

A Far Off Patriot.

If the Cuban insurrectionists had heard that away up here in Pennsylvania there is a Legislator who had asked the body, of which he is a member, to pass resolutions of sympathy for their movement there would doubtless have been such an infusion of new blood into their sluggish veins as would have made General Camros and his bankrupt monarchy quake.

Hon. PHIL WOMELSDORFF, the member from Centre, was on his feet Monday night and was recognized as soon as the speaker WALTON had called the House to order. After a long preamble he commenced reading resolutions of sympathy for the revolting Cubans, but alas, before he had finished, Mr. BOLLES, of Philadelphia, objected and "Little Phil" was vanquished.

It was thoughtful in him to prepare those resolutions, his Centre constituency is very much interested in the matter and that is just what he was sent to Harrisburg to do. But the unfair part of it is the way the city members stand in the way of anything being done for us fellows up the State. Now we want it distinctly understood that should our Mr. WOMELSDORFF take it into his head to get up resolutions of sympathy for Nicaragua, because she will have to indemnify Gt. Britain, or resolutions of condolence for the State Treasurer, because he has had to submit to such persistent legislative robbery, we will tolerate no more cold water throwing on the part of those Philadelphians.

The End of a Disgraceful Affair.

The end of the long drawn out and disgraceful judicial contest in the Indiana district has been witnessed with a sigh of relief by the people of this State.

While there had always been ground for the suspicion that the judiciary was degenerating it remained for the evidence developed in the WHITE-BLAIR contest to confirm it. The methods that both of the candidates resorted to were fairly startling in their corruption. The judicial ermine was trailed through the muck of political chicanery, and whiskey and money both figured in the purchase of votes.

It has always been the custom of candidates to put themselves "in the hands of their friends," but such flimsy deception goes but a little way toward deceiving the people. Such a pretext for excuse only heightens the culpability of candidates, since any of the dirty work done by their henchmen is done with their knowledge and sanction.

The WHITE-BLAIR contest has been so notorious for the filth that it has uncovered that it will indeed be strange if the people have not lost much of the reverence for the judiciary that should have existed before this case betrayed its deception.

If our forefathers could be communicated with it would greatly surprise them to be told that the silver dollars that supplied the basis of their currency, and in which they had implicit confidence as a circulating medium, were dishonest money. It required the wisdom of a later generation of monetists to discover that the "dollars of the daddies" were not a sound currency.

About a year ago Hon. BENJAMIN HARRISON remarked that business was at "the bottom of the vat." It isn't out of place at this time to call Mr. HARRISON's attention to the fact that such an improvement in business conditions is in progress under a Democratic tariff that the top of the vat will soon be reached.

It is a good thing that wheat is going up in price. It is now 65cts. but even this advance won't make up the excess in taxes the farmers will have to pay after the Republican Legislature has cut the school appropriations down \$500,000, as it declared its intention of doing on Tuesday.

A bill has passed the Legislature making it unlawful for any turnpike company to collect toll for travel over such roads on which stone over two inches in diameter is used for macadamizing.

The asking of the pardon for JOHN BARDSLEY, the robber treasurer of Philadelphia, is only the partial consummation of political deals last fall that resulted in Republican success.

Over One Hundred Dead in a Cyclone.

A Fearful Storm Sweeps Through an Iowa County—Devastation in its Pathway—A Town Swept Away, Residences and Other Buildings Demolished and a Clean Sweep Made for Miles. Communication With the Scene of the Storm is Almost Entirely Cut Off and Details are Difficult to Obtain.

SIoux CITY, Iowa, May 3.—Dispatches were received here by the Sioux City and Northern Railroad Company this evening from their agent at Sioux Centre, forty-five miles north of here, telling of a terrible cyclone near there in which many people were killed and injured and much property destroyed. The wires where the storm was were blown down and telegraph reports are consequently very meagre.

The first dispatch received by the Northern Road said the cyclone passed three miles northeast of there at 3.50 p. m. A school house near town was destroyed, the teachers killed and a number of children killed and injured, the exact number or the names it is impossible to ascertain. The whole country in the path of the storm is devastated. Sioux City and Northern tracks between Perkins and Boone are washed out for several miles.

Dispatches from Sioux Centre at 8:30 p. m. say that three school houses and at least twenty residences and barns were swept away. At the school houses two teachers and three pupils were killed and many injured. Two women were found dead about 6 o'clock not far from the point where one of the school buildings stood. One man who arrived in Sioux Centre late in the evening reported his house was blown away and his family killed. He himself escaped and reports that at least two or three hundred people must have been killed.

A TOWN SWEEP AWAY.

Parties have been sent out from Hull, Sioux Centre and Orange City, neighboring towns, but their work is being carried on in total darkness in the midst of tremendous wind and rain storm. It is consequently progressing slowly. A number of bodies have already been recovered, although the exact number cannot be learned. It is said that Perkins, a small town between Sioux Centre and Boone, was directly in the path of the storm and that it is almost entirely wiped out. The wires leading to it are all down.

The railroad tracks are washed out and the wagon roads cannot be safely traveled owing to the manner in which they were gullied by the rain. It is consequently no easy matter to reach it.

Physicians have already set out from Hull, Orange City and Sioux Centre, but are finding every conceivable obstacle in their effort to reach the scene of the storm. Help has been refused from here, but if the same character of reports continue to come in, a train may be sent out. No one seems to know exactly what was the track of the storm.

THE DEATH ROLL INCREASING.

A later dispatch from the scene of the storm says that definite reports are beginning to come in as to the path followed by the cyclone. The storm originated about a mile and a half southwest of Sioux Centre. It moved from there in a northeasterly direction and passed directly through Perkins, a small town six miles north of Sioux Centre. After passing nothing was heard of any damage. Late this evening, however, news was received from Sibley to the effect that a storm struck there about 6 p. m. destroying the house of Joe Watterson, killing Mrs. Watterson and injuring Watterson and his son. No names can yet be learned of the people injured about Sioux Centre and Perkins.

The Sioux City and Northern train, which arrived at 10 o'clock this evening, brought in several passengers who witnessed the storm. They reported 13 dead bodies had been brought into Sioux Centre at 6 o'clock. They estimated fifty people must have been killed.

The deaths were all in the vicinity of Sioux Centre. The names of a few injured near Sibley, where considerable damage was done by the storm are known. Besides John Watterson who was killed by flying timbers, Herman Belknap, a farmer near Sibley, was killed by lightning and Mrs. Fry and the Roseberg brothers were badly hurt.

Squire McNamara Suicides.

HOUTZDALE, Pa., May 6.—Squire Robert McNamara, of this place, was found lying dead on the floor of his office at 9:30 this morning, by S. McFadden. He had committed suicide, having placed the muzzle of a revolver in his mouth and discharged the weapon, the ball coming out at the top of his head. The squire had been last seen alive on Friday evening and he probably suicided that night or Saturday morning. He had been drinking very hard of late and this was probably the cause of his terrible deed. McNamara was about 70 years of age and is survived by a wife and seven adult children.

Big Failure in Minnesota.

St. CLOUD, Minn., May 5.—N. P. Clark & Co.'s assignment papers, which were filed five minutes before the clerk's office closed last evening, are the sensation of the hours here. The liabilities will probably reach \$1,000,000. The value of the assets given at \$1,250,000 is problematical. The place of business of the firm is in Minneapolis, where it has mills. It has until lately been regarded as one of the wealthiest in the state. Mr. Clark was the owner of the finest stud of Clydesdale horses in the world, and is known to the blooded stock dealers all over the country. His horses have now been mortgaged to secure large depositors in the bank.

The New Tariff Revenues.

Customs Receipts Greater Than Under the McKinley Law.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Although the revenues of the government continue to fall short of meeting the expenditures, it is gratifying to note that the Wilson bill, as a revenue producer, is making good the predictions of its friends. This is demonstrated by the receipts from customs duties reported by the treasury department. These customs receipts for the current fiscal year up to Monday, May 6, were in the aggregate about \$130,500,000. Nearly two months of the fiscal year still remain, so that the Wilson bill, during its first year's operations, will yield in customs revenues over \$140,000,000.

During the last fiscal year, in which the McKinley law was in force, from July 1, 1893, to June 30, 1894, the total receipts from customs duties were \$131,000,000, at least \$10,000,000 short of what the Wilson law will yield this year. From this it is clear that under normal conditions of business activity the Wilson act will yield ample revenue.

Had it not been for the long delay in Congress in passing the bill, which delay gave the sugar trust all the time it wanted to import free of duty under the McKinley act all the raw sugar it could lay its hands on throughout the world, the customs receipts under the Wilson act would have been swelled several millions from the tax it imposes on raw sugar.

The volume of foreign commerce will undoubtedly be heavily increased in the next fiscal year, and the receipts from custom duties under the Wilson act will undoubtedly go 15 or 20 millions beyond this year's figures.

Japan Averts War.

She Cedes All Claim to the Feng Tien Territory in Reference to the Wishes of Russia, France and Germany.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—The "Journal de St. Petersburg," semi-official, says "Japan, in conformity with the friendly advice of Russia, France and Germany, will renounce her claim to the Feng Tien territory.

Sone Arasuke, Japanese minister to France, has informed M. Hanotaux, French minister of foreign affairs, that Japan had renounced her claim to the Liao Tung peninsula, including Port Arthur.

Washington, May 6.—Official information has been received that the Chinese emperor signed the treaty without modification on Thursday last. China and Japan having been the sole participants in the war, they claim that international usage accords them the sole right of setting between themselves the points of difference, and that the precedents of centuries would be violated if other nations not parties to the conflict were permitted to decide in what way the rewards of victory should be bestowed. This is stated to be the gist of Japan's answer to Russia while at the same time the answer suggests that the Japanese government will be willing to negotiate with Russia to carry out any reasonable requests of that empire.

The Tax Decision to Stand.

Inferred that Justice Jackson Will Support the Majority Decision of the Supreme Court in the Income Cases.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Justice Jackson, of the United States Supreme Court, arrived here today to hear the re-argument of the income tax cases. The whole case will be gone into. Judge Jackson expects to be here only about a week, probably less. From this fact it is inferred that the re-argument of the case will result in no variation of the decree rendered by the court last month.

Forest Fires in Elk.

Flames Cause a Loss of \$125,000 at Glen Hazel—A Mill, Lumber, Cars and Dwelling Burned.

RIDGEWAY, Pa., May 5.—A forest fire was discovered in the vicinity of Glen Hazel this morning. Assistance was sent from Bradford. The flames were fought all day, but they reached the village and Delos Dolliver's sawmill, with 10,000,000 feet of hemlock logs, 1,200 feet of Erie railway track, 16 cars and 6 dwelling houses were burned.

The fire was soon under control in Glen Hazel, but it is still burning in the woods. The estimated loss is \$125,000.

Steve O'Donnell Defeats Kilrain.

Steve O'Donnell defeated Jake Kilrain, on Monday night, in the twenty-first round at the Seaside Athletic club before 6,000 spectators. The defeated man displayed his great courage to the end. In the last round he was knocked down in a semi-conscious condition, but regained his feet in less than 10 seconds and wanted to continue the battle. Tim Hurst, the referee, awarded the battle to O'Donnell, thus ending the fight, at the request of the police.

School Appropriations Cut.

HARRISBURG, May 7.—After a prolonged session of the house committee on appropriations to-night it was decided to have Chairman Marshall report about 40 bills to the house Thursday. It has been decided to recommend the cutting off of the \$500,000 a year for text books. It was also agreed to make a general bill embodying the appropriations to the state Normal schools. They will get probably \$15,000 each.

Texas Democrats and Silver.

DALLAS, Tex., May 7.—Chairman Dudley has called a meeting of the executive committee of the Democratic party of Texas at Dallas on the 27th inst. for the purpose of defining the position of the party on silver.

The Death of James Young

Col. James Young who is well known throughout the State and country as the "Farmer King of Pennsylvania," died at his residence in Middletown on last Saturday morning. Colonel Young on Thursday last purchased a young horse at a sale and was driving rapidly through one of the streets in Middletown. In turning out to avoid an approaching rut in the road, swerving it around so quickly that he was thrown out. He struck first on the wheel and then dropped over to the ground on his head. He was picked up unconscious, taken to his home and Dr. Bowers, his family physician, hastily summoned. It was found on examination that his internal injuries were of a very serious character and that his left side was completely paralyzed from the injury to his head. He rallied and some hopes were then entertained of his recovery, but during the night a change for the worse set in, which ended in his death. His three children were present at his bedside when he passed away.

James Young was born at Swatara Hill, near Middletown, July 25, 1820. He was a willing, shrewd and ambitious boy, and always helped about his father's country hotel during his vacations. With his first hundred dollars he purchased a stage route, after which he successively and successfully ran a canal boat, lumber and coal business, lime stone quarries, and the largest and most beautiful farms in Pennsylvania. His thirteen farms include upwards of three thousand acres, all under the highest cultivation with picturesque and well kept buildings and fences. In the financial circles Col. Young was regarded as a man of sound judgment and strictest probity. While he carefully guarded his large interests, he was a man of a generous heart, public spirited, freely aiding the deserving and never withholding liberal support from prominent enterprises.

Gov. Hastings, ex-Gov. Pattison, Chief Justice Paxson and many distinguished men attended his funeral on Tuesday afternoon which was held from the old Young mansion in Middletown.

More Armenian Outrages.

Gladstone Says That Turkey is Bent on its Own Ruin.

LONDON, May 7.—At a meeting held at St. James hall this evening, the Duke of Argyll presiding, to protest against the Armenian outrages, a letter from Gladstone to the duke was read. In it Mr. Gladstone expresses his hope for the meeting's success, and declared Turkey appeared determined to do everything for its own ruin. Europe should not trust to words, but take steps to prevent a recurrence of the outrages. England will not shrink, and she will have the help of France and Russia, said Mr. Gladstone.

The Daily News to-day published advice received from its correspondent at Kars, saying that 800 of the survivors of the recent massacre in Armenia, who returned to their homes under promise of protection from the Turks, are being daily persecuted and tortured at the hands of the Turkish officials, supported by gendarmes. For two months, it is added, the officials have tried to force the refugees to sign an address of thanks to the sultan, stating that they have met with only kindness at the hands of the troops and that all the troubles were caused by the Kurdish raiders. Those refusing to sign the address are beaten, placed in chains and are suspended for hours by their feet. Women were abused, children shamefully treated, and the soldiers forced women and girls to sign the address.

Difficulty in Getting News.

All Correspondence Revised by the Spanish Authorities and Many Facts Withheld.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 5.—A cablegram to the Times Union from Key West, Fla., says: "There is great difficulty in getting news to the public. All correspondence is revised by the Spanish authorities and many facts are withheld. The Spanish government finds great difficulty in getting provisions, etc., to troops at Bayamo. All the fortifications around Manzanillo have been destroyed by the insurgents. The province is virtually in their hands."

"The battle of Ramon Jaguas on the 19th of April, according to an eye witness, was terrible. The Spanish troops were almost annihilated. The battle lasted nearly three hours. The insurgents lost fifty men. The belief is general that the revolutionists will be greatly strengthened. Two bands of 500 in the province of Santa Clara have joined the insurgents."

General Hancock's Body to Be Removed.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—At a meeting of the Second army corps to-night a committee was appointed to take steps toward the removal of the bodies of General Hancock, now at Norristown, and Mrs. Hancock, now at St. Louis, to Arlington, Va. General and Mrs. Hancock's relatives are very anxious that the bodies be interred at Arlington and will co-operate with the committee to this end.

Will Not Take Charge Right Away.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Major Kretz, the newly appointed superintendent of the Philadelphia mint, and W. E. Morgan, the new coiner, will not take charge until the latter part of this month or the 1st of June. Mr. Kretz will go to Philadelphia this week or early next week to look over the ground and familiarize himself with the affairs of the mint.

Free Silver Republicans.

GUTHRIE, Okla., May 7.—A number of Republicans have inaugurated a movement for silver, and will at once open headquarters and organize free silver leagues all over the territory, looking toward the selection of free silver delegates to the Republican national convention.

Do you read the WATCHMAN.

Royalty's Review.

Americans Presented at Queen Victoria's Drawing Room.

LONDON, May 8.—With bright sunshine and a cool breeze the approaches to Buckingham Palace were thronged to-day long before the hour fixed for the opening of the drawing room. The third daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, Princess Alexandra, made her debut in the royal circle. The Queen Regent of Holland and the little Queen of Holland went to the palace, but they did not attend the actual drawing room ceremony. Queen Victoria sent a special carriage to Brown's hotel to fetch them to Buckingham palace, so as to enable the young queen to see her arrayed in her robes of state before the ceremony. The two queens of Holland will dine at Buckingham palace to-night, and lunch there to-morrow before starting on their return to Holland.

The United States ambassador, the Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, Mrs. Bayard and Miss Bayard, accompanied by Lieutenant Commander W. S. Cowles, the United States naval attaché, attended the drawing room. The widow of Senator Hearst, of California; Misses Grace and Bertha Potter, daughters of Mr. Howard Potter; Miss Raby, of New York, and Mrs. Walter Winans were present.

Victory for Judge White.

End of the Long Contest That Showed Great Corruption.

INDIANA, Pa., May 4.—The long judicial contest between Blair and White ended to-day, the Court deciding that Judge Harry White was elected. By the number of votes challenged the Court found that 571 was the number they were to look after. The 571 were adjudged guilty. Of this number 265 voted for White and 306 for Blair. If this decision stands Judge White will hold the office for the next ten years.

The costs are borne by the county, and the amount is estimated at about \$8000. Notice of an appeal was filed by Blair's attorneys.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

John A. Schreck's barn, at Kybertown, was struck by lightning, during Tuesday's storm, and burned down.

The county commissioners journeyed to Karlsruhe, Tuesday, to examine the Centre county abutment of the new bridge recently built over the river at that point. It was found that the abutment had been damaged by the ice flood and would need repairs. A new bridge will be built at Moshannon.

WANTED—At Lyon & Co's store, Bellefonte, 50,000 lbs. wool.

SCRAPS OF NEWS FROM STATE COLLEGE.—Sunday June 9th, will be baccalaureate Sunday at the College and the Rev. David M. Breed, of Pittsburg, will officiate. The program for the rest of Commencement week will be the same as in the past, with the exception of a change of speakers.

Last Friday the Dickinson college base ball team played State, on Beaver field, and, after a rather poky game, were defeated by the score of 7 to 4. Williams, the visiting pitcher, is a fine one and had been supported in the same masterful style that Nesbit was backed up by the blue and white, the result might have been different. The feature of the game was the sharp fielding of Walker, Rice and Atherton, the latter having secured a double and tripple also.

The next day the Central State Normal school club came to the College to play the Preps, who kept the visitors guessing until the eighth inning when the gaudy red and yellow uniforms of the Normalites made them bilious and they lost their heads and the game, too, by the score of 14 to 16. Rawn, Hayes and Rice carried off the honors for the Preps, while Devall and Hile did good work for the visitors.

The State inter-collegiate sports will be held, on Beaver field, at this place, on Saturday, May 18th. The meet was to have been held at Harrisburg, but the plans fell through, State offering \$175 and the medals secured the meet. The contest this year promises a little better than last. Lafayette will be stronger, so will W. U. of P. and State and as Swarthmore will be weaker an interesting contest will no doubt ensue. There is one thing certain Mr. Simms will not be given an opportunity to ride off with the 2 mile bicycle this year as he did last. Trainer Hoskins is coaching up bombs to throw into Dr. Shell's camp of Quaker athletes.

To-night the Adelphi club reception will attract quite a number of society people from near by towns to the Inn.

It is altogether probable that two of States best players will be members of the Cape May ball club this summer.

On Wednesday Manager Greer sent the College team up against the Cuban Giants, but the ebony colored players were too much for our team and we went down to the tune of 13 to 4. There was quite a large crowd out to see the game and most of them were disappointed in the loose game put up by State, Walker and Rice, being the only men who seemed to remember that they could play ball. Grant and Williams played a smart game for the Giants.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Issued during the past week taken from the docket.

Edmund B. Rankin and Anna J. Stott, both of Bellefonte. George H. Weight, of Benner Twp., and Cora Brumgart, of Salona. Herbert L. Ailman and Nannie M. Houser, both of Houserville. James A. Hatch and Mary L. Burchfield, both of Phillipsburg. John M. Bratton and Tillie Bratton, both of Sandy Ridge. Isaac F. Heaton and May C. Croft, both of Boggs Twp. Olivia C. Campbell, of Bellefonte, and Annie M. Tate, of Pleasant Gap.

DEATH OF A NONAGENARIAN.—Died at her residence in Half Moon township, on April 22nd, 1895. Mrs. Mary McDivitt, widow of late James McDivitt.

Mrs. McDivitt, daughter of Wm. and Martha Addleman, was born in Warriorsmark township, Huntingdon Co., Pa. Sept. 16, 1804, and was married to James McDivitt in 1822. To them were born twelve children, eight of whom are living, and were at her funeral. She was the grandmother of eighty-six children, seventy living; ninety-three great grand children, eighty-five living, and five great great grand children, all living.

Mother McDivitt was one of the old residents of our community, having lived in our midst for about three fourths of a century and was one who attracted all who came in contact with her, by her true motherly traits of character, ever having a pleasant smile and kind word for all whom she met, particularly the young. She seemed never to grow old, but kept in touch with the children of the neighborhood, and all were glad to meet grandmother McDivitt.

She had rounded out a good old age, almost ninety-one years of a virtuous and useful life and was called to her reward.

Mrs. Lucy Steele Waring died in her 72nd year at her home in Tyrone at noon, last Friday, after a lingering illness with a complication of diseases. She was a native of Potter township, this county, her maiden name having been Wieland, a daughter of Michael S. Wieland. In 1845 Rev. D. Moser united her in marriage to Robert Waring and with him she lived on a farm in the vicinity of Linden Hall until 1851 when they moved to Tyrone. Four children and a husband survive. Mrs. Waring was one of a family of twelve children, Mrs. Drucilla C. Hess and Daniel T. Wieland, both of Linden Hall, being a brother and sister. Deceased was a devout Lutheran and was buried on Sunday.

Lowell M. Meyer, a man whose sweet voice had been heard in almost every part of this county, died at his home in this place on Wednesday morning, after a long trouble with a diseased arm. His ailment finally developed blood poisoning which caused death. About two years ago he met with an accident in which his wrist was injured in a hay baler and from this his fatal malady developed. Deceased was about forty years old and leaves a widow with four children. Interment was made yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Guyer, relict of the late Rev. George Guyer, died at her home in Tyrone, on Thursday evening of last week, after an illness of about six months. Deceased was born at Birmingham, in 1818, and was a daughter of Wm. Galbraith. Funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon, interment having been made at Warriorsmark.

John Rachan, a well known old resident of the vicinity of Madisonburg, died on last Monday. Deceased had cut a thorn out of his hand some time ago and blood poisoning set in, killing him. He was the father of seventeen children, ten of whom survive with their aged mother.

Miss Ella Beck, aged thirty-three years, died at the home of her father, Jeremiah Beck, in Warriorsmark, last Saturday morning. Deceased was an upright christian woman and her death is a lamentable one. She had been ill nine months with dropsy.

Daniel Shaffer was found dead in his bed, in Look Haven, last Friday morning. He had been ill several months with dropsy and his wife laid down beside him to take a few moments rest and awoke to find him dead.

Mrs. Elizabeth H. Harrison died in Pittsburg on Sunday, April 28th. Deceased was born in Bellefonte in 1822 and was a daughter of Benjamin Bennett Esq. Only one child survives her death.

Roy Edgar, youngest son of Calvin Lucas, died at the home of his parents, in Boggs township, on Monday. The babe was one year and twelve days old.

Will F. Short, only brother of associate editor John Short, of the Clearfield Spirit, died at Washington, D. C. on Monday, from the effects of pneumonia.