

Democratic County Committee for 1897.

HUGH S. TAYLOR, Chairman. BOYD A. MUSSER, Secretary. WILLIAM J. KEPLER, Assistant Secretary.

Table listing precincts and names of committee members across various townships like Bellefonte, Centre Hall, Mifflinburg, etc.

Lost Cause of Greece.

The cause of Greece appears almost hopeless in the face of the recent disaster she has met in arms and as is natural with a people of such high sensibilities the masses are already beginning to rail at their King, as if he is solely to blame.

Man's injustice to man finds a most forcible illustration in the discontent that is said to prevail in Athens, where the bitter denunciations of the royal family are being made.

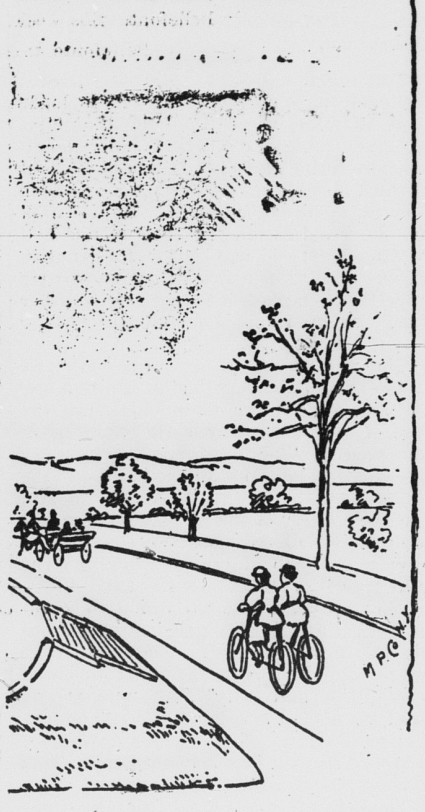
It was almost hoping against hope that Greece would be victorious, but she has not, and the Sultan of Turkey has practically vindicated, as such vindications go, his actions in the merciless butchery of christians.

County chairman HUGH S. TAYLOR has called a meeting of the county committee for Monday, May 3rd. It is to be hoped that there will be a full turnout of precinct chairmen on that day, as nothing is so enervating to successful political organization as apathy on the part of its leaders.

In another column of this issue we publish an article that should prove interesting to pensioners and soldiers in general. It is over the signature of MATT SAVAGE, whose success in the pension business has been almost phenomenal, and it is understood that Congressman ARNOLD has very kindly consented to aid in securing all the rights of the ex-soldiers in the district.

Starving in Cuba.

HAVANA, April 26.—Private letters from the interior report wholesale starvation. Some of the cases are especially heart-rending. Children are dying in the streets of Matanzas, and babies have been found dead in the arms of their exhausted mothers.



GRANT

THE IMMORTAL GRANT.

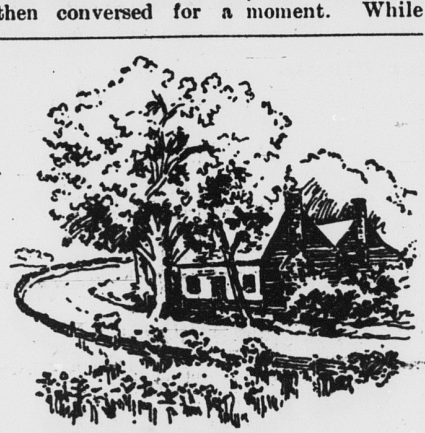
There was a Great Pageant in Honor of a Great Hero.—All the States Were There.—And With Them Men Who Wore the Gray Took Part in the Ceremonies.—The Land and Sea Display.

NEW YORK, April 27.—When the sun rose over fair Manhattan on this day of days in her history of patriotic pageants, he found a cloudless dome awaiting him. The prayers of a million or more had been answered and a storm seemed impossible.

The military escort included one sergeant and ten men of troop A. In the meantime the diplomats had departed by the Twenty-fourth street entrance, leaving the way clear for the Grant family, the cabinet and others.

The Grants left the hotel by the Fifth avenue entrance a few minutes after the President's party. Mrs. Grant leaned on the arm of her son, Colonel Frederick Grant, and the others followed. Altogether they occupied eight carriages.

The initial step in the parade was made almost on schedule time, and by 9:40 o'clock the presidential procession was on the move.



HOUSE IN WHICH GRANT WAS BORN.

waiting for the ceremonies on the stand to commence, President McKinley, vice President Hobart, and ex-President Cleveland had their photographs taken in a group. The exercises commenced with the singing of "America." A solemn silence then fell on the dense crowd as the venerable Bishop John P. Newman invoked the blessing of heaven on the ceremonies.

General Horace Porter, president of the Grant monument association, then delivered the oration of the day. Mayor Strong responded in accepting the monument on behalf of the city.

After prolonged cheering President McKinley, on behalf of the nation spoke. Fellow Citizens: A great life dedicated to the welfare of the nation; here finds its earthly coronation. Even if this day lacked the impressiveness of ceremony and was devoid of pageantry, it would still be memorable, because it is the anniversary of the birth of one of the most famous and best-beloved of American soldiers.

public veterans in line were computed at 10,000.

NAVAL PARADE. Of the naval part of the demonstration the grand division lay at anchor in the river in sight of the tomb, while the merchant marine division was located in the lower bay, awaiting the word at 2 o'clock for the start of the head of the column.

The general division was under the command of Rear Admiral Francis H. Bunce, U. S. N., and staff. The anchored vessels were the New York (flagship), Massachusetts, Columbia, Maine, Texas, Indiana, Raleigh, Amphitrite and Terror.



PRESIDENT GRANT 1868.

As a relief from the constant blue came the independent companies, the gray clad cadets, the insignia-covered benevolent, religious and temperance orders. In many ways the parade was most noteworthy.

The Pennsylvania troops headed the Third division, and were greeted with a round of hearty applause as they rounded the turn and began the ascent to the reviewing stand. Governor Hastings was at the head of the Quaker troops, and Commander Thomas J. Stewart, Governor Hastings was not in uniform, but wore a frock coat and high hat.

The First brigade of Pennsylvania was composed of the First, Ninth, Thirtieth, Fourteenth and Nineteenth regiments and the Governor's Troop. The Keystone state troops fully lived up to their reputation as marchers and were greatly admired.



MRS. JULIA DENT GRANT.

waiting, which conveyed him to Thirtieth street, from which point he was conveyed to the flagship.

According to careful estimates made some time after the parade had started for review, there were between 58,000 and 60,000 men in line. Of this aggregate United States regulars, land and naval forces, numbered 4,000; National Guard of New York, 13,000; National Guard of other states 12,850. The Grand Army of the

United States ensign flew at the stern of all our warships, and at the fore of all the foreign vessels.

The American warships headed the line, which was made up with the flagship New York at the head. Of the foreign warships H. M. S. Talbot was given the position of honor, her commander, Captain E. Gamble, being the senior officer. The dispatch boat Dolphin lay off above the warships, decked profusely in bunting. She was to carry the President later, when he reviewed the naval parade.

An interesting feature was the parade of the merchant marine, which was divided into four divisions.

Walker Township Divided.—For the accommodation of the voters of Walker township, it has been divided into three precincts. On Monday the court approved the report of the commission appointed for that purpose and hereafter elections will be held at Zion, Hublersburg and Nittany Hall.

Unseasonable Snow.—Early risers were astonished at the peculiar freak of nature, on Tuesday morning, when they looked out and saw snow flakes flying faster and thicker than they do during the average January snow storm.

Sunday it was oppressively hot, in fact the sun was so warm that pedestrians began hunting the shady side of the streets, but a severe wind storm, that evening, cooled things off a little and Monday dawned clear and bright. The thermometer kept falling all day, until evening it was quite cool though not down enough to make thoughtful gardeners cover up tender twigs for fear of frost.

All kinds of bicycle sundries, repairing and enameling in the finest style at Sheffer's ware rooms in the Exchange.

New spring clothing just opened at Faibles'. Prices much lower than ever. It will pay you to investigate.

The Good Samaritans of Nittany Valley.—A movement is on foot among the good people of Nittany valley to send a car load of grain to the India famine sufferers. As the government will transport any grain that is contributed the people down there are going to make up a car load. They have determined on depositors and hope to get the grain off by next week.

Contributions can be left at any of the following places: Knecht's, Furst Bros., Sanderson's, Clintondale, Mackeyville and Salona. The committees for these places respectively are: Lewis Dornblazer, Wm. Knecht, Dr. Dumm, Wm. Sanderson, Mrs. J. H. Huston, L. C. Furst and Samuel Hurd.

THE APRIL SESSION OF COURT.—The regular April session of common pleas court convened, on Monday morning, with a smaller attendance than usual. Though the court room was not near full there was a bright array of spring millinery and the nodding poses on the many feminine heads reminded one of a Florida landscape disturbed by a summer zephyr. Mixed up with all this brightness there was a degree of sorrow, too, for many children were there who, just like Topsy, had merely "grewed."

The morning was taken up with constables reports and the usual routine of court work, but after dinner everyone got down to business and the cases were disposed of as follows:

Samuel Gramley, executor of Mrs. Sarah Shaffer, versus Jacob Hazel. Action of assumption. The jury was out but a short time and brought a verdict for \$83.00 in favor of plaintiff.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Huey. F. and B. Prosecutrix, Lucy Hampton. Defendant plead guilty and usual sentence imposed.

Commonwealth vs. Chas. Ammerman. F. and B. Prosecutrix, Jane Miller. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. William Turney. F. and B. Prosecutrix, Hannah Emenheizer. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. Chillis Reese. F. and B. Prosecutrix, Louisa Pickle. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. John River. Surety of the peace. Prosecutrix, Ellen Beightol. Defendant in a constable in Rush township and was charged with having created a disturbance at the home of prosecutrix, where the corpse of a pauper was lying. There was a number of people at the house and among them was a woman named Sara Raymond, who seemed to feel the solemnity of the affair and wanted to hold religious services. This struck River as being rather ludicrous and he blurted out that if she got to the heaven she was singing so much about he would get there too.

Sara saw an insinuation that she was a hypocrite in River's remark and got her dander up at once, there was then an exchange of sulphurous pleasantries in which Sara offered to tickle River with a poker and he promised to paste the whole party up for wall paper ornaments. The court placed the costs on the constable and he went to jail, where the temperature was a trifle more salubrious for the big straw hat he sported.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Weaver and George Weaver. Assault and battery. Prosecutrix, John McCloskey. Settled.

Commonwealth vs. Catharine Wilson, William G. Twigg and John Heath, nolle prosequere, entered in Heath's indictment. Assault and battery. Prosecutrix, J. M. Claar. Miss Wilson is a pretty school teacher who has been trying to teach the young Rush township ideas how to shoot and everything was moving along serenely until the 20th of last January, when a difference of opinion arose between her and Miss Rebecca Claar, a daughter of the estimable justice of the peace of that precinct. It appears that Miss Rebecca did not approve of her teacher's commands to assemble on the school ink bottle and fall back again, and as symptoms of insubordination cropped out the teacher charged with a slate. Their relations were necessarily strained a trifle and became an open rupture next day when the teacher undertook to trounce the scholar. The latter, being somewhat larger than Miss Wilson, she thought it best to call in her brother-in-law before beginning operations. In obedience to her summons William G. Twigg, who happened to be a school director, entered the school room to hear the patter of the pedagogical slipper, but Miss Rebecca objected and a free fight ensued. She pulled the teacher's hair and drew a poker on her, but not until after she had been considerably cut and bruised up. Verdict, not guilty. Prosecutrix one-third of costs, defendant for one-third, and county for one-third.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Campbell. Assault and battery and threats. Prosecutrix, Priscilla Campbell. Case settled.

Commonwealth vs. Arthur Rothrock. Assault and battery, felonious rape, and F. and B. Prosecutrix, Bertha K. Hays. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. Harry Brown. Assault and battery. Prosecutrix, Brack Powell. This case was the outcome of the jealousy of the two colored gentlemen over the charms of Miss Elizabeth Bafhurst, who knows every bar and tile in the Centre county jail, since she has already done time for stealing. Brack and Brown happened to be calling at the same time and Brack had her on his lap pouring out all the honeyed words he could conjure up, all the while berating Brown in no mild terms. As it happened Brown was hiding in the stair case and while he did not object to Brack's making love to his white innamorata he did get fighting mad when his own fair (?) name was taken in vain. Like a tiger from a cage he pounced out on Brack, whose hand flew to the torsorial end of his pants, but before he could grab the "razzer," that Liz said he had, Brown had tapped him on the head with a poker and ended his dreams of love in carter. Defendant not guilty and costs divided equally. Both of the colored gentlemen went to jail, Brown void security for his \$18.30 costs and is out again.

Commonwealth vs. Chas. and Anna Spearly. Keeping and maintaining a disorderly house. Defendants plead guilty. This was the house in which the above case occurred. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 and undergo four month's imprisonment in county jail.

Commonwealth vs. John Broombaugh.

F. and B. Prosecutrix, Nancy Baily. Guilty and usual sentence imposed.

Commonwealth vs. A. A. Dale, Esq. Assault and battery. Prosecutrix, James I. McClure. Unfortunately for Jim his left optic had discarded its widow's weed before he got before the grand jury and his tale of woe wasn't half as woeful as it would have been had he been able to show the jury the beautiful festooning of blue and black that Al had hung around his face. His bill was ignored and he was left to pay the costs, his own doctor bill, got nothing for his large window through which he threw the wretches intended for Al's head and the only satisfaction there is in it for him is that Al's suit against him met a like fate. Now that they have broken even they had better kiss and make up.

Commonwealth vs. James I. McClure. Assault and battery. Prosecutrix, A. A. Dale. This was a countersuit brought by Mr. Dale to even up with Jim for having cracked him on the arm with a shoe hammer during that little difference of opinion they had around in McClure's saddlery last week. The grand jury didn't seem to be much in sympathy with Al, however, and his bill was ignored and the costs were put on him.

Commonwealth vs. Sarah Weaver. Assault and battery. Prosecutrix, W. T. Patton. Entered recognizance for appearance at the August term.

Commonwealth vs. Bert Henderson. Rape. Prosecutrix, Elsie D. Griffith. True bill. Defendant in parts unknown.

Commonwealth vs. Edward Beck. Assault and battery and threats. Prosecutrix, Mrs. Geo. W. Cathcart. This was the case that the WATCHMAN noted some time ago when Mrs. Cathcart, having failed to get law in Bellefonte, took herself off to Mifflinburg where the redoubtable Irv. Morris dished it out to her in the most approved style and remanded the defendant for court. Mrs. Cathcart has her satisfaction now as the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty and left her to pay the costs, which total up to \$20.45, without their witness fees.

Commonwealth vs. Ollie Orbison. Carrying concealed weapons and making threats. Prosecutrix, Henry Montgomery. Defendant was a porter at the Brockerhoff house and while flying with about three sails in the wind, one night, volunteered to "do up" the whole establishment, so it was said, but a jury of twelve good and lawful men thought him not half as dangerous as he was said to be and found him not guilty, placing the costs on the county.

Commonwealth vs. John M. Glace. F. and B. Prosecutrix, Minnie E. Fye. True bill.

Commonwealth vs. Samuel Meese. Carrying concealed weapons. Prosecutrix, Henry Montgomery, chief of police of Bellefonte. Meese had been held over for having had a razor on his person, but it was shown that he was merely carrying it from a shop, where he had been having it fixed. Verdict, not guilty, and county for costs.

Commonwealth vs. E. P. Zerby. Assault and battery. John H. Confer, prosecutrix. Bill ignored and county for costs.

Commonwealth vs. Coburn King. Aggravated assault and battery. Prosecutrix, Abe Kessler, a Jew clothing dealer in Millheim. Plead guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and undergo six month's imprisonment in the county jail.

The jurors were all discharged, on Wednesday night, and yesterday was taken up in hearing petitions, imposing sentences and other work that did not call for the deliberations of a jury.

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY. To the Honorable the judges of the court of quarter sessions of the peace in and for the county of Centre, April session, 1897. The grand inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania inquiring for the county in all matters relating to the same do respectfully report. That we have acted upon twenty-four bills of indictment, twenty were found true bills and four were ignored. We beg leave, further, to report that we have visited and inspected the county buildings. We found the prison in good condition and in all respects except we recommend the papering of the sheriff's office, the kitchen and front hall. We also recommend plastering of the jail wall, where needed, also patching in watch hall.

We further recommend the purchase of ten wash basins, also new seats for water closets. We also visited the different offices in the court house and recommend a new roof for the court house, the papering of the main court chamber, grand jury room and treasurer's office, also the plastering of various places about the building. We would recommend that there should be a water closet made for the ladies, who are compelled to attend court, in some part of the building suitable for such purpose. We would therefore recommend that the above improvements be made as soon as possible.

We desire to compliment the janitor for the good care taken of the buildings and surroundings. We also desire to return thanks to the court and the district attorney for the uniform courtesy and assistance during our deliberations. ALBERT HOY, Foreman.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, G. W. Rumberger, during the past week. William Thompson Gingham and Gertrude Jones, both of Mifflinburg. Curtis A. Broom, of Patton Twp., and Grace G. Adams, of Port Matilda. Orrin E. Poorman and Melissa M. Eckley, both of Boggs Twp. Calvin Barto, of Guyer, and Barbara E. L. Strayer, of Gatsburg. James E. Steward, of New Bloomfield, Pa., and Sarah C. Deininger, of Centre Hall, Pa. George Kour and Annie Poolik, both of Clarence, Pa. John W. Hartscock and Kate Behrer, both of Waddles, Pa. Harvey O. Brown and Nettie Lucas, both of Boggs Twp. Jacob H. Weaver and Emma Mowry, both of Walker Twp.