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dental discharge of his gun while deer hunting on the Alleghenies. Seth Yocum was a polished gentleman, brilliant in conversation and of a literary turn of mind. He became very promi nent in this section in the campaign of 1878, when, as a Greenback candidate, he defeated the late ex Governor A. G. Curtin for Congressman from this

Several years after his return from Washington he retired from the practice of law and moved to Johnson City, Tean., where he superintended the operations of a large tannery, owned by his father-in-law, the wealthy John Horton, whose son is now vice president of the U. S. Leather Co. His health failed while living in Tennessee, and he moved thence to Passadena where he has led a retired life ever

Deceased was about 60 years old and leaves a widow with five children, three of whom are at home. Two sons, Charles and John, both being located in New York, where they are employed by the U. S. Leather Co.

HON. CHARLES HUSTON.

Was of Scotch-Irish descent, his grand-father being one of the early emigrants to Pennsylvania. He was the eldest son Thomas and Jane Huston, whose maiden name was Walker, and was born in Plumstead township, Bucks county, Jan. 16, 1771. A mere lad during the Revolution, many of its incidents were indelibly impressed upon his memory. He was educated at Dickinson College Carlisle, where he graduated in 1789 with the honors of his class. During the year 1790 and 1791 he taught a select school at Carlisle meanwhile studying law with Thomas Duncan, Esq., with whom he was afterwards associated on the bench of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. In 1792-93 he was em-ployed by the trustees of the college as tutor of the languages. Among his pupils was the late Chief Justice R. B. Taney, of the Supreme Court of the United States. In his autobiography the chief justice says of him, "I need not speak of his character and capacity, for he afterwards became one of the first jurists of the country. He was an accomplished Latin and Greek scholar, and happy in his mode of instruction. And when he saw that a boy was disposed to study, his manner to him was that of a companion and friend, aiding him in his difficulties. The whole school under his care was much attached to

In October, 1794, Gen. Washington came through Carlisle on his way to quell the Whiskey Insurrection. Mr. Huston joined the expedition, and his vivid description of its various incidents will long be remembered by the many who had the good fortune to number him among their acquaintances.

In those days lawyers traveled the circuits on horseback, and there remains a description of Mr. Huston's costume: slouched hat, drab three-caped overcoat green flannel leggins tied around the legs with black tape, homespun dress coat. Thus attired, with boots and leggins covered with mud, for want of time to change his dress, he was compelled to enter the Supreme Court, sitting in Philadelphia, where to the astonishment of the bar he delivered one of the ablest arguments they ever listened to.

In the spring of 1807 he removed to Bellefonte, attending faithfully to an enormous practice until his appointment by Governor Findlay to the presidency of the courts of this district. He was a powerful advocate before a jury, and the memory of the remarkable speech he made in the Barber and Kelly case in court at Bellefonte still lingers, a traditionary witness for his forensic ability. Judge Huston presided over

Fourth District for eight years with distinguished ability. Such was his influence with the jury that in the course of those whole eight years he granted but

In 1826 he was appointed by Govern-or Shulze one of the justices of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in the arduous and responsible duties of which he continued until the expiration of his commission in 1845. How ably he discharged these duties will be best learned from his numerous opinions in full thirty five volumes of reports.

The last four years of his life were spent in the compilation of his work entitled "An essay on the History and Nature of Original Titles to Land in the Province and State of Pennsylvania."

His wife, his only son, and two daughters he had followed to the grave, and these afflictions weaned his thoughts from this world and he looked for a better. He was a communicant in the Presbyterian church, and died as he had lived, a firm believer in the truths of the bench and after his retirement Christianity. His death took place Nov, from the judiciary he took C. M. 10, 1849, in the eightieth year of his age.

JUDGE JAMES BURNSIDE.

Hon. James Burnside, was born in Bellefonte, Feb. 22, 1807. He was the In 1824, he was a student at the Bellefonte academy, and in 1828, graduated with the highest honors at Dickinson College. His study of law was prosecuted in his father's office. He was admitted in November, 1830, by the court over which his father presided, and at once commenced the practice of his profession under the same stern and impartial regime.

member of the Assembly, and re-elec- tion and resumed the practice of his ted in 1845. While in this position he gave proof of great ability. His speech. Feb. 3, 1846, upon an amendment Monday morning, November 6th, 1893. which he proposed to the State Constitution in favor of biennial sessions of the Legislature was a particularly able

He was married June 2, 1846, to Rachel, daughter of Hon. Simon



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Andrew Gregg Curtin.—Born at Bellefonte, Pa., April 22, 1815; began the practice of law in 1837; a presidential elector in 1848 and 1852; elected Governor in 1860 and 1864; Minister to Russia in 1865; a liberal Republican in 1872; member of constitutional convention 1872-3; defeated for Congress in 1878; elected to Congress as Democrat two times 1880 to 1887; died Sunday, Oct. 7th, 1894.

missioned him its first judge, April 20, 1853, and in October he was elected without opposition to the same high position. He was eminently distinguished upon the bench for his calm impartiality, yet off of it he was a lenient citizen and indulgent friend. In his private relations he displayed many qualities of head and heart which endeared him to his friends and the people. Had he lived higher honors were ated in 1855. apparently in store for him, but with only half of his years of usefulness expended he was called suddenly away. He was instantly killed by being thronw from a buggy, July 1, 1859, leaving a widow, since deceased, a daughter, and two sons, S. Cameron and Thomas.

JUDGE JOHN H. ORVIS.

Hon. John H. Orvis was of puritan emigrants in the second vessel that landed on the shores of New England. He was born in Sullivan township, Tioga county, Pa., February 24th,

While yet a boy of twelve years, he came to reside in Howard, Centre county; attended the common schools and at the early age of fitteen years (1850-1851) became a school teacher in Curtin township, and as such assisted in the organization of the "teachers institute of Centre county" (October 1, 1850) at Oak Hall. In 1851, he went to Baltimore where he learned the art of printing. From thence he went to Chester county where he worked at his trade and attended a term at the New London academy. Returning to Clinton county, he followed his trade of printing, also teaching school; notably one term 1853-1854, at Rock Hill school house, in Harris township, Centre county. He read law under the tuition of N. L. Atwood, Esq., at Lock Haven, and was admitted to the bar of Clinton county in February 1856.

He practiced his profession at Lock Haven until in December 1862, he was admitted to the bar of Centre county and removed to Bellefonte, where he resided until his death. He was elected a member of the Legislature in the fall of 1872 and re-elected in 1873. In the Legislature none exceeded him in ability; he was marked by great ac-tivity of intellect, and there has seldom been met with in any one a clearer comprehension of the subjects of legis-

He first began the practice of law in this county as a partner in the firm of Orvis & Alexander of which the late ex-State Senator Cyrus T. Alexander was the junior member. This partner-ship lasted until he took his seat on Bower, Esq., and his only son, Ellis L. Orvis, into the firm of Orvis, Bower, & Orvis, which since 1884, has flourished as one of the leading law firms

act of April 9th, 1874, and John H. Orvis was appointed thereto, while still a member of the Legislature, by Gov. John F. Hartrantt. This graceful act, as coming from a political opponent, August 7th, 1883, he became president In October, 1844, he was elected judge but, soon after resigned his posi

Judge Orvis, died at his home

JUDGE ADAM HOY, ESQ.

Was born Sept. 6, 1827, in Spring township, Centre county. He is a grandson of George Hoy, of Miles township, Cameron.

When the Twenty-fifth Judicial District was formed, Governor Bigler com
George Padget, a noted teacher for sixty

years in Buffalo and Penn's valleys. When but four years of age Mr. Hoy was sent to his school, then kept in the Swartz school house in Spring township, on the Eckenrode place. In 1851-52 he attended the Mifflinburg Academy, and from there went to Airy View, near Perryville, to the academy kept by David Wilson. In the fall of 1854 he entered the sophomore class in Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, and gradu

Mr. Hoy read law with the late Hon.
H. N. McAllister, and was admitted
April 27, 1858. Upon the invitation of
the late Judge J. T. Hale, Mr. Hoy occupied a room in his law office, and be-came more or less associated with the judge in his extensive business up to the death of the latter, He was married Dec. 26, 1865, to Miss Louisa M., daughter of the late James D Har-

He was appointed President Judge of this district by Gov. Pattison in 188 which position he held with great credit until January, 1885, when he was succeeded by Judge Furst.

During the war Judge Hoy acted with the Republicans, but shortly after its termination joined the Democrats, and up to the time of his death was an active and influential member of that organization. In 1893, and again in 1876, he was a candidate for the Senate, but failed to make the nomination. In 1884 he was the Democratic nominee for President Judge, but was defeated in consequence of local dissensions and political complications in the Congressional district. He bore his defeat manfully, and the faithful and earnest manner in which he fulfilled the duties of chairman of the Democratic county committee, to which he was elected the year following his defeat, proved how devoted he was to the principles he espoused and how true to the cause he advocated.

He died August 23rd, 1887, of kidney trouble, leaving a widow with seven children.

EX-JUDGE A. O. FURST.

Hon. A. O. Furst, whose term of office as President Judge of the district composed of Centre and Huntingdon counties expired last December and who is the sole survivor of the many illustrious men who have presided over the courts of this district, was born in Lamar township, Clinton county, in 1835. His early education was acquired in the schools of his native township, after which he entered Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, from which institution he graduated two years subsequently with the honors of his class. In the fall of 1853 he entered the junior class of Dickinson College, at Carlisle. Five years later he commenced the study of the law in the office of Kline G. Furst, at Lock Haven and in September, 1860, was admitted to the bar of Clinton county. Soon afterward he located in Bellefonte and it was upon the motion made by the late Hon. H. N. McAllister that he was admitted to practice law in the several courts of Centre county He proved himself of ability and readi-Hon. James Burnside, was born in Bellefonte, Feb. 22, 1807. He was the eldest son of Hon. Thomas Burnside. The office of additional law judge taining a position in his profession for the 25th District was created by the among the leaders. In the summer of 1884 he was nominated for the judgeship by the Republicans of this district and in November of that year was elected with the handsome majority of 600. He was commissioned Jan. 1st, 1885, and held the office until 1894 when after a bitter fight for a renomination he was defeated by Hon. John G. Love, and is now practicing at the Centre county courts, where he is one of the ablest attorneys.

JUDGE JOHN G. LOVE.

Judge John G. Love, Esq., was born in the village of Stormstown, Centre county, Dec. 18, 1843. His early education was that acquired at the public school about two and one-half miles from his home. In the fall of 1860 went to Dickinson Seminary in Williamsport. He attended several terms at this well-known institution. When the war broke out he enlisted and served nine months as a member of Twenty- River.

second Pennsylvania Cavalry. In 1865 he entered the law office of E. Blanchard, in Bellefonte, and in the fall of 1866 began a course of law in the university at Albany, New York. He was a class mate of Governor McKinley and is to-day a warm personal friend of

that illustrious gentleman.

Mr. Love graduated from the law university in June, 1867, and was admitted to the supreme court of New York state. In August of the same year he was admitted to the several courts of Centre county and ranks as one of the leading and most able lawyers practicing at this bar. Having defeated Judge A. O. Furst for his party's nomination for honors in the summer of 1894 he secured the endorsement of Huntingdon county, after a long contest with Hon. John Lovell, of that county, and was elected in November over C. M. Bower, Esq., Democrat. His majority in the district was 1074.

JOHN BLAIR LINN.

John Blair Linn was born at Lewisburg, Union Co., Pa. Oct. 15, 1831, and inherited his inclination to genealogy and local history from his father, James F. Linn, Esq., (deceased), whose memoranda and newspaper files were the sources from which much of what-ever is valuable in the "Annals of Buffalo Valley" was derived. He was pre pared for college at the Lewisburg Academy by John Robison, Esq., now of the Philadelphia bar, and entered Marshall College at Mercersburg, Pa., in May, 1846, where he graduated in 1848, with the Hon. Charles A. Mayer, later judge of Centre, Clinton and Clearfield counties.

He read law in his father's office at Lewisburg, and was admitted to the bar of Union county, Sept. 16, 1851. In 1852 and 1853 he practiced in Sullivan county, Pa., where he was elected van county, Pa., where he was elected to fill that position, the duties of district attorney, but returned to Lewisburg in 1854, where he practiced, law until his removal to Centre county in April, 1871. April 10, 1873, he was

From 1789, his name is connected with the land titles of Centre County. He married, June 15, 1790, Ann, daugher of Col. James Dunlop, and removed to Spring Creek in 1795, in which year in connection with his father-in law he laid out the town of Bellefonte. He was a State senator ham, on the banks of the Octorara from Mifflin County, and the first postmaster at Bellefonte. After the erection of the county he was senator from

James Harris died Dec. 2, 1826, in the seventy-first year of his age; his wife, April 8, 1844, aged seventy-seven. Of their children, were Jane, married Rev. James Lewis; John Harris, M. D., late United States consul at Vienna , Eliza G. married Dr. Daniel Dobbins ; James Dunlop Harris, the celeris, county treasurer at Howard, and Andrew Harris. Mrs. Ann Harris, who survived her

husband eighteen years, was a woman of more than ordinary mental powers, and had talents for philosophical inrestigation, which she improved by study and converse with the able theologians of her day.

Andrew Harris married Ann Bella Johnston, by whom he had one son, Dr. Lucian Harris; all are deceased.

SENATOR S. T. SHUGERT.

Hon. S. T. Shugert was born in Belle-fonte, Feb. 1809. During his early life he became active in county affairs and influential in the councils of his party. Under the administration of President Buchanan, he was made chief clerk in the Patent office and on the death of the Commissioner of Patents, was appointed HON. CYRUS T. ALEXANDER.

John Alexander and Margaret Glason Alexander, the ancestors of Mr. Alexander, were originally from Glasgow, Scotland, whence they removed to the county of Armah, Ireland, and thence to America in 1836, settling in Notting-Their second son, James, born about the year 1726, married Rosey Reed, a daughter of Robert Reed, of Lurgan daughter of Robert Reed, of Lurgan township, Cumberland (now Franklin) county, and settled in Kishacoquillas valley, being the pioneer settler of its western portion. Their son, Robert Alexander, born in October, 1756, married April 8, 1790, to Elizabeth McClure, settled upon a part of his father's place and didd there in 1843. In 1893. place, and died there in 1843. In 1823 he was elected to the Legislature by the largest Democratic majority ever given brated civil engineer; William Har- in his district, yet he refused to be again a candidate.

James Alexander (son of Robert) married Ann Lewis, Nov. 27, 1821, and their son, Cyrus T., was born Sept. 10, 1836, in Mifflin county. He was educated at Dickinson Seminary, and graduated in 1843. He studied law, and was admitted to the bar of Centre county in August, 1859, and engaged in the active practice of the legal profession eleven years as law partner of Hon. J. H. Orvis, then for years was the senior partner of the law firm of Alexander & Bower, of Bellefonte. During part of the years 1861 and 1862 Mr. Alexander was part owner of the Democratic WATCHMAN and edited its columns. In 1864-65, Mr. Alexander represented Centre county in the House of Representatives at Harrisburg, and in November, 1878, was elected to the Senate for four years.

As a Representative and Senator he carrying into these positions the same principles of honesty, integrity and up-rightness that guided every act of his life. As a citizen none could have been more popular or command to a greater extent the general confidence and esteem of the public.

Senator Alexander died at Aiken, S

C., Friday morning, March 18, 1887. He had gone there with the hope of recovering from a throat affection.

SENATOR HENRY PETRIKIN.

Senator Henry Petrikin, died at the Merchants' Hotel in Philadelphia, Nov. 8, 1849. He was the first white child born in Bellefonte, in the year 1798, a printer by profession, and for many years editor of the Bellefonte Patriot. He was a mem-ber of the House in 1828-30, State Senator in 1826 for Judge Burnside's unexpired term, and Senator 1831-35. He was Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth from 1839-42 and from 1845-48. At the close of his life he was superintendent of the railroad around the Inclined Plane. He was buried at Harrisburg, according to his own request.

He Wasn't Working for the Lord

A good Methodist parsoniwho had charge of the congregation in this placenot a very long time go had occasion to ca Logan street family of his little flock. It was Monday morning when he called and the mother of thehouse was busy over the wash tub. She sent her eldest son "into the room" to entertain the parson until she could make her appearance more presentable. The boy sidled into the presence of the awelinspiring minister who noticed his embarrassment at once and to relieve it began the following conver-

"Well my young man, are you working for the Lord?" Imagine the shock when he re ceived the following reply: "No sir. I'm drivin' bus for Brandon down at the Brockerhoff House.'

"Many of the citizens of Rainsville, Indiana, are never without a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the chosen as Representative in the Legislator during the sessions of 1875-76. He house," says Jacob Brown, the leading merchant of the place. This Remedy has proven of so much value for colds, croup and whooping cough in children that few mothers who know its worth are willing to be without it. For sale by F. P. Green.



James Addams Beaver .- Born Oct. 21st, 1837, at Millerstown, educated at Pine Grove Mills academy and old Jefferson College at Cannonsburg; admitted to bar at Bellefonte 1859; mustered into the service 1861; served with distinction during entire war; refused the Republican nomination for Governor in 1869; delegate to National convention in 1880; defeated for Governor in 1882; elected Governor in 1886; practicing law in Bellefonte.

munity.

1868. After a long and expensive con-

test the seat was awarded to John J.

Robinson, of Juniata county. He was

still resides in Bellefonte, where at the

advanced age of 86 he commands the

respect and esteem of the entire com-

appointed by Hon. M. S. Quay Deputy | filled the position during the session of

ecretary of the Commonwealth. Governor Hartranft in his annual message, Jan. 7, 1874, having recom-mended the publication of a second series of Pennsylvania Archives, Mr. Linn and W. H. Egle, M. D., were appoint-en editors, and under Hon. M. S. Quay's supervision twelve volumes were issued. In 1887, Mr. Linn pub-lished his "Annals of Buffalo Valley" (six hundred and twenty pages), a local work embracing the history of Union county mainly. May 15, 1878, upon the resignation of Col. Quay, Mr. Linn was commissioned by Governor Hartranft Secretary of the Commonwealth, and under his direction the volume entitled "Duke of York's Laws 1776-82, and Laws of the Province 1682-1700," was compiled and edited by Stoughton George, Benjamin M. Nead, Esq., and Hon. Thomas McCamant. To Hon. John Blair Linn the people of Centre and Clinton counties owe an obligation which can never be paid. In his masterful compilation of the history

of these counties he has rendered a service to posterity which will live longer in the minds of men than any shaft of marble or bronze that could ever be built to his memory. The true value of his work will never be fully appreciated until it becomes more of history. then, as years roll on, the great work of This life will shine out in all its effect-

We acknowledge our indebtedness to his history for valuable assistance in the compilation of this work.

SENATOR JAMES HARRIS.

James Harris, Esq., was the son of John Harris, who emigrated from Donegal, Ireland, to Lancaster County in 1752. James was born on the Swatara in 1755, but his father removed afterwards to the Juniata, and built a fine house on the site of Mifflintown, and laid out that town in 1790. Here with ample means and a good library his son James received his early training. He adopted the occupation of a surveyor, and April 19, 1785, was appointed deputy surveyor of Cumberland County, and Nov. 19, 1789, was appointed for all of Mifflin County. In September, 1787, he laid out the road from Frankstown to the Conemaugh



Daniel Hartman Hastings .- Born near Salona, Feb. 26th. 1849; principal of Bellefonte schools in 1867; admitted to the bar in 1875; paymaster of 5th Reg. N. G. P. in 1877; Adjutant General under Beaver in 1886; candidate for Republican nomination for Governor in 1890. Elected Governor in 1894. Home in Bellefonte.