#### IN COLUMBIA.

NOTES ABOUND THE TOWN.

Thoughts Buggested by a Night Stroll-Voices Heard and sights Seen.

It has been said that there are "voices of there are sights also, even in Columbia. We recently made a midnight tour of the have a frontage on the river of about 900 town, just to learn whether any sights feet. The saw mill has a capacity for pro were to be seen. We discovered that there character.

On Locust street but little was seen. The night watchmen and the distant flickering of several railroad men's lamps (it is strange but these lamps can be seen burning even on moonlight nights) were the only sights. In Mt. Bethel cemetery the bright moonlight was thrown back from the white stones which mark the last resting place of the dead, and dark shad ows from the trees, which stood like so many sentinels doing guard duty, were thrown in fantastic stretches along the ground. Now we are not particularly fond of cemeteries and graveyards at night, but on an alley which shoots off from Bethel street and extends down to the Lancaster turnpike fronts a graveyard, and this, we had learned, was the camping ground of a gang of tramps, whom we desired to inspect. So the graveyard was visited. We poked our head through an opening left by an absent part of the fence and glanced around. Not a living soul could be seen, but a dreary sight presented itself. The aged tomb stones stood leaning at all angles, and seemed inclined to seek the mother earth, like those whose graves they marked The paths were overgrown with weeds and everything evinced decay and neglect At this interesting moment a sound was heard which caused the gooseflesh to creep rapidly along our spinal column, and made our hat sit loosely on the ends of the risen hair. A sigh of relief escaped us, however, when a solitary Thomas cat to 1,000,000 feet annually. was discovered to be the cause of the alarm. He had been calling on his "Mariar." Tow Hill next! And what numerous small alleys and lanes here abound; places of evil smell, many of them. The jarring voices and oaths which issued from a house in one of these lanes testified plainly that all Columbia was not asleep What ugly, bitter oaths they were, and how many souls consigned to perdition-by words ! Suddenly rounding the corner of as

alley we stumbled over something-a turned face looks like blood, is blood, and Havre de Grace. In addition to this, 10,visions of a murder rise before our horri fled imagination. We muster up courage umbia and other places. For transportathe nulse and learn that it has sti a strong beat. Stooping to get a closer view of the wound, a strong smell of whisky comes from the supposed victim, and the wound only proves to be a small cut, produced by a hard knuckle, doubtless. After considerable shaking, the besotted wretch is awakened and told to go home, but the only thanks received for kind advice is a volley of oaths. The last words heard as we march indignantly down the alley, is a request to go to a place where people don't require coats to keep them warm. During the stay on the "Hill" we had stirred up packs of hungry looking curs, and these wretched looking creatures dogged our steps until we departed, barking furiously the while. Strychnine would release the white residents of the neighborhood from the tortures of these pests.

Manor street is on a height, and its long straight stretch, with the houses plainly outlined against the sky, presented a peaceful appearance. The music of an accordion was heard somewhere in the distance, but as we were after locals and not music, we did not hunt up the midnight or rather very early morn musician.

From Manor street down over hills and the steep embankment of the Pennsylvania railroad, and the Susquehanna rolling mill is reached. How the fires in the otherwise dark mill shine forth. Every thing looks larger than it really is, and the sons of Vulcan seem to be rushing backward and forward carrying out the orders of the old king, in the persons of the brawny men so busily engaged at their hard work. If any person thinks a rolling mill man too highly paid for his labor let him stand for ten minutes in front of a hot puddle furnace; he will change his mind on the subject very quickly.

The Pennsylvania railroad roundhouse is next visited. The sound of hammers indicate that night work is going on. The business of this great road goes on in all on the 4th of May, 1875, and consequently its departments at night, as well as during the day. The shifting engines in the yards give their head lights the appearance of great eyes looking about for dangerous places. The sky has become overcast, mean while, and a storm threatens, and the distant rolling of heaven's artillery warns us homeward, A peep is taken into the bridge which spans the river. I: looks like a great tunnel, and a light in the distance only makes more visible the darkness. A glimpse at the dark waters of the now angry looking Susquehanna, at the few dimly seen lights of Wrightsville, on the York county shore, and the night inspection of Columbia is over.

SOME COMMERCIAL PEATURES. Columbia as a Lumber and Coal Market.

Fifteen years ago Columbia was the great lumber market of the lower Susquehanna as Marietta was of timber. Her lumber dealers handled from forty to sixty million feet of lumber per year in those days, but do not now handle one. fourth of that amount. Abram Bruner, sr., George Bogle, Bachman, Thomas & F. S. Bletz were then the heavy local the results attained have demonstrated salers. The wharves and shores of the river at this place were lined with rafts,

the country.

The prominent dealers of the present are Abram Bruner & Bro., Bachman & Forry, E. N. Smith and F. S. Bletz. The saw almost daily occurrence, now seldom mill and lumber yard of Abram Bruner & the night," and it is equally true that Bro. are located between the river and the Columbia & Port Deposit railroad, and

ducing upwards of 5,000,000 feet of manuwere, of an interesting, if not a startling factured lumber annually, though the present condition of the lumber market does not require that amount of lumber being produced now. The shipping facilities of the firm are very superior, a railroad siding connecting directly with the mill and lumber yard. They have now in stock about 100,000 cubic feet of timber. which will produce nearly 1,000,000 feet of manufactured material, and about 2,-000,000 feet of lumber.

Bachman & Forry's extensive lumber yard and planing mill are located on the river shore adjoining the Reading & Collumbia railroad coal shutes. Over 3,000. 000 feet of timber and lumber is annually handled by the firm, which has between \$60,000 and \$80,000 invested in their business. The planing mill is frame, and is 100x75 feet and two stories high. The mill shed in its rear is 75x25 feet, and 13,500 square feet of shedding is provided for sholtering lumber.

E. N. Smith's lumber yard and planing mill is located between the lumber yards of the above firms. The mill is a twostory brick structure 75x18 feet. Two other large frame buildings are used for storage purposes. Mr. Smith handles an. nually for himself and others about 1,500 000 feet of timber and lumber. Half a million feet alone are consumed in the manufacture of tobacco cases.

The saw mill and lumber yard of F. S. Bletz are located on the river shore at the south end of town, and his lumber and timber operations will probably amount The Coal Traffic.

What Columbia has lost in the lumber business, is partly compensated for by its immense coal traffic.

The Philadelphia & Reading railroad

company is justly entitled to head the list, as it has located here one of its great receiving and shipping coal depots. The coal shutes, basins and wharves are situated at the foot of Locust street, in the rear of the depot, and frenting on the river. Here were received last year 130, 000 tons of anthracite coal, of prepared sizes, which were shipped to points along human body. A red streak on the up- the Tidewater canal and to Baltimore and 000 tons were received for supplying Coltion purposes there are in the service of the company over forty canal boats. Over one hundred Columbia men receive employment in connection with the business. From 104 to 120 boats are loaded and shipped every month during the serson, which continues generally nine months The business here transacted represents a capital of half a million dollars. The Sus quehanna coal company's great coal yards are located north of the river bridge, and cover about two blocks of ground Mr. H. F. Bruner is the company's agent here, and has successfully managed the immense business for a number of years, having succeeded A. S. Green, deceased. The business is o a wholesale and retail character. During the time that the boating season continues 100,000 tons of coal are unloaded from the boats in which it is brought from the mines, and from this place it is distributed by cars all over the country. Fifteen great derricks, five stationery engines and

> tion of these yards. At what are known as the Pennsylvania railroad coal wharves, 60,000 tons of bituminous coal are annually received for use on that railroad, the market value of which, wholesale, is about \$210,000. 5,000 tons of coal are generally kept in

> fifty workmen are required for the opera-

Filbert & Son's retail coal yard covers about two acres of land and is located at Mill street. They do an annual business of over 4,000 tons.

Klair & Fasig close the list with an annual business of 1,200 of coal. Theiryards are located on the river shore, opposite the Pennsylvania railroad depot.

EDUCATIONAL.

The Public Schools of Columbia Under Prof

Prof. B. G. Ames was elected superin tendent of the public schools of this place has served in that capacity eight years. At the time of his election he resided at Bridgeton, N. J., but immediately thereafter removed to this place and entered upon the duties of his new position,

He found the schools without any or ganization and without any system of promotions, pupils oftenbeing promoted to relieve the pressure of overcrowded rooms. A reformation of the prevailing disorder was at once commenced and soon effected. and a complete and rigid system of promotions was adopted and maintained.

On account of the character of the gov ernment previously maintained over the schools, there existed very generally a feeling of antagonism on the part of parents toward teachers. Under Prof. Ames' administration this state of things has gradually changed, until there is now, almost universally, the fullest cooperation on the part of parents with teachers in the

The government of the schools has been changed from a government of force to one of conscience. The rod-that terror to evil-doers-has very generally given place to penalties, which are the natural reactions of conduct, and to appeals to Martin, Joshua Vaughen & bros., and the consciousness of right and wrong, and

tho feasibility of the plan. Such rules, and only such, have been which often formed platforms reaching far adopted, as were found necessary to main out into the river. The decline of the tain the rights of pupils under the condi business began a few years after the war, tions of school life. Teachers have sought when railroads began branching out all to make justice or equity their guiding over the country from the great lumber principle in all the requirements made markets of the upper Susquehanna, and upon their pupils in the regulation of better facilities were thus afforded for the their conduct towards each other. The transportation of lumber than by the right of every pupil to his time for study risky system of rafting. Columbia, from has been recognized, and no trespassing being a great market whence lumber was upon that right has been allowed. Under distributed all over the country, has now this system of government the morals of size

become but a supply market for the its pupils, as well as the attitude of smaller towns of this immediate section of of parent toward teachers, has very greatly changed. Insubordination to the authority of teachers is rare, and fights among pupils, which were formerly of

> Prof. Ames has adopted no method of teaching, without first understanding the psychological law underlying it, and the methods tried have invariably been suc-

With regard to spelling, he believes that the ability to spell well depends upon the formation of the habit of noticing the form of new words, and has abandoned the old practice of requiring pupils to memorize columns of words from the spelling book, and has sought to compel the formation of the above habit, by making the correct spelling of every word one of the tests of a proper knowledge of each

The word method has been adopted reading, pupils being taught to recognize words as objects. The results prove that this method is based upon true psychological principles, pupils learning to read much quicker and becoming much more fluent and natural readers than under the old alphabet method.

In arithmetic the object has been to avoid all purely mechanical work, and to give the pupils a rational conception of its relation of numbers. The great object of instruction, which is development of mind and the imparting of knowledge, is rendered imperfect when the pupil merely goes through a study in a mechanical

The motto of the public schools now i 'not how much, but how well," and the object aimed at is the development of the power of thought and the power of expression. Thought power is developed by avoiding all rote and mechanical work, and compelling pupils to think, and the power of expression by constant practice from the beginning, in the expression of thought, both orally and with the pencil

superintendent has devoted his entire time to primary instruction in the schools as the basis of the entire system, and has sought, first of all, to secure absolute thoroughness in the elementary branches. He believes that pupils now graduating from the department are better prepared to grapple with the problems of life than those who graduated from the secondary department ten years ago were. They think better and express themselves with greater facility.

During the eight years that Prof. Ames has been connected with the public schools of this place perfect harmony has characterized the relations of school board, superintendent and teachers.

By the adoption of a strict system of economy, the incidental expenses of the schools have been reduced over 50 per cent, per term, these expenses including the provision of books for indigent pupils, crayons and blackboard erasers. The curriculum which was adopted for the high school has been attacked several times through the town papers, but the superin. tendent believes that it is entirely suitable for a high schoool, and that the studies there taught are neither too numerous nor of a useless character. He thinks the adoption of a lower standard would be the virtual abolition of a high school in its truest sense. Too many schools are called high schools, when they are really only secondary schools. He is well satisfied with the curriculum of the Columbia high school, with its undoubted excellent condition, and with the teachers in charge

In conclusion, it may be safely said that the public schools of Columbia have never been in a better or more flourishing condition than they are at present, and these results may be attributed to the untiring and constant devotion of Prof. Ames in charge, assisted by a faithful and efficient corps of teachers.

The Shad Fisheries at Columbia.

The shad fisheries of Columbia are all located below the dam, which spans the river at this place, and are composed of over 35 batteries (a natural or artificial island or islet) and numerous temporary stands built of timber.

The batteries are operated by from 3 to men, the seines used being from 70 to 100 yards in length. One end of a soine is always attached to the shore of the battery when a "cast" is being made, while the other is carried out in a boat and then swept around in a semi-circle to another point of the battery. The entire length of the seine is then closed up close to the shore, and the captive shad there secured. The large meshes of the seine generally allow the smaller fish to

escape through them. From the temporary stands above referred to, the shad are caught by processes known as "dipping" and "scooping." By the former, an outstretched net on two bent and crossed poles, which are in turn attached to a long, heavy pole, are used, while by the latter process a large baglike net attached to a long pole, furnishes all the tackle required for the work. The tife is a hard one, the fishermen generally working from 3 o'clock a. m., until 7 p.m. As the season usually opens in the early part of April and closes June 25th, he is. during most of the season, compelled to work in cold water. The effects on the

constitution can easily be imagined. The prices paid by dealers to the fishermen for shad, range from \$13 to \$35 per hundred, everything depending, of course, upon the quality of the fish and the demand of the market, coupled with the

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