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No Need For A New Party.

There was not much promise of a brilliant out come to the movement that was started in Pittsburg some days ago for the formation of a new political party.

The financial report was read by chairman STEWART, showing a balance of twelve cents, but to reinforce the finances of the movement six hundred persons were invited to give one dollar each for immediate expenses.

The Democratic party is the only agency that can prevent the calamity of the government again falling under the control of that corrupt and dangerous organization.

The Congressional Fraud.

The venerable United States Senator from Illinois, Hon. JOHN M. PALMER, made a most truthful and timely remark, some days ago, when he said: "The Congress of the United States finds it an easy matter to attend to the affairs of other nations, but has shown itself utterly incompetent to deal with our domestic affairs."

It is not difficult to comprehend the object of such a congressional policy. It is intended that nothing shall be done for the relief of the financial situation, nor anything that might contribute to the restoration of business prosperity, while the discussion of jingo resolutions will help to kill time.

A Deceptive Comparison.

A dishonest attempt has been made by a high tariff organ to make it appear that while the McKinley tariff promoted foreign trade, the Wilson tariff has been a commerce destroyer, and it tries to make this appear by comparing the first 17 months of the former with the first 17 months of the latter.

Any deception seems to answer the purpose of the high tariff supporters. The organ in question forgets to mention that the 17 McKinley months included the year 1891 when there was an almost total failure of crops in Europe and an immense harvest in this country producing a condition that sent abroad the largest amount of American breadstuffs that was ever exported in any one year.

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A Great Mining Disaster at Dubois Monday Morning.

At the Berwind-White Shaft.—There was an explosion of Mine Gas—All of the Dead Men Except One Have Families—About a Thousand People on the Scene an Hour After the Accident—The Mine Was a New One and Yet in the Early Stages of Development.

DUBOIS, Pa., March 23.—The first great mining disaster in this neighborhood in all of the fifteen years since mining became an industry of magnitude, occurred at 8:20 o'clock this morning, at the Berwind-White shaft, just east of town. It came in the form of an explosion of mine gas and resulted in the death of thirteen men, all of Dubois.

All of the dead leave families, except James Graham, jr. As soon as the explosion occurred and before the extent of the disaster was known, messengers were sent into town to summon all the physicians who could be found.

The air was so bad below that the men, who were down in gangs of about ten, could not stay long at a time, but the opening seemed to clear up later on and better progress in getting to the scene of the disaster was made.

About a thousand people were at the scene in a hour, including many friends of those under ground, but, as far as possible, the reports were kept from the families of those who were dead until the bodies could be recovered.

Seventeen men went down the shaft at 7 o'clock in the morning, thirteen going into a heading north of the shaft and the four others in the opposite direction and the latter, with the mine boss, were the only ones to escape the terrific shock.

When they came to the shaft they ran into a body of gas and knew that there had been an explosion.

Samuel P. Langdon in a Prison in Philadelphia.

A Case of Illicit Love—By it the Old Story Was Revealed and the Man is Now Under the Shadow of Doubt—He is 50—She Only 18—The Police Mystified But They are of the Opinion That the Dead Woman Was Poisoned by Her Paramour.

PHILADELPHIA, March 24.—The finding of the body of a young girl yesterday evening revealed the old story of the illicit love between a man and a woman, and has brought a man with the shadow of the accusation of the terrible crime of murder.

Although he lived with Miss McGrath as her husband, Langdon has a wife and a grown son and daughter, but he has not lived with his legal wife for some time.

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—The fifth annual convention of the Epworth League of Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia, will convene in Harrisburg from June 25th to 28th, next.

A SUIT FOR DAMAGES.—Dr. M. Salm, a specialist whose headquarters are in Columbus, Ohio, who spends one day in every month in this place, brought suit against the Pennsylvania rail-road company, on Saturday morning, to recover for the non-delivery of his trunks.

We are still having quite a lot of snow in this section of the county. Farmers hating to Phillipsburg, from this side of the mount, report the sledging never better than from Flat Rock to Phillipsburg.

The M. E. conference having closed our Methodist brethren are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their new pastor, Rev. C. P. Sarvis, having been appointed to another charge in Fulton county, will remove to his new field of work in a few days.

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In looking over the political announcements, I notice that the Democratic column

numbers four candidates for treasurer, seven for sheriff, six for commissioner, one for recorder and two for assessor. The Republicans have three candidates for treasurer, six for sheriff, two for commissioner, one for recorder and two for assessor.

Centre Hall.

Dr. W. A. McGehee leaves for his new home in Pittsburg, next week. Every home in Centre Hall is occupied at present, and a number will be compelled to live double until new ones can be built.

Julian Fleming, whose wife died suddenly recently, will devote his whole time to the sale of binders; his two sons will stay with relatives, the oldest goes to Philadelphia, and the other will make his home with his grandfather, Daniel Fleisher of Centre Hall.

Prof. E. T. Wolf is making a canvass for county superintendent. He is able every way, and believes he could always tell the difference between 'tine and lath, no matter how they were mixed.

E. G. Van Pelt, Esq., and wife, will move to Ithaca, N. Y., the beginning of next month. Mr. Van Pelt came to Centre Hall during the year '68 or '69 and engaged in the manufacture of machinery, his brother H. D. Van Pelt, deceased, being a partner.

All Through Brushvalley.

Ex-Squire Harvey Corman will move to the Rebersburg Annex.

Mrs. James Stover, of Rebersburg, is quite sick with dropsy.

Mr. Cyrus Royer, of Loganton, was in the valley this week.

Nearly all the public schools of the valley will close this week.

Mrs. Bartoff, of Madisonburg, moved to North Bend last week.

Mr. Franklin Vonada, of Madisonburg, has gone to Lock Haven to work.

Mr. William Loh, of Hublersburg, was at Rebersburg last Saturday.

Mr. Charles Haines, of Rebersburg, has gone to Baltimore to clerk.

Mr. George Vonada, of Rebersburg, went to Clintondale on Monday.

Mrs. Grenoble, is a guest of Mr. George Krumrine at Rebersburg.

Mr. Edwin Bierly, of Rebersburg, went to Lamar on business last Monday.

Mr. A. N. Corman, of Rebersburg, had public sale last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. C. C. Coose, our lumberman, went to Lewisburg last week to start his mill.

Mr. Adam Jordan, of near Madisonburg, will be the future miller of Centre Mills.

Rev. Harris Stover, the Dubbsite preacher, came to Rebersburg, his home, yesterday.

Prof. Henry Detweiler, of Rebersburg, was in Bellefonte on business on last Friday and Saturday.

Pine Grove Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welland, of Linden Hall, are sorrowing over the death of their little three month old daughter Leonora Catharine.

Mr. Frank Bowersox, our candidate from Ferguson township, has just returned home from a three weeks election-campaign tour down Penna valley, well pleased with his success.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Straw are mourning the death of their little daughter Minnie. She was a lovely child only four years old and had been sick but a short time with measles and tonsillitis.

Last Tuesday Mr. Jared Mowery and family moved to Centre Hall where Mr. Mowery will follow his trade of wagon making.

Mrs. Van Hirst, proprietor of the hotel at McAlevy's Fort, attended the funeral of her cousin, Mrs. Lucy Felty. She remained several days among old neighbors and was much pleased with the improvements made in our thriving town during her absence of a score of years.

Last week Messrs Welland and Meyers took Samuel Grove to the Danville asylum. Mr. Grove at one time was one of Harris townships most prosperous farmers but for a year has been falling mentally.

Public sales in this end of the county are not so numerous as in former years. Consequently they are largely attended especially by the politicians.

Another Old Resident Gone.—On Friday the 20th William Myers, of Harris township, died of dropsy at the home of his daughter Mrs. Frye near Centre Hall. Over 77 years of age he had been practically bedridden for some time; but was able to visit and about and insisted on going to up his daughter. He seemed satisfied on reaching there and the next day fell asleep in the last long sleep from which there is no awakening.

Another Sad Death.—On Thursday the 19th Mrs. Adam Felty died at her home on the branch, unexpectedly but not suddenly for she had long been suffering from asthma and lung trouble.

Charles Henry McLanahan, died Thursday March 19th at the home of his parents at Mill Hall, after an illness of eight months from that dread disease, consumption. He was well known in Bellefonte, and made many friends wherever he went; being of a kind and loving disposition.

At one time he was a member of Co. B. 5th Reg. of Bellefonte. A special train conveyed that company to the funeral on Sunday, and also many more friends from this place, who took advantage of paying their last respect to a friend who had once moved among them. The deceased was 30 years, 8 months, and 28 days old. He leaves to mourn their loss, A father and mother, two sisters, Mrs. A. Raff and Mrs. W. Flanigan, four brothers, Edward and Roy McLanahan, and Richard Bollinger, all of Mill Hall, and John Bathurst, Beaver Falls.

A precious one from us has gone, A voice we loved is stilled: A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled. God in his wisdom has recalled The boon His love had given; And though the body moulders here, The soul is safe in heaven.

Marriage.

Holderman—Lowery.—On the 29th day of January 1896; by J. F. Kelly, pastor of the U. B. church of West Union, at the residence of Alfred Withertie, Mr. John H. Holderman to Miss Ida Della Lowery, both of Seneca township, Centre county Pa. May their married life be long and happy.