

TO BE TWO OF 'EM.

Both Wednesday and Thursday During State Fair Week are

TO BE "MERCHANTS' DAYS."

Fruitful Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Last Night.

CHAMBER TO ASSIST K. OF P.

In Making the Coming Grand Lodge Meeting a Big Success—The Chamber Also to Assist the Stogie Manufacturers in Forming Them into a Central Board Whose Work Will be to Take Advantage of the Recent Colt Decision—Short Discussion Relative to the New Baltimore & Ohio Station.

A fairly well attended meeting of the chamber of commerce was held last night, and it was certainly quite fruitful in results. The first matter considered was the proposed Merchants' Day in connection with the state fair, and the result was the appointment of an executive committee of nine which is in charge of the arrangements. This committee meets to-day, when sub-committees will be appointed, the most important of which is that on finance, and it is intended that the canvass for funds will begin this afternoon. It is proposed to raise \$2,000 if possible, and for \$1,500 it is said John R. Gentry and Joe Patchen, the "kings of the turf," can be secured for a match race. Pain's fireworks on the river front is another feature of the amusement programme that has been suggested. The plans, however, will necessarily remain vague until it is learned just how much money can be raised. The horse race, if possible, should be had, and Secretary Hook stated to an Intelligencer man last night that the fair association would, if necessary, aid the Merchants' Day committee in making up the purse.

Among other matters considered, the chamber decided to co-operate with the Knights of Pythias local committee in raising the necessary funds to entertain the great assemblage of Knights expected here at the West Virginia grand lodge meeting in October. The visitors are coming from Pennsylvania and Ohio as well as West Virginia, and the promoters claim the crowd will be one of the largest ever assembled in Wheeling.

The appeal of the stogie manufacturers that the chamber aid them in the formation of a central board, whose principal work would be to take the necessary steps to take advantage of the recent Colt decision in Boston, was cheerfully heeded, and President Quarrier will name a committee in a day or two that will co-operate with a committee of the manufacturers.

Among those present were President Quarrier and Secretary Hazlett, of the chamber of commerce, Secretary Hook and Directors F. C. H. Schwertfeger and H. C. Meyer, of the State Fair Association, C. H. Watkins, Robert Anderson, James A. Lancaster, Frank E. McCoy, G. E. Mendel, G. H. Medick, Mr. Rentsche, W. E. Stone, George M. Snook, W. H. Riley, C. R. Goetze, John Freidell, W. A. Wilson, William McCormick, H. L. Loos, J. C. Williams, Will Wood, B. H. Swartz and many others.

Merchants' Days

The meeting was called to order by President Quarrier, and the Merchants' Day project was first taken up. Mr. Schwertfeger suggested the Joe Patchen-John R. Gentry horse race in the afternoon and Pain's fire works at night on the wharf.

Mr. Quarrier suggested it would be well first to decide whether or not Merchants' Day should be had. Mr. Schwertfeger moved that Thursday, September 7, be named Merchants' Day and that the meeting proceed to make the arrangements.

Mr. Rentsche suggested that the programme cover two days.

Mr. McCoy seconded the Schwertfeger motion.

Mr. Schwertfeger consented to a change in his motion, fixing Wednesday and Thursday as Merchants' Days. This motion was seconded by Mr. Meyer.

Mr. W. E. Stone suggested having Merchants' Day two weeks after the fair. The people will come to the fair without Merchants' Day, and the latter event could be made to bring another crowd later.

Mr. Meyer said the State Fair Association had been struggling for fourteen or fifteen years, and the merchants of Wheeling have never aided and co-operated with it. The fair is largely for the benefit of the merchants and it is to their interest to aid it in every way possible.

Mr. George M. Snook said the merchants had never received the right kind of treatment from the state fair people. A better building in which to place exhibits was described as a crying need by the speaker.

Secretary Hook said a better building is needed, but the fair association has never received support sufficient to make it possible to put up a better exhibition building. The speaker told of the association's struggles, losses by floods, etc., which had made the fair's career one of constant struggle. He claimed the merchants should assist the fair association in advertising Wheeling every year, and in a pecuniary way when it was necessary. Now, in this Merchants' Day project, there is an opportunity for the merchants of Wheeling to show their hearty good will to the fair association. He paid a high tribute to the unselfishness of the gentlemen who compose the fair association; these men, with no hope of personal gain, each year take large risks to give the people of the city and state a week of enjoyment.

The Schwertfeger motion was passed with but two dissenting votes. This motion designates Wednesday and Thursday as Merchants' Days.

Mr. Meyer moved that a committee be named to have charge of the affair.

Mr. Quarrier suggested that an executive committee be named, this committee to select sub-committees on finance, programme, etc. Mr. Meyer then moved that an executive committee of nine be appointed. The motion was seconded and passed.

President Quarrier announced the Merchants' Days committee as follows: F. E. McCoy, chairman; Samuel Rice, Harry Franksheim, George M. Snook, H. C. Meyer, John Waterhouse, H. W. McClure, B. K. McMecheen, Henry Sonneborn.

The committee will meet to-day to appoint sub-committees and begin its work. The finance committee will be started on its work at once, for plans of entertainment cannot be made before the amount of money available is known.

Knights of Pythias Grand Lodge.

A committee from the Knights of Pythias grand lodge general committee, was present and presented the following communication:

WHEELING, W. Va., Aug. 8, 1899. To the Chamber of Commerce, City of Wheeling, W. Va.

GENTLEMEN:—On the 11th of October, 1898, the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, of the state of West Virginia, convened in their thirtieth annual meeting in this city.

The Grand Lodge itself has already offered a competitive prize of \$100 for state companies in uniform rank. Four local committees added to this cash prize, as will be noted in the enclosed circular, a copy of which has been sent to each lodge and company in the states of Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and the committee have already received favorable replies from a great number throughout the three states. Ohio has 65,000 Knights and 10 regiments of the uniform rank; Pennsylvania has 45,000 and 6 regiments of the uniform rank; West Virginia has about 7,500 and 2 regiments of the uniform rank. It is our aim to bring together the greatest gathering of the members of the order and their friends that has ever assembled in this section of the country in order that we may increase the interest in the order and at the same time benefit the business interests of this city and the welfare of the community in general, which we desire your co-operation and assistance. The letter from the chamber of commerce to the grand lodge meeting at Gettysville was a great factor in securing the thirtieth annual session for Wheeling. From a business point of view we can confidently state that it will do more to further the interests of the business men of Wheeling than anything that has ever been presented to them in the past.

The Grand Lodge itself will pay out over \$500 to the representatives before the legislature. In addition, great numbers of members will do their shopping while in the metropolis of the state. The prizes which the committee have offered will bring numbers from Pennsylvania and Ohio. The supreme chancellor of the order will be here and expects to bring along with him about 300 Pennsylvanians in his train. It is the desire of the committee in order to cover all contingencies to secure a fund of not less than \$1,500 from the business men of this city, which has been done and will be done in the future we deem sufficient, to ask this of the business men of the community. It is our aim to make any of our out of the meeting, but simply to bring our city before the three states in such a way as to increase the business of the city and the interest in the order in the state of West Virginia.

Respectfully,

CHAS. O. ROEMER, Secretary, General Committee on Grand Lodge, K. of P.

For the Knights of Pythias committee, Mr. Joseph Handian stated that the meeting comes when the country merchants are thinking of buying goods, and they will undoubtedly come to Wheeling, attracted by the big Pythian gathering. It was suggested by the speaker that the merchants raise \$1,500 to add to the funds already raised by the Knights. It was suggested that a committee of the chamber of commerce be appointed to co-operate with the Knights of Pythias committee.

The following resolution was introduced and passed:

Resolved, That the chamber of commerce endorse the action taken by the various lodges of the Knights of Pythias for the entertainment of the Grand Lodge of that order; and it is further, That a committee of five members of this body be appointed to co-operate with the reception committee to assist them in the proper entertainment of the numerous guests expected, and the chamber of commerce recommends and urges upon the various manufacturers and merchants of this city to take an active interest in the matter.

The Stogie Decision.

Secretary Hazlett read the open letter to the chamber of commerce, from the stogie manufacturers, asking the chamber to assist in organizing the manufacturers into a central board, whose work will be to take measures to take advantage of the recent well known decision of Judge Colt in the United States circuit court of Massachusetts. This letter was published in Monday's Intelligencer and shows just how large and important an industry stogie making is in Wheeling.

Mr. Hugo L. Loos said an unsuccessful effort had already been made by some of the manufacturers to get all stogie manufacturers in Wheeling together, and he believed the assistance of the chamber of commerce would be beneficial. He said some of the manufacturers do not realize the importance of the Boston decision; if this advantage is pushed the industry ought to increase many more than the five fold spoken of in the letter just read.

President W. H. Riley, of the National Stogie Makers' League, followed Mr. Loos. He spoke of the severe competition, especially by "sweet shop" makers in small towns. He believed the assistance of the chamber would bring to all stogie manufacturers a realization of the importance of following up the Boston decision which prevents the making of "Wheeling" stogies out of Wheeling. He referred to the benefits arising out of the organization of the stogie workmen, and the organization of the manufacturers would result in as large or larger benefits.

Mr. Beekman, one of the manufacturers, gave a brief history of the events leading up to the injunction at Boston. The manufacturers had gone after this injunction on the suggestion of President Riley, of the Stogie Makers' League, whose inspiration came upon reading the Milwaukee beer decision some months ago. The manufacturers present at this meeting desire the chamber to organize all the manufacturers. This organization cannot be effected by a movement among the manufacturers themselves, and as a last resort the manufacturers who want an organization have come to the chamber of commerce.

Secretary Hazlett asked why any manufacturer is against organizing.

Mr. Beekman said the reason the organization had not been effected was the same that made this very meeting of the chamber of commerce one of slight attendance. "They can't stir up enough energy and ambition to protect their own interests, and the same thing, I am sorry to say, applies to the entire business community of Wheeling," were Mr. Beekman's concluding words.

"That's true," was the comment on

this statement made by several business men.

Mr. Riley suggested the appointment of a committee of the chamber of commerce to canvass the manufacturers and endeavor to form them into an organization.

President Quarrier was unable to understand why there isn't immediate and concerted action by the manufacturers of their own accord, but he was willing to name the committee desired.

A resolution by Mr. Watkins, calling for the appointment of a committee of three, to act with the manufacturers, was passed, as follows:

Whereas, The stogie manufacturers of this city desire to organize themselves into a board for the protection of their industry, and have applied to this chamber for assistance, therefore be it

Resolved, That the chamber of commerce appoint three of its members to act jointly in an advisory manner with a committee of the stogie manufacturers in organizing the latter.

President Quarrier said he would appoint the Knights of Pythias and stogie committees later.

The B. & O. Station.

Mr. F. E. McCoy wanted some information regarding the Baltimore & Ohio's proposed new passenger station.

President Quarrier said something was in contemplation but what it was he was unable to say—you may "read it in the stars."

"Well, we ought to roast them anyway," said Mr. McCoy.

Mr. Mendel believed the secret was that the Baltimore & Ohio is after the Wheeling Bride and Terminal, and if it is secured, of course, a new passenger station will not be wanted—a good one is located on Market street. This view was shared in by several other business men.

President Quarrier said it was useless to draft resolutions that no big shipper in the town would pay the least attention to.

In an informal discussion it was brought out that there is a class of chronic grumblers in the business community who stand back and find fault with what the chamber of commerce does for the good of the community, and fail to do anything themselves.

"Yes, we get something like this in return for our efforts," said Secretary Hazlett, showing an ill-natured "communication" appearing in yesterday's Register, which takes a ridiculous stand on the proposed action of the chamber in assisting the stogie men to get together.

MEETS THIS MORNING.

Important Meeting of the Merchants' Days Committee To-day.

Chairman Frank E. McCoy, of the Merchants' Day committee appointed last night by President Quarrier, of the chamber of commerce, last night called the committee to meet this morning at 9 o'clock at the rooms of the chamber of commerce, and it is hoped that every member of the committee will be on hand.

Sub-committees will be appointed, and the finance committee will at once begin soliciting the funds needed for the big days of the fair week, which it is expected will draw larger crowds than were ever in the city.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

A Correspondent's Inquiry on this Subject Answered in Detail.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

SIR:—Kindly sketch in your valuable paper the details of the removal of the state capital to Charleston.

FIFTH WARD.

Wheeling, August 8.

The state capital was located in Wheeling in 1863, when the state was formed, and the Linsly Institute building, on Chapline street, was the capital until 1870, when the capital was first moved to Charleston, where it remained until 1875, when it again came to Wheeling for a term of ten years by legislative enactment. The Linsly Institute building was again occupied until December 4, 1876, when the new state capital on Chapline street (the present court house and city building) was occupied, having been built by the people of Wheeling at a cost of about \$150,000. In 1877 the legislature passed an act submitting the question of the permanent location of the capital to a vote of the people, and the election was held on the first Tuesday of August, 1877. Three places were voted for, Martinsburg, Clarksburg and Charleston, with the following result: Charleston, 41,243; Clarksburg, 29,942; Martinsburg, 8,948. The present capital at Charleston was completed in the spring of 1888 at a cost of \$350,000.

ATTACKED BY INSURGENTS

On the American Lines Repelled. Sergeant Smith in the Fight.

In a copy of "Freedom," an American daily published at Manila, in the issue of June 25, the leading article is a description of an attempt by the insurgents to break through the American lines at San Fernando, the attack being made on the Seventeenth Regulars, the regiment to which Sergeant Ernest G. Smith, the Intelligencer's soldier correspondent, belongs. The attack was repulsed with a loss of only two wounded, and in the engagement a rapid fire cannon was used with great effect on San Fernando. The paper also tells of two Spaniards entering the Seventeenth's lines, and they were conducted in by a squad commanded by Sergeant Smith.

On the margin of the paper are these words in Sergeant Smith's handwriting: "Nothing new here."

Cast a Stone Through.

About 1 o'clock this morning a man threw a stone through the plate glass window in Mrs. Kileve's saloon, from the South street side. He got away before the police were notified.

Southern Democratic Leader Dead.

NEWNAN, Ga., Aug. 8.—Former Governor W. Y. Atkinson, died at his residence at 8:32 this morning. He had been ill for ten days and his physicians gave up hope for his recovery several days ago. Governor Atkinson was one of the leaders of the Democratic party in this state.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD

Excursions to Atlantic City and Seashore, at Very Low Rates, Thursdays, August 10 and 24.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad has arranged a series of popular seashore excursions, to be run Thursdays, August 10 and 24, to Atlantic City, Cape May, Sea Isle City, Ocean City, N. J., and Ocean City, Md. Tickets will be good fifteen (15) days, including day of sale.

Strips of paper will be allowed on return trip at Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington on tickets sold to New Jersey resorts and at Baltimore and Washington on tickets sold to Ocean City, Maryland.

Tickets will be sold on above dates from Wheeling for \$19 round trip for trains leaving at 12:25 and 5:25 a. m., 3:30 and 5:20 p. m.

WHEN SUCH PEOPLE TESTIFY

How Can You Doubt the Virtues of Hyomei?

Read what Herbert Johnson, Boston's popular lawyer says in a copy of "Hyomei." Mr. Johnson is the first lawyer of the famous Rogies St. Male Quarrier, and the Director of some of Boston's most famous medical institutions, and as Herbert Johnson writes:

"Dear Sir:—It gives me great pleasure to say that your 'Hyomei' cured me of a bad case of bronchitis when everything else failed. It has broken up several bad colds which I knew from past experience would have developed into a condition which for me would have meant a complete loss of voice. I would not be without an Inhaler, no matter what the cost, I believe any person can sing who uses 'Hyomei.' I believe any person can sing who uses 'Hyomei.' HERBERT JOHNSON."

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ON THE VERGE OF RUIN

Was the Reason of Banker Autenreith's Suicide.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 8.—The inquest to-day into the death of Charles F. Autenreith, the supposed wealthy banker, who committed suicide last Friday by shooting himself, disclosed the fact that he was on the verge of financial ruin. Mr. Autenreith, in addition to his banking business, represented several steamship lines, and was the representative of the banking firm of George C. Mecke & Co., of Bremen, Germany. Henry Ahrens was sent to this city by the latter firm to make an investigation of Mr. Autenreith's accounts. To-day he testified that the dead man had a credit of 150,000 marks with the firm and that he owed 75,000 marks. The latter was long overdue, and Mr. Ahrens said that he made efforts to see the banker without success. His opinion was that he committed suicide rather than face him.

It is not known whether any additional indebtedness is charged against the dead banker by other firms. The jury rendered a verdict: "Due to nervous prostration caused by pressure of financial difficulties."

Long Litigation Settled.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 8.—The suit of Mrs. Ada P. Blakely, administratrix of David Blakely, deceased, against John Philip Sousa, the composer and band master, has terminated by a decision of common pleas court sustaining the report of the referee.

The referee recommended that Mr. Sousa account to Mrs. Blakely for all moneys received by him for the sale of musical compositions, surrender to her the musical library in his possession, and account for the use of it from May 23, 1897. The referee also decided that the Blakely estate had the right, without regard for the duration of time, to one-half of all royalties which would be earned from Sousa's musical compositions provided that such compositions were made prior to Mr. Blakely's death.

As to whether the Blakely estate had an exclusive right to the use of Sousa's name the referee found in Mr. Sousa's favor, on the ground that it would be against public policy to permit any band not conducted by Mr. Sousa to be called "Sousa's Band," as such name might mislead the public.

The case has been in litigation for more than two years.

Dewey's Programme.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The report that Admiral Dewey will go to Rome to-morrow, where he will be given an audience by the pope and will later visit London en route home, attracted general interest at the navy department to-day, although the department has not been apprised of his programme. For many reasons the officers of the navy would be pleased if the admiral should visit London. The cordiality of the relations between the two countries and the fraternizing spirit shown by British and American army and navy officers toward each other would, they believe, insure for the admiral a gratifying reception.

The Best Remedy for Flux.

Mr. John Mathias, a well known stock dealer of Pulaski, Ky., says: "After suffering for over a week with flux, and my physician having failed to relieve me, I was advised to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and have the pleasure of stating that the half of one bottle cured me." For sale by druggists.

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DIED.

RUST—At Philadelphia, Pa., on Saturday, August 5, 1899, CHARLES C. RUST, in his 63d year.

Funeral on Wednesday from the P. C. C. & St. L. depot on arrival of 10:35 a. m. train. Interment at Greenwood cemetery.

LYLE—On Tuesday morning, August 8, 1899, GILBERT WARDEN, infant son of Harry and Lila Lyle, aged 4 months and 10 days.

Funeral services at residence of grandparents, near Glenn's Run, Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Short Creek cemetery.

JUMP—At his cottage, on the Moundsville Camp Grounds, on Monday, August 7, 1899, at 5:20 p. m., HARRY C. JUMP, in the 24th year of his age.

Funeral will take place from his late residence on Broadway, Martin's Ferry, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment at Mt. Olivet cemetery. No flowers.

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FLOOD FIGURES. Of Interest Along the Upper Ohio Valley Made Public by the Weather Bureau—Average Difference in Wheeling-Pittsburgh Stages 11 Feet.

The Intelligencer reproduces the following advance sheet extract from the annual report of Director Moore, of the United States weather bureau, relating to floods in the upper Ohio valley, through the courtesy of Wharfmaster John Crockard, to whom it was sent:

The following table shows the highest stages in the Ohio river since January, 1884.

During this period eight flood stages were recorded at one or more of the several stations between Davis Island and Point Pleasant, and six high stages nearly reaching the danger line.

The data shows that flood stages are most frequent during the month of February, and also occur during January and March. High stages occur also during the months of May, July and September.

From comparison of the stages at the different stations, it can be estimated that a flood stage of twenty-five feet at Davis Island, in connection with well distributed rainfall over West Virginia, will cause a stage of eleven feet higher at Wheeling, thirteen feet higher at Parkersburg, and twenty feet higher at Point Pleasant. This comparison will be increased or diminished with higher or lower navigable stages, or through the occurrence of heavy local rains below the Muskingum and Great Kanawha valleys.

On high stages, with precipitation equalling or exceeding one inch over the Muskingum valley reported, an increase of from three to five feet from the Muskingum river has occurred at Parkersburg; at Point Pleasant, the increase from the Great Kanawha river averages about nine feet, ranging from five to fifteen feet, depending upon the stage in the Ohio river and the excess in rainfall over the New and Great Kanawha river valleys above Charleston.

Usually a crest from the headwaters of the Ohio will pass down with slight diminution, and will give an increased stage from day to day at the several stations of about the same amount as compared with the highest stage shown at Davis Island.

Several deductions could be drawn from the effects of outpouring of side streams and continued daily rainfalls, but space will not permit. The subject will be treated more fully in the future.

Table with columns: Date, Station, Height in feet. Rows include January 8, 1899, Davis Island, 35.0; January 9, 1899, Wheeling, 36.0; January 11, 1899, Parkersburg, 37.0; January 12, 1899, Point Pleasant, 44.5; January 24, 1899, Davis Island, 35.0; January 25, 1899, Wheeling, 37.5; January 25, 1899, Parkersburg, 37.0; January 27, 1899, Point Pleasant, 37.0; March 24, 1899, Wheeling, 45.0; February 8, 1884, Wheeling, 46.5; February 9, 1884, Parkersburg, 52.1; February 18, 1891, Davis Island, 30.3; February 19, 1891, Wheeling, 32.0; February 20, 1891, Parkersburg, 44.6; February 23, 1891, Point Pleasant, 59.9; February 8, 1893, Davis Island, 22.3; February 9, 1893, Wheeling, 22.0; February 11, 1893, Parkersburg, 28.0; February 12, 1893, Point Pleasant, 42.8; March 24, 1899, Davis Island, 22.5; March 24, 1899, Wheeling, 31.5; March 25, 1899, Parkersburg, 35.0; March 24, 1899, Point Pleasant, 47.9; March 7, 1897, Davis Island, 18.0; March 8, 1897, Wheeling, 21.0; March 8, 1897, Parkersburg, 20.2; March 9, 1897, Point Pleasant, 47.5; March 24, 1898, Davis Island, 27.6; March 24, 1898, Wheeling, 35.0; March 25, 1898, Parkersburg, 48.2; March 27, 1898, Point Pleasant, 55.0; April 1, 1898, Davis Island, 20.2; April 1, 1898, Wheeling, 21.8; April 2, 1898, Parkersburg, 30.0; April 2, 1898, Point Pleasant, 41.2; May 25, 1890, Davis Island, 19.5; May 25, 1890, Wheeling, 27.5; May 25, 1890, Parkersburg, 28.5; May 25, 1890, Point Pleasant, 34.4; May 2, 1892, Davis Island, 13.5; May 2, 1892, Wheeling, 18.0; May 1, 1893, Parkersburg, 28.8; May 4, 1893, Point Pleasant, 40.2; May 18, 1893, Davis Island, 19.0; May 19, 1893, Wheeling, 21.5; May 19, 1893, Parkersburg, 31.0; May 25, 1893, Point Pleasant, 31.6; July 25, 1896, Davis Island, 18.9; July 25, 1896, Wheeling, 23.2; July 25, 1896, Parkersburg, 33.2; July 28, 1896, Point Pleasant, 34.2; September 14, 1890, Pittsburgh, 15.2; September 14, 1890, Wheeling, 24.7; September 15, 1890, Parkersburg, 27.2; September 16, 1890, Point Pleasant, 29.4.

River Telegrams.

OIL CITY—River 4 inches and falling. Weather, clear and pleasant.

GREENSBORO—River 7 feet 2 inches and falling. Weather, fair and pleasant. Woodward down Wednesday.

MORGANTOWN—River 7 feet 4 inches and stationary. Weather, clear and warm.

BROWNSVILLE—River 6 feet and falling. Clear and warm.

PITTSBURGH—River 4.1 feet and falling. Clear and warm.

STUBENVILLE—River 4 feet and falling. Weather, clear and warm.

POINT PLEASANT—River 6.5 feet and falling. Clear.

CINCINNATI—River 10.3 feet and falling. Clear.