

PITTSBURGH POST

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The peace excitement has interested all over Europe, as will be seen by the editorial in the Post-Courier on our country. The fact that a sure harbinger of opinion—had greatly distressed, but afterwards receded—showing some distrust in the public mind. One thing appears, however, and that is, the peace excitement has not been a failure, and it will probably settle the matter either for peace or war.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD. The Report of the President and Engineers of this Company have been laid before the public, and have doubtless been read by those interested in such matters. They present the affairs of the Company as in a favorable condition, and give good encouragement. It can be found to complete the road from this city to Brookville, Jefferson county, a distance of eighty-eight miles. It is already completed and in use from Pittsburgh to Kittanning, forty-four miles, and the earnings indicate a constant and regular increase of business since the road was first opened. It earned over forty-two hundred dollars in the month of January, though laboring under the disadvantages of deep snow, and a stoppage of the trains at the western end of the city, two miles from its proper depot. As the spring and summer business opens its earnings will doubtless be largely increased. But an eligible right of way through city streets, as far as the point should be granted as soon as possible.

By the report it appears that the Company is aiming to reach Winnow on the line of the Sunbury and Erie railroad, instead of Ridgeport, as heretofore supposed. Winnow is forty-four miles north of East Brookville. The whole route, then, which the Company desires to complete in order to secure good eastern and northwestern connections, is one hundred and thirty-two miles long. One-third of it is already completed to Kittanning. Another third, from that place to Brookville, the Company hopes to complete within a month, and the remaining third between Brookville and Winnow the funds have yet to be found, and it is believed that eastern companies will "find it" in time.

This route, when completed, would give a direct connection with New York, and also with Albany and Boston. But we consider after all, that the main value of this road to Pittsburgh will be in opening up to its trade that rich mineral, lumber and agricultural region along the valley of the Allegheny and Carson rivers. Some eight or nine large counties comprise that region, and this road will induce rapid settlement by the population which will soon become one of the most prosperous in the State. Under the present and prospective enhanced value of lumber its resources will be a source of great wealth, and the immense loads of iron ore will be shipped via a railroad extending across them to Pittsburgh and other large markets. It is a good farming region, too, and will yield up with such a population as can support and cultivate the whole country for Pittsburgh manufactures and merchandise. The region we have named contains a large population, and it is believed that it will give full employment to such a railroad as the Allegheny Valley when completed with such branches as will fully accommodate its trade.

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THE REPEAL IN ALLEGHENY. Yesterday afternoon there was very large meeting in Allegheny city to express public sentiment in regard to the repeal of the High School law. The resolutions were adopted unanimously, and will be found in our local column. We have seldom seen a community more excited than the Alleghenians are in relation to an act that has passed the Senate before they have heard of it. The repealing act is unjust, and we hope it will be defeated in the House.

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE for January is received. There are several good articles in it as usual. Among others there is an article in which the writer undertakes to show that there is not as much drunkenness in the world now as there was a century ago. The writer is opposed to prohibition laws. Another article relates to the financial condition of England, and the effect of the war. It is a good number. For sale by Miller & Co. and Giffenbury & Co. at their depots.

COST OF THE HIGH SCHOOL. We are informed that the following is the cost of the Allegheny High School: Total estimated cost, \$200,000. Total actual cost, \$100,000. Total amount received, \$100,000. Total amount still due, \$100,000.

THE NEWS

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