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FINANCE AND TRADE.

Wages Reduced in the War of Rival Iron Trade Interests.

New York, Feb. 12.—J. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: No other event of the week approaches in importance the disruption of the steel rail pool. In two days after it a breaker's earnings rate was probably purchased than the entire production last year, reported as \$60,000 tons, and instead of \$28 in December and \$35 in January \$17 is now the price at which works east and west are seeking orders. The Carnegie company even selling at \$17. Chicago delivery. These sales will employ many thousand hands, with an important decrease in the cost of track laying or renewals to railroads.

Even more important is the result that reconstruction of the rail pool will be impossible as long as the contest over rails continues, and the manufacturer of structural forms, bars, rods, wire, nails, tin plates and many other products has a chance to secure cheap material. In the near future also in the struggle between the two great companies producing Messabi iron ore, one allied with the Illinois Steel and the other with the Carnegie company, which is expected to bring about lower prices for ore, and to push many mines to their utmost capacity. But in the war of rival interests wages are already reduced by some large concerns.

Speculations in products has hardly been more active than of late, and prices generally tend downward. Wheat rose a cent on Tuesday, but has since declined 2.37 cents. The cotton market has been depressed in like manner by estimates that the American crop would prove 3,600,000 bales, but the quantity coming into market has so far surpassed previous guesses, and indicate a larger crop than most speculators estimate.

Failures for the past week have been in the United States, against \$21 at year, and \$1 in Canada, against \$7 last year.

MAHANOY CITY.

R. W. Ash Assumes Charge of the Lake-side Road.

MAHANOY CITY, Feb. 12.—R. W. Ash, General Manager of the Schuylkill Traction Company, has assumed the management of the Lakeside Railway and his first orders are that passengers are not to be allowed to ride on the car platform, or to smoke on cars. It has been the custom to run three cars on this line on Saturdays and Sundays, but until further notice only two cars will be run on the road every day and they will leave the ends of the line every 40 minutes. Chief Engineer William Founders will be assistant superintendent.

By an accident to the hoisting machinery at Maple Hill colliery this morning a cage full of men was allowed to drop, but fortunately nobody was injured and the men jumped off to escape being struck by the slack rope.

Sylvester, 10-year-old son of Engineer Charles Bretz, of Duane, died this morning at two o'clock. The funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon.

Louis Brouse and Lena Kabanaki were married at the residence of the bride's parents at Park Place by Rev. G. M. Book, of the German Lutheran church, of this place.

Progress of the Tenth Bill.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The Republican members of the ways and means committee made important progress on the tariff bill yesterday. They decided upon the rates for pulp and printing paper, and fixed several important items in the metal schedule. The duties on pulp were changed from ad valorem, as in the Wilson bill, to specific duties, somewhat below the McKinley rates. On printing papers suitable only for books and newspapers the Wilson rate is retained. The McKinley rates on type metal were restored.

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Foremost Apostle of Temperance Endorses Paine's Celery Compound.



Francis Murphy, the wisest known temperance advocate in the world, was born 60 years ago in a humble cottage in Ireland. He is the founder of the "Blue Ribbon" and "Iron-Clad" temperance movements. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Moody have recently been laboring together in some of the large cities. How deeply they have entered into the affections of the country everyone knows.

Five thousand people have just signed Mr. Murphy's temperance pledge in Boston.

Mr. Murphy is a great believer in Paine's celery compound. For years he has been thoughtfully observing and advising men for their bodily and spiritual welfare.

"A sound mind in a sound body" has been the constant theme of this great philanthropist.

Because of its power of strengthening and restoring the nervous system Paine's celery compound is used to-day in many such families as that of Mr. Murphy, where no other remedy would be thought of for a moment.

Mr. Murphy writes to The Boston Globe:—"Paine's celery compound has been used in my family with good effect. It is a splendid remedy."

The discoverer of this most successful of

remedies was no more theorist. Prof. Edward H. Phelps, M. D., LL. D., of the Dartmouth Medical School, had accumulated the most absolutely convincing evidence of the remarkable virtues of his great discovery, enough to satisfy the most skeptically inclined person, before he offered Paine's celery compound to his fellow practitioners and to the world.

For absolute reliability in nothing out of the ordinary disorders from the system there is nothing that at all resembles or approaches it. Paine's celery compound should be taken by everyone who is trying to get rid of nerve or blood diseases or a disordered condition of the liver or kidneys.

Such evidences of an unhealthy condition as those constant headaches, melancholy, dyspepsia or constipation rapidly disappear under the clearing, regulating action of Paine's celery compound.

Don't condemn Paine's celery compound with the ignorant, catch-penny, short-lived remedies, sarsaparilla, nervines and tonics that bear so much resemblance to Paine's celery compound as the parasite vines do to the oak that they live on. Don't take anything less than Paine's celery compound.

It pays us to lose— Sometimes!

Here's a case in point. We have left a small lot of those excellent, popular warm-lined shoes. We haven't the room, nor the disposition to keep them until next winter, and rather than run the risk of so doing we've cut the prices even below the money-saving factory prices.

It's positive loss to us, but we'd rather lose than carry them over.

Factory prices were 65c., 75c., \$1 and \$1.25.

The get-out-quickly figures are 50c., 60c., 75c. and \$1.

If you want a taste of this best of all shoe chances, you must come quickly. Can't last long at these prices.

Checks with every purchase; \$25 worth gets a handsome Parlor Lamp.

Factory Shoe Store, BEDDALL BUILDING.

J. A. MOYER, Mgr. SHOES AT FACTORY PRICES.

CLEARING SALE

Offers Unusual Opportunities for Great Bargains.

We rather sacrifice all profits, and even part of their cost, than carry goods over another season. Our entire stock is marked down.

NOTICE.—A half-price ticket on all our fall and winter clothing included in this sale.

Hundreds of small lots of broken sizes will be sold at exactly—

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Suits. Overcoats.

Men's all-wool suits in Cassinore and flannel, reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.

Men's English Melton and 84E Mixed Worsted Suits, reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.

Men's First Cashmeres and Black Clay Suits, reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.

Men's all-wool suits and flannel suits, reduced from \$10.00 and \$12.00, now \$2.75 and \$3.39.

All-wool Beaver and Melton Overcoats, reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.

All-wool Kersey Overcoats, clay lined, with sack, reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.

Finest English Kersey and Erlose Overcoats, reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.

Boys' overcoats, Ulster and Bedford, reduced from \$7.00 and \$9.00, now \$3.39.

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A STARVING FAMILY.

and Discovery Made on Line Street by a Farmer.

A farmer who stopped at the Hotel Fancy yesterday to sell produce told a story of a sad discovery he made on West Line street. He stated that when he was selling vegetables to some woman who had entered about his wagon a man from a nearby house approached and made a bargain for a bushel of potatoes. While the farmer again turned his attention to the woman the man carried the potatoes into the house. Shortly after the farmer followed to have a settlement. He was astounded to find several children crouching devouring the raw potatoes from which neither the dirt, or skin had been removed. The farmer learned that the man who had purchased the potatoes and a wife and eight children were starving. "I can't pay you," said the head of the family, "and if it will do you more good to take the potatoes from the mouths of these children than to lose the price of them, why take them away." The farmer only claimed the basket and added another bushel of potatoes to the pile on the floor. He failed to get the name of the family and his own name he desired to have withheld.

Never Fails for Coughs and Colds. That's what Pan-Tin is, 25c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

Favors Legitimate Merchants. Mr. Euston: In passing down Main street yesterday my attention was called to a sign in a window of one of those catch-penny concerns with which this town seems to be strewn with more than any other town in the state. It read: Don't see strange that with all the legitimate business houses that we have here, that this place should be made the dumping ground of all this cheap cast-off trash. They advertise their business in great flaming placards and labels to catch the ignorant and unwary by promising to give him something for almost nothing. What is the result? After running off their shoddy stock and gathering in the shreds from the grocery, Amib like they silently fold their hands and wait. The cheap articles are sold and the borough, in most cases, is cheated out of its just license. It is but a few weeks ago that a town in a neighboring county made the license so high for these take-cards that they now give it a wide berth. In justice to our legitimate business men, can not our Borough Council go and do likewise? Having been a resident of this town for the last 27 years, I have seen a great deal of this "cheap John" business practiced upon our people, and it is a singular fact that, notwithstanding their past experience, they still allow themselves to be humbugged. I am aware that many of them think they are getting bargains but find out their error when too late, and when they go to look for an explanation or redress, what do they find—the bird has flown and the place that "cheap John" once knew them no more. How is it with our home merchants? Many of them have been in business here for upwards of 20 or 35 years, have invested their savings here, have given their assistance and their money for the welfare and advancement of the town; when temptations are taken up for the future and the poor and the needy they contribute liberally. Why? Because they have something at stake. What have those traveling concerns got? Nothing; they pay no taxes, they contribute nothing to charity, they are no material aid to the town in any form, but, compare like, they live upon the life blood of an over-confident and easily fooled public. Fellow citizens, stick to the tried and tried, hold fast that which is good, and eschew evil, is the advice of your friend, an

EX-MERCHANT. Shenandoah, Feb. 12, 1897.

The Supreme Court.

There are several cases that will be heard by the higher courts next week, in which the people of Shenandoah are greatly interested. The Supreme Court will hear argument in the Borough Justice case, on appeal from Judge Pershing's decision declaring Messrs. Lawlor and Carlin unlawfully elected. In the United States District Court Judge Butler will on Monday hear the case of the Daily News proprietors, John A. Bell, Jr., and P. J. Burke, charged with violating the postal laws in sending obscene matter through the mails.

Burglars at Ashland.

While Lewis Wainman, of Ashland, was retiring Thursday night, he discovered two burglars trying to gain an entrance to the house. He discharged his revolver at them, but they escaped the firing bullets. He was not able to identify them, but from appearances they seemed to be quite young men.

Letters Granted.

Letters testamentary were granted to J. A. Lank on the estate of John L. Evans, late of the borough of Frackville, deceased.

Letters of administration were granted to Rose C. Houtz on the estate of Elias Houts, late of Pinegrove township, deceased, and to Christian Mochel on the estate of Albert W. Mochel, late of the borough of Pottsville, deceased.

Committed For Trial.

John Ratcheck was last night committed by Justice Carlin in default of bail on a charge of assault and battery made by his boarding house. The latter was both beaten and bitten and says the attack was made while he was in bed, and without any provocation.

DEED.

BROWN.—On the 12th inst., at Shenandoah, Pa. Colfax Brown, aged 23 years, 9 months and 12 days. Funeral will take place on Monday, Feb. 15, at 2 o'clock, from the family residence, 301 East Coal street. Interment in Odd Fellows cemetery. Relatives and friends respectively invited to attend.

RED ROUGH HANDS

Itching, stinging, bleeding, chapped, cracked, and painful finger ends, pimples, blackheads, dry, scaly skin, itching and falling hair, itching, scalp, all yield quickly to warm baths with CUTICURA SOAP, and gentle anointings with CUTICURA Ointment, the great skin cure.

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No detention from business. Address, J. PIERCE ROBERTS, M. D., SHENANDOAH, PENN'A.

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REMOVES ONLY THE DIRT.

PERRY POINT.

Disputings Throughout the County. Chronoled for Hasty Perusal. There will be an motion court on Monday. The March term of court will be a busy one.

Judge Sledge, of Northumberland county, is still holding back many liquor licenses. The County Commissioners have appropriated \$6,000 for current almshouse expenses. Five weddings were recorded in the records of the Polish and Lithuanian churches to-day.

The finder of a bunch of four keys will be liberally rewarded by returning them to the Arcade cafe.

A free for all fight was indulged in by the participants of a Lithuanian wedding, on North Main alley, last evening.

One cent will carry a postcard through the mails in an unsealed envelope. Two cents will be necessary if written matter is enclosed.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company will begin on Monday to run some of its coal trains through from Delano and Fairview to Tidewater.

John Prosser annoyed the pedestrians on East Centre street, this morning, by getting into difficulty with a Polish man about the right of way.

The representatives of the three daily papers of Shenandoah were tendered a banquet here by the promoter of a first-class cafe in that town. An elaborate menu was served.

The "Yellow Kid" was certainly the yellowest show here this season. Mickey Dugan, the Yellow Kid, emceed the few spectators by using his expression during the entire performance "Let's forget it." We would, if we only could. NEXT.

PERSONAL MENTION.

John Hughes, of Tamaqua, spent yesterday in town.

Miss Mary Coyle has returned home from a visit to Philadelphia.

Miss Midgeley, of St. Clair, is visiting among town acquaintances.

Miss R. M. Foley spent yesterday afternoon among Mahanoy City friends.

Joseph Brink, of the Lehigh University, is here to spend a few days with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cook, of East Lloyd street, were the guests of the Dunn family at Mineville yesterday.

Misses Cleary and Maher attended the social of the Mahanoy fire company, at Mahanoy Place, last night.

Mrs. William Neisewander and daughter, Adelaide, are visiting in Shamokin, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Gaskin.

George T. Llewellyn, superintendent of the Prudential Insurance Company, paid our amateur a pleasant visit this morning.

Beaten With a Glass.

Joseph Melusky was badly beaten in Joe Danusky's saloon on South Main street this morning by John Kopalinski. The assault was made with a beer glass and Dr. Stovin was called to dress the five wounds in the victim's head. Kopalinski was arrested by Chief Burgess Burns and is in the lockup.

Lawyer Sued for Libel.

Ex-District Attorney R. H. Koch to-day entered suit against William Wilhelm, Esq., charging libel. Mr. Koch was represented by W. J. Whitehouse, Esq. The defendant entered bail in the sum of \$1,500, with Thomas Jones, of St. Clair, bondsman. The libelous article is not set forth, but it is supposed to have been contained in a communication to the officials of the electric railway company written by Mr. Wilhelm.

Mr. Bickert a Candidate.

Joseph Bickert has been nominated by the Democrats of the Second ward as a candidate for Council. It was only at the solicitation of many friends that he consented to allow the use of his name in this connection. Now that it is nominated he will make an active canvass, and has the assurance of a large following.

The Typo Steigh Ride.

The employees of the Lithuanian paper "Garsas" were given a sleigh ride to Mahanoy City last evening, by the editor, Rev. Anthony Melusky. The trip was very enjoyable until Mahanoy City was reached when the sleigh broke down. Another sleigh had to be substituted to bring them back to town.

Will Go to a City Hospital.

John M. Omlor, of Locust Gap, who has been receiving treatment at the Mines' hospital for an injury received on the leg several months ago, has concluded to undergo a course of treatment at the Pennsylvania University, Philadelphia.

"Y" Program.

The following program will be offered at a meeting of the "Y" to be held this evening: Singing; prayer; scripture reading, Edward Dank; singing; business hour; reading, Miss Elizabeth M. Reesher; recitation, Clara Matter; duet, Misses Bevan and Wasley; comic reading, Lee Straub; life of William J. Bryan, Harry Gable; solo, Edward James; news of a week, George Roxby; impromptu speeches; critic's report.

When bilious or costive, eat a Cascaret.

Cascaret cathartic, cure guaranteed, 10c. 25c.

Advertised Letters.

Letters addressed to the following named people remain uncalled for at the local post office: M. F. Henry, Joe W. Canter, L. F. Kline, Dr. W. Erkeloe, Mrs. John Stauffer, Rev. John S. Douglas.

Marriage Licenses.

Thomas Mirisin, of Hamilton, and Paraske Kuznarva, of Shenandoah.

Since Teaniski and Annie Zylinski, both of Shenandoah.

Lot Howels and Mrs. Mary Thomas, both of St. Clair.

Demand Attention.

There can be no possible excuse for dumping the intestines of fowls, potato and apple peels, rotten vegetables, and other refuse in the public highways, and yet such disgusting sights are common in some streets and alleys.

Missionary Rally.

The Y. P. S. C. E. connected with the Presbyterian church is preparing an elaborate program for a missionary rally for Sunday evening, Feb. 21.

Something to burn, scald, chapped hands and feet.

Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. C. H. Hagenbach.

Lehigh Employees Paid.

The employees at the Lehigh Valley collieries in Lost Creek and neighboring places received their pay to-day.

Deaths of a Minister.

Rev. Fred Smith, a minister of the United Evangelical church, died at Millersburg on Wednesday and was buried to-day. He was one of the prominent ministers of his church.

Entertained Friends.

E. F. Gallagher last night celebrated the seventh anniversary of his marriage and entertained a number of his friends in Dougherty's hall.

Dry Goods Buying At Wilkinson's.

There's pleasure and comfort in shopping here; good daylight in every corner of the Big Store, lots of comfortable seats at every counter and bright, competent salespeople ready to supply your wants.

DOLLARS DO DOUBLE DUTY THIS MONTH.

We offer one hundred pieces, double sold dress plaids—made to sell at 12 1/2c for 6 1/2c per yard, just half price.

SPECIAL VALUES IN SATTEENS.

Simpson's fine satteens in twenty new printings go for 8c per yard.

CLOAKS AND WRAPS

Are fast finding owners at tempting prices; in some lines we chop off a third or even half of the original selling prices.



READY-MADE SUITS

For Ladies in new effects, perfect fitting and stylish.

END OF THE WHITE FAIR.

Saturday last was to be the end of the special prices for the White Goods Sale; at request of many patrons we will continue to sell at the same advertised prices.

The Muslin Underwear, Men's White Shirts, Made Sheets and Sheeting, Pillow Cases and Bolsters, New White Goods and Embroideries.

The Famous McCall Paper Patterns, 10 and 15 Cents Each. Why Pay More?

We guarantee our patterns to be the latest and best in the world, an eight-page illustrated fashion sheet free for the asking.

L. J. WILKINSON,

MAIN STREET. LLOYD STREET.

General Reduction in Wages.

Johnstown, Pa., Feb. 12.—The following notice has been posted up by the Cambria Iron company: "Owing to the generally depressed prices ruling in the steel trade, and especially the severe drop in the price of rails, which the Cambria Iron company neither caused or followed until compelled to do so, a reduction in all salaries and wages averaging 10 per cent. will go into effect March 1."

Pennsylvania Town Burning Down.

Pittsburg, Feb. 12.—Intelligence has reached this city that the little town of Mars, on the Pittsburg and Western railroad, is burning down. The place is about 20 miles west of here, but no particulars are at present available, because of the poor telegraph and telephone facilities. The town has about 300 inhabitants, and it is understood every house has been consumed.

Shocked by His Drunken Brother.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 12.—John Groble, of Pittsburg, while intoxicated yesterday, stabbed his brother Michael in the breast. Michael was trying to put his brother in bed when the latter turned on him. Michael is in a serious condition, and his death is expected. John was arrested.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AGENTS—Fifty cents on each dollar; no experience necessary. Write for sample copy. Address The Catholic News, 12 Barclay St., New York.

FOR RENT—A nice room, second floor, suitable for office purposes. Apply at HERALD office.

WANTED—In Shenandoah, live men to act as general and industrial agents for life insurance company with new features. Must have push and ability to handle salesmen successfully. Permanent if work is satisfactory. For territory and particulars address 302 Thorsen Building, Philadelphia. 1-15-18-est

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OLD STAND REMAINS.