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**GREAT PUBLIC  
IMPROVEMENT**

Extension of Capitol Grounds at  
Harrisburg a Prime Necessity.

**MUST BE NOW OR NEVER**

Opportunity to Secure Proper Setting  
For Splendid State House Will  
Never Come Again.

Harrisburg, Jan. 15. — During the present week a bill will be introduced in the upper house of the state legislature by Senator John E. Fox to provide for the enlargement of the grounds surrounding the new state capitol by clearing off all the buildings in the section lying between the present capitol grounds and the Pennsylvania railroad and extending from Walnut street on the south to North street on the north.

This tract which contains about 14 acres of land, exclusive of the streets which intersect it, will more than double the size of the park.

**Turner's Alley: Characteristic View of the Section it is Proposed to Take For the Enlargement of Capitol Park**

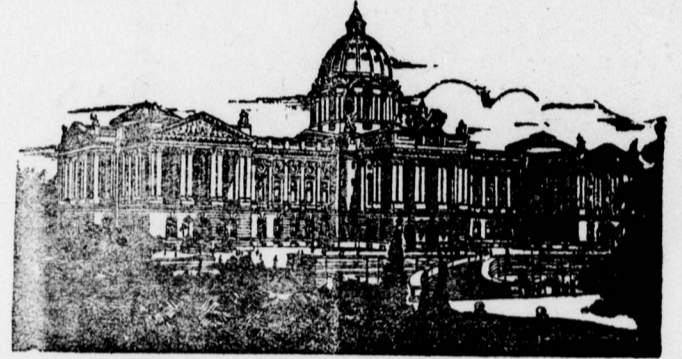
squallid alley, such as is shown in the accompanying picture, which is fairly characteristic of the whole section which it is proposed to clear off and make into an extension of the park? Forty years ago Philadelphia could have secured a setting for its city hall from 15th street on the west to 13th street on the east, and from Arch street on the north to Chestnut street on the south, for a comparatively small sum of money. Probably \$50,000,000 could not buy it now.

Seventy-five years ago the whole section lying between the present capitol park in Harrisburg and the Susquehanna river—which, if cleared of all buildings, and it contained the finest residences and most magnificent churches in the capitol, could not now be bought for less than \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000—was offered to the state authorities for \$35,000.

Our forefathers, in their blindness, thought the price was more than the state could afford to pay!

If we neglect the great opportunity now offered to secure the land on the other side of the capitol, when it can be bought for a very moderate sum, we shall commit as great a blunder as the state authorities did 75 years ago.

A bill similar to that which will be introduced by Senator Fox this week was introduced in the legislature of 1905, and passed the senate unanimously. The lieutenant governor of the state, the president pro tem. of the senate, the speaker of the house, and many of the leading members of both houses, at a public meeting, de-



New State Capitol, Seen From the West.

More than 60,000 persons, since the capitol was dedicated in the presence of the president of the United States on October 4 last, have come to Harrisburg to see it.

It is safe to say that not one of these 60,000 men and women from all parts of the commonwealth failed to note that the grounds surrounding it are inadequate for the magnificent capitol which has cost the people of Pennsylvania about \$13,000,000.

Whether the capitol has cost too much and whether the money has been honestly and providently expended are questions that will be determined officially during Governor Stuart's administration. But whatever way those questions are answered, the fact remains that Pennsylvania has the most beautiful, the most dignified, the most magnificent state capitol, externally and internally, of any state in the Union.

The people who are acquainted with the conditions in Harrisburg, understand that if the new capitol is ever to have a proper setting in grounds commensurate with and worthy of the building and of the great commonwealth containing 7,000,000 people to whom this building belongs, now is the time to secure it.

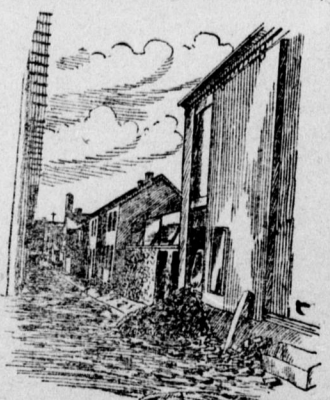
The territory which it is proposed to take is covered, generally speaking, with poor, small, cheap buildings. It is estimated to acquire the whole section, clear it of buildings, will cost not more than \$1,500,000; but these conditions will not continue.

The land lies adjacent to the main tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad and if the state does not take the property it is inevitable that in a very short time it will be built up with great warehouses and extensive manufacturing factories.

Then the opportunity to secure it will be gone forever and Pennsylvania's splendid capitol will be absolutely shut off from view from the east as Philadelphia's \$25,000,000 city hall is now hemmed in, shut off and dwarfed by great buildings.

Millions of passengers pass through Harrisburg every year on the Pennsylvania railroad without leaving the cars to walk about the city. If the proposed extension of capitol park is made they can all get a splendid view of the magnificent capitol as they pass through on the train.

You readers, practically all of whom will pass through the capital city some day, do you want to get a fair, comprehensive view of the state house that has cost the people \$13,000,000 as you pass, or do you want to catch a glimpse of it through some narrow,



clared themselves at that time enthusiastically in favor of the measure.

It would undoubtedly have passed the house without a dissenting voice as it passed the senate, had the word not gone out just before it was expected the bill would come up in the house that the auditor general doubted whether the funds in the treasury would be sufficient to meet the requirements of the schools and all the charitable and penal institutions, asylums, hospitals and colleges, and the other regular expenses of government, and leave enough to provide for the enlargement of the capitol park.

The event proved that the auditor general was mistaken; a magnificent surplus was left in the treasury, and it has been gradually growing ever since. The revenues of the state were never so great as now. There are and will be ample funds to meet this expenditure and all other legitimate expenses of every kind.

Moreover, the money will not all have to be expended in one year, but will run over a period of three or four years, as it will take at least that length of time to acquire the grounds, clear them off, change the lines of the streets and transform this now rather unsightly section into a magnificent extension of capitol park.

All should remember that this improvement will be made by a commission to be appointed by Edwin S. Stuart, whom the people last fall, having confidence in his patriotism and high purpose, elected to the great office of governor.

This commission will not be made up of citizens of Harrisburg, but will be selected by the governor from the sections of the state where he can find men best suited for the duties. None of the money will be required this year, as the commission cannot, under the most favorable circumstances, more than fairly start the work. All that can be done during the next 12 months will be for the legislature to pass the bill, the governor to select the members of the commission and for the commission to get the matter fairly under way.

The money required for this purpose will not in any way encroach upon the appropriation for schools or good roads, the maintenance of all state and semi-state charitable and correctionary institutions, the proper conduct of the state government or any other proper enterprise that the legislature in its wisdom shall determine upon.

This is an improvement which every citizen of the state should work for, and it may be confidently asserted that every citizen who is acquainted with the situation will earnestly advocate it.

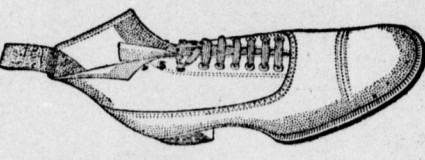
**ONE MONTH'S RECORD.**

Shows That Our Financial Position Was Never Before So Strong.

In February we increased our output of manufactured goods the most of any month in our history; this, be it recalled, under the Dingley tariff. We also sold an unusually large amount of agricultural exports, although our sales of manufactures exceeded those of our farm products. In February we sold over \$100,000,000 worth of goods to foreign customers, an increase of \$14,000,000 over February of a year ago.

Cultivate the Habit of buying reputable goods from a reputable concern

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**NORDMONT SUPPLY Co.**

General Merchants, PROPRIETORS NORDMONT STEAM MILL, NORDMONT, PA.



No. 19.

People generally read advertisements more than they did a few years ago. The reason is to be found in the advertisements themselves.

Advertisers are more careful than they used to be. They make the advertisements more readable. Some of them even become, in a way, a department of the paper, and people look for them every day with as much zest and pleasure as they turn to any other feature.

This is true of many department stores all over the country.

In many cities there is just one man who appreciates the value of such interest.

He breaks away from the old set style. He tells something interesting in his space every day.

There are lots of interesting things in business. Look over the miscellany page of any paper—look at its local news columns, and its telegraph news, for that matter, and you'll see that the majority of the items are more or less closely related to some business fact.

Dress these facts up in a becoming garb of words, and they will find readers, even though they be in a "mere advertisement."

Let the merchant come down off his pedestal. He needn't be flippant—far from it, but let him not write as if he were addressing somebody afar off, and telling him about something at even a greater distance.

The newspaper goes right into its reader's house—goes in and sits down with him. It is on the table when he eats, and in his hands while he is smoking after the meal. It reaches him when he is in an approachable condition.

That's the time to tell him about your business—clearly, plainly, convincingly—as one man talks to another.



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Convenient to carry with you. Don't be without it. Ask your druggist.  
1906 ALMANAC FREE. Write to Dr. D. Jayne & Son, Philadelphia.

**Williamsport & North Branch Railroad TIME TABLE**  
In effect Monday, Sep. 25, 1906.

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