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From Our Own Correspondent.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.

Winter leaves us reluctantly. Now and then we have a little pleasant weather, but generally the season is unusually cold, with occasionally a slight sprinkle of snow. The consequence is, the prevalence of a good deal of sickness among those who have delicate throats or lungs. But we must soon have brighter skies and balmy breezes.

A SELF-MADE MAN.

Joseph Harrison, Jr., who was buried in this city during the present week, left an estate of \$6,000,000. Mr. H. was a self-made man, having risen to his great eminence as a mechanical engineer, by his native intellect, and acquired his immense wealth by his own skill and industry. Thirty years ago, he introduced American locomotives into Russia, which were built by him and his partners for the railways of that country, and had it not been for his marvelous enterprise, the Russians, never, perhaps, would have received an adequate idea of the grand achievements of this department of American mechanical genius, which now attracts the attention and excites the admiration of the civilized world.

A DARING THEFT.

On Tuesday evening a young man entered the store of Mr. Gerlach, in Fifth street, above Gerard avenue, and asked to be shown some gold watches and chains. Three watches and two chains, of the value of \$450, were handed out for examination, and they were seized and carried off by a supposed accomplice, who entered the store about that time. Mr. Gerlach followed, and made a vigorous chase, but, failing, was unable to resume it until the rogues were out of sight. A similar theft, to almost an equal amount, was perpetrated on the preceding evening at a jewelry store, 142 South Second st. These hard times are making bold depredators.

STANDING FIRM.

The weavers of Kensington still maintain their strike. At a meeting, on Wednesday evening, they resolved not to recognize the unlawful paper prepared by the manufacturers, known as "coolie" paper, and to continue insisting on the adoption of the standard bill of prices. For the last few days, the journeymen carriage bolt makers have also been on a strike, for an advance of ten and fifteen per cent. on their wages.

DELAWARE RIVER SHAD.

The shad fishing at and near Marcus Hook and Chester has been a week later this season than usual, owing to the weather. A few days since there was a large catch, consisting of heavy fish. One that weighed over six pounds found its way to this city, where it was treated with due culinary respect, and proved to be of good flavor and in good condition. Herrings and sturgeon, generally caught by seine nets, with the shad, come in later. As yet none worth mentioning have been taken. Of late years the sturgeon has been in considerable request at Chester, where the conversion of the roe into caviare (sent for consumption in Russia, by way of Hamburg, in sealed cans,) is performed in a floating wooden house on the Delaware to a large extent, and with a handsome profit.

SPRING TRADE.

The leading industries of the city, upon the threshold of returning Spring, make varying reports of their business. The Dry Goods trade is far from being what the dreadful panic at first had seemed to threaten. The wholesale notion business presents a scene of very unusual activity. The whole-sale grocery trade is generally dull. Liquor dealers are doing an average business. The whole sale cloth business is ordinary. The boot and shoe trade, in the middle of its Spring business, is, for rather dull. Hardware men are enjoying a present briskness, and Millinery goods are in brisk demand, but the Hat and Cap trade has been backward, dealers, however, as in the case of many other trades, expecting good business to set in when Congress shall have definitively settled the money question.

THE PRIDE OF PROCESSIONS.

No triumph decreed to a Roman general could have equaled the procession of Forepaugh's Aggregation of Animals on

Thursday morning. Even Alexander, who wept for other worlds to conquer, would have made a poor show in comparison, and Forepaugh the Great is reported to have cried because he could not levy on the planets for contributions to his vast collection of curiosities with which he perambulated our streets. First in the line was a gorgeous golden chariot, which dazzled the beholder's eye, drawn by sixteen mottled horses, driven by a modern Phaeton, and containing a band of sixteen men, good and true, who discoursed the very music of the spheres. Following slowly, with grim and stately tread, came the big elephant, with his crimson velvet cover and his dusky attendant, and close beside, that "duck of an elephant" Baby Annie. Then came a long line of beautiful cages, presumably containing all animal creation, from the protoplasmic germ quickened into life by the action of moisture and heat, to the missing link between man and monkey, sought after by Darwin. The pageant was verily a gorgeous one, and many a classical boy will mark a day memorable for such a display, with a stone whiter than the P. far hear which growled in one of the cages.

RETURN OF THE MILITARY FROM THE RAILROAD WAR.

On the same day the First Regiment of N. G., Col R. Dale Benson, which went to Susquehanna Depot, in the early part of the week to aid the authorities to preserve the peace during the strike of the Erie Railroad employees, returned to the city, and marched through several of the principal streets, before retiring to their place of rendezvous to be dismissed. The members, with their dusty clothes and their knapsacks, blankets, &c., reminded one of former days when the veterans were returning from the war of the rebellion. It seems to be the prevailing opinion that while this strike could not be justified on legal grounds, yet the operatives had abundant reason for complaint in the unjust and oppressive withholding of their wages for months after they were due. These great monopolies of our country, by the frequent and flagrant abuse of their power, are arraying a strong prejudice against them in the public mind which they will soon not be able to withstand.

THE NATIONAL MUSEUM.

Mr. J. P. Reichert, of Armstrong Co., Pa., has written to Colonel F. M. Ebling, proposing to contribute to the National Museum, Independence Hall, some very curious relics. They were found on the site of the massacre of Blanket Hill, near Kittanning, in 1756, when a Lieut. Hogue, commanding a detachment of Col. Armstrong's forces, consisting of fifty men, was attacked by the Indians, and he and his men all butchered. These relics consist of Lieut. Hogue's sword, a scalping knife, a stone tomahawk and an iron tomahawk, two pewter plates, a shoe buckle, and a musket barrel.

ITEMS.

The Friends' Historical Association, now 99 years old, has just held another meeting. In its archives are deposited some 9,000 manuscripts, among which are a valuable prophetic letter of John Q. Adams, and letters of Lafayette, Benj. Franklin, Granville Sharp, and Benjamin Lundy.

The public squares are now being put in order.

The Centennial appropriation of \$1,000,000, by City Councils, has been approved by Mayor Stockley.

Controller Hancock refuses to counter-suit the street cleaning contractors' warrant for March, until he receives a specific certificate from the Board of Health that each district has been properly cleaned. Thus we find difficulty in "mending our ways."

Truly thine,

BROADBRIE.

What agonies must that poet have endured who, writing of his love, asserted in his manuscript that he "kissed her under the silent stars," and found the compositor had made him declare that he "kicked her under the cellar stairs!" A volume of the typographical errors which have been made within the last fifty years—well-selected specimens, we mean—would be highly amusing.

THE COST OF A DRUNKARD.

The New York World has an elaborate article, in which it undertakes to show, in dollars and cents, the cost of each individual drunkard to society. Starting with the statement that "the value of every boy who lives in a tenement house, has coarse food and clothing, and no education but the teaching of a public school, is about five thousand dollars," it continues:

The history of seven-eighths of the prisoners of New York, collected by the Prison Association, shows that a very large share of those who drink go further and commit crime. They become then the most expensive members of the body politic. If he becomes one of the 20,000 yearly arrested for crimes against property and person—arrests independent of those incurred under intoxication and disorderly conduct—he destroys property averaging at \$20, his arrest and trial costs about \$50, and his expense at the State Prison is \$200, and on Blackwell's Island \$150 a year. If he is sentenced for five years to the State prison at the end of his twelve years of drunkenness, he costs the community, as his share of the machinery which arrests and tries, convicts and sentences, and at last takes him to the prison in which he is to close his life, about as follows:

Property destroyed.....	\$20
Arrest and trial.....	50
Transportation to prison.....	30
At prison for five years.....	1,000
Total.....	\$1,100

In all a drunkard, cheaply fed and cheaply clothed, with only education enough to dig, is a loss and cost to the society which rears, educates, and destroys him, that may be told as follows:

The original investment.....	\$5,000
The loss of labor for a lifetime.....	12,376
The loss of labor by early death.....	10,558
Total.....	\$37,934

If he becomes a pauper at thirty..... 37, 68
If he becomes a felon at thirty..... 37, 982

AMERICAN SHIP BUILDING.—There are two distinct branches of ship building, the one embracing iron-ships and the other wooden ships. Ample evidence has been furnished on the Delaware river within the last two years of the growth of American iron ship building, and the Boston Globe reports that there is great activity in the ship yards of the Eastern States, where wooden ships are built. Under a recent act of Congress, there is a rebate of the duties upon all imported articles entering into the construction and repair of American vessels to be employed in the foreign trade of the United States, and the amount of the rebate for the past sixteen months has been \$384,000. Such a saving as this has stimulated the ship building business, and made it possible to construct vessels here for our own and for foreign owners.

A Boston paper relates that in Charlestown, recently, a large dog gave chase to a poor little "black and tan" whose hind leg had been injured, but, failing to overtake him, turned about and trotted back. In a short time the small dog returned, followed by a large Newfoundland, who, upon reaching the corner, seemed to be looking for something. When the little dog gave two or three sharp barks, as much as to say "That's the dog," at the same time indicating by his actions the large black, who was then at some distance. Whereupon the little dog's ally immediately attacked and severely punished the aggressor. After this little affair the small dog and his friend went down the street, apparently much pleased.

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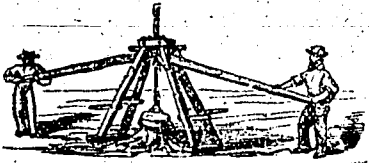
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Vine St. Wharf.....	7 00	8 00	3 45	6 04	10 15	
Cooper's Point.....	7 15	8 15	4 00	6 11	10 30	
Keyser's Siding.....	7 32		4 19			
Haddonfield.....	7 52	8 59	4 39	6 43	11 00	
Absecon.....	8 05	8 47	4 52	6 53	11 12	
White Horse.....	8 26	8 53	4 32	7 01	11 28	
Berlin.....	8 55	9 07	4 46	7 17	11 53	
Atco.....	9 07	9 14	4 53	7 24	11 57	
Waterford.....	9 26	9 26	5 03	7 36	12 13	
Ancoara.....	9 33	9 31	5 08	7 41	12 33	
Winslow.....	9 48	9 37	5 15	7 48	12 49	
Vineland Junction.....	9 58	9 39	5 17	7 50	12 52	
Hammonton.....	10 13	9 46	5 25	7 56	1 00	
DaCosta.....	10 28	9 51	5 30			
Elwood.....	10 47	10 03	5 42			
Egg Harbor.....	11 14	10 14	5 53			
Pomona.....	11 38	10 29	6 08			
Absecon.....	12 15	10 42	6 21			
Atlantic arrive.....	12 42	11 05	6 44			

UP TRAINS:

LEAVE	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	NOON	P. M.	P. M.
Atlantic.....				6 25	11 40	6 05
Absecon.....				6 44	12 15	6 29
Pomona.....				6 57	12 40	6 40
Egg Harbor.....				7 13	1 14	6 54
Elwood.....				7 24	1 29	7 04
DaCosta.....				7 36	2 04	7 16
Hammonton.....				7 50	2 24	7 27
Vineland Junction.....				8 03	2 39	7 41
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