

PLAN TO ENLARGE CAPITOL GROUNDS

State Officials and Members of the House and Senate Favorable.

The Fox Bill So Drawn That the Property Must Be Acquired at a Fair Price.

Harrisburg, Jan. 29.—At the reception by the Harrisburg Board of Trade last week to Governor Stuart and other officers of the state government to the members of the legislature and to the Legislative Correspondents' Association, the subject of the extension of Capitol Park was referred to indirectly by Governor Stuart in his speech. While he did not in terms commit himself, he very clearly indicated that he was in favor of the enterprise, saying that he understood what was wanted and that he believed the legislature, which he said is of unusually high character, could be depended on to do whatever was for the best interests of the state.

Anyone who knows conditions surrounding the capitol knows that the enlargement of the park, as proposed, is of prime importance to all the people of the state.

Other speakers referred to the matter more directly. Senator DeWalt, who spoke for President Pro Tem, Woods, of the senate, who was unavoidably absent, declared that while Pennsylvania has the most magnificent and most beautiful capitol of any state in the Union, its surroundings were utterly inadequate and mean. He pledged himself and his fellow-members to vote for any proper bill for the enlargement of the grounds as proposed. These sentiments were heartily applauded by the senators and representatives, as well as by everybody else in the great auditorium, which was filled with the leading members of the state government and the general assembly and the most prominent business and professional men of Harrisburg.

No one should be deluded by the statements of chronic kickers and pullbacks that this is a Harrisburg enterprise and for the benefit of Harrisburg. It is a great public improvement for the benefit of the people of the whole state, which the people of Harrisburg recommend because they are on the ground and see the necessity for it. There is no pecuniary or speculative interest whatever behind this movement.

The people of the state can rest assured of this.

The following is a summary of the provisions of the bill to provide for the extension of Capitol Park introduced in the senate on Monday evening, January 21, by Senator John E. Fox.

The governor shall appoint three commissioners, none of whom shall be interested directly or indirectly in any of the property to be acquired, who shall constitute the Capitol Park extension committee, whose work shall be completed and which shall expire by limitation June 1, 1911. Any vacancy in the commission shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term.

The commission is authorized to acquire title in the commonwealth to all the land between the present Capitol Park on the west, the Pennsylvania railroad on the east, North street on the north and Walnut street on the south, containing about 14 acres, exclusive of streets.

No land shall be actually taken by the commonwealth until the city of Harrisburg shall by ordinance provide for the vacation of all the streets, alleys and other highways in that section without any liability on the part of the commonwealth for damages.

The commissioners may acquire the land by purchase at reasonable prices to be agreed upon between them and the owners, but if they cannot agree the commissioners may on 60 days notice to the owners of their intention to do so take possession of the land and such possession shall vest absolute title in the commonwealth.

The commissioners may assess the damages after full hearing on due notice to the owners. If the owners are not satisfied they can appeal to the Dauphin county court for the fixing of damages in the usual way.

The bill carries an appropriation of \$1,600,000 or as much as may be necessary for the payment of the real estate taken.

As will be seen there can be no speculative snare concealed in this bill. The commission is to be appointed by Governor Stuart. Probably none of them will be residents of Harrisburg or Dauphin county. No unfair prices can be paid for the land because in case of disagreement the price after full hearing and inspection will be fixed by a jury of view subject to confirmation by the court. None of the money appropriated will probably be required this year, as it will take months for the preliminary work of the commission to be done.

The disbursement of the \$1,600,000 or so much of it as may be necessary, provided for in the bill, will extend over a period of four years, so that there will be no draft on the treasury in any one year that will at all interfere with proper provision for the state charitable and penal institutions, the public schools and the making of good roads.

Any one who is familiar with the situation must see that this is a great public improvement that every consideration of good business demands should be made now. Unless the property is secured at this time it is sure to enhance in value and is bound in the near future to be built up with large factories and warehouses that will entirely shut off the view of our magnificent capitol from the east and from the sight of persons who pass through on trains. Communicated from leading editors in every county show that the public sentiment throughout the state is overwhelmingly in favor of this great work.

Latest County Correspondence.

FROM OUR REPORTERS.

RICH VALLEY.

Walter Granger has been on the sick list for the past week.

Andrew Kriner and Roy Berlus of the city attended church Sunday evening.

Jake Sweesey was drawing coal for P. S. Culver Monday.

Our lumbermen are making good use of the snow.

The evangelistic meetings conducted by Miss Heyward have been successful beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. They were concluded Sunday evening.

Rev. A. C. Dow preached at Mason Hill and Castle Garden Sunday.

How about the paint, girls?

The A. C., held a meeting Saturday evening to welcome the Pres. Wm. Carter, late of West Va.; other business was transacted. Verney Lewis was delegated to call on the Mix Run A. C., and arrange dates for our scrapers.

M. A. P.

MIX RUN.

Major Moore spent Sunday with his children at Emporium.

G. W. Howlet spent Sunday with his family at Sterling Run.

Andrew Kriner was seen on our streets this week.

Don't look so sober Howard, they will be back some day.

Clivas Lewis made a flying trip to Emporium. Be careful Clive.

J. Trout say's walking is good especially for young folks. To bad this is not trout season.

J. A. S.

STERLING RUN.

Anson Lyman, wife and son are visiting relatives here.

J. B. Hiney's little daughter Pearl is quite sick.

Floy Whiting and Zeola Mason were Emporium visitors this week.

Nellie and Gladys O'Keefe attended the local institute at Driftwood Saturday.

Harry Whiting, Gus Marshall, Chas. Smith and Frank Bryer went to Ligonier, Monday.

Clarence Howlett is sick with the grip.

Mabel Stephens of Emporium is visiting her parents this week.

Jessie V. Sterling is visiting at Emporium.

Fred Shaffer is quite ill.

Mrs. Wm. Smith had another of her oyster suppers Saturday night. Twenty young folks from Canoe Run attended.

Rev. Ebersole returned from Kyler town quite ill with grip.

Nellie Marsh of Mason Hill, visited at Emporium Tuesday.

Robert Lynch was visiting his brother George last week.

Mrs. Foster of Renovo, was a visitor at Thos. M. Lewis' Wednesday.

Rev. Ebersole was called to Medix Run this week to officiate at the funeral of Mrs. Ellen Russell.

Mrs. Norman Arnold, daughter and son of Ridgway, are visiting Mrs. J. E. Smith.

BLUE BELL.

CAMERON.

Miss Edwards returned Monday evening from her home at Sweet Valley, Pa., where she was suddenly called last week on account of the serious illness of her mother.

I. M. Kelly, formerly Superintendent at the mines, will leave for Clarksburg, W. V., with his family this week.

Thomas, the infant son of A. F. Walker and wife, has again recovered from his recent illness.

G. L. Page, was a business caller at St. Marys Saturday.

The dance held in K. G. E. Hall Monday evening was well attended from Emporium, Rich Valley and Sterling Run.

Thresa Hoehn, of St. Marys, is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Page.

Mrs. John Schwab visited Sterling Run friends Sunday.

Operator E. D. Krape slipped on the tower steps last Wednesday morning and sprained his foot, but has been able to continue his work.

Landlord Graham is very busy these days, getting up late suppers to accommodate the many sleighing parties since the snow came.

Nora McCarthy has returned to her home in Smethport, after a week's visit with friends in town.

Mrs. Patrick Killen is no better at this writing.

Mrs. Kirk, of Canoe Run, who has been very ill for the past three months, is slowly improving.

The family of Daniel Kirk are suffering with scarlet fever.

A sleigh ride party from Canoe Run went to Sterling Run Sunday evening. Four young ladies from Cameron were also invited. The merry party reached Sterling Run, but on the return trip the ladies from Cameron were forced to walk all the way to Cameron. This is not in accordance with the good reputation of the young men at Canoe Run and it would seem that this proceeding was a very marked breach of good manners. What's wrong boys?

HUNTLEY.

Mrs. W. W. Johnson's feeling somewhat better at this writing. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

W. H. Logue, W. R. Smith, W. W. Johnson, and L. H. Smith attended the primaries at Driftwood Saturday.

Geo. Starr and Douglas Smith spent Sunday in Sterling Run.

Rev. Lantz, the popular Evangelist, assisted by Miss Etta Hayward, are conducting a series of revival meetings at the Wesleyan Church. The meetings are being well attended.

Last Thursday, while B. J. Collins was assisting in rolling logs in Big Run a log struck him in the leg and injured him severely. He was confined to his home until Monday, but we are glad to see him able to be about again. Dr. Corbett, of Driftwood attended him.

Dr. Smith, of Emporium, was called to attend Mrs. W. W. Johnson Sunday.

Mrs. John L. Johnson has returned from a visit with relatives in Conneaut, Ohio.

Erta Heyward has just concluded a series of successful revival meetings at Rich Valley and is with her many friends in Huntley once more.

Flossie Johnson has returned home after a visit with her brother and sister, Jesse Johnson and wife.

Dan Kilbourne and Walter Logue have left for Watoga, W. Va., where they have secured positions in the lumber districts.

Wesley Barr and son Harry are cutting logs for Geo. Hill on Grove Hill.

Byron Duell and his three sons are breaking the record this season making ties in Mason Run.

Emporium calls this week: School Director C. J. Miller, Supervisor Jesse Johnson, Mrs. Frances Logue, Henry Layton and with, Contractor A. W. Smith, and J. F. Sullivan, wife and son.

Our hustling lumberman B. J. Collins is taking advantage of the recent snow fall and is making the logs move at a great rate. A glance at the mouth of Big Run will satisfy everyone that B. J. Collins is no drone in the world's bee hive.

Technical errors often cause a great deal of annoyance but we must all live and learn. Better luck next time.

We are sorry to announce that, owing to a severe cold, Mr. Starr could not sing us the selection for this week's PRESS, but he has contributed the following epic poem which we cheerfully submit to our readers this week:

A good solid woodsman named Starr,
Who is well known both near and afar;
For with snow to his knees,
He can slash down the trees,
And his blows, the tall mountains do jar.
He jumps out of bed at sunrise,
With a clear, honest look in his eyes;
It is pleasing to see,
How he tackles a tree,
And hustles it up into ties.

He is a stranger to all human ills;
He never has fever or chills;
For if he feels sick,
He crosses the creek,
And samples "Smith's" Vegetable Pills.

So long life to Uncle George Starr,
May his bright future never be marred;
But if "Sullivan" he gets!
He will fix him, you bet,
With a nice coat of feathers and tar.

J. F. S.

The fleecers are around.

Assessment rolls oftentimes remind us
That the taxpayer has no show.
Useless all his toil and endeavor,
For the collector swipes the dough.

That bonded debt is a tax-telling heaven,
And the county treasury a never filled dump.
Say, where is the pictured prosperity heaven,
The spellbinder guided when out on the stump?

Sad is the heart of the ever-rat sinner,
Whose hard-earned nickels, have gone in a lump,
Oh, who will loan him the price of a dinner?
This stripping our bare is a hog-able thump.

Do you know where taxpayers can avoid starvation?
Where just a few shaves escape annual doom?
Me thinks 'tis where assessors take an eternal vacation,
In a thrice blessed spot,—just over the moon.

—EMMA MERSEREAU NEWTON.

A stockbroker whose mind was always full of business was asked a few days ago how old his father was.

"Well," said he abstractedly, "he's quoted at 80, but there is every prospect that he will reach par, and possibly be at a premium."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Mrs. Closest—It's too bad that I, like most women, have no head for figures.

Closest—Well, suppose you had?

Mrs. Closest—Oh, then I might be able to tell you what I did with that dollar you gave me three weeks ago.—Cleveland Plaindealer.

White fish is less nutritious than mutton or beef. Salmon is nearly or quite equal to beef in point of nutrition. All fish contain oil largely. In some, as cod and salmon, the oil is distributed throughout the flesh. In others, as the cod, it is almost confined to the liver.

Farmers in Distress.

There is no question but what the farmers are queered. One poor devil over in Barber county last week lost two thoroughbred Hereford steers and one fine milk cow from overeating and the same week lost four valuable thoroughbred Poland china brood sows, caused by the bursting of a granary, the grain from which smothered the animals. Something has got to be done.—Harper, Kan., Sentinel.

Loosen His Head.

At a banquet of clergymen recently the subject of absent-minded people was under discussion and yarns ancient and of recent origin were told by several speakers.

It is seldom that ministers compete with one another to tell stories that task the credulity of their hearers, but upon this occasion the Rev. Dr. Dana, pastor of the Walnut Street Presbyterian church, carried off the honors.

"There was a physician whose absent-mindedness was so marked that it often caused queer complications," said Dr. Dana. "Why, when he was married the minister told him to place the wedding ring on his bride's finger.

"He reached for her, felt her pulse, and as it was very naturally beating faster than normal, exclaimed: 'Let me see your tongue.'"—Philadelphia Record.

In Working Order.

"Look here," complained the stranger, stepping inside the store door, "this weighing machine in front of your place is out of order."

"I've got nothing to do with that machine," said the sleepy-looking young man behind the counter.

"Well, somebody ought to have."

"What's the matter with it, anyway?"

"It won't work. I dropped a penny into it just now, and the indicator didn't fly around. I shook the machine, and jumped up and down on the platform, and still it didn't move. It's a swindle."

"It took the penny all right, didn't it?"

"Certainly."

"Well, that's what it's for. There's nothing the matter with the machine, sir."

Cause of the Spots.

A woman with an exceptionally clear complexion recently sat for her photograph. On receiving the proof she took it back to the artist and complained of a number of small spots on the face which marred an otherwise perfect picture. The photographer was at a loss to account for this, an examination of the negative failing to give the slightest clue to the source of trouble. A fortnight later an eruption of spots broke out on the woman's face, which proved to be the first outward symptoms of a very severe attack of smallpox.

Rivalry in Big Mansions.

The rivalry of the Pittsburgh millionaires manifests itself mostly in the building of vast mansions in New York city. Mr. Carnegie set the pace with his great house on upper Fifth avenue. Then his former employe, Mr. Schwab, decided to build a more showy and costly establishment on the west side of the city. Now Mr. Frick, who lost his admiration for Mr. Carnegie a few years ago, pays \$2,400,000 for the Lenox library site on Fifth avenue, between Seventieth and Seventy-First streets, and will erect there a residence to cost millions.

John's Explanation.

"John," said Mrs. Noodles savagely as John came into the room unsteadily and hung his collar on the chandelier.

"What time is it?"

"Just 1 o'clock, my dear," replied John, making a desperate effort to act natural.

"What do you mean by telling me such a falsehood? I heard the clock strike 3 not ten minutes before you came in."

"Yes—hic—my dear, but you don't understand that clock. It's a repeater."

—Milwaukee Sentinel.

California Gallantry.

"They told me the story of a well-known gentleman from San Francisco, who, charging through all the smoke and flames and litter on the first day of terror, came upon a fashionable lady of his acquaintance trudging along the middle of the street in her bedroom slippers with a window curtain thrown over her shoulders. He stopped his automobile to offer her his assistance, explaining at the same time that the auto was all he had saved out of the wreck and even that had been commandeered by the soldiers.

"I, too, have lost all," she sighed.

"All but your beauty," said he, with a courtly bow.

"And you all but your gallantry," she retorted, smiling.

Sympathy.

Footpads on a lonely street.

"Halt! Throw up your hands."

"What yer got, Billy?"

"Come look at him, Pete. Fine-looking duck rigged out in long light overcoat and tall hat."

"Where's he been?"

"Says he's been downtown buying Christmas presents for all his family and all his friends."

"What? Give the poor chap a nickel carfare and apologize for holding him up. I bet he's broke."—Chicago Daily News.

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Notice of Triennial Tax Appeal. Cameron County, Pa.

The appeal from the Triennial Assessment for 1907 will be held at the following time and places.

Emporium borough, at the Court House, Emporium, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 19 and 20.

Shippen and Portage township, at the Court House, Emporium, Thursday, February 21st.

Lumber township, at the Alpine House, Sterling Run, Monday, Feb. 25th.

Driftwood borough and West Gibson township, at T. J. Riley's, in Driftwood, Tuesday, Feb. 26th.

Grove and East Gibson townships, at O. L. Bailey's, Sinaamahoning, Wednesday, Feb. 27.

By order of County Commissioners, W. L. THOMAS, Clerk.

Pennsylvania Railroad.

Schedule in Effect NOV. 25, 1906

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM. For Harrisburg, Philad-elphia, Baltimore and Washington, 8:10 a. m., 12:05, 3:15, 10:30 p. m. daily.

For Wilkesbarre and Scranton, 8:10 a. m. week days.

For Erie and intermediate stations: 10:45 a. m., 1:25 p. m. daily.

For Falls Creek, Red Bank and Pittsburg, 10:45 a. m. week days.

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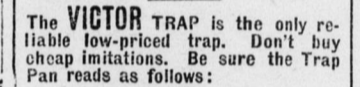
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