

WHITNEY'S WEEKLY BUDGET OF NEWS

Thrilling Adventure of Tom Saunders, the Bear Hunter. OF INTEREST TO THE RAILROADERS

The Bell Buzzard Causes Consternation Among Superstitious People. Chief Mahon Catches a Swindler. A Glimpse at the Field of Politics. Saved Off Sandries and Bits of County News.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Susquehanna, Sept. 29.—Tom Saunders, Susquehanna county's famous hunter, has just returned home from a bear-hunting tour through Nevada and he tells some wonderful stories of adventure since leaving home.

Cloud Peak, he had gone only three miles when he discovered two enormous grizzlies down in a horse-shoe canyon. He left his pony, went to the canyon wall and opened fire on the grizzlies. The bears were 500 yards away. Tom's first shot wounded one of the monsters, and the wounded one immediately attacked the other bear. They fought a desperate battle for fifteen minutes. It was a terrible encounter. The bears would strike, bite and roll around, giving frightful growls, enough to scare a fellow, even at the top of the canyon. The wounded bear was vanquished by its antagonist, which was shot by Tom. They were both females looking towards the top of the mountain together. It was an exciting time. The four bears made a terrible noise. Bawling and deep growls, mingled with keen reports from the rifle, echoed and re-echoed, making a sound rivaling the very howl of pandemonium itself. In a few moments all was quiet, save the passing breeze through the pine branches and a few squalling ravens. Tom listened closely for more bear, and could occasionally hear the peculiar whistle across the opposite mountain. But none were in sight. After seeing a large eagle swoop down among the pines to catch a grouse, Tom descended from his rocky knob and ventured up to the bears. There they lay in a heap, all dead, and in the gulch together. The six bears would weigh 7,000 pounds. Tom started on Monday for the great North Woods, in search of deer.

RAILROAD POT-POURRI. Seven hundred Erie railroad employes at Meadville have organized a sound money club. Diamond lodge, No. 6, Ladies' Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, on Saturday evening gave a banquet in honor of Mrs. W. A. Mardock, of Chicago, grand president of the auxiliary. Among the out-of-town guests present were: Mesdames R. A. Craft, G. H. Dimmick and W. Hyatt, and Mr. G. H. Dimmick, of Carbondale. The tenth annual ball of Keystone Lodge, No. 208, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, will be held in Hogan opera house, October 30.

The Erie reports increased passenger traffic between New York and Chicago. It is said that the new scheme of the Erie of running their engines from Jersey City to Susquehanna, is proving very disastrous to the locomotives, which are not receiving the care they

did when they only ran over one division. The Erie has recently put in 12,750 tons of eighty and ninety pound steel track, which, including new miles of track, and has been replacing old and light cars, as they become unserviceable, with modern cars. The estimate has been made that the 75,000 railroad employes of the company receive annually \$200,000,000 in wages, or less than \$200 per year each. The Erie has equipped its mail cars with glass protectors at the doors, which enable the postal clerks to look ahead for mail pouches at the station where the train does not stop, without the liability of getting their eyes full of cinders and dust.

PARAGRAPH NEWS BITS. The funeral of Mrs. Hiram Bush, a highly respected resident, occurred on Sunday afternoon. The interment occurred on Monday, at Cooperstown, N. Y.

The body of James McNora, a contractor, was found floating in the North river, in New York, one day of last week. He had been robbed and murdered. He was formerly and for several years a resident of Jackson, this county.

The autumn leaf excursion from Scranton to Riverside Park, Lanesboro, on Friday last, was not largely attended, and it is reported that Projector Brown, of Scranton, lost quite a sum by the venture. The excursion was too late in the season.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Potter, for very many years highly esteemed residents of Susquehanna, all emigrated to Scranton. May good luck attend them in the Electric City.

The funeral of William Wadsworth, an old and esteemed resident of Lanesboro, occurred on Monday.

PURELY POLITICAL. We are within a few weeks of probable universal bankruptcy, or a return to universal prosperity. We must decide the issue by ballots. All the voters are in favor of voting against the best thought and the best opinion, backed by the history and experience of all the most enlightened nations of the earth—all who wish to live in indolence and poverty the remainder of their days, should vote for unlimited coinage of silver. All those who desire to see the debts of the nation in dollars worth a hundred cents each; all those who want dollars as good as the best, and each dollar as good as any other dollar, and all those who love their country and despise the politician who arrays laws against class, and section against section—all those who believe in American honor and American soldiers, American citizens, and American statesmen, the advance agent of prosperity, William McKinley, will man our political ship with American sailors and sail into the harbor of peace, plenty and prosperity.

THE BELLED BUZZARD. The famous "bell buzzard," which is known all over the country, and which was seen along the Delaware river, near Cocheaton, last month, was last week seen near West Chester. The bird carries a large sleigh bell, which is attached to its wing, and when flying it can be heard a long distance. It has been seen at many points in the state for several years, and is believed to be one of the oldest of its species. It has given much uneasiness to superstitious people.

CAUGHT A SWINDLER. Chief of Police McMahon on Friday evening arrested a young man, who gave his name as J. B. Lyon, on west bound train No. 10, at this station. Lyon said John Wichham, a Middletown boniface, a forged check for \$85. In Lyon's valise were found a few bricks, some solid iron, and a letter informing Chief McMahon believes the scheme was to present the check in payment for a hotel bill, receive the balance in cash and decamp. The fellow admitted that his name was Harry Raymond Rhodes, but refused to give his place of residence. Mr. Wichham came here on Saturday and took the prisoner to Middletown.

The Susquehanna County Women's Christian Temperance Union convention will be held today and tomorrow in Forest City. The receipts of Harford fair were about \$1,000. It is rumored that Carbondale gentlemen will prospect for coal at Montandale. The Harford fire department has decided to have no parade this year. A mission is being conducted in the Friendsville Catholic church by Passonist Fathers. The semi-annual meeting of the Susquehanna County Medical society will be held in New Milford, October 6. There comes on the wings of the morning a rumor that another effort will soon be made in Brooklyn to discover oil. Forest City Lithuanians are said to favor free silver. Some people look for pots of gold at the end of a rainbow. It is to be hoped that our Lithuanian fellow-citizens know why they favor free silver.

It is remarked that John Boyd Thatcher's campaign button will bear the portrait of a small inert dividing time with a medal neglected. Strange, isn't it, that the business men in general and the manufacturers never fear a Republican victory? A campaign without a torch light procession and a circus without a parade would excite the dead quiet. A leading New York daily devoted two good columns to a discussion of the pocket in a woman's dress, which is proof positive that all of the blankety blank fools are not sitting in editorial chairs in country newspaper offices. While yelling for Bryan a few evenings ago, a Great Bend man dislocated his jaw and half a dozen doctors have since unsuccessfully endeavored to get it into place again. This ought to serve as a terrible warning to several ornamental people in Susquehanna and elsewhere. "The statesman has an easy lot, but his beauty will not pass, so long as fond constituents are kept training down his grass."

SAVED OFF SWINDLERS. Lanesboro, this county, is preparing for its annual home show. A number of Susquehanna county people will take in the Lackawanna county excursion to Canton. John Boyd Thatcher having slumped, lightning may strike our old friend, Amos J. Cummings. Amos would not mind leading the forlorn hope to glory and the republican cause.

In the event of his securing the congressional nomination, Bro. Cruser, of the Montrose Democrat, has made a solemn, double and twisted vow not to open his mouth. The Women's Relief Corps, G. A. R., will hold a district convention in Susquehanna October 27.

Albert G. Eastbrook, formerly of Susquehanna, died at Mount Airy, Pa., on Friday morning. While coasting a Lanesboro hill on Sunday, an African young man, named "Cris" Iron, was thrown from his bicycle and seriously injured. Canawata Chapter, O. E. S., will this evening repeat its mock initiation, at La Lease.

Philadelphia Provision Market. Philadelphia, Sept. 29.—Provisions were in moderate demand and firm. We quote: City smoked beef, 12c; beef hams, \$16.25@16.75, as to average; pork, family, \$10.10@10.25; hams, S. P. cured, in tiers, \$14.00; do. smoked, 10c; 11c; as to average; sides, ribbed, in salt, 10c; do. do. smoked, 10c; shoulders, pickled-cured, 10c; do. do. smoked, 10c; picnic hams, S. P. cured, 10c; according to quality and cures, 10c.

Chicago Live Stock. Union Stock Yards, Sept. 29.—Cattle—Market steady; common extra steers, \$13.00@13.50; stockers and feeders, \$12.00@12.50; cows and bulls, \$5.00@5.25; calves, \$2.00@2.25; Texas, \$2.00@2.25; western ranges, \$1.50@1.75. Hogs—Receipts, 18,000 head; market easier; heavy packing and shipping lots, \$2.00@2.25; common to choice, \$1.75@1.90; choice assorted, \$1.00@1.25; light, \$3.20@3.29; 34.75. Sheep—Receipts, 20,000 head; market steady; inferior to choice, \$1.50@1.75; lambs, \$2.75.

Oil Market. Oil City, Sept. 29.—Option oil closed at 117 1/2 bid; credit balances, 118.

MARKETS AND STOCKS

Wall Street Review. New York, Sept. 30.—There was a slight recession in prices at the opening of business at the stock exchange this morning, owing to the lower quotations from London. The general list yielded 1/4 to 3/4 per cent., while Manhattan declined 1 to 3/4 and Tobacco 1/4 to 3/4. The foreign houses were moderate sellers of the international stocks and this contributed to the weakness of the market. It soon became apparent, however, that the offerings were being promptly absorbed, for despite the bear pressure the market began to improve and steadily recovered the early decline. The announcement of the shipment of over two million dollars in gold from Sydney to San Francisco and a reduction in the price of gold from Sydney to San Francisco and a reduction in the price of gold bars in London caused an improvement. The latter, it was contended, would offset in a measure the recent rise in Sterling exchange rates. Prices for stocks in consequence moved up anywhere from 1/2 to 3/4 per cent. Manhattan, the Grangers, Western Union, the Cables, Sugar, Louisville and Nashville, Atchison and Missouri Pacific were prominent in the rise. Near the close Sugar declined to 11 1/2, the market in the final dealings was steady to firm. Net changes show gains of 1/4 to 3/4 per cent. The total sales were 2,200,000 shares.

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