

HE FAILED TO BITE. One Farmer Found Too Sharp to be Fooled by the Golden Brick. THREE GLIB-TONGUED STRANGERS. After Thinking They Had Their Fish Safely Fast on the Hook. FIND THEMSELVES BADLY TAKEN IN.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

BRADFORD, Dec. 24.—C. W. Scott Stucky, a well-known young farmer, who lives in Bedford township near the village of Wolfburg, passed through a memorable experience last week, when he escaped a skillfully planned scheme of swindlers.

Yesterday he was visited by a man who said he came from Huntington to buy a farm for a gentleman worth \$150,000. The gentleman had some disquieting news, he said, and would get them away from their evil associates and start them in life where they would not be surrounded by temptations.

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He introduced himself as John Sanders and said he was looking for relatives among the Stuckeys of Bedford county. He claimed to be a descendant of the Stuckeys of Virginia, and said that his uncle had taken him, when a boy, to California.

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MURDERED BY HER HUSBAND. Sad Fate of a Woman Who Feared the Tempter of Her Spouse.

SETTLED ON A PRICE. Judge Acheson Fixes the Value of Dock and Dam No. 7 at \$209,000. NOTHING FOR THE FRANCHISE. The Grand Jury Returns a Big Batch of True and Ignored Bills.

ALL THE NEWS OF THE COUNTY COURTS

Judge Acheson, of the United States Circuit Court, handed down his finding yesterday in the Monongahela Navigation Company's suit in the condemnation by the Government of Lock and Dam No. 7.

The compensation is fixed at \$209,000, and in finding for this amount the court passed on certain points of law submitted by the United States and the navigation company.

The points by the United States were four in number—first, that the river is question is and was prior to the construction of the lock and dam a navigable river of the United States, and so used by the public;

Second, as to the streams of the United States which are waterways of inter-State commerce, the right of a State being subject to the rights of the United States, the plaintiff company deems the right of the State to be a higher right than the State itself; third, the right of the company to maintain the locks and dams is at the pleasure of the Government;

Fourth, that under the act of Congress the compensation can be allowed for the franchise for the collection of tolls. All of these were affirmed by the court.

THE TRIAL OF SAWELLE. The Direct Evidence for Both Sides is Now All Taken. Home for Formerly Imprisoned Man.

Another Accidental Electrocution. Electricity Passes Through Several Mediums Into a Negro's Body. Memphis, Dec. 24.—A negro named Will Grovesman was killed this afternoon by leaping up against an iron post which was used for a telephone wire.

Liquor Men Indicted. The Grand Jury Does a Big Day's Work and Takes a Holiday. The grand jury made the following return to court yesterday, and then adjourned until Monday.

AMERICAN RAILROAD BUILDING. Interesting Statistics for the Preceding Four Years of History. New York, Dec. 24.—In its issue of this week the Engineering News will publish summaries of the statistics of the American railroad building on track laid on extensions of steam railway lines in the United States, upon which regular trains are run.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE. NEW YEAR'S WEEK. Matinee New Year's Day and Saturday. Engagement of BUDDHOP ARONSON'S COMIC OPERA COMPANY From the New York Casino, Presenting POOR JONATHAN.

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WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR. In this connection, too, we wish to return our thanks for the most liberal and generous trade that has been bestowed upon us during the year just ending, and, in particular, during the past two weeks.

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