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THE PANAMA CANAL.

The Work of This Immense Artificial Waterway is Strenuously Advancing.

There is not the slightest doubt that the Panama canal will be an accomplished fact within ten years.

Mr. Ahrling spent three years as one of the chief engineers of the great project, and only recently severed his connection with the new Panama Canal company.

The work is being now advanced with great adroitness and remarkable economy and system.

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There has consequently been devised a series of locks. Two are placed at the Atlantic and Pacific outlets, and there are five of them in the intervening space.

There will be sufficient water when these works are completed for the heaviest ship in existence or ever to be made, as science calculates. The depth of the canal will be fifty feet.

It is hardly possible that the intelligence and capital of the world are going to allow this huge enterprise, which means so much to the commerce of all nations, to lag for the lack of funds.

He Relieves the Suffering Millionaire and Receives a Healthy Fee.

"For a time," said a man who is now an employer instead of an employe, "I was manager for an Eastern company mining copper in the upper peninsula of this state.

"Among those who took this vacation the most was a little bachelor millionaire from Boston. In my opinion he was tough as a pine knot, but a confirmed hypochondriac.

"There was a smooth fellow that we called Parson loafing about the place. He was as cultivated a rascal as ever lived on his wits. I hurried him into a black suit of mine over fresh linen, had him shaved, put the Bostonian's own plug hat on him and told him to follow me.

FORTUNES LOST BY GAMBLERS Millions That Change Hands on the Turn of a Card.

Benson, the jubilee plunger, thought it worth while to write or have written for him a book telling how, in 1887, he spent and gambled away a fortune of \$250,000.

The famous Lady Castlemaine was one of the most notorious gamblers of her day. Pepsy, in his amusing diary, tells us that in a single night her losses amounted to over \$25,000, and that, too, in a time, he it remembered, when money had two or three times its present purchasing power.

Nell Wynne, actress and court favorite, beggared herself times over and over again at the gaming table. Her contemporary, the Duchess of Mazarin, niece of the famous cardinal that name, raised in many ways large sums of money, always to lose them in the card room.

Charles James Fox, as well as being a great statesman, was a notorious gambler. He lost enormous sums, and he managed to get through several fortunes. His own estate and fortune passed out of his hands very early, and then Lord Holland paid for him \$140,000 to rid him of his debts.

Fortunes that came to him afterward by marriage were similarly gambled away in the gaming clubs of St. James and Pall Mall. Fox always took his beating like a man; he was the coolest gambler of a gambling age, and watched the turn-up of a card on which thousands depended with an apparent stolid indifference.

The clubs at the end of the last century were hot beds of gambling. Lord Stavordale lost \$11,000 at one sitting at Almack's one night, and was rising to go when the winner offered to throw him the dice for double or quits; Lord Stavordale did so and won.

At the Cococ Tree, a famous club in its day, there was in 1780 one famous evening, of which the records are still preserved, when a sum of \$180,000 depended on a single hazard.

As an instance of the enormous sums lost even early in this century, it may be stated that the club known as Crickford's was started in 1827 by a fishmonger of that name; by keeping a hazard bank he retired in 1840, twice over a millionaire.

To come to more recent times, the late Lord Waterford lost on the turf, and by his eccentric wagers of immense sums, the precise amount of which it would be impossible to set down. The name raised in many ways large sums of money, always to lose them in the card room.

When Mr. Abington Baird died it was computed that his losses on the turf alone amounted to close on half a million.

Rev. W. A. Carrington, of Wyalusing, has received a unanimous call to the pastorate of the Forest City Presbyterian church, and it is probable that he will accept it.

THE MARKETS.

Wall Street Review. New York, Feb. 10.—The most interesting feature of today's stock market was the manner in which it regarded the Spanish minister's resignation. In view of the sensitiveness in the recent past to everything connected with the Cuban question, its disregard of an incident involving so acute a phase of feeling is noteworthy.

Table with columns: Open, High, Low, Close, and various stock symbols like Am. Sug. Ref., U. S. Steel, etc.

Chicago Grain Market. Chicago, Feb. 10.—Confirmation of the news that the Lottier clique had contracted to move a large amount of its wheat holdings abroad was the overshadowing influence on the wheat today.

Table with columns: WHEAT, CORN, OATS, RYE, and various grades of grain.

Chicago Board of Trade. WHEAT. May, 95 1/2; July, 95 1/2; Sept., 95 1/2. CORN. May, 29 1/2; July, 29 1/2; Sept., 29 1/2.

Scranton Board of Trade Exchange Quotations.—All Quotations Based on Par of Gold. Seranton & Pittston Trac. Co., 100.

Philadelphia Provision Market. Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—Wheat—Firm and 1/2c higher; contract grade, February, 95c.

Oil Market. Oil City, Pa., Feb. 10.—Credit balances, 67c; certificates, opened 73c and closed 77c.

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cakes, 3 1/2c; grease, 2 1/2c. Live Poultry.—Firm, fowls, 10c; old roosters, 8c; chickens, 10c; turkeys, 10c.

New York Produce Market. New York, Feb. 10.—Flour—Firmly held. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red, 1.05 1/2.

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Buttalo Live Stock. East Liberty, Pa., Feb. 10.—Cattle—Steady. Hogs—Active and higher; Yorkers, good to choice, \$4.15-4.17.

East Liberty Cattle Market. East Liberty, Pa., Feb. 10.—Cattle—Steady; prime, \$4.25; common, \$3.00-3.10.

Chicago Live Stock. Chicago, Feb. 10.—Cattle—Active and steady at \$3.55-3.57; stockers and feeders, \$2.75-2.85.

New York Live Stock. New York, Feb. 10.—Beef—No trading. Cows—Slow; lower; veals, \$14.25.

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RAILROAD TIME TABLES

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD Schedule in Effect Nov. 28, 1897. Trains Leave Wilkes-Barre as Follows: 7:30 a. m., week days, for Sunbury.

Delaware and Hudson. On Monday, Jan. 17, trains will leave Scranton as follows: For Carlisle—6:20, 7:55, 8:55, 10:15 a. m.

Lehigh Valley Railroad System Anthracite Coal Used, Ensuring Cleanliness and Comfort. IN EFFECT JAN. 16, 1898.

Central Railroad of New Jersey (Lehigh and Susquehanna Division). Stations in New York—Foot of Liberty street, N. R., and Whitehall Terminal.

Table with columns: Stations, Times, and Train Numbers for Central Railroad of New Jersey.

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