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RAIL ROAD PROSPECTS ! Another Meeting! !

Another meeting was held in the Court House on last Wednesday evening, by the citizens of this vicinity who are determined to secure a railroad connection with the Pennsylvania Central. The committee appointed at a former meeting to obtain subscriptions, made a favorable report from which it appeared that over \$15,000 has already been secured. The feeling manifested by those who are favoring this enterprise, indicates that success will eventually crown their efforts. The exertions now being put forth, are not in support of any particular route or place of junction. Subscriptions are taken here, with the understanding that the majority of shares Ex-Gov. GEARY was in the 54th year of shall decide upon the eastern terminus. That decision will of course be entirely influenced by the aid to be obtained from THE King of Spain has abdicated and the contemplated points. There is no the Cortes have adopted a Republican form doubt but that Duncannon, is the choice of many of the subscribers, while Baily's has

its strong friends. Both parties are however, willing to yield their preference to the will of the majority, feeling that the road is of more importance than the route. We already know what we have to raise to make the road to Baily's and, that the meeting might vote understandingly, our friends at Duncannon, and along that route, have been invited to see what they can raise upon the condition that Duncannon

is made the eastern terminus. The next meeting of subscribers will be held on Wednesday evening, February 26th, when it is expected that a vote upon that matter will be taken. In the mean time it is

hoped that all of our citizens to whom the road is important, without regard to where the other terminus is made, will place their names on the Bloomfield subscription list.

There are many who are interested in the road no matter where it may go, who yet have a preference as to its route, and all such should get their names on the subscription list, before the vote is taken, and the more liberally they subscribe the greater their influence in determining the question, as the vote is to be taken by shares.

A charter has been secured for both routes, and though the Duncannon charter is exceedingly defective, it is probable that the defects could be remedied with but little expense, should the citizens decide to push that route.

A Queer Disease.

A young man not long ago laid siege to the heart of a young lady in Louisville, who in due time surrendered the fortress into his keeping. A day was appointed for the nuptials, friends were invited, good things to eat and drink were provided and all the concomitants for well-regulated weddings were prepared. The day came, the guests came, but the bridegroom-"the young man from the country"-came not.

The mother of the bride that was to be went out to interview the son-in-law that should have been. She told him of her daughter-how, like Amy in "Lockly Hall," her "cheek was pale and thinner than should be for one so young, and how she was plning away from disappointment and grief. The young man observed, deprecatingly, that the young lady had never been very fat; but the would-be motherin-law parried this thrust and represented to him the impropriety of his conduct in such moving terms that he felt bound to apologize. He accordingly told the old lady that he was sorry to have grieved and disappointed her daughter and herself ; but that he was the subject of uncontrollable fits of loving, and when one of these came upon him he could not keep from courting somebody. This, he said, was a disease, and that he was in no sense responsible for anything he did while this temporary madness was upon him. If he had, under the power of this malady, made love to her daughter, he was sorry for it, but he could not help it. If she doubted his word, he said he could bring hundreds of physicians to prove that such a disease existed, and hundreds of his acquaintances to prove that he had it. The lady from Louisville went home a sadder if not a wiser woman. Before she left she expressed great sympathy for the young man, observing that " it was such a

A Young Lady Can Read Aloud But Cannot Talk.

A report of one of the most remarkable cases of unfortunate loss of faculty comes from Caenaryon township, Berks county, Pa. Living with her parents, near Joanna Station, on the line of the Wilmington and Reading railroad, is Eliza Wyne, a nineteen-year-old daughter of Samuel Wyne, who during the past few weeks has lost the entire control of her conversational powers. In other words, she cannot utter a sentence in direct conversation. She can read aloud clearly and distinctly from book or newspaper; can write down her thoughts or that which she desires to say, and in that manner communicate, but the moment she endeavors to carry on a verbal conversation she fails. This was first noticed some few weeks ago, when her speech became suddenly impaired and her mind of a rambling character. It gradually grew worse, until now she cannot speak a word in verbal conversation.

Dr. Charles Heckle of that section, has been attending the young lady, and prononnces the case as one of the most remarkable he has ever noticed or read of. Miss Wyne is quite a likely young lady, pleasant, well educated, and of prepossessing appearance, and this sudden visitation of calamity falls heavily upon herself, parents and friends. She is a member of the Rock Church Sabbath School, and is very favorably known in the lower section of Berks.

A Story with an Illustration.

The following story illustrates Senator Patterson's pathetic speech the other day about leaving public life with pleasure if affairs were going on in this way, and the complaints of Colfax and Harlan in the same strain :

A London detective put his head into an omnibus one day just as it was starting off, with the remark, "Passengers will do off, with the remark, "Passengers will do well to look out for their pocket books. There are two members of the swell mob in this 'bus." Thereupon a grave looking old gentleman with eye glasses and a gold headed cane hastily got out, saying : "If that's the case I won't go in the 'bus." He was followed by a clerical looking gen-tleman with a white choker, who remark-ed that he timesdation in the totak. ed that he "wouldn't ride in such com-pany." And then the detective closed the door and should to the driver, "All right, ed that he " pany." drive on ; they've got out."

The wooden railroads in the vicinity of Quebec have attracted some attention. It appears that there are now a hundred miles in operation. The gauge is 4 feet 81 inches. The running time is about 6 miles per hour, but trains have been run at 35 miles per hour. The rails are made of maple, 4x7 inches, set up edgewise, and notched into the cross-ties four inches deep, and held by two wedges down in the notch on the outside of the rail. The ties are eight inches thick and laid twenty inches apart. The cars have four wheels, and some of the engines weigh thirty tons. In frosty weather the driving wheels have less adhesion than on metal rails, but no considerable difficulty is experienced from this cause. The rails will last from two to four years, according to the quality of the timber and the amount of the traffic. The cost of such roads is from \$4,000 to \$7,000 per mile. They seem to be very well adapted for light traffic, and as soon as the busisuch lines may require it, meta

CT On Saturday night the tow boat Petrel struck a log near Hosteville and turned over floated down the stream. Captain M'Ilhane swam ashore but was so thoroughly chilled that he died shortly afterwards. It is rumored that seven others of the crew were drowned.

Norfolk, February 18-The Norwegian ship Tros from Marseilles for Philadelphia, is ashore at Washtagne Inlet. She lies well up on the beach, with her rudder gone, but the vessel tight. She has an assorted cargo. The mate in charge refuses the assistance of wreckers until the return of her captain from Philadelphia.

Tyrone, February 13 .- H. P. Kay's steam tannery was burned down this morning. The loss is estimated at \$60,000 ; insured for \$30,000. The fire was accidental. By great exertions of the firemen and citizons they succeeded in saving the Ward House and the Pennsylvania Railroad buildings, which were in great danger.

137 A Newark paper contains the following: We have often wondered how the ordinary screw wrench obtained the title of "monkey," but until quite recently we have not been able to find any one who could furnish the desired information. It was in thus wise: About forty years since, Mr. Jas. G. Hendrickson, wheelwright at Upper Freehold, N. J., had a man in his employ named James Monkey, who made it is said, the first two-jawed wrench, one of which jaws was made to slide upon the the main bar, and fixed at any desired point by means of a thumb screw. This wrench immediately became a favorite with mechanics, and was called after its inventor "Monkey."

Foreign Items.

Madrid, February 11. - King Amadeus has formally announced to the Cortes his final resolution to abdicate the throne of Spain. This resolution, His Majesty states is irrevocable, and has only been decided upon after mature deliberation.

Upon the completion of the reading the Senate and Congress met together in the chamber of the latter and constituted themselves the sovereign cortes of Spain. Senor Rivero, president of the congress, was called to the chair, and in a brief speech declared himself 'ready to answer for the preservation of order and the execution of the decrees of the sovereign power. The vote was then taken on the question of accepting without discussion the abdication of Amadeus, and it was accepted unanimously.

A commission from the members of the senate and congress was then appointed to draft a reply to the message, and another to accompany the king to the frontier. Senor Pio then proposed a resolution establishing a republic and vesting in the assembly the supreme power.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 256 yeas against 32 nays.

Naples, February 12.-An Italian frigate has sailed from this port for Lisbon to meet Amadeus and convey him to this country. Another man-of-war has gone to Valencia to bring away the ex-King's attendants and the Court equipage.

Berlin, January 31 .- A posse of Russian custom house officers crossed the river

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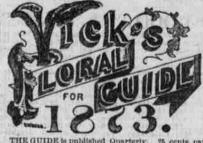
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Tuesday, February 18, 1873.

of Government by a very decisive vote.

THE Funeral of Ex-Gov. Geary was con-

ducted with pomp and display on Thursday

last. During Wednesday the body lay in

in state at the capitol. A number of mil-

itary companies were present at the fu-

WE CALL ATTENTION to the advertise-

ment of the Centennial Convention. It is

a matter which concerns every citizen of

the State. Petitions to the Legislature

urging a State appropriation are in circu-

lation, and those wishing to sign will find

Collecton Robinson and Eight Dem-

ocratic Judges of Lexington, Kentucky,

have been arrested by the United States Marshal for refusing to receive the votes of

colored men at the recent municipal elec-

tion. A committee of substantial citizens

of that place are now in Washington, in

consultation with the government in ref-

AT a recent election in Cameron county,

the people endorsed the Local Option laws.

and declared no more licenses to retail

liquor should be issued in that locality of

the State. This makes the fifth county

that has voted on this question, and all

the same way. The column now stands,

Clearfield, Bradford, Tioga, Jefferson and

Cameron counties. Schuylkill, Lycoming,

Wayne, Susquehanna, Northumberland and

Centre will vote on the question on the 21st

AT a special meeting of the Maine Ed-

itors' and publishers' Association held at

Augusta last week, a resolution was adopt-

ed protesting against the proposed pre-

payment of postage on newspapers at the

office of publication. A resolution will be

introduced into the Legislature calling

upon the Maine delegation in Congress to

use their influence against the passage of

such a law. A telegram was sent to speak-

er Blaine asking him to attend to the mat-

Amendments to the Postal Law.

A bill to further amend the Postal laws,

passed the House without division, making

it obligatory to prepay postage on all print-

ed matter after the first of next January.

An amendment was passed reducing the

ter as soon as possible.

one at the Perry County Bank.

erence to the same matter.

of this month.

It is not probable, however, that the bill will pass the Senate this session.

Extremely Fine Points of Law.

A singular question has just been decid ed by the Supreme Court of Connecticut, that the bondsmen of a criminal are not released from their obligation by his arrest on another charge in a different State. Two Danbury men gave \$8,000 bonds for an express robber named McGuire, in 1864. Soon after the man was imprisoned in Maine for fifteen years for burglary. Claiming they were prevented from presenting the person of the criminal for trial, only by "an act of law," the bondsmen refused to pay, and the State brought a suit to recover the amount of the forfeited bail.

The Supreme Court of Errors of the State held unanimously that as the States are independent and sovereign, Connectiout is not bound to heed the acts of Maine. The sureties, however, maintained that McGuire was taken from that State on a requisition from the Governor of another, under a provision of the Federal Constitution, which was the supreme law of the land. The Supreme Court of the United States was almost equally divided on the question, the vote of Chief Justice Chase being necessary to give the decision. The State has accordingly recovered from Mc-Guire's bondsmen the \$8,000 with interest.

Erie, Pa., February 11 .- The Erie express going west on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, went on a broken rail west of Ridgway this morning. The engine, tender and baggage car went over safely, but two passengers cars went down an embankment six or eight feet. The sleeping car kept the track. Fifteen person were brubsed, but none were seriously hurt. The train was running very slow at the time.

Too Much of It.

pity that he could not be cured."

A few days since, a comparatively young man, smooth-faced and small, called upon a lawyer in Bedford, and asked this simple question, "Is there a law in this state allowing a pension to parties having twins ?" "Not that I know of," said the lawyer. "Why? Why?" said the client, "I have had twins seven times in seven years, and I know they give a pension in Russia for fulfilling the law (Bible), and I thought the old Keystone never went back on the commandments." The lawyer told him the Keystone never went back on what was right, and thought probably he might find something in the statutes that would be in his favor, and that he should call at another time: The mother is a buxom brunctte about thirty-nine years of age, and has, in addition to the fourteen twins, given ten single births in seventeen years. That she deserves a handsome pension, there is no question.

rails may be substituted for wood without any change in the equipment.

Miscellaneous News Items.

gon his life of \$10,000 in the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia.

TTA man who lately committed suicide in New Orleans used a pistol loaded with water. Who says water is not dangerous.

13 At Tideonte, Pa., recently, Andrew Dairymple was secretly filling a torpedo with nitro-glycerine, when it exploded, demolishing his house, killing himself and wife, and fatally injuring their child.

IT A man named Barker was hung by party of citizens from Locust River bridge, between Orleans and Paoli, Ind., on Wednesday night, for a vile assault on a young lady.

ITA New York despatch says that Mrs. Clarke, a passenger in the steamship, Cuha, sold her son, aged five years, to Mr. and Mrs. Farmer, for eight bottles of porter ! The little fellow left for Ohio with his purchaser on Saturday.

137 "We heard of a chap the other day who, coming to a tailroad crossing and reading the sign, "look out for the locomotive," climbed to the top, and gazing up the track, wanted to know "wherin' thunder the old thing was ?''

IT'It is stated that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has leased the entire line of the Northern Central Railroad, and will take possession on July 1. The terms of the lease are said to be, that the stockholders shall receive 8 per cent. on their stock.

177" A woman named Passel, living at Lockport, last week gave birth to a female child which has five fingers and two thumbs on one hand, and five fingers and one thumb on the other. It has also six toos on each foot, and its tongue is fast to the lower part of the mouth.

Brinnitza in the province of upper Silesia and destroyed the dam built in the river for conducting the fish to the Kunamill. This peremptory proceeding being resisted by the Prusians residing there, the Russian officer in charge of the custom house detachment fired, killing a cavalier. This outrage raised the inhabitants to a great pitch of excitement and the government was fully informed of the affair.

Prince Bismarck has addressed a peremptory note to the Russian authorities demanding an instant explanation of the outrage.



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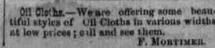
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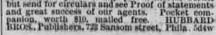
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