

COMPARING FIGURES.

Railroad, Canal, Telegraph and Telephone Reports to the State. CAPITAL EXPENSES AND RECEIPTS. Interesting Statistics by the Secretary of Internal Affairs.

PROFITS OF SOME BIG BUSINESSES.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) HARRISBURG, December 30.—In the annual report on railroads, canals, telegraphs and telephones of the Secretary of Internal Affairs just made public, the following statistics are given: The number of steam railway companies making report to this department in 1887 was 254, in 1888, 253. The total amount of the capital stock paid up as represented by the reports of 1888, is \$776,000,315, an increase of \$28,774,896.96 over the amount reported for 1887.

SOME COMPARATIVE FIGURES.

The following table exhibits a comparative statement for the years 1887 and 1888 of the passenger railways, as to the question of capital stock, indebtedness, cost of roads and equipment, mileage, number of passengers carried, expenses, receipts, etc. It will be observed from the report for 1888 that the number of miles of road in the hands of the State has increased in the cost of the roads and equipments, which, of course, is erroneous. The error arises from the fact that a number of companies failed to state in their reports the cost of road and equipment.

CASUAL COMPANY REPORTS.

The names number of casual companies make report in 1888 that reported in 1887, to wit, 15 companies, and they show a capital stock of \$50,500,000, an increase of \$17,500,000 over 1887. There is also an increase in the funds and undivided profits to the amount of \$1,250,000,000 in 1887. The total amount of the cost and equipment of the canals in placed at \$30,250,000, the total mileage at 778. There is a marked decrease in the amount of freight carried, as the report for 1887 fixed the number of tons at 5,677,441, while the reports of 1888 show but 5,174,754. The expenses for 1887 were \$17,411,411 for 1888, \$22,734,94. There appears to be, however, a marked increase in receipts, as the total amount given in 1887 was \$2,350,000, while in 1888 it is reported at \$2,350,000, an increase of \$20,000,000.

MARRIAGE IS A FAILURE.

A Lawrenceville Man Sued for Desertion After Applying for Divorce. That "marriage is a failure," was demonstrated before Alderman Doughty last night in one instance at least. The suit which was called up for trial was that of Annie Schitke, who charged her husband with desertion. On December 10 Carl Schitke was married by Alderman Porter to the prosecutrix, and took his new wife to live on Thirty-ninth street.

SQUIRE LOUGHREY SUEB.

The Corneille Justice Charged by His Counsel with Assault. William Loughrey, a Justice of the Peace at Corneille, appeared before Alderman O'Donnell yesterday and waived a hearing for court, in the sum of \$1,000 ball, to answer charges of assault and battery and pointing firearms.

Getting Up the New Plant.

Blitz & Conly are pushing on the work of erecting the furnaces and hot-blast stoves of the Monongahela Furnace Company at McKeesport. They have a crew of men at work under W. A. Jones, and expect to complete two furnaces by May, 1890. Two other furnaces will follow, and \$800,000 in all will be expended.

Fell Under the Wheels.

Daniel Luty, aged 10 years, while attempting to jump on an iron wagon at Thirty-fourth street yesterday afternoon, fell under the wheels and had his thigh crushed and an arm broken. He was removed to his home on Ellis street, Sixteenth ward, where he is in a critical condition.

A \$50 Fire Last Night.

An alarm from box 42 about 9:30 o'clock last night, was caused by a fire in the cellar of Miss Kate Ripper's toy store at the corner of Fifth avenue and Washington street. The fire caught from a gas jet and before it was extinguished burned up about \$50 worth of toys which were stored in the cellar.

Permits Issued Yesterday.

The Building Inspector issued permits yesterday to Wilson Snyder & Co. for a frame iron-clad foundry on Ross street, \$5,000 to G. M. and E. J. Briggs, two-story frame, Thirtieth ward, \$5,000; Mrs. Ringwall, a two-story frame, Twenty-second ward, \$5,000.

Entertaining His Friends.

Sheriff Alexander E. McCandless entertained a party of friends at supper at the Duquesne last evening. Among them were some of his deputies and clerks. A pleasant evening was spent, and the party broke up at the exceedingly proper hour of 9:30 o'clock.

NEW OPEN-HEARTH PROCESS.

A Patent That May Make the Bessemer Steel Trade Hostile. The steel market of the country is to experience another revolution. Patents have been secured on a process by which open-hearth steel is to be placed on the market at \$5 to \$6 per ton cheaper than it is at present. T. S. Blair, Jr., formerly superintendent of the Spang Steel and Iron Company, and F. Frozmann, two of the persons interested, will arrive from Indianapolis to-day, where a test was made in the works of the Premier Steel Company on Sunday. Advances received in this city indicate that the new product will mark another epoch in the history of steel. The process will be operated by the Premier Steel Company under a royalty.

FOUR FLUCKY YOUNG HUNTERS.

Small Boys Kill a Big Wildcat in Jefferson County. REYNOLDSVILLE, December 30.—The first wildcat killed in Jefferson county for nearly ten years was killed by four small boys within a half mile of this town on Saturday. The oldest boy was 11 and the youngest 8 years old. They were out trying to kill birds with an air-gun when they saw the animal, and thought it was a large rabbit. One boy shot at it and luckily hit it in the eye, and apparently stunned and covered. They shot at it 12 or 15 times without killing it, when they took clubs and soon laid the feline low.

RAILROAD SURVEY COMPLETED.

The B. & O. Engineer Corps Pleaseth Its Work in Bedford County. (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) BEDFORD, December 30.—The engineer corps that have been running lines through Bedford county, have today completed their survey of the proposed route from Bedford to the Reading Railroad. The preliminary surveys and have been called in by the engineer corps. Of nine courses and the former road remarked that something would be done in the course of several months to a distance of about 10 miles. The public believe that the work already done has not been in vain.

FATALITY IN A COUNTY SEAT.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) HARRISBURG, Pa., December 30.—The three Hampshire County Commissioners who served from 1887 to 1888, have died within the past year. They were Michael B. Moyer, Philip Moyer and Charles Redmond, who died Sunday at Lebanon yesterday. Of nine courses who served as Commissioners from 1879 to 1888, five have been removed by death.

Call and see us in our new store.

Call and see us in our new store. 417 FIFTH AVENUE, Lewis Block. The Large Number of Clocks Sold at Hauch's, No. 295 Fifth Ave. the last ten days show that our prices are the lowest.

Work Recommended at the Edgar Thomson Steel Works.

The Edgar Thomson Steel Works at Braddock started up in all departments after a two weeks' shut down for repairs. When the blooming mill hands turned in, six men on each turn were notified that their services were no longer required in that department owing to a patent device of the late Captain Jones, for charging and drawing blooms being brought into use. Other furnaces will be fitted with the contrivance, when other men will be superannuated. The first day's work was marked by what may prove to be a fatal accident. Andy Moore, a brakeman, while engaged in the work, was struck by a dinky engine and severely injured.

BOB MACKAY'S KIN.

An attorney from Beaver Falls has been in the city for three days searching for relatives of the late Robert Mackay, who is entitled to a very handsome legacy from a recently deceased relative in California. Officer Charles Mackay, a half brother of Robert Mackay, who lives at 3348 Butler street, says there are only five members of the Mackay stock, but he is not sure. The amount involved is said to be about \$500,000.

Mr. Carnegie's Stock.

It is now known that Mr. Carnegie has not an option but a put on the stock of some of the large Pittsburgh shareholders in the Pittsburgh and Western road. The DISPATCH has already published the fact that Mr. Carnegie controls considerable stock in the road.

Freight Train at Willmore.

One freight train—a double-headed—over-taking another at Willmore, 12 miles east of Johnstown, caused a wreck which smashed up six ladies cars, incumbered the crew and detained the limited about three hours. No lives were lost.

Save Your Hair.

By a timely use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. This preparation is no equal as a dressing. It keeps the scalp clean, cool, and healthy, and preserves the color, fullness, and beauty of the hair. "I was rapidly becoming bald and gray; but after using two or three bottles of Ayer's Hair Vigor my hair grew thick and glossy and the original color was restored."—Melvin Aldrich, Canaan Centre, N. H.

Thick and Strong.

It has apparently come to stay. The Vigor is evidently a great aid to nature."—J. B. Williams, Florenceville, Texas. "I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for the past four or five years and find it a most satisfactory dressing for the hair. It is all I could desire, being harmless, causing the hair to retain its natural color, and requiring but a small quantity to render the hair easy to arrange."—Mrs. M. A. Bailey, 9 Charles street, Haverhill, Mass.

Ayer's Hair Vigor.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Sold by Druggists and Perfumers. BLOOKER'S DUTCH COCOA. 10 CUPS FOR 10c. CHOICEST, PUREST, BEST. TRY IT.

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38 FIFTH AVE.

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BOGGS & BUHL, 115, 117, 119, 121 Federal st. and Park Way, Allegheny.

Black Astrachan Persiana Capes.

OUR STORE CLOSED ALL DAY NEW YEAR'S DAY. FORGET ME NOT SALE. To be given January 2, 1890.

HORNE & WARD, 41 FIFTH AVE.

STAR WAISTS, 50c.

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DANZIGER'S BUT A FEW DAYS MORE AND WHAT? We Shall be in the New Year. The Year Just Closing has Seen Our Business Increase in an Almost Incredible Manner.

PLUSH GARMENTS. Seal Plush Jackets were \$12, now \$9. Seal Plush Jackets were \$16, now \$9. Seal Plush Wraps were \$16, now \$9. Seal Plush Wraps were \$22, now \$14. Seal Plush Saques were \$30, now \$20. Seal Plush Saques were \$38, now \$25.

IT IS NOT TOO EARLY TO WISH EVERYBODY A Very Happy, Prosperous New Year. This is the earnest wish of the Public's Servants, GUSKY'S.

WE ARE NAMING THIS WEEK Prices that will Create a Profound Sensation! Men's Suits and Overcoats, formerly \$22, This Week for \$15. Men's Suits and Overcoats, formerly \$18, This Week for \$12.

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