

THE MIDDLEBURGH POST.

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Boulton & Watt's Soho foundry, in Birmingham, England, which once employed 4000 men is now idle, after 133 years of activity, and will soon be broken up.

The American Wool and Cotton Reporter declares there can be no question that American carpets are being put upon the English markets in very considerable quantities.

Some idea of the immense volume of immigration which has been pouring into the Northwest, the New York Mail and Express thinks, may be had from the fact that in North Dakota the foreigners and their children constitute over four-fifths of the entire population.

Industrially our composite Nation is doing very well, notes the Atlanta Constitution. Politically, socially, religiously, morally and educationally we fall far short of an ideal republic.

France is still troubled about the strangers within her gates. Of these there are more than 1,300,000, and only about 175,000 of them are naturalized.

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The bicycle is becoming more important in use in the army, and the probability is, the New York Tribune remarks, that it will grow to greater use. There are a large number being used in the Signal Corps.

General Miles has also had enough practice with the bicycle to convince him that it is a good thing for exercise and for service.

Honorary academic degrees are not held in so high an estimation as in former years, maintains the New York Mercury. The secret of this decline in the respect of the people for such honors and distinctions is found in the indiscriminate manner of their bestowal.

THE INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK.

SECOND ADVANCE. Big Iron Institutions at Lebanon, Pa., increasing Wages.

The Pennsylvania Bolt and Nut Company, of Lebanon, Pa., have notified the employees in the puddle and rolling mills that their wages are increased 10 per cent.

The Lebanon Iron company has also notified its employees in the puddle and rolling mills that their wages have been increased 10 per cent, to go into effect at once.

A second wage advance of 10 per cent has been made to 150 employees of the Norton Iron Works, Ashland, Ky., while the Ashland Coal and Iron company from date allowed 5 per cent increase to 100 men.

The York, Pa., rolling mill will advance the puddling price to \$3 per ton, beginning August 12. This is the second increase in wages this season at the mill.

A BIG VICTORY. The Wages of 100,000 Men in the Central States are Increased. The biggest victory every made by organized labor was gained by the miners in Pittsburgh on Friday.

Every demand of the miners was conceded by the operators, and they furthermore gave a written guarantee for their fulfillment of the contract. The terms on which the wages of 100,000 miners in the States of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, by the terms agreed upon the present rate of wages will continue in force until Oct. 1.

The shipment of coke has reached such proportions that the H. C. Frick company proposes to build their own cars used for transportation of coke throughout the country. Car shops are now being erected on the flat between the lines of the Pennsylvania railroad and the Baltimore & Ohio at Everson.

The workers on the extension of the McK. & B. V. K. R. struck asking for an advance in wages. The men were getting \$1.10 a day and asked for an increase to \$1.50 a day.

Advices from Ducktown, Tenn., show that there is a greatly increased activity in copper mining. New mines are being opened and old ones worked with increased force.

The immigration to this country for the fiscal year ending with June was only 276,136, or less by 35,476 than last year. It was less also than it had been during any year since 1873.

The Great Falls, N. H., manufacturing company, notwithstanding its help of a per cent increase in wages to take effect August 1, the company employs about two thousand hands.

The coal heavers on the fueling docks at Cleveland struck for higher wages. A settlement was at once made by granting an increase of 1 cent per ton.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS.

France will send more troops to Madagascar. The steel shafting works at Cumberland, Md., resumed work with 120 employees.

The Sligo brick works at New Cumberland, W. Va., resumed operations giving employment to 400 men.

Japanese sanitary authorities are confining the cholera epidemic within the limits of the district where it has been prevalent. Three men were instantly killed and two others fatally injured by a premature explosion of a blast in a stone quarry at Broadway and Osceola streets, St. Louis.

The strike at the Black Diamond Mines at Mercer, Pa., has been virtually ended by 50 of the men, about one-third of the force employed, returning to work at the rate of 50 cents, a reduction of 5 cents.

The miners in the Fifth Ohio district are ready to strike for the 60 cents per ton rate of wages, and will lay down their tools as soon as they get the word from the State and national officers.

The British Admiralty has ordered the construction of three torpedo destroyers capable of making 36 land miles per hour. The intention is that these boats shall be the fastest vessels of the kind afloat.

Rev. T. Rooks, Baptist, was taken from his home in Westmoreland, the county seat of Pottawatomie county, Kansas, and tarred and feathered and brutally beaten by four masked men. He is charged with assaulting a young woman.

William Purvis, the white copper, who recently escaped death by hanging by the rope breaking, at Columbia, Miss., was to have again been hanged Tuesday. An appeal to the Supreme Court, however, was granted, saving Purvis's life again until October.

Premier Greenway, of Manitoba, says the visit of Governor General Aberdeen, of Canada, to Gov. Shultz, of Manitoba, to effect a compromise on the school question, will not swerve the Manitoba government in its stand against sectarian schools.

H. B. Edwards, a photographer of Los Angeles, who was destitute and unable to get work, poisoned, with the consent of his wife, their two children, and then Mr. and Mrs. Edwards took poison in a lodging house in San Francisco. All died except a 4-year-old daughter.

A fac simile of the treaty of peace negotiated by General Anthony Wayne with the Indians of the Northwest Territory in 1795 on the site of the present town of Greenville, O., has been prepared at Washington and will be forwarded to Greenville in time to use at the centennial anniversary.

MRS. TALMAGE DEAD. The Wife of the Eminent Divine Expired At Danville. Mrs. T. De Witt Talmage died at Danville, N. Y., Monday morning.

Since the burning of the Brooklyn Tabernacle last year, Mrs. Talmage suffered from nervous prostration, and never fully recovered from the shock sustained then. The deceased was the second wife of Dr. Talmage. His first wife was drowned while boating in 1852, leaving a daughter, Miss Jessie, and a son, who has since died.

KEYSTONE STATE COLLINGS

LIGHTNING'S DEADLY WORK. One Killed and Two May Not Recover. Female Burglars.

During a thunder storm, a party of nine people from Williamsport who had been traveling in a four-horse wagon overland, took refuge under an oak tree three miles west of Roundsburg. The tree was struck by lightning and the members of the party suffered the full effect of the electric fluid.

Two Woman Burglars. Sunday morning about 3 o'clock R. M. Downie, who lives on College Hill, Beaver Falls, was awakened by the sound of some one walking in the house. He hastened downstairs, just in time to see two men and two women make a hurried exit through the door which they had left standing open.

Mrs. Keith, wife of switchman James Keith employed in the Pennsylvania railroad yard at Osceola Mills, gave birth to three boys, whom her husband named Hastings, McKinley and Reed. Governor Hastings telegraphed congratulations and notified the proud father to look for a check.

Fire in the Sturges mine of the New York, Ontario & Western railroad colliery, at Peckville, killed fourteen men. Edward Williams, who warned the miners at the risk of his life, was overcome by the smoke and was brought out in a stupor condition. The loss is about \$2,500.

J. J. Becker is in jail at Greensburg, charged with a shortage of \$11,800 in his accounts as tax collector for Northwest Greensburg. The arrest was made on complaint of John H. Scott, who is one of Becker's bondsmen. Becker is proprietor of the Greensburg market house.

The annual harvest home festival of the Hamilton county will be held at Economy, Sunday, August 12. The principal features will be a grand dinner and a concert in the "summer garden" by the Economy band in the afternoon.

At Centuria, Charles Fetterman, proprietor of a saloon, shot and fatally injured William Griffin, a constable, and wounded Michael J. Costello so badly that he may not recover. Costello is a student of the Jefferson Medical college, of Philadelphia.

John Sullivan, of Erie, a freight handler, was killed by the cars on the Pittsburgh & Erie, about a mile east of Union City. The body was torn to shreds. He was on his way to the oil country in search of work.

An unknown stranger borrowed \$10 from Landlord Newhouse of the Central hotel, Greensburg, and a gold watch of the bartender, leaving a team he hired at Latrobe as security. He has not yet returned.

The City Council of Rochester has instructed Engineer J. P. Lead to draw plans for new water works and a contest with the Union Water company, of Beaver Falls, which has supplied Rochester, is looked for. Peter Zezon, 16 years old, of Uniontown, and Henry McCune, of Greensburg, are both in a hospital at Uniontown dangerously injured, the former by a fall of slate, and the latter by being thrown off a train.

HOLMES TRIED TO EXPLAIN.

How Bones Got Into His Cellar—Says Minnie Williams Killed Her Sister.

Holmes, the alleged wholesale murder was asked in an interview: "Can you explain how so many bones came to be concealed in the basement and other parts of your Chicago house?"

"I will answer that question, in this way," he replied. "Every person who has known me is aware that I am a doctor by profession. It is also known perfectly well in Chicago that there was a restaurant in my building during the World's fair. At that time there were lots of bones from fowls, and other cooked animals thrown outside the building. Lots of these bones, no doubt, found their way to the cellar."

"The poor girl was a great friend of mine. She was unfortunate in more ways than one. I cannot but believe that she is still alive, although God only knows where, as she is a fugitive from justice on account of the awful tragedy which resulted in the killing of her sister. I care to say nothing more about her at this time."

"It is true that Minnie Williams killed her sister?" "Yes. It all came about over a jealous quarrel during the heat of passion, in which poor Minnie threw a stool at Nana. It struck her on the head. She died shortly afterward."

"It is reported that some of your family are the victims of insanity. Is this true?" "It is. My uncle died insane at Burlington, Vt. The insanity streak in our family comes from mother's side. I want to say, however, that I am still composed of sane, although, in view of the absurd reports that have gone out about me, it might be a question as to whether I or my accusers are the crazier."

"Will you deny or affirm the report that you are a rich man?" "My money is principally tied up in real estate. Part of this is encumbered and part is clear. If I was out of here I might be able to turn up \$200,000 without much difficulty."

"Do you belong to any religious denomination?" "No; I am a believer in the teachings of Tom Paine and Ingersoll."

TRADE STILL LARGE.

The Threatened Strike of the Miners a Cloud on the Horizon. Dun & Co's. Weekly Review says: There is a perceptible halt which may deceive if attributed to wrong causes.

Trade two months late in the spring pushed forward into July a large share of business belonging to April or May. Seeing a rush of orders out of time, many imagined it would continue, and hurried to give orders.

The crop of corn promises to be the largest ever grown, and is almost out of harvest's way. The crop of wheat appears, from later reports, perhaps 20,000,000 smaller than was expected a month ago, but on the whole, hopes have been realized. It would have been more than 100,000,000 bushels short of a full crop.

The general advance in many products also causes reluctance to purchase, and the distribution of the past half year, in part, to make up for stocks and individuals who had depleted during two years of economy.

On the other hand there has been enormous increase in the working force and a considerable increase in wages paid, which enables people to buy more freely. Strikes of some importance appear, but do not yet threaten. Last long, though a strike of coal miners may for a time affect business somewhat extensively.

The hopeful spirit prevailing in nearly all markets may find its warrant, in spite of some shortage in crops. For the first time since the rise in the price of iron products began there has been some occasions to retain business, and efforts of new works to get orders tend to check the advance. In spite of this the general average of prices is a shade higher, but having risen relatively more than mill iron has declined. The market for pig is quiet and on the whole, remarkably strong, with the prospect of increased output. Finished products are generally strong with more demand than can at present be met for plates and for bar.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

THE CHINESE ADMITTED. Celestials Lawfully Here May Visit China and Return.

The solicitor of the treasury has rendered an opinion in the case of Low Yee Soong, a Chinaman whose landing at San Francisco from the steamer Belgic on June 1 was refused by the collector. The applicant is the proprietor of a restaurant in Los Angeles, and he claims that a restaurant keeper is a merchant within the purview of the act of 1893. The collector holds that all Chinese except laborers, who are lawfully in the United States, have the right to visit China, or any other foreign country, and return here on the same footing with the regular terms of the statutes. The admittance of Low Yee Soong has been ordered.

New Weather Service Orders. Chief Moore of the weather bureau, directed all weather station chiefs to prepare lists of street railway superintendents, general managers of railroads, superintendents of railroad telegraph lines and like officials of large property interests, to whom warnings of unexpected occurrences of unusual weather conditions will be sent. Officials have been directed to familiarize themselves with the river systems in their territories, so as to be able to make an accurate forecast of the movement of flood waves.

Consul Phumacher of Maracaibo has made a report to the state department of the troubles Venezuela has had with European nations seeking to seize upon her territory and pointing out the opportunity of the United States to extend its trade with Venezuela at the expense of other nations. Consul Phumacher says Venezuela, as never before, is looking to the United States for consular guidance. The people of the country would prefer to trade with the United States.

Naval Constructor Woodward, who is charged with the supervision of the construction of the gunboats building at Newport News, reports that on the 10th inst. gunboat No. 7 was struck by lightning. Several workmen were rendered seriously injured, though no fatalities resulted. Commodore Woodwick, chief of the bureau of equipment, has recommended that hereafter all steel ship's dock or on the ways be connected by copper conductors to protect the workmen.

Burned Almost to a Crisp. John B. Shaffer, a retired farmer living at Madisonburg, about twenty-two miles from Bellefonte, Pa., went out to the field to work in the cows. While there a storm came on and he took shelter under a tree. The tree was struck by lightning and riddled in places. Mr. Shaffer was killed instantly, and when found his body was burned almost to a crisp. He was 67 years of age and leaves a wife.

MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH. Grain, Flour and Feed. WHEAT—No. 1 red... 70 1/2 No. 2 red... 69 1/2 CORN—No. 2 yellow... 49 1/2 Mixed ear... 47 1/2 No. 2 yellow shelled... 49 1/2 OATS—No. 1 white... 31 1/2 Extra No. 3 white... 30 1/2 Light mixed... 29 1/2 RYE—No. 1... 52 1/2 No. 2 western... 51 1/2 FLOUR—Winter patents blend... 4 1/2 Fancy Spring patents... 4 1/2 No. 1... 4 1/2 Straight XXX bakers... 3 1/2 Clear White... 2 1/2 New York... 2 1/2 HAY—No. 1... 17 1/2 No. 2... 16 1/2 Mixed clover No. 1... 14 1/2 No. 2... 13 1/2 FEED—No. 1 White M... 20 1/2 No. 2 White Middlings... 19 1/2 Bran... 18 1/2 Straw—Wheat... 5 1/2 Oat... 4 1/2

Dairy Products. BUTTER—Eggs Creamery... 30 1/2 Fancy Creamery... 29 1/2 New York... 28 1/2 Low grade and cooking... 27 1/2 CHEESE—Ohio, new... 17 1/2 Wisconsin... 16 1/2 Limburger, new make... 15 1/2

Fruit and Vegetables. APPLES... 10 1/2 BEANS—Hand-picked, per bu... 4 1/2 Lima, 10... 3 1/2 From store, bu... 2 1/2 CABBAGE—Ohio, new, bu... 1 1/2 CANNONS—yellow, bu... 1 1/2

Poultry, Etc. Live Chickens, 3 pair... 10 1/2 Live Ducks, 3 pair... 10 1/2 Dressed Chickens, 3 lb... 7 1/2 Live Turkeys, 4 lb... 12 1/2 Eggs—Ohio, fresh... 12 1/2 FRESH EGGS—Ohio, fresh... 12 1/2 No. 1 Ex. Large, white, 3 lb... 40 1/2 Country, large packed... 35 1/2

Miscellaneous. SEEDS—Clover 60 lbs... 8 1/2 Timothy, prime... 4 1/2 No. 1... 4 1/2 RAISINS—Country mixed... 14 1/2 HONEY—White clover... 14 1/2 MAPLE SYRUP, new... 40 1/2 BROWN... 35 1/2 TALLOW... 4 1/2

CINCINNATI. FLOUR—Wheat—No. 2... 21 1/2 RYE—No. 2... 19 1/2 CORN—No. 2... 49 1/2 OATS... 31 1/2 BUTTER—Ohio Creamery... 25 1/2

PHILADELPHIA. FLOUR—Wheat—No. 2... 21 1/2 CORN—No. 2... 49 1/2 OATS... 31 1/2 BUTTER—Ohio Creamery... 25 1/2

NEW YORK. FLOUR—Patents... 2 1/2 WHEAT—No. 2 red... 71 1/2 RYE—State... 56 1/2 CORN—No. 2... 47 1/2 BUTTER—Creamery... 25 1/2 EGGS—State and Penn... 12 1/2

LIVE STOCK. CENTRAL STOCK YARDS, EAST LIBERTY, PA. CATTLE. Prime, 1,400 to 1,600 lbs... 5 1/2 Good, 1,200 to 1,400 lbs... 4 1/2 Good butchers, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs... 4 1/2 Top, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs... 4 1/2 Fair light steers, 900 to 1,000 lbs... 4 1/2 Common, 700 to 900 lbs... 4 1/2

Standing of the League Clubs. Cleveland... 54 39 600 Brooklyn... 44 39 557 Pittsburgh... 50 35 588 Philadelphia... 43 38 531 Baltimore... 46 39 582 New York... 42 39 519 Chicago... 51 39 567 Washington... 38 38 508 Boston... 45 38 567 Louisville... 39 60 459 Cincinnati... 45 38 542