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For Mauch Chank at 10.20 s.m., 1.09, 5.38, 7.04 and 9.43 p.m.

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Leave Philadelphia, from Depot North Penn's R. R., at 7.04, 9.45 a.m., 2.10, 3.45 p.m.

Leave Easton at 8.35, 11.40 a. ft., 3.55, 5.35 and 8.10 p.m.

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(VIA KAST PENSA. BRANCH.)

For Reading, † 2.30, 5.50, 6.55 a. im., 12.25, 2.10, 4.30 a.: d.8.45 p.m.

For Harisburg, † 2.30, 5.50, 8.55 a. im., 12.25, 4.30 For Harisburg, † 2.30, 5.50, 8.55 a. im., 12.25, 4.30

and 8.48 p.m. For Harrisburg, † 230, 5.50, 8.55 a. in., 12.25, 4 ab and 8.45 p.m. For Lancaster and Columbia, 5.53, 8.55 a.m. and

430 p m and Conducting 25, 25 and 2430 p m and Andrew 25 and Mondays.

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Trains FOR ALLENTOWN leave as follows:

Leave Phi michina 7 2 a.m., 5 to and 5 50 p.m. Leave Physician 7 2 a.m., 5 to and 5 50 p.m. Leave Bridgeport 8 30 a.m. d.06 and 8 to p.m. Leave Perkiomen June, 9. 5 a.m., 6.19 and 6.35 p.m.

6.35 p.m. SUNDAY=, Love Philaceiphia: s.10 a. m., Bridgeport, 2.01 s.m., Perkionen Junctim. 9.25 a.m. (VIA RAST PENA BIANCE) Leave Resoling, 7.35 (.4), 11.35 a.m., 4.03, 6.10 and

Leave Research 16.30 a.m., 2.00. 8.50 and 16.30 am Leave Hartisburg, 5.21, 8.10 a.m., 2.00. 8.50 and 7.41 p.m., Leave Lating ster, 8.10 a.m., 12.55 and 2.45 p.m., Leave Lating 8.00 a.m., 1.00 and 2.55 p.m., 20.30 a.m., 20.

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Summer Time Table.
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Trains on the Funiscophia & Effic risitroad Division will run as rollows: WESTWARD.
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SIAGARA EX. leaves Prilidelphia
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Hartaburg
arr. at Wallamasport
Lock Haven
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PRILAD'A EX. leaves Lock Haven
Williamsport
arr. at Harrisburg
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New York
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ERIE MAIL leaves Erie

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The Condor's Manifest-

It was eight o'clock at night, and Mark Compton, the confidential clerk of Gaffey & Co, Commission Merchants, found himself alone in the countingroom of the firm. He felt comfortable with his feet so near the grate, and lis tened to the howling November winds with a smile. The firm had retired to cosy pariors far removed from the business quarters of the river city, and the key had been turned in the front door by the clerk. He had received instructions concerning certain correspondence which had to be ready for the morning mail, hence his presence in the count-

ing-room at the hour we have named. With his accustomed promptitude the letters had been written, and, for rest and recreation, the clerk had flung himself into an easy office chair, His presence was not demanded anywhere, and he did not feel like deserting a comfortable fire for the wind-swept

"The Condor is coming up," he said in an audible tone to himself; "and,by my lady's love! I forgot to look at her

my lady's love! I lorgoe as manifest this morning."

A daily journal was within reach, and the next moment the confidental clerk was running his eyes down the clerk was fully a dealers. were the largest commission dealers in the city, and almost daily received consignments from the South. These con-signments brought work to Mark Compton, and therefore the river column al-ways elicited his especial attention.

On the particular night with which we deal, the "manifest" of the Southern boat soon greeted the clerk's eye, and it was while running over it that he almost started from his chair.

"There must be a msitake somewhere," he exclaimed, with his eye still riveted on the page before him. Who could be sending such an object There surely must be another Mark Compton in the city!"

With the paper in his hand, the cierk

rase and opened the ponderous Direct-ory on the desk. A mament later he was running his finger down the list of Comptons, speaking audibly after his

"Compton, O. C.; Compton Nathan; Compton, Mary; Martin, Maxwell P. The mischief take it! I'm the only Mark Compton in the book !'

He closed the volume greatly per-plexed, and looked at the paper again.

By George ! I'm going to claim that portion of the Condor's manifest marked to Mark Compton !" he ejaculated.
I've heard of rear life mysteries, and, as this may be the only one I may ever run against, I'm going to make the most of it."

Hving reached a conclusion, the confidential clerk of Gailey & Co , don-ned his overcoat, lowered the gas, and left the store. He made his way to the wharf, and inquired at the steamship office if the Condor had arrived.

"Just in, Mr. Compton," answered the night clerk, who knew him as Gaf-fey & Co's "right-bower," and Mark at once proceeded to the accustomed landing of the particular packet.

Straight to the office of the clerk of

the Condor he made his may, after obtaining a footholdon the boat, and was Soon looking over the bills of lading.
At that moment the boat's clerk entered the apartment.

Gaffey & Co.," he said, nodding and smiling to Mark ; and a consignment to you Mr. Compton." "Yes," answered the clerk, growing gotten him!" pale

"A relative, I press."
"No; a friend."
"An I yes, the best of friends must part," said the Condor's clerk, with a show of aympathy that almost made Computer smile. "Do you wish the deceased to night?"

"I have come for the body," was Mark's reply, and having signed the receipt he hurried from the boat On the wharf he met favored dray-

man of Gaffey & Co. One of them he "There's a box on board the Condor

for me; see Marley, and bring it to the store as soon as possible. The man complied by moving toward the boat, and Compton returned to the

"I'm in for it now," he said, with a curious smile, dolling his overcoat. "The dickens knows what's going to come of this, and if there's another Mark Compton in the city, why I may be reminded of a law to punish fellows who obtain goods under false pretenses. Well, if the thing should'nt be mine, there's a train going out of the city be-fore day," and the cierk laughed at his own words.

It was this announcement that had first startled the elerk, and he found it in the report of the Condar's manifest: Mark Compton, one corpse."

Brief as the sentence was, it was enough to startle any person, and to say, that Gaffey & Co,'s confidential clerk was assounded and mystified would not be describing his feelings. Who would send him a corpse?

More than one hundred times had he asked himself the question since read-ing of the terrible freight consigned to a man of his cognomen, and as often had he failed to answer it.

Finally he had resolved to await the arrival of the consignment without bothering himself further with the perplexing interrogation; but, like the ghost in Marbeth, it would not down. It tormented the poor cierk, and his torture was reaching an acuse of terror when he heard the dray at the door.

The sound was a relief, and presently the long and suggestive box was in the counting-room of Gagey & Co. After its reception Mark dismissed the dray man, after whom he locked the door

and, returning to the little room, tool up a formidable-looking screwdriver. But he did not attempt to use the instrument until be had spelled and re-spelled his name on the box. There were the letters that spelled Mark Compton, and they were arranged in proper order. The lid of the box was well held down by screws, and at last the little shining heads received the clerk's attention. Having doffed his cost, the young man stooped down to work with a will and in silence. The screws came out without noise; but the

sweat dropped from the worker's brow Mark Comoton's face was white and almost expressionless, and he never re-moved his eyes from his work

At last the last screw was drawn, and the lifting of the lid revealed a handsome metallic coffin.

At the sight of this the confidential clerk of Gaffey & Co. started back,

saying in a voice very husky now : "A corpse it is, by heavens!" He placed the lid in one corner of the oom and returned to the coffin in the

Oblong box.

But over it he hesitated, while his hands itched to unscrew the lid that his eyes might fall upon the face of the dead. The coffin was extremely large; it measured at least six feet in length, and the clerk thought he could lie down and roll over in it with ease-it was so

Until the lifting of the lid of the box Compton had pictured to himself the pillowed in the case ; but when the di mensions of the coffin greeted his eye such thoughts vanished, and he felt in-clined to pursue them with a laugh. But at last he again fell to the work

of revealing the dead face of his consignment, and he heard the ticking of his watch while he worked or. the sil ver-headed screws. The minutes were such that Mark Compton would not live over again for

the world; and when he put aside the steel scraw-driver, he drew a sigh of relief .Slowly the heavy lid was lifted and

and underneath the faint contour of a and underneath the faint contour of a face heavenward turned. "This is a mystery of the dead!" said the confidential clerk, drawing back from the concealed face. "I've a mind to shut the thing up again and get John to carr it back to the Condor. It isn't mine, I know it isn't, and the sight of the face under the sheet may haunt me

through life!" But talk and argue as he might, Mark Compton could not overcome his curi-osity; and unable to restrain himself, he bent over the cottin and his fingers

gently touched the shroud.

Slowly he lifted it, and saw a face that seemed to grin at him with all the tacial humor of a circus clown's. Instantly the sheet was dropped, and the clerk started back with a gasp of

while stooping to remove it altogether, an exclamation feil from his lips.
"Corpse, the dickens!" he cried

The next moment Mark Compton's hands seized the laughing face, and had flung it across the room. Where it had lain was a letter, lifting

which the clerk caught sight of the litu-minated ends of several cigar boxes, The coffin was filled with the best orands of Havana cigars.

"Luke Colby, I'll pay you for this if it takes a century of scheming," ejaculated Compton calling to mind the jovial member of the Southern branch

of the house of Gaffey & Co .- Luke Colby Undoubtedly at that very moment, in some rich parlor in New Orleans he was laughing over iffs hoax.

"I'll plan my revenge in the smoke of his cigars," said Gaffey & Co.'s confidential clerk. "If they kill me they cannot torture me more than they have already. This is the ghastliss joke on record. Confound you, Leke Colby! may your grandfather unexpectedly visit you some day in his wooden doub-

The next morning Gaffey & Co., discovered the joke, and the counting-room rung with poisterous marriment. laugh was on Compton, and the poor fellow, puffing furiously on a ci-gar, swore revenge on the inveterate

joker who had frightened him " almost out of his boots." Whether the tables were ever turned on Colby I do not know; but I have told, as best I could, the story of the

Condor's Manifest

-Why is a drunkant like a bas politician? Because he is always poking his nose into measures that apoll the con-

-"What kind of a man is Deacon Sinmons anyway?" "Well, you've seen them show storms along carly in winter, when there's a good deal of wind and not much sleighing? That's the sort he is."

-I know of two beautiful things; the. starry heavens above my head, and thus scent of duty within my heart The Old Man Fixed It.

There is no foolishness about some of the fathers of Dubuque county, Iowa, who have marriageable daughters, and they know how to precipitate busines when the fruit is ripe for plucking, and when the fruit is ripe for pincking, and hangs wastings its sweetness when it should be plucked. Matters were brought to a climax with a rush at a certain farmer's residence at Vernon township recently. A young tiller of the soit had for months been paying most assiduous attention to one of his most assiduous attention to one of his daughters, but he was such a bashful, modest chap, never having been much in the company of girls, except this one, that he had never been able to raise his courage sufficiently high to pop the

He had gone to the house in which his admirer lived, upon at least twenty different occasions, resolved to know his fate, but when ushered into the presence of his fair one, into whose keeping he had placed his heart, his courage would invariably "go back on him," and he would return to his lonely room in greater suspense than before. Upon the evening in question he had determined that, come what would, he would tell his Mary that he loved her. He would once for all decide the matter, but, as upon each former occasion, he could get the proposal no faither than his throat. There it stuck, and he had just determined to gulp it down and give up the siege, when the door opened, and in stalked the girl's father, who advanced to where they were sit-ting, and thus addressed them :

'I came in to put a stop to this in-fernal foolishness. It ain't courting expenses that I'm looking at, for coal oil's cheap an' wood can be had for the baulin', but I'm sick and tired of this billin' and cooin' like a pair of sick doves, keepin' me awake of nights, and

doves, keepin' me awake of nights, and its got to stopped right here. Mary Jane, look up here. Do you love John Henry well enough to marry him?"

"Why, father, I—I—you must."

"Stop that darn foolishin'," yelled the old man. "Answer 'yes' or 'no,' and mighty quick, too. It's got to be settled now or never."

"Well, but father dow't you know— "Well, but father, don't you know-

if you'd only wait, and—"
"Dry up; answer 'yes' or 'no.'
Speak!" roared the old gent. -what did he see?

A white fabric, seemingly very fine,

Speak!" roared the old gent.
"Well, yes, then! There, no v," and
Mary again hid her face.
"That's business; that's the way to
taik. Now, John, look here—look up
here or I'll shake you all to pieces. Do
you want that gal o' mine for a wife?
speak out like a man now." speak out like a man now.

"Why, Mr. ___, ain't this rather a-I mean can't you—"
"Speak it out, or out of this house you" or head for head for the house you." you'll go head foremost. I won't walt a inste longer. There's the gal, and a likelier gal ain't in the State, an' you just heard her say she wanted you. Now, John, I won't stand a bit o' fool-

in'; once for all, 'yes' or 'no'?"
"Well, yes, sir, I have been presump-

tuous enough to hope that I—"
"O, cuss your soft talk, the thing's settled now. You two blasted fools would have been six month more at that Instantly the sheet was dropped, and the clerk started back with a gasp of incror.

There was no mistaking the fact that the mystery of the grinning dead face had frightened Mark Compton.

After a long while he crept toward the coffin again.

The shroud in falling from his hands had left the face partly uncovered, and while stooping to remove it altogether.

Mould have been six month more at that job that I've done in five minutes. I never saw such foolin' as there is among young people nowadays. Ain't like when I was young—an' now good night. You can talk the thing over, an' you an' me, John, 'il go to town an' get the license to-morrow. Soon be time to go to plowing—no time for love makin' then. Good-night, good night; while stooping to remove it altogether. hepe I wasn't too rough; but I was termined to fix the thing one way or 'tother;" and the old man went back to

young people laid all their plans for the future, and John felt just a little bad at the comfort he had lost looked up at him shyly, and said :

"This would have been all right four months ago, John, if you hadn't been so skeerry. I know'd all the time that you wanted to ask me; but it wasn't my place to say anything, you

No cards. Advice to Girls. Take lessons on the piano and lears to paint and sing, but let your mother

the washing.
Do worsted work, and make nice neckties for the heathen, but don't ac-quire that mystic art to "cook pork and Go to boarding school and pursue

some French, Spanish and German, but neglect your good old mother English.
Flatly deny the soft impeachment that you are engaged. Treat your young sprig precisely as if you were ashamed of him. It is complimentary, anyhow, to the young sprig.

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When you laugh, laugh hearty. Your gold fillings may be seen. It is a card. tor the dentist,

Tell the people who are posted, and consequently know better, that you are exactly nineteen last or next summer, you forget which. They'll believe it Say mughty things of your rival and next door neighbor, and speak disparagingly of Miss O's nose. But entire-

overlook your own incongruitles. By all means "tote" a nice little dog after you on the street. There' is a chance of you being taken for some one eise, while it speaks volumes -for the

Walk four abreast and keep the centre of the sidewalk, but never for a mo-ment allow yourself to be disconcerted. It shows consideration for the happi-

Finally, out being girls, by marryand ruthleasly thrust aside a man of brains with a becoming competency.