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BY THE WAY.

A fine lot of Baldwin apples, has just been received by Howell & Hardy, North avenue grocers, opposite the station.

The subject for the meeting in Cutter's Hall, this evening, will be "Every one of us shall give account of himself unto God." Rom: XIV, 12.

A great convenience to persons entering French's Hall on Somerset street, is the location of a lamp at the entrance on the Somerset place side of the building.

The pupils of the New York Lyceum School of Acting will principally compose the casts of "A Scrap of Paper," to be rendered at Music Hall, Wednesday evening of next week.

There are two boys, scholars in the public schools, who can be seen daily smoking a pipe along the street on their way home from school at noon, and at the close of the day's session.

A watch charm was found in Arcanum Hall, Westfield, last evening, after the hall of the "Jolly Bachelors." The owner can secure the same by sending a description to Messrs. French & Dougherty, Box 260, Westfield, N. J.

The Central Railroad Company of New Jersey has decided to lay a third rail for freight traffic from Bergen Point to Communipaw, to connect with the third rail from Bound Brook to Bergen Point. Work will be begun at once.

A meeting of the Emerald Benevolent Society of this city was held last evening, and business of a routine nature was transacted. Three new members were initiated into the Order, and two new applications for membership were received.

Members of the Mechanical Drawing Class should obtain their required instruments at the Y. M. C. A. Rooms on Saturday evening, from 8 to 9 o'clock, in order that no time may be lost on the following Tuesday, at the regular session of the class.

A young woman was taken suddenly ill in an intelligence office on Park avenue, about noon, yesterday. Officer Lynch's attention was directed to the matter, and he notified City Physician Manning. The doctor called on the patient, but did not consider her condition by any means dangerous.

The high winds for the past few days have interfered seriously with the comfort of pedestrians. Clouds of dust rise gently from the roadbed, and float gracefully in the air, until deposited in the eyes and ears of human beings. The street sprinkler would be gladly welcomed about this time.

A crowd of men and boys gathered in the vacant lot next to Messrs. Ford & Stiles' undertaking rooms on East Front street, at five o'clock yesterday afternoon for the purpose of witnessing an exhibition of a Hand Fire-Extinguisher. On account of the high winds which prevailed at the time, the exhibition was abandoned.

The use of dynamite for blasting purposes has been done away with by the workmen employed on the new railroad at South Plainfield, since James Brady, one of their number, met such a tragic death on Tuesday. The men now use the pick and shovel for removing the earth, rather than run the danger of being blown up by dynamite.

Since THE PRESS on Wednesday called attention to the destitute condition of Mrs. Susan Wyckoff, the colored woman of West Second street, who is blind and in need of money and clothing, some of the ladies of the W. C. T. U., have interested themselves in the matter, and yesterday she was supplied with clothing by a lady residing on Seventh street.

Two!

A gentleman connected with the Plainfield Gas Light Co., propounds the following to THE PRESS: "If a cat and a-half could kill a rat and a-half in a minute and a-half, how many cats would it take to kill 100 rats in 50 minutes?"

THE GREEN FAILURE.

A Mortgage that is Claimed to Have been Withheld from Record by Charles Hyde to Mislead Unsecured Creditors.

All sorts of contradictory reports having been spread at the time in relation to the failure of Frank C. Green, furniture dealer at Park avenue and Second street, and echoes being still audible that are more or less accurate, a Press reporter interviewed those on the inside and can thus set forth the past condition of things, the present status of the matter, and the future intent of the assignee.

In the first place a Receiver was appointed by the Court of Chancery upon the application of Charles Hyde, who holds a mortgage for \$4,000, dated Oct. 16, 1885, but not recorded until March 25, 1887; that is to say, it was withheld from record while all the debts to unsecured creditors were contracted, and until after nine other chattel mortgages aggregating \$9,731.93 were put upon record. The Receiver sold and the gross proceeds of his sale were \$11,993.74.

On the one hand it is claimed that it can be proved that Hyde's mortgage was withheld from record by Hyde by agreement, to mislead the unsecured creditors to give credit to Green, which they would not have given had it been recorded. While on the other, it is claimed that the other nine mortgages were void because given without consideration. If the first can be proved it may be that Hyde's mortgage will be set aside and each of the unsecured creditors come in for their proportionate share of the proceeds of the sale of the goods claimed to be covered by that mortgage, in the same manner as if it had not been given.

The assignee states to these creditors: "To accomplish this result Hyde's mortgage should be attached at once by me as assignee, by cross-bill in the present suit. I have filed a cross-bill, but to successfully follow it up will be attended with some cost. As I have only received between \$600 and \$700, out of which I have been obliged to pay Green \$200 exemption, allowed him under the statute, and must pay all the expenses of the assignment, I have not sufficient funds to warrant me in engaging counsel and pursuing this litigation, without contributions from the unsecured creditors. No more equitable way of defraying this cost occurs to me than that each of you who is desirous of reaping what benefit may result from attacking Hyde's mortgage, should contribute to that end."

If the nine other mortgages are set aside, because given without consideration, that will also inure to the benefit of the unsecured.

O. A. F. Meeting.

A regular meeting of the Order of American Firemen of this city, was held in the parlors of Gazelle Engine house. The attendance was fair, and a considerable amount of business was transacted. In the absence of the President, Vice President T. O. Doane presided, and Secretary J. B. Martin recorded the doings. Mr. L. J. Speier, as Chairman of the Committee having in charge the recent entertainment and collation, made a report with reference to the matter, which was received and the Committee relieved from further duty. Membership fees were paid in, and the office of Financial Secretary was created. The Board of Trustees were authorized and empowered to purchase the necessary paraphernalia for conducting the initiative services, and the matter of arranging for an entertainment in the near future was talked over. Ex-Chief Saltzman was appointed Grand Chief of a team selected to work the degree of the Order. The following nominations were made and will be voted for at the election in April:

President—T. O. Doane.
Vice President—A. D. Jennings.
Secretary—J. B. Martin.
Financial Secretary—E. Mosher.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Chas. Westfield.
Directors (one from each Company)—Y. W. Nash from Gazelle Eng. Co.; E. E. Anthony from Alert Hose Co.; Jos. Cooney from Mopphy H. & L. Co.; A. L. Carney from Warren Eng. Co., and H. M. Sherwin from No. 2 Eng. Co.

The meeting adjourned, subject to a call of the Chair.

Frightened by the Cars.

A workman employed by one of the stone cracking firms in the "Notch," had a narrow escape from serious injury near the freight house in this city, yesterday forenoon. The man was standing in a box wagon loading cracked stone on a flat car which stood on a siding just west of the freight house. Presently a Philadelphia express train came thundering along, frightening the horses, and causing them to run away. The horses ran at full speed down the steep incline into Park avenue where they were finally captured. The heavy wagon was overturned, and the workman narrowly missed rolling under it. Fortunately he escaped with no permanent injury.

Many a person has swallowed a portion of their allotted peck of dirt during the past day or two.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mr. Joseph S. Cutter, the West Front street grocer, is still confined to the house by illness.

Mr. John Gable, the engineer for Gazelle Engine Company, is lying dangerously ill at his home on Cottage place, with pneumonia.

The vocal soloist of the fourth and last of the Philharmonic concerts, Tuesday evening, March 20, will be Mr. Francis Fischer Powers, baritone.

Miss Mammie French gave a progressive whist party to her particular friends, last evening, at the residence of her father, Mr. John H. French of West Front street.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin W. Conklin gave an informal dinner, last evening, at their residence on First place, to Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair Stuart of Park avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. Mumford of Ninth street.

Miss A. Sinclair gave instructions on mind cure at a private residence on Eighth street, Wednesday afternoon. About a dozen persons were present, and listened attentively to Miss Sinclair's instructions.

This evening at the Y. M. C. A., rooms, Mr. George E. Vincent will give a talk to young men of his personal knowledge of a trip "From Corinth to Cairo." Admission tickets may be obtained, without charge, at the rooms.

There will be service in the German church on Craig place, North Plainfield, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Theme: "Feeding of the 5,000." After the service there will be a conference in relation to the organization of the Sunday School.

At her home in South Plainfield, yesterday, occurred the death of the estimable wife of Mr. Samuel Manning, a well-known resident of that place. The deceased died under distressing circumstances after an illness of but a few days duration, and leaves a family of four small children to survive her.

Jolly Bachelors' Sociable.

A Jolly Bachelor Sociable was given at Arcanum Hall, Westfield, last evening, and was largely attended. A delegation of young married and unmarried people from this city went down on the 9:18 p.m. train, and swelled the number at the hall. Music for dancing was furnished by Prof. Struck. The following persons constituted the Committees: Arrangements, Messrs. W. W. French, A. E. Wilcox, Eugene Wilcox; Floor, Messrs. A. E. Wilcox, W. W. French; Introduction and Reception, Messrs. C. W. DeGraw, G. W. French and Eugene Wilcox. The festivities were continued until early this morning, when the Plainfield delegation returned home, well pleased with the courtesy shown them.

Donkey Party.

A pleasurable "Donkey Party" was held at the residence of Miss Minnie Force, on North avenue, Wednesday evening last, at which were present Misses Susie Van Winkle, Mabel Woodruff, Jennie Dunn, Emma King and Lizzie Dunn. The gentlemen were Messrs. F. Putnam, M. Duckworth, J. Blair, R. Dunn, J. L. Force and Fred. Dunn. The latter was awarded the "Jack" prize for hitting the mark the furthest from the objective point. The Miss who won the "Booby" prize for similar effort is too modest to have her name published. Miss Jennie Dunn and Mr. Ran Dunn were awarded the "Royal" prizes. The evening was one of great enjoyment and pleasure to all present.

Death Results From His Injuries.

Frank McCue, the tracker-walker who was run over by the cars at Westfield early on Wednesday morning, died from the effects of the injuries he sustained, at the Elizabeth Hospital last evening. The wounded man underwent the terrible operation of having his leg amputated yesterday, and his chances for recovery at that time were considered favorable. But during the day he began to sink, and died, as stated last evening.

Can't Succeed Without the Ladies.

The friends among the gentler sex of Plainfield Lodge No. 44, I. O. O. F., met at the Lodge rooms, Tuesday evening. The object of the meeting was to insure the co-operation of the charming ladies with the odd fellows in the success of the Sixty-ninth Anniversary of American Odd-Fellowship, which will be celebrated in this city by the Plainfield Lodge on Thursday, April 26.

A Doctor's Wagon Wrecked.

Doctress S. D. Keeney of West Fourth street was seated in a carriage on Park avenue, yesterday morning, and while in the act of turning her vehicle around, a butcher wagon collided with her carriage, wrecking the latter vehicle to a considerable extent. Neither of the drivers were injured.

A Dove Party.

Mrs. James B. Weaver of LaGrande avenue entertained a select few of her chosen friends, Tuesday evening. The guests were all young ladies and the entertainment appropriately consisted of high tea and "progressive hearts." The prizes were especially rich and tasteful.

A THOUSAND-DOLLAR BALL GROUND.

What the Energetic Y. M. C. A., Committee Aim to Accomplish.

The large number in attendance were unexpected, last evening, in the Y. M. C. A., rooms, where they assembled to hear the report of the Committee on Athletics who had been considering the most available location for a base-ball ground. The great interest manifest by the size of the gathering, and shown by the active part taken in the discussion of the question by so many, was also an agreeable surprise. It changed the final decision that had about been agreed upon, and encouraged the Committee to start out anew and spread themselves.

The grounds formerly occupied by the Plainfield Athletic Club—between Front street and the brook and lying West of Washington avenue—had been decided upon by the Committee as the most available. The cost of fencing would be saved because the ground is bounded by the brook and the railway; therefore the expense of a grand stand might be possible. The Committee, after a full consideration of what was best, recommended the securing of this ground.

But there was lots of ambitious and enterprising blood in the meeting, and the interest and enthusiasm was all for the promise of greater things. Mr. John W. Murray, Jr., placed before the meeting the willingness of a number of philanthropic citizens to subscribe towards a fund of \$1,000 for the leasing and fencing of suitable grounds, the building of a grand stand, the proper and creditable equipping of a ball nine, and the accomplishment of all other necessities for the glory and honor of the athletes of the Plainfield Y. M. C. A.

So the Committee—which now includes L. F. Wadsworth, A. R. Dilts, J. W. Gavett, John H. Doane, J. W. Murray, Jr., and George Cornell—was retained, and authorized to go forth. It is expected they will soon report the total subscription of the sum named.

Public Library Matters.

Miss Emma L. Adams, the efficient Librarian at the library building, is an able successor to Librarian Tyler, and fills her position with accuracy and to the entire satisfaction of the Board of Directors.

The report of the total receipts and expenditures in connection with the recent loan exhibition has not yet been presented to the Board of Directors, which delay is occasioned by the failure of some in sending in their bills. The loan exhibition, however, although it was well patronized, did not result in so great a financial success as was anticipated. This is to be regretted. A gentleman who is considered good authority on such matters and who has recently visited and spent much time in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in New York city, is responsible for the assertion that the display of enamels and china exhibited at the late loan exhibition here, far surpasses anything of the sort ever attempted in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Somerville Probably to be Connected With Civilization.

Mr. H. G. McCully, Assistant Superintendent of the New York and New Jersey Telephone company, together with Mr. C. M. Koot, General Manager at Elizabeth of this district, visited Somerville, Tuesday, and thoroughly "went over the ground" with a view towards establishing a central office at that place.

We can assure our friends the Somervillians, that go family can be well regulated without a phone, and a town might as well be out of the world as beyond "connection" with New York, Plainfield and other great and growing cities.

Beware of Him.

A fellow about twenty-two years of age, with black moustache and tolerably well dressed, is going about the city from house to house, offering prize packages for sale. His practice is to apply at a house and offer, for twenty-five cents, packages which he says contain kid gloves, gold coin and many other articles. Provided he finds ready purchasers, the man is agreeable in his manners and conversation, but oftentimes when he meets with a refusal, he becomes insolent and insulting. It is surmised that the fellow has not even taken out a license to dispose of his wares.

A Generous Host and Hostess.

The Young People's Society of the Presbyterian church in Dunellen, held their monthly sociable at the residence of Mr. F. A. Ramsom, last evening. It was the largest sociable ever held by the Society and the company included a number from Plainfield and Evona. After the usual business meeting, there were music and games. Mrs. Ramsom prepared a bountiful collation for the occasion which was also heartily enjoyed. Everyone went home full of thanks, besides, to the kind host and hostess, who spared neither trouble nor expense.

North Plainfield Republican Primaries.

The Republican voters of the borough and township of North Plainfield met in Spencer's Hall last evening for the purpose of selecting candidates to be voted for at the coming borough and township election. The Republicans turned out in large numbers, and nominated a ticket which they feel confident of electing. Much enthusiasm was manifested throughout the meeting, and confidence was expressed in the belief that the Republicans would elect at least a majority of the offices voted for. Hon. Charles Place was elected chairman of the meeting, and Mr. W. A. Schult performed the duties of Secretary. Nominations being in order, the following were made on the

TOWNSHIP TICKET:
JUDGE OF ELECTION.
First District—Francis M. Whitley.
Second District—Samuel W. Wakefield.
INSPECTOR OF ELECTION.
First District—Randolph W. Vail.
Second District—Z. Van Fleet.
CLERK OF ELECTION.
First District—W. A. Schult.
Second District—Town Clerk acts.
Town Clerk—Horace J. Martin.
Assessor—Isaac Brokaw.
Collector—Henry N. Spencer.
Overseer of Poor—Daniel I. Smalley.
Justice of Peace, 5 years—Thos. R. Crossley, A. E. Chickering.
Constables, 3 years—J. W. A. Bauersachs, Augustus Reising.
Chosen Freeholder—Geo. W. Bullman.
Town Committeeman—Abram P. Voorhees.
Commissioners of Highways—Michael Powers, Geo. Conover.
Commissioners of Appeal—Thos. Rutledge, R. J. Silvers, Jacob Long.
Board of Education—P. Agency, Sam'l Hudson, Jas. Hurley, Godfrey Reid.

Eight hundred dollars was the amount of money decided upon to be voted for repairs to the roads outside of the Borough; \$300 of this amount to be left in the hands of the Committee. It was also decided to raise \$1,200; \$300 to be left in the hands of the Town Committee. Other provisions were made as follows: Salary of Town Committeeman, \$50; the next election to be held in Warren Engine house and the township meetings to be held in Spencer's Hall.

BOROUGH NOMINATIONS.

Nominations on the Borough ticket were made as follows:
For Mayor—Justus H. Cooley.
For Councilmen—Peter A. Emmons, Henry E. Needham.
For Freeholder—Wm. E. Jones.
For Judge of Election—Jas. D. Anderson.
For Inspector of Election—Edgar C. Schenck.
Amount of money to be raised for road purposes in the Borough, \$2,500; for Borough purposes, \$1,200; for Board of Health, \$300.

Westfield Republican Nominees.

At the Republican primary held last evening at the Town Rooms, Westfield, there was a very exciting contest over the candidates for the office of Collector—David T. Pierson and Augustus K. Gale being the candidates. On the first ballot Pierson received 89 votes, Gale 88 and one blank. The chairman James O. Clark decided there was no election. On the second ballot Gale received 85 votes and Pierson 77 votes. Gale was declared the nominee.

The following persons were nominated for other offices:

Town Clerk—Luther M. Whitaker.
Chosen Freeholder—James T. Pierson.
Assessor—William W. Connolly.
Town Committee—Joseph R. Connolly.
Commissioners of Appeal—David Sayre, Oliver M. Elerson, J. Wilbur Cory.
Overseer of the Poor—James M. Cox.
Surveyors of Highways—William Schoonover, Theodore Folsom.
Inspector of Election—Howard P. Manning.
Judge of Election—Anson F. Grant.

The following Committee on Appropriation was appointed to confer with a similar Committee from the Democratic primary:—Charles F. Conant, Charles A. Smith, William W. Connolly.

Golden Slippers Pronounced Insane.

The case of "Golden Slippers," a colored woman, accused of keeping a disorderly house in North Plainfield, came up before Judge Bartine in the Court of Special Sessions, at Somerville, this morning. County Physician Wagoner testified that he had examined the accused and found her to be entirely without reason and not responsible for what she might do. The charge against the prisoner was therefore dismissed by the Court and the woman will be released. A watch will be placed upon her actions, however, and her speedy removal to the State Asylum will follow any further vagaries on her part.

Train of Lumber Wagons.

A dozen farm wagons and as many backwoodsmen came down from Myersville this morning and proceeded at once to Messrs. A. D. Cook & Bro's lumber yard on Park avenue. The wagons were all loaded with lumber of various sizes and descriptions, and about eleven o'clock, the procession started homeward. As the train of vehicles passed through Park avenue and Somerset street, the attention of pedestrians and others was attracted to the novel and unusual sight. A farmer of Myersville decided to erect a new barn, and he invited his neighbors to assist in hauling the lumber.

BY THE PRESS SPECIAL SERVICE.

GERMANY'S LATE EMPEROR DEAD.

The Present Emperor Very Ill.



KAISER WILLIAM.

BERLIN, March 9.—After a light flickering up of the Kaiser's vital powers, last evening, his weakness increased during the night and he died at 8:30 o'clock this morning.

Public feeling was greatly scandalized by the premature announcement of the death of the Emperor and by the conduct of a clergyman in the church at Potsdam, who informed the congregation that prayers for the recovery of the monarch were useless.

THE NEW KAISER'S HEALTH.

ROME, March 9.—The Emperor of Germany (Frederick William) passed a fairly good night. During the early part of the night he was restless, but he slept better afterward.

Dr. Ketcham at Reform Hall.

The audience last evening at Reform Hall was not very large, owing to the severe wind storm. Rev. W. E. Honeyman presided, and Rev. Mr. Goodrich offered prayer, after which Dr. Ketcham said his subject was "How are we to treat the man that treats us?" He said there was a great deal of humbug about medicine. "Sympathetic Powders" were used in England at one time, and it was supposed that whoever touched them would recover. Then came tar water, etc. Then the Parliament paid \$25,000 for a simple little remedy that was all humbug. "Metallic Tractors" were to cure all diseases, but didn't, although the owner reaped a fortune. They cured whooping cough by taking a hair and rubbing it in butter and giving it to a yellow dog, and lo! the cold was gone. A minister was called to cure a sick cow, and not knowing what to do, he walked about her and said: "If she lives, she lives; and if she dies, she dies." and the cow got well, but of course it was a coincidence. Select for a physician an educated man, a good man, a broad man. Don't expect everything of him. He knows one thousand times more than you do, so trust him and obey him, and don't trust much in patent medicines. Don't be your own physician, but rely on a regular practitioner. Don't let quacks humbug you.

Dr. Ketcham's lecture was an excellent one, and was not only instructive but also highly amusing, and called forth much laughter and applause. The stay-at-homes missed a capital thing. Announcement was made that a musical entertainment would be given in two weeks' time.

State Public Schools.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Mr. E. O. Chapman, is engaged in preparing his extensive tables of statistics for his annual report, which will be issued soon and before Mr. F. X. Schoonmaker of this city succeeds him to the office of State Superintendent. One of the most interesting tables completed is that showing the percentage of the whole number of school children which the school buildings of the State will accommodate. In all the principal cities there is a large difference between the number of children who attend school and the number which the buildings will accommodate. In many of the cities the rooms are very much crowded. Eighty children is considered the limit for one teacher to have control over. Elizabeth has two rooms with over 120 pupils in them, and Jersey City has seven such rooms. There are nineteen school rooms in the State containing over eighty pupils, thirteen over ninety and nine over 120.

There are 313 districts in the State which raised tax to pay teachers' salaries and 376 districts which raised tax to build or repair buildings—a decrease of fifty-eight districts which pay no tax at all. There have been thirty-three new buildings erected in the State during the year and fifty-three repaired. There are now 1,610 buildings in the State.

—The woods are full of them. What? Blackbirds! Here's your hat.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN NEWARK.

Several Dwelling Houses and a Leather Factory Burned—Loss \$100,000.

NEWARK, N. J., March 2.—Shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday morning an alarm was sounded from Bowery and Freeman streets. A portion of the department hurried to that vicinity, where it found the row of frame houses on Lexington avenue near Bowery street entirely enveloped in flames. A second alarm was sent out and several more of the department responded.

In a house on Lexington street the body of a man was lying in a room awaiting burial, and his family were nearly distressed.

It was discovered that the entire structure of Patrick Reilly & Sons' leather factory on the easterly side of Lexington street was ablaze. The wind was so strong towards the east that it was feared that Ballantine & Co.'s sale and porter brewery on the east side of Oxford street would catch fire. The efforts of the firemen were directed towards saving the frame dwelling houses to the southeast.

At 3:45 ten frame houses were ablaze, but the department had the fire under control. No lives were lost.

The fire was found to have originated in the boiler-room of Reilly's factory, owing to overheating. The total loss is about \$100,000, only partly covered by insurance. The Reilly factory, on the western side of Lexington street, was saved. About one hundred and fifty men are thrown out of employment.

New Standard Pipe Lines.

LIMA, O., March 2.—The Standard Oil Company has commenced the preliminary work of building an immense pipe line from this city to Chicago, a distance of over 200 miles for the purpose of transporting oil, both crude and refined, to the Western metropolis. The Standard Company's action was brought about by the restriction in the Interstate law, and the savings in freight will pay for the line in a short time. The right of way for the line has been secured to within a short distance of Chicago. The capacity of the line will be about 25,000 bbls. a day. A line from the rich oil and gas centre to New York city is also contemplated, and the specifications have been drawn. The estimated cost is \$2,000,000, and the New York line will be commenced as soon as the Chicago line is completed, which will be in about sixty days.

The Crown Prince Improving.

SAN REMO, March 2.—The German Crown Prince slept soundly all night and awoke refreshed. He breakfasted with a good appetite. His condition continues to improve. The weather is of the finest. The Crown Prince will leave here on Saturday. He was much agitated when he heard of the Emperor's serious condition. He receives telegrams from Berlin about the Emperor every half hour. Prince Bismarck has telegraphed to Dr. Munkelstein inquiring whether the Crown Prince could not come to Berlin instead of going to Weisbaden, as is proposed.

A Young Girl Burned to Death.

LONG ISLAND CITY, March 2.—Fourteen year old Nellie McVeeney, living with Mrs. Colton at 140 Seventh street, Hunters Point, was trimming a lamp yesterday when she spilled some oil on her apron. At this moment she noticed one of Mrs. Colton's children near the stove, and she ran to take the child away. Nellie's apron caught fire, and in a moment she was all in a blaze. Assistance was at once called in and her wounds dressed by Dr. Kennedy, but the poor girl died in great agony.

Illinois Coal Miners on Strike.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 2.—A strike has been declared in the mines of the West End Coal Company by the federation to force the company to reduce the size of its screen. When the strike of last fall was declared off, the miners and operators adopted a uniform screen to be used throughout the West End Coal Company increased the size of its screen. The men made complaint to the Miners' federation and a strike was ordered.

Fight Among the Coke Operators.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 2.—The fight between the coke operators is now on. The producers in opposition to the syndicate have sent agents east and west to contract for coke at a lower figure than the syndicate price of \$1.50 per ton.

Sailors Scare on the Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.—Shipping masters agree that it has been ten years since sailors were so hard to get for deep water vessels as they are at present. Ten ships, with cargoes valued at \$15,000, 0, are anchored in the stream, unable to get crews.

Republicans Organizing.

MATTHEWS, L. I., March 2.—A new Republican club was organized in this place yesterday, to be known as the Garfield Club.

Sporting Notes.

Pool room keepers in Missouri will have to pay \$2.50 for a license.

Bealy, of the Indianapolis, and Ramsey and Cook, of the Louisville, are at the Hot Springs.

Manager Mutrie and his Ponies left New Orleans for Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday evening.

Jack Fogarty and John Joice will likely meet on Saturday to make arrangements for their fight.

Billy Meyer, the Illinois carpenter, is to fight Charlie Gleason to a finish at Hinkley, Minn., in April.

Miss Oakes, the bicyclist, of New York, is contemplating a match of five forty-mile heats with Miss Elsa von Blumen, of Pittsburgh.

The first dose of "whitewash" of the season was administered to the Galveston club by the Cincinnati nine, the score being 7 to 0.

M. Donohue, the jockey, has set out for the City of Mexico under engagement to ride for H. Honey at the Spring meeting of the Mexican Jockey club.

Tournaments at "continuous" billiards are now the rage on the Pacific Coast. Each "action" is settled by a special number of innings, and the tournament may begin and the same evening.

Washington's League club was badly defeated by the New Orleans team Wednesday. Daily's delivery was batted all over the field, while the Crystal City boys could do nothing with Dunn. The score at the end of the ninth inning was 7-0 in favor of the Southern nine.

Another new stake has been established by the American Jockey Club, and is open to winning two-year-olds at Jerome Park during the Fall meeting. It is known as the Titan Stakes, and has added money amounting to \$5,000. The distance is eighty yards over three-quarters of a mile.

Manager Phillips has ordered the new uniforms for the Allegheny Club of 1888. There will be two sets, blue caps and pants, with white shirts and maroon stockings. Maroon and blue are Horace's lucky colors, and the club were the same in 1886, when the club played second in the association. The other set will be all white, with blue stockings and belt.

FLAMES IN A LACE MILL.

Over \$500,000 in Valuable Laces and Machinery Gone in Smoke.

NEW YORK, March 2.—At 7 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the boiler room of the extensive lace factory at Williamsbridge owned and occupied by Duden & Co., and at 9 o'clock nothing but the charred timbers and blackened bricks of what was once a fine three-story brick building was left to mark the place where it had once stood. How the fire broke out nobody seemed to know, but the supposition is, that the boiler became overheated after the factory had suspended operations for the night and set fire to the woodwork about it. How great the loss is cannot be ascertained, but it is said that the building was packed from top to bottom with lace that had been made during the summer, and that was intended for exportation, and that the loss on this and the building will be over \$500,000.

The factory was owned by the Associated Lace Makers of New York, and was the largest in the United States. It employed 300 hands. It was organized by Duden & Co., of Brussels, who have factories in Switzerland, Germany, Russia, Spain and England. They started in Brooklyn in 1881 and moved to Williamsbridge a year later. The fire began in the top story just as the day hands were quitting work, and the night hands were coming. If it had been half an hour earlier or later, there would have been a great loss of life. The estimated losses are as follows: Machinery, \$200,000; raw material, \$75,000; patterns, \$40,000; building, \$21,000; total, \$335,000.

A SUBTERRANEAN PASSAGE.

The Proposed Tunnel to Connect Canada With the United States.

OTTAWA, Ont., March 2.—Referring in his annual report to the tunnel which is to connect Canada and the United States, running under the St. Clair River, the Minister of Railways says that the actual length of the subterranean passage will be 5,250 feet, or one mile, of which 2,310 feet will be under the river. In the centre section of the tunnel 1,500 feet will be practically on a level, the ascent from the centre on either side being at a grade of one foot in fifty. The total length of the tunnel and its approaches will be 15,150 feet. It will be cylindrical in form and will have a clear diameter of twenty feet. The greatest depth of water over the top of the work will be forty and a half feet and the minimum fifteen feet.

Coal Prices Lower.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2.—The New York companies having changed their price lists Wednesday, the Reading Coal and Iron Company did likewise Thursday afternoon. The new circular will give the following as the prices delivered free on board vessels at this port and at New York:

	Philadelphia, New York.
Lump	\$4.25
Broken	3.75
Stove	3.25
Chestnut	4.00
Pea	2.75

These prices are from ten to fifteen cents higher than the prices of a year ago, and fifty cents lower than the prices ruling Jan. 1 last.

They Want a Slice of Los Angeles.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., March 2.—Mrs. M. H. Webster and her two sons, Charles and Frank Dimmick, residents of Chenango county, are now prosecuting a claim to a valuable property in California. Mrs. Whitney's first husband, Kimball H. Dimmick, died about twenty-five years ago at Los Angeles, while serving as United States District Attorney for Southern California. The estimated value of the property as it now stands is about \$1,000. A suit for establishing the title of the Dimmick heirs to the property is set down for trial at the current term of the Supreme Court of California.

Louise M. Alcott's Funeral.

BOSTON, March 2.—The funeral of Louise M. Alcott took place at her sister's residence here at 11 a. m. yesterday. Only relatives and the closest personal friends of the deceased were present. Rev. Dr. Bartlett officiated. Mrs. Edna D. Cheney and Mrs. Mary A. Loring also paid tribute to Miss Alcott's memory. Mrs. Harriet Winslow Sewall read the poem, "Transfiguration," written by the dead authoress in memory of her mother.

A Boiler Explodes.

READING, Penn., March 2.—The boiler of the engine at the ore mine of the Thomas Iron Company, near Tipton, Pa., exploded yesterday morning, completely wrecking the building in which the engine stood and severely scalding the engineer and three other workmen. None of them, however, are thought to be fatally injured. One portion of the boiler was thrown a distance of 400 feet.

Saloon Keeper Heavily Fined.

BORNTOWN, N. J., March 2.—For the past month a private detective has been in the employ of a number of prominent citizens collecting evidence against liquor stores and disorderly housekeepers. Yesterday ten of the men were before the Mayor and fined amounts ranging between \$40 and \$75. Nearly all of those who were arrested were selling liquor without a license.

A Young Gigamist Convicted.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2.—John C. Cullen, aged twenty-one, charged with having married Ellen Mahoney, a Camden, N. J., girl, January 21, last and seven days later wedding Mary Boye in this city, was yesterday convicted of bigamy. Cullen denied that he had married Miss Mahoney. A motion for a new trial was made pending which Cullen was committed to prison.

Entertained at the White House.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The President and Mrs. Cleveland gave a dinner last night to ex-Senator Francis Kernan, of New York. The other guests were Secretary Bayard, Senator Beck, Representative Mills and wife, ex-Senator Joseph E. McDonald and wife, the Hon. William R. Morrison and wife, Mrs. Lamont and Miss Willard.

The Abyssinian Campaign.

ROME, March 2.—A despatch from Massawa, dated yesterday, says that the Soudanese beyond Gondar have occupied Ambakara, and that the Abyssinians are stationary between Asmara, Gura and Debaroa. King John appears to hesitate between attacking the Italians and returning to engage the Soudanese.

Gen. Boulanger Talks to Students.

PARIS, March 2.—Gen. Boulanger delivered a patriotic address to the students of the College at Clermont-Ferrand last night. He urged the students to work for their country and assist in once again placing France in the front rank of nations.

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OFFICIAL IMPARTIALITY.

THE DISPUTED OHIO BAKING POWDER REPORT.

The Royal Company Furnish it to the Public—A Food Commissioner's Remarkable Distinction Between Official and Unofficial Facts.

TO THE EDITOR:

The Royal Baking Powder Company takes great pleasure in laying before your readers the following abstract of the official baking powder report of Food Commissioner Hurst, of Ohio, copied from the Cincinnati, O., Enquirer, where it originally appeared, over the exact contents of which some of the baking powder manufacturers are quarrelling.

This Company had nothing to do with the examination of baking powders in question, nor with the preparation of the report. We believe the investigation to have been faithfully and impartially made. That the facts brought out were so emphatically in favor of the Royal Baking Powder was a matter of course, and surprised no one. All official and other impartial investigations show the Royal to be the purest, strongest, wholesomest baking powder made. The fact that Commissioner Hurst, after resigning, in the interests of one of the baking powders, which had been shown to be impure by his own report tries to figure out something else, makes no exception to the rule, for his effort is only made after he became "free from the restraints of official impartiality." That is, were he still confined by his oath to an "officially impartial" or true statement of facts, he could not have written his letter in favor of the baking powder which he before showed to be 10.80 per cent. impure, and which he placed fourth in his official classification. This admission places the Commissioner and his baking powder protegee in a most unenviable position, for it convicts them of using advertising matter admittedly at variance with the official facts; but it entirely relieves the public and ourselves from further interest in any statements the Commissioner may make outside of his official report, or in advertisements based upon them intended to boom the impure baking powders.

The original official report is made specially of importance, however. We have carefully compared the following with the original official report on file at Columbus, Ohio. The percentage showing impurity and strength are correctly transcribed. The statements of fact and opinion quoted are condensed, but convey the meaning of the original accurately, while the deductions drawn by the editor from the facts and opinions are remarkably fair and impartial:

[From the Cincinnati, O., Enquirer.]
The Ohio State Dairy and Food Commissioner, Gen. S. H. East, has made public (Circular No. 6) the result of the Commission's investigation of baking powder. This Commission was formed by the Legislature, with instructions to make an examination of the food supply of the State, and to give a report of such examination to the public. The examination of the baking powders was made by Prof. H. A. Weber, State Chemist, and relating as it does to an article of daily use in the food of almost every one, is of particular interest.

The rather startling fact is brought out by the report, that of the thirty different brands of baking powder analyzed, composing about all those sold in the State, twenty of them are made from alum, a substance declared by the highest medical authorities to be injurious to health when used in food. The Commissioner classifies the baking powders into three general divisions, according to their value:

1st. Cream of Tartar Baking Powders;
2d. Phosphate Baking Powders;
3d. Alum Baking Powders.

The object of baking powders is, when mixed in the flour and subjected to moisture, to generate a leavening gas in the dough, which will raise the bread and cause it to be porous and light. The Commissioner explains that the best baking powder is that which, the ingredients being healthful, gives off the largest amount of leavening gas and leaves the smallest amount of residuum in the bread. A small amount of carbonate of ammonia, which is considered healthful, is used in some of the cream of tartar powders to give them a higher strength. The Commissioner says that alum is undoubtedly a hurtful salt, and that the resultant salts from its combination with soda as formed in the bread can scarcely be less hurtful. The report ranks the powders and shows the amount in each of inert residuals, which in using it would appear as residuum in the bread, as follows:

CREAM OF TARTAR POWDERS.

Name.	Per cent. Inert.
Royal.	7.25
Dr. Price's.	12.66
Pearson's.	14.39
Cleveland's.	10.18
Snow Drift.	17.54
Upper Ten.	9.22
DeLand's.	32.52
Sterling.	12.63

PHOSPHATE BAKING POWDERS.

Horsford's.	36.49
Wheat.	86.23

ALUM BAKING POWDERS.

Empire.	34.26
Gold.	30.34
Veteran.	23.36
Cook's Favorite.	34.92
Sun Flower.	35.60
Kenton.	38.17
Patapoco.	40.08
Jersey.	16.05
Buckeye.	29.85
Peerless.	26.28
Silver Star.	31.88
Crown.	16.69
Crown (Special).	25.09
One Spoon.	58.68
Wheeler's No. 15.	27.73
Carleton.	30.94
Gem.	36.57
Scioti.	18.25
Zipp's Grape Crystal.	11.99
Forest City.	24.04

The large amount of inert matter or residuum in both the phosphate and alum powders will be noted. This in the phosphate powders is largely of lime; in the

alum powders it is chiefly alum. It will be gratifying to the public to observe that the powder in most general use, the Royal, is also the purest. In comparing the first two powders on the list, for instance—the Royal and Dr. Price's—the inert matter in Price's is seen to be about five in seven more than in the former, a difference of 71.37 per cent., the Royal being purer than Price's by a corresponding figure.

The carbonic or leavening gas produced by the powders indicates their strength; and their true value may be ascertained by considering the amount of this gas in connection with their inert matter or residuum as shown above. The higher the percentage of gas and the lower the percentage of residuum the better the baking powder. These percentages, as found in some of the most familiar powders, are given as follows:

Name.	Per Cent of Leavening Gas.	Per Cent of Residuum.
Royal.	11.80	7.25
Sterling.	10.50	12.63
Price's.	10.50	12.66
De Land's.	10.	32.52
Gem, Alum.	8.45	36.57
Forest City, Alum.	8.45	24.04
Silver Star, Alum.	6.90	31.88
Kenton, Alum.	6.20	38.17
Patapoco, Alum.	6.	40.08
Empire, Alum.	5.80	34.26
Cook's Favorite, Alum	5.80	34.92
One Spoon, Alum.	5.75	58.68

With the foregoing explanation the study of these figures will readily give consumers a knowledge of the comparative value of the different brands. To illustrate with the percentages given the two powders before compared: the Royal containing 11.8 parts of leavening gas to 10.5 in Price's, its excess of strength is 1.3 in 10.5, or 12.4 per cent. Royal is therefore 12.4 per cent. stronger, as well as 71 per cent. purer than Price's, etc. The relative strength and purity of all the powders can be computed in like manner.

We will take great pleasure in furnishing a full copy of the official report to any one desiring to make further comparison.

It will be noticed that the paper compared the strength of only the most familiar baking powders in that locality. As further information seems to be desired upon this point, we are glad to be able to furnish it from the highest authorities:

COMPARATIVE STRENGTH—CUBIC INCHES OF LEAVENING GAS FROM ONE OZ. OF POWDER.

Analysis by	Royal	Cleveland	Price's	Com. Brand
E. G. Love, Gov't Chem't.	127.8	110.8	102.6	97.5
Mass. Analysis.	126.8	115.4	101.5	81.5
Prof. McMurtre, U. S.	139.05	119.05	92.92	92.92
Agrie'l Dept.	138.73	116.16</		

WASHINGTON LETTER.
The Corea Legation—A Queer Lot of Embassadors—They, However, Represent an Earnest and Progressive People.
(Special Correspondence.)
Of all queer people that Washington has ever seen the Coreans who were presented to the President recently are the queerest. There are ten of them in the legation and they have been going to the theaters and strolling about the streets by twos and threes all the week, dressed in their gorgeous silks and acting as unconsciously as if they had been attired in the most unnotable broadcloth. These Coreans seem to be very tall people, but this is due to their enormously high silk hats, which are not at all like the silk hats to which the Caucasians are accustomed, but are loaf-shaped concerns with a very high turban brim.
In gorgeousness the Coreans fairly outshine the Chinese diplomats who swarm about Stewart castle in Dupont Circle and during the long summer evenings sit and smoke on the benches in the little Circle park. The Coreans all wear a peculiar wire frame, which greatly increases the size of their bodies. Some of the shortest of them when they wear this frame look like big animated foot-balls. The frames are buckled at the waist and move with the body, being made of a rigid net-work that never loses its position. Their attire is all of silk and consists of breeches made of immense quantities of silk and hanging in very loose folds. Over every thing they wear a long flowing silk gown, and these various gowns are



AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

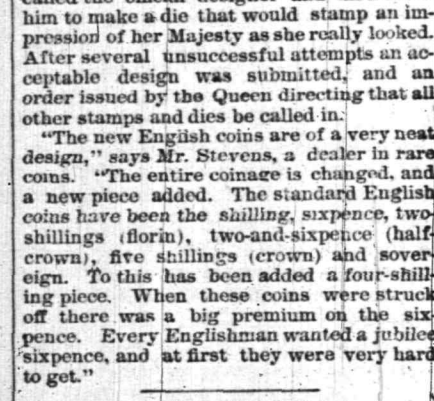
made of remarkably delicate and beautiful shades of the precious fabric. One worn by Pak Chung Yang, the chief of the legation, is of a shade that can be described by no better term than sky-green. It resembles the delicate apple green sky that is so rarely seen in a prairie sunset at the West. The Coreans wear shoes very much like the Chinese sandals. Their hair is never cut, and they wear it in a long braid coiled up on the back of the head. It is the custom wherever they go to keep their hats on. At the reception at the White House the entire legation wore the turbaned hats; on the street they wear very much like the old fashioned bell-crowned hats.
These Coreans have come to Washington to stay; they have taken a capacious residence on O street not far from Scott Circle, which is in the neighborhood of the Spanish, Mexican and Chinese legations, and with Dr. Allen, the American Secretary of the legation, they intend to make their home there and cultivate friendly relations with the United States. Dr. Allen is a tall, spare, slightly bald young man who has spent the last seven years in Corea, and has the confidence of the Hermit Nation. For the last four years he has been physician to the royal family. He had first lived in China and had mastered its language. His relations with the ruler of Corea are due to his having saved the life of Prince Min Yong Il, who in an outbreak of some traitorous natives was terribly cut with scimitars, and lay at the point of death when the young American doctor was called to attend him. American surgery saved the Prince's life; the gases were sewed up, the arteries tied, and in due time the Prince recovered.
Dr. Allen says that Corea contains fifteen million people, although it is not larger than the State of Pennsylvania. The Coreans are Mongolians, and China claims that the Corean realm is one of its dependencies. Art and literature have reached a high standard in Corea, and the Coreans are on the whole a progressive, active and earnest people. They keep up a



AT THE THEATRE.

standing army of nearly a million soldiers. Corea is seeking relations with the United States, Dr. Allen says, as a step towards her own recognition and independence in the world of nations, and also as a matter of protection against encroachments by China on the one side and Russia on the other.
The Corean people know more about the United States than they do about any other country on the globe. American missionaries and American teachers have set in operation a system of schools there which the Government has encouraged, and the Coreans are very eager for every advantage which they can secure from a people more advanced in civilization than their own. Another reason why Corea looks to the United States for assistance is that nearly all the European powers are at variance with regard to Corean territory, and the United States is the only disinterested nation of any size who can be of assistance to Corea. The Corean Government has engaged the services of three American military officers who are gradually teaching their army the modern science of warfare. Large numbers of blooded cattle and horses have been imported from California, and around the capital, Seoul, a city of three hundred thousand people, the farming country looks quite American in character. Dr. Allen brings to this country letters or introduction from Hugh A. Dinwiddie, the American minister in Corea, an intelligent and energetic man, who is entirely in sympathy with the efforts to establish American ideas in Corea.
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NEW COINAGE FOR ENGLAND.
A Profile of Victoria as She Looked 25 Years Ago.
Our English cousins are jingling new coin in their pockets, and numismatists will have to add a number of fresh coins to their collection before it will be complete. Queen Victoria celebrated her jubilee in a variety of ways, and among others by ordering that the coinage of the Empire be changed. For many years—thirty or more—the English sovereign, shilling and sixpence have been adorned by a likeness of Victoria as she appeared when a giddy young girl. For many years the gold old Queen has tried to persuade herself that she was really as handsome and girlish-looking as the profile stamped upon the yellow coins would indicate. Old age and vanity separate sooner or later, and Victoria recently decided to keep up the flattering deception no longer. She accordingly called the official designer and instructed him to make a die that would stamp an impression of her Majesty as she really looked. After several unsuccessful attempts an acceptable design was submitted, and an order issued by the Queen directing that all other stamps and dies be called in.
“The new English coins are of a very neat design,” says Mr. Stevens, a dealer in rare coins. “The entire coinage is changed, and a new piece added. The standard English coins have been the shilling, sixpence, two-shillings (florin), two-and-sixpence (half-crown), five shillings (crown) and sovereign. To this has been added a four-shilling piece. When these coins were struck off there was a big premium on the sixpence. Every Englishman wanted a jubilee sixpence, and at first they were very hard to get.”



A DUTCH DOLL.

ITS MARVELOUS COMPREHENSION, AND WHAT IT CAN DO—HOW IT IS CONSTRUCTED.
“What can a Dutch doll be?” “I wonder whether it is anything like a French doll!” “With a regular trousseau!” “Oh, how long the time seems!” were a few of the exclamations that burst forth from some children, clustered expectantly about the tightly-closed doors of a drawing-room in New York City.
“Mamma promised me a surprise for my birthday,” Ella Young was saying to her impatient guests, when suddenly the folding-doors slid open.
Upon the floor at the far end of the room the children saw a queer, dumpy, white-robed little figure about two feet in height, with gloved hands anxiously clasped over its breast, whose charcoal eyes, nose and mouth contrasted comically under its big sun-bonnet, with a suspiciously white complexion.
“My dear, allow me to introduce to you Fraulein Spookenspuppe,” said Mrs. Young, who was standing by a large table just behind the homely, quaint figure. “Although a stranger just arrived on our shores, she understands our language perfectly, and possesses a marvellous comprehension. Dolly, bow to the company.”
The doll bent slowly forward.
“Play the piano, Dolly.”
Dolly's ten little fingers strummed loudly upon the floor.
“Can you whistle, Dolly?”
Dolly shook her head.
“Hold up four fingers of your right hand.”
Immediately four fingers of a well-developed right hand were wildly clawing the air.
“Scratch your head, Dolly,” and the bonnet was almost torn from her head in her frantic endeavors to prove her intelligence and obedience.
Then the children took turns in propounding questions to the talented stranger, until finally, becoming tired and teased, Dolly suddenly dismembered herself, kicked a pillow high into the air, and rushed into the midst of her delighted audience, and chased them screaming from the room.
Like the children at the birthday party, I feel that the reader will be curious to learn exactly how the Dutch doll was made, so I give an explanation of it.
The materials for a Dutch doll are a pillow, a string, a hood or a sun-bonnet, a piece of charcoal, a pair of gloves and a night-gown.
A boy lies on his face beneath a table, which must touch the wall on one side, while from its top a cloth falls to the floor, completely draping the remaining three sides.
One of the boy's legs is drawn up tightly against his body, and the other one (from which the boot has been taken) is bent at the knee, and stands upright outside of the hanging table-cloth.
This foot and leg are inserted between a small, longish pillow and its case—the leg being separated from the table-cloth only by this latter; the upper corners of the pillow are drawn backward and pinned together at the heel, while a string tightly tied around the center of the pillow and leg divides the head and body of the doll. Across this prostrate boy crouches a second child, facing the upright leg, with his hands and arms extending from under the table, one on each side of the pillow. The night-gown is then put on, the arms well introduced into the sleeves; the gloved hands clasped in front at the doll's waist, and finally upon the head is placed the hood or sun-bonnet, and nose, eyes and mouth are outlined with a piece of charcoal. Particular care must be taken in the arrangement of the night-gown where it touches the leg of the boy, so that even Dolly's lowest bow may not suggest to some the secret of her formation.—M. Knox, in Harper's Young People.

Revolutionary Widows.
Of the twenty-six widows of revolutionary soldiers drawing pensions from the Government, three, at least, are out West. Mrs. Betsey Wallingford, who is ninety-two, lives in Mankato, Minn. She was sixteen when she married Jonathan Wallingford, who was fifty years old, and had served all through the war of the revolution. Mrs. Sarah B. Dabney, of Barry, Ill., is eighty-nine years old. She was eighteen when she married John Q. Dabney, who was fifty-seven years old. Mrs. Olive Charlotte Morton, of Clio, Mich., is seventy-eight years old. She also was eighteen when she married Peter Tuman, a veteran of sixty-seven years. He enlisted as a soldier in the war for independence when but fourteen years old, and served six years and a half without receiving a scratch or being ill a day.—N. Y. Sun.

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Leave Easton 6.55, 8.57, a. m., 12.40, 4.15, 7.00, p. m. Sunday—7.15, a. m., 7.00, p. m.
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4.34, p. m.—For Easton, Wind Gap, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Shamokin, Drifton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, etc.
5.02 and 5.16, p. m.—For Flemington, High Bridge Branch, Schooley's Mountain, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, etc.
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For Matawan—3.27, 5.43, 8.00, 11.08, a. m., 12.33, 3.51, 6.05, p. m. Sunday—8.57, a. m.
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