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SKATING CARNIVAL.

An Interesting Feature of Winter Life in Holland

George Wharton Edwards in Harper's

In Holland a winter seldom passes without good skating, which being not only a pastime with the Dutch, but a serious and ordinary mode of travel, the ice on the canals and "grachts" is kept in good condition, and it is common to see a small army of sweeping peasants putting the ice in order for the day. There is a skating club in every town in Holland, and all these clubs belong to the Dutch Skating Asociation. The largest clubs are probably the Amsterdam and Rotterdam Ice Clubs, and in the season many cacursions are made by these associations to the surrounding towns-for example, from Amsterdam to Leyden via Vogelenzang and Haarlem; from Amto Monnikendam, Edam, Hoorn, Enkhuyzen, Alkmaar, and even and R. M. Hughes, school directors, J. across the Zuyder Zee, when it will bear, to Marken, and even Urk. The bear, to Marken, and even Urk. The auditor; Joseph Klotz, poor director. way the whole country is moated by canals, with huge windmills overlooking the ice like leviathan implements of ordnance, is calculated to appeal to the lover of the picturesque. Then there are the graceful light sleighs, propelled by skillful skaters, and con-taining red-cheeked, bright-eyed peasant girls in immense lace caps and langling temple ornaments, flying over the ice at a great speed. On the Maas, a few miles east of Rotterdam, Hes a famous skating resort known as Silkkerveer, and brought into notoriety in recent years by the international skating centests which are held there. Any one fond of that most exhibarating form of exercise can hardly find a more interesting experience than is to be had during a winter trip to Holland. In the season the boat leaves the Rhine station pier for a sail up the Maas. The floating ice, and at length leaves you at a high pier on a huge dike which separates the river from the low-lying country. A short walk brings you to a large incosed expanse of ice, obtained by artificially flooding a large area. Here a huge horseshoe course is marked out for the racers. And on either side is beginning to drive out the picturesque costumes of the peasants who are becoming ashamed of their distinctive dress. So year by year there is to be seen less and less of the lovely, quaint and sometimes bizarre headdresses, and the queer coats and breeches of the

There is little fancy skating to be cen. The great length of the runners of they turn back in huge curves over the toe, are effectual checks upon all figuretoe, are effectual checks upon all figure-skating involving sudden or short his only opponent, Michael J. Castle, turns. An attempt to do the outside The Dutchman can go quicker over long stretches upon his skates than the Englishman, because of his extra long runners. It is a charming sight to see the long string of skaters sailing along with a swing that reminds one of the dight and dip of the swallows. Sometimes, too, they use a sort of sail, with which, by clever handling, they can make headway close up in the wind. The most usual figure seen is what is styled the Dutch rill, in which long lines of skaters throw themselves off upon the right and left foor alternately, in curves of twenty-five to thirty feet, at an incredible speed. There is much shouting and boisterousness, and some of the byplay is not in the best taste, but on the whole the scene is most interesting and entirely unique,

#### Hypnotism Cures Hiccoughs.

From the New York World. Ida Steele, the pretty 16-year-old daugh ter of a farmer living near Gloversville ter of a farmer living near Gloversville, N. Y., has for many years been afflicted at times with violent biccoughs. The disease, however, always succumbed to ordinary treatment until an attack which commenced on Nov. 1, and grew in violence for four days, when a council of physician; decided that the patient could not recover. One of the physicians suggested, in a half joking way, that hypnotism be tried. The mother grasped at the idea, and Dr. F. J. Bosh, a dentist, who had practiced hypnotism among friends in a quiet way, was asked to try his powers. Bush rejuctantly consented to try the experiment, and, using the usual methods, placed the girl under hypnotic methods, placed the girl under hyptotic influence, suggesting that she would awaken at a certain hour with her nicoughs gene. At 3.30 p. m. the time named, she swoke without a sign of the disease, and although three weeks have claused there has been no return of the elapsed there has been no return of the trouble. On account of the prominence of Dr. Bush and the physicians in charge,

an effort was made to keep the matter

#### REPUBLICANS WIN DOWN IN PITTSTON

Benjamin Harding Elected Mayor Over Tom English by 375 Majority.

DEMOCRATS COMPLETELY ROUTED

Out of Six Offices Balloted for They Elected Treasurer and William Drury Controller.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Pittston, Feb. 16.-Full returns from yesterday's city elections show an almost complete Republican victory. Only two Democratic city candidatescity assessors-were elected. The city is strongly Democratic but internecine strife allowed the Republicans to win.

The new officers are: Mayor-Benjamin Harding (R.) Treasurer-R. E. Hankee (R.) Controller-Wm. Drury (R.) Assessors-Howell Williams (R.), Ja-

cob Pasier (D.) and John MacNamura School directors-Alex Sloan (R.), William Abbott (R.), Thomas Murphy (D.), M. W. O'Boyle (D.) and Thomas

O'Brien (D.) Common Councilmen-First ward, Martin Hession (D.) and James Reap (D.); Third ward, John Bennett (R.) and George Huntley (R.); Fifth ward, Martin McDonough (D.) and John Kelly (D.); Seventh ward, J. H. Keast (R.) and Thomas J. Corcoran (D.); Ninth ward, M. J. Berry (D.) and Patrick Sweeney (D.); Eleventh ward, Luke Conners (D.) and Patrick Corcorar

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Mayor— . Harding	134
Harding's plurality	275
Treasurer-	
Hankee	
Mullin	883
McDonnell	425
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Hankee's plurality	19
Controller-	
Drury	1.177
Shelly	579
Drury's plurality	207
Assessors	
Williams	1,005
Pauszktis	200
Meister	889
McNamara	562
Palser	1.042
McGarry,	
Redding	
School Board-	

Brown ..... Murphy ...... 1.13 It was the largest vote polled in the

history of the new city. In West Pittston the Republican ticket went through without any op-position worth mentioning. A. C. Foster and H. S. Brandon were chosen councilmen; C. H. Foster, J. W.Wheeler and R. M. Hughes, school directors; J. OATS. There was only one regular set of candidates in the field.

The following are the officers elected in Jenkins township: Supervisors, John Keating and Michael McDonnell; school directors, M. M. Moylan and David Glennon: assessor, Timothy Ford.

In Hughestown, David P. Williams and Thomas F. Owens were elected school directors; John B. Clark and Patrick Hughes, councilmen: John D. Reynolds, assessor; Joseph E. Walsh,

#### WILKES-BARRE CITY.

Voters Decided in Favor of a Third Class City Charter.

The third class city charter went through with a rush in Wilkes-Parre. steamer ploughs her way through the and Mayer Nichols was re-elected by a plurality of nearly 4,900. For school directors the old members, J. B. Houser and Er. E. J. Buder, are returned. For high constable, Charles Klein is re-elected by 444 votes over his nearest competitor, James P. Heckman, For city auditor, H. F. Mellet, is elected over J. F. Becker, his bearest competiof this stretches the free portion, for the onlookers and those who wish to practise the exhilarating art. Fashion

C. L. Bulkeley is the present adderman. In the Sixth ward the next alderman will be R. E. Conahan, who defeated B. F. Marshall, the present alderman, by twenty-six votes. Seventh ward W. S. Parsons had a walkover for re-election, his opponent being Max Reinberger. In the Ninth ward Morgan C. Jones is elected alderman by seven votes over Alderman James J. Thomas is the the Dutch skates, and the way in which present alderman and his defeat is quite a surprise. In the Second ward Mich-

#### FROM KLONDIKE TO MEXICO."

Rich Finds of Treasure Draw Prospectors to the South.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 16.-There are reports being received by the state department, that Klondike gold seekers, discouraged by the Alaskan weather, have gone to the Yaqin county in Mexico and found profitable yields of gold and silver there. A few days ago a rich vein was struck near Guaynopa, which runs 8,000 ounces of

silver and 11 ounces of gold to the ton. There is, without doubt, considerable gold there, but to be worked profitably, plenty of capital and the most improved machinery are requisite.

#### JOKINGLY SHOT HIM TO DEATH.

One of a "Wild West" Group of Stu-

dents Aimed at a Class Mate. Valparaiso, Ind., Feb. 16,-In an allegorical grouping of normal school pharmaceutical students representing the "Wild West" at the class hall yesterday, Frank Rosenberger, one of the group, picked up a supposedly unloaded revolver and playfully pointed it at Hays T. Smart, a belated classmate. The weapon was discharged, Smart fell with a bullet in his brain and will cle. Rosenberger, who was arrested, may go insane from grief.

## THE MARKETS.

Wall Street Review. New York, Feb. 16.-Trading was remarkably feverish on the stock exchange today and all interest centered on the disaster to the Maine, and in the possible international consequences. It cannot be said that the varying phases of the speculation during the day represented any change of opinion as to the very grave possibilities with which Only Capture I wo and These Were the disaster is pregnant. The oc-Unimportant -- R. E. Hankee Was casional checks to a downward course of prices were rather the results of a question in the minds of large operaors as to their ability to hold the market or the best way in which to effect the liquidation of their hold-ings. Twice during the day very powerful support was forthcoming in the market to check the decline and to combat the successful raid of the bears. That there is very large short selling during the day was evident from the strength of the rallies caused by the covering of shorts when the turning point at the low level was reached. The support of the bulls no sooner effected a check to the decline than realizing offers began to come again. There was an abundant supply of long stock fed into the market, and it was evident that the bulls had abandoned an immediate campaign as hopeless. The total sales were 535,200 shares, Furnished by WILLIAM LINN ALLEN & CO., stock brokers, Moars building. Open- High- Low- Clos-

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English 134	Chic. & N. W128	128	126%	120%
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Meister 822	Pacific Mail 31		51	21
McNamara 982	Phil. & Read 213		26954	20%
Palser 1,042	Southern R. R 9		1974	5%
McGarry, 966	Southern R. R., Pr., 319		3118	31%
Redding 225	Tenu., C. & Iron 249		2314	20%
hool Board-	Texas & Pacific 121		1176	32
Sioan 1.111	Union Pacific 335		3236	225a
Abbott 1.212	U. S. Rubber 20	20	20	20
Knowles	U. S. Leather, Pr 655		64	64
O'Brien	Wabash, Pr 185	1854	18	18
O'Boyle, 1,463	West. Union 92	924	9114	9114
	Con. Gas	192%	190%	191%
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It was the largest vote polled in the	CHICAGO BOARD			
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Scranton Board of Trade Exchange Quotations -- All Quotations Based

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	STOCKS	Bid.	Aske
	Scranton & Pittston Trac. Co.		2
	National Boring & Drill'g Co.		84
	First National Bank	700	
	Elmhurst Boulevard Co	121	100
	Scranton Savings Bank		96
	Scranton Packing Co		
	, Lacka. Iron and Steel Co		150
	Third National Bank		152
	Throop Novelty Mfg Co Scranton Traction Co	***	84
			1000
	Scranton Axle Works		.73
	Alexarder Car Replacer Co		250 100
	Scranton Bedding Co		10
	Dime Dep. & Dis. Bank	150	2.00
	Peck Lumber M'f'g Co		210
	Economy Light, Heat & Pow-		
	er Co		45
	Scranton Illuminating. Heat &		
	Power Company	85	***
	BONDS.		
	Scranton Pass. Railway, first		
	mortgage due 1929	115	***
	People's Street Railway, first		
	People's Street Railway, Gen-	115	***
1	eral mortgage, due 1921		
1	Dickson Manufacturing Co		100
	Lacka, Township School 5%		10

Lacka. Tewnship School 576.
City of Scranton St. Imp. 576.
Mt. Vernon Coal Co.
Scranton Axie Works
Scranton Traction Co., first mortgage, 6's, due 1932 ...... 103 New York Produce Market. New York, Feb. 16.-Flour-Strong and

higher on choice grades; city mill pat-ents, \$5.6526; clears, \$5.6025.60; Minnesota patents, \$3.29a5.50; bakers, \$4.35a4.50; win-ter patents, \$4.90a5.35; straights, \$4.60a4.75, Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red. \$1.06%, £. o. b., affoat; No. 1 northern Duluth, \$1.11%, f. o. b., affoat to arrive; No. 1 hard Manitoba, \$1.11%, f. o. b., affoat to arrive; options opened strong on renewed activity among shorts, based on a May corner at Cricago; local traders were bearish and fought the advance, causing a mid-day reaction, but were finally run in by a second sensational advance at Chicago; February, closed \$1.0%; March. \$1.0%; 1.05%; May, 98%c.; July, 98%a93%c., closed 91%c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 35%c. f. o.b., afloat; options strong and higher; May, 35 13-16a36%c., closed 36%c.; July, 36%a57%c. closed 374c. Cats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 314c a32c.; No. 3, 314c.; No. 2 white, 33c.; No. 3 white, 325c.; options held firm and closed unchanged; May, 31a314c., closed 314c. Beef-Firm. Cut Meats-teady. Butter-Firm; western creamery, 141/2000 factory, Halde; Elgins, 20e.; imitation creamery, Halfe; state dairy, Halfe; creamery, Halfe. Cheese—Quiet; targe September, 8½c.; small do., 924c; large October, 8384c.; small do., 84484c.; light skims, 6a6½c.; part skims, 4a5½c.; full skims, 2a3c. Eggs-Firm; state and Pennsylvania, 16½c.; western, 16c. Tallow

-Staedy. Petroleum-Dull. Philadelphia Provision Market. Philadelphia, Feb. 16.—Flour—Firm and ic. per barrel higher; winter super, \$3.29a.30; do. extras, \$3.39a.3.90; Pennsylvania clear, \$4.19a4.30; do. straight, \$4.35a4.90; western winter clear, \$4.29a4.40; do. straight, \$4.59a4.70; spring clear, \$4.29a4.55. Rye Flour—\$2.69a2.80. Buckwheat Flour—Unchanged. Wheat—Firm and ic. higher; contract grade, February, \$1.00%a1.01; March, April and May, nominal, Corn—Firm and &c. higher; o. 2 mixed, February and March, \$55,a25%c; April and May, nominal. Oats—Firm and ic. higher; No. 2 white, February and March, Philadelphia, Feb. 16.-Flour-Firm and er; No. 2 white February and R. nigh-er; No. 2 white February and March, 23334c. Potatoes—Steady; white choice, per bushel. 9032c.; fair to good. 75a75c.; awcets, prime red. 70a75c.; do. yellow, 65a 70c. Butter—Steady; western creamery. 70c. Butter—Steady: western creamery.
20a20ic.; do. Pennsylvania prints, 22c.;
do. western, do. 22c. Eggs—Firm and ic.
higher; fresh nearby, 16c.; do. western,
löc. Cheese—Quict. Refined Sugars—
Quiet but firm. Cotton—Steady. Tallow
—Dull at former rates. Live Poultry—
Steady but quiet; fowls, \$19c.; old roosters, 6a6ic.; spring chickens, 8a8ic.; turkeys, 10a1ic.; ducks, 9a10c.; geese, 8a9c.
Drossed Poultry—Unchanged; fowls,
choice, 9a9ic.; do. fair to good, 8a8ige.;
chickens, fancy large, 10a10ige.; good to
choice, 9a9ic.; common and scalded, 8a

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Sc.; turkeys, fancy, 13a14c.; choice, 12c.; fair to good, 10a11c.; ducks, 8a10c. Re-ceipts-Flour, 4,000 barrels and 18,000 sacks; wheat, 16,000 bushels; corn, 246,000 bushels; oats, 154,000 bushels. Shipments—Wheat, 80,000 bushels; corn, 364,000 bush-

els; oats, 328,000 bushels. Chicag wain Market. Chicago, Feb. 16.—Shorts in wheat caught it hard today. May was bid up to \$1.0% and closed at \$1.0% an advance of 3%c. July, hitherto very quiet, also moved up as much as May. The May price is the highest fetched for that de-livery since 1891. It was almost altogether

a "scare" n arket, shorts being thoroughly alarmed over the Leiter grip on wheat. They found great difficulty in covering. A feature was the buying near the close by Leiter brokers of all the July offered. Corn and ots were strong and higher. corn advancing %c, and oats, %a%c. Provisions were irregular and closed at slight declines. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour-Utchanged; No. 2 spring wheat, nominal; No. 3 do., 94c.; No. 2 red. \$1.634a1.644; No. 2 corn, 264a20c.; No. 3 cats, 27c.; No. 3, f. o. b., 284a204c.; No. 7 rye, 494c.; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 33a3sc. No. 1 flax seed, \$124; prime timothey seed, \$2.85a2.90; ribs, \$5.29a5.25; shoulders, 4%a 5c.; clear sides, \$5.45a5.50; whisky, \$1.18; sugars, unchanged. Receipts-Flour, 20,-000 barrels; wheat, 54,000 bushels; corn. 619 000 bushels; oats, 449,000 bushels; rve 10,000 bushels; barley, 5,000 bushels. Ship-ments-Flour, 18,000 barrels; wheat, 18,000

bushels; barley, 11,000 bushels, East Liberty Cattle Market. East Liberty, Pa., Feb. 16.—Cattle—Steady; prime, \$1.90a5; common, \$3.50a4; bulls, stags and cows, \$2a4. Hogs—Active

and higher: prime medium, \$4,35a4,40; best henvy Yorkers, \$4.30n4.35; light Yorkers, \$4.15a4.25; pigs, \$3.30n4.16. Sheep-Stendy; choice, \$1.89a4.90; common, \$1.49a3.50; choice lambs, \$5.75a5.90; yeal calves, \$1a.50;

New York Live Stock. New York, Feb. 16.—Steers weak; rough butchers' stock active and firm; mature steers, \$4.674;a5.30; stags and oxen, \$2.80a 4.50; bulls, \$3a3.75; dry cows, \$2a3.50. Calves—Active and firm; veals, \$4.50a7.70. heep and Lambs-Active; sheep, \$7a7.50; lambs., \$5.50a6.30. Hogs-Higher at \$1.50

Buttalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 16.—Cattle—Steady. Hogs—Active; Yorkers, good to choice, \$4.55a4.40; roughs, common to choice, \$3.56a3.70; pigs, \$2.15a3.75. Sheep and Lambs-Steady; lambs, choice to ex-tra, \$5.805.50; culls to common, \$55.50. ep, choice to selected wethers, \$4.900 5.70; culls to common, \$3.25a5.90.

\$4.20a5.10; bulls, \$3a4; calves, \$3a6.75. Hogs -Lower at \$4.65a4.12½; pigs, \$3.69a3.16. Sheep and Lumbs—Weak; sheep, \$3a4.65; lumbs, \$4.50a5.00. Receipts—Cattle, 18,000 head; hogs, 38,000 head; sheep, 22,000 head.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 16 .- Cattle-Slow; steers,

Oil Barket. Oil City, Pa., Feb. 16.-Credit balances 67; certificates, opened 73 bid for cash; sales were as follows: Cash, 5,000 barrels at 73; 4,000 barrels at 74; 4,000 barrels at 74½; 3.000 barrels at 74; 4.000 barrels at 74½; 1.000 barrels at 74½; 1.000 barrels at 75½; closed 75½ bid; shipper at 75½; 75¼; closed 75¼ bid; shipments, 171,649 barrels; runs, 196,833 barrels.

Why He Attended.

From the Washington Star. The papers read before a scientific as sociation had been of an unusually abstruse character that evening, and the comments on them more than ordinarily technical and profound. But the man who sat in an obscure corner close to the door listened with close attention to all that was said. All the members of the association regarded him as the guest invited by some other member, and, as a matter of fact, he was an entire stranger to everybody. He never joined in the applause, but his attitude was unvary-ingly respectful and attentive. One of the members, in a spirit of hospitality, topped him before he could get out of

"Glad to see you here again, Mr. ----, must confess I have forgotten your "Harker is my name," he answered, with some embarrassment, "Birus Har-

"You have been a very regule" attendant at our meetings of late."
"(Yes, I took the liberty of dropping in now and then. So long as I didn't create any disturbance I thought you wouldn't object." "Are you interested in science, then?"

"Are you a student of any particular branch?"
"No; I must confess I am not."
"Why, in that case a great deal of what

"It is. To tell you the honest truth, couldn't tell a trilobite from a petrified crawfish. I don't believe I could distinguish, with any degree of confidence, be-tween a chunk of Jurassic rock and a piece of hardtack."

"And yet you enjoy yourself?"
"Immensely! I heard about what you were doing, and I couldn't resist the temptation to come and hear you myself. The fascination was such that I could not help repeating my visits, even as an intruder. I hope there will be no objection to my continuing to sit quietly in this corner, for you don't know what a glorious, blissful relief it is to enjoy the company of men and women who can assemble again and again and talk about omething besides bicscles,"

Not New to Him. From Life.

The newly arrived soul was paying his first visit to the Cave of the Winds, in the upper realms of space, and his astral body quivered and shook like a pendent ribbon in the maelstrom of sound waves. It was a horrid din. Shricks. walls, screeches, squeaks and crashes, in major and minor keys, made up the aw-ful discord. bushels; corn. 224,000 bushels; ryc, 1,000

"You don't seem to mind it much," nid his ghostly guide.
"No," said the tourist shade. "You see, while on earth I became hardened to all sorts of discords. I managed a college glee club for three seasons."

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