A RISE COMING.

It Had Begun to Look as Though the Big Boats Would Quit,

BUT THE RAIN AT HEADWATERS

Has Changed the Aspect of Affairs, and Rivermen Now Look for a Boating Stage for the Immediate Future at Least. Boats Troubled by the Low Stage in the Upper River—The Hudson Had to Tie Up Wednesday Night Above Wheeling.

Until yesterday it looked as though the upper Ohio river would be so low as to cause a suspension of navigation on the part of the larger packets at least. Last evening the marks at the public landing showed 4 feet 4 inches, a lower stage than has been recorded here since the New Year came in. With the river a few inches lower than that, the Cincinnati packets would have to go to the bank, which would be unfortunate, as May is the month of the twelve when the river is most attractive for tourist travel, of which the packets are now handling a great deal. Above Wheeling to Pittsburgh the river has been very low, the marks at Davis Island dam on Wednesday night registering less than 4 feet. The Hudson, which got in from Pittsburgh last evening, had a tough time on account of the low water. Wednesday night she had to lay up on account of the fog and low water. She arrived here last evening at 7 o'clock.

Happily, it appears that the troubles of the steamboatmen are over for a time, as the night report from above shows that the rain at headwaters is having its effect on the stage of water at Pittsburgh. Last night's stage was 4.2 feet, a rise of .2 feet since the night before. A still further rise is expected at Pittsburgh, and it will be felt here this morning. Up to date, however, the rise does not appear to amount to much. It is generally hoped that there will be sufficient rain above to give the steamboatmen an eight or ten-foot stage to work on.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

Not a deed was recorded in Clerk Hook's office yesterday, or even a marriage license issued.

Yesterday the news was received in this city of the death in Elizabeth, N. J., of Mrs. Margaret Young, wife of Mr. John Young, formerly of this city.

Commencing next Monday morning the first train up on the Cleveland & Pittsburgh road will leave Bridgeport at 6:53 a. m., fifteen minutes earlier than it does now, 6:08 a. m.

The first wagon picnic of this season is to be given by Jerry E. Haller and Walter B. Hilton on Decoration Day, May 30. About twelve couples will go to Fullmer's place up Wheeling creek, and expect to spend a most enjoyable day.

Eoff street from Twelfth to Fourteenth, seems to be the spot selected by the ladies to learn to ride the festive bicycle. Every night a dozen or more of the fair sex can be seen doing the balance act astride the silent steed.

A number of citizens on the South Side still continue to file complaints about the cow ordinance not being enforced, and want to know why it is that the officers down that way don't report the owners of the cows allowed to run at large about the Eighth ward.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

D. T. Wade, of Washington, Pa., is at the McLure.

Colonel James Streator, of Washington, Pa., is a guest at the Windsor.

R. B. Harris, of Novorbisk, Russia, is in the city, registered at the Howell.

W. E. Marshall and W. H. Sheridan, of Mannington, are registered at the St. Charles.

D. D. Nolan, L. G. Casper and J. R. Griffiths, of Sistersville, and J. W. Dunlevy, and Brice Crow, of Cameron, were at the Stamm yesterday.

At the Windsor yesterday those registered were: George F. Wyvell and H. H. Benedict, Sistersville; Harry Camden and B. S. Pope, Parkersburg.

The West Virginians at the McLure yesterday were: J. C. Ralphsnyder, Kingwood; Colonel Joseph Gallaher, Moundsville; and J. A. Gartlan, Mannington.

The following were quartered at the Howell last night: Mrs. A. D. White and two children, Farmington; Mrs. E. Schrecongost, Sheffield; O. N. Kain, Mannington; J. S. Sidwell, Grafton; T. M. Calvert, Mannington, and Mark Barry, Sistersville.

Among the Wheeling people who left for Cincinnati on the packet Hudson, last evening, were two parties. One was composed of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. McGregor and three children, Mrs. David Ratcliff, Miss Ratcliff, Mrs. J. G. Trimble, Mrs. Whaley, Mrs. John G. Naylor and son, Mrs. Watkins, Mrs. P. B. Dobbins and daughter, Miss Sturgiss. In the other were: Mrs. Chris. Kalbitzer, Mrs. Charles Rohrig, Mrs. Schopier and Mrs. Neibergal.

AMUSEMENTS.

Attractions, Past and Present, at the Theatres and Other Resorts.

The tickets for the grand sacred concerts to be given by the Great Western band, of Pittsburgh, at Mozart Park next Sunday afternoon and evening, were put on sale at House's music store yesterday, and the large demand for them shows that the crowd at both concerts will be enormous. The Great Western band is one of the finest musical organizations in the country and has been awarded first medals at a number of band tournaments. The programmes for the Wheeling concerts will be made up of high class selections and the evening concert will be entirely different from that given in the afternoon. Thirty-five carefully selected musicians have been engaged for the concert tour and they will be out for the first time in their new uniforms here next Sunday. The programmes for both concerts will be printed to-morrow morning.

The Gonzales opera company was to have presented "Said Pasha" at the Grand Opera House last night, but owing to the non-arrival of the costumes ordered for the production from New York, the company had to substitute "Princess of Trebezonde." A good house was present and enjoyed the performance. To-night and to-morrow afternoon "Fra Diavola" will be given and to-morrow night "Mascotte."

The Gonzales opera company has completed arrangements whereby it will fill a season of two or three weeks at Mozart park, commencing next Monday night. "Girofle Girofla" will be given the first three nights and "Mascotte" the last three.

The Wheeling Lodge No. 28, B. P. O. E., held a well attended meeting last evening, at which the following amusement committee was named: C. R. Tracy, Jacob W. Grubb, Nate Fiel, E. B. Franzheim and Charles Schmidt. This committee will arrange for a high class concert to be given at Wheeling park next month, and will also arrange for a production of grand opera at the Casino in August. Something very fine is promised on both occasions.

YESTERDAY'S DEPARTURES.

Pittsburgh...LORENA, 3 a. m.
Pittsburgh...H. K. BEDFORD, 6 a. m.
Parkersburg...LIBERTY, 11 a. m.
Matamoras...LEXINGTON, 11 a. m.
Clarington...JEWEL, 3:30 p. m.
Cincinnati...HUDSON, 8 p. m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY.

Pittsburgh...VIRGINIA, 8 a. m.
Parkersburg...ELAINE, 11 a. m.
Clarington...JEWEL, 3:30 p. m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW.

Parkersburg...LIBERTY, 11 a. m.
Matamoras...LEXINGTON, 11 a. m.
Coal Valley...H. K. BEDFORD, 6 a. m.
Clarington...JEWEL, 3:30 p. m.

Along the Landing.

The packets are getting all the freight they can handle on the present stage of water.

The marks at 6 p. m. showed 4 feet 8 inches and falling slowly. Weather, cloudy and warm.

The Virginia may be late in arriving from below this morning on account of scant stage of water. She has a large passenger list.

The Hudson was late in arriving from above yesterday. She got in at 7 o'clock p. m. and departed an hour later. She was detained above by fog and low water. She will have an easier time of it below Wheeling.

Captain John K. Booth, of the Liberty, is the victim of bad luck. An auger stem fell on his foot the other day and inflicted a painful wound. Notwithstanding this the veteran continues on the roof of the Liberty.

The remains of two victims of the Harry Brown disaster, below Vicksburg, Miss., passed through the city yesterday morning on the Baltimore & Ohio Cannonball express. They were the bodies of George Keim and William Kelly, and were sent to relatives in Pittsburgh.

River Telegrams.

GREENSBORO—River 7 feet and stationary. Weather fair and warm.

OIL CITY—River 1 foot 6 inches and falling. Weather clear and warm.

WARREN—River 1 foot. Weather cloudy and warm.

PITTSBURGH—River 4.2 feet and rising at the dam. Weather raining.

STEUBENVILLE—River 3 feet 11 inches and falling. Weather cloudy and warm. Up—H. K. Bedford, Josh Cook. Down—Elaine.

PARKERSBURG—River 6 feet 2 inches and stationary. Weather cloudy and mercury 79. Up—Virginia, Hilton. Down—Valley Belle, Watson. Due down—Liberty. Little Kanawha falling.

Southwest Oil News.

In the Cow run sand development at Hebron in Pleasants county, the South Penn and the Victor Oil and Gas Company have drilled in a well on the John Smith farm that is showing for fifty barrels a day.

In the Kyle pool, on Indian creek, in Tyler county, the Devonian Oil Company developed a second pay in its No. 3 Kyle, and will have a twenty barrel pumper.

In the Wick district, the South Penn Oil Company has drilled No. 1, Henderson, deeper and increased the production.

In Wetzel county the Kanawha Oil Company has started No. 3 on the Mills tract, located 1,200 feet southwest of No. 1. The same company is also starting a test well on the Lantz farm, located 2,000 feet northeast of Mills, No. 1.

MR. D. P. DAVIS, a prominent liveryman and merchant of Goshen, Va., has this to say on the subject of rheumatism: "I take pleasure in recommending Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism, as I know from personal experience that it will do all that is claimed for it. A year ago this spring my brother was laid up in bed with inflammatory rheumatism and suffered intensely. The first application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm eased the pain and the use of one bottle completely cured him.