

A BATCH OF LETTERS

Which Tell or Suggest Interesting Narratives.

INQUIRIES FOR VARIOUS FOLKS

Received at Police Headquarters-- An Italian Romance with a Sequel to It--An Inquiry for the Effects of a Dead Man--Mysterious Disappearance.

Interesting letters inquiring for missing men or missing women, or for information on other subjects are not infrequently received by the police authorities. Yesterday's mails were especially plentiful in this respect, and besides the letters received by the Chief of Police the postal authorities received one of the same kind. This letter was from Mrs. James Duprey, of Coshocton county, Ohio, who says:

"Please hand this to the Chief of Police or somebody who will look into it. There was a man left Coshocton, with light hair, blue eyes, five feet in height, having with him a child 3 years old, with light hair and blue eyes. We heard he was living in Wheeling with another man's wife, and he has a wife and family living here. When he went away he had a team of horses, bays, with a red wagon and new harness with red harness. If the two are living together, or ever did live together then, please let me know. His name is James F. Duprey and hers is Mrs. Joseph McFee."

SUSPICIOUS OF THE MAN.

Hettie Klundt, of Ewart street, Cincinnati, wrote to Chief Delbrugge, asking information about Jeff T. Reed, of Wheeling. She says he told her he was a printer by trade, but had of late years been employed as traveling salesman or otherwise about large business establishments; that he was well-to-do, and a widower without children. The writer concludes with a plea for the chief to give her all the information he can, as she is a widow with four children to support, and "does not want to be deceived in her man." She does not explain the object of her careful inquiry.

A PECULIAR MANIA.

Mr. D. Pollock, of East Liverpool, writes also to the chief to inquire what he can tell her about a man who was not long ago in the confectionery business on the South Side. She says she is aware the gentleman in question has "a mania for destroying young girls," and that she is informed as to the case of one girl, whom she names. She wants the man's record, and adds: "There is a man was on your police force called Shorty that I think if you ask him can tell you all about this person." The man is said to be a potter by trade, but Chief Delbrugge asked that his name be suppressed.

HENRY LANGFELDER'S PROPERTY.

Captain Delbrugge also received a letter yesterday from Rosalie Langfelder, a cousin of Henry Langfelder, who was killed on the railroad track in South Wheeling last week. She said she came over with her cousin on June 7 on the Ravenna; that both were from Hamburg, and that she believes herself to be his only living relative in America. She is now at 651 Lexington avenue, Baltimore. She says he had when he came here \$70 in cash and quite a supply of good clothing, and she wants to know what has become of his belongings. Langfelder worked a few days at the St. Charles and left there only a few days before he was killed. He told the people there that he had left his trunk at Benwood. The police will undertake to find it.

TOOK MONEY AND WIFE.

A cool communication was received yesterday by a gentleman from Sunny Italy, whose patronymic is Gentillo and whose surname nobody seems to know. Gentillo until recently had \$150 locked up in a trunk, and a wife. One Nicolò came to Wheeling from the same part of Italy as Gentillo, and the latter took him into his household. The other day Nicolò and Mrs. Gentillo broke open the trunk while Gentillo was away, took the money and left. Yesterday Gentillo received a letter from friends in New York saying that Nicolò and the woman had been there, and left a message for Gentillo to "go to h-- and wait for him," and inviting him to have the pair arrested if he could. This seems to have suggested to Gentillo for the first time the idea of an arrest, and he presented the facts to the police, but it is probable that it is now too late to do anything.

A MAN MISSING.

It was reported to the police yesterday that a man named O'Hagan, who has been boarding with Mrs. Frank Walter, out the pike, had been strangely missing for three weeks. He is a carpenter by trade, and left all his belongings at Baker's saloon, at Fulton. He is about thirty or thirty-five years old.

THEY WERE NOT SEASICK.

Messrs. Frew and Campbell reach Queenstown in Good Shape.

Messrs. John Frew and A. W. Campbell, the INTELLIGENCER'S tourists, reached Queenstown, Ireland, early yesterday morning, just six days after they sailed from New York on the steamer City of Paris. The following cable telegram from Mr. Frew was received yesterday:

"QUEENSTOWN, July 29. "Pleasant voyage. All well. Were not seasick."

Having a Good Time.

About 2 o'clock this morning Officer Devlin arrested Mrs. Ditty and one of her girls, who, in company with a man named Gosney, were just getting into a hack and were gloriously full. The women were in motlier hubbards and making lots of noise. Lieut. Frohne arrested Annie Brown, the old standby, who was also "well tanked."

For burns, scalds and bruises and all pain and soreness of the flesh, the grand household remedy is Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Be sure you get the genuine.

A Traveling Man's Experience.

F. S. Verbeck, who represents the type foundry of Messrs. Barnhardt Bros. & Spindler, Chicago, says: "On my return home from a trip I found our little girl sick with summer complaint. I went to a drug store and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. We gave her a few doses according to directions. She recovered in a short time and we were well pleased with the medicine." DAW

REMNANT SALE to-morrow. Read the ad. Come early for best.

ANOTHER PARTY OFF.

A Good Sized Crowd Departs for Atlantic City.



LAST night quite a crowd of Wheeling people departed on the B. & O. Company's second excursion to Atlantic City and New York. The main body of excursionists left on the 12:05 a. m. train, and the scene around the station at midnight was animated and picturesque. With the delegation was the O. W. L. Club, an organization of young men, of whom there were on the train Messrs. Theodore Fink, Charles Feinler, Ed Frank, Charles Pollen, Frank Dinger, William McNabb, James McDonald, M. H. Kennedy, Charles House, Leon Cuyllier, James G. Dickey, Fred Meyers, George Fox, William McCormick, Frank Caldwell, Archie Matthews, Ed Truschell, James Lantry, James Handlan, Tom Wolvington, John Hillman, John Farley, Will Zeigenfelder and Will Kennedy. They are sure to have as great a time as they have heretofore on their annual outings to the seashore.

There were besides a large number of people on the train, among them being A. T. Hupp, F. J. Murray, William Ariehorst, W. J. Lukens, J. R. Acker, Clement Hess and wife, Dr. J. H. Pipes and wife, J. D. Hanes, George L. Durst, Milt Mabiss, John Pfarr, Sam Welty, M. and Mrs. Pierce, of Steubenville, Godfrey Schul and wife, R. A. McCabe, Jr., Kennedy Friend, Miss Gene Friend, Mrs. George Flacuss, Mr. James Gray and family, of Martin's Ferry, Miss Carrie Brues, Mrs. Jessie Berger, Mrs. Joseph Weistling, Mrs. W. M. Irons and Mrs. S. S. Culbertson, of Steubenville, and a number of others. There were two coaches and a sleeper, the latter filled mainly by the O. W. L. boys.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

The Council committee on cemeteries is called to meet at 3:30 p. m. to-day.

Six Austrian Germans arrived in town lately and will settle in the Eighth ward.

The Camden Consolidated Oil Company has broken ground for its new refinery in Manchester over the creek.

The Steubenville and Wellsburg G. A. R. posts will go to Detroit over the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroad next Sunday.

The first arrival this season of New Jersey peaches came in yesterday. Peaches from this vicinity are already fairly plenty.

Yesterday the choir of St. Alphonsus Church went up Stackyard Hollow to a pleasant, shady grove and had a picnic all to themselves.

The B. & O. track on Sixteenth street is being repaired and rebalanced and straightened up. The planking and street paving along it are also being relaid.

EMPLOYEES of most of the city departments and the officials of the late electric light loan election will be paid off to-day and attaches in other departments to-morrow.

The new Sunday train on C. L. & W. railroad to Chippewa Lake was so well patronized last Sunday that the company will probably run the train every Sunday until fall.

CONSIDERABLE complaint is being made by residents of the Eighth ward about cows being allowed to run at large in that portion of the city. They say it is impossible to raise trees on the sidewalk, as the cows strip the foliage off.

Mrs. FRANK WALTER'S residence, two miles east of the city, is being moved across the National road to a lot on the south side and some distance west of the old location, bought by Mr. Walter before his death. A little shoeshop has heretofore stood on it.

AN increased force of men was put to work yesterday digging out the pit for the South abutment of the stone bridge. The big pump was kept going all day. Gravel and sand still slip into the pit in an annoying way, and to clear out the hole will be a nasty job.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Mr. Bert Hazlett is home from Asbury Park.

Godfrey Schul and wife left last night for Atlantic City.

Louis Kloss and his son, John, of Wetzel county, are in the city.

G. W. Grubb left yesterday for a sojourn on the Muskingum river.

George S. McCarthy, of Bonney, was at the McLure House yesterday.

Miss Mollie Dillon is convalescing from a long spell of typhoid fever.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Pipes left last night on an extended eastern trip.

V. S. Russell, the engine builder of Massillon, O., is at the McLure House.

Miss Mollie Weber, of Canton, O., who has been visiting in this city, will return to her home shortly.

Mr. John Bodley has gone East for a tour of the seaside resorts. He expects to join his friend Col. Exley there.

P. M. Robinson, of Fairmont, and William H. Huth, of Middlebourne, were at the Stamm House yesterday.

Mrs. A. W. Pritchard and son and Miss Bessie L. Koen, of Mannington, registered at the Stamm House yesterday.

Mr. G. R. Behler, who has been laid up for several days, was able to get around town and see his friends again yesterday.

J. A. Holley, of Hamlin, Robert McEldowney and W. S. Wiley, of New Martinsville, registered at the Windsor yesterday.

T. H. Willoughby, of Mannington, W. M. Kincaid and E. H. Gallagher, of Cameron, and T. F. Rattigan, of Parkersburg, were at the Behler yesterday.

W. E. Martin, of Pine Bluff, Henry M. Morris, of Charleston, and C. H. Smith, of Belmont, were the prominent West Virginians registered at the St. Charles Hotel yesterday.

REMNANT SALE to-morrow - Friday. Remnants almost given away. Come early. Best bargains will be closed out early. STONE & THOMAS.

Sunday Excursions. Commencing Sunday, May 31, and every Sunday thereafter, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Pittsburgh and return at \$1.50 and to Washington and return at \$1, good returning Sunday only.

IF your name is not on the INTELLIGENCER'S Subscription Book, make haste to get it on the list. Notwithstanding increased size and general improvement there is no increase in price. Still better things are to come.

GUT DOWN LIKE A TREE.

The Tall Stack of the Old Tack Factory Collapses,

AND WITH A TREMENDOUS CRASH.

Rapid Progress Made in Demolishing the Historic Building by the Terminal Company--Some Reminiscences of the Factory.

Rapid progress is being made in demolishing that part of the old Norway Tack factory not intended to be used by the Terminal Company for freight storage or office purposes. The top story of the main building will be torn off, the roof remodeled, and the first and second stories thrown into one. This lower story will be temporarily used as freight and express rooms, while offices will be in the second, now third story. Nearly all the other buildings have been torn away, and the street which is to be used in lieu of Eighteenth street from Market to Chapline, has been opened and graded.

The main smokestack of the old factory, standing west of the factory proper, was 118 feet high and very substantially built of brick. It seemed to a looker-on a serious problem how it was to be demolished, but the work was very quickly done. On Tuesday afternoon the work of undermining the stack on the west side was begun. Yesterday this had progressed so far that the stack toppled like a mighty tree and fell to the ground with a terrific crash.

Chief of Police Delbrugge was standing just where the mass of bricks and mortar fell a moment before it toppled. Had he been there when it fell he would be far from this mundane sphere by this time. As it was, he moved and is alive and whole.

Fast work is being done on the pedestals for the new freight shed and on the terminal work in general through East Wheeling.

The old tack factory is a historic pile. It was built away back in the '20's for a cotton factory. Doubtless when that cotton factory ceased to exist croakers thought the last knell had been rung for Wheeling. Daniel Peck, later a leading lawyer, was fond of telling that he helped to paint the big building back in the '30's. The high stack which fell yesterday was originally one hundred feet high. Later eighteen feet was built on top of it. The factory was once partially destroyed by fire, and the roof was changed after that and another story added.

In the '50's the building was partly devoted to the silk factory of John W. Gill, later of Hardman and Gill, prominent in manufacturing and commercial circles of Wheeling. Mr. Gill exhibited at the Paris exposition a number of pieces of silk manufactured here, and probably as much to his surprise as that of anybody else--he took the first prize among competitors from all over the world. The amusing difficulty the commission sent out by the exposition managers to present Mr. Gill his medal and diploma expertly in finding Wheeling was recently entertainingly described in the INTELLIGENCER. At that time a great craze swept over the country for silk culture. People actually destroyed productive orchards to plant mulberries for silkworm food. The craze was of short duration and had no practical results.

Mr. Gill had a store on Main street at the corner of the present Twentieth street. Dr. R. W. Hazlett recalled in a conversation with an INTELLIGENCER reporter the other day purchasing from Mr. Gill a white silk handkerchief, similar to those he had exhibited at Paris. Gill and his partner finally met with reverses, silk, cotton and wool manufacturing, all of which thrived here, were all abandoned in Wheeling, and to-day the old factory is being removed and remodeled to make way for a union depot, and the city which, when the house was built, was but a village, there being but three houses east of this one, has grown to about 40,000 inhabitants, the center of as prosperous an industrial community as exists anywhere.

THE ELKS' OUTING.

Programme of Their Evening Out at Wheeling Park.

From five to twelve o'clock this evening Wheeling lodge B. P. O. Elks will reign supreme at Wheeling Park. Nobody will be admitted to the park without an invitation. The Elks will meet at the Elm Grove railway station at 4:30 sharp, and take the motor for the park. A large number of invitations have been sent out, and with good weather, there will be a large crowd there. The exercises will open at seven o'clock with a social session in the dancing hall. The programme will consist of brass, string and vocal music, recitations, etc.

At 8 o'clock an address of welcome will be made by Capt. B. B. Dovener. At 9, dancing will commence. The grand march will occur at 10, and at 11 the Elks' toast and a brass band concert in the park enclosure. At 11:30 there will be fireworks on the mound, and the festivities will conclude at midnight.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats. The River Interests.

The river was falling last night, with 6 feet 8 inches in the channel.

The reports from above last night were as follows:

Pittsburgh--3 feet 9 inches; weather clear.

Warren--1 foot 5-tenths and falling; weather cloudy and cool.

Brownsville--1 foot 6 inches and stationary; weather clear and warm.

Morgantown--4 feet and stationary; weather clear and hot.

Only one boat left the landing yesterday, being the Ben Hur, which got away for Parkersburg at noon.

The case of the Charon vs. the steamer Phillips, before Squire Cooper, at Belaire, was dismissed on account of error. A new suit was brought at once, Danford and Riley being for the plaintiff and Dovener and Tallman for the defendants.

A Wonder Worker.

Mr. Frank Huffman, a young man of Burlington, Ohio, states that he had been under the care of two prominent physicians, and used their treatment until he was not able to get around. They pronounced his case to be Consumption and incurable. He was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and at that time was not able to walk across the street without resting. He found, before he had used half of a dollar bottle, that he was much better; he continued to use it and is to-day enjoying good health. If you have any Throat, Lung or Chest Trouble try it. We guarantee satisfaction. Trial bottle free at Logan Drug Co.'s Drug Store. 8

CASSELL-BALTZELL.

An Early Morning Wedding at the Second Presbyterian Church.

At an early hour this morning the Second Presbyterian church was the scene of a quiet but very pretty wedding, at which Rev. Dr. W. H. Cooke, pastor of that church, officiated, and the contracting parties were Mr. Levi P. Cassell, a popular young man, who holds a responsible position with the Central Glass Company, and Miss Marguerite Balsell, a charming young lady who is well known for her agreeable social qualities, and highly esteemed by those who know her best for her many womanly virtues. The only guests present were the families and immediate friends of the bride and groom. The bride, always strikingly beautiful, never seemed more so than in her tasteful traveling dress of dark blue, with hat and gloves to match. After receiving the congratulations of the small party present, Mr. and Mrs. Cassell were driven to the Baltimore & Ohio depot and left on a trip of a few weeks to Washington, New York and the seashore.

Few couples have entered upon married life under more promising auspices, or with heartier good wishes and congratulations from their friends.

Hill-Richards.

At 9 o'clock last night Dr. Charles L. Hill, the general manager of the New York Dental Association, was married to Miss Anna M. Richards. The parlor at the bride's home, No. 1028 Main street, was handsomely decorated for the occasion. Rev. C. M. Alford, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, officiated at the ceremony. The attendants were Dr. Becker and Miss Georgie Richards, the bride's sister. The contracting parties had been well remembered by their friends, a number of handsome having been given.

After the ceremony a reception was held and the relatives and friends sat down to a bounteous supper. Dr. Hill and his bride will go to housekeeping on Main street.

HAD THREE OTHER HUSBANDS.

Why Oliver W. Petty, Aged 20, Secured a Divorce From Mrs. Petty, Also Aged 20.

New York, July 29.--Oliver W. Petty, the 20-year-old son of H. Oliver Petty, a leading citizen of Port Jefferson, ran off with Kate Mott Nugent and married her at Bay Shore last January. His parents were highly indignant at first at his escapade, but soon concluded to make the best of the situation and notified him that he and his bride would be welcomed and forgiven.

Two weeks after the marriage it was learned that the woman, although only 20 years old, had been married three times before her elopement with young Petty, and that all her husbands were living.

Her first matrimonial venture was with Lincoln Nugent at Patchogue, in October, 1883. Her next husband was named Gregory, and her third Fox.

Young Petty, on discovering this deserted his bride and returned to his parents.

The woman was arrested for bigamy, and lodged in Riverhead jail. Young Petty promptly brought a suit in the Supreme Court for the annulment of the marriage and at the trial, which took place before Justice Cullen, in Brooklyn to-day, overwhelming evidence was given in reference to the previous marriages. The defendant did not appear in person or by counsel, and Justice Cullen said that he would sign the decree.

LEFT TO STARVE

In a Cave After Being Robbed and Maltreated.

JEANNETTE, Pa., July 29.--Joe Moore, a wealthy citizen who mysteriously disappeared recently, was found to-night in an old cave half famished and almost dead from exposure. The old man had been taken to the cave by Joseph and Madison Johnson, two desperate characters, and robbed. The cave was unknown to the citizens, who are wrought up to an extraordinary pitch of excitement over all sorts of rumors. It has been said that during the past six months four or five people of Jeannette have mysteriously disappeared, and nothing has since been heard of them. A searching party has been formed and the cave will be thoroughly searched to-night or to-morrow morning. The Johnston brothers were arrested. They are powerfully built and tried to make a fight when arrested, but were awed by the superior numbers and weapons of the officers.

A Cargo of Nails Seized.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 29.--Collector of the Port Phelps has ordered the seizure of a cargo of nails which recently arrived here on the ship Steine Donnard, from New York via Liverpool. The nails are valued at \$35,000, and were shipped from New York to Europe and then transhipped to San Francisco, on account of the cheaper rate. This is held to be a violation of law regarding the shipment of goods by a foreign vessel between domestic ports. It is also held that the goods are liable to duty. The nails are consigned to Dunham, Carrington & Co.

MARRIED.

HILL-RICHARDS.--On Wednesday evening, July 21, 1891, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. C. M. Alford, Dr. CHARLES LEE HILL to ANNA M. RICHARDS. No cards.

ARE WE

Right or Wrong?

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