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#### LANCASTER, NOVEMBER 11, 1888.

Winter and No Work. is a black cloud over the Monon a valley. The operators and shippers tuminous coal along that river have ed to stop shipments and close their indefinitely from the first of Decem and over 6,000 miners and many is of river bostmen will be thrown of employment in the opening of the m. This means that about 20,000 men, women and children, are nly and hopelessly deprived of of support and as their work has irregular and not very paying of steam. The steam was evidently are desperate times ahead many. The operators explain their action was rendered necessary the overstocking of the market due to unusual continuation of the condia favorable to coal transportation by . According to them the market is ed with their coal and the landings crowded that great loss would follow freshet or a cold snap freezing the river. Facility of commercial interchange is ed to be a very good thing, but are is a disaster of alarming proportions arged directly to unusually favorable portation facilities. They can arket their coal so easily that they canof afford to mine it. The reason given may be the true one, though the operation has a trusty look. But whatever the ause the incident certainly reveals a out unhealthy state of industry, and the usands who will find themselves on ember first without wages, or the ect of any, will be very apt to wonder what is the matter with the American system of protection. It may occur to ne who lately cast their ballots in apshension of free trade that if the innatries that use their coal, or the eastorn competitors of those industries, had a shance to sell in foreign lands they would ed more fuel and pay better prices. But the die is cast and labor will have to struggle on as best it may with many a bitter lesson like that of the Monongahela.

#### head an Slang and Humor.

to Collins and' sorts of slang of variwhen it was ovalue, but of all the living. His nate ere is none more ut-mond, living in graphically expres-was placed in the or drivelling idiocy taken to the Hs-y to drivelling idiocy p Damon Comphrase that New York the bry right and then, to make popuar. The value of slang lies in its pleasing and picturesque force, but there is hing pleasingly picturesque in the latest metropolitan slang-phrase " in the soup." It suggests an unfortunate fly and a spoiled course at dinner, and it cessfully achieves nothing but the limax of vulgar repulsiveness. If a man has bad luck, or is in serious trouble, he is said to be " in the soup," and most people will feel sorry for the soup; and most but this provint the soup of the spoiled soup; but this provint the source the stard van-tage that to be the source the effect intended, this must have heard the story of its origin. The legend runs as follows : " Last spring, when Kilrain, the pugilist, returned from Europe on the Cunard steamer Etruria, his friends in New York prepared to give him a grand reception. A party of Kilrain's friends, miderably the worse for liquor, profured a tog and went out to take their hero off and bring him ashore, but the captain of the Etruria swore the drunken growd should not come near, and they did not. While cruising around the steamer one of the tug's passengers, a man named Johnson, in leaning over its side, lost his balance and fell overboard. One of his companions, who witnessed his fall, but who was too drunk to throw him a rope or offer other assistance, contented himself with calling out : spot cash. "Ho! Johnson's fell in the soup !' Comparing the Atlantic ocean to a plate of soup was so supremely ridiculous that when the incident was related in the New York papers the expression struck the popular fancy." And, we may add, the popular fancy is yet reeling from the blow. The incident was ludicrous, but the application of the phrase to all sorts of trouble by people who never heard the story, is one of those painful efforts at fun that is saddening. Man is said to be the only living being with a sense of humor, and he alone has the sense of moral responsibility and the consciousness of the swful solemnity of life. Laughter, wit and humor, seem to be given him as a counterpoise to the crushing weight of his sense of immortality, and the parrot like catch phrases that serve some, instead of witticisms, prove a feeble sense of humor that indicates an equally weak feeling of humanity. Men who treat a hollow phrase as a fine joke cannot be very manly, especially when the expression is applied to the misfortunes of a fellow man.

fessor of steam engineering to look after their power. They must depend upon the great army of intelligent and worthy men, who with a thorough practica knowledge of all the plain facts manage thousands of boilers all over the land with such rare discretion that explosions are few and far between. When these trusty men venture to theorize they sometimes come to grief sadly, and one of them makes an interesting example of this in the dispatch from Montana explaining the disaster before referred to. He says: "In three of the boilers the steam gauge indicated seventy-five pounds pressure.

The other one indicated fifty-five pounds

turned into the boiler that exploded from the others, thus giving 200 pounds additional pressure when it rent asunder, onehalf going forward and the other backward, carrying death with it. The boiler was a new one and was considered safe. but could not stand 200 pounds pressure going into it at once." This plan of increasing steam pressure would be of commercial value if practicable, but it is well-known that pressure is equalized much as water finds its level, and the turning of steam into the one boiler would not mean an increase of its pressure by the pressure of each one but simply an increase sufficient to bring it to the same average pressure as the others, which would fall in proportion. As all argument helps to a conclusion consideration should be given to any who have a claim to write about boilers and their curious ways.

THE Boys and Girls National Employment association has a convention in sesquite so much noise as the Knights of Labor onvention in the same city, but is probably doing more good. The aims and oby ects of the association are the looking after the truant, tramping and neglected clauses of youth. This society has been instru-mental in finding good homes for 3,000 vagrant boys, their work extending over 270 cities of the United States and Canade,

ATTENTION has lately been called by correspondents of Science to the peculiar use and meaning of the word billion. It should, according to stymology and mathematics mean a million of a million, but for some unknown reason French mathemati sians changed the rule of separating figures in groups of six to the present separation in groups of three. A billion to a busine's man is a thousand millions, while to an astromomer and mathematician it retains its old and proper meaning of a million millions. Fortunately business men have but little use for it. THE Squirrel Hill gun club, of Pittsburg,

will on Thanksgiving day slaughter 30 English sparrows which will be liberated from traps in the same manner as pigeons, and shot at a rise of 25 yards. This is certainly a great improvement on the live pigeon shooting, and the sparrow on the wing is by no means an easy mark. THE Keely case, spart from its legal

aspects, is peculiar. A party claims to have bought a machine from him many years ago and the court has ordered that Mr. Keely show his machine so that it can be decided whether it is the one sold. Keely refuses to show them anything of impor tance either because he has nothing of that kind to show or because it may be claimed to be the same that he sold to them. He distrusts everyone and demands that everyone should trust him. He says of the other party : "It they will show the description of the machine of 1869 and then say they have not seen enough of my present



## Boiler Explosions.

We publish to-day a letter from a practical mechanic on the cause of the recent mysterious boiler explosion at the chemical works, and would be glad to have the views of other experts as to this important matter. We also publish an account of a similar explosion in the West which killed four men instantly and fatally wounded four more. Considering the very general use of batteries of boilers, and the fact that the best of human ingenuity and skill, has been concentrated upon steam power for the past 100 years, it certainly appears surprising that unacuntable explosions ever occur. By

this time we ought to thoroughly understand the principles necessary for the safe handling of this force, and the comparative rarity of these mysterious explosions is no excuse. There should be no myssery whatever about it, and the verdict of the coroner's jury in this case is not at all complimentary to this branch of modorn science. If there is an unknown cause that may at any moment cause a stition of this accident to boilers provided with every safeguard against known conves of explosions; if in spite of the complete vigilance of the men in charge, comsthing that they cannot control may is is first of all imperatively necessary that the best of human skill should be

machine to show that they do not corres- a Camel Hair splashed and pond, 1 will make them a gift of my secret." This sounds fair, but the claimants may reply that the old and new motors may be the same though different in sppearance just as two steam engines may seem totally unlike in general appearance though both use steam by piston and cylinder. He also says that he will give his motor to the world in four months, but the world would be better pleased to have it mote at ten days with five per cent. off for

A NONO the cargo of the steamship George W. Clyde, which sailed for San Domingo from New York on Tuesday, were the following war supplies as shown by the manifest at the custom house : 250 cases of cartridges, 50 cases of rifles, 11 cases of beits, three cases of scabbards, four cases of carbines, 319 cases of leather belts. and 16 cases of drums. As all requirements of the law were complied with and San Domingo is open to commerce, the collector of the port refused the request of the Haytian consul to prevent the departure of the steamer, which the consul felt sure was taking arms to the Haytian insurgents. He is no doubt right as to the ultimate destination of the arms, but he cannot ask us to prevent such ship ment to a peaceful open port of San Do-mingo, any more than he could interfere with similar shipments to Europe.

### PERSONAL.

COLONEL DANIEL S. LAMONT, private secretary to President Cleveland, em-phatically denies a report that he is to be spointed judge advocate general of the army.

REV. C. S. SLAGLE, pastor of the Reformed church at Westminster, Md., is spanding a few days at the home of his father-in-law, Rev. T. G. Apple, D. D., where Mrs. Single has been visiting for several weeks past.

OLD ENOUGH TO BE HIS MOTHER.

Gray-Haired Mrs. Mendoser Sues to Recover Her Boy Husband-She Says She

Loves Him Still,

Loves Him Still, Judge Walsh, of Brooklyn, on Tuesday called the case of Anna Mendoser, aged 61, sgainst David Mendoser, her husband, aged 21, charged with descrition. The latter walked quickly to the space fronting the judge. He locked tired but defiant, and boldly stared the justice in the eye. Anna was not slow in taking her place as com-plainant before the judge, but even her own lawyer, Frank O'Brien, smiled when she pushed him one to side so that she could stand beside David. The case was about to go on when Clerk John 8. Stryker hur-riedly appeared and stated that Jero Wernberg, counsel for the defendant, was trying a case in general sessions and could trying a case in general sessions and could not be present, and asked that the case be adjourned. Lawyer O'Brien demurred at the delay.

Turning to the youthful bridegroom the judge said : "How is this, young man ? Were you to support her, or was she to sup-

Were you to support her, or was she to sup-port you ?" "She was to take care of me," emphat-ically replied David. "She gave me \$1,000 to marry her and was to help me establish a businesa. She's got plenty of money. I know of four bank books that she has." "Weil, I don't think she'll suffer any by a short delay," said the judge, "and I'll set the case down for November 28, at 10 s. "."

At this time Anna had said nothing, but stool beside David, devouring him with her eyes. As he went out of court with his friends she followed closely after him. On reaching the sidewalk David met more The preparing sudden death for them, is is first of all imperatively necessary that the best of human skill should be anged to the discovery of that something. We strongly suspect that there is no mystery whatever about it in the minds of genuine experts who all have their theories to account for the tricks of theories to account for the tricks of theories to established facts and meet with the precautions needed to the dissever. The trouble is that few inducties using steam in this way can fixed to employ a highly-ducated pro-

It's a long counter where the '5.000" three - quarter - price Dress Patterns are heaped. Most of the time yesterday there was some spot at it where you could look without being elbowed. It's likely to be so to-day, but when Dress Patterns go at 3.75 to \$6.75

each which only the other day were \$5 to \$9 at a low piece

price, there's no telling. Remnant counter, southwest of centre. Prices have swung low on two lots of Toilet Chamber Sets

that have hung back a little. English Ware, blue, brown, and pink, dog rose decorations, \$7, including jar; regular price

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