

EVENTS OF THE DAY.

The Visit of the Czarvitch on His Trip Around the World.

PRESIDENT CARNOT'S DECORATION.

Using Meters for the Water Supplied for Domestic Purposes.

THE FINANCIAL MINISTER OF FRANCE

(WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.)

Society had better be putting on its best and smoothest phases, for within a few days at most, an important visitor will land on our shores to begin an inspection of us. The individual will be of greater importance, from some points of view, than any we have had in a long time. The visitor is not *Rudyard Kipling*; neither is the ghost of the late lamented Charles Dickens, pen in hand, to be re-annealed. It is only the plain, heavy-eyed, bow-haired heir to the Russian throne, the Czarvitch, accompanied by a numerous retinue of the "rich, the noble, the great," of variety. They are on the homestead of round the world trip. Now will our charming girls have a chance to ensnare hearts of the real sinners, royal brand, and, as the Czarvitch, is said to be blown to everlasting "notherness" at any moment, the son and his consort may have a chance to play target. What an honor and a joy would a dance, a ride, with the dynamic bombs and embodying comfort like unto a red-hot stove lid, be to some of our blooming maid!

An Abandoned Iron Furnace.
The short article in a Western newspaper of the past week on the manufacture of iron and its history, does not mention the many abandoned furnaces and works to be found here and there convenient to the ore mines worked many years ago. The traveler in Pennsylvania especially will stumble across the ruins quite frequently. At one place in the mountains up the Monocagela Valley is an old furnace that has not been in use for upward of 70 years. Although at that time it was a clearing, a dense growth of trees, twenty years grown up about and even in it, for right in the center of the inclosing walls, which were long ago unraveled, stands a sturdy oak, its gnarled branches reaching out the window places like the arms of an uncanny ogre, while the foliage top rises far above what is left of the entire building. The structure may remain in the infrequent place for many years in its present condition, as it is built solidly of stone. In the neighboring ridge exist valuable veins of ore, waiting or the time when the approach of railroads will develop the country. It is the failure to do so, no doubt, that caused their abandonment in the first place. Having no facilities, excepting wagons, to transport their product, the miners and manufacturers were compelled to desert their works. In this instance the railroads constructed since their abandonment said to have been a curse. Opening up other districts and reaching handily other manufacturers, these furnaces of the wilderness, if the term may be used, were thrown entirely beyond the pale of competition, hence their ignominious abandonment.

The Order of St. Andrew.
A singular and significant act in connection with the alliance consummated last week between Russia and France is the bestowal upon President Carnot, of the famous cross of the Order of St. Andrew, by the Czar. It is singular in the respect that heretofore it has been conferred only upon members of the royal family, general-in-chief and such foreign dignitaries as were of royal Order of St. Andrew extraction. It is significant inasmuch as it represents the first time of the present alliance, as it is the highest honor in the gift of the Russian Emperor. The Russian Order of St. Andrew is not nearly so ancient as the Scottish order of the same name. It was founded by Peter the Great in 1688. It is bestowed on the Emperor of Russia before his coronation and all the sovereigns of Europe, except the Sultan of Turkey are members of it. The badge of the order is the most splendid thing of its kind in existence, represents an oblique cross, typical of the one on which St. Andrew, the patron of Russia, met martyrdom. The motto is "For faith and loyalty."

Embalming Process of the Egyptians.
It was announced in THE DISPATCH last week that an aged West Virginian named Hamrick claims to have discovered the long-lost embalming process of the Egyptians. Aposops of this there seems to be an idea that no method of preserving the body as perfectly as did the Egyptians has ever been learned. This is to some extent an error. While we may not know the exact method practiced by the people of the Pharaohs, enough is known to satisfy most people. Again, the belief is prevalent that the Egyptians were the only ones to practice embalming successfully. The North and South American Indians, several African and other tribes preserved their dead every bit as well, and in Europe in recent ages there have been many remarkable examples. Edward I. was embalmed so well that 450 years after his death his remains were found in excellent condition. Camille, who died in 1917, was found to be well-preserved as late as the year 1795. William the Conqueror and his wife were quite well looking when exhumed in the sixteenth century, and the bodies of several Roman soldiers discovered near Aboudees in the eleventh century were as fresh and plump looking as if they had been buried but a few months, although they had really been laid away for more than 1,500 years.

Rough on Naturalist Thoreau.
An enterprising newspaper of Sunday, March 22, contains a very graphic and interesting history of the famous Buffalo "recoeur-trique," Le Grand, whose great hair-brained man, finally died last week, although the poor man has been dead for two years. The history makes very good reading, but it is to be hoped that none of it has been so deliberately "faked" as the portrait of Le Grand accompanying the article. Poor Henry Thoreau, Henry David Thoreau, the gentle-spirited American naturalist and philosopher has been the victim of many unkind assaults during his lifetime and after. In an English reviewer who fully termed him a coward and a knave, but it has remained for an American journal of high repute to use his picture as "the counter-act presentment" of one who is thus described in the letter-press accompanying

the article: "People looked upon him as insane. He was eccentric, some could not say that, and he looked insane as he walked up and down Main street." Now, Naturalist Thoreau was a quiet and retiring nature, rarely appearing and eccentric as you will; what genius has not been eccentric? But he was never insane. The pure, sweet, well-balanced mind of the man looked into the eyes of those who regarded him just before his death by Critcherson, of Worcester, Mass., which the enterprising newspaper has made do double duty. Those who are in the habit of reading, July, 1882, but, in this instance, it was given its proper origin.

WITH THE TEACHERS.

A Change Made in the Programme for the State Meeting.

THE RAVAGES OF LA GRIPPE.

A Decision of the Free Text Book Question to Be Made This Week.

HONOR LIST OF THE GRAMMAR BOOKS

Principal H. W. Fisher, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Teachers' State Association, has called a meeting of the committee for to-morrow at Bedford. Superintendent Brumbaugh, of Huntingdon; Walton, of Chester; Hall, of Lancaster; Prof. H. W. Fisher and Miss Elizabeth Loyd, of Newtown Square, comprise the committee. It had almost put the finishing touches on the programme for the meeting next July, but the death of ex-Superintendent of Public Instruction J. P. Wickersham last Thursday necessitates an entire change of programme. One-half day will be devoted to memorial exercises in the ex-Superintendent's honor. He was on the original programme for an address on the "Educational Advantages of State Associations."

One of France's Great Men.
M. Rouvier, the Finance Minister of France, has again shown himself to be a courageous and capable man. It is in his efforts to aid the Bank of France that he came to the rescue of the Societe des Depots just at the moment when the latter was on the verge of a crash. In the same manner he aided the Bank of England over a dangerous shoal last autumn. Had he not pursued the course he did, either of the above mentioned institutions failed, there is hardly any limit to the effect such a catastrophe would have had on the world's finances. By the way, Rouvier is the man who in France a few years since was termed "President-maker," owing to the important part he had taken in the election of the present executive of that country. He is yet a young man, but of wide and favorable reputation on account of his extraordinary ability as a statesman and financier. He is one man of contemporary France whose career will bear watching. He will be heard from in the future, being very popular with all classes in his native land.

Meters for the Water Supply.
In England they are beginning to use meters for measuring the water supply. It is stated that large manufacturers in some districts, have gauged their supply by this method for some years past, but now private consumers are to be compelled to adopt the same method, as it is claimed the rates can be more justly divided by so doing. However, the consumers do not view the matter in the same light, for a loud howl of protest has been raised throughout the land, the chief argument being that the effects to economize would result in uncleanliness and as a natural consequence, an increased mortality. A principal reliance is being placed on the water supply were to be adopted in Pittsburgh, and the meter should have any of the characteristics of another piece of mechanism of the same kind, with which the people have had considerable experience recently, it would be reasonable to expect that a cholera epidemic or illness of like nature is the near future. Citizens would be compelled to wash, if they ever did so, in a tub; scrub the yard or pavement with a tooth brush, and as for clean linen, mentioned in the foregoing, no doubt, but the manners attributed to the early gold-seekers, who purchased a shirt and wore it without change until it dropped off. WILKIE.

Planos.
Opera pianos, 7 1/2 octave.....\$150
Haines' pianos, 7 1/2 octave..... 225
Brow & Simpson, 7 1/2 octave..... 250
2 second-hand pianos, 7 1/2 octave \$30 to 125
Organ for \$80..... 200
Call soon if you wish a bargain, as these goods must be sold at once to make room for a large number of Krieger & Sons, Albstrom, Kutzman and Mathias' & Son's pianos now on the way.
ECHOES, McMURRAY & CO.,
123 Sandusky street, Allegheny.

Life Insurance Agents
Who can write business and who want an extraordinary good contract with one of the best Old Line Companies should call on or write to W. S. Summel, District Agent, Hamilton building, Pittsburgh, Pa. P. O. Box 906.

FURNITURE upholsterers a specialty.
HAUGH & KEESAN, 33 Water street.
How to get fat—eat at Kennedy's.

COMPLEXION POWDER
Is an absolute necessity of a refined toilet in this climate
POZZONI'S
MEDICATED
COMPLEXION POWDER
Combines every element of beauty and purity.
SOLD EVERYWHERE.
POZZONI'S COMPLEXION POWDER.
SOLD BY—
JOS. FLEMMING & SON,
412 Market Street, Pittsburgh.

RELIABLE SHOES.
You've seen the words before, and you'll be liable to see them often while we sell shoes. For we won't sell any other kind. The dictionary gives as a definition of the word reliable, "to be relied on, to be trusted." We can't find a better definition of the footwear in which we deal. People of all ages and both sexes can be properly fitted in just such shoes from the largest stock in Pittsburgh. The number of those who patronize us for shoes increases daily.

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April Series Now Open
In the Inter-State B. and L. A. shares 60c each month, mature in 90 months. Last year's dividends were 20 per cent. Stockholders can withdraw at will and receive interest for all the time their money has been on deposit.
Paid up stock issued bearing interest at 6 and 8 per cent. Call at office, 606 Penn building, or send for circulars to E. L. Hawley, Agent.
Are You Going to Move?
If so, you'll need carpets, curtains, oilcloths, etc. Read our "local ads" to-day. You'll save money.
J. H. KUNKEL & BRO.

SINGERS AND ACTORS.

All World Renown Artists, Join in the Praise of the Soden Mineral Pastilles.
Mrs Sembrich says:
I recommend the Soden Mineral Pastilles for the use of Singers and others against any indigestion of the voice. They also act well on me constitutionally, and I use them all the time.
Pepl Zampa:
During a spell of hoarseness I used the Soden Mineral Pastilles, and I am pleased to say that they have relieved me at once. I would not go on the stage without having them with me.
Heinrich Botel:
I am using the Soden Mineral Pastilles a large number of years, and in my calling as an Opera singer I could hardly do without them. They clear my voice, relieve it from soreness, and prevent colds or catarrhs. I heartily endorse the use of the same to all my brethren and the public.
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I recommend the use of the Soden Mineral Pastilles to any one who suffers from catarrh or any other inflammation, sore throat or colds. I use them all the time and find them convenient, active and pleasant.
The Soden Mineral Pastilles (Troches), produced from the Soden Springs (Germany) by evaporation, are particularly serviceable in Catarrh of Inflammation, Sore Throat, Coughs, Bronchitis and Lung Troubles.
The genuine Soden Mineral Pastilles must have the testimonial and signature of SIR MORRELL MACKENZIE around each box. Price 50c.
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FISHER & MENDELSON'S SODEN MINERAL PASTILLES. -SOLD BY-
JOS. FLEMMING & SON,
412 Market Street, Pittsburgh. mb18-72

An Editor's Experience With the Grip.
From the Kimball, S. B., Graphic.
While the columns of the Graphic are open to any and all unobjectionable advertisements, yet it is quite impossible for us to speak knowledge of the merits of the various articles or merchandise advertised. Particularly is this true of patent medicines. But there are exceptions occasionally, and a good one is the celebrated Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This is a universally known medicine has been advertised in the Graphic for four or five years, but until recently had we any personal knowledge of its wonderful efficacy, which has come about through the prevailing influenza and the stubborn cough that has so often attended it. In the writer's family this medicine has on several occasions this winter cured a cough that baffled any and all other remedies; and the number of families in Kimball and vicinity in which this remedy has been used with like effects attests to its value as a specific for coughs and colds of every nature. WSN

Amusement advertisements appear on fourteenth page.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LADIES' STYLISH SUITS.

A WORD ABOUT THEM.
Perfection in Ready-Made Suits for Ladies seems to have been reached, judging from some of the elegantly designed and carefully trimmed suits now contained in our department devoted to this line. They are worthy the attention of every well-dressed lady, and we invite the fair sex of both cities to examine present stock. Our buyers were extremely careful in making their selections, and only the most attractive suits were secured.
A number of decidedly great bargains are here and your attention is directed particularly to two of them, viz.: Nos. 1 and 2. No. 1 is a lovely Scotch Plaid Suit, perfect fitting, every thread wool, in all the newest and most popular shades—tan, heliotrope, navy, drab and brown—and the price is only \$14 75, worth fully \$22 50.
No. 2 is a fine tailor-made, perfect-fitting Cloth Suit, plain, striped or plaid, skirt handsomely braided to match, at only \$21 75. This suit could not be duplicated elsewhere for less than \$30.
Our stock is very large and comprehensive, embracing all grades of the best suits, ranging in price from \$6 50 to \$45.

BLAZERS, REEFERS AND WAISTS.

Over 200 styles of New Spring Blazers and Reefers have found their way to our popular Cloak and Suit Department. All the fashionable colorings are included in this immense assortment, and a more harmonious gathering of really beautiful spring garments was never shown in Pittsburgh.
Fine All-Wool Blazers at \$2, \$2 50, \$3, \$3 45, \$4, \$4 45, \$5 up to \$15.
All-Wool Reefers for Ladies, fine cloths, \$4 50, \$5, \$5 50, \$6 to \$12.
Misses' Reefers from \$1 50 to \$10.
Small Children's Reefers, \$1 25 to \$5. Infants' Cloaks, over 100 styles, \$2 to \$15.
Our present line of Ladies' Waists is larger than we have ever had before. We show everything that is new and stylish in Flannel, Percale and Surah Silk Waists at prices exceptionally low.

OUR CLOAK AND SUIT DEPARTMENT

Is situated on the second floor (take elevator). Lady shoppers will find this department interesting at all times, as we are adding to the stock daily.
SPECIAL BARGAINS IN LACE CURTAINS
For one week. Hundreds of the prettiest patterns to select from. Do not fail to secure one or more pairs while the opportunity offers.

ROSENBAUM & CO. 510-514 MARKET ST.

Novel Contest!
REGISTER YOUR GUESS!
\$100!
PRIZES.
OPEN TO ALL!
Here's a question that will interest every one in the two cities.
We have in one of our windows the largest candle ever made. It is over 8 feet tall and 15 inches in circumference.
There is considerable interest to know how long such a candle will burn, and to make it still more interesting we have decided to offer the following prizes to those who make the best guesses as to the time it will take to consume itself:
PRIZES.
First Prize - \$50.
Second Prize - \$25.
Third Prize - \$15.
Fourth Prize - \$10.
The candle will be lit on Monday afternoon, March 30, at 3 o'clock, and will burn day and night continuously.
The party making the nearest guess as to the time it will burn will be awarded first prize. The second nearest guess the second prize, and so on.
The contest is open to all, and cards will be furnished free.
Try it. You may be one of the lucky number. Come in and help us decide this burning question.

NECKWEAR: Spring Overcoats.
A charming line. Both the styles and the prices charm the buyer. We've the most novel foreign conceits and the brightest and best makes of the domestic market. The gentleman must be hard, indeed, to suit who cannot find neckwear to please from a stock such as we are now showing. We aim to please everybody, and, what's more, we succeed. It takes both taste and good judgment to accomplish so difficult a feat, but we pride ourselves on having a large share of these. Come in and see what you think
::: about it :::

Mat-Chat. SPRING SUITS.
Our hat trade continues to grow. This is not surprising to us, considering the fact that we sell all the latest blocks at fully one-third less in price than the exclusive hatters, You may fancy this is blowing our own horn, but if you will take the trouble to examine, you'll find that it is the statement of a fact readily proven. The new spring styles are all here in different widths of brim and heights of crown to suit the different types of mankind. Don't pay a cent for style, it isn't necessary. Our charge is for quality only. ::

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Between the ages of 10 and 14 years
Can be suited with equal readiness in Long-Pant Suits. We have tried hard to merit your approval this season. We are meeting it daily, and it makes us happy.

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