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THE WEEKLY GAZETTE, issued on Wednesdays and Saturdays, is the best and cheapest family newspaper in Pennsylvania.

It is not likely that our iron boilers will precipitate themselves again into the folly of a strike.

DA WILMER WORTHINGTON has been elected Speaker of the State Senate; a very excellent choice.

SERGEANT BATES, who has accomplished the feat of carrying the flag of his country from a remote point in the South to the capital of the nation, yesterday received a public reception in Washington from the Democrats.

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OWING to the sudden and unexpected illness of Mr. STANTON, of counsel for the President, the impeachment trial such time as a proper successor may be appointed and confirmed.

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AN ALARMING INFLUX

One of the most distressing and alarming consequences following in the train of the late rebellion is now manifesting itself in a fearful way throughout the entire country, and, if not properly met and checked, will lead to the destruction of many, and tend to damage the agricultural interests of the nation.

We refer to the decided aversion to farm labor which has been manifested by young men in the rural districts, who have been reared holding the handles of the plow in their hands and who were rightly taught that theirs was an all important mission in this world.

In the end, few found themselves able to conquer their longing for a betterment of condition so far as fleeing pleasures are concerned. They returned to the farm to find that the broad acres no longer presented any charms or fascinations for them; that the labor of tilling the earth was dull, uninviting, irksome, and that their rural life was devoid of all excitement.

MR. SAMUEL SCOTT, formerly of Allegheny county, now of Tullahoma, Tennessee, sends the Pittsburgh Gazette the price of a year's subscription. This is the eighty-third year of the GAZETTE has been taken in the family of which Mr. SCOTT is a member.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCES. During the war the saddest of all reports to the sorrowing ones at home were those that included their soldiers among the missing. When hope was gone, and the father, or brother, or son was surely killed, then was the deep sorrow of despair; but the very certainty of the loss sustained was a soothing remedy, which sooner or later brought peace to the minds afflicted. But to find a dear name put down as "missing" was to be plunged into the midst of the most fearful of all sorrows, the mixture of hope and despair, anguish and uncertainty, which is harder to bear than any other of the endless category of evils which fell upon man when he fell from Eden.

Another Iowa Horror. The Council Bluffs Nonpareil gives the following account of a terrible calamity, similar to the Dudley horror. "H. A. Terry, Esq., of Crescent City, brings us the horrible news of the burning of two children at that place last Sunday. It appears that a little boy and girl, children of Mr. Jacob Moss, were firing the prairie near the house, when they were overpowered by the flames toward them. The children were so frightened that they attempted to escape by running up the bluff instead of around the end of the fire, which they could easily have done. The flames soon caught them, and in an instant they were enveloped in its folds. Solomon Goodnor, a little boy of fourteen, was the only one near. This youth, with a heron unparalleled in the annals of history, rushed into the flames and endeavored to rescue them. He succeeded in carrying them out, but the little girl's clothes were all in flames, and ere he could succeed in taking them to the stream, she was burned to death. Although suffering terribly—his arm being burned to a crisp—he carried the little girl to her home, nearly a quarter of a mile off. Such heroic conduct should not go unrecorded. The little boy is still in a critical state, although some hopes are entertained of his recovery."

By a fire in a tenement house on Cowling street, New York, Tuesday morning, damages to the amount of ten thousand dollars was sustained. Robert Miller and wife were taken out by the firemen, but were not expected to survive injuries. A Mr. Silver threw his baby out of the window. It was only caught by the firemen, and then jumped out and badly fractured his legs and arms.

LETTER FROM HARRISBURG.

Close of the Legislative Session—General Measures—The Civil Code Codification—Three Mill Tax on Personal Property—Bills that did not become Laws—New Senate Speaker.

The session of the Legislature is drawing to a close, and I take this last chance to sum up what has been accomplished by it. In its list of general measures, the Free Railroad Law and the Registry Law are the most prominent. Both of these you have laid before your readers in full, and both, I think, will prove extremely beneficial to the State.

Next in interest are the repeal of the Tigns Law, and the passage of the Eight Hour Law, and the law to promote the formation of co-operative associations. The repeal of the Tigns Law is general, and extends all over the State; the eight hour law is an exact copy of the New York law; and the law regulating co-operative associations authorizes seven or more men to form societies or corporations for mining, manufacturing, or mechanical purposes, and for dealing in goods and produce, with a capital of not less than \$25,000 nor more than \$50,000. All of these are important measures to the working men.

The codified laws on Foreign Insurance companies, Enrollment tax, tax on corporations, and tax on certain offices, were all passed. These laws gather together and render harmonious all previous legislation on these subjects, and the provisions of law concerning them can now be found in one statute, instead of hunting through dozens of them for that purpose.

The time for the revision of the civil code was extended until 1870. The legislature of 1871 will act upon the code which will then be presented; and it is to be hoped that, sufficient time having been given, the Commissioners will do their work thoroughly.

The bill to change the law of evidence, to amend the militia laws, to amend the laws of practice in the courts, were all defeated. But the bill to limit the liability of railroad companies, and the bill to allow the merging of canal companies, which should have been defeated, became laws.

The bill to repeal the law authorizing local taxation on bonds, mortgages and monies at interest passed so as to include most of the counties, and the bill to amend the laws relating to the sale of real estate, were passed. The bill to amend the law of evidence, to amend the militia laws, to amend the laws of practice in the courts, were all defeated.

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Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were admitted of record by H. Snively, Esq., Monday, April 13, 1868:

- James Wood to Gottlieb Deuschle, January 22, 1867, lot No. 6, in the plan of Lorenzburg, by lot No. 6, in the plan of Lorenzburg, by lot No. 6, in the plan of Lorenzburg, by lot No. 6, in the plan of Lorenzburg.

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