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A PROFITABLE TRANSACTION

It is estimated that it will not be many years before the properties bought by the Commonwealth for extension of Capitol Park will have doubled in value. The natural growth of Harrisburg and the increment that will follow the erection of handsome buildings from the Technical high school and those which have been projected to front on the proposed park will literally make the value jump year by year.

NEED FOR STATE'S HAND

DISCLOSURES regarding the overcrowding of dwellings in industrial regions of Luzerne county emphasize the necessity for the Bureau of Housing established in the State Department of Health by the last Legislature, and it is to be hoped that the General Assembly will take care to provide funds adequate to conduct it. Under the terms of the act, which was sponsored by M. C. Watson, of Indiana county, the State has authority to inspect any property outside of the municipalities having their own supervisory laws and to order correction of conditions menacing health and well being.

BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES

WHILE there may be some in Harrisburg, and in many other portions of the Pennsylvania, who will not display much enthusiasm over the recommendations of the State Board of Public Charities to-day, the fact remains that the board has demonstrated, as it did in 1913, that it can be of real service and that its conclusions are entitled to weight. In the consideration of the appropriations made by the last Legislature, which presented the worst problem ever laid on the desk of a governor, John K. Tener found that the recommendations of the board were so well worked out that he approved within \$26,000 of what it favored.

THE "NEW FREEDOM"

BY far the most astonishing statement of the long series of surprising theories, beliefs, assertions and dictums to which President Wilson has committed himself since his inauguration was that of last week in which he declared with much force that business is now free after having been checked and restricted for twenty years. If this be freedom and the prosperous days that preceded the Wilson administration were restriction, then by all means let us have more restriction. What the President should have said was that business has been restricted for the past two years, but like the man who said that married men do not live longer—perhaps to the President the past two years have seemed like twenty.

THRIFT IS GROWING

MUCH thought is being given just now to the matter of teaching the American people to save. Saving is a habit, just as is spending, and the National Society for Thrift and kindred organizations are endeavoring to impress through the printed word the thought that only by saving in youth can one enjoy prosperity in the lean years of old age. That these agencies are being successful in no small measure is indicated by the fact that the Federal Bureau of Education in the Department of the Interior at Washington reports that there is now on deposit in the school savings banks of the United States a total of \$1,250,000 deposited by 217,000 pupils.

body, not even the President, professes to know. So far as clearing the air for business it has actually be-fogged the financial and industrial atmosphere as never before. The President says that "business in this country has been checked" recently "by a maze of interrogation points." This is true and the chief interrogation point has been the President himself. And like Cadmus and the dramon's teeth, where the President slew the monster before which business has stood in terror, there has sprung up a million other question marks in the form of his Interstate Trade Commission and its possibilities.

The President loudly proclaims that a great majority of the business men of the country are honest, yet he sets over them like cross-tempered old school teachers, rod in hand, five mentors empowered to tell them what they may or may not do, and to punish infractions. It would not be so bad were the "rules of the game" laid down definitely for the commission to follow, but largely it is to be the maker of its own rules and the business man is likely not to realize that he is violating some one of them until he feels the sharp rap of governmental regulation on his finger tips.

The "new freedom" of which the President so glibly prates is less apparent now than it was before he began his remarkable career in the White House, and if business is improving, it is not because of what the present administration has done, but in spite of it. Two years hence, we predict, we shall begin to undo a lot of the folly of those whose brief term of power has been crowded with more impractical theories and bad management than would seem possible to have packed into four short years.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Professor Clyde W. King, of the University of Pennsylvania, surprised an audience the other day in Philadelphia by saying that the magazines, journals and newspapers ran the country. —President H. S. Drinker, of Lehigh, declared to Philadelphia alumni that athletics occupied a deservedly high place in college life. —Judge S. J. Telford, of Indiana county, granted one retail liquor license. He is well known here. —The Rev. Dr. W. H. Roberts, state clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church, was seventy-one yesterday. —W. H. Hays, of Johnstown, well-known here and in Steelton, has sold his patent cross ties to the Dominion government. —A. H. Durborrow, president of the Western Pennsylvania Brotherhood, was chief speaker at the Lutheran banquet in Pittsburgh.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg steel plates have been used for construction work in Alaska?

WANTED—ANOTHER UGLY DAY

You will agree that this has been a mighty rotten day— I hope that Tuesday's like it, though, — I mean just what I say. I know you'll think it strange of me to have a hope like that. But when I tell you why, you will join me, right off the bat.

AN EVENING THOUGHT

To choose time, is to save time. —Francis Bacon.

EVENING CHAT

The first robin to visit Pennsylvania's capital city this winter on the hunt for Spring may have been all right in his selection of Saturday, but was certainly mistaken as to what kind of weather to expect. The robin showed up on one of the elms along the old "boardwalk" about noon on Saturday when the sun was shining brightly and the temperature was ideal for a winter day. The robin appeared to be perfectly satisfied for he let out a couple of chirps and darted toward the Susquehanna. He was probably disgusted yesterday morning when he found the snow. Two years ago when the city suffered some severe weather about this time the first robin came on Saturday. It is interesting to note that the bird having been seen near Pine street church. However, he went away because the mercury did some awful tumbling later that month. Up to the no shadows have been spotted, although P. F. Stelek is authority for the presence of some mosquitoes in the vicinity of the federal building. These mosquitoes need no alarm in view of the new-covered ground today. To-morrow is the historic day for the groundhog. It is inseparably associated in the minds of Harrisburgers with the Capitol fire on February 2, 1897, and the Grand Opera House fire ten years later. Both fires occurred when weather conditions were atrocious. Muskrats have been reported along the river front and the signs of Spring may be said to be appearing.

One of the veteran policemen at the State Capitol is wonted to make people get twisted on their direction in Harrisburg. Another is of the opinion that some folks are so much interested in the Capitol that they do not think about other places, while a third says that some are wrapped up in Harrisburg affairs and do not realize what the Capitol is like. The Capitol guides tell some funny stories about the great building. The remarks run all the way to the awe-stricken to the cynical and absurd. One loyal Pennsylvanian told the historic day that the Capitol had the Capitol at Washington "skinned" while a fat, over-dressed lady asserted with vigor that she reads in the Senate chamber was in disadvantageous contrast to Select Council chamber in city hall, Philadelphia. One man asked a guide to show him where the "bosses" met to give out their "orders" to the legislators.

Possibly one of the most amusing incidents occurred the other day when Captain Thomas S. Cobb, one of the Capitol policemen, was asked by a much preoccupied man to tell him what was in No. 108. The captain asked the man if he was an official there the caller desired to see. The questioner said he did not know, but desired to know. The captain asked the man if he was an official there the caller desired to see. The questioner said he did not know, but desired to know. The captain asked the man if he was an official there the caller desired to see. The questioner said he did not know, but desired to know.

People familiar with the trees in the city's parks and along the river front say that they have escaped much damage this winter in spite of the heavy snows and several blizzards. The trees were far more fortunate than the Pennsylvania railroad. Some of the fine trees that line roads in Lancaster and Chester county and along the Reading through Lebanon and Berks suffered from the weight of snow early in the winter and last week's snow and ice also did damage.

When County Superintendent F. E. Shambaugh visited the Enhart schools the other day, one of the boys, Paul Loudenslager, presented him with a paper-weight curiously but daintily carved from a piece of anthracite coal. The gift was from the lad's father, Charles Loudenslager, who had been carved for Mr. Shambaugh by Loudenslager senior when the latter was a miner in Wisconsin in 1910. The elder Loudenslager, however, never had an opportunity of presenting his gift as he and his family soon afterward removed to Enhart. When he learned of Professor Shambaugh's visit he sent the long deferred gift.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

PLACING THE BLAME. Mother: Who started this row? Little Ethel: Jimmy did. He wouldn't go as I told him to and I was only trying to make him mind.

AN EVENING THOUGHT

I charge thee in the sight of God, who giveth life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed the good confession; that thou keep the commandment, without spot, without reproach, until the appearing of our Lord, Jesus Christ. —I. Tim. 6:12, 14.

BILLING MAY BE A COMMISSIONER

Democrat Mentioned as Possible Successor to Frank M. Wallace on Service Board

BULL MOOSERS WORRY

Plan Scheme to Keep on the Map; Regret Death of Former Lieutenant-Governor

John S. Billing, prominent Erie attorney and chairman of the Democratic State committee in the late nineties, is being mentioned in Capitol gossip to-night as a possible successor to Frank M. Wallace, of Erie, as a member of the Public Service Commission. Mr. Wallace has been ready to retire for some time, according to unedited reports about the Capitol. —Mr. Billing was a colleague on the commission which drafted the school code and the State Board of Education with Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh, and was talked of for Attorney General because of his personal relationship, although he disapproved of the plan. The fact that he is a Democrat and that Frank M. Wallace was classed as a Democrat years ago would take care of any objections on the score of politics, and in any event it would be recognition of the numerous Democrats who objected to the nominees of their party last fall. The Erie attorney has been in active practice for many years and enjoys a State-wide reputation.

The Interstate Federation of Philadelphia, which sent to Governor Brumbaugh on his inauguration day a message of good wishes, is planning to support him in his desire to give good government to this State, has received an appreciative reply from the Chief Executive of Pennsylvania, in which he says: "I am glad to thank you most heartily for your message of good will and prayerful concern. Your loyal support will help me to serve this State with the most serious service that now the people need. You may depend upon my intentions if my judgments do err. I ask you to be patient with me, suspend your opinions until I have been heard, and give your people the counsel they may need, namely, the importance of coming bravely to the front in fearless support of right things and in frank criticism of wrong things."

Many in Harrisburg regret the death of William M. Brown, congressman from the New Castle district and ex-lieutenant-governor of the State, who died suddenly in New York yesterday. Mr. Brown served in the Senate before being elected to the second office in 1903 when he was elected Governor. He was a native of Greenville, where he was born in 1850 and when twenty-eight he came to New Castle where he lived for many years. He served in the United States land office and then returned to Lawrence county, where he ran for the House in 1876 and was elected. He was a candidate in 1880 and again was defeated. In 1886 he was elected to the State Senate from the Lawrence-Mercer district. In 1902 Mr. Brown was elected lieutenant-governor of the State. He also served as members of the Select Council of New Castle. As a member of the State Senate Mr. Brown held a conservative position as a leader of that body, making very few speeches, but as a debater and achieved honorable distinction. Besides having been actively engaged in politics, Mr. Brown was well known in the industrial world. In 1890 business interests compelled him to undertake the building and operating of an electric street car line, which he eventually sold to Richard R. Young at a heavy profit. He also cleared half a million dollars in reconstructing the traction lines at Syracuse, N. Y., then turned his attention to buying apartment buildings in New York city, in which he very largely increased his fortune. It was while looking after his investments there that he was stricken with his fatal illness.

The Philadelphia Ledger says: "With the State Legislature in full swing Washington party leaders in Pennsylvania are taking steps toward the back to the party in harness through reorganization. The forces which were shattered in the November election. In view of the various county elections to be held in the State in addition to the election of many judges on the nonpartisan ballot, the Washington leaders realize that their chances for rehabilitation depend upon thorough county organization. It is expected that the wing of the Mull Moose in the next ten months, they are agreed, depends the fate of the Progressive following in Pennsylvania."

Although Howard E. Butz, the present postmaster of Huntingdon, has but a few days yet to serve, as his term expires February 4, word has been received here from Washington as to his Democratic successor. Needless to say, the situation is tense, especially in the ranks of the Democratic party, which may be badly hurt as the result of the fight for the plum. Some of the leading Democrats of the town bitterly opposed the candidacy of Joseph G. Leshler, editor of the Monitor and State chairman of the Democratic county committee, but Leshler, it is intimated, is Congressman F. L. Dershem's choice for the office, and he still feels confident of his appointment. Leshler has a libel suit hanging over his head and his election as chairman of the Democratic county committee is being bitterly contested by Murray A. Africa, who asserts the election was consummated through a fraudulent election return. John C. Dunkle is the other likely candidate for the post office whose partisans have largely signed remonstrances to Washington against Leshler's appointment.

John J. Kehoe, the Garman leader of Pittston, to-day assumed the duties of postmaster of that city. Mr. Kehoe was backed by Congressman Casey and Judge Garman and the reorganization was accepted, in part, because they saw that he could make good in his home town.

John B. Evans, of Pottstown, has been picked out for sub-treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia. He has been an active Democrat and was friendly to the Palmer regime. His appointment is likely to stir up a muss. —Media dispatches say that eighteen people want to be warden of the Delaware county prison.

Edward C. Preene is a candidate for judge in Venango county where Judge Cripe is expected to be a candidate again.

STEWART GIVEN A COMPLIMENT BY A PHILADELPHIA PAPER

The Evening Bulletin has this to say of our well known statesman: "Under five Governors of Pennsylvania in succession, Thomas J. Stewart has served as Adjutant General of the State, and now looks as if he will continue in that post under at least the sixth. In reappointing him to it, Governor Brumbaugh has been prompt to recognize the service and fitness of one of the useful men that have borne a relation to the military affairs of the Commonwealth. His experience in such affairs goes back to the time when he was a young soldier in the Union, but one way or another he has been concerned in them ever since, and by every Governor who has been in office during the past twenty years, he has come to be viewed as an indispensable aid and adviser, not alone in the immediate administration of his department, but often on those occasions of ceremonial dignity when sound judgment and a knowledge of the requirements of official conduct are especially needed. Whenever there has been an emergency or a danger in which it has been necessary to make use of the armed power of the Commonwealth or to prepare for the possibility of its use, he has been a trusted and dependable officer. He knows thoroughly the National Guard in Pennsylvania, and if the State were called upon to take part in a war against a foreign power, as it seemed for a while last Spring it might be in the Mexican rampus, it is pretty certain that he would be ready as he was then to mobilize the forces of Pennsylvania on short notice. To not only the older men who take an interest in military affairs, but to most of the younger commanders who appreciate the value of a level-headed veteran's experience, the reappointment of Adjutant General Stewart will give much satisfaction. He is an example of the breed of many characters who are often to be found in the higher service of the State and who know how to perform public duty genially as they do wisely."

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Ladies' Handkerchiefs 5c and 10c
Men's Handkerchiefs 5c and 10c
Ladies' Fabric Gloves, black and colors, all sizes 25c
Children's Wool Gloves and Mittens, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c
J. J. Clark 200-yard Spool Cotton 2c
Aunt Lydia Cotton, 500-yard spool 5c
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Fasteners, card 5c and 10c
Cotton and Linen Torchon Laces, yard, 1c, 2c, 3c and 5c
Val. Edges 5c
Oriental Lace Flouncing 25c
Imitation Oriental Venise and Ratine Bands, 8c
Cambric and Nainsook Embroidery Edges, 5c, 8c and 10c
18-inch Cambric Flouncing 12 1/2c
18-inch Swiss and Nainsook Flouncing, 15c and 20c
27-inch St. Gall Flouncing 25c
Ladies' Muslin Drawers 12 1/2c and 15c
Ladies' Gowns 19c and 25c
Ladies' Corset Covers 9c, 12 1/2c and 15c
Ladies' White Skirts 25c
Children's Drawers 10c, 12 1/2c and 25c
Children's Gowns 25c
Ladies' Flannelette Embroidery Skirts, 25c
Children's Flannelette Sleeping Garments, 25c
Children's Ribbed Sleepers 25c
Ladies' and Misses' Fleece Lined Underwear, 25c
Ladies' Black Tights 25c
Children's Union Suits 25c
Children's Fleece Lined Underwear, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 19c and 25c
Infants' Fleece Lined Wrappers 12 1/2c
Men's Dress Shirts 25c
Men's Fleece Lined Underwear 25c
Men's Working Shirts 25c
Men's Mixed Stockings 6c and 9c
Men's Colored Stockings 9c and 12 1/2c

Inventory-Taking Is But a Few Days Off Stocks Must Be Reduced Hence These Wonderful Values

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Crib Blankets 15c and 25c
Fancy White Goods 10c
Longcloth 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c to 25c
Striped Voiles and Lawns 5c
Colored Ratine 9c
Wrapper Flannel 5c
Cotton Challie 4c
Figured Rice Cloth 15c
Kimono Crepe 12 1/2c
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Stamped Pillow Tops 10c
Stamped Collars 9c
Ready-made stamped Corset Covers 12 1/2c
Finished Doilies 10c and 15c
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Cushion Ruffling 5c
Children's Stamped Kimonos 25c
White China for Hand Painting 10c
Ladies' Black Silk Hats 15c
Children's Trimmed Hats 10c
Fancy Feather Trimmings 10c and 25c
Games 5c, 9c, 15c and 19c
Pictures 10c to 25c
Books 10c to 25c
36-inch Black Messaline. Special Prices.
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Cotton Tape, bolt 1c and 2c
Murrain and Hand Brushes 25c
Human Hair Switches, strand 25c
8, 10, 12-qt. Gray Enamel Berlin Kettles, 25c
Gray Enamel Preserving Kettles 25c
Mixing Bowls 10c
Clothes Baskets 25c
Brooms 25c
Market Baskets 25c
9-4 and 10-4 Sheeting Muslin 25c
Bolster Cases 25c
Outing Flannels 6c
Towels 5c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 17c
Crashes 5c, 8c, 10c and 12 1/2c
Mercerized Damask 25c
Ladies' Hosiery black and tan, 10c and 12 1/2c
Ladies' Silk Boot Hosiery, all colors 25c
Children's Ribbed Hosiery, black and tan, 10c and 12 1/2c
Children's Lisle Hosiery, all colors 25c
Children's White Hose 12 1/2c and 25c
Infants' Hose 10c and 12 1/2c
Infants' White Dresses 25c
Infants' White Slips 25c
Infants' Sacques 25c
Infants' Flannelette Kimonos 25c
Infants' Booties 10c, 15c, 19c and 25c
Boys' Shirts 25c
Boys' Chambray Waists 25c
Boys' Wool Pants 25c
Boys' Stockings 10c and 12 1/2c
Girls' Bloomers 25c

1c to 25c Department Store Where Every Day Is Bargain Day 215 Market Street Opposite Courthouse

NEWS DISPATCHES OF THE CIVIL WAR

[From the Telegraph, Feb. 1, 1865] Abolish Slavery. Washington, Feb. 1.—The Legislature has adopted an amendment to the Constitution abolishing slavery in the United States. At Albany and Boston salutes of 100 guns were fired. Try to Burn City. Savannah, Feb. 1.—A large amount of property was destroyed here in an attempt to burn the city. No casualties were reported.

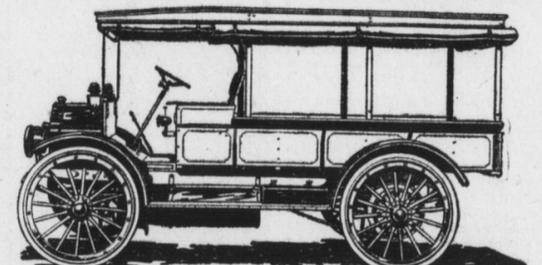
IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY

[From the Telegraph, Feb. 1, 1865] Ex-Mayor Kepner formally accepted the new steamer after its test, for the Hope Company. Bank Organized. A National Bank has been organized at Shippensburg. Elias Lundy Home. Elias Lundy, 18th U. S. regulars, is home on furlough. —Don't wash Japanese tea trays in hot water, but rub with olive oil. —A bit of alum, will keep starch fresh for use for several days.

OH, FUDGE

"Why keep raking up the past?" "What do you mean?" "You are continually dating your letters 1914."

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