

Cost of Transportation before the Railroad.

That there was need for new methods of intercommunication, the increasing population made every day more apparent. In 1784 the cost of transportation from Philadelphia to Erie is stated to have been \$349 a ton, the method being by pack-horses principally, which were driven in lines of ten or twelve, each horse being tied to the tail of the one preceding, so that the train was under the management of a single driver. Each horse carried a pack weighing about 200 pounds. In 1789 the first saw-mill in Ohio was built by the New England Ohio Company, about sixteen miles from Marietta, on Wolf Creek, about a mile above its junction with the Muskingum. The crank for this mill was made in New Haven, Connecticut, and weighed 180 pounds. It was carried by pack-horses over the mountains to the Youghiogheny River, at Simrel's Ferry, and thence shipped by water to Marietta. This same year the first wagon-load of goods is said to have been transported, by the southern route, through Virginia, from Hagerstown, Maryland, to Brownsville, Pennsylvania, whence, by the Monongahela, water communication was had with the Ohio River. A train of four horses could take a ton from Hagerstown and return in a little less than a month, the distance being 140 miles, at a charge of three dollars a hundred-weight, or sixty dollars a ton.

The operations on the lakes during the war of 1812 called attention again to the cost of transportation, and in 1818 the House directed the Secretaries of War and of the Treasury to report at the next session a list of the internal improvements in progress, and plans for aiding them by appropriations. In the discussion upon this motion it was stated that the expense for the transportation of each barrel of flour to Detroit was not less than sixty dollars, while for every pound of ammunition and other material it was not less than fifty cents.

A Lesson of the Strike.

One of the lessons of the recent strike is to show to the whole country that labor in the large towns and cities is overstocked.

Let the boys and girls, the young men and the young women remain in the country, patiently and thankfully. Let them disabuse their minds of the false notions they have formed of city life and look at facts.

A young man employed on a farm has to work hard. He would have to work harder in nearly any occupation in the city. He has to work in the hot sun and in the rain and snow, it may be. In the city he would work in the dirty, smoky atmosphere of some manufactory, or would be exposed to just as inclement weather as on the farm. A farm hand getting \$18 per month and his board is making more money than he would in the city at \$40 per month. And yet, while farm hands are scarce, laborers in the city are ever abundant, and clamoring for work in every department of business.

In addition to this influx from rural districts, cities receive the larger share of immigrants from other countries. The poorer classes cluster in squalid localities where there is little comfort and little to do, when outside of the cities are broad farms where there is much comfort and much to do, or new lands inviting them to the possibilities of ownership. While every department of labor in the cities is overstocked, thousands of acres of public lands await owners and occupants.

People have perversely looked in one direction for employment. They must adopt a different rule, and look in all directions. They have expected to find employment where laborers are most abundant; they should look for it where laborers are scarce.

Soldiers' Pay.

What pay does the militia get? was a query that caused inquiry into the matter. Searching the military code was found section 137, which reads as follows:

"The militia, while in active service, shall be paid by the Adjutant General on pay-rolls prepared agreeably to such forms as he may direct on warrants drawn on the treasurer of the Commonwealth by the Governor, the same pay and regulations as the regular troops of the United States, and the rations shall be valued at thirty cents each, and every non-commissioned officer and private who provides himself with a uniform and blanket when called into the service shall receive in addition to his stated pay ten dollars. When the militia are discharged they shall be allowed pay and rations to their respective homes. If any officer or mate is wounded or otherwise disabled, or is killed, or dies of wounds received while doing military duty in active service, he, his widow or children, shall receive from the commonwealth just and reasonable relief."

At Buenos Ayres on the 8th of June as a venerable monk, Brother Antonio, was saying mass at the cathedral of San Francisco he was shot in the throat by a Russian named Michael Kulaxo and very severely wounded. The would be assassin said he did not know his victim, but had suffered acutely from clerical persecutions and so called forth to kill the first priest that he should meet. He is not insane.

Miscellaneous News Items.

It is estimated that the Internal Revenue receipts during July were reduced \$1,000,000, by means of the railway strike.

The corporations in Fall River are said to have on hand 890,000 pieces of printing cloth, which they are holding for better prices.

A little daughter of Daniel Bowen, of Jersey Shore, was burned to death on Sunday a week while attempting to kindle a fire with coal oil.

John Welsh, of Lycoming county, while unhitching his horses was almost instantly killed, one of the animals kicking him in the stomach.

The village of Garnsee, near Marienwerder, Prussia, has been destroyed by fire and 800 persons rendered homeless. The town of Sundsvall, Sweden, has been almost totally burned.

Three young white men named Farmer, Kilpatrick and Storey, were murdered on Saturday, at Pickensville, Ala., by John Cotton and several other colored men. Further trouble is apprehended.

The Rev. J. P. Miller, of the Methodist church at Clifton Heights, Delaware county, had his pocket picked of \$10, a gold watch and a note for \$150 by a thief at Vine street ferry, Philadelphia, on Saturday a week.

Early Monday morning a man was found dead in one of the Washington through sleeping cars of the Pennsylvania R. R. at the West Philadelphia depot. From papers found his name is believed to be Benjamin Kipp.

A disease attended with great mortality has broken out among the horses in Jersey City. Charles Somers, a Warren street stableman, last week lost six horses from the disease, and three more are suffering beyond recovery.

Charles Becker, one of the parties arrested with Maxwell Herring, and others in New York for complicity in the forgery of a check of the New York Life Insurance Company for \$64,000 on the Union Trust Company, has been discharged.

A Paterson undertaker, after putting the corpse on ice, demanded payment in advance. As the ready money could not be procured a mortgage was offered him, but this the undertaker refused to accept, and took the corpse out of the casket and removed everything, even the ice.

A son of Edward Woolly, of Centreville, Monmouth county, N. J., aged four years, was drowned in a singular manner. The child was missed from the house, and the mother, on going to look for him, found him head foremost in a large iron kettle filled with rain water, and when she extricated him he was quite dead.

A daughter of Joseph Foose, of Berks county, was alone in the house one day last week when a man, whose face was covered with a handkerchief, entered and offered to shake hands. Thinking it was a neighbor disposed to play a joke, Miss Foose took the extended hand, when she was seized and bound, after which the thieves ransacked the house.

The decision of Judge Hoffman, of the Hudson county, New Jersey Court, declaring pool selling in New Jersey illegal, has been confirmed by Judges Dixon and Scudder, of the Supreme Court, before whom the cases of the Hoboken pool sellers were taken upon certiorari. The effect of this will be to banish these gambling shops from Hoboken.

ENGLEWOOD, N. J., August 13.—The house of A. A. Floyd, on Floyd street, Palisades, in this place, was entered by thieves on Saturday night, who after binding the cook and coachman, the only occupants, proceeded to help themselves to everything of value in the house, including silverware, jewelry, camels' hair shawls, etc. The thieves also took from the barn a horse and phaeton and an extra set of harness. The coachman is believed to know more than he is willing to tell, and is under arrest.

A sharp dodge was successfully played upon a citizen of York at Indianapolis the other day. While changing cars he was addressed by a business-like gentleman as follows: "Where are you going?" "To Kansas City, Mo.," he replied. "Have you a ticket? If so let me see it," said the other fellow. The passenger promptly handed the ticket over to the business-like man, who examined it carefully and then turned and hurried off. It was but a few minutes afterward when the traveler discovered that a common piece of paper had been returned to him.

Five elephants and a camel came to a bridge in Oswego county, N. Y., early on Friday of last week, at the moment that a team of horses, drawing a wagon loaded with empty barrels, appeared at the other end. The sight of the elephants frightened the horses, and they turned short around, upset the wagon, and dashed away. The rattling of the barrels in turn terrified the elephants, and they stampeded in the other direction. The sun was pretty high, and the drivers at both ends of the bridge were very warm before the passage was effected.

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All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims to present them duly authenticated for settlement to

JOSEPH B. MCCLINTOCK, Administrator. P. O. Address—Shermansdale, Perry co., Pa. July 24, 1877. (C. H. SMILEY, Attorney.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Ephraim A. McLaughlin and wife of Toboyne township, Perry county, Pa., by deed of voluntary assignment, dated the 15th of July, 1877, have conveyed all their real and personal property for the benefit of creditors to the undersigned, residing in Blain, Jackson township.

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