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Now that thirty "emergency" census takers finished the tail end of their work a few days ago we may soon have light on an interesting question that this enumeration will throw some light upon.

The Dentist and the Alligator. Roy Farrell Greene, the president of the American Society of Curio Collectors, told at a dinner of dentists an appropriate story.

"A dentist," he said, "was once traveling in the East, and in the Ganges his boat overturned and he was obliged to strike out for the shore.

"As the dentist swam sturdily through the muddy water an enormous alligator suddenly rose up before him. The alligator opened its enormous jaws, and the next instant would have been the dentist's last, only—just in time—the man happened to notice the great reptile's sharp, white teeth, and an idea struck him.

"He drew a probe from his pocket, and, pressing it into the alligator's gums, he said:

"Does this hurt you?" "The alligator screamed with pain, and the dentist, amid its great agony, made good his escape."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Doubt Word of American.

Referring to the fact that an American in England had said that for less than a penny a mile one may travel on an English railway in a compartment nearly equal to the American Pullman or parlor car, the London Globe says that a large force of private detectives has been set to work to try to discover which railroad the American was speaking of.

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THE KEYSTONE STATE

The Latest Pennsylvania News Told in Short Order.

The "Black Hand" has resumed hostilities in Scranton by writing a letter to Giuseppe O'Bi, a well-to-do Italian Italian fruit dealer, threatening his life if he does not give up \$1000.

Pasquale Gorosolo's head was crushed beneath a stone wagon in Scranton. He died immediately. He was driving and was jolted off the accident being unnoticed until a little girl, passing along the road, saw the body under the heavy wheel.

An alarming epidemic of measles has broken out in Jersey. The pupils of the public schools have been infected by a Polish family, the children in which attended the sessions while suffering with the disease.

Shortly after Joseph Fox, of Pottsville, and two other mining engineers, had been lowered to the bottom of Packer No. 4 Colliery shaft the spreader chain of the ascending cage broke. All but Fox escaped the falling carriage.

Albert Bialecki, of Shenandoah, who, overcome by remorse, confessed to killing Constable John Dando and Zela Conchi, of Lansford, who was convicted of fatally stabbing Benjamin Macola, at a christening, were removed from jail in Pottsville to the Eastern Penitentiary, the former to serve eighteen years and the latter twenty years.

Ex-Congressman W. H. Kulp, of Shamokin, and a dozen other trolley magnates of Schuylkill and Northumberland Counties, interested in a gigantic trolley combination, have held several secret meetings in Pottsville during the last few days.

At the annual meeting in Hazleton, of the State Hospital Trustees, Dr. Walter M. Lathrop was re-elected superintendent. John Markle, the Jeddo coal operator, was succeeded as vice-president by E. L. Bullock, of the Beaver Brook Coal Co.

The announcement was made in Hazleton that the recent retrenchment at Drifton is to be followed by a wholesale shake-up January 1. It is reasonably certain that Edgar Kudlich, for years superintendent, will sever connections with the Lehigh January 1 and locate in New York.

When C. W. Koenig and family, of Hazlebrook, returned from the funeral of a relative, they found a 350 pound pig dead in the pen, its carcass torn to pieces. They thought it was the work of some wild animal from the adjacent forest, but learned later that a bull dog owned by Superintendent Weber, of the Hazlebrook Coal Company, killed the animal.

By an explosion of gas at Boston Run Colliery, near Mahanoy City, Matthew Matulis and two of his laborers were so badly burned that their recovery is very doubtful. Matulis and one of the laborers were hurled many feet down the breast by the force of the explosion.

The barn and outbuildings with their contents, property of Louise E. Christenson, of Sueburg, Pine Grove Township, Schuylkill County, was destroyed by fire. William Herring has been appointed teacher of the Swopes Valley School, Schuylkill County, vice Professor Charles Keeny, resigned to take a rural free delivery route.

A student placed between the crossing plank and the rail by boys at West Berwick derailed a hand-car going at a rapid rate of speed and threw the truck and five men down a ten-foot embankment. All of the men were badly cut and bruised, but none sustained serious injuries.

Anastasia Hand, of Centralia, the young woman charged with shooting Robert Coyle, of the same place, with intent to kill, was found guilty of aggravated assault, the second count in the indictment. Sentence was suspended.

The Homeopathic Medical Society of the Lehigh Valley held its annual meeting in Bethlehem. Dr. W. B. Straub, of Bethlehem, is president of the society, and Dr. W. W. Seibert, of Easton, secretary. Papers were read by Dr. Straub and Dr. E. D. Doolittle, of Easton.

George Fisher was instantly killed, and Morris Friel fatally hurt by a fall of roof rock at the Buck Mountain Colliery of the Mill Creek Coal Company, near Mahanoy City.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company is inaugurating a retrenchment policy in the Drifton office. Wages of the clerks have been cut 25 per cent. The company expects to reduce the office expenses by \$11,000 by the first of this year.

A special committee of the Scranton School Board, consisting of President Gibbons, Controller Nealon, Superintendent Phillips and Secretary Fellows, have gone to Reading to investigate the graded night school system of that city. Several of the members of the local board, it is said, favor having such graded schools.

Antonio Longo, the man who, it is charged, shot and fatally wounded Officer James Golden, of Dunmore, August 13, 1901, is under arrest in Italy, and is said to have confessed that he did the killing.

Anthony Rutsavage, of Shenandoah, who participated in the riot during the miners' strike of 1902, in that town, in which Joseph Beddall, a business man, was clubbed to death by a mob on the street, was released from prison. His sentence was four years.

W. W. Cottingham, superintendent of the Public Schools of Easton, celebrated the 81st anniversary of his birth Wednesday. Tuesday Mr. Cottingham was elected secretary of Dallas Lodge F. and A. M., for the thirty-ninth consecutive term.

President Thomas, of the Lehigh Valley, notified the Merchants' Association of Hazleton that the company is now preparing plans for the erection of a handsome new depot in that city. The merchants two weeks ago notified President Thomas that unless a new depot was erected they would withdraw all patronage.

The Buck Run Coal Company and other coal corporations are following the example of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, and establishing volunteer corps for administering first aid to injured employees.

COMMERCIAL

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

Business conditions certainly warranted a day of gratitude this year more than ever before, but in many industries it was difficult to take time for a holiday without falling still further behind orders and increasing the complaints of importunate purchasers.

An idea of the volume of trade in November is shown by a daily average of bank exchanges that exceeded last year's figures by 4.0 per cent, which in turn surpassed all previous monthly records.

Yet unseasonably mild weather in November has postponed retail business in Winter goods. Christmas trade opens with a volume that promises to eclipse all earlier records, and the feeling of confidence in the future is strengthened by the encouraging statements that the strike of structural iron workers may not become general.

Bradstreet's says: Wheat, including flour, exports for the week ending November 30, are 3,076,000 bushels, against 3,353,008 last week, 2,101,773 this week last year, 4,201,504 in 1903 and 5,701,449 in 1902. Corn exports for the week are 1,643,824 bushels, against 1,010,522 last week, 364,841 a year ago, 1,098,951 in 1903 and 1,151,503 in 1902.

Failures this week in the United States are 203, against 228 last week, 240 the preceding week and 245 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 32, against 34 last week, 42 the preceding week and 29 last year.

WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Baltimore, Md.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; receipts, 2,031 barrels; exports, 21,539 barrels.

WHEAT—Firm; spot, contract, 83 1/4 @ 83 3/4; spot, No. 2 red Western, 84 1/4 @ 85; November, 83 1/4 @ 83 3/4; December, 84 @ 84 1/4; January, 86 @ 86 1/4; steamer No. 2 red, 77 1/2 @ 77 3/4; receipts, 32,614 bushels; exports, 40,000 bushels; Southern by sample, 70 @ 80; Southern on grade, 78 1/2 @ 84.

CORN—Firm; spot, new, 50 1/4 @ 50 1/2; November, new or old, 50 1/4 @ 50 1/2; February, 49 1/4 @ 49 3/4; March, 49 1/4 @ 49 3/4; May, 49 1/4 @ 49 3/4; steamer mixed, 47 1/2 @ 47 3/4; receipts, 117,385 bushels; exports, 52,526 bushels; Southern white corn, 42 1/2 @ 50; Southern yellow corn, 42 1/2 @ 50.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 35 1/4 bid; No. 3 white, 35 @ 35 1/4; No. 2 mixed, 34 1/4 @ 34 1/2; receipts, 30,806 bushels.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 Western, 75 @ 75 1/2 export; 77 1/2 @ 78 domestic; receipts, 1,180 bushels.

BUTTER—Firm and unchanged; fancy imitation, 20 @ 21; fancy creamery, 24 1/2 @ 25; fancy ladle, 18 @ 19; store-packed, 15 @ 16.

EGGS—Steady and unchanged; 29.

CHEESE—Firm and unchanged; large, 14; medium, 14 1/2; small, 14 1/4.

SUGAR—Steady and unchanged; coarse granulated, 5 1/2; fine, 5 1/2.

New York.—BUTTER—Quiet, unchanged; receipts, 6,159.

POULTRY—Dressed steady; Western chickens, 9 @ 13 1/4; turkeys, 14 @ 20; fowls, 9 @ 13.

FLOUR—Receipts, 35,017 barrels; exports, 13,476 barrels; dull and unchanged.

COTTONSEED OIL—Easy; prime yellow, 28 1/2 @ 29 1/4.

ROSI—Nominal; strained, common to good, 400 nominal.

TURPENTINE—Quiet; 63 1/4 @ 64 asked.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans open kettle good to choice, 30 @ 38.

SUGAR—Raw firm; fair refining, 21-15 @ 23; centrifugal, 95 test; 3 1/2 @ 19-16; molasses sugar, 21-16 @ 24; refined steady.

POTATOES—Irrregular; Scotch, per bag, 2.00 @ 2.15; English, 2.00 @ 2.10; Irish, 1.90 @ 2.00; German, 1.75 @ 2.00; domestic unchanged; sweets firm; Jersey, per barrel, 1.50 @ 2.00; Southern, 1.25 @ 1.50.

WHEAT—Receipts, 248,000 bushels. Spot firm; No. 2 red, 90 1/2 elevator; No. 2 red, 92 1/4 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern, 91 1/4 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 92 1/4 f. o. b. afloat.

CORN—Receipts, 120,400 bushels; exports, 52,181 bushels. Spot steady; No. 2, 57 1/2 elevator, and 55 1/2 c. i. f. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 56 1/2; No. 2 white, 56.

OATS—Receipts, 155,500 bushels. Spot firm; mixed oats, 26 @ 32 pounds, 35 @ 36; natural white, 30 @ 32 pounds, 26 1/2 @ 37 1/2; clipped white, 36 @ 40 pounds 38 @ 40.

Live Stock

New York.—BEEVES—Receipts, 351 head. Feeling steady, but no sales reported.

CALVES—Receipts, 19; market steady; common to good veals, 4.00 @ 8.50; grassers and Westerns nominal. Dressed calves steady; city dressed veals, 8 @ 13c. per pound; country dressed grassers and fed calves, 4 @ 6 per cent.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,567. Market steady, but lambs slow. Sheep, 4.00 @ 5.25; lambs, 7.00 @ 7.65; culis, 5.00; no Canadian lambs sold.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,900. Nominally steady; no sales reported. Chicago.—CATTLE—Receipts, 8,500; market steady. Common to prime steers 2.00 @ 6.60; cows, 2.80 @ 4.25; heifers, 2.00 @ 5.00; bulls, 2.00 @ 4.00; stockers and feeders, 2.15 @ 4.15; calves, 2.00 @ 7.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 25,000; market generally steady. Good to prime heavy, 4.85 @ 4.95; medium to good heavy, 4.75 @ 4.85; strong weight butchers, 4.85 @ 4.95; good to choice heavy mixed, 4.70 @ 4.80; packing, 4.30 @ 4.80.

SHEEP—Receipts, 15,000, medium higher. Sheep, 3.75 @ 5.50; yearlings, 5.50 @ 6.00; spring lambs, 6.75 @ 7.50.

FACTS WORTH REMEMBERING.

A secret chamber, furnished in old oak, was unexpectedly discovered during the demolition of the Plough Inn, Little Ealing, England. The inn was 500 years old. The grandmother of Dick Turpin, the highwayman, once kept it. Claiming the right to serve, as British subjects, 20 Victoria (B. C.) Chinese have applied for enrollment in the Fifth Regiment, Canadian Artillery, in that city. The commander has referred the matter to the minister of militia at Ottawa.

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"Dee ain' no mo'," then said the nice little black boy. "Well," exclaimed the surprised reverend gentleman, "if there aren't any more waffles, what made you ask me if I wanted another one?" "Bishop," exclaimed the little black boy, "you's done et ten 'ready, an' I thought y' would'n't no mo'."—Emma Carleton, in Lippincott's.

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