

THE TIMES.

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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

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OUR CIRCULATION.

For the information of advertisers and others who may be interested in knowing, we will state that the present circulation of THE TIMES is between eighteen hundred and nineteen hundred copies each week.

FEWER accidents and fires happened the last Fourth of July than for many years.

IT is stated that Boss Tweed has paid nearly a half a million of dollars to his lawyers, and yet has failed to secure his release from prison. Vast as this sum appears there is no reason to doubt its correctness.

SOME of the freaks of the "Reform Policy" is what no fellow can understand. The one we refer to now is the removal of Judge Watts as Commissioner of Agriculture. Wm. G. Ledue of Minnesota, has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

War Notes.

The Russians have at last succeeded in crossing the Danube with considerable force.

A severe battle was fought near Sistova on the Bulgarian side, in which the Turks were driven from their position and the Russians secured a base of operations.

The fact that they do not push forward more rapidly now they have secured a crossing, evinces either a lack of generalship or a weakness in forces.

A terrible fight took place before Kars, in which the Turks drove the Russians annihilating the left wing of that army. Over 4,000 Russians were left dead on the field, but as this report comes from Constantinople it must be taken with some allowance.

An Excursion Directory.

The Pennsylvania R. R. Company have assured a work of great value to those desiring to take some pleasant summer excursion. It is a volume of one hundred and twenty-five pages with a large map and eighty well executed views of rivers, mountains, springs, bridges, buildings, the sea-shore, cities and towns, lays out several hundred excursions which may be taken at but little more than half fare to the lakes, to the sea-shore, to various parts of this State, Niagara, Saratoga, Newport, the Adirondacks and White Mountains, Memphremagon, down the St. Lawrence and elsewhere. Brief sketches are provided of the principal points, and there is everything to tempt travel and facilitate and brighten it. Copies can be had by applying to L. P. Farmer, Gen. Pass. Agent.

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No other road west of Chicago runs these celebrated Pullman Hotel Cars or any form of Hotel Cars.

STORM REPORTS.

On the 1st inst., a terrible storm passed over Coatesville, Pa., and the surrounding country. At Ereidown, a small town three miles south of Coatesville, twenty families were rendered homeless in a few moments, their dwellings being razed to the ground. The fine new seminary of Richard Darlington was also destroyed—nothing being left standing but the walls. A woman named Hopkins was instantly killed, and five other persons injured, two of them fatally. A meeting was arranged at Coatesville last week to extend aid to the sufferers, and prayers were made in the churches on behalf of the homeless and injured.

The Columbia Hotel, at Chester, Pa., was struck by lightning same evening and set on fire. Seven persons were stunned by the shock, one of whom, William Appleby, is seriously injured. The fire was quickly extinguished, and the damage to the hotel will not exceed \$1000, which is covered by insurance.

At seven o'clock the same evening a terrific hail storm struck Waterbury, Ct., and did a vast amount of damage. The garden crops are ruined, green-houses and conservatories had their glass

smashed into atoms. There is not a whole sky-light in the city. Some of the hail-stones were very large, and they were showered down so thick that the ground was white with them. The rainfall was exceedingly heavy. The streets and roads were badly washed by the torrent. All the lanterns of the public lamps were broken.

At Waverly, Johnson county, Indiana, at about nine o'clock at night, the storm struck the residence of George Dressler, blowing it entirely away and leaving fruit cans in the cellar undisturbed. Dressler was found near by with his feet lacerated and his chest badly injured. His wife and two children, aged three and five years, were killed outright. Another child aged twelve years, died next day, while a fourth child, nine years old, received a bad scalp wound, had its ankle dislocated and is not expected to recover. The residence of James Armstrong was nearly blown down. One child was killed and another has since died.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2.—Near Franklin, the house of Mr. Brammer was demolished, killing the entire family of five persons, and the house of George Fressie's was also torn to pieces, killing the entire family of six persons. The house of Mrs. Armstrong was thrown down and two persons killed and others badly injured. The cattle, standing crops, barns, forests and orchards suffered severely.

An Editor Assaulted.

LANCASTER, Pa., July 5.—This evening as J. W. M. Geist, editor of the *New Era*, of this city, was going home Geo. C. Halderman stepped from the Leopard house and struck him across the face and shoulders with a cowhide. As Mr. Geist stepped backward, James E. Young, an accomplice of Halderman's, attacked Geist with another cowhide, inflicting rapid blows. A crowd by this had gathered and protected Mr. Geist from further violence. The assailants were promptly arrested and gave the required bail. The affair has created an intense excitement.

The circumstances leading to the assault were that a number of articles, published in the *New Era* recently, commented on the conduct of a number of young men and ladies of Columbia, this county, among whom were the assailants of the editor.

A Desperate Attempt to Rob a Rail Road Train.

A few days ago an attempt was made to rob an Express car on the Lake Shore train. An officer gives the following interesting report of the affair: "About a week ago the officers were informed, and when it became evident that the robbers intended to make their attack Thursday night, I telegraphed officers to come up to Laporte and return on No. 6. They therefore quietly took the train, being careful to conceal themselves in the state room of a sleeping car, and came to the place specified. They thought best to come to Laporte, where none of them are known, as it would not be seen at Elkhart, where they would be immediately recognized.—Thursday night we all took train No. 6, and, under Capt. Parley's directions, concealed ourselves behind boxes in the car, and laid in waiting for our men. Our feelings of excitement, as the train neared Ligonier, can be better imagined than described.

There was a narrow aisle through the stacks of baggage just wide enough to allow a party of men to pass through single file. Manager Carleton sat in the centre of the car in a small area where the express matter had been cleared away. Nothing occurred to arouse suspicion till the train was leaving Ligonier. Then footsteps were heard on the platform. Every man's breath came quick, for we thought that an attack would surely be made.

The train got under headway, and was about two miles away from the station, running at full speed, when the door was opened, and four men, two with blackened faces, and two wearing masks, entered the car. The messenger was quietly and coolly looking over his bills. I had previously instructed him as to his method of procedure, or, rather, non-procedure. The men walked into the car single file, and Detective Cavanaugh reached his hand out quickly and closed the door. They did not notice the move. One of them laid his hand on the shoulder of the Messenger Carleton and said, "Hello!" Carleton, who had before been oblivious to all surroundings, started up and saw three revolvers pointed toward him. It required the utmost coolness for him to sit still in that situation, but he acted as if it were the most usual thing in the world to pass through the ordeal which he was then undergoing. The man with his hand on the messenger's shoulder was about to pull the ropes, with which to bind and gag him, from his pocket, when I gave the signal, and we all sprang from our places of concealment. The robbers started to rush out of the car, but they were intercepted by

Officers Brown, Cavanaugh, and Tibbits. We pounced upon them from all sides, and each selected his man. Then occurred one of the most desperate fights I ever witnessed. The men knew that they were struggling for liberty, and they were desperate as tigers. The air was filled with yells, and the sight which presented itself was that of a confused mass of struggling, yelling humanity.—Two officers bore Laddy to the floor, but he struggled to his feet and fairly shook them off. One of the party presented his revolver at Detective Cavanaugh's head, but that officer struck him across the hand, and his weapon fell to the floor.

I never saw so desperate a man as Mr. Hart. (The gentleman alluded to is an old man, who is apparently feeble in health.) He hit Laddy several stunning blows on the head with a billie that made the blood fly in all directions, but that desperate man did not seem to feel it a particle. Every one of the thieves had his revolver cocked, but they were all knocked out of their hands, and we that were making the arrests fought with billies and clubs. It was a long time before the men were overpowered. At last they were handcuffed, and utterly exhausted. We sat down to contemplate the result. I expected to find that some of the men had been seriously injured, but aside from some bruises, the most severe ones administered to Laddy, no one was injured.

All the while that the terrible battle was going on, the train was dashing along at its usual rate of speed, and not a soul among the passengers knew what a thrilling event was taking place on the very train in which they were riding. Great credit is due every man who aided in the arrest, but special praise ought in this matter to be bestowed upon Mr. Hart, Detectives Tibbits and Cavanaugh, and Officers Brown and Sullivan, and also upon Conductor Smith.

Great Quantity of Bark Destroyed.

Seven hundred and fifty dogs were drowned in the pond at New York in one day by the public authorities.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 4th, 1877.

Our Government is feeling a new dignity from the courtesies and honors, justly its due, that Merrie Old England is paying it through its ex-President, General Grant. It seemed, some weeks ago, that no higher compliment could be paid than the gift presented by the city of London. I refer to the golden casket, containing the freedom of the city, and ornamented with our coat-of-arms, supported by American eagles and resting on the flag of our Republic; but late dispatches contain accounts of better still than that. A special performance was given at the Royal Italian Opera, and when Gen. Grant and party entered, the assembly arose with the curtain and Mlle Albani sang "The Star Spangled Banner" with full chorus. The stage was decorated with the Stars and Stripes, and Gen. Grant appeared, for the first time since he has been in England, in the full uniform of a Major General. He was vociferously applauded and bowed a gracious response. The party then left the Opera House to attend the Queen's Ball at Buckingham Palace.

President Hayes having appointed Miss Ada Sweet, Pension Agent at Chicago, politicians are greatly disappointed. They have fought hard against her, but their opposition has seemed but to strengthen her cause in the mind of the President. Indeed, he has openly expressed himself as being in favor of giving women the preference in all matters of appointment to office, other things being equal.

The wife of Gen. Sherman, is, and always has been, a very devoted Catholic, and when she left this city a few months since, everybody thought she had joined in the Romish pilgrimage and was going to hold personal counsel with the Holy Pope. She was in fact, only visiting in St. Louis, and was absent but a few weeks. Now, however, it is currently reported that the lady is to receive from the Pope in testimony of his high appreciation of her zeal for the Catholic faith, and her friendship for himself, the "Golden Rose," which honor is one of the greatest, only being given to Princes, Potentates and Powers as a pledge of the paternal affection of the Pope. Pius IX has bestowed the "Golden Rose" but three times—once he gave to Maria Theresa, Queen of Naples, to thank her for the kindness and affection with which she and her royal consort, Ferdinand, received and protected him, when he fled from Rome in 1848; one to the Empress Eugenie, and one to Elizabeth, Empress of Austria.

It was said of Minnie Sherman (now Mrs. Fitch) that she declined to dance with Queen Victoria's son. The subject was revived recently by the announcement of the coming marriage of Miss Nellie Cox (a great Washington belle of a few years ago) who was, in reality, the young lady who declined the honor of dancing with Prince Arthur. It was in this wise: Miss Cox's society life was attended by two unrelentingly discreet maternal edicts. One was that she should dance no round dances with gentlemen, and the other that she should not remain at entertainments later than midnight. Accordingly when the young Prince asked her for a round dance she declined, stating her reason, the Prince was only the more eager for a dance with her, and asked for the first vacant square dance on his card of engagements, but it was so far down on the list that she was obliged to decline again as that dance would not occur till the "wee sma' hours."

A mad-dog caused quite a commotion of Pennsylvania Avenue the other day. It was "taken sudent" while playing with a squad of children; lowered his head, foamed at the mouth and began snapping

in all directions. He scattered people in the street, ran into a house, jumped from it through a window into another and into the street again, bit one girl, and was killed by a boy with a hatchet.

M. M. W.

Miscellaneous News Items.

CHESTER, Pa., July 4.—Mr. Louisa Culin was shot in the head this morning by some person unknown. Her condition is critical.

A man in Santa Clara county, Cal., two weeks ago sawed off a limb of a tree to secure a swarm of bees which had settled upon it. The branch in falling knocked him down and killed him.

The residence of Judge Merrick, of Scranton, was destroyed by fire on Sunday morning. The office of the *Daily Times* was also considerably damaged. The fire is attributed to incendiarism.

CAMDEN, Me., July 5.—Alphonso Thayer and William Perry, of Rochester, were drowned in the Penobscot bay to-day. Their boat was capsized by a sword fish which they were endeavoring to capture.

Dull times have driven many merchants to the cash system, and they are now ornamenting their stores with mottoes such as "Pay to-day, trust to-morrow;" "If I trust I bust;" "In God we trust—all others cash."

Blanton Duncan has sued the managers of the Louisville Library lottery on behalf of several purchasers of tickets that drew no prizes. Charges of fraud are freely made, the amount of money divided among the managers being stated at over \$1,000,000.

A County Commissioner in Montana while hunting recently, found three bears in a gulch. He wounded one, and the other two started for him. He scrambled for a ledge of rocks, and was kept there for hours by the beasts. Becoming hungry they went away, and he escaped.

Judge Harding, of Luzerne county, recently sentenced a man who had been found "not guilty" to eighteen months' imprisonment. He promptly revoked the sentence when informed by the clerk of the courts that he had incorrectly announced the verdict of the jury.

A man arrived in Buffalo recently who had come a long distance to place his mother in an asylum for lunatics. He went to bed in a hotel, saying that he had been so nervous about his mother that he could not sleep for many nights; and in the morning was found to have become a raving maniac.

Joseph Stroup, of Parker, was struck by lightning on Saturday a week. The heel of his boot was torn off, and the hair on his right arm burned off. After three hours Mr. S. was able to walk around again. Some pennies in his pockets bore the appearance of having been silver plated by the action of the electricity.

John Kelley, of Huntingdon county, was killed during a rain storm. While going down a hill he sat on a lock chain of a wagon, and the horses becoming frightened at a clap of thunder ran at a rapid rate of speed, throwing Kelley to the ground and one of the hind wheels passing over his body.

An Indian, who had been unloading flour, was passing up Main street yesterday with his clothes covered with flour, when a facetious white brother advised him to make a loaf of bread of his overalls. "No," replied the red man, "me feed 'em bog; maybeso you like 'em." The pale face was silent.—*Austin Reville*.

Workmen excavating in a lot on Penn avenue, Pittsburg, discovered at the depth of about nine feet, an old corduroy road. The portion uncovered was about six or seven feet in width, and it was necessary to saw off that length of the old rails or slabs. The wood was in a good state of preservation, although no one knows how long it has lain buried there.

The Lancaster *Express* says: "A curious accident happened to Jacob Eisenberger, a man in the employ of John McLaughlin, at Parkesburg. He was walking along on Sunday a week when the storm came up. He was seized by the storm and carried a distance of two miles and then thrown to the ground with great force. One of his jaw bones was broken and he was injured internally."

A number of valuable cows belonging to Mr. John A. Garber, of East Donegal township, Lancaster county, were recently killed by eating Paris green, mixed with chop, which was in some manner unexplained reached by the cattle. The preparation was intended to be scattered over potato vines. Four of the cows died and two are still suffering from the effects of the poison.

The farm house at Sterlingville, Jefferson county, N. Y., which was consumed by fire on Thursday night was occupied by a man named Patterson. Mrs. Patterson and one small child escaped by running through the flames with their heads covered with blankets. A girl eight years old was burned to death. Two small boys saved themselves by jumping from a chamber window. The fire is supposed to have been the work of a tramp who had been refused admission to the house that day.

MAUCH CHUNE, Pa., July 2.—Daniel Fritz, who shot Burke Kelly in Mahoning township, yesterday, has delivered himself to the authorities, and will have a hearing before Judge Dreher, to-morrow. Kelly and his friends, all rough young fellows from the Summit Hill mines, were discovered by Fritz on his cherry trees, and when ordered away became very abusive, and Kelly advanced threateningly toward Fritz, when the latter shot him with a shot gun. Kelly died almost immediately. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide.

A man made a bet that he would pass twenty-five men over Waterloo Bridge, London, without toll being taken from them, and he won. He marshaled his men and asked the tollman in a nonchalant way to count them. As soon as the last man had passed the turnstile and all were walking briskly away, he entered into a dispute with the tollman as to the number that had passed. "Twenty-five," said the

tollman. "I vow it was twenty-seven," asserted the other. The dispute continued until the last man was out of sight, when the speculator paid his half-penny and said: "Well, after all, it is no matter of mine. Good morning."

The Cross and the Crescent.

The American people are distant, yet most deeply interested spectators of the desperate struggle now in progress, between the Muscovite and the Turk. The vast array of forces on either side, the character of the combatants, the relentless, obstinate courage of the Russian, the fanatic valor of the Turk, the complication of interests which seem destined to involve all Europe in the strife, and the effect such a war is likely to have upon the agricultural and industrial pursuits of this country, are points which give to this contest a deep and absorbing interest.

And yet, it is a fact that the mass of Americans are almost wholly without any definite knowledge of the regions most directly and primarily concerned in this war. To most readers of our newspapers, the news from the seat of war is in a large degree unintelligible, from lack of information as to those people and countries. Moreover, the demand for this information has developed the fact that there is not extant any book giving what is wanted, in reliable and popular form.

We are glad, therefore, to receive from the well-known publishing firm of Hubbard Bros., advance sheets of a forthcoming volume, entitled "*The Cross and the Crescent; or, Russia and Turkey, and the Countries Adjacent.*" It is from the pen of the well-known historian, Dr. L. P. Brockett, and gives a full and complete description of the countries bordering on the Black Sea, the Danube, the Euphrates and the Tigris; including their Extent, Physical and Political Geography; their History, with all its varied and Thrilling Incidents; the Religion, Customs, Habits, Manners, and Character of each Nationality; their Military, Naval and Financial Resources; the Causes and Influences which led to this and former Wars, and a Full and Clear Explanation of the Complications which are driving the Nations of Western Europe into participation in it; the Massacres of Bulgaria; the Oppression and Cruelty which have goaded the other Provinces and Tributary States into Insurrection, and the Despotism of the Russian Government, all depicted with great Vividness and Force. It also contains Biographical Sketches of all the Prominent Actors in the War now in Progress. Monarchs, Rulers, Statesmen, and Generals, with Portraits of many of them.

Aside from its relation to passing events, this is a most valuable and richly interesting volume. The brilliant, bloody, and eventful history of these nations, the character of their governments, the peculiarities of the people, their religious beliefs, their social customs, habits and manner of life, present a subject full of novelty and instruction, and treated by so able and brilliant an author as Dr. Brockett, would at any time attract wide attention; but coming as it does, in response to an urgent demand for just the information here given, it will everywhere meet with an eager reception, and prove to be the most important publication of the year.

Go For 'em.—The potato bug is already doing great damage. The ravages of this nuisance, the cabbage worm, and all other pests of the kind can be stopped by using the "PEST POISON." It is the cheapest and surest remedy to be had. For sale by F. Mortimer, New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pa. ff.

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