost sheet were intended to ultimately represent four thousand dollars' worth of notes the group of employees to whom the responsibility of its misplacement has been traced must make good that amount if they cannot locate it within a reasonable time. The most expensive loss which has thus occurred was of a blank sheet issued for the printing of eighty dollars upon its face.—JOHN ELFRETH WATKINS, JR., in the January Ladies' Home Journal.

Farmers and Labor.

Good Wages in Towns are Steadily Drawing Men From Rural Work. Despite the gradual and steady increase of farm wages, the last twelve months have been marked by a serious shortage of farm help. From all sections of the state the complaint is the same. Various causes have been assigned for the condition. Among them is the fact that other branches of labor require much shorter hours and pay better wages.

Another reason assigned is the fact that farm hands are isolated and cannot meet together during the evening as can laborers in other industries. It has been claimed also that the character of labor required since agricultural implements of all kinds have been introduced is of a higher grade and should have better wages. Some farmers are looking sideways at the question of Chinese exclusion and wonder if the entrance of this class of laborers might not solve the difficulty, which promises to become more serious each year. The claim is made that at the present price of farm products it is one of the questions to pay higher wages, but the fact seems to be evident that wages must advance until more are induced to work upon farms.

Officials of the state department of agriculture say the demand for scientific farmers in Pennsylvania far exceeds the supply. Educated farmers, capable of taking care of large farms and estates and conducting them on the latest improved methods of farming, command salaries ranging from \$95 to \$125 a month.—Harrisburg Patriot.

He Wants Advice.

Brother Newell, of the Dushore Review, has been approached by a young man, a farmer, who is seeking advice, in regard to the proper length of time to stay when he calls on his best girl. We do not like to tackle this sort of a problem, says the editor, for cases differ so much. It all depends upon circumstances. If a case is in the preliminary stage and the young man is simply reconnoitering, he should leave before the old folks go to bed, unless they are of the 3 o'clock breed, but if he is a goner, time doesn't count, and its all right for him to tarry until the hour the lady herself should always be received in the spirit in which it is offered, and if she yawns it is better to find some excuse for an early departure. Of course he should be as economical of fuel and lights during these protracted sessions as possible, and he probably will be, without this suggestion.

40 GEMS, 10 CENTS.—Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills cure all troubles arising from torpor of the liver. Easy and quick, banish Sick Headache, purify the blood and eradicate all impurities from the system. The demand is big. The Pills are little, easy to take, pleasant results, no pain. 40 in a vial, 10 cents, or 100 pills 25cts.—71. Sold by C. A. Klein.

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