

The Census of 1880.

Preparatory steps have been taken in Congress in preparation for the work of taking the census of 1880. The chief purpose in view by the Constitution in requiring a census every ten years was the laying of a basis for the apportionment of representatives and the imposition of direct taxes. But in the development of statistical science the census has become to be a grand instrument for the collation and diffusion of valuable information. It is no longer a barren enumeration of persons, but a comprehensive exhibit of the social and material progress of our people.

The last census, prepared under the supervision of Gen. Francis Walker, far surpassed every other census in this country—and, indeed, excelled the extemporaneous census of any other country—in its scientific arrangement and the wide range of information which is presented. But Gen. Walker worked in the face of serious obstacles in the law, which he indicated in his report; and with proper Congressional action, those obstacles can be so far removed or amended that the census of 1880 will be a decided improvement on the excellent record of 1870.

The latest theory with reference to the stealing of the body of A. T. Stewart, is, that the theft was executed by a spirit of revenge. This is explained as follows: A number of years ago, (so goes the story) Mr. Stewart purchased a lot of property which included a church and adjoining graveyard. The terms of the purchase required Mr. Stewart to have all the bodies of the dead in the said cemetery reinterred in a designated place. It is alleged that in the performance of this work Mr. Stewart took advantage of a flaw in the articles of sale, and instead of removing and reintering the dead decently and in order, the bones were promiscuously thrown into wagons and the remains of scores buried in a common grave. That theory referred to is, in effect, that some of the friends of the dead thus indecently moved from one resting place to another, in a spirit of revenge retaliated by stealing the remains of Stewart. There may be nothing in this story, but it is having a wide circulation.

The Governor has signed the death warrant of Kehoe, and with it those of four other murderers, three of whom are also Mollie Maginnes. Marton Birgen was associated with Kehoe in Selbykill co., and Sharpe and McDonald were two of the Carbon county Mollies. They were all fairly tried and justly condemned, and justice will assert herself, after many delays, in their execution. The fifth upon the list is Alexander W. Sayles, who shot his wife in a church in Philadelphia about a year ago.

Our Governors.—Since the adoption of the Constitution of 1790 making the office elective, Pennsylvania has had seventeen Governors. Of these, three served nine years each, six served six years each, and eight served three years each. They were all natives of the state, three of them having been in Berks county, three in Montgomery, two in Centre, two in Westmoreland, and one in each of the counties of Philadelphia, Chester, Lancaster, Cumberland, Franklin, Northampton and Northumberland.

A footing of the public cash contributions of some forty odd cities and towns for the relief of the yellow fever sufferers, shows a total of \$1,359,000. This includes only the donations of money made through the authorities, and not the great sums which have been raised in other ways. It is probably not extravagant to say that the country sent not less than two million and a half in money to the stricken districts, besides the offerings of various kinds.

The investigation into the cause of the fire at Cape May has resulted in fastening suspicion of the crime of incendiarism on one S. R. Landman the proprietor of the Ocean House, in which the fire originated. Charity induces the belief that the man is partially insane. Jersey Justice is stern, and if on trial it is developed that the accused was in his right mind when the deed was done, he will be so disposed of that he will not soon repeat it.

Lord Lyons, the new Governor General of the Canadian dominion, has reached his destination and was received by the populace with great demonstrations of enthusiasm and pleasure. The subjects of Her Majesty in the north appear to be wonderfully elated with the idea of having the daughter and son-in-law of their Queen with them.

General Grant was offered a Knighthood by the King of Portugal, which, of course, he declined. His own great career in this country gives him more renown than could be done by all the Knighthoods that all the sovereigns of the world could bestow upon him.

President Hayes had for guests at the Thanksgiving dinner at the White House Thursday the families of his secretaries and clerks.

In his forthcoming message President Hayes will take strong grounds against the outrages and violations of law in the South during the late elections.

BURGLARY.

AN OLD MAN, JOHN HEATER, ROBBERED OF \$2,000.

Burglars Caught and Money Recovered.

It was evident to those about town Thursday afternoon that something was afoot in police circles, since this marshal and others were going to and fro on a still hunt for something. It culminated at evening in the capture of three fellows named Peter, Perry and Wilson Bingham for the robbery of old man Heater, the night before, to the tune of some \$2,000. The circumstances are as follows:

The old gentleman lives alone in a large house on Kilborn street, near the railroad, and being worth much property had accumulated considerable money in the house. Mr. Cupp's wife of our place is his daughter, and his family are in the habit of providing the old man his victuals. Their little boy Vessey took his breakfast with him Thursday morning, and the old gentleman urged him to return immediately, and tell his mother to come there as he had something awful to tell her. She hurried through with her morning's work, and went there as requested when her father under a solemn promise of secrecy, to tell nobody of it, informed her that about 12 or 1 o'clock the night before he awoke and found his money had been stolen, beside four silver watches. Mrs. Cupp went home burdened with the awful secret, and when her husband came to dinner, she made him promise likewise to keep the secret before she would communicate it. Philip thought a bad promise better broken than kept, hence when he heard the story declared at once that he had a pretty good idea who did the deed, since three fellows had been working about here all summer, and having come from the same neighborhood in Pennsylvania where Mr. Heater formerly lived, they were in the habit of visiting him, as well as other members of the family, and would be likely to know that the old man had money about the house, and from what he knew or did not know about them would be none too good to take it if they had a chance, which was not wanting. After dinner he sent word to Levi and John Heater, sons of the old gentleman, and also informed Bill Mayne, the Marshal, who, on learning of these suspicions, and the fact that one of the fellows, at least, was then at work for Alex. Little and the others about there, procured a horse and buggy and made for Alex's place. Mrs. Little told him that the chap was then at work helping to draw in corn fodder, also that he came in the night before, about 4 o'clock in the morning, and about 4 o'clock in the morning Bill waited until he came up with the load from the field, and, taking him into the buggy, started for town; but proceeded only a little way when he stuck the robbery at the fellow, and told him it would be the best thing he could do to tell where the money was. The robber became scared, and under the assurance that they would be easy with him told the Marshal where his part of the "swag" was hid. They went back to Alex's barn, and after digging some time in the bay under the corn fodder they had that day piled upon it, a package was brought out, of some \$100. Bill was certain then that the other two fellows had the balance. He found them around one side of the house whittling with jack-knives, and drawing his revolver told them to drop their knives, which they did instantly. "Now," said he, "I want to know where that money is you took of old man Heater. I saw you get over the fence last night, and there is no use denying it, for my eyes do not deceive me."

The fellows wailed, and went with him to get it. One had hidden his in the ground under a board, the other in a pile of fence posts. The packages had been divided with no reference to the amount each contained, but altogether \$1,700. The watches were also recovered.

The chaps were brought to town, as related, and locked up for the night. The next morning one of them went with the Marshal to get a pocketbook, which was found to contain a lot of pennies and shillings, about \$6 in value.

Mr. Heater did not know just how much money he did have, so is uncertain whether it is all obtained yet or not; but Mayne thinks he can get more of it. The prisoners are not brothers as their names might indicate, but related, one being an uncle of another, etc.

They had their examination yesterday, and the evidence was too complete to furnish any plea in defence; hence, they were bound over to Court, and in default of bail locked up in jail at Freemont.

Mr. Heater is very unfortunate with his money. Having lost a large amount in Sinclair's failure, he determined to be his own banker. But that did not work well, it seems, and he runs great risk of his life to keep money about his house, where he lives alone. In reviewing the case, one cannot help admire the skill and acuteness of Marshal Mayne in recovering the money so readily. The thieves might have persistently denied all knowledge of it, and it would have been difficult, if not impossible, to prove the crime upon them; but the Marshal's knowledge of human nature enabled him to strike the weak spot the first blow, and wring the whole thing out of them.

The Heater family ought to do the nice thing by him, as but for his wit it would have cost them to recover several hundred dollars to recover the money, if they did at all—Bellevue (Ohio) Local News, Nov. 28th.

France has 80,000 school teachers.

A fire at Marysville, New York, on Friday, destroyed \$30,000 of property.

The finest black walnut trees the world are said to grow in Pennsylvania.

Hundreds of persons are being on charity in Scotland, England, in consequence of the business depression.

The term of the next Governor will commence on the third Tuesday of January, to continue four years.

When a tramp demands a meal of an Arkansas woman she sticks a pistol under his nose and tells him to "eat that."

It is said that war is inevitable between England and the Ameer of Afghanistan, English troops are advancing on Afghanistan.

By an explosion at a coal mine at Sullivan, Indiana, on Thursday, 13 men were killed instantly and a number of others fatally injured.

Thomas S. Power, drug manufacturer, of Philadelphia, died on Wednesday morning, leaving an estate of \$19,000,000 to be scrambled for by the heirs.

The total amount of United States taxes collected from national banks since the organization of the banking system to the present time is \$88,033,554.

The States which voted for the Republican ticket at the late election, cast more than enough of electoral votes to elect a President of the United States.

Paper teeth are a new invention in Germany, and a number of specimens were displayed at the late paper exhibition in Berlin. They are warranted to be fully as durable as any other teeth.

Robert Harriot, the pedestrian, died in his home at Jersey City on Thursday. He was the first man to walk in this country one thousand miles in one thousand consecutive hours.

Old Grandmother Forrey died at Lancaster on Sunday morning of last week, aged 104 years. She could clearly remember the Revolution and was well along in years during the War of 1812.

A party of forty armed men, on Wednesday night took from the jail at La Grange, Kentucky, George Williams, a colored ransomer, and hung him to a tree two miles from town. He confessed the crime.

The national grange of the Patrons of Husbandry met in twelfth annual session, at Richmond, on Wednesday. The reports of the officers showed the order to be in a flourishing condition throughout the country.

A workman in a Troy mill was guiding a red hot iron rod between two rollers. He stumbled forward, and the rod entered his mouth, passed through his cheek, round and round his body. He was frightfully lacerated, yet he still respires.

NOTICE. A. H. parties indebted to us are hereby requested to make immediate payment, and those who have any claim against the firm will please present the same at once, owing to the fact that the firm is in process of dissolution.

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In Bankruptcy. District Court of the United States, for the Western District of Pennsylvania. THIS is to give notice that on the 20th day of November, A. D. 1878, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of Peter Hartman of Gettysburg in the County of Adams and State of Pennsylvania, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon his own petition; that the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt to prove their debts, and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be held at the office of A. G. Stinson, Esq., in Northumberland, Pa., at the office of A. G. Stinson, Esq., on the 20th day of December, A. D. 1878, at 10 o'clock A. M. J. H. HALL, U. S. Marshal, at Gettysburg, Pittsburgh, Nov. 26, 1878.

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Notice Under Insolvent Act. NOTICE is hereby given that Oscar B. Babb will present his final petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the county of Snyder on the 2nd Monday of Dec. next, for the benefit of the Insolvent Act and that the same will be confirmed by the Court unless objection be filed thereto according to law. J. CROUSE, Prothy, Nov. 21st, 1878.

Assignee Notice. ALL persons interested are hereby notified that W. G. LITZ, of Jackson Twp., Snyder Co., Pa., has made an assignment of all his effects, real and personal to the undersigned for the benefit of his creditors. All persons having claims are requested to present them to the undersigned, and persons indebted will please make immediate payment. FREDERAL HERMAN, Assignee, Nov. 21st, 78.

SHERIFF'S SALE. BY virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Snyder county, Pa., and to an attached will be executed to Public Vendue of Outcry on Friday, December 6th, 1878, at 1 o'clock P. M. at the Court House, in the Borough of Middleburg, the following described Real Estate, to wit: All that certain messuage and

Tract of Land situate in Adams township, Snyder county, Pa., bounded by the lands of John Snyder, on the north and east, by the lands of John Snyder, on the south and west, by the lands of John Snyder, on the north and east, and by the lands of John Snyder, on the south and west, containing

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