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The investigation of the lobby in Washington will probably not reveal a single case where a Senate or a Congressman has directly sold his vote. It will serve the purpose, however, of eliminating pressure that is brought to bear to influence them through friends, through business connections, through tips on speculative propositions and all those other devious "persuaders" that are worked by men too clever to openly attempt bribery.

Gov. John K. Tener on Monday evening approved the bill creating the new department of labor and industry and appointed dean John Price Jackson, of State College, as the commissioner. The new department will take over the duties and powers of the department of factory inspection. Three bureaus are created by the bill, inspection, statistics and arbitrations. The commissioner will receive a salary of \$8,000 per year and there will be a chief inspector of \$5,000, a chief clerk at \$2,000 and other office attaches, together with an attorney at \$3,000.

HOUSE TO GET DOWN TO WORK.

Speaker Alter Thursday evening informed the members of the House that they would be expected to be on hand for work this week. The reason for this is the number of conference committees named, the size of the calendars, the special orders and the numerous appropriation bills. It requires 138 members to pass appropriation bills. This admonition from the chair caused much comment and members have settled down to hard work for the rest of the session.

AUXILIARY STATE FORESTS.

Pennsylvania has once more set the pace for the conservation movement by the passage of the three forestry bills which Governor Tener signed Thursday. One bill fixes the value of timber land for taxation purposes at \$1 an acre, making the taxes about two cents an acre.

Another bill brings such privately owned timber land under the control of the State Forestry Commission. A third requires the State to reimburse the township wherein such exempted lands are located to the amount of four cents an acre.

Pennsylvania is the first state in the Union to pass a law of this kind and it is declared by the Pennsylvania Conservation Association, the Pennsylvania Forestry Association and other organizations and individuals who represent the best thought in the conservation movement that the plan will stimulate private cultivation of trees as nothing else has ever done.

Governor Tener has been a staunch friend of the three bills from the first and repeatedly during the session, the conservationists, who have been standing sponsor for the measure, have acknowledged their indebtedness to him.

HARRISBURG LETTER

The Senate passed bills appropriating \$300,000 for road improvement in Philadelphia if the city gives an equal amount, and \$1,000,000 for harbor improvements.

The State-wide primary bill and the party enrollment bill were passed finally by the Senate and go to the House for concurrence in amendments. The Flinn forces predicted opposition in the House.

The bill authorizing Philadelphia to build and lease subways was sent to the Governor, and the House personal property tax bill, making a subway loan possible, passed the Senate finally.

The House resolution to investigate the workings of the civil service law in Philadelphia passed the Senate. A committee of seven is to inquire into the character of questions propounded to applicants.

The National Wholesale Grocers' Association in convention at Atlantic City, indorsed the demand for a higher degree of efficiency in manufacture and a more scientific distribution of food products.

THE RAILROADS' SCRAP HEAP.

It is astonishing how much junk is accumulated by the railroads annually. Every year the heap of junk grows larger, owing to the expansion of business and the adoption of new devices for the old. The pile of steel and iron that was heaped up in San Francisco after the earthquake and fire, was spoken of as the biggest scrap heap in the world, and

perhaps it was largest ever seen at one place, but its hundreds of thousands of tons were very small in comparison to the gigantic pile that would be made if a year's accumulations from all the railroads in the United States were brought together.

It was only in recent years that the railroad men learned how to get the most out of this scrap heap when it is sold. Formerly all sorts of scrap from used-up locomotives to the frames of tin lanterns were thrown together indiscriminately and sold at low prices to the junk dealers, who sorted it and sold the different kinds at a big advance, making fortunes thereby. Now the sorting is carefully done by the railroads themselves, making more than a hundred different grades and varieties, and the market value of each is well known. There is no longer chance to speculate upon the ignorance of the railroad companies, and the scrap they have to sell brings in millions of dollars every year.

ORGANIZATION OF D. A. R. PERFECTED SATURDAY.

Miss Harriet Rockwell, Regent, Entertains Wayne Chapter—Work of Organization Planned.

The organization of the Wayne Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution was perfected on Saturday afternoon, June 7th, at the home of its regent, Miss Harriet Rockwell. The purpose of the organization and the plan of its work, notably that of studying and of preserving the history of Wayne county during the Revolutionary period, was discussed. The Chapter now has a membership of 24. But this number will be increased to 34 as soon as the eligibility of ten new applicants is verified by the National Society at Washington. The officers of the local Chapter are: Miss Harriet E. Rockwell, regent; Mrs. Fred B. Whitney, vice-regent; Miss Ethel Lee, recording secretary; Miss Charlotte Lane, corresponding secretary; Miss Bertha Lane, treasurer; Mrs. Homer Greene, historian; Miss S. Louise Hardenbergh, registrar; Mrs. Eben Clark, Chaplain. The board of management consists of this official board together with three additional members as follows: Mrs. Eben Clark, Miss Marian Wilder and Miss Alice Birdsall. The standing committees, such as social, program and historical, were also appointed at this meeting. Valuable papers of research and data, for the use of the program and social committees, and for the historical records, were contributed by Miss Jennie Ball of the society and by Mrs. Lewis P. Cook of Hawley. A forceful and deeply interesting talk was given by the regent on the aims of the local chapter; these: "The Democratic, Patriotic and Educational Features should be strengthened rather than sentimental and central worship; asking for the use of the ritual in its strongest sense and for efficiency and activity of the members, so that the Chapter may have weight and dignity. For the time is not far distant when the D. A. R. will become one of the most important institutions of our country." A resolution was passed making October 12th of this year the time limit for charter membership. The society meetings are to be held the first Saturday afternoon of each month except during July and August, but members may be taken into the society at any time by complying with the rules of the National organization, and applicants for membership may be made to the registrar of the local chapter. Mrs. Jacob S. Ames, a Hawley member, attended the meeting.

EX-BANKER KNAPP ACQUITTED.

At Ithaca on Friday last Charles June Knapp of Binghamton, was acquitted by the jury in Supreme Court on the charge that, while acting as president of the defunct Binghamton Trust Company, he violated the State banking law in making a loan of \$2,500 to Knapp Brothers' Bank of Deposit.

The verdict was returned about 11 o'clock, and Justice Michael H. Kiley discharged Mr. Knapp from custody. The jury has spent the night deliberating, and when Supreme Court reconvened at 10 o'clock, they reported to Justice Kiley they were still unable to agree.

By questioning of the Judge it developed they stood 6 and 6, that for three ballots at midnight there had been a change to 7 and 5 for acquittal and that then the bolting juror had gone back to the side of conviction, leaving the vote again a tie.

It developed the jurors wanted more definite information about what constituted a loan. The Judge gave it as his opinion that the jury was magnifying the importance of the case. "Why, gentlemen," he said in substance, "if a tramp were to enter the henhouse of one of you gentlemen, rob it of a chicken, and be caught and tried for the theft—that would be of just about the importance of the case." The members of the jury retired to the small room again, and quickly reached the agreement.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

For bargains attend the special sale at the Grambs building on Main street this week. Menner & Co.'s sale of damaged stock.

Some Citizens We Greet

"There's a chiel amang ye tak'in' notes
An' faith he'll prent it."
—Burns.

There is something remarkably nice and refreshing about the personality of a young old man, one with a bright eye and a beaming countenance, one with the ruddy bloom of health upon his cheeks and a goodly measure of elasticity in his carriage. Such an one, for instance, as Richard Brock, of Beach Lake, who dropped into the busy business office of The Citizen one day last week to pay his respects to all hands.

Eight years more than the allotted 70 have passed over his head, but you would never suspect it. He has lived in Beach Lake for three years more than a half century, and as he takes a retrospective glance backward occasionally he is led to talk very entertainingly of the scenes he has witnessed and of the people he has known.

No Beach Lake, he says, is not the same to-day that it was half a hundred years ago. There was more business then, and of quite a different character, than is to be found there to-day. Drake & Stone conducted an extensive tannery. They tanned sole leather, using the hemlock bark from the immense hemlock forests that abounded on every hand.

There were three saw mills there then, one was proprietorship by Wm. G. Stanton, another by Richard Oliver and the third by Stone & Drake. Mr. Brock was the village blacksmith, and

"The smith, a mighty man he,
With large and sinewy hands;
And the muscles of his brawny arms
Were strong as iron bands."

Week in, week out, from morn till night,
You could hear his bellows blow;
You could hear him swing his heavy sledge,
With measured beat and slow."

The old-line shops and the old-line blacksmiths, like the old-line printers, have about vanished from the face of the earth. Instead of the old bellows that appealed to the boys as a good place to develop muscle, nowadays you will find a dinky little arrangement that you grind like a hand-organ; and as to the old-time sights about the shop, they have about passed away. Longfellow drew a perfect picture of his day and generation when he wrote how

"—children coming home from school
Look in at the open door;
They love to see the flaming forge,
And hear the bellows roar,
And catch the burning sparks that fly
Like chaff from a threshing-floor."

In these days there are mighty few children coming home from school and if they do stop at the apogee for a blacksmith shop that sometimes you may be able to locate, you will find the blacksmith, quite likely, a pale-faced youngster, fresh from college, perhaps, and with the aforementioned dinky little grind-organ travesty on Vulcan's forge, you also will find him tinkering up somebody's automobile. Oh, Longfellow! These days would make you sick! You died just in the right time!

Pardon me, please, Richard Brock is the real disciple of Vulcan we want to talk about. So here goes.

In those days to turn out the work necessary to keep three sawmills and a tannery running, the blacksmith shop was indeed a very busy place. Mr. Brock couldn't do the work alone, of course, and he had two assistants.

Not only did they shoe horses then, but oxen were as plentiful as horses, and oxen had to be shod. Say, if you owned a yoke of oxen today, where would you go to get them shod? Further than that, where could you find a blacksmith that could do the work? Where would you find a shop equipped with the facilities for shoeing oxen?

Mr. Brock says he went into a shop recently and the proprietor asked him to make an ox-shoe. The man had never seen one. Perhaps you never have, dear reader. He showed the inquirer how the trick is done.

When ox-shoeing was in vogue in Old Wayne county you could not buy shoes for horses and oxen as you may buy them to-day. Neither could you buy shoe nails then. Both shoes and nails were made at the blacksmith's forge. When shoeing was slack the time was utilized in making various sizes of shoes. As to the making of nails, that was quite a different proposition. To make a horse-shoe nail was seemingly a slight matter. To see it done gave one the impression that "anybody could do that." As a matter of fact it was one of the most difficult feats of the trade. To make one thousand nails was counted a day's work. Mr. Brock could make 96 in 20 minutes, and that surely was going some.

I saw Joe Murphy, a famous Irish actor, make a horse-shoe at a forge on the stage. It took with the boys, and they were willing to pay premiums to get those shoes. Now, after talking with Mr. Brock, the thought comes to the fore, could Joseph have made a horse-shoe nail? The nail is a small affair, but much importance has at times been attached to the little bit of tough metal, for instance:

"For the want of a nail
A shoe was lost;
For the want of a shoe
A horse was lost;
For the want of a horse
A rider was lost;
For the want of a rider
A battle was lost—
And all for the want
Of a horse-shoe nail."

It takes 96 nails to shoe a yoke of oxen. There are eight shoes for each ox, and it required six nails for each shoe.

To shoe a span of horses it takes 64 nails—eight nails to each shoe.

From 7 in the morning until 4 in the afternoon Mr. Brock has shod five yoke of oxen and two span of horses, besides doing some repair work. This shoeing was done with the nails and shoes furnished, of course. For years he worked 18 hours each day in the winter season. He worked twelve hours with his hired help, and after they had gone home he made 500 nails to be ready for the next day's labor. This extra work was a necessity in order that there might be no lost time in the shop, for lost time in the shop meant lost time in the woods, and time was very precious.

One of the discomforts of working at the forge was that looking constantly into the glowing fire was bad for the eyes, causing a chronic state of inflammation; but since quitting the forge and the anvil Mr. Brock has fully recovered strength along that line, and his eyes are as clear and strong to-day, almost, as they were in his youth, for he reads quite fine print without the aid of spectacles. He has retired from active life, making his home with his son-in-law, Amzi Keyes.

BRAMAN TALKS ABOUT SPRINKLING.

He Explains What He is Doing and What He Expects and Has a Right to Expect the Honesdale Public to Do—A Pay-in-Advance System Would Be Best.

"Yes, sir," said Mr. Braman yesterday when a Citizen representative called on him to find out about the big bunch of Iowa horses he is expecting to arrive on Tuesday, "the man who sprinkles Honesdale streets has troubles of his own."

And then the ex-Sheriff went on to tell how it requires two men and two heavy teams to manipulate the splendid new sprinklers that are surely a credit to the town.

He mentioned the fact that there are even business men on Main street who have refused to pay for sprinkling. They are willing to take what comfort they can from the sprinkling their neighbors pay for, and then they want their neighbors to eat their dust.

He says the rate is fair, and that there is an ordinance that makes collectable any property that he sprinkles unless the property owner forbids him to sprinkle.

All sprinkling bills are due from the 1st to the 10th of each month, and he is very anxious that people will be ready with their cash when the collector calls, for he cannot afford to make extra calls after the money.

He called attention to the fact that he is giving the very best service possible, and has even broken the Sunday observance law by sprinkling the streets on that day.

Mr. Braman believes, and The Citizen believes the same, that the street sprinkling business should be conducted on the pay-in-advance system. It would be just as easy, and much more satisfactory all around, for people most naturally hate to "pay for dead horses" and for the "peck of dust" that they might have eaten had Braman not wet it down a month before he presented his bill. Anyway, pay PROMPTLY. Adv.

The new excess baggage rule went into effect on the railroads on Sunday. Trunks more than 45 inches in length, have to pay excess, and those more than 72 inches in length are rejected and must be sent by express.

Foster's Weather Bulletin

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WASHINGTON, JUNE 7.—Last bulletin gave forecasts of disturbance to cross continent June 4 to 8, warm wave 3 to 7, cool wave 6 to 10. From near meridian 90 eastward this disturbance will cause severe weather with a probability of heavy rains at some points on the gulf coasts. Unusually hot weather will prevail southeast of the low, or storm center, as it crosses continent. Dangerous storms are expected in great central valleys during the five days centering on June 7. Some showers in western sections during the five days centering on June 27 and in eastern sections centering on June 7.

While some sections will get good showers first half of June others of large extent will have a deficiency of rain. This may not damage wheat and corn to any great extent but where the drouth strikes oats first part of June it will be a serious matter for that crop. We are of opinion that farmers should not sell grain at this time. They should, at least, keep enough oats and wheat to supply any deficiency that may occur. We are of opinion that grain will not go permanently lower in the markets this year and that nothing will be lost by keeping some old grain for emergencies.

Next disturbance will reach Pacific coast about June 9, cross Pacific slope by close of 10th, great central valleys 11th to 13th, eastern sections 14th. Warm wave will cross Pacific slope about June 9, great central valleys 11th, eastern sections 13th. Cool wave will cross Pacific slope about June 12, great central valleys 14th, eastern sections 16th.

This disturbance will continue the severe storms, hot weather and drouth. These of course will cover only small portions of the country. The storm forces will be most severe west of meridian 90 and particularly on the Pacific coast but the forces of the preceding storm will be greatest east of meridian 90.

It is worthy of note that our prediction of dangerous storms for the five days centering on May 10 proved to be correct and for those of 23 to 31 the U. S. Weather Bureau reported a great increase in the forces on May 27.

Our No. 3 pamphlet, further explaining the forces of nature, causes of great storms and weather changes, is now ready for distribution and will be mailed free to all subscribers to the papers in which these bulletins are published. Enclose stamp and address Foster's Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C.

Our greatest West India hurricanes occur in August and September, as a general rule, but sometimes they come in July or October. For 1913 we are expecting the principal hurricanes in July and October. We are studying these great storms carefully and a little later will give all the details we can. But we are not yet prepared to definitely locate them as to time and place. Of course it is well known that they organize east of the Caribbean sea and near 30 of north latitude, move westward through the Caribbean sea, turn north and then northeastward while in the Gulf of Mexico and pass up the Atlantic off our eastern coast. Their movements are comparatively slow and they usually require 10 to 15 days to pass over the route men-

tioned. Sometimes they pass inland and have been known to do great damage in the Mississippi valley. While they are in the Gulf of Mexico a cool wave usually develops in the Canadian middle northwest that has been known to cause damaging frosts in midsummer.

HAWLEY.

Hawley, June 7.—Miss Lena Poeppel left Saturday for Jamaica, N. Y., to spend a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Lobb.

Miss Fannie Miller is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Miller of Newfoundland.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Rollison last Wednesday night, a daughter.

The Ladies' Aid of the German Lutheran church, met at the home of Mrs. Barbara Duffy, Thursday afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Boppeler, of Wilsonville, were tendered a farewell party by the Paupack River club, last Sunday. About seventy-five guests were present and all reported a pleasant time.

Miss Nora Murphy, of Honesdale, spent Wednesday with her aunt, Mrs. Mary McHale, of the East side.

The senior class of the Hawley High school took a trip to Kimbles where they will gather material for school decoration. All preparations are being made for commencement, which takes place in the High school auditorium, June 11, 1913.

Gifts for Graduates

A few suggestions of articles that will make appropriate gifts for graduates:

Fountain Pens from \$1.00 up.
Purses, Wallets and Card Cases from 25c up.

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