

Railroads and Progress.
In his testimony before the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce at Washington on May 4, Professor Hugo R. Meyer, of Chicago University, an expert on railroad management, made this statement:

"Let us look at what might have happened if we had heeded the protests of the farmers of New York and Ohio and Pennsylvania (in the seventies when grain from the West began pouring to the Atlantic seaboard) and acted upon the doctrine which the Interstate Commerce Commission has enunciated time and again, that no man may be deprived of the advantages accruing to him by virtue of his geographical position. We could not have west of the Mississippi a population of millions of people who are prosperous and are great consumers. We never should have seen the years when we built 10,000 and 12,000 miles of railway, for there would have been no farmers west of the Mississippi River who could have used the land that would have been opened up by the building of those railways. And, if we had not seen the years when we could build 10,000 and 12,000 miles of railway a year, we should not have today, east of the Mississippi, a steel and iron producing centre which is at once the marvel and the despair of Europe, because we could not have built up a steel and iron industry if there had been no market for its product."

"We could not have in New England a great boot and shoe industry; we could not have in New England a great cotton spinning industry; we could not have spread throughout New York and Pennsylvania and Ohio manufacturing industries of the most diversified kinds, because those industries would have no market among the farmers west of the Mississippi River."

"And, while the progress of this country, while the development of the agricultural West of this country, did mean the impairment of the agricultural value east of the Mississippi River that ran up into hundreds of millions of dollars, it meant, incidentally, the building up of great manufacturing industries that added to the value of this land by thousands of millions of dollars. And, gentlemen, these things were not foreseen in the seventies. The statesmen and the public men of this country did not see what part the agricultural development of the West was going to play in the industrial development of the East. And, you may read the decisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission, from the first to the last, and what is one of the greatest characteristics of those decisions? The continued inability to see the question in this large way."

"The Interstate Commerce Commission never can see anything more than that the farm land of some farmer is decreasing in value, or, that some man, who has a flour mill with a production of fifty barrels a day, is being crowded out. It never can see that the destruction or impairment of farm values in this place means the building up of farm values in that place, and that that shifting of values is a necessary incident to the industrial and manufacturing development of this country. And, if we shall give to the Interstate Commerce Commission power to regulate rates, we shall no longer have our rates regulated on the statesman-like basis on which they have been regulated in the past by the railway men, who really have been great statesmen; who really have been great builders of empires; who have had an imagination that rivals the imagination of the greatest poet and of the greatest inventor, and who have operated with a courage and daring that rivals the courage and daring of the greatest military general. But we shall have our rates regulated by a body of civil servants, bureaucrats, whose besetting sin the world over, is that they can never grasp a situation in a large way and with the grasp of the statesman; that they never can see the fact that they are confronted with a small evil; that that evil is relatively small; and that it cannot be corrected except by the creation of evils and abuses which are infinitely greater than the one that is to be corrected."

Has Seen Many Years' Service.
A quaint old piece of baggage in the baggage room in Skowhegan, Me., this week was a half-covered trunk that had come in from Guilford. On the bottom of the trunk was the mark "BXP," which signified that at some period in its life it had gone by rail to Boston. In early days there were no checks, the destination of a piece of baggage being designated by a mark. This was forty-two years ago.

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THE KEYSTONE STATE

Latest News of Pennsylvania Told in Short Order.

At a special meeting of the Mt. Carmel Council an ordinance was passed calling for the completion of the town's sewer system, at a cost of \$160,000.

Amos Witter, a 6-year-old boy, of Reading, was scalded to death by falling backward into a tub of water while playing.

The detention house on the Almshouse farm will probably be converted into a hospital for consumptives by the Reading Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

Death separated Mr. and Mrs. William Yocum, two aged people of Stouchsburg, in a month. Mr. Yocum was buried four weeks ago and Mrs. Yocum is now dead from a broken hip sustained three weeks ago.

Stepping in front of a fast express train on the Reading Railway at Royersford, Antonio Marato, a track laborer, was struck and instantly killed. The unfortunate man had given the foreman notice that he was going to leave the work at the end of the week.

The Reading Road Drivers' Association has decided to offer a purse of \$100 to the first township adjacent to Reading that will improve its highways, under the good roads law.

John Barry, of Clarion, who was run into by a sled load of young people, who were coasting on Fifth Avenue, on March 3, and was severely injured, has brought suit against Marion Switzer, Wilbur Harding and Dale Katz, who were on the sled at the time, claiming \$2000 damages.

Clarence M. Busch, of Philadelphia, whose bid was the lowest for doing the printing for the State for four years, from July 1 next, will be held to his contract by Superintendent of Public Printing Pomeroy. Mr. Busch submitted a proposal that was adjudged the lowest and the contract was awarded him. Subsequently the Legislature reduced the number of public documents to be printed by \$2,000. Mr. Busch, claiming that he had made the larger number of documents his basis of his bid, protested against being held to the contract. The matter was submitted to the Attorney General, and after a conference between the latter, the Governor and Mr. Pomeroy it was decided to notify Mr. Busch that he must do the printing under his bid or forfeit to the next lowest bidder and pay the difference.

James E. Green, Jr., has made application to the Controller of the Currency at Washington to organize a national bank at York Haven. The bank will be capitalized at \$500,000.

Mrs. Coyle, of Beaver Brook, is cutting her third set of teeth. They are appearing on both the upper and lower jaws, are perfectly formed and are as good and sound as the second set. She lost the latter a number of years ago. Although Mrs. Coyle is aged, nearly 90, she is as lively as a woman of 50 years.

Charles Zelisky was sent to jail at Wilkes-Barre charged with breaking the wrist of Isabel Zuraw, while dancing. He was two-stepping roughly, it is charged, and bumped into her with such force that the wrist was broken. Her father had him arrested for aggravated assault and battery, and he could not furnish bail.

A blast killed Paciotto Benedetto, an Italian laborer at Christiana. The Italian had crawled into a large pipe for safety. The explosion did not take place when expected, and he proceeded to investigate, when a flying piece of rock crushed his head.

The first meeting of the Harrisburg Association of Baptist Churches, the territory including Harrisburg, Steelton, York, Wicomico, Mechanicsburg and Lancaster, was held at Lancaster. These officers were elected: Moderator, Rev. A. E. Anderson, Harrisburg; clerk, John C. Nissley, Harrisburg; treasurer, D. P. Jerauld, Harrisburg; trustees, Mahlon Evans, Jacob R. Givler and John C. Nissley. Addresses were made by Rev. C. D. Parker, York; H. E. Paull, Steelton; Mrs. Harriet Newel Jones, Philadelphia; and Rev. J. L. Jackson, Germantown.

A fire at the Oliver Powder Mill, Laurel Run, caused an explosion which destroyed the feed mill, the mixer and some smaller buildings, but the thirty-two men employed there escaped injury.

City Councils, Allentown, elected Leo Wise city solicitor and John H. McDermott water commissioner.

The Reading school board has refused to accept a report from the Building Committee and instructed it to make a thorough investigation of the quality of brick being used in the construction of the \$350,000 boys' high school building. The brick is of various shades, it is said, instead of the uniform color specified.

Howard Dunlap was arrested in Reading on a charge of horse stealing, preferred by Wellington Dunlap, of Lancaster. Dunlap says he took a horse and wagon because he was unable to collect his wages.

An engineer reported to the West Chester Council that the proposed sewer system and disposal plant will probably cost \$100,000. Council will take action in the near future.

Albert Hoskins, of Pottsville, attacked his wife with a sickle and bread knife and then plunged the knife into his own throat. He is in a serious condition at the Pottsville Hospital. The wife's injuries are slight. Hoskins, it is alleged, also tried to injure his children and mother-in-law.

After ringing a physician's office bell, Frederick Hueter, aged 6 years, of York, fell dead from an attack of heart failure.

After a strike of less than two days duration, the 300 men and boys employed at the Mary D. Colliers, Tuscarora, returned to work, Superintendent Tindley guaranteeing that in the future the same rate of wages would be paid at that colliery as at the collieries of the Philadelphia and Reading Company.

A committee of the Alumni Association of Darlington Seminary, appointed to prepare plans for a memorial to Mrs. Darlington, wife of Dr. Richard Darlington, founder of this institution, has decided that the memorial shall be placed in the Chester County Hospital.

ANOTHER LIFE SAVED.

Mrs. G. W. Fooks, of Salisbury, Md., wife of G. W. Fooks, Sheriff of Wicomico County, says: "I suffered with kidney complaint for eight years. It came on me gradually. I felt tired and weak, was short of breath and was troubled with bloating after eating, and my limbs were badly swollen. One doctor told me it would finally turn to Bright's disease. I was laid up at one time for three weeks. I had not taken Doan's Kidney Pills more than three days when the distressing aching across my back disappeared, and I was soon entirely cured."



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In Her Dreams.

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Moose Head of Immense Size.

What is probably the largest moose head in the world belongs to John Richardson of Glenwood Springs, Col. The head measures seventy-two and a half inches from tip to tip, without any split or block. It is exactly as nature made it and could be spread several inches by various devices.

In its lifetime the bull weighed approximately 2,000 pounds, the head and antlers, mounted, weighing 275 pounds.

The animal was killed by Frank Woods on Copper River, Alaska, after a long chase of several days over mountains and through valleys. The animal was the leader of a large herd, many of which were killed, but the big bull moose was the object of the hunt after he was spied by the party.

Money Hidden in Books.

Last December an old man known as M. Henri died in the Rue de Patay, Paris. He was known to possess private means, but that they were meager was indicated by his shabbiness and the fact that he lived alone in a single room. When a search of M. Henri's room was made after his death nothing more valuable was found than two shelves of dingy looking books, which were sold, with his few stocks of furniture, to pay his funeral expenses. When, however, the buyer of the books examined his purchase he discovered to his amazement two volumes of rare value—absolutely unique—for every page of each of them, 820 in all, was a \$25 note of the Bank of England.

GREAT CHANGE

From Change in Food.

The brain depends much more on the stomach than we are apt to suppose until we take thought in the matter. Feed the stomach on proper food easy to digest and containing the proper amount of phosphates and the healthy brain will respond to all demands. A notable housewife in Buffalo writes:

"The doctor diagnosed my trouble as a 'nervous affection of the stomach.' I was actually so nervous that I could not sit still for five minutes to read the newspaper, and to attend to my household duties was simply impossible. I doctored all the time with remedies, but medicine did no good."

"My physician put me on all sorts of diet, and I tried many kinds of cereal foods, but none of them agreed with me. I was almost discouraged, and when I tried Grape-Nuts I did so with many misgivings—I had no faith that it would succeed where everything else had failed."

"But it did succeed, and you don't know how glad I am that I tried it. I feel like a new person. I have gained in weight and I don't have that terrible burning sensation in my stomach any more. I feel so strong again that I am surprised at myself. The street noises that used to irritate me so, I never notice now, and my mind is so clear that my household duties are a real pleasure."

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Swallow Dying Out.

The swallow is being annihilated. As the birds cross France and Italy going to Africa in the fall and returning in the spring they are mercilessly slaughtered for the table and the plume trade. Their numbers are visibly decreasing.

ITCHING SCALP HUMOR

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