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# A GREAT RECORD

Made in 1898 by the City Gas Board, Which has Reduced

### THE INDEBTEDNESS BY \$3,100

Which is the Amount of Excess of Receipts Over Expenditures-Anthe one Just Ended will Wipe out that Democratic Legacy, the "Gas

of the city gas board, which is given below for the year 1898, it is interesting to note the magnificent improvemen board finances that has made in the years 1896, 1897 and 1898 It was just a little over three years ago when the Republicans obtained control of the board, and the principal Demo ratic legacy was an overdraft of over \$11,000, which had been accumulate brough the inability of the cas trus tees to keep their expenditures within the limits of receipts.

On the other hand, the Republican administration of the gas office has been a record of receipts in excess of expenditures during each of the three years that have pased since the Democrats lost control of the board.

On January 1, 1896, the gas board overdraft was \$10,25; during the year \$425 09 was applied to its reduction, leaving it at \$9,601 49 at the end of 1896. A Republican board did this.

In 1897, the receipts were \$2,649 14 in money was applied to a reduction of the overdraft, leaving it at the end of the year, \$6,952 35. A Republican board did this, too.

In 1898 the receipts exceeded the expenditures \$3,147 75; applied to the overdraft, leaving it at the beginning of the present year, \$3,504 60. Likewise, this was the work of a Republican gas board.

In the three years a Republican gas been a record of receipts in excess of

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In the three years, a Republican ga board has decreased the overdraf \$6,221 98. This is a record of econom 45,221 98. This is a record of economy and business wisdom on the part of Messrs. Buckman, Ford and Pollock of which they may feel a degree of pride. They could not have conducted their own private enterprises better. The showing made in the past three years is particularly good, when it is remembered that former boards were unable to do so well.

The gas board report in full is as follows:

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 6, 1899.

RECEIPTS, 1898.

EXPENDITURES,	
Gas Works,	
Apparatus	
Blacksmithing and iron. 403 34 Coal 17,708 28	
Coal hauling 2,467 54 Coke hauling 470 93	
Extension of mains 1.483 47	13,1537
Salaries and miscella- neous	25./3
Gas making wages 28,307 44	
Interest	
Meters 1,950 28	
Natural gas	
Stable 511 18	

20 20-\$70,140 2 EXPENDITURES Electric Light Plant. and globes....\$ 3,677 5

Excess of receipts...... \$ 3,147 75
REDUCED OVERDRAFT. ....\$3,804 60

THE RAILROADS.

W. M. Greene, vice president and general manager of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railroad Company, has tendered his formal resignation as general manager of that property, which is now in the hands of the United States court. Mr. Greene offered his resignation to Receiver Harmon on Wednesday prior to the appointment of Joseph Robinson as co-receiver, but it is just officially announced. The move is not a surprise to railroad officials generally, who foresaw it in the naming of Mr. Robinson by Judge Thomping of Mr. Robinson by Judge Thomp-son to take charge of the operating de-partment under Receiver Harmon. It was the desire of the bondholders and the owners of the property as also of Judge Harmon, that Mr. Greene be ap-pointed co-receiver with Judge Harmon, and this was the general expectation of everybody at all cognizant of the cir-cumstances.

umstances. Mr. Greene will continue as vice president and director of the company, and represent Mr. Bacon and the interests of the reorganization committee and se-curity holders, with offices in New York city, and, it is understood, will resume the management of the company's af-fairs here as soon as the stewardship of the court is ended.

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old Mexico that has ever been arranged,
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cover about thirty-five days, and the
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E. and Randolph Stalnaker, 35 Twelfth
street, or T. C. Burke, passenger and
ticket agent, B. & O., Wheeling, W. Va. Two Grand Tours of Mexico

#### A VERY HIGH RIVER

Will be the Result of the Heavy Rains and Snow at Headwaters, but so Far There is No Ground for a Feeling of

It is assured that the upper Ohlo river

will be at a very high stage within the ensuing sixty hours, but from the information obtainable last night there is no ground for a feeling of alarm in this community. It is true that a great deal of rain has fallen and also much snow, sufficient in fact to bring about entire by too much water for comfort if it were to come booming along with a rush. However, the cold weather last night and early this morning would seem to indicate that the snow will not reach the rivers until the effect of the rain that preceded it has passed. At 6 p. m. the river here showed 14 feet and rising. The following Associated Press dispatch was received at 2:30 a. m. Twenty-two feet at Pittsburgh would mean probably thirty-two feet here, a stage that would do ro damage:

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 7.—Indications up to midnight were for a twenty-

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 7.—Indications up to midnight were for a twenty-two foot rise in the Ohio within a short time. Heavy rains and snows along both rivers above began bringing down a heavy volume of water and the marks at the dam were being covered rapidly, but at this hour, 1:30 a. m., only about thirteen feet are registered and a most decided drop in the thermometer is likely to check the big rise somewhat. There seems no probability of a flood of any considerable proportions. my considerable proportions,

#### THE RIVER.

YESTERDAY'S DEPARTURES.

BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY.

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Charleston...GREENWOOD, 6:20 a. B.
Parkersburg...ARGAND, 11 a. m.
Sistersville...RUTHi, 2:30 p. m.
Matamoras...LERDY, 3:30 p. m.
Steubenville...T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m.
BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW.
Pittsburgh...BEN IUR. 1 a. m.
Pittsburgh...KANAVHAA. 5 m.
Pittsburgh...KANAVHA. 5 m.
Pittsburgh...KANAVHA. 6 m.
Pittsburgh...KANAVHA. 6 m.
Ramewille...LOHENA, 2 a. m.

Along the Landing marks at 6 p. m. Friday-14 fee Weather Friday-Colder, rain and

Pittsburgh River News.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 6.-J. Frank Til-ley, of the Coal Exchange, was to have e to Wallory to-day with the Ford to examine the wrecks at that gone to Wallory to-day with the Ford City to examine the wreeks at that place, but the trip was abandoned at noon on account of the heavy ice which is running in the Ohio, the Parker gorge having broken loose. The McKinley Coal Company, which owns the flat sunk at Wallory, and John A. Wood & Co., ówners of, the coal boats sunk at Merriman, refuse to abandon them, and they cannot be removed by the government for thirty days.

The coal operators will order the crews of the various boats to go around the wrecks. One operator said this morning that the Coal Exchange could not afford to buy the wrecks, and, as there will be a big river, the boats can go around them in safety. For the present, pllots say, boats should run on the island side of the wrecks. The Ciliton, which left yesterday for East Liverpool, sunk a flat on top of the flat submerged at Wallory.

No towboats had departed from Pitts-burgh at noon to-day. None of the operators cared to send out tows on account of the heavy lee running out of the Allegheny, and then there is a prospect of a big river. The lee at noon was getting heavier, and it is probable that none of the boats will make the

prospect of a big river. The ice at noon was getting heavier, and it is probable that none of the boats will make the start south until to-morrow morning. The Sam Brown, Harry Brown, Enterprise, Josh Cook, George Shiras, Raymond Horner, James Moren, Ed Roberts and many other boats are waiting to get away. Most of the ceal that is loaded is in coalbonts, and will be sent through to New Orleans.

River Telegrams

WARREN-River 6 feet. Weather,

BROWNSVILLE—River 13 teet inches and stationary, GREENSBORO—River 14 feet and rising, Eight inches of snow going off with the rain. Precipitation 1.27 inches. Wenther, ratining.

OIL CITY—River 7 feet and falling. orther, light snow.

MORGANTOWN-River 15 feet and

sing, Weather, snowing, PITTSBURGH—River 12.5 feet and

rising. Weather, snowing and cold. Passed up: I. N. Bunton. Passed down: Greenwood. PARKERSBURG-Ohio river 15 feet 8 inches and rising rapidly. Little Kanawha rising. Weather, snowing, Passed down: Ben Hur, midnight. Locals on time. n time.
POINT PLEASANT—River 15.5 feet

sing. Snow. CAIRO-River 20.1 feet and falling.

EVANSVILLE-River 17.5 feet and rising. Heavy snow.

LOUISVILLE—River rising; 9 feet 8 inches in canal; 7 feet 6 inches on falls; 22 feet 7 inches below locks. Snow, turning to rain.

MEMPHIS—River 14.2 feet and falling. Cloudy and cool.

To Revolutionize Fabric Industry.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 6.-W. H. Packer, of this city, has invented a ramie defibrator, which is said to be a success in every particular and will, it is believed, revolutionize the manufacture of fabrics. Other inventors, it is stated, have been at work on a mastated, have been at work on a machine of the same kind for the past thirty years, and although large amounts of money have been expended and premiums have been offered by governments, they have not been successful. The machine can be operated by a boy and has a capacity of four hundred pounds a day, against two pounds per day, which is the output of a man in China. The capacity of the machine can be increased according to requirements. Ramle, which is grown very largely in South America and southern states, is a possible substitute for cotton, thax and silk. The fiber produced from it is the strongest in the world.

#### Bought Outright.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 6.—A local pa-per says: The Cleveland Rolling mill's per says: The Cleveland Rolling mill's great plant in this city has passed into the control of the hig wire trust, the American Steel and Wire Company. The deal whereby the trust gained control of the big Cleveland concern was completed to-day after negotiations of many weeks. It is stated the Cleveland Rolling Mill people refused to enter the trust and their plant was bought outright. The plant is valued at \$5,000,000, and employs from 4,000 to 5,000 men.

Both Ministers Protest.

PEKIN, Jan. 6.-The United States minister here, Edwin H. Conger, acting upon instructions from Washington, vigorously protested sesterday, against the orousy protested resterday, against the extension to the Freuch or any other powers exclusive concessions at Shanghal, but he urged the extension of the existing settlements on an international basis. The British minister here, Sir Claude M, MacDonald, formally protested against the mining and railroad regulations.

Interesting Letter of Correspon dence from Immunes.

### LIEUT. FRED. HUSEMAN WELL

with an Attack of Typhold Fever. Nearly the Entire Regiment has Petitioned Cengress to be Mustered out of Service-Departure of Major Langdon, who was well Liked.

Uncle Sam's Cuban mall service evi dently is not working as well as it might. The following letter of correspondence from Manzanillo, Cuba, written by the Intelligencer's soldier-cor respondent with the Fourth Immunes was started on Christmas Eve, and did not reach Wheeling last night. The many Wheeling friends of Lieut, Fred lieved to learn of his recovery from typhoid fever. His parents first learned of his illness through this paper's cor-respondence, and probably the follow-ing will be their first knowledge of his

From Our Soldier Correspondent,
MANZANILLO, Cuba, Dec. 24.—During a political meeting of the Cubans in the city Thursday, night, December 23, the Spanish club house was stoned by them, and several windows were broken. One of the Cubans engaged in the stoning was arrested by the provost guard. The members of the Spanish club had been drinking to the death of General Garcia, and this enraged the Cubans.

Wednesday night, December 14, an attempt was made to steal cattle not far from the baracks. The thieves were fired on by the watchman, and they returned the fire, but nobody was injured.

A petition signed by nearly all the

turned the fire, but nobody was injured.

A petition signed by nearly all the men, asking to be mustered out of service since peace has been declared has been forwarded to Congress.

A boat load of Christmas presents has arrived, and they will be distributed among the boys. The goods were sent by the Red Cross and Ladles/Aid Societies, and they will certainly be appreciated by the boys.

Company L. has left to guard a large sugar plantation in the interior, and neve taken thirty days' rations.

When Major Langdon left he came down into our barracks, and bade all the boys good bye. He made a short and earnest speech, and it was appreciated by the members of Company G, who gave him three hearty cheers and a tiger. Every man, in the regiment was sorry to see him leave. Company G was a member of his battailon, and we can all say he was well liked by all the men, and can truthfully say he was a scholar, gentleman and a soldier.

Lieut, Fred Huseman has been re-

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more.
Private Nickison injured his left knee tilghtly by falling over a hidden wire trocha during a skirmish drill Thuesday of, this week.
Privates Jun and Gooseye have been spending a twenty-four hours' pass in the interior, where they visited several small lows.

the interior, where they visited several small towns.

Private Smith Calvert has been re-leased from the hospital, where he was suffering from a slight attack of fever Private White has a collection of very

Private White has a collection of very interesting relies he has gathered since he has been on the island.

The above mentioned persons are members of Company G.
Corporal Brumelle, of Company G, has received a box of fruit cake from home, but he says he isn't going to eat it until Christmas.

B. S. H.

RACE LEGISLATION

In North Carolina-Separate Coaches

for White and Colored Passengers. RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 6.—Two bills have been introduced in the house of the North Carolina legislature requiring ight snow,

BROWNSVILLE—River 13 feet 2 all railroads in the state to operate sepaches and stationary.

sengers. One of the bills is an exact copy of the One of the bills is an exact copy of the law now in force in Tennessee and which had been declared constitutional. The other is similar to it except that it provides what any first class coach may be divided into compartments separated by a substantial partition, in lieu of separate coaches." A bill also was introduced in the house to amend the state constitution so as to provide that "all the moneys arising from the taxation of the polls and property of the white race, for public schools shall taxation of the polls and property of the white race, for public schools shall be appropriated to the support of the public schools of the white race, and all the moneys arising from the taxation of the polls and property of the colored race for public schools shall be apportioned to the part of the schools of the colored race."

The school fund is now proportioned according to population, the negroes getting as much per capita as the white people, though they pay only about 10 per cent of the taxes.

· Twenty-four Hour Bicycle Race. NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The first annual international twenty-four hour bicycle race, urnaced, which was begun on the Madison Square Garden track to-night, brought a fairly large gathering of bicycle enthusiasts to the big ampitheatre. The race promises to be one of the most exciting in the history of cycling, and a broken record is looked for. Albert was leading at 12:18 o'clock, when the second hour's series was since and was leading at 12:18 o'clock, when the second hour's score was given out as follows: Albert, Miller, Plerce, (Gimm. Lawson, Aaronson, Nawn, Stevens, Julius, Frederick, Hicks, Barnaby, Turville and Chapman, 45 miles, st laps, each; Waller, 45 miles, 5 laps; Hale, 45 miles, 4 laps; Ashinger, 44 miles, 1 lap, Pilkington had ridden 25 miles and two laps when he retired.

Albert led at the fittleth mile, time, 2 hours, 13 minutes.

Grip Ties Up a Railroad.

DU BOIS, Pa., Jan. 6.-The grip to day caused the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh railroad to partly the up'its traffle. Of the thirty-five crews who have headquarters here, the railroad physician says at least 25 per cent are down with the grip, and nearly fifty men in the car shops are similarly afflicted. One physician says he attends an average of sixty grip patients daily in this city.

Frightfal Boiler Explosion LONDON, Jan. 6 .- A big boller, while

LONDON, Jan. 6.—A big boller, while being tested in Hewitt's shipbuilding yard, at Barking, burst to-day, and the superintending engineer and eight men were killed. About forty persons were injured, some fatalty. The bodies of the dead were frightfully mutilated. The whole shipbuilding yard was wrecked, A lad was found 309 yards from the scene of the disaster. Lewis Re-elected

COLUMBUS, Ohlo, Jan. 6.-The Ohio

miners' convention completed the election of officers to-day, the result being D. H. Sullivan, of Coshocton, vice-president; T. L. Lewis, of Bridgeport, re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Bears the Bigonture Chart H. Fletchers

EXPERIMENT STATIONS of Agricultural Department-Much

Good Work has Been Done. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. C.—The secretary of agriculture has forwarded to Congress a report of the work and expenditures of the agricultural exper iment stations for the fiscal year 1898. During that time, says the report, stations have as a rule steadily pursued their investigations, much useful work has been accomplished and the facility

les for investigations have increased. In Myoming and Arkansas, the substations have been abandoned. Much progress has been made in the importance and thoroughness of the original investigations pursued and the number of officers competent to undertake such investigations has been increased.

One of the most necessary features of future work is to have practical application of the results of investigations made so that farmers can be taught to make the best use of discoveries. Aid from the states is necessary for this work. Much encouragement has been afforded by the liberality displayed by the states as the importance of the work conducted by the stations becomes more apparent.

work conducted by the stations becomes more apparent.

In some instances politics have had a baneful influence on the stations, causing unceasing the properties of the properties of the properties of experiments in Alaska are encouraging as several sorts of arain and garden vegetables have been successfully raised. The Hawaiian islands now present a new field for experiments, anys, the report, and the question of their agricultural development is an important one. An experiment station is already in existence there having been stable in existence there having been estable. in existence there having been est lished at Honolulu in 1895 by an ass ation of Hawalian sugar a

A Big Lighting Trust.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan 6-Articles of accorporation of the United Lighting and Heating Company with an auterests of the United S absorption of the big concerns, includ-ng the Pennsylvania Globe and Gas light Company, which light Company, which turnishes oil light, the company is backed by the same syndicate that is behind the electric trust incorporated yesterday, and the gas trust which has been in existence for some time. The purpose is to operate the three systems of furnishing light by electricity, oil and gas.

SWEET Florida Oranges, at ALEX, DURST & SON'S.

DIED.

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BUSS-On Thursday, January 5, 1899, at 1:19 h. m., GOTLIEB BUSS, in his 65d year.

Funeral on Sunday afternoon from his late residence, No. 3:18 Wood street. Interment at Mt. Zion.

COLEMAN-At his residence, No. 1728 Wood street, on Thursday, January 5, 1800, at 8:29 a. m., Requiem mass at St. Alphonsus church at 9 o'clock, Interment at Mt. Calvary cemetery, Friends are invited.

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