

### QUAY IN LINE

With a Bill Providing for the Survey of the Lake Erie Ship Canal.

A GOOD SHOW FOR IT

Guaranteed by Its Presentation Early in the Session.

AN IMPORTANT STEP TAKEN.

A Pennsylvania Boy Who Is Waking-Up the Wild West.

George Christ's Experience in Arizona—Knocked Out Once, but Not Discouraged—An Interviewer More Easily Vanquished—A Gallows Joke Perpetrated on a Politician—New Bills for Public Buildings at Bradford and Allentown—The Circumstances Under Which Quay Would Be Senator Again.

Senator Quay could in no way have impressed himself on the people of Pennsylvania so forcibly on his reappearance in the Senate to-day as by his introduction of a bill providing for a survey for a ship canal from Erie to the Ohio.

The bill is the usual one in such cases. It provides for the survey, and appropriates \$10,000 for expenses. It supplements the action of the Legislatures of Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

It is one important step farther toward the consummation of that grand project to connect the lakes and the Atlantic by water routes, which have been long canvassed, a project which has been so brilliantly placed before the public in late years by THE DISPATCH, that its presentation has attracted the attention and admiration of the entire commercial country.

Presented at a Fortunate Time.

It requires no great stretch of imagination to picture the inhabitants of Mars in the near future, looking at Earth through their great telescopes, as we do now at their very planeted wondering at the canals stretching across our hemisphere as we now gaze and wonder at theirs.

Good Prospects for the Bill's Passage.

I assume that a similar bill will be at once introduced in the House, that no time may be lost. Possibly the two may be passed almost simultaneously and become a law early in the session.

An Interviewer Quickly Knocked Out.

I will remember the hope with which I was flushed in an opinion of a "big spread" on opinions of Pennsylvania and Ohio members of Congress when the report of the Canal Commission was made at Harrisburg.

I went happily from the Senator to scorne the views of other enthusiasts.

Needed Time to Look Into the Matter.

My life as an interviewer was yet shorter, however, for with the chief cheerfulness of Brother Calhoun ended the success of the hunt for opinions and a "spread." Not another Congressman had given a thought to the matter, and only one or two of many even remembered the appointment of the commission.

Grand Purposes of the Canal.

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### LOVE OF A MOTHER

Exhibited in Mrs. Norcross' Description of the Bold Bomb-Thrower.

HE WAS HER ONLY SON,

And She Always Thought Him One of the Brainiest of Men.

HIS HATRED FOR THE WEALTHY

She Cannot Fail to Remember, but Not at All Against Him.

RUSSELL SAGE AGAIN AT HIS WORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The inquest on the Russell Sage bomb-thrower will be held to-morrow at the morgue in the explosion are well enough to testify.

"My son, Henry L. Norcross, was always mild-mannered. I am positive that he never had any bad feeling against Russell Sage.

"He always seemed to admire Russell Sage as a brainy man, and he thought he had earned his money more honestly than most millionaires.

"He was a free thinker, and believed in no hereafter. He never gambled. He did not like cards.

"He never had any books in the house on explosives, unless it was Chambers' Encyclopedia. He was quite combative, but he never had any trouble before. He used often to quote the poetry.

"He looked up the author, and I think it was Montrose.

"On an order from the Coroner, Inspector Byrnes gave up the property found in the wreck of Mr. Sage's office and supposed to belong to the man who threw the bomb.

"Have seen dynamite's head. The chin is too short, ears altogether too small, nose too large, hair too stiff and coarse, beard too sandy, neck too long.

"At noon to-day Mr. Sage was in his apartment in the Metropolitan Hotel building and called at his temporary offices, adjoining the one that was wrecked.

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