A MILLION INVOLVED.

Extent of the Big Gobble of Acreage Property at Parnassus.

SCOPE AND NATURE OF THE DEAL.

An Opening Presented for Many Industries and the Germ of a New Town.

NAMES OF OPERATORS A CLOSE SECRET

Concerning the big deal in acreage property at Parnassus, it was stated yesterday by Mr. M. P. Howley, of Howley & Son, who is identified with it as agent, and who spent several days there last week, that the syndicate has already secured between 500 and 600 acres, and has secured quite a number of options covering the entire tract which it had in view when it commenced operations. The last purchase, that of the Dr. Hale farm, was effected about 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The price approximated $500 an acre.

In regard to the extent and characteristics of the territory in question, Mr. Howley said, in an interview with THE DISPATCH representative yesterday: "The syndicate's first move was to take in a river frontage of nearly 1¼ miles. This gave it about 2¼ miles on the railroad. The eastern boundary of the tract is the Freeport road, extending from Valley Camp to Parnassus. The western boundary is the Allegheny river, the northern is Valley Camp and the southern is Parnassus, of which borough it takes in about 60 acres. In addition to this, the syndicate has leased about 300 acres of as fine and promising gas territory as there is in Western Pennsylvania. The entire tract, as stated by Mr. Lignett, is underlaid with a vein of coal between six and seven feet thick. The land is so situated, and possesses so many and great advantages, that I consider it unequaled for manufacturing and residence purposes.

"The primary object the syndicate has in view is the establishing on its purchase a variety of manufacturing interests, by affording inducements unsurpassed by those of any other locality within 20 miles of Pittsburg, or, in fact, west of the Allegheries; but they also propose to lay out a town, for which purpose surveyors are now at work on plans and details. There is sufficient territory outside the manufacturing portion to give 15 miles of street frontage.

"As to the parties directly interested in the deal I am not at liberty to speak at present, but can say that they are Pittsburgers, and have such standing as men of business and means that failure in anything in which they engage is unknown to them. I can also say that neither the Westinghouse nor the Pullman corporations are connected in any way with the business. I will say nothing of individual members. The promotors have already received assurances that a number of industrial plants will be erected on the purchase as soon as details can be arranged. The purchases and leases aggregate nearly, if not quite, $1,000,000. The syndicate could sell out to-day at a profit of nearly $100,000, but such a proposition would be, in my judgment, perfectly absurd. To show the influence of this movement on surrounding property, I may add that land which a few days ago could have been bought for $400 an acre, but was refused by the syndicate because of its inferior location, was sold to outsiders on Saturday for $1,200 an acre."

A further attempt was made to find out the names of some or all of the men engaged in this mammoth transaction, but without success. Mr. C. H. Love said: "It is being worked as a close secret. I know that one of the shrewdest men in the city went up there on Friday in search of names, but he made an utter failure of it. It is my opinion that the syndicate is operating through middlemen, and they will not reveal their identity until everything is closed up."

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Business Men and Gossip.

Parnassus has a good opportunity to cut quite a figure in the world. Few places have had such a boost as it has lately experienced.

The woods at Edgewood were full of people on Sunday picking out lots and discussing prices.

Baltimore had a big trade in grain last week, which enabled her to put Pittsburg in a hole for the fourth time this year.

It is announced that the Texas lines will reduce rates on cattle shipments from Texas to Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City 60 per cent. This cut is made in retaliation for alleged reduction in grain rates by Missouri, Kansas and Texas.

Citizens of Edgewood borough will soon have an opportunity to vote on a proposition to issue bonds to the amount of $25,000 to build a schoolhouse. An option has been secured on an acre lot on Maple street for $6,700.

The Citizens' National Bank has been authorized at Ironton, O., with a capital of $100,000. William M. Merr is President.

The passage of the silver bill in the Lower House of Congress caused a decidedly bullish feeling in Wall street.

A bond specialist said yesterday that a good many sales were being made, showing that there is no scarcity of money. One or two brokers have turned their attention almost entirely to this class of securities.

Railroad earnings—East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia, fourth week in May, increase, $40,468; month of May increase, $109,743.

Thirty-six mortgages were recorded on Saturday. The largest was for $3,500 and the smallest $100. Eleven were for purchase money.

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Movements in Real Estate.

There was a good inquiry for building lots yesterday, showing that demand has not been satisfied. Values were reported moving very little, indicating a steady market. Sales closed follow:

J. B. Larkin & Co. sold one two-story brick house, lot 21x56 feet, corner Maria and Chestnut streets, to Thomas McMichael for James H. Riley for $3,150 cash; also one two-story frame house, No. 166 James street, Allegheny, to B. Miller for C. G. Dixon, lot 20x100, for $2,100; also six acres and 28 perches in Chartiers township to E. A. Lyn for $3,000 cash. They also placed a mortgage on Fifth avenue property for $5,000 at 6 per cent; also placed a mortgage on Locust street property for $3,700 at 6 per cent.

Reed B. Coyle & Co. sold for Mrs. S. P. Costello to the Bethesda Home Association the property corner of Colwell and Townsend streets, being a ten-room brick dwelling, with lot fronting 24 feet on Colwell street, 70.39 feet on Townsend street and 73.8 feet on Charles alley, for $7,500 cash.

Black & Baird sold to Thomas Grey lots Nos. 25 and 26 in R. J. Hardie's plan of lots, having a frontage of 25 feet on Juliet street by 100 feet in depth, for $1,600.

C. Beringer & Son placed a mortgage of $3,000 for three years at 6 per cent on farm property in Moon township.

Charles Somers & Co. sold to Frank Yost lots Nos. 39 and 40 in Benton place, each fronting 24 feet on a 40-foot street and in depth 110 feet to an alley, for $500.

Brown & Saint sold to Charles F. Myer lot No. 478 in Villa Park plan, at Brushton station, fronting 40 feet on the east side of Blackadore avenue and extending back easterly 225 feet to a 20-foot alley, for $460.

James W. Drape & Co. placed three mortgages of $2,700 on properties on Fifth avenue, East End, and at Wilkinsburg, at 6 per cent.

Baxter, Thompson & Co. sold for Householder & Jones another of those two-story frame dwellings on Broad street, East End, near Negley avenue, with lot 26x120 to a 20 foot alley for $3,400.

Boston Stocks.

Atch. & Top.	48	Calumet & Hecla	220
Boston & Albany	229	Catalpa	40
Boston & Maine	200	Franklin	21
C., B. & Q.	107¾	Huron	6¾
Chic., Sen. & Clev.	36½	Keweenaw	25
Eastern R. R.	140	Osceola	45
Flint & Pere M.	34¼	Pewabic (new)	10
L., R. & F. S.	99¾	Quincy	110¼
Mass. Central	19½	Santa Fe copper	90
Mex. Central com.	8½	Tamarack	200
N. Y. & N. Eng.	49½	Anniston Land Co.	59
N. Y. & N. Eng. 7s.	120	Boston Land Co.	6¾
Old Colony	174½	San Diego Land Co.	24
Rutland preferred	72	West End Land Co.	30
Wis. Central com.	39½	Bell Telephone	255
Wis. Central pf.	67	Lamson Stores	33
Allouez Mg. Co.	7	Water Power	22
Atlantic	23½	Centennial Mining	36
Bonton & Alton	67½		

Philadelphia Stocks.

Closing quotations of Philadelphia stocks, furnished by Whitney & Stephenson, brokers, No. 57 Fourth avenue. Members New York Stock Exchange:

	Bid.	Asked.
Pennsylvania Railroad	53¾	54
Reading	.....	23 1-16
Lehigh Valley	53	53¼
Lehigh Navigation	52¾	.....
Philadelphia and Erie	33	33½
Northern Pacific	38¾	38¾
Northern Pacific preferred	85¾	85¾

ALMOST FEATURELESS.

Stock Trading Below Zero—A Sharp Reaction in Electric.

There was very little business in the crowd that assembled in front of the board at the Stock Exchange at Captain Barbour's command yesterday. Sales were ten shares Commercial National Bank at 105, and the Switch membership at 425.

About the only feature of the day was an advance in Electric to 29 bid without inducing holders to let go. Manufacturers' Gas was bid down to 9, but closed at 10. Natural gasers and the tractions showed no special change. Airbrake was stronger. Bids and offers at the three calls follow:

	FIRST CALL. B	FIRST CALL. A	SECOND CALL. B	SECOND CALL. A	THIRD CALL. B	THIRD CALL. A
P. P. S. & M. Ex	400	.....	425	430	.....	.....
Bank of Pitts.	77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Com. Nat. Bk	102	105	105	.....	105	.....
Marine N. Bk.	103	.....	100	.....	100¼	.....
Eq. Sav. Al'y.	60	.....	60	.....	59	.....
Bridgewater	58	.....	56	.....	56	.....
Chartiers Val.	.....	43½	.....	43¾	.....	.....
Man. Gas Co.	9	16	10	.....	.....	.....
Pe's N G & F.	15¾	16½	15¾	16¼	16	16½
Penn. Gas Co.	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Philadel. Co.	31¼	3 ¾	31½	31¾	31½	31¾
Wh'ling G. C.	19¾	20¼	19¾	.....	.....	.....
Wash. Oil Co.	80	.....	90	100	19¾	20½
Central Tra.	27¾	28	27¾	28	27½	27¾
Citizens' Trac.	66	68½	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pitts'g Trac	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Val.	29	29½	29	.....	29	.....
P., C. & Y. R. C.	28	.....	.....	58	.....	.....
Pitts. & West.	15¾	.....	.....	.....	13½	.....
P. & W., pref	16½	16¾	16¾	19¾	.....	19¾
La Noria Min.	19	19¾	18	19½	18	19¾
Lester M'l'ing	16½	.....	16½	18¼	17¾	17¾
K. E. Electric	60	.....	60	.....	60	.....
West. Electric	37	37¾	38¾	39	39	40
C. D. P. Tel Co.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225
U. S. & Sig.	14½	15	14½	15	14½	.....
U. S. & S. pfd	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. A. B. Co.	117½	119	117½	118½	118	.....

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 273,764 shares, including: Achison, 14,750; Canada Southern, 3,450; Louisville and Nashville, 5,575; Missouri Pacific, 6,770; Northwestern, 6,100; Northern Pacific, 9,165; Northern Pacific preferred, 4,600; Oregon Transcontinental 29,258; Richmond and West Point, 27,880; Union Pacific, 7,035.

AT THE BANKS.

Money Plenty and Rates Steady—The General Situation Unchanged.

Money was in good supply and fair demand yesterday at 6@7 per cent. Counter business was good. There was no particular stringency in either currency or exchanges. Bank clearings were $2,810,641 41 and balances $342,827 90. The general situation was unchanged.

Money on call at New York yesterday was easy, ranging from 4@5 per cent, last loan at 4, closed offered at 4. Prime mercantile paper, 5@6½. Sterling exchange was firm at $4 84¾ for 60-day bills and $4 86¾ for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations.

U. S. 4s, reg	121	M. K. & T. Gen. 5s	76
U. S. 4s, coup	122	Mutual Union 6s	106¾
U. S. 4½s, reg	109	N. J. Cent. Cert	112¾
U. S. 4½s, coup	109	Northern Pacific 1st	118
Pacific 6s of '95	113	Northern Pac. 3ds	112
Louisiana stamped 4s	94½	Northw'n consols	141
Missouri 6s	100	Northw'n Deben 5s	108½
Tenn. new set. 6s	105	Oregon & Trans. 6s	105½
Tenn. new set. 5s	102	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	94
Tenn. new set. 3s	75¾	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M.	115¼
Canada So. 2ds	99¾	St. L. & T. Land gr.	129¾
Central Pacific lsts	111	St. P. Chi. & Pc. lsts	116
Den. & R. G. 1sts	117	Tex., Pc. L. G. Tr. Rs.	92½
Den. & R. G. 4s	83½	Union Pacific 1st	44½
D. & R. G. West lsts	.....	Union Pacific lsts	112¼
Erie 2ds	105½	West Shore	106¼

NEW YORK—Clearings, $84,804,480; balances $4,758,111.

BOSTON — Clearings, $21,271,664; balances, $1,736,902. Money 5@6 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA—Clearings, $10,555,422; balances, $1,757,136.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, $2,565,887; balances, $431,584.

LONDON—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day is £18,000. Bar silver, 49d per ounce.

PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 92f 70c for the account.

CHICAGO—Clearings, $14,153,000. New York exchange was 25c premium. Rates for money were steady at 5@6 per cent on call and 6@7 per cent on time.

OIL UNSETTLED.

A Show of Business and Some Improvement in the Price.

Petroleum was somewhat excited and unsettled yesterday, and trading was good and bad by spurts. The outside influences were bullish. Refined at New York was up 20 points.

The market opened at 86¾c. As no one seemed to have any oil to sell several brokers became hungry for it, and in about one hour bid the price up to 91¾c. It remained at that point a few minutes, and then slipped off, but rallied and closed at 91c, next to the highest point of the day.

Pittsburg was again the chief source of strength, but none of the outside exchanges were pronounced bearish. The range was: Opening, 86¾c; highest, 91¾c; lowest, 86¾c; closing, 91c. Saturday's clearances were 20,000 barrels.

After a late flow at the rate of 65 barrels per hour, the famous Snee well at Murrinsville was shut in on Saturday for tankage.

In the Westview field the Ivory No. 3 is showing for about a 60-barrel well, and the Straw well at Bellevue is steady at 125 per day.

In the Shoestring district the Young No. 1 is doing 20 barrels per hour, the Gilmore No. 1 8 barrels per hour and the McKeown's Nos. 1 and 2 30 barrels per hour. At Callery, Larkins & Fishel's well did 175 barrels the first 24 hours.

Features of the Oil Market.

Corrected daily by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petroleum Exchange:

Opened ..... 86¾ | Lowest 86¾
Highest ..... 91¾ | Closed 91

	Barrels.
Average charters	17,267
Average shipments	78,953
Average runs	64,898

Refined, New York, 7.35c.
Refined, London, 3¼d.
Refined, Antwerp, 17¼f.
Refined, Liverpool, 5 11-16d.
Refined, Bremen, 4.90m.

A. B. McGrew quotes: Puts, 88¾@88⅞; calls, 91¼c.

Other Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, June 9.—Petroleum opened at 86¾c; highest, 91¾c; lowest, 86¾c; closed, 90½c. Sales, 750,000 bbls.; clearances not reported; charters, 60,158 bbls.; shipments, 73,514 bbls.; runs, 72,274 bbls.

BRADFORD, June 9.—Petroleum opened at 87c; closed, 90½c; highest, 91½c; lowest, 86c; clearances, 270,000 bbls.

NEW YORK, June 9. — Petroleum opened weak at 86c for spot, and 86¾c for July. After the first sales the market became strong, spot advancing to 90¼c and July to 90½c. A reaction followed, and the market closed steady. Stock Exchange—Opening at 86c; highest, 90¼c; lowest, 86c; closing at 89½c. Consolidated Exchange—Opening, 88¾c; highest, 91½c; lowest, 86¾c; closing, 90½c. Total sales, 406,000 barrels.

FOUND SOME SALT WATER.

Forest Grove Developing Some Rather Unexpected Vagaries.

Forest Grove oil operators are at last beginning to wobble, finding at length that there is a bare possibility of a dry hole being gotten now and then within a few feet of big gushers, and in territory on which five or six times the agricultural value of the land was paid as bonus. So far, however, the territory has proven phenomenally good, but one well having been put down lately that is an absolute failure. That is the Young No. 2. She is a salt water well, and so close to the great gusher, where no salt was found, that the drillers are puzzled to account for its presence.

Another pretty good well in the vicinity did not find the second pay streak, and it is said it is not there.

Work has been commenced on the Nier farm, half a mile southwest of the most advanced derricks on the hill. It is in a deep hollow, within a few rods of where a well was drilled in the Schmid farm years ago. It is said by some that the Schmid well would have been a payer had the operators had the gift of continuance, but they thought the show rather too small to apply for pipe line connections, and pipe lines were far distant from that section at that time. Less than a quarter of a mile west of the Nier farm well, Ewing & Dorrington put a well down last summer. It is said to have been good for 100 barrels had it not been that the drilling was continued too long and salt water drowned the oil.

The well now being drilled in the Robert Ferree farm on the flat, at Coraopolis, will either make a fresh furore or condemn a large amount of territory. A veteran operator states that he thinks it will be a well.

HARMONIZING TACTICS

Applied With Effect to Some Favorite Stocks — Operators Awaiting the Senate's Action on the Silver Bill—London a Seller.

NEW YORK, June 9.—The stock market was comparatively quiet to-day, and, while inclined to weakness under the hammering of the room contingent, later developed a strong tone, and all of the early losses were regained. The passage of the silver bill by the House of Representatives on Saturday furnished the topic of conversation for the street to-day, and there was some expectation that there would be a little boom on the strength of it. There was some buying at the opening, which, with the limited offerings, had the effect of opening the market up from ⅛ to ⅝ per cent, but the disposition among the majority of operators was to await the action of the Senate upon the matter, and the advance went but slights fraction further.

The trading element interpreted this as an indication of weakness, and made some attacks upon the list here and there, but outside of the trusts the impression made was slight, although some selling for London account depressed Oregon Transcontinental, Louisville and Nashville, Mexican Central, St. Paul, Union Pacific, Rock Island and one or two specialties large fractions. Toward noon the announcement was made that passenger rates had been restored all around, and the Villards were the first to feel the stimulus, Oregon Transcontinental moving up nearly 2 per cent. Richmond and West Point followed later with a similar gain, and the trusts rose handsomely from their lowest points. The talk of the street has it that Transcontinental is worth on the books about 55, but the prospect of dividends after the re-organization is said to be the chief stimulating influence at present. Richmond and West Point rose sharply, and the rise was accompanied by rumors that the insiders would probably obtain control of the Baltimore and Ohio. There was evidence of outside buying also. The general revival of confidence, however, was shown in all portions of the list, and in the last hour the traders who had been selling in the forenoon took hold of one stock after another and aided materially in advancing prices. The trusts were not so active, but while they showed some wide fluctuations they were on a smaller scale than usual of late, and they fully responded to the late strength in the regular list. The close was quiet and firm at only slight changes from first prices. The final changes are quite irregular and usually insignificant, but Oregon Transcontinental is up 1¼ per cent and Sugar and Missouri Pacific 1 per cent each. Railroad bonds were quiet throughout and afailed to develop any special feature whatever. The market displayed a firm tone, but there was no urgent demand at any time. The trading reached only $1,251,000. Among the advances Ohio, Indiana and Western seconds rose 2 to 60, St. Joseph and Grand Island seconds 4¼ to 52¼.

Government bonds have been dull and steady.

State bonds have been dull and without feature.

The *Post* says: With the recent advance in the Northern Pacific stocks the book value of the Oregon Transcontinental stock is figured up by those interested in it to about 55 or 56. But the speculative feeling in regard to it is based mainly upon the prospects of its becoming, after reorganization, an important financial agent and a powerful proportion of enterprises somewhat in the same way as it was of the Northern Pacific. It is understood that the stock of the present company will be exchanged share for share for that of the new company, and the expectation is that if speculation is active, and many new enterprises are brought out, the new "O. T." stock should soon be a dividend paying investment.

A dispatch from Chicago after 1 o'clock to the effect that passenger rates everywhere in the West and Southwest have this morning been restored to the full tariff figures helped to strengthen the general stock market in the afternoon, though for the time being it had no special effect on the prices of the Granger stocks. The continuance of encouraging reports in regard to the improvement in the anthracite coal trade and in the iron and steel trade made a stronger market for the coal stocks to-day.

The following table shows the prices of active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday. Corrected daily for THE DISPATCH by WHITNEY & STEPHENSON, oldest Pittsburg members of New York Stock Exchange, 57 Fourth avenue:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing Bid.
Am. Cotton Oil	....	....	....	27¾
Am. Cotton Oil pref	....	....	....	66½
Am. Cotton Oil Trust	31¼	31¼	31¼	31
Atch., Top. & S. F.	48½	48¾	47¾	48
Canadian Pacific	83¼	83¼	83	82¾
Canada Southern	60¾	61	60¾	60¾
Central of New Jersey	....	....	....	124¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	24¾	24¾	24¾	24½
C., Bur. & Quincy	107½	107¾	107	107¼
C., Mil. & St. Paul	77¾	77¾	77¼	77½
C., Mil. & St. P., pf.	121½	121½	121	121
C., Rock I. & P.	95	95	94¾	94¾
C., St. L. & Pitts.	....	....	....	16
C., St. L. & Pitts., pf.	....	....	....	49
C., St. P., M. & O.	35	35	35	34½
C., St. P., M. & O. pf.	....	....	....	96
C. & Northwestern	115¾	116	115¾	115¾
C. & N. W., pf.	....	....	....	145¾
C., C., C. & I.	79¾	79¾	79	79¾
C., C., C. & I., pf.	100	100¼	100	100
Col. Coal & Iron	34	34¾	34¾	33¾
Col. & Hocking Val.	25	25	24¾	24¾
Del., Lack & West.	146¼	146¾	145¾	146½
Del. & Hudson	....	....	....	106½
Den. & Rio Grande, pf	55¾	55¾	54¾	54¾
E. T., Va. & Ga.	....	....	....	10½
E. T., Va. & Ga., 1st pf	....	....	....	78
E. T., Va. & Ga., 2d pf	....	....	....	23
Lake Erie & West.	19½	19½	19½	19½
Lake Erie & West pf.	66¾	66¾	66¾	66¾
Lake Shore & Mich. S.	118	118¾	117¾	118¾
Louisville & Nashville	90	90¼	89¾	89¾
Michigan Central	104¾	104¾	104	104¼
Mobile & Ohio	....	....	....	17
Missouri Pacific	75¾	76¾	74¾	76¼
New York Central	110¾	111	110¼	110¾
N. Y., L. E. & W.	28½	28½	28½	28½
N. Y., C. & St. L.	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾
N. Y. & N. E.	50	50	49¾	49¾
N. Y., O. & W.	21½	21½	20¾	20¾
Norfolk & Western, pf	24	24	24	24
Norfolk & Western pf.	64¾	65	64½	64¾
Northern Pacific	37¾	38¾	37¾	38¾
Northern Pacific pf.	84¾	85¾	84¾	85¾
Ohio & Mississippi	....	....	....	25
Oregon Improvement	....	....	....	49¾
Oregon Transcon	50¾	51¾	49¾	51¼
Pacific Mail	44¾	44¾	44¼	44¼
Peo., Dec. & Evans	....	....	....	21¾
Philadel. & Reading	47	47¼	46¾	47
Pullman Palace Car	203½	206½	201	206¾
Richmond & W. P. T.	22¾	23¼	22¾	23¼
Richmond & W. P. T. pf	84¾	84	84	84¾
St. P., Minn. & Man.	....	....	....	112
St. L. & San Fran.	....	....	....	35¾
St. L. & San Fran pf.	....	....	....	65¾
St. L. & San F. 1st pf.	....	....	....	98
Texas Pacific	22¾	22¾	22¼	22¾
Union Pacific	67¾	67¾	66¾	67¼
Wabash	13¾	13¾	13¾	13
Wabash preferred	29¼	29¾	29	29¼
Western Union	85¾	85¾	85¼	85¾
Wheeling & L. E.	78	78	78	78
Sugar Trust	81¾	82¾	80¾	81¼
National Lead Trust	22¼	22¼	21¾	21¾
Chicago Gas Trust	58½	56	54½	55½

RIVER INTELLIGENCE.

Newsy Notes for Steamboatmen and Others From Pittsburg to New Orleans.

The river yesterday at Davis Island Dam registered 6 feet 2 inches and falling slowly. Notwithstanding the fact that the river rose four inches during the day, rivermen are not looking for a rise. Business at the wharves was quiet yesterday.

Jackstaffs.

THE J. S. Mercer and tow, from New Orleans, bound for Pittsburg, passed Louisville Saturday.

THE Big Sandy arrived from New Orleans at Cincinnati Sunday morning. She will leave on return trip next Wednesday.

THE Scotia left Cincinnati for Wheeling and Pittsburg last evening. Captain John Phillips is in command, with R. H. Kerr in the office.

CAPTAIN JAMES HENDERSON, superintendent of the Pittsburg and Cincinnati Packet Company, spent Sunday in Cincinnati on a business trip.

THE Louis A. Sherley will leave Cincinnati for Wheeling and Pittsburg to-day. Captain Ed. F. Maddy is in command and Jules Wehrman in charge of the office.

THE mouth of the Missouri river is three miles nearer St. Louis than it was 30 years ago. The well known propensity of the Missouri river to thus change its channel by wearing away its banks is thus made apparent.

THE Harry Brown arrived Friday at New Orleans from Pittsburg with 17 boats of coal for W. H. Brown's Sons. Coming down she lost eight boats and one barge at Island 10 and dropped six boats on the coast. She returned up the river Saturday.

THE C. W. Batchelor, from and to Pittsburg; Bostona, from Pomeroy; Bonanza, to Maysville; City of Madison, from and to Louisville; Big Sandy, from Memphis, and Golding Star were the movements among the packets Sunday at Cincinnati.

CAPTAIN WM. DEAN, one of the oldest of Pittsburg's steamboatmen, is at the Central Hotel, Allegheny. The veteran has been crippled for a long time, and is still compelled to use crutches. He has lately returned from a visit to his daughter in St. Paul.

CAPTAIN P. J. O'REILLY, Inspector of Hulls at New Orleans, says the Mountain Girl, recently lost, was sent to sea without notice being given to his department, was not in a seaworthy condition and was in charge of a captain without a Government license.

FRUIT A FAILURE,

But Blackberries Promise Well and Grass is Unusually Heavy.

There will not be many teeth edged on Allegheny county apples this year. An examination of orchards on hills above the coal and having a northwestern exposure, where failure is scarce ever known, showed that a majority of trees had no apples on them, while a few had perhaps 5 per cent of a regular crop, with a strong probability of less. Pear trees seem to have met the same fate, though some cherry trees seemed to be fairly well laden. Some pomologists seem to have been off their base, as they expressed confidence that apples would come out all right, though pears and cherries were likely to be a failure.

The hay crop will be enormous, however. It got the May showers that 'Squire Handel said would perfect it, and some timothy meadows are heavier now than they were at cutting time last year, and last year was a good one for grass, too. There is some consolation in the promise of an enormous blackberry crop.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

Monday an Off Day in Produce Lines and Prices Unchanged.

GOOD STRAWBERRIES IN DEMAND.

Cereals Are Slow and Flour Shows Weakening Tendencies.

A WATER HAUL AT GRAIN EXCHANGE

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, MONDAY, June 9, 1890.

Country Produce—Jobbing Prices.

Monday is one of the off days in this line. The week is too young for any new developments. Old potatoes are about out of the market, and new Southern stock is in full supply and tending lower. The bulk of strawberries on the market to-day were in bad shape, and for these prices were merely nominal. Good fresh berries were in demand at outside quotations. There is a good inquiry for fresh creamery butter, but held-over stock is hard to sell. For eggs that can be guaranteed markets are firm. But stale stock is beginning to show up, and the effect is depressing to trade. New cheese is now in bountiful supply, and a drop in prices will soon be due. The season for new cheese is fully three weeks behind the average time.

BUTTER — Creamery, Elgin, 17c; Ohio do, 16c; fresh dairy packed, 10@12c; country rolls, 7@9c.

BEANS—Navy hand-picked beans, $2 00@2 10.

BESWAX—25@28c ℔ ℔ for choice; low grade, 18@20c.

CIDER—Sand refined, $7 50; common, $3 00@4 00; crab cider, $7 50@8 00 ℔ barrel; cider vinegar, 10@12c ℔ gallon.

CHEESE—New Ohio cheese, 9½c; New York cheese, 10c; Limberger, 10½@12½c; domestic Sweitzer, 14½@15½c; imported Sweitzer, 24½c.

EGGS 15c ℔ dozen for strictly fresh; duck eggs, 17c; goose eggs, 30c.

FRUITS—Strawberries, 8@12c a box; gooseberries, $2 50@3 00 a bushel box; cherries, $6 00 a box.

FEATHERS—Extra live geese, 50@60c; No. 1, do, 40@45c; mixed lots, 30@35c ℔ ℔.

MAPLE SYRUP—New, 90@85c a cant; maple sugar, 11@12c ℔ ℔.

HONEY—15c ℔ ℔.

POULTRY—Live chickens, 50@85c a pair; dressed, 14@15c a pound.

SEEDS—Clover, choice, 62 ℔s to bushel, $4 00 ℔ bushel; clover, large English, 62 ℔s, $4 85@4 60; clover, Alsike, $8 00; clover, white, $9 00; timothy, choice, 45 ℔s, $1 60@1 70; blue grass, extra clean, 14 ℔s, $1 25@1 30; blue grass, fancy, 14 ℔s, $1 20; orchard grass, 14 ℔s, $1 40; red top, 14 ℔s, $1 00; millet, 50 ℔s, $1 00; Hungarian grass, 50 ℔s, $1 00; lawn grass, mixture of fine grasses, $2 50 ℔ bushel of 14 ℔s.

TALLOW—Country, 3½c; city rendered, 4c.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, common, $3 00@3 25; fancy, $4 00@4 50; Messina oranges, $5 00@5 50; Imperials, $5 50@6 00; bananas, $1 75@2 00 firsts, $1 50 good seconds ℔ bunch; pineapples, $9@12 a hundred.

VEGETABLES — New Southern potatoes, $3 00@3 25 ℔ barrel; Bermuda potatoes, $4 00 ℔ barrel; cabbage, $2 25@2 50 ℔ crate; Bermuda onions, $2 25 ℔ bushel crate; green onions, 15@20c ℔ dozen; asparagus, 25@50c ℔ dozen; rhubarb, 20@30c ℔ box; Southern stock, $1 75@2 25 ℔ box; wax beans, $2 50@3 00 ℔ box; green peas, $2 75@3 00 ℔ basket; cucumbers, $1 00@2 00 ℔ box; tomatoes, $2 50@4 00 ℔ box.

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GREEN COFFEE—Fancy Rio, 24½@25½c; choice Rio, 22½@23½c; prime Rio, 23c; low grade Rio, 20½@21½c; old Government Java, 28½@30c; Maracaibo, 25½@27½c; Mocha, 30@32c; Santos, 22@26c; Caracas, 26@27; La Guayra, 26@27c.

ROASTED (in papers)—Standard brands, 25c; high grades, 26@30½c; old Government Java, bulk, 33@34½c; Maracaibo, 28@29c; Santos, 28@30c; peaberry, 30c; choice Rio, 26c; prime Rio, 25c; good Rio, 24c; ordinary, 21½@22½c.

SPICES—(whole)—Cloves, 17@18c; allspice, 10c; cassia, 8c; pepper, 17c; nutmeg, 70@80c.

PETROLEUM (jobbers' prices)—110° test, 7¼c; Ohio, 120°, 8½c; headlight, 150°, 8½c, water white, 10½c, globe, 14@15½c; elaine, 14½c; carnadine, 15½c; royaline, 14c; red oil, 11@11½c; purity, 14c.

MINERS' OIL—No. 1 winter strained, 43@45c ℔ gallon; summer, 35@40c; lard oil, 60@65c.

SYRUP—Corn syrup, 27@29c, choice sugar syrup, 36@38c; common sugar syrup, 30@35c; fair refining, 25@26c; centrifugals, 90° test, at 5@5-8c; refined active and ½c higher; C, 5 1-4@5½c; extra C, 5 9-16@5 11-16c; white extra C, 5¾@6c; yellow, 5½c; off A, 6¼@6½c; mould A, 6 13-16c; standard A, 6¾c; confectioners' A, 6¾c; cut loaf, 7½c; crushed, 7¾c; powdered, 7 1-16c; granulated, 6¾c; cubes, 6¾c. Molasses—Foreign firm; 50° test, 19½@20c; New Orleans, quiet. Rice steady and active. Cottonseed oil dull; crude, 32½c; yellow, 36@36½c. Tallow stronger; city (32 for packages), 4½c. Rosin steady. Turpentine steady at 38@38½c. Eggs quiet and lower; receipts, 6,312 packages. Pork quiet; mess, $13 75@14 25; extra prime, $11. Outmeats dull and easy. Lard rather easy at spot, 6½c bid; steam, $6 15; sales, 750 tierces at $6 12½; c. i. f. options, sales, 500 tierces July, $6 23 bid; August, $6 25 bid; September, $6 37 bid; October, $6 53@6 54, closing at $6 54 asked. Butter fairly active and steady; Western dairy, 6@10c; do creamery, 6@14c; do factory, 4@9½c; Elgin, 18c. Cheese stronger and in good demand; Western, 6¾@7¾c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour steady but quiet. Wheat firm; rejected, 72@73c; fair to good milling, 88@96c; prime to choice, 93@96c; steamer No. 2 red, on track, 81¾c; do in export elevator, 81c; No. 2 red, in do, 91c; No. 2 red, June, 91¾@92c; July, 91¾@92c; August, 91¾@92½c; September, 91¾@92½c. Corn quiet but firm; No. 2, in export elevator, 36c; steamer, in do, 39c; No. in do, 40½c; No. 2 low mixed, in grain depot, 41¾c; No. 2 mixed and high mixed, in do, 42c; No. 2 mixed, in grain depot, 42½c; No. 2 mixed, June, 40¼@41c; July, 41@41¼c; August, 42@42½c; September, 42½@43½c. Oats firm and late futures advanced ½c; No. 3 white, 34½@34¾c; ungraded white, 34@34½c; No. 2 white, 35c; do choice, 35½c; do clipped, 36½c; No. 2 white, June, 34½@35c; July, 34½@35c. Provisions steady with fair jobbing business. Pork—Mess, new, $13 50; do prime mess, new, $12 50; do family, $14 00@14 50. Lard — Western steam, $6 37. Butter steady but quiet; Pennsylvania creamery extra, 13@14c; do prints extra, 11@12c. Eggs dull and easier; Pennsylvania firsts, 15c. Cheese steady; part skims, 6@7c.

MINNEAPOLIS—Receipts of wheat over Sunday were 128 cars; shipments, 36 cars. The cash wheat market was quiet and steady. There was a small demand from local consumers early. A few selections were also picked up for outside account. Elevator companies were bidding ⅝@¾c under July for contract grade, but sellers were slow to accept in hopes of getting a little more. Low grades were not active, but were thought by some dealers to be improving slightly. Cash quotations: No. 1 hard, June, 88c; July, 89½