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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.

PHILADELPHIA, July 12.—The Reading Railroad has introduced a system of economy in the operation of its general traffic on South Fourth street and its local stations.

Changes have been made in the handling of coal at Third and Berks and Ninth and Green streets stations, which have enabled the company to dispense with the services of fifty to one hundred laborers.

About \$2,000,000 a year are saved in the item of wages to these laborers.

At the general office President Corbin has introduced a system of bookkeeping which enables a few men to do the work of a large force without the necessity of increasing the salary of a single clerk.

Shamokin, Pa., July 12.—Buck Ridge colliery, owned by the Reading company, which has been idle since the disaster of 1883, at which time seven men were smothered by fire flame, has again resumed operations.

Explosion in a Colliery. Shamokin, Pa., July 14.—A terrific explosion of gas occurred at the Stirling colliery, which miners Anthony Rudoski, Joseph Clamac, Joseph Filer and an unknown driver boy were terribly burned.

A Wonderful Gas Well. Pittsburgh, July 14.—A party of Pittsburghers, who have visited the now roaring gas well of the Philadelphia company, lack of Canonsburg, say that according to the registered pressure the well is the largest in the world.

Mother and Daughter Killed by a Train. LATROBE, Pa., July 14.—Mrs. James Crusan, aged 40, and her 15-year-old daughter were struck and instantly killed by the east bound mail train, about half a mile west of town.

To Unite the Lutheran Church. GETTSBURG, Pa., July 14.—Committees from three branches of the Lutheran church are in session here, arranging to publish a revised translation of the "Augsburg Confession" and Luther's small catechism.

More Firms Signing a Scale. PITTSBURGH, July 14.—President Keating and Secretary Joseph D. Weeks, of the Manufacturers' Iron and Steel association, deny all reports that were current to the effect that a special meeting of manufacturers had been called to reconsider their action in reference to signing the Amalgamated scale.

Arrested for Conspiracy. CARLSBURG, Pa., July 16.—Dr. M. C. Smith, a prominent physician of the city; Abram Marquart, a justice of the peace; Newville, and Andrew J. Stone, of the same place, who are charged with perjury, fraud and conspiracy to defraud the Old People's Mutual Benefit society of Elkhart, Ind., have been arrested at their homes.

Asiatic Cholera. PITTSBURGH, July 14.—Dr. McCandless pronounced the disease of which Peter Mack died on Thursday Asiatic cholera.

A Re-union at the Bethlehem Mills. PHILADELPHIA, July 16.—A prominent iron merchant says that the Bethlehem iron works will resume work in their iron mills today under a new scale, which reduces the wages from 5 to 50 per cent, and guarantees continuous work until January.

Narrow Escapes at a Fire. PATERSON, N. J., July 16.—There was a fire in the basement of the tenement No. 253 1/2 Willis street, about 8 o'clock Sunday morning. The smoke filled the narrow stairway, and escape was thus cut off.

The Warrior Defeated.

Gen. Boulanger Wounded in a Duel with Floquet.

HIS OWN AWKWARDNESS DID IT.

He Fell Upon His Adversary's Sword After Making a Desperate Thrust. The Result is a Cut in His Neck Which May Prove Fatal.

PARIS, July 14.—As anticipated, the stormy scene between Prime Minister Floquet and Gen. Boulanger in the chamber of deputies culminated in a duel yesterday.

The duel only lasted four minutes. Boulanger, who displayed great excitement,



forced the fighting from the very first, and made a number of deadly thrusts at his adversary. The prime minister, it was easy to see, was totally unable to handle a sword, and it is a matter of the greatest astonishment that he was able to parry his adversary's lunges so successfully.

At the second encounter M. Floquet was slightly wounded in the hand, and as the blood began to flow freely the seconds proposed to stop the duel.

Gen. Boulanger made a desperate lunge forward, slightly wounding the prime minister's left breast. Unable to recover from the impetus of his lunge, the general actually ran his neck into the sword.

M. Floquet had kept pointed straight at him. A terrible gash in the throat was the result, the blood spurting forth in torrents, and Boulanger fell unconscious into the arms of his seconds.

Dr. Monod, who is attending on the general, issued a bulletin regarding his condition yesterday afternoon. It says there is a deep wound in the right side of the general's neck, and that it causes marked difficulty in his respiration.

The general's condition is now reported as worse, fever having set in, and his chances of recovery are regarded as very precarious.

HURLED TO DESTRUCTION.

An Express Train Crashes through a Virginia Trestle.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Express train No. 63, on the Virginia Midland railroad, went through the loose trestle two miles from Orange Court House yesterday.

The train pulled out at the Sixth street station, this city, on time. It consisted of engine No. 694, manned by John Watkins, engineer, and John Kelly, fireman; one mail car, one baggage, two coaches and three Pullman sleepers.

For some time the Midland road has been engaged in repairing its bridges and trestles, and it was a wonder any one escaped alive.

The scene that followed was of indescribable horror. The shrieks and moans of the injured, the shouts of the wildly excited passengers and the hissing of the steam were terrible to hear.

The work of rescue was carried on by the survivors in the dark.

Perhaps She Was Murdered. PROVIDENCE, July 17.—Attorney General Rogers has ordered an autopsy on the body of Mamie Nickerson, aged 18 months, who disappeared ten days ago from the home of her grandparents in Olneyville, and whose body was found with the neck broken last Friday in the privy vault on the grandparent's premises.

HIRAM SIBLEY DEAD.

The Founder of the Western Union Telegraph Company—A Philanthropist.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 15.—Mr. Hiram Sibley, the famous philanthropist of Rochester, died at his home in that city yesterday in the 81st year of his age.

Mr. Sibley was born in North Adams, Mass., and took up his permanent residence in Rochester in 1843, at which time he had already made a name and fortune for himself.

An early associate of Professor Morse in establishing and promoting the electric telegraph business, he, in co-operation with Morse and Ezra Cornell, had much to do with obtaining, in 1850, the famous appropriation from congress of a subsidy for ten years of \$40,000 per year for constructing and operating a line to the Pacific.

The Overland Telegraph company was organized about the same time in San Francisco. The two companies, uniting their interests, formed the Pacific Telegraph company.

Mr. Sibley devoted his energies to the scheme of the overland route to Russia. Surveys were made and the line built as far as Skeena river in Alaska, when the laying of the Atlantic cable put an end to the enterprise, and it was abandoned.

Mr. Sibley was president of the Western Union company sixteen years, resigning on account of ill health.

When Mr. Sibley got up there was perfect silence in the court room. He was about to tell the long promised story of the dynamite plot.

"On or about the 15th of May," he began imprecisely, "at the town of Eola, four or five miles from Aurora, a dynamite cartridge was placed on the track of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad and exploded by a train passing over it."

At 9 o'clock on the night of May 29 Bowles got a buggy at Aurora, and took Smith with him to Eola. On the way Bowles exhibited dynamite cartridges exactly like those that were found upon the prisoners when they were arrested on the railroad train.

He opened the end of the cartridge, inserted a fuming cap, such as is used for exploding cartridges, and attached to the cap a piece of fuse and explained the whole matter. They drove down to this little town, crossed the track, and came back again over the track; drove fifty or sixty yards from the track. Bowles got out of the buggy, and put the cartridge on the railway, and reported that he had done so when he came back.

"They drove back to Aurora, and just as they were entering the town the explosion took place, and part of that engine was wrecked."

"As they were going home Bowles told Smith that he was going over into Indiana to get some more dynamite. He would send him some, and he must put it on the Burlington track. Bowles sent the dynamite through the defendant Bauseisen. June 14 Smith took the dynamite and, by Bauseisen's advice, put it on the track at South Aurora and caused the second explosion. Between June 14 and July 1 Bowles was in Indiana, and much correspondence passed between him and Bauseisen. Part of that correspondence will be exhibited."

It is in the handwriting of Bauseisen, and shows that Bowles was doing some business of a very secret nature and required great care. One letter says that if he thought "the man was following him to shoot the—," and then told him to "not buy any more stuff at present, for obvious reasons."

"Wilson, Broderick and Gooding, who were Brotherhood men in Aurora, came into the story now. July 5 Smith met these men in Aurora and talked with them about using dynamite against the Burlington. It came out that Gooding had been storing the dynamite in his house. Some use of the stuff was to be made in Chicago. Gooding took Smith to his house, and from a closet brought out four cartridges, such as were captured with the prisoners on the train."

"The cartridges were taken to the hall of the Brotherhood, and in the anteroom delivered them to Bowles, Wilson, Broderick and Bauseisen. They all went down to the train together, Smith carrying the dynamite under his arm. At the train he gave it to Bowles, Broderick, Wilson and Bowles took the train to Chicago and were arrested about it with this very dynamite in their possession."

"Yesterday one of these cartridges was exploded to test it. It blew a quarter-inch iron pipe to pieces, dug a hole a foot deep in the earth and blew fragments a distance of eighty-one feet, showing that the explosive was of the highest power. Every one of these statements will be proved by abundant testimony."

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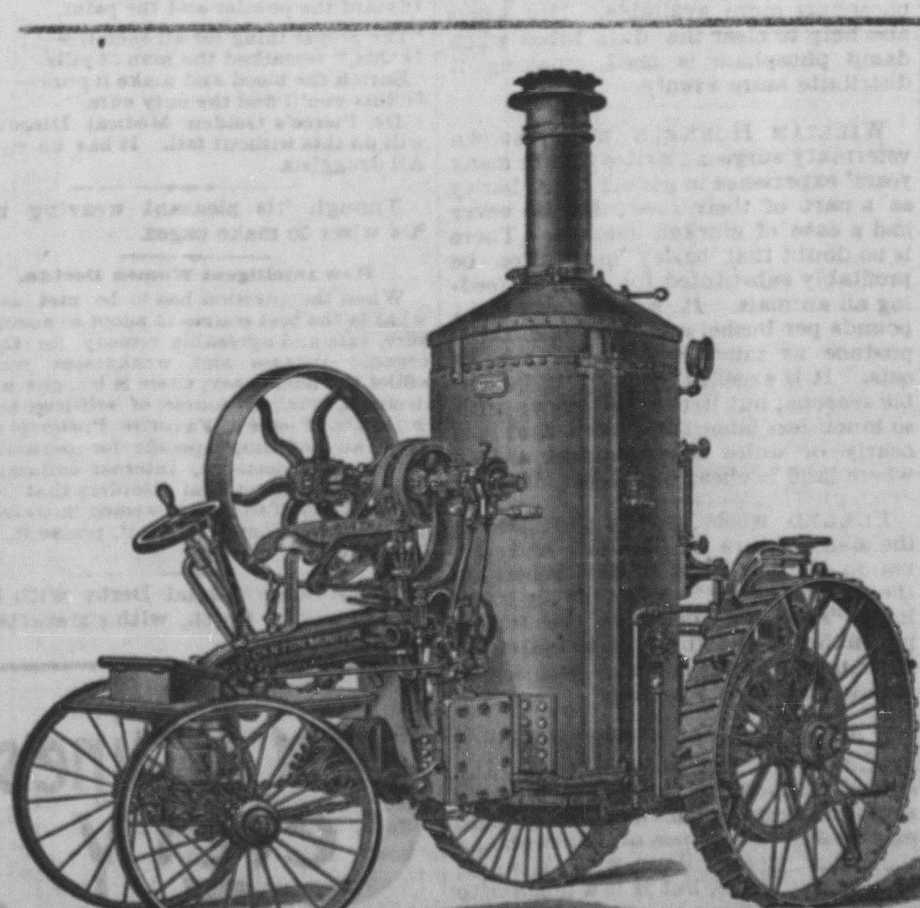
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