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The Primary Election and County Convention.

The Democratic voters of Centre county will meet at the regular places for holding the general elections, in their respective election districts, on Saturday, June 5th, 1897, to elect delegates to the county convention. Under the rules of the party the election will be opened at 3 p. m. and closed at 7 p. m. The delegates chosen at the above stated time will meet in the court house, in Bellefonte, on Tuesday, June 8th, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, and nominate one candidate for jury commissioner and one candidate for county surveyor; elect five delegates to the state convention to be held at Reading at the call of the executive committee of the state central committee, and a chairman of the county committee to serve from January 1st, 1898, to January 1st, 1899; and, to transact such other business as may appear before the convention in the interest of the party.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.

The number of delegates to which each election district is entitled, as approved and ratified by the Democratic county committee on the 3rd day of May, 1897, is as follows:

Table with columns: DISTRICT, VOTE FOR PRESIDENT, NO. OF DELEGATES. Lists districts like Bellefonte, Centre Hall, etc., with corresponding vote counts and delegate numbers.

Officers for holding delegate elections.

Table listing names of individuals serving as officers for holding delegate elections across various districts, including names like John Trafford, Wm. Walker, etc.

peace of Europe than the present war. In fact, the political perils of the eastern situation are only just beginning. The general public, including the stock markets, take, however, a most rosy view of the future.

The Probable End of the Hamilton Bill.

The doom of the HAMILTON road bill is generally believed to have been sealed by the action of the House, on Tuesday, when the following amendment was tacked onto it: Be it amended that this act shall not go into effect until \$1,000,000 has been appropriated by the State, to be distributed in proportion to the number of miles of public roads in each township; that no township shall receive more state money than they raise by local taxation, and that the money so appropriated shall be expended in making and maintaining public roads.

Turkey is Lenten.

Wants No Indemnity and Favors a Withdrawal of Troops.—Sultan Desires to Deal Direct—His Position is to Deal Only with Greece and Thus Pay Little Attention to the Big Powers.

LONDON, May 10.—Private advice received in London from Constantinople declares that the Sultan has expressed deep sympathy for King George and the Greeks, whose hands, in his opinion, were forced by revolutionary agents at Athens and Alexandria. The Sultan according to these advices, declines to claim a war indemnity and proposes that a Turko-Greek treaty be made upon the simultaneous evacuation of Thessaly and Crete. Finally, it is said that the Sultan desires to deal direct with Greece and not through the powers.

Settlement of Terms of Peace.

LONDON, May 11.—The settlement of the terms of peace threatens to be a long and difficult business. The Porte has begun by demanding everything in sight, as was to be expected. The powers are already realizing that the process of securing Turkish consent to such terms will be more dangerous to the

peace of Europe than the present war. In fact, the political perils of the eastern situation are only just beginning. The general public, including the stock markets, take, however, a most rosy view of the future.

The Neue Freie Presse, of Vienna, announces the conditions under which Turkey has signified her willingness to conclude peace with Greece and comments upon their sweeping character. These conditions, the paper asserts, are the payment by Greece of a war indemnity of \$15,000,000, the acquisition by Turkey of frontier advantages at Prevosa, Damasi and Milona; the abrogation of all special treaties favoring Greek subjects, and the cession to Turkey of the Greek ironclad squadron.

The Turkish government also demands the establishment of an autonomous government for Crete, with certain restrictions favoring the Porte.

Now that the hostilities are virtually over, attention is to the immense number of innocent victims of the war. The destitution in Thessaly is especially terrible. Almost the entire population of 35,000 persons have fled to the western mountains where their sufferings from famine and exposure are harrowing.

Government transports removed thousands of refugees from Volo, Pharsala and the eastern villages to the islands of Duboca and Skiathos, but their position was not bettered by going to those places.

The island authorities are begging the government for assistance, and it is impossible to meet the needs of 45,000 refugees. The villagers at Arta are clamoring for food, and there are distressing scenes in the vicinity of Arta among the peasantry, whom the retreating in Greeks compelled to abandon their homes. They lost all their belongings and are now starving along the roadside.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH POWERS CONCLUDED.

ATHENS, May 11.—The diplomatic pourparlers, which have been proceeding all morning, have been formally brought to a conclusion. The powers have agreed upon preliminary conditions, and the heads of the different legations have received positive assurances, investing them with authority to treat with Turkey. The negotiations at Athens are regarded as concluded.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

MAY MEETING OF POMONA GRANGE.—Pomona grange, No. 13, of Centre county, will meet in the hall of Victor grange, at Oak Hall, on Thursday, May 27th. There will be two sessions: One at 10 a. m. the other at 1:30 p. m. There will be considerable business of importance to the order transacted and a full attendance is desired.

A WET INSPECTION DAY.

The annual inspection of the cadet corps of The Pennsylvania State College was made, yesterday, by Maj. J. P. Sanger, inspector general of the U. S. army. He was accompanied during the inspection by 1st Lieut. Geo. L. Jackson and 2nd Lieut. Chas. Taylor, Co. B, 5th Reg. N. G. P., and by Dr. R. G. H. Hayes, 1st Asst. Surg. 5th Reg. N. G. P. Though the weather was any thing but propitious for a pleasant inspection the cadets showed themselves off to the best possible advantage.

REMEMBER MEMORIAL DAY.

Just two weeks will elapse before this country will be called upon to stop from the hurry-scurry of business and the selfishness of personal pleasure to give a thought to those heroes who are gone, whose valor and martyrdom gave us the country that we prize. Memorial day falls on Sunday, this year, but in Bellefonte Saturday will be observed. Gregg post, No. 95, G. A. R. will have charge of the ceremonies here and they will carry out the program as carefully as they have done in the past.

William Jones and H. H. Montgomery

have been appointed the committee to solicit subscriptions to defray the expenses of the day. The veterans never do things extravagantly. All they want is merely enough to place the stars and stripes that they so bravely defended over the graves of their dead. If they ask you for a small contribution remember that the duty is really more yours than theirs.

One part of the Memorial day program

that has always been splendidly carried out is the collection of flowers by the children. They seem so enthusiastic over the work that the soldiers are calling on them again, this year, and R. C. Irvin has been appointed chairman of the committee to look after it. It is hoped that all the children in the town will make an effort to collect some flowers, no matter how few, and take them to the post rooms, on West High street, not later than 9 o'clock on Saturday morning, May 29th. There will be ladies there to accept them and work them into suitable decorative designs.

IT HAS BEEN A LITTLE CHILLY.

In his latest prediction Mr. Foster forecasts the weather for this week as follows: My last bulletin gave forecasts of a storm wave to cross the continent from 10th to 14th and 15th to 19th. The next disturbance will reach the Pacific coast about the 20th, cross the West of Rockies country by close of the 21st, great central valleys 22nd to 24th, eastern States 25th.

A warm wave will cross the west

of Rockies country about the 20th, great central valleys 23rd, eastern States 24th. Cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about the 23rd, great central valleys 26th, eastern States 27th. These disturbances will cover one of the hot periods of the month and will be followed by one of the greatest falls in temperature that will occur in the month of May. Very cool weather may be expected immediately preceding this storm wave. The storm will develop increased energy not far from May 23rd to 24th, and the weather about this time will go to extremes not usual for this generally quiet month. Temperature of the week ending May 15th will average below and rainfall above normal. This applies to the whole country as an average. In drouth districts the temperature will be above the rain belts below the normal, while in the rain belts the temperature will be much below, the rain above the normal.

A BUSY WEEK AT COURT.—It was late last Saturday night when the business on the civil list was finished up for the April term of court and adjournment was made, too late for jurors or witnesses in the Beck

—Bright case, that had occupied the time on Friday and Saturday, to get home for Sunday. Sessions were held both Friday and Saturday nights as it was, altogether, the hardest working week of court that has been held for some time. Inasmuch as none of the important cases had developed anything of interest up to the time of our going to press with the last edition of the WATCHMAN no report was made of the proceedings. The following is a boiled down statement of what was done:

J. T. Fowler, vs. Eve Sharer. Non suit. Conrad Miller vs. N. W. Ream and J. B. Ream. Verdict in favor of J. B. Ream, one of the defendants, opening the judgment against J. B. Ream and the judgments as against N. W. Ream.

Jacob Marks vs. J. W. Cook and S. M. Beck, trading and doing business as Cato Mining Co. Defendants confessed judgment in favor of the plaintiff for \$372.27.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Lucretia Peters vs. W. H. Peters, Jas. D. McKee, and W. Miles Walker. This action is on a bond of maintenance, but only one of the defendants was served with process, namely Mr. Walker. Verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the penal sum of \$1,000 and amount due July 4, 1896, \$264.95 as against Mr. Walker.

Joseph Ross vs. Jeremiah Eckenroth, Settled.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the school district of Howard township, the poor district of Howard township, and the road district of Howard township vs. Joseph Casseberry, J. K. Leathers, H. J. Plether, and Jacob Robb. This is an action on the official bond of Mr. Casseberry, as tax collector of Howard township for the year 1894, on which the plaintiffs seek to recover against the collector and his sureties, the amounts shown to be due the several funds by the auditor's settlement for the year 1894, in the spring of 1895. Verdict, on Tuesday morning, in favor of the plaintiffs in the penal sum of \$6,500, and assessing the amounts due as follows: School funds \$350, poor funds \$474.06, road funds \$829; subject to a question of law reserved by the court, viz: Whether or not the auditor's settlement of 1895, showing certain balances against the collector upon the duplicates for poor and road tax for the year 1894, and that showing balances found against him for the year 1893, as per auditor's settlement of 1894, which are carried over to the settlement of 1895 is conclusive as against him and his sureties on his bond for 1894, and whether under the evidence the damages assessed against the defendant, upon the bond should be only for the balances found upon the duplicates of 1894, against him, not including the balances carried over from the settlement of 1894.

G. W. McDonald vs. G. W. Hoover and J. P. Elkin, plea assumpsit. This action is brought to recover salary as general manager for the Clearfield and Cosh Creek Coal Co. This suit was brought for \$100,000 but the jury returned a verdict of \$1,800 for the plaintiff, after being out for nearly a day.

Commonwealth vs. J. W. Porter, charge vagrancy, Etc., prosecutor James Krebs. After hearing the testimony the court discharged the prisoner.

D. H. Weaver vs. C. W. Biddle. Discontinued.

Catharine M. Resides vs. J. W. Cook, S. M. Buck, the Saylor-Madill coal mining Co., and the Beech Valley coal iron Co. Continued.

J. T. Lucas vs. J. A. Yeager, plea judgment opened. Non suit. Two suits. Continued.

W. J. Thompson vs. Wm. Parker. Case in ejectment to recover some land on Tussey mountain, in Potter township. Verdict for plaintiff, but allowing defendant the right to redeem land within two years provided he pays \$60.

Josephine Williams' administrators vs. J. C. Henderson. A juror was withdrawn and case continued at cost of plaintiff. The case arose over a note for \$200 given to Mrs. Williams, before her death, on which Henderson is claimed to have been an endorser. Shortly after her death the note mysteriously disappeared from the plaintiff's office. Henderson claims that he never endorsed it and that if his name appears on it it is a forgery.

G. P. French vs. D. M. Bilger, Nelson Bilger, Chas. Bilger, Alport Bilger and Mrs. Georgiana Parker. A case of ejectment for a tract of land in Rush township. Verdict for defendants.

J. A. Mann vs. Geo. Deitz, R. J. Mann and J. B. Fye. Plaintiff sued to recover damages to his household goods by being set out in the rain by defendant and his agents while they were ejecting him from his house in Curtin township. Verdict for defendant.

C. L. Beck vs. Dr. J. W. Bright. Suit to recover \$5,000 for an eye which Dr. Bright removed in May, 1892. Plaintiff claimed that Dr. Bright had taken the eye out for cancer, when there was really no necessity for it, then had improperly packed it so that it was impossible to insert a glass eye. Expert testimony was produced to show that the doctor's method of filling the socket with iodo-form gauze is just as frequently practiced as that of packing the gauze on top of the lids, after such an operation. The jury was out only a few minutes and returned a verdict for the defendant.

A RUN TO MILLHEIM.

—Eighteen Bellefonte wheelmen rode to Millheim, on Sunday, to eat up a trout dinner that hotelman W. S. Musser had prepared for them in that place. The boys found the trip down a very pleasant one. From Centre Hall to Millheim they rode in file with Harry Gerberich setting the pace until the hill at Penn Hall was reached, where something went wrong (?) with his rear wheel bearings and Johnny Teats was pushed up front. He led the boys a stiff chase from there in. The trout dinner was a little shy of trout, but there were plenty of suckers, eels and cat-fish and Billy Musser's open-hearted way of doing things left nothing for the boys to wish for. They came home in squads, all praising Millheim folks in general and land-lord Musser in particular.

Col. Austin Curtin, superintendent

of the soldiers' orphans schools at Chester Springs, will be chief marshal of the big Memorial day parade they intend having at Phoenixville. Certain it is that they could find no better horseman, nor more capable manager for just such a function than Col. Curtin.

OFF FOR PHILADELPHIA.—Co. B, 5th Reg. N. G. P. of this place, will leave for Philadelphia this morning at 9:53, where they will take part in the ceremonies incident to the unveiling of the Washington equestrian monument in that city. In the equestrian division there will not be a company that will make a finer showing than our own B. The men are young, the officers are young and all are ambitious to take high rank in the Guard.

It has been very noticeable that the discipline and drilling of the company has taken great strides upward within the past few months and we are sure the men will comport themselves with a dignity becoming the town they represent.

They will return on Monday morning. The annual summer encampment of the Guard will be made by brigades, this year. The second, to which our company belongs, will encamp at Conneaut Lake, Crawford Co., from July 10th to 18th.

Centre Hall.

Mrs. Pile, of Williamsport, is the guest of the D. B. Brislin family. Mrs. Pile's husband holds a professorship in the Dickinson college. She is accompanied by her family.

Mrs. Catharine Miller is seriously ill at the home of her son, Jerry Miller, on Church street. Mrs. Miller is well up in the eighties, and is a highly respected lady.

Philip Durst, one of Potter townships most progressive farmers, is about finishing an extensive addition to his farm house east of town. Mr. Durst lives on one of the finest farms in this locality.

Henry Boozer, whose illness with consumption has been mentioned heretofore in these columns, is in a very critical condition at present. His stomach is giving him serious trouble, not being able to retain any nourishment.

D. F. Luse, general manager of the Centre Hall water company, is laying tiling to drain the waste water from the Ripka property, lately purchased by that company. Mr. Luse believes in taking the best of care of property, which should be done by all.

Among many others who stopped at the Centre Hall hotel from a distance the past week were: A. C. Mayes, Philadelphia; W. J. Auman, Gettysburg; James B. Fisher, Middleburg; J. B. Meyer, Danville; Henry Frick, Lewisburg; J. W. Foster, mail clerk between New York and Pittsburg; Samuel Hirschman, Philadelphia; John R. Colt, Northumberland; James M. Root, Hornellsville, N. Y.; Fred J. Wolfert, Allentown; James A. Straub, Herndon; J. G. Linn, Carlisle; C. W. Haslet, Millifburg; J. L. Rich, Philadelphia; J. B. Winters, New Berlin; M. E. Yeater, Lewistown.

Plum Grove Mention.

After an absence of ten years J. Herbert Ward and his little girl, of ten summers, are comfortably located in the old Ward home on Main street. A few years ago his wife died and as our town was in need of a jewelry store and restaurant he has come up from Shamokin, where he was in the jewelry business to start a first class establishment here.

On last Friday near Franklinville Mrs. Mary Jane Campbell died at the home of her son-in-law, John Everhart, in the seventieth year of her age. She was a daughter of Alex Glenn and was born and raised on the Branch. She was first married to a Mr. Kennedy and after his death, to a Mr. Campbell who died some years ago. Shortly before the Johnstown flood one of her sons was drowned in the Kanawa and another one was lost in the Johnstown disaster. She never fully recovered from the shock and last winter took a heavy cold which culminated in consumption. On Monday she was taken to the Branch and buried in the cemetery there with Revs. Erdmuntz and Hepler officiating. She had been a member of the Presbyterian church from childhood.

A BEAUTIFUL WEDDING.—It is said that "in the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love" but Henry Musser Krebs has been thinking of it for several springs and on Wednesday his thought materialized with a pretty wedding. Just at noon at the comfortable home of Mrs. Sausserman, on Main street, amid flowers and blossoms, Rev. C. T. Aikens pronounced the ceremony which united Miss Ada Sausserman and H. M. Krebs in marriage. The wedding was quiet and without any ostentation and after an excellent wedding breakfast the young people left on the afternoon train for Milton, where they will visit relatives. The bride is the youngest daughter of the Sausserman family and is one of the most popular girls in the town. The groom, the eldest son of the late John F. Krebs, is an energetic hustler in the carriage business and together they will have a happy life. Upon their return they will go to housekeeping in the Meyers' house, on Main street.

Spring Mills.

T. C. Gramley, of our village, has just completed a very substantial walk in front of his residence and grounds, a distance of about 200 feet. This is a decided improvement. Now for an extension of the good work, who will be next?

Michael Shirer, one of our prominent citizens, has disposed of his interest in the Johnstown Fire escape company, for a good round sum and will now devote all his time to the insurance business. Mr. S. has been engaged in insurance (life and fire) for many years.

On Thursday last, the infant daughter of H. B. Frankenburger, of our village, a child 14 months old, quietly crawled out of the second story window and fell to the ground, a distance of about 15 feet, sustaining only a slight injury to one of its limbs. It was a remarkable escape.

On Monday May 17th, the Spring Mills Normal Institute will open for a session of six weeks. The latest advanced ideas in methods of teaching piano, organ, violin and all stringed instruments will be introduced, including methods of voice culture, harmony

and the practical principles of the same. In order to educate the pupils in self confidence public concerts will be given each week, which will enable them to appear before an audience without embarrassment.

A BAD RUNAWAY.—On Friday evening last, Henry Sankov, of near Potters Mills, met with a serious accident. While driving home from our village in company with his daughter Miss Mabel, who is one of our school teachers, the horse suddenly became unmanageable and dashed off at a furious rate of speed, throwing the occupants out of the buggy, both of whom received serious injuries. The buggy was badly damaged, but the horse was no worse for his wild dash.

The Junior base-ball club of our village, had their first contest of the season with a mixed team at Rebersburg, on Saturday last, the score being 12 to 16 in favor of Brush valley. This was hardly a fair contest, the Spring Mills team expected, and it was so understood that they were to measure their skill with the regular juniors of Rebersburg, but instead were confronted with a nine carefully selected from several neighboring clubs. Of course the Spring Mills team knew they were defeated before the game commenced, but being lads of undaunted metal they played boldly and bravely, notwithstanding the odds were strongly against them.

All Through Brush Valley.

Mrs. Jacob Gepphart, of near Rebersburg, is seriously ill.

Frank Burd, of Aaronsburg, spent Sunday with friends in this vicinity.

John Harter, one of the new merchants of Rebersburg, is seriously ill.

All the so-called wide-awake farmers of our valley are doing plant corn.

Mrs. Susan Long, of Iowa, will stay with her father, Thomas Royer, of Rockville, until fall.

A number of our people were obliged to take part in the law suit between Dr. Bright and Charles Beck.

Hon. W. R. Bierly, of Rebersburg, left for Philadelphia last week. The length of his stay is unsettled.

Mr. and Mrs. Jared Kreamer and daughter, Marie, are visiting their many friends at Rebersburg.

Two more new houses will be built this summer at the West end of Rebersburg by Cyrus Erhard and Scott Kersterter.

Messrs. Chas. Stover, and Al. Sayer, both of Salona, were callers among their friends at Rebersburg and Kreamerville over Sunday.

WANTED.—A guide book for Rebersburg. There is some demand for such a publication. Our young people want to locate Henrysburg, Rebersburg, East Rebersburg and West Rebersburg and can't find them on the map.

Clyde Erhard, of Clyde, Ohio, was a witness for Charles Beck, at Bellefonte, last week, as at home over Sunday. By the appearance of Mr. Erhard his new Ohio home must be very well adapted to him. He returned on Monday.

The base-ball game, which was played at Rebersburg, last Saturday afternoon, between the Rebersburg and Spring Mills clubs, resulted in the score of 12 to 6 in favor of Rebersburg. The Spring Mills boys were not very jolly when leaving Rebersburg. Keep up your courage Rebersburg and keep your record up this summer.

DEATH.—About 9 o'clock last Tuesday morning, Mrs. William Walker, of Rebersburg, closed her eyes in the last sleep of death. The cause of her demise is not known, though at the advanced age of seventy-five she had lived more than the allotted time. Rev. Mumma will conduct the funeral services over her remains to-day.

CONFERENCE AT COBURN.—The sessions of the northern conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Central Pennsylvania were concluded at Coburn last evening. The conference had been sitting in the Lutheran church, in that place, since Tuesday evening, and very interesting meetings they proved to be. Among those who were present and took part were Revs. C. Y. Aikens, W. M. Spangler, J. C. Mumma, J. I. Stonecypher, W. B. Schock, W. K. Deihl, Geo. S. Bright, C. H. Genvor, S. F. Greenhoe, C. D. Russel, G. W. Leisher, J. M. Recker, F. Aurnad, John Earnest, and E. E. Hoshour.

Milesburg.

Mrs. M. Ellen Eddy has gone to Lamar to visit her aged mother.

Al. Blowers, of Osceola, was the guest of Miss Emma Jones on Saturday.

Eli Hall, of Osceola, was the guest of Mrs. John Miles, his sister, on Saturday.

William R. Quick left for Bradford on Thursday last to work in the oil field.

Millard McKinney and wife, of Winburne, spent Sunday with her mother and brother.

Mrs. Geo. Moore, of Erie, is visiting her parents, George Nell and family in this place.

Wm. Shawley is once more a papa as a son came to his place recently. Arthur Proudfoot is also rejoicing over a little son.

Wm. B. Miles & Son have added an annex to their place of business, 16x20 ft. that they may make a better display of their goods to the public.

Thomas M. Kessinger, of Mill Hall, an old foundryman who worked in Green's foundry many years ago, was here on business Wednesday last.

Do not forget the S. S. entertainment on Friday, the 14th, and Saturday, the 15th. Admission 5 and 10 cents. Come, everybody. Follow the crowd and you will get there.

Mrs. James Hamilton, Mrs. Margaret Miles, Mrs. Sarah Satterfield and Miss Carrie Noll, of Bellefonte, were guests of Mrs. Morris and daughter Julia, of Water street, on Saturday.

L. C. Bullock started to the Medico-Chirurgical hospital, in Philadelphia, with his brother, Forest Bullock, for treatment, on Monday morning. He expects to see Coney Island and New York before coming home.

Wm. Potter, son of John F. Potter, is now busy making a bust or statue of Napoleon Bonaparte, that is 20 inches across the breast, and 36 high. When complete it will look as natural as life. He has a picture for his guide. The material used, is brick