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Judge Gresham's boom seems to have collapsed at Chicago.

The grasshoppers are devastating southern Indiana, and there is danger that there will be no corn.

They have made a cannon in Pittsburg which will shoot twelve miles. That ought to prevent war--let us have peace.

Mrs. John A. Logan is taking a big hand in the Chicago convention, and working all her might to help the Alger boom.

Presidential booms are as plenty in Chicago this week, as strawberries in the groceries, and some of them are just as unripe. The Blaine boom is a big and noisy as any.

This is 17 year locust summer in some parts of our state. Along with the 'ch'n music of the presidential stump orators, this will prove a lively summer. Oh for a lodge in some vast wilderness.

The king of Holland's heir, the Princess Wilhelmina, aged seven years, has been betrothed to the twelve year old prince of Sax-Weimar. The marriage will unite Sax-Weimar and Holland.

The clover of Eastern Pennsylvania and Western Maryland is being devoured by a small worm, which destroys the blossoms, and there are fears that the crop of clover seed will be very short this year. Verily, the tribulations of the farmer are many.

With France and the United States setting the example of entering into a perpetual treaty for the settlement of all disputes between the two nations by arbitration, the cause of peace ought to be given an impetus, and other countries be induced to do likewise.

The proclamations of the new Emperor of Germany, William the Second, to his army and navy have an ominously warlike sound. The young monarch apparently wants to fight if he can find half a chance. But in this case the way may not prove to be as ready as the will, when the parliaments and tributary sovereigns come to be consulted.

In Philadelphia, Richard Alberger, attempted to poison his wife by administering arsenic, which he placed in her coffee at the supper table. The motive is said to have been a desire to secure \$100 insurance money which was placed on Mrs. Alberger's life. The woman found there was something wrong with the coffee in time to save her life.

This will be a hotly contested presidential campaign--but let none lose their temper, as all are working for the best interests of their country. Talk the issues over calmly and in a friendly way, then vote as you think is best for the general good. The tariff will be the sole issue and a good opportunity will be afforded to understand the question thoroughly.

Mr. Herbert Ward, of the members of the Stanley expedition, and who has acted as Major Bartolot's assistant, is now on his way home to England from Africa. He bears despatches from Major Bartolot to the promoters of the expedition. Major Bartolot has written a letter to a friend in London, in which he says there is reason to fear that serious disaster has befallen Stanley.

The letter is very discreet and uncommunicative, but the dispatches will probably tell the whole truth. The worst is feared and many look upon Stanley as lost long ago.

The coal production of the United States for the year 1887 was 123,965,255 net tons, valued at the mines at \$173,530,996. Of this aggregate Pennsylvania furnished 39,506,255 tons of anthracite and 30,866,602 tons of bituminous, a total of 70,372,857 tons, valued at \$107,172,185, or more than one-half of the total output in tons and more than three fifths in value. Ohio produced 10,301,708 tons. West Virginia leads the Southern States in coal production with 4,836,820 tons, followed by Maryland with 3,274,023 tons, Missouri with 3,209,916, and by Kentucky, Alabama and Tennessee with 1,900,000 tons each. Idaho with 500 tons, and Nebraska with 1500, make the smallest showing of the States and Territories that produce coal at all. It is evident from these figures that it takes a good deal of coal to furnish the heat and steam for the United States of America and that natural gas has made no real reduction in coal consumption.

HASTINGS' SPEECH.

DAN DOUGHERTY'S GREAT EFFORT SET IN THE SHADE.

BY THE BOANERGES OF OLD CENTRE AT CHICAGO.

Over its private wire the Reporter is enabled to lay before its readers the speech of Gen. Hastings, nominating John Sherman in the Chicago Convention, in advance of any of its contemporaries. Mr. Hastings arose, amid great cheers and spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONVENTION:--The eyes of a continent, and of Centre county in particular, are turned to this convention, and at this particular moment. (Cheers) "What are we here for?" were the memorable words of Flannigan of Texas, in a previous convention. I may be permitted to use the phrase and ask, What am I here for? The answer to that momentous question will reveal itself to this mighty gathering when my remarks draw to a close.

Wait! And you shall know. Just before I perorate.

The mighty Keystone state, and the grand Buckeye commonwealth, thro your humble servant, propose to open the way to a magnificent victory in asking the nomination to the high-t place in the gift of the American people of one of the greatest statesmen of the past or present. (Cheers) Mr. Chairman, it affords me ineffaceable joy to name the man. He will be our Moses in all--only that he will get there. (Cheers) My county is the mother of governors, and I think she is now nursing in her lap future presidential timber, which, modestly, she calls me to say, does not embrace him who now speaks to this vast audience. (Cries of good.)

Sir, the Democracy at St. Louis, a few days ago, changed their tactics--they will run their campaign with a lady in it. (Tremendous applause) We must meet them right there (cries of "You are right.") and I shall propose the man and the woman too. (Cheers and cries of good.) Where they hope to make votes with Frankie and Grover, I shall propose that we trot out Eliza and John. (Tremendous applause) Where the Democracy swing the hateful red bandanna, I propose we set up the bib of the quadroom. (Great and long continued applause.)

A voice:--Name your man. Hastings:--"My hour is not yet come." What we want, my fellow Republicans, is to benefit by hindsight, use great foresight, but have very little foraker. (Cheers and cries of good.)

A voice:--Name your man.

Hastings:--You just keep quiet over there, or I'll slap you after this convention adjourns. Mr. Chairman, I nominate the man for the Presidency, who, with the aid of a lady, secured the defeat of Sammy Tilden, (cheers) and made Hayes President. (Renewed cheering.) Many of you may have forgotten Hayes--but the distinguished gentleman I now name, John Sherman, is still here. (Wild applause, continues 23 min. 2 sec.)

John Sherman is the greatest statesman of the day, and can lead us to victory--he has shown what he can do for others, and why not as much for himself? This distinguished son of Ohio [cheers] started out a poor boy and now is a millionaire. Under an administration of such a man there would be hope of many of us getting rich, and that's what we are here for. [Laughter and applause.]

And now in conclusion, let me say, that if the Democracy are going to run their side of the campaign with Cleveland, Frankie and the bandanna, we must be wise and head 'em off by Sherman, Eliza and the quadroom bib, and we'll get 'em a la Tippecanoe and Tyler too.

And further, Mr. Chairman, let me say, the whole atmosphere is clouded with red 'kerchiefs. It prognosticates the coming of a mighty cyclone of Democratic aneazee, and unless we haste and take to the Sherman dog on us, the Republican party will be blown out of existence, the rebel debt paid, and this great grand, glorious, free Republic be annexed to free trade England. [Tremendous applause which has not yet subsided.]

A plague of locusts has attacked Algeria, as bad as or worse than anything known in our own country. The winged pests are said to be advancing in a compact mass twelve miles broad through the province of Constantine, taking every green thing as they go. Our Western settlers know what such a visitation means. They have had it and are threatened with it again, though with the settlement of the country and the abolition of waste tracts the grasshopper plague becomes more unlikely in this country.

A lady in East Liberty, Pa., whose face was covered with sores, was cured by using one bottle of "Dr. Lindsey's Blood Searcher."

INSECTS DESTROY THE FRUIT CROPS IN JERSEY.

Serious damages are reported from all sections of the State of New Jersey by the rosebug, which is a troublesome insect that ravages all sorts of fruit crops. All the berry bushes on the Rancoocas Preserve, owned by Pierre Lorillard at Jobstov, are covered with millions of the insects. On the farms in the vicinity of Burlington City the cherries on the trees are being stung. Much harm has come to the apple crop in the vicinity of Moorestown.

Down on the Vineland track, where more berries are raised than in any other part of the state, they have attacked the grapes and blackberries. The farmers are fighting the insects, but they are too thick. In one peach orchard in Haddonfield County half the trees were stripped in three days. It is estimated that at least one million were lodged on each tree. The reports from Salem county are to the effect that the army worm has become a nuisance in Lower Creek Township. There is no remedy known that will check the career of thes' bug.

PUTTING TIN PLATE ON THE FREE LIST.

There was an interesting debate in the house on Wednesday on the tin plate section of the tariff bill, putting that article on the free list, and notwithstanding the efforts of the Republicans to increase the existing duty, the house voted on Thursday to retain tin plate on the free list.

At present there is no tin plate manufactured in this country, all efforts in that direction having failed. We imported last year nearly \$17,000,000 worth, on which duties were collected of \$5,706,434, the rate of duty being 1 cent a pound, or about 34 per cent ad valorem. The duty is not protective, no tin plate being manufactured here to protect, and is for "revenue only." The Government doesn't need the money and therefore the reform bill proposes to put this article, in some respects a raw material, on the free list for the benefit of American manufactures of tin ware.

HOW PENNSYLVANIA STANDS.

Chicago, June 18--Senator Quay did what he promised for Sherman in the delegation on the 18th. In the caucus he polled thirty-six votes for Sherman, as against fourteen votes for Philadelphia for Mayor Filler, whose candidacy has aroused considerable curiosity. Dewey got two votes, so did Gresham, and Quay said shortly after the caucus that Sherman would have 65 of the Pennsylvania vote when Filler dropped out, as he would after the first or second ballot. There is every reason to believe that Quay can hold Pennsylvania strength for Sherman as long as he cares to do so. The significant fact that the national committee was not named by the caucus, shows that what has been asserted, is true. If Sherman is nominated, so the story goes among Pennsylvanians, Quay is to be chairman of the national committee.

AN INDIAN BATTLE.

The Crows and Piegiens are having serious trouble again. A band of Piegiens stole fifteen horses from the crows a few days ago. On discovering the theft fifteen mounted warriors started in pursuit, making the remarkable ride of forty-five miles in three hours, and arriving at Pompey's Pillar by sunset. The Piegiens were only a few minutes in advance, and had already taken off their clothing preparatory to swimming the Yellowstone. The pursuers found and were examining the clothing, when a shot from the Piegiens killed a crow horse. The war whoop at once sounded and the skirmish began. After an exciting contest one Piegian was killed and another wounded while a third, who was seriously injured, succeeded in getting into the river and it is supposed that he was drowned. The stolen horses were recovered.

The crows camped on the spot, had a war dance lasting all night, and returned in triumph with the recaptured property and two scalps.

Here is what the Republicans declared in their Chicago platform of 1883, on the subject of the tariff.

The Democratic party has failed completely to relieve the people of the burden of unnecessary taxation by a wise reduction of the surplus. The Republican party pledges itself to correct the inequalities of the tariff and to reduce the surplus.

A mad dog bit several persons in Chicago, one day last week. This week there will be accounts of many mad dogs in Chicago.

The Republicans are now assailing Thurman as having been disloyal. This is on par with the railing of Ingalls, who pronounced Gen's McClellan and Hancock traitors and sympathizers with the rebels.

Gresham being an honest and fair-minded Republican, he can make no headway at Chicago.

ANOTHER TRAIN ROBBED.

An Engineer Fired At and Compelled to Break Into His Express Car. BILKINS, Mont., June 18.--The west bound express train was robbed Saturday night about 10 o'clock between Big Horn and Meyers station, on the Northern Pacific road. The train was danger signalled at a dangerous place on the road and stopped, and when Engineer Sargent realized the situation he pulled the throttle wide open to escape, but was compelled by the rapid shooting to stop his train again.

The robbers, eight in number, compelled Engineer Sargent to get through the train while they relieved the passengers of valuables. Sargent was compelled to break in the door of the express car and crawl in first. The robbers followed, and the safe was opened and all the money taken. Many passengers hid their money about the car before the robbers reached them. Conductor Ream was ordered to keep in the rear coach. The passengers were greatly excited when they reached here. The coaches had all been shot into and shooting had been dangerously close, but no one was seriously hurt. Sheriff Harris and deputies have gone on a special train to the place of the robbery.

New Enterprises.

New York, June 18.--The following summary for the press, showing the progress of the manufacturing industries of the country, including incorporated companies, buildings, etc., for the week ending Saturday, June 18, by the New Enterprise:

Buildings costing over \$50,000 each, 150,000,000
Chimneys, 2,000,000
Electric light companies and new plants, 1,000,000
Gas companies, 1,000,000
Manufacturing, 2,000,000
Mills, factories, etc., 1,000,000
Mining companies, 1,000,000
Railroad and extensions, 14,000,000
Water works, 18,000,000

Thousands Saw Him Drown.

BROOKPORT, Conn., June 18.--A well dressed, good looking young man, about 20 years old, committed suicide at Seaside park in the presence of several thousand witnesses. He was suddenly seen running at the top of his speed from Waldemar, the residence of P. T. Barnum. He dove head first into a small pond within the park. He disappeared beneath the water, and general consternation ensued. A crowd collected by the pond, and after twenty minutes his body was recovered. Nothing was found on him person to identify him. A tin pocket was a return excursion ticket to New York.

Her Scalp was Sent by Mail.

WASHINGTON, June 18.--The dead letter office here gets a good many curious articles through the mails, and the employes who open the packages are accustomed to many strange sights. The contents of a package just received, however, takes the first prize. It was the scalp of a white woman, stretched out on a bent willow frame, and from the mark on the package the conviction resulted that it was the trophy of some Indian warrior. The hair was long and dark, and the scalp had evidently been removed hastily from the cranium.

The Dis Debars Get Six Months.

New York, June 18.--Ann O'Delia, Princess Editha Lolita Montez Salomon Dis Debar, medium, and her bogus husband, the alleged Gen. Dis Debar, have been sentenced to the penitentiary for six months, where they will have time to repent for entering into a conspiracy to fraudulently gain possession of Lawyer Marsh's property. Ann O'Delia was very much excited when the sentence was pronounced, calling down upon the heads of the judge, juryman and mankind in general the vengeance of all spooks, singly and collectively.

Pennsylvania Pythian Knights.

CINCINNATI, June 18.--The report of the Pennsylvania committee, Knights of Pythias, against Howard Douglas, supreme chancellor, in suspending the Pennsylvania grand lodge, but not in creating a provisional lodge, and they hold the old lodge in power until Aug. 1, when they must change their laws to be in uniformity with the supreme lodge. They recommend the admission of the representative of the suspended grand lodge to the supreme lodge, vested with full sanction authority as before the suspension.

Cornell's Commencement.

ITHACA, N. Y., June 18.--The attendance of commencement guests is the largest ever known in the history of Cornell university. The hotels are filled with visitors from all parts of the country. Among those prominent were Lieutenant Governor Jones and wife; Alfred H. Cowley, of Cleveland, O.; Wayland H. Smith, of Philadelphia; I. S. and T. B. Reynolds, of Dayton, O.; W. O. Park, of Atchison, Kan.; H. H. Smith, of Columbus, O. The reunion during the week will be a prominent feature.

Lobsters for the Pacific Coast.

WOODS HOLE, Mass., June 18.--A fish commission car has left here with live lobsters for stocking the waters of the Pacific coast in the region about San Francisco. The shipment comprises over 600 lobsters of both sizes, females predominating. Many of the latter are carrying eggs nearly ready to hatch. Besides the live lobsters the shipment includes a lot of 300,000 free eggs arranged on cloth trays. These will be artificially hatched in San Francisco.

Drove Them Off with a Rifle.

HURONTON, L. I., June 18.--A party of hunters from Connecticut landed on the farm of W. H. Conklin for a clam roast. Their fire extended to the woods, and rapidly made its way to Mr. Conklin's barn. The party did nothing to put the fire out, and when ordered to leave refused to do so. Mr. Conklin procured a rifle, at the sight of which the excursionists ran like sheep. The flames were put out.

Capt. Andrews' Perilous Voyage.

POINT OF FIXES, Boston Harbor, Mass., June 18.--Capt. William A. Andrews started for Boston last evening on board his little dory, the Dark Secret, which measures just twelve feet from stem to stern. If it reaches its far away destination safely it will be the smallest craft known to history to successfully encounter the perils of the deep on so long a voyage.

Secretary Whitney's Narrow Escape.

WASHINGTON, June 18.--Secretary Whitney, his wife and daughter Paulina, were on the train that suffered derailment at Pope's Creek, Va., on Saturday. Their car was not thrown off the track.

THE KEYSTONE STATE.

NEWS TOPICS OF LOCAL INTEREST TO PENNSYLVANIANS.

Facts and Fancies Gleaned from Many Sources and Boiled Down to Brief Paragraphs for the Benefit of Busy Readers.

READING, Pa., June 18.--The funeral of Bishop John F. Mast, of the Amish church, was attended by over 2,000 persons. There were 250 horses on the ground and nearly 500 conveyances were in the procession to the grave. Bishop Mast was a very prominent man, and the members of the church observed closely the burial ceremonial. Representatives were present from Kansas, Ohio, Indiana and other states where the Amish church is established.

An Unlucky Saturday.

PHILADELPHIA, June 18.--Property worth \$100,000 was consumed by fire and broken into splinters by train wrecks on the Pennsylvania railroad Saturday afternoon.

Sherman the Colored Man's Favorite.

PITTSBURGH, June 18.--Fred Douglas is the favorite candidate of the colored people, though Gresham has many friends and Harrison is regarded as a great man.

Engineers and Firemen Meet.

PITTSBURGH, June 18.--A union meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Brotherhood of Firemen was held in this city yesterday. Fifteen different lodges were represented. Resolutions were unanimously adopted tendering their support to the striking C. B. and Q. brothers so long as they may require assistance, and to use all honorable means to induce travelers and shippers to use some other line so long as the C. B. and Q. remains in a "scab" road. This action was brought about by the report that the engineers and firemen would discontinue their support at the expiration of three months.

They Will Sign the Scale.

PITTSBURGH, June 17.--An official of the Amalgamated Association is responsible for the statement that four firms, two in this city, one in Youngstown, Ohio, and the other in Sharon, Pa., have signified their intention of signing the Amalgamated Association scale in preference to closing their works for the term of three months, as prescribed by the Amalgamated resolutions of Saturday.

Killed in a Drunken Quarrel.

HAZLETON, Pa., June 18.--During a drunken quarrel William Parry shot James Cobley through the heart, causing instant death. Parry was locked up.

Musical Festival at Wilkesbarre.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., June 18.--The great musical festival, held under the auspices of the Wilkesbarre Operatic society, opened here yesterday. Governor Beaver presided. Twenty-five hundred dollars in prizes is offered. The winners of yesterday's prizes were as follows: Contralto solo, first prize, Miss Jennie Harris, Scranton; second prize, Miss Lizzie Hughes, Providence. The competition for chorus of ninety voices for the prize of \$300, and was won by Rolling Hill Choral society, of Wilkesbarre. Nanticoke Choral society took second prize. Richard Williams, of Kingston, carried off the tenor solo prize. Groylen Gwent, of Plymouth, won the prize for city musical composition. Mrs. Emma Bair, of Wilkesbarre, was given the prize for best knowledge of vocal music. Four choirs of 300 voices each participated in the competition as to who could sing "Come, Let Us Go Forth" best. The judges concluded that none of the choirs came up to the mark, and the \$300 prize was withheld.

Walt Whitman Worse.

PHILADELPHIA, June 18.--The poet, Walt Whitman, has had a relapse, and is again very ill. His friends are greatly alarmed, as he seems to be extremely weak. It is believed that he saw too many visitors on Thursday, and that excitement brought about thereby caused this sudden and unlooked for relapse. His mind seems clear, but languor and weakness oppress him.

He Was Tired of Life.

PHILADELPHIA, June 18.--An elderly, well dressed man entered the Pennsylvania hospital, and indicated by gestures that he desired treatment. His name was found on a white handkerchief saturated with blood. He had a pistol shot wound in the right temple. He had passed down along the jaw, and came out through the other cheek. Another ball had been fired through the palate, and lodged in the base of the brain. This was proved for, but not found. The man was probably the same man found on him it was learned that he was Herman Stein, of Jefferson avenue, Jersey City, a retired merchant. He had been in Atlantic City several days, under treatment for nervous prostration, and says he was tired of life.

He Couldn't Say "No."

PITTSBURGH, June 18.--Mr. Nolan, an old and trusted estate of Mellon Brothers, bankers and real estate agents, has left the city under circumstances both peculiar and suspicious. Nothing has yet been discovered in his accounts indicating dishonesty, but it has been discovered that certain of the firm's customers have been permitted to heavily overdraw their accounts, the aggregate reaching, it is said, \$75,000. Nolan tried to conceal the fact from his employers by allowing the posting of his books to fall behind. The parties who took advantage of Nolan's weakness and inability to say "no" are all good, financially, and have given notes for the shortage. Nolan's whereabouts are not known, but Mellon brothers say they will not prosecute him.

Discussing Iron Workers' Wages.

PITTSBURGH, June 18.--The conference committee representing the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers and the iron manufacturers met yesterday afternoon. A. F. Keating spoke at length explanatory of the manufacturers' scale and the many reasons why the manufacturers would insist on its wholesale adoption. The manufacturers' scale provides for a general reduction of from 10 to 20 per cent, and \$5 for boiling iron on a two-cent card. President Wells followed in a lengthy statement in support of the Amalgamated association scale, which makes no provision for any reduction whatever, and virtually demands the adoption of the present scale of wages, based on \$5.50 for boiling on a two-cent card. After a two hours session the committee adjourned until to-morrow morning. A telegram was received from the iron manufacturers in the Mahoning valley stating that they would close their mills in preference to signing the Amalgamated association scale.