

THE KEYSTONE STATE.

New Happenings of Interest Gathered From All Sources.

Patents granted:—Henry Aiken Pittsburg, roof structure; John C. Barrett, Washington, steam or hot water heater; Charles H. Brown, DuBois, cake or doughnut cutter; Charles A. Daly, Carnot, air and gas mixer; Christian Filzer, Erie, hydrocarbon torch; Elmer E. Kerns, Bradford, gas and air regulating valve; James R. Klippelt, N. W. Jeffers and W. D. Bradford Pittsburg, automatic street railway switch; Willie S. Lechart, Bakersville, wrench attachment; John E. Lewis Avenue, machinery for picking plate; for coating with tin; James B. McCallin Washington, telephone receiver holder; Patrick McDonald, Larimer, four-way rock; Francis McWilliams, Newry, tube extractor; John Mehlner, Pittsburg, folding baby carriage; Camille Mercader, Pittsburg, piling apparatus also making seamless tubes or hollow articles; Burton B. Messer, Washington, ice cream freezer; James E. Patton, Pittsburg, game board.

These pensions were granted Pennsylvanians:—Thos. Leadbeater, Johnstown, \$12; George Hotchkiss, Pittsfield, \$12; Thomas J. Baker, Newry, \$12; John Wilson Shields, Gilpin, \$10; Lewis W. Feistel, New Salem, \$8; Godfrey K. Biber, Charleroi, \$10; Smith N. Brown, Youngsville, \$10; William J. McKee, Butler, \$8; Peter Gensler, Bloomsburg, \$8; Thaddeus B. Webb, Millintown, \$12; Jacob Kohler, Bowman's Dale, \$12; Elizabeth Freeman, McKeesport, \$8; Ellen Baset, Corry, \$8; Emily A. Keen, Sherarville, \$8; Frederick A. Dupont, Rockford, \$8; Casper L. Gelnett, Dubois, \$10; William A. Cavett, East Smithfield, \$17; Graffius Weston, Port Matilda, \$17; Henry H. Rhodes, East Brook, \$24; Thomas S. Hall, Allegheny, \$8; Alfred B. Lamson, Mapleton depot, \$30; Jonathan W. Clark, Dubois, \$8; Charles Simpson, Petersburg, \$14; John Stumpman, Mt. Joy, \$24; Susan McLaughlin, New Haven, \$8; Catherine Wilson, New Castle, \$8; Adelaide B. Kinter, Marion Center, \$8; Helen C. Carroll, Bradford, \$12.

At the Reading Company's Burnside breaker, Shamokin, a powder keg, supposed to be empty, was dumped from a wagon into the dump chute of the breaker. The keg bounded down to the bottom of the chute, but before it could fall into the iron rollers which crush the coal it was picked up and flung into the rock chute. Once more the keg rolled down to the bottom, and as there until John A. Otto found it. He thought it would make an excellent coal bucket and pried off the top, when he found the inside almost filled with dynamite. In all there were thirty-six sticks of the explosive. How the dynamite came to be placed in the wagon is unknown.

A grain of corn lodged in the ear of a little daughter of J. M. Stambaugh, of Oneida Township, a few days ago and her parents were unable to remove it. Mr. Stambaugh told his wife he did not think it would hurt the girl if the kernel was allowed to remain in her ear. To prove this he put a grain of corn in his own ear. How the kernel became inflamed, and the frightened man and his daughter hastened to a physician. The latter soon relieved the girl, but it took two doctors to extract the kernel from the ear of the father. He says he will make no more experiments of this kind.

With his train going at a good speed, Engineer Heller stuck his head out of the cab window on his run from Philadelphia to Bethlehem, to watch the signal tower light. As he did so his head came in contact with an iron rod projecting from a freight car and he was almost knocked out of the cab. His forehead was cut and he was otherwise hurt, but he clung to the throttle until Bethlehem was reached, when he fell unconscious.

Because of a clairvoyant's statement the body of John Tine, Jr., was exhumed at DuBois by direction of his sister, and the discovery was made that what was supposed to be an accidental death was in reality a murder. The body was found on November 10 lying along the tracks of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg Railroad. A train had passed over the body, cutting it in two at the hips. A coroner's jury rendered a verdict of accidental death and the body was interred in St. Catharine's cemetery.

Harvey M. Braucher, an 18-year-old school teacher of Albany Township, was arrested at Reading and held in \$500 bail for a hearing on the charge of aggravated assault and battery. William E. Snyder, a 13-year-old pupil, charges that because he came to school a few minutes late the teacher accused him of interrupting the prayer and severely beat him with a branch of a cherry tree. The boy's back, it is alleged, is covered with black and blue stripes.

Rose Skolsky, 39 years old, of McKeesport, was found dead in bed at her home.

Charles Hastings, 54 years old, of Ross township, while on his way to take a train at Avalon, fell on the ice and fractured his skull. His condition is serious.

Harry Henderson, 9 years old, of Allegheny, who had one eye destroyed July 4, was struck on the other eye by a snowball Wednesday, and the sight of it destroyed, leaving him totally blind.

William Roth, of Allegheny, died at the West Penn hospital as the result of a fall from a roof on December 2. Roth was a roofer and was making repairs.

The clothing store of J. P. Lintner at Blairsville, was robbed of overcoats to the value of \$150.

The 4-year-old-son of Emil Anderson, at New Castle, was scalded to death by falling into a tub of boiling water.

A trolley car of the Pottsville Union Traction Company, running from Orwigsburg to Schuylkill Haven, left the rails and hung over the brink of a fifteen-foot embankment, blocking the tracks of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway. There were but two passengers, George Partz and John Holly, both of Pottsville, with Conductor Thomas Burger, in the car at the time. All three were badly bruised, and when they attempted to make their exit found it was impossible to open the doors. Fearing that they might be run down by a train they kicked the glass out of several windows and made their escape.

COMMERCIAL REVIEW.

General Trade Conditions.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says:

"Despite the interruption of taking inventories and other disturbing elements incidental to the closing of the old year the past week has been far from dull. Consumers were not perceptibly lessening purchases, while the approach of higher freight rates accelerated shipment of goods. Transporting facilities continue utterly inadequate. New wage scales have become effective, largely enhancing the purchasing power of the people.

The new year opens with every prospect of exceptional activity in all branches of business. Railway earnings thus far available for December show a gain of 7.7 per cent. over 1901, notwithstanding the heavy loss of coal traffic.

The question of higher freight rates complicated the situation regarding iron and steel, but new orders are constantly coming forward. Quotations of all products in this industry are fully maintained, with a tendency toward still higher prices because of freights and fuel. The first advance is expected to occur in wire nails.

No new features have developed in the footwear situation, prices remaining firm and order books full. Aside from a slight reaction in union backs, the leather market is strong, hemlock sole receiving the additional support of exceptionally heavy exports to Europe. Domestic hides are dull, prices again declining. Textile mills are busy with only a hand to mouth home demand for cotton goods, but export buying for China continues large.

Farm products weakened as visible supplies increased, and reports from the West indicate that much more grain is offered for shipment than the railroads will accept. Exports of corn are steadily gaining. For the week at Atlantic ports 2,335,403 bushels were sent out compared with only 347,193 bushels in the corresponding week a year ago. Atlantic exports of wheat, including flour, amounted to only 1,495,061 bushels, against 2,795,044 a year ago, and arrivals at interior cities were 3,775,265 bushels compared with 3,736,360 bushels last year.

Wool tends upward, shipments to the mills continuing heavy and inquiries numerous."

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Flour—Spring clear, \$3.25a3.45; best Patent, \$4.65; choice Family, \$3.90. Wheat—New York No. 2, 79c; Philadelphia No. 2, 76a76a; Baltimore No. 2, 77a.

Corn—New York No. 2, 56c; Philadelphia No. 2, 59a51c; Baltimore No. 2, 51a.

Oats—New York No. 2, 38a; Philadelphia No. 2, 41c; Baltimore No. 2, 40c.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$17.50a18.00; No. 2 timothy, \$16.50a17.00; No. 3 timothy, \$14.50a15.50.

Green Fruits and Vegetables—Apples per brl, fancy \$2.75a3.25; fair to good per brl, 1.50a2.50; Cabbages, Domestic, per ton, \$7.00a8.00. Celery, per doz., 15a30c; Eggplants, native, per 100, \$1.50a2.00; Grapes, basket, 12a16c. Lettuce, native, per bu box, \$1.00a1.50. Onions, Maryland and Pennsylvania yellow, per bu, 65a70c.

Potatoes, White, per bu 60a65c; Maryland and Pennsylvania, per bu 60a65c; New York, per bu 63a65c; sweets, per brl \$2.25a2.50.

Butter, Separator, 30a31c; Gathered cream, 28a29c; prints, 1-lb 31a32c; Rols 2-lb, 30a31c; Dairy pts. Md., Pa., Va., 28a29c.

Eggs, Fresh-laid eggs, per dozen, 26a26a.

Cheese, Large, 60-lb, 13a13a; medium, 36-lb, 13a13a; picnics, 23-lb, 13a13a.

Live Poultry, Hens, 11a11a; old roosters, each 55a30c; Turkeys, 13a14c; Ducks, 11a12c.

Hides, Heavy steers, association and salters, late kill, 60-lb and up, close selection, 12a12a; cows and light steers, 9a9a.

Provisions and Hog Products.—Bulk clear rib sides, 10a; bulk shoulders, 10a; bulk bellies, 11a; bulk ham butts, 10a; bacon clear rib sides, 10a; bacon shoulders, 11a; sugar-cured breasts, 13a; sugar-cured shoulders, 11a; sugar-cured California hams, 10a; hams canvased or uncanvased, 12 lbs. and under, 14a; refined lard tierces, 11a and 50 lb cans, gross, 11a; refined lard, half-barrels and new tubs, 11a.

Live Stock.

Chicago, Cattle, Mostly 150a200 lower, good to prime steers \$5.40a6.40; medium \$2.75a5.00; stockers and feeders \$2.40a4.40; cows, \$1.50a4.60; heifers \$2.00a4.75; Texas-fed steers \$3.75a5.00. Hogs, Mixed and butchers \$4.50a6.20; good to choice, heavy \$6.45a6.75; Sheep, sheep and lambs slow to lower; good to choice wethers \$4.00a4.40; Western sheep \$4.25a4.50.

East Liberty, Cattle steady; choice \$5.75a5.90; prime \$5.40a6.00. Hogs, prime heavy \$6.60a6.65, mediums \$6.50, heavy Yorkers \$6.30a6.50. Sheep steady. Best wethers \$4.00a4.20 and common \$1.50a2.00; choice lambs \$5.60a6.85.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Cigarmakers at Dodge county, Wis. will organize a union.

Boot and shoe workers at Omaha, Neb., have formed a union.

Female house servants command from \$15 to \$20 a month in South Africa.

Steamfitters at Buffalo, N. Y., will receive an increase of 25 cents a day on April 1.

Trades unions at Everett, Wash., have built a home for themselves at a cost of \$4,000.

It is estimated that non-union men do not represent more than 20 per cent. of the various trades.

Employees of the Memphis (Tenn.) street railway company have secured an advance of one cent an hour.

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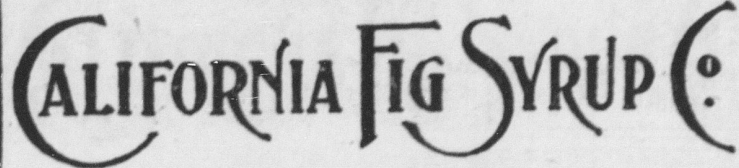
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Garfield's Nomination.

At the Republican national convention in 1880 the Blaine Half-Breeds (to use the nomenclature of the day) and the Grant Stalwarts, 306 in number, hugged each other in a death grapple. They crushed each other and Garfield scampered off with the nomination for president. When leaving Washington to attend the convention as leader of the Sherman delegates, Garfield was asked by John Randolph Tucker of Virginia: "Whom are you going to nominate?" Garfield is said to have loved Ran. Tucker. They were far asunder in politics, but there were love and affection and intellectual kinship between the Virginian and the Ohioan. Garfield put his arm around Tucker's shoulders and whispered: "Keep your eyes on me." And so it was. Garfield became President and Blaine took the secretaryship of state, "to keep his hand on the helm," his friends said. "To watch the Peruvian guano beds," his enemies replied.—Washington Letter to Richmond (Va.) Times.

Book of Comfort for Mourners. Quite a successful business by preparing obituary albums has been built up by a New York man. He has 1,500 daily newspapers from different cities of the country, and clips from them obituary notices. Then he approaches surviving relatives to see if they will not buy an album prepared from these notices, and the letters of condolence they may have received. He has fixed prices for everything. Each obituary clipping is 5 cents. Telegrams and cards are 10 cents. Mrs. John W. Mackay has two or three albums prepared from the notices about her husband. There were over 6,000 clippings about him. Samuel D. Babcock and Bert Reiss were also subjects for voluminous albums.

THE RAILROADS OF AUSTRALIA

There Seems to Be Something Wrong With the System.

Not long ago the state railway authorities in Melbourne, Australia, had to investigate a case of a guard's leaving his van, walking along the foot-plates, clambering up the engine, and making a furious assault upon the driver, the train going at full speed all the while. They are now inquiring into another curious incident. In this case somebody forgot to fix the couplings between the engine and the train. When the signal was given the engine steamed out of the station by itself, leaving carriages and passengers in the lurch. Guard, stationmaster, porters and spectators yelled, but without effect. The engine ran for six miles before it was discovered that it had nothing behind it. The most disquieting feature of the incident was that it passed several signal boxes without receiving any warning to stop.

The average lake trout lays 6,000 eggs each season, and the whitefish a greater number.

There are more things done without motive in this world than are dreamed of by the police department.

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Museums are much in favor in Russia. Even in Siberia nearly every town of 10,000 inhabitants has one.

A Scientific Note.

The professor's boy had been obstreperous all the evening, and finally forbearance ceased to be a virtue.

"Here," said the professor, as he took the boy under his arm and started up the stairs, "is where you see the eclipse of the sun."

Shortly thereafter the guests remarked among themselves that they never knew an eclipse was such a noisy affair.

SERMONS TO THE PURITANS.

Thought Themselves Wronged if the Preaching Was Not Long.

At Lorimer hall, Tremont temple, Monday evening, at the monthly meeting of the Congregational club, Leon H. Vincent spoke on "Kings of the Colonial Pulpit," giving a history of the Mather family and their habits.

He said the Puritans were always craving for learning and wisdom, and that they had no sooner landed in America than they began making books. The continual studiousness of the Puritans, said Mr. Vincent, is what makes New England to-day the great hive of books and authors. Be sides studying the Puritans spent their spare time in persecuting heretics and drinking strong drinks, but the only habit of the three that has clung to their descendants is that of reading.

The sermons were long-winded, and in an hour the minister usually only got started: An old record says: "Mr. Hooker preached two hours and seventeen minutes while not feeling well. How long he would have talked if he was in good health! A Harvard student wrote of a minister that preached to the students: "He preached two hours, and much to our regret, he had to stop." The people paid to hear sermons on the tacit condition that the preacher would speak a certain length of time. The audience would look at the sandglass to see that they got their money's worth.

Mr. Vincent said Cotton Mather was probably the smartest boy in the family, and at the age of eighteen he had received his degree from his own father, Richard, President of Harvard. The subject of his thesis was "Hebrew, Vowel Points are Divine in Origin."

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