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The Contest for Sheriff Has Been Abandoned.

Abe Miller Has Given Up His Fight for an Office to Which He Was not Elected.—The Contest Practically Ended.—$500 Thrown Away but it Might Have Been More.—Only Gave up When the Last Vestige of Hope Disappeared.

Any coward can make a blunder, but it takes a brave man to acknowledge one after it has been made. Does this apply to ABRAM MILLER, E. R. CHAMBERS, A. O. FURST, *et al?*

The contest by which ABRAM MILLER, of State College, hoped to squeeze himself into the office to which sheriff W. M. CRONISTER was regularly elected, last fall, was formally abandoned, on Tuesday morning, when the following petition was presented to the court for action:

THE PETITION.

A. V. MILLER *et al* versus W. M. CRONISTER	In the court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for Centre county No. ½ January S. S. 1897.

TO THE HON. THE JUDGES OF SAID COURT.

Petitioners for contest, with the consent of the contestant, by their counsel, respectfully represent to the court:

THAT on December 3rd, A. D., 1896, their petition for contest in the above case was filed:

THAT the facts set forth in said petition were received from various sources through out the county.

THAT a greater part of this information was based upon affidavits furnished them by election officers, this information your petitioners believed to be true, and upon the faith of which, and solely that the elections of the people might be correctly ascertained and maintained, this contest was instituted.

THAT the petitioners never intended that this contest should extend to the investigation of the separate and illegal votes such as may have been cast by persons disqualified under the law, for the reason that in such a contest experience has shown that there are about as many illegal votes on one side as on the other, besides to wage a contest for such purposes would largely increase the expenses to the county, the purpose of the petitioners being solely to determine the result of the election by a recount of the ballots by the court, in order to determine whether the ballots were illegally counted and returned or not.

THAT the court ordered the opening of various ballot boxes in various parts of the county, and the ballots therein have been counted by the examiner appointed by the court, and under the supervision of the court.

Your petitioners have discovered by the recount that the information received by them, and under which they filed their petition, was not correct and that parties making the affidavits were mistaken in their recollection. So far as your petitioners have been able to learn the recount of the ballots shows a small majority for Cronister for sheriff.

Your petitioners would further represent that from the commencement of the contest, up to the present hour, it has been their aim to recount the ballots, establish the truth, to the end that the man who was duly elected should fill the office of sheriff. This being the case, in their judgement, and with the consent of the contestant, and by the advice of their counsel, they believe that further testimony ought not to be taken in this case, and that the county should not be subjected to any further expense. Having made a careful recount of the ballots of the county we are convinced that but few mistakes were made in marking, and most of the people understand the ballots sufficiently well to express their will. We, therefore, cheerfully bow to the sovereign will of the people, as expressed by the independent voter, and ask the court to dispose of this case upon the report of the examiner without further testimony. And in view of all the facts, and the information, and the affidavits, which the petitioners had, and upon which this case was based, they would most respectfully request the court, in disposing of the case, to certify that there was probable grounds, sufficient to warrant the contest, so that the costs may be paid by the county. And in duty bound they will ever pray, etc.

E. R. CHAMBERS,
A. O. FURST,
Atty's. for Petitioners.

The fact that the granting of licenses was before the court made action on it impossible and nothing further will be done until the regular April term, when it is understood that the master's report on the contest will be filed and then the court will be asked to hand down an opinion as to whether there was sufficient ground for a contest. If the court, after considering the fifty or more ballots that have been laid aside for its inspection, rules that there was ground upon which to base a contest the costs of $500 or more will be placed on the county, if not Mr. MILLER and his petitioners will be liable for them. It is the apparent prayer of the petitioners that the court rule to place the costs on the county, but it is a grave question as to whether such a ruling would be justice to the tax payers. The wording of the petition admits that the petitioners were at fault in having instituted this contest when it says "your petitioners have discovered by the recount that the information received by them * * * was not correct." Now should the county be held for costs in a case simply because a lot of men let their political bigotry so warp their minds that they saw things that had never existed? Should the tax payers be forced to bear the burden of this expense because a few men saw fit to make allegations that could not be borne out by the the fact, because our president judge permitted the proceeding to go on without having a single proof of irregularity to warrant it? The contest has been discreditable enough to its instigators and it remains for the fastening of the costs where they properly belong to bring whatever of extenuation that can be had from such a blundering action.

This contest was instituted on Thursday, Dec. 3rd, 1896, when attorneys E. R. CHAMBERS and A. O. FURST presented a petition to the court signed by the following gentlemen:

Robert V. Miller,	G. W. Rees,
Simeon Haupt,	Edward Eckenroth,
D. M. Glenn,	H. H. Osman,
F. S. Dunham,	John Bilger,
L. E. Jodon,	W. S. Williams,
G. H. Knisely,	W. S. Tripple,
Isaac Miller,	W. Woodring,
D. Rothrock,	Charles Eckenroth,
A. P. Lucas,	J. Irvin Morris,
John A. Daley,	John T. Fowler,
W. H. Musser,	A. V. Hoyt,
Geo. W. smith,	Geo. L. Potter,
John L. Croft,	W. T. Noll,
Thos. McCafferty,	W. H. Stiver,
Wm. Knapp,	Robert Valentine.

The prayer for the granting of the petition was based on stipulated irregularities, at the last general election in the preceding November, when Mr. CRONISTER was declared elected, for sheriff, over ABE MILLER by 16 votes.

The points set out in the petition were that in a number of precincts persons having no legal residence had voted, and that many votes were counted that had been illegally marked. The principal cause in the latter being ballots marked in the circle at the head of the Republican column and then marked opposite Mr. CRONISTER's name. The petitioners claim that such votes should not have been counted for either candidate for sheriff. The precincts in which the results were contested, with the number of votes claimed to be illegal in each, are as follows:

Howard Boro., 30; Howard Twp., 15 or more; Liberty 10; Marion 12; Patton 25; Worth 40; Burnside 30; North Rush 15; South Rush 20; Philipsburg 1st Ward 26; 2nd Ward 17; 3rd Ward 100; Benner 15; East Gregg 5; West Ward Bellefonte 5; North Boggs 15; West Boggs 20; East Boggs 5; West Ferguson 15; Unionville 10; Huston 20; General 50.

The facts set forth in the petition were sworn to by ROBERT V. MILLER, W. T. NOLL, W. WOODRING, H. H. OSMAN, and W. H. MUSSER, before justice JOHN B. LINN, on November 24.

The court granted the petition and named Saturday, Jan. 2nd, as the day on which MR. CRONISTER was to make his answer, notice being necessarily served on him 20 days prior to that date.

The certificate of election was issued to Mr. CRONISTER and he served with dignity and fairness to all parties during the entire time that the contest for his office was proceeding.

At the time appointed by the court Mr. CRONISTER made answer through his attorneys, Messrs. SPANGLER, BOWER and MEYER, but it was not deemed sufficient to quash the proceedings so the petition was granted and the contest was on. The first thing done was the filing of bills of particulars in which all manner of irregularities were charged, then the court ordered the impounding of the ballot boxes in 46 precincts in the county and appointed C. P. HEWES Esq., as master to count the votes and make a return to court.

The work of gathering up the boxes was done at a cost of about $150, not counting their return to the precincts, and the count took the master and two clerks seven days, at a cost not yet estimated The result of the count has already been published though it might be well to state that according to Mr. CHAMBERS figures Mr. CRONISTER still retained a majority of 11 votes over MILLER, with the fifty-two for the court to pass on. As the ruling on how these disputed ballots are to be counted will have to be the same for all classes, though two courses are possible, either one will leave Mr. CRONISTER with a majority. By the one MILLER'S attorneys admit that his lead would be increased two votes, while by the other they say it would be cut down to 5.

In either case, however, he will still have a clear majority and it is in the face of this admitted fact that they have magnanimously (?) given up so that the dear (?) tax payers will be saved further expense. The magnanimity manifested in this course will be best appreciated by those who know these people well enough to believe that they would still be hanging on if there was but a straw for them to cling to.

However, a certain credit is due Messrs. MILLER, CHAMBERS, FURST, *et al*, and they are to be congratulated at this evidence that they are not entirely bereft of reason. Belated though it was the people of Centre county will feel glad that they have had the manhood to acknowledge themselves defeated, even if it was the only course open to them, and will anticipate a similar display of good judgment in the court's placing the costs where they belong —on the contestants.

An Echo From the Election.

Editor WATCHMAN:—Although not a resident of Bellefonte for many years, yet I am a regular subscriber to and reader of your excellent paper, and take great interest in the material and political warfare of my native town. It was with great political satisfaction that I read the result of your local spring election and learn that the former rock-ribbed Republican stronghold of Bellefonte has changed its opinion regarding municipal office holders. Between the lines a careful observer can readily see that the Republican party is not as harmoniously united as it was four, five, six and eight years ago, when the Republicans seemed to hold full sway not only in Bellefonte but all over Centre county, as well, which was plainly shown by the frequent electionof Republicans to important county offices. What is wrong?

Can't the *Keystone Gazette* keep the faithful in line any more? What has become of that man FIEDLER, who used to create havoc in our ranks through his newspaper, the *Gazette?* Isn't his successor capable of keeping up the warfare and winning? However, as a rock-ribbed Democrat, I have reason to rejoice that the political situation is such as it is, only the complete change proves sort of an anomaly to me.

Wishing the WATCHMAN continued success, I am Yours truly,

L. A. G.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 23rd, '97.

McKINLEY SWORN IN.

The Ohio Statesmen Takes the Reins of Government—Imposing Street Pageant.—Twenty Thousand Marchers Pass In Review.—Vice President Hobart the First of the New Administration to be Inducted Into Office—A Scene of Enthusiasm as the New Ruler Appears at the East End of the Capitol—No Fancy Maneuvers Permitted by Ambitious Marchers in the Inaugural Parade.

WASHINGTON, March 4th — To-day, admidst the plaudits of thousands of patriotic Americans, and the brightest of Virginia sunshshines, William McKinley assumed the reins of government for the ensuing four years, and Grover Cleveland retires to his new home at Princeton, N. J., and to the practice of his profession in New York city.

At 5 o'clock ex-President Cleveland started south on a duck hunting trip once more a private citizen after having twice been President of this great Republic.

In the morning there was a brief meeting of President Cleveland's cabinet. No business, of course, was transacted, and the gathering was a formal affair for the purpose of an official leave taking. The meeting was dissolved in time to receive President-elect McKinley and vice President-elect Hobart, who with the Senate committee on arrangements reached the White House at 10.30 o'clock. Carriages were on hand to convey the party to the Capitol.

President Cleveland and President-elect McKinley walked out of the White House, arm in arm, and entered the first carriage together.

Vice President-elect Hobart, with the members of the committee on arrangements, entered the second carriage.

The first officer of the new administration to take the oath of office was vice President Hobart, the last act performed in the Senate of the present Congress being the administering of the oath of office to Mr. Hobart. This ceremony was performed by the retiring vice President, Mr. Stevenson, who bade farewell to the Senate in a short speech expressive of his appreciation of the courtesy shown him as presiding officer of the Senate. At the stroke of 12 vice President Stevenson declared the Fifty-fourth Congress adjourned without a day.

When the ceremonies in the Senate chamber had been completed the whole assemblage proceeded to the east front of the capitol, where the oath of office was administered. The procession proceeded to the east portico of the capitol where President McKinley was sworn in by Melville W. Fuller, chief justice of the U. S. supreme court. There were 40,000 people crowded about the capitol and Pennsylvania avenue was alive with cheering humanity when the parade of 20,000 marchers escorted the new President back to the White House.

Canton's God-Speed to McKinley.

Major McKinley bade farewell to Canton and his Canton friends Monday night, thousands of whom gathered at the station to bid "hail and farewell."

The closing scenes of the past history-making twelve months, were simple and tinged with general pathos. Market street, which during the campaign rang with the tread of nearly 700,000 enthusiastic Republicans, was brilliantly illuminated. The graceful and imposing arch of what is called "McKinley Hill" blazed with colored lights and was luminous for the last time.

The Canton troop and two companies of the Ohio National Guard preceded by the Grand Army band, an organization containing more than forty musicians, escorted the President-elect and Mrs. McKinley to the station.

No lines were drawn in the large concourse of people which followed the McKinley carriage to the train and surrounded the station to mingle their cheers in the mighty round which re-echoed above the din of the train as it disappeared in the distance.

People of all social conditions touched elbows and jostled each other in the mighty throng, each seeking some point of vantage for a last look at the speeding party.

Promptly at 6 p. m., the bands, military, clubs and citizens began to organize in the City Hall Square. Captain Harry Frease, who commanded the famous Canton Troop during the campaign, was chief marshal.

The Canton troop wore military coats, broad-brimmed hats, top boots, light colored gauntlets, and were all mounted and well drilled in cavalry tactics. The troop left for Washington Monday night and participated in the inaugural parade.

Following the troop came the Grand Army band. This, in turn, was followed by the Third Batallion, Eighth Regiment, Ohio National Guard. This regiment was to have been honorary escort to the President-elect on the trip to Washington and from the Capitol station to the hotel, but the failure to secure satisfactory railroad arrangements prevented.

Three companies, a signal and a hospital corps constitute the batallion. Then in order named came the Canton Business Men's Association, Grand Army posts, old soldiers, the First Ward Republican Club, of which Major McKinley is a member; the Second Ward Republican Club, two other clubs and societies and unorganized citizens of Canton, Massillon and other surrounding towns.

The train consisted of seven handsome cars. The first car was a combination smoking and baggage car; the second a dining car; the third the Pullman "Elkton," which was occupied by members of the press; the fourth car a Pullman named "The Arden;" the fifth car also a Pullman called the "Delphos."

THE MAJOR'S TRAVELING COMPANIONS.

Then the private car, No. 505, occupied by Major McKinley's mother, Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley; Mrs. Abner Osborne, mother of William M. Osborne; Miss Helen McKinley, a sister of the President-elect; Mr. and Mrs. George E. Morse, of San Francisco, Mrs. Morse being a neice of Governor McKinley; James McKinley, a nephew of the President-elect, and Mrs. Clarence Chaffey.

The last car on the train was the private car No. 38, which belongs to Superintendent Miller, of the Panhandle Division of the Pennsylvania road. Major McKinley has used it on several occasions. It is a handsome car, beautifully decorated, and built with uncommon solidity.

M'KINLEY AT WASHINGTON.

President-elect McKinley, with his family and a large party of friends, arrived safely in the Capitol City a few minutes before 11 o'clock Tuesday morning over the Pennsylvania road. The weather was cheerful and bright, with warm sunshine over all, and a temperature, if anything, too high to be seasonable.

A large crowd had assembled at the Pennsylvania station long before the train arrived, and it required the efforts of a considerable force of policemen to keep clear the approaches of the station.

There was a good deal of disappointment expressed among the people over the absence of military in the escort, but it was by the special request of the President-elect that such formality was dispensed with on this occasion, so the crowd had to be content with the sight of the magnificently attired staff of Governor Bushnell, of Ohio, in place of the expected military parade.

Notwithstanding the long journey and the broken night, nearly all of the party looked fresh and bright. The President-elect, in particular, appeared to be in the best of spirits, and those who gazed in his face for the signs of illness, from which he suffered recently, looked in vain for any signs of distress or impaired vitality. It was generally remarked by onlookers that he was certainly stoutor and of better complexion than when he was last seen in Washington. Mrs. McKinley also appeared to advantage. She was attired in a dark traveling garb, and happiness beamed from every lineation of her face as she came forth into the bright sunshine on the platform.

As he passed the head of the train, Major McKinley did a graceful thing, which was quickly appreciated by the crowd. He paused, beckoned one of the party who bore aloft a great bouquet of cut flowers, and, carefully selecting from it some white carnations of wonderful size, he handed them to the engineer, all grimy and perspiring, who sat aloft in his cab.

At the Ebbitt house the crowd had been gathering since early breakfast time, pre-emptying doorways, carriage steps, windows and other points of vantage. During the hour and a half while they waited, a strong detail of police gradually accumulated itself in an unostentatious way in and about the hotel.

The presidential party finally arrived about 11.20 o'clock, and, by a clever coup, the President-elect gained entrance to his hotel without crowding and inconvenience.

M'KINLEY ENTERTAINED BY CLEVELAND.

The President fortunately recovered from his rheumatic attack Tuesday evening sufficiently enough to assist Mrs. Cleveland at entertaining. This was purely an informal domestic affair, to which no others were bidden, and at half-past 7 o'clock the four persons in whom the interest of the entire United States is now centered sat down to a beautiful repast in the small private dining room of the executive mansion. The charming hospitality for which the Clevelands have been noted was exemplified throughout the evening.

Quay Was Fooled.

Wanted to Reconsider the Confirmation of Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, March 2nd—It appears Senator Quay did not understand that the Pennsylvania postmasters were confirmed for "keeps," and that the official announcement of the Senate's action in executive session would be made to the President and the press. Senator Quay arose in the Senate, this afternoon, and, after getting unanimous consent to talk openly about yesterday's executive session, complained that the confirmations of postmasters had been publically announced, although he had given notice that he might want to move a a reconsideration of some of those from Pennsylvania, because he expected to receive charges against them. He mentioned in this connection J. W. Maloy, nominated for postmaster at Lansford, Carbon county, and J. Albert Walton, nominated at Philipsburg, against both of whom, he said, he expected there would be charges affecting their characters, on which he intended to move a reconsideration of their confirmation.

Senator Quay was assured by Senators Hill and Chilton that the publication of yesterday's confirmations was according to law and usage, and that the fact that a reconsideration of the cases might be moved did not have any bearing on the matter. Senator Quay had to be satisfied, and it is altogether likely the Pennsylvania postmasters will stay confirmed.

An amusing feature of the matter is that J. W. Maloy, the Lansford nominee. was in Washington to-day and called on Senator Quay to thank him, on the theory that the Senator had somehow helped along his confirmation.

The Rev. Dr. Swallow Sued for Libel.

HARRISRURG, Feb, 26.—The first of a series of suits for libel was brought, to-day, against Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow, of this city, editor of the *Pennsylvania Methodist*, for charges of corruption and malfeasance made against high state officials. The suits are the result of repeated conferences the past twenty-four hours at the executive mansion between Gov. Hastings, Auditor General Mylin, State Treasurer Haywood, who constitute the board of public buildings and grounds: State Senator J. P. S. Gobin, of Lebanon, and Representative W. F. Stewart of Philadelphia, representing the Soldiers' Orphans' school commission: Attorney General McCormick, Secretary of the Commonwealth Reeder, and Capt. John Delaney, superintendent of public building and grounds.

The charges were that old materials were substituted for new articles purchased by the State: that there was criminal carelessness, if nothing worse, in the recent burning of the capitol; that the furnishings and furniture for the State are in use in private houses, and that articles have been furnished for Soldiers' Orphans' schools that cost the State eightfold more than reliable bidders were willing to furnish the same articles for.

Capt. J. C. Delaney, Super intendent of public buildings and grounds, is possessed in one suit, Representative W. F. Stewart, of Philadelphia, in the other.

Hearing for Swallow.

He Renewed Bail for Trial at the Quarter Sessions, on March 15.

HARRISBURG, March 2.—Dr. S. C. Swallow, editor of the *Pennsylvania Methodist*, which paper published the sensational charges of malfeasance in office against state officials, was given a hearing before Mayor Patterson this evening on two cases of criminal libel, preferred by the soldiers' orphans' commission, through its secretary and Captain S. C. Delaney, the superintendent of public grounds and buildings.

Dr. Swallow waived a hearing, but Mayor Patterson decided to hear some of the testimony after District Attorney Graham, of Philadelphia, senior counsel for the plaintiffs, said it was due those who were charged with such gross malfeasance to have an opportunity in open court to say to the public that they are innocent and ask a suspension of judgment. Captain Delaney denied emphatically the charges of criminal carelessness at the capitol fire, and said there was absolutely no truth in the accusations against him as the agent of the board of public groonds and buildings in the purchase of supplies.

——Read the best and most reliable news. It will be found in the WATCHMAN.

How to Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the hignest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail, mention the WATCHMAN and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

170 Men Killed.

Miners Asphyxiated in the Zacatecas Disaster.

Chicago, March 1st—A dispatch to the *Times Herald* from the City of Mexico says: There is no longer any doubt that 170 men perished in the mine disaster at Zacatecas. The fire broke out in Sonamore mine, one of the properties of the Sornbrerete companies, and communicated to the San Francisco mine The principal shaft in the former is 3,000 feet deep, and rescuers went down to the bottom, but were nearly suffocated by smoke. The Cornish miners displayed unusual heroism in attempting relief of imprisoned men. Ten bodies have been taken out and all show signs of asphyxiation.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

A TURN FOR THE BETTER.—The many friends of Mr. G. H. Leyman, of Curtin township, will be delighted to hear that there was a turn for the better in his condition on Wednesday night. For the past ten days he has been hanging between life and death with inflammatory rheumatism. His condition has been such that the physicians dispaired of his life until Wednesday night. Now they think he will recover.

MARRIED IN THE NORTH-WEST.—The following clipping, taken from the Devil's Lake, North Dakota, *Inter-Ocean*, of the 19th ult., gives account of an interesting event in the life of a girl who was born and raised in Nittany valley, near Hublersburg, this county. She is the daughter of Zachariah Truckenmiller and is a sister of Will Truckenmiller, the crippled poet and story writer whose work has frequently delighted readers of the WATCHMAN.

Married, on Thursday, the 18th inst., Otto Newman, of Noonan township, and Miss Nellie Truckenmiller, of Morris township. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Harbaugh and occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Dixon.

——H. A. Gripp, the proprietor of the Tyrone art studio for instruction in enlarging photographs, was appointed aid-de-camp to General Horace Porter, grand marshall of the McKinley inaugural parade. The business that this man is doing has excited the attention of men in all parts of the country. It was started on a most unpretentious plan and has grown so extensive that he is said to receive bushels of letters in every incoming mail. His plan is to instruct people by mail how to do crayon enlargements of photographs; his studio being located in the handsome old Stewart homestead below Tyrone. The man is said to be getting very rich at the business.

HIS HORSES JUMPED OVER THE BRIDGE.—While Jonathan Rhule, of Sugar Valley, was crossing the bridge at the Central railroad of Pennsylvania tracks at Washington Furnace, last Friday, a freight train bore down on him so suddenly that his frightened horses became unmanageable. In their wildness they leaped over one of the abutments and horses, wagon and driver fell in a heap into the water, 8 ft. below.

One of the horses had its leg broken and had to be killed, while Mr. Rhule was thrown forward onto the tongue, but did not seem to be hurt much. After the excitement had worn away he began to suffer severe pains in his back and is now in a critical condition at his home.

The unfortunate man follows hucksteering in the lower end of Nittany valley.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphans' court clerk, G. W. Rumberger, during the past week.

Andrew Kerns and Armintie Shirk, both of Philipsburg.

Howard Vail, of Philipsburg, and Canra Jones, of Hawk Run, Pa.

Frank Barner, of Tylersville, and Lizzie Oberdorf, of Madisonburg.

Albert Weisley, of Tyrone, and Carrie E. McDonald, of Avoca, Pa.

Ira H. Seigler, of Milroy, and Henrietta J. Crotzer, of Centre Hall.

Irvin Fravel and Rosie DeHass, both of Eagleville.

Verner Grater and Elsie Kunes, both of Eagleville.

M. C. Schade, of Livonia, and Helen B. Schreckengast, of Spring Mills.

John H. Barnhart, of Spring township, and Clara Ellen Cole, of Bellefonte.

Luther J. Heaton and Mary Lucas, both of Boggs township.

John C. Fravel, of Nittany, and Laura Ellen Lee, of Colyer.

AN AFTER LENT BALL.—The Undine S. F. E. Co., members are already alert making arrangements for an after lent ball that they intend giving. The date has been fixed for Monday night, April 19th, and the ball will be held in the Arcade.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE MARRIED.—Robert Somerville, of Winburne, Clearfield county, was married to a Miss Critchon, of Syracuse, N. Y., on Wednesday of last week. He will be remembered, in Bellefonte, as one of the twin sons of Mr. James L. Somerville, formerly of this place.

HAVE THEY ELOPED?—Harris township is all in a furor over the reported elopement of a married man and a married woman of that place. Since Wednesday of last week the talk has been the one topic; "Have John Harris and Mrs. Kline run away?"

John Harris located in Boalsburg about six years ago. He went to that place when the Meck & Naugle lumber operations were begun in the Bear Meadows. Having comported himself with becoming dignity and being a boss on the work he was looked upon as one of the "good" men of the community. He bought the old William's property, in Boalsburg, and had seemingly settled down to a happy, comfortable life with his wife and children. Rumor has it, however, that during the many trips he had to make over the narrow gauge road to the log wharf, near Linden Hall, he met a Mrs. Kline of whose charms he was speedily enamored. The woman requited his illicit love, so it is said, and their clandestine meetings resulted in what is now reported as an elopement.

The couple are supposed to have left on Wednesday of last week and no one knows where they are. Mrs. Kline took her only child with her.

Harris enjoyed a good reputation in the vicinity of Boalsburg. In fact it was so good that a number of people who trusted him are fearful lest they should lose snug sums. Several notes have been entered against him during the last few days and it is reported, on good authority, that a Linden Hall merchant is a loser of $100 or more unless Harris comes back and sets things right.

SEE HOW NEAR HE HITS IT.—It is a matter of interest to many to follow the work of weather prophets and see how close they come to foretelling the kind of weather we will have at any given time. Here is Mr. Foster's latest prognostication. Compare it with nature, if you care to.

The next storm will reach the Pacific coast about the 27th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 28th, great central valleys March 1st to 3rd, eastern States March 4th.

The warm waves will cross the west of Rockies country about 27th, great central valleys March 1st, eastern States March 3rd. Cool wave will cross the west of Rockies about March 2nd, the great central valley 4th, eastern States 6th. This disturbance will occur near the turn from the high to the low temperature storm period and, as announced in last bulletin, low temperature may be expected about this time, the lowest since the last of January.

The temperature may, however, reach the lowest point from 26th to 28th or March 3rd to 6th. This disturbance will also bring heavy rains south and snows north, and, as the greatest amount of precipitation occurs near the high point of high temperature storm periods, and as these periods turn toward the low temperature periods, this disturbance will conclude the heavy rains and snows for the present.

Drier weather will follow the above disturbance and many places will experience a fear of drought till the next high temperature period is reached, not far from March 24th.

LICENSES GRANTED AND HELD UP.—The regular sitting of license court, on Tuesday, excited little interest about the court house as it was known that no fights were to be made on any of the applications and then judge Love wanted to hurry the business through so that he could get off to Washington to see his friend, President McKinley, inaugurated. You know the judge and the President were class mates at the Albany law school.

Thirty-nine applications were taken up, thirty-three having been granted as follows:

Names,	Residence.	Kind of License.
J. M. Neubauer	Bellefonte, S. W	Tavern
D. C. Keller	" "	"
H. C. Yeager	" "	"
W. L. Daggett	" W. W	"
A. S. & C. M. Garman	" S. W	"
R. Newton Shaw	Philipsburg, 2nd W.	"
Joseph Pickering	" "	"
Jas. Passmore	" "	"
Dorsey P. Meyers	" "	"
Tempest Slinger	" "	"
W. S. Musser	Millheim Boro	"
John M. Reish	"	"
R. O. Braucht	Penn Twp	"
Edwin Ruhl	Centre Hall Boro	"
D. H. Ruhl	Gregg Twp	"
J. A. Gramley	Miles Twp	"
J. L. DeHaas	Howard Boro	"
A. Kohlbecker	Boggs Twp	"
Geo. B. Uzzle	Snow Shoe Twp	"
Jno. G. Uzzle	" "	"
Lawrence Redding	" "	"
Isaac A. Shawver	Potter Twp	"
James S. Reish	"	"
WHOLESALE BEER.		
Geo. E. Lamb	Philipsburg, 2nd ward.	
Samuel Rodgers	" "	
Wm. Riley	" "	
John Anderson	Bellefonte, W. ward.	
WHOLESALE LIQUOR		
W. R. Haynes	Snow Shoe Twp.	
G. E. Chandler	Philipsburg, 2nd ward.	
Orin Vail	" "	
WHOLESALE LIQUOR, AS BREWER OR MANUFACTURER.		
Louis Doll	Benner Twp.	
WHOLESALE LIQUOR, AS DISTILLER.		
J. C. Mulfinger	Spring Twp.	
N. W. Eby	Haines Twp.	

The six that were held over until next week were Wm. R. Charles, Frank Mosebarger, John A. Erb and Emma S. Leister, all taverns, of Philipsburg; O. J. Stover, tavern, of Eagleville, and M. M. Robinson, bottler, of Philipsburg.

The application of Emma S. Leister was only held over owing to an uncertainty as to whether she will continue in charge of the Potter house.