

Democratic Watchman

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THINGS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY

—Monday, June 14th, will be flag day all over the country.

—Work was begun on Bellefonte's new public building on Wednesday.

—Phillipsburg is getting ready to have a fourth of July demonstration.

—The next state encampment of the Sons of Veterans will be held in Phillipsburg.

—An egg $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ inches was recently laid by a turkey owned by C. E. Caldwell of Bald Eagle township, Clinton county.

—It cost just \$79.33 more than the estimate for the building of the new \$4,597.34 school building in Millheim. Pretty close figuring wasn't it.

—It has taken heaps of that pure Hecla park ice to keep Bert Taylor cool since Tuesday morning, when a robust boy appeared at his home.

—The Pastor's Review is the name of a newsy little four page paper that Rev. Ryan, of Stormstown, publishes every month for the members of his charge.

—Grove Bros. post, No. 162, G. A. R., of Howard, will hold a festival on Saturday, July 3rd, for the benefit of the post. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

—Last Saturday John F. Pletcher, of Howard, drove from that place over to Centre Hall and within half an hour after reaching that place his horse died with the colic.

—The Tyrone Times devoted most of its latest issue to booming some of the business industries of that place. The paper was quite attractive and reflected credit on editor Thompson's get-up.

—Former Judge A. O. Furst has just scored a great victory for himself as an attorney by winning the suit involving \$225,000 that had been brought against the Gardner heirs, at Hollidaysburg.

—A valuable black mare owned by Thomas Barnes, of Phillipsburg, was knocked into the ditch by an A. and P. engine, last Thursday evening, and two legs were broken so badly that she had to be shot.

—George Dale, worthy master of Centre county Pomona grange, was chosen to represent the Central Pennsylvania Lutheran synod of the church of the United States, which convened at Mansfield, Ohio, June 9th.

—On Saturday afternoon a twelve year old son of John Wagner caught a 17½ inch trout, just opposite the Bush house, in this place. It was about the finest specimen taken from Spring creek this season.

—The heirs of John G. Spang, who imagine an estate valued at \$40,000,000 is some belonging to them in Germany, met at Reading, the other day, and decided to send Congressman Arnold, of this district, over to look it up.

—Dr. G. S. Frank is president of Millheim's newly re-organized school board. The teachers selected for next year are W. E. Keen, intermediate; Miss Helen Bartholomew, primary; Miss Stella Zerbe, secondary primary.

—Col. and Mrs. Wilbur F. Reeder entertained the members of the graduating class of the High school at their handsome home, corner of Curtin and Allegheny streets, last Friday evening. Their only child, Wallace, was a member of the class.

—Last Thursday police Amos Mullen went to Williamsport and brought Bill Hanna up to jail in this place. He is supposed to have been implicated, with McCormick, in the robbery of Charles McClelland's tailor shop on the night of May 19th.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Beck, of Burnside township, Clearfield county, who came to this country from Germany, in 1832, celebrated the one-hundredth anniversary of her life on Wednesday of last week. There were seven hundred guests at her home and the old lady was one of the most active among them.

—The Harry M. Dry pyrotechnic company recently started out from Tyrone with a great flourish and blare of German hand trumpets to gain fame for Tyrone and gold for Mr. Dry, but the "advance agent" for McKinley's show had not been billed for Dry's and it quit business in Altoona. Landlord Waple, of Tyrone, took the scenery and we suppose the members of the company took the ties—to get home. Mr. Dry will be remembered as the man who had charge of the pyrotechnic exhibit here during the time of our centennial.

—Mrs. John C. Miller, of "Rockview," was brought home from Dr. Penrose's hospital, in Philadelphia, last Friday, and is now in a very precarious condition, at the home of her brother, Mr. James Potter, in this place. She has been suffering with stomach trouble for some time and her condition is such that little hope of her recovery is entertained. She seemed improved by her treatment in the hospital and was apparently much better when she started for Winburne, Clearfield county, where it was thought the bracing mountain air would hasten her convalescence. Her strength failed when in the vicinity of Williamsport and she sank so rapidly that it was deemed best to bring her right here. Last evening she was a little stronger.

THE CONVENTION OF THE COUNTY DEMOCRACY.—If a large and enthusiastic convention at a time when there is very little at stake to quicken the interest of party men's any indication of untiring zeal then a wonderful tidal wave of Democracy should sweep over Centre county at the next general election. Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather and the fact that only two minor offices are to be filled, for one of which a nomination is equivalent to an election, 75 of the 89 delegates in the county were present, on Tuesday, when chairman Hugh S. Taylor called the convention to order.

It was just 12.20 o'clock when Mr. Taylor's gavel rattled on the judicial bench in the court house and order came out of the babble of tongues and cordial greetings of Democrats from every section of the county with one another. In a ringing, sincere little speech of welcome, chairman Taylor put the delegates to their work and sent the few Republicans in the auditorium to the much more difficult task of figuring out an answer for his concluding interrogation: "Where is the promised prosperity that was to have been ushered in on the 4th day of March by Maj. McKinley?"

Permanent organization was effected by the election of Col. J. L. Spangler as chairman of the convention. On assuming the duties of the office he spoke in language that left not doubt in the minds of any that he is still a Democrat, a Bryan Democrat, a bimetallic Democrat and a Democrat of the party that has retained its identity and maintained its battle for the masses for more than 100 years. Col. Spangler was frequently cheered and every mention of Bryan's name was a signal for prolonged outbursts of applause.

The first regular business was the election of officers of the convention. A. S. Garman, Bellefonte, C. A. Faulkner, Phillipsburg, were chosen tellers; D. R. Foreman, Potter, reading clerk; R. C. Gilliland, Snow Shoe, and Joseph Emerick, Walker, secretaries, with Charles R. Kurtz and George R. Meek, of Bellefonte, assistants.

George L. Goodhart, of Potter, moved an order of business that was adopted and then the chairman appointed committees on credentials and resolutions as follows:

Credentials Committee.—J. G. Meyer, Haines; J. W. Orr, Marion; Albert Hoy, State College; Thomas F. Riley, Harris; I. W. Harvey, Boggs; L. C. Reareck, Benner, and N. J. McCloskey, Curtin.

Resolutions Committee.—A. C. Thompson, chairman; W. H. Gardner, Geo. L. Goodhart, John T. McCormick, H. E. Bierly.

There being no contests on the committee on credentials was discharged and the convention was declared ready to receive nominations for county surveyor. Col. John A. Woodward presented the name of J. H. Wetzel, of Bellefonte, which was seconded by J. S. Dunlap. As there were no other names presented Ed. Brown Jr. moved that the nomination be made by acclamation and it was done.

THE JURY COMMISSIONER NOMINATED.

When nominations for jury commissioner were declared in order the ball started off rapidly and before all the delegates, who had friends whom they wanted honored, had been heard five candidates were in the field: J. J. Hoy, Marion; W. H. Tibbens, College; J. P. Shope, Milesburg; Anson Dougherty, Burnside; and Aaron Zerby, Penn.

At this juncture the reading clerk read the following letter from Mr. Tibbens, carrying his withdrawal. It sounded many good Democratic sentiments and showed that he holds the success of the party above personal aggrandizement.

TO THE DELEGATES OF THE CENTRE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION:

When I announced to my friends that I would be a candidate for the nomination of jury commissioner, I believed that the present incumbent, Mr. J. J. Hoy, would not be a candidate for re-nomination. I have since learned that he desires to be re-elected, and would ask a re-nomination at your hands, and as he has made a faithful and efficient officer, according to the rules of our party he is entitled to a second term. I therefore ask that my name be withdrawn from the contest, believing it to be for the best interest of the party that Mr. Hoy be re-elected.

Our ticket, this fall, will be a small one compared with other years, yet the campaign is an important one. Let us all rally to the support of our ticket, with implicit faith in the principles of Democracy, believing that the advance agent of prosperity will only make his appearance with the return of Democratic ascendancy in State and Nation.

Respectfully,

W. H. TIBBENS.

After Mr. Tibbens' withdrawal the balloting began and resulted as follows:

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| Hoy | 1st | 2nd |
| Zerby | 35 | 41 |
| Dougherty | 33 | 32 |
| Shope | 2 | |

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The committee on resolutions then reported and chairman Thompson urged the adoption of the report in a well worded little resume of the tenets of Democracy and an assertion that only through such principles as are espoused by the Democratic party can we have stable and equitable government.

THE DEMOCRACY OF CENTRE COUNTY IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED, DO RESOLVE:

First.—That taking no steps backward, we reaffirm our allegiance to the principles of the Democratic party as promulgated in the Chicago platform, and our faith in the great essential principles of justice and liberty upon which our institutions are founded, and which the Democratic party has adhered to from Jefferson's time to the present, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, the preservation of personal rights, the equality of all citizens before the law, and the faithful observance of all constitutional limitations.

Second.—We reaffirm our devotion to the principles of the constitution, guaranteeing to every citizen the right of civil and religious liberty, and our unbounded faith in the Democratic party as the fearless exponent of political liberty, and religious freedom.

Third.—We denounce the effort of the Republican party to restore prosperity to the country and happiness to the people, by the means of greatly increased tariff taxation as contained in the Dingley bill, as a burlesque and a fraud, and declare

that it will add to the burdens of an already oppressed people, increase the cost of living, oppress labor, impoverish many industries to subsidize a few; that it will promote trusts and combines, foster smuggling, enrich dishonest officials, and bankrupt honest merchants.

Fourth.—We demand that all tariff taxation shall be for revenue only, and declare that the only safe, reasonable and practicable way to restore prosperity and establish confidence, is to confine the expenses of the government so as to be economically administered within the limits of income; that small earnings and low wages have compelled rigid economy among our people, we therefore demand the same economy in the management of governmental affairs, and to this end urge a reduction of legal fees and salaries of all public officials, federal, state and county.

Fifth.—We demand the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation; and that the standard silver dollar shall be a full legal tender with gold for all debts, public and private.

Sixth.—We declare that an income tax is necessary to equalize taxation, in order to compel idle capital to bear its just proportion of the expenses of administration of government.

Seventh.—We denounce the unwarranted extravagance and profligacy of the present state administration, and look with horror upon the search being made by both the executive and legislative departments of the state government, to find new subjects of taxation in order that they may raise sufficient revenue to support extravagant and unaccountable appropriations, pay the largely increased salaries of already well paid officers, and maintain the many new and useless offices which they have created.

Eighth.—We also denounce the present Legislature for its failure to pass a law requiring all banks in which state deposits are kept to pay a fair rate of interest.

We instruct the delegates to the state convention to vote for the nomination of Hon. James A. Stranahan for state treasurer, and request them to use all honorable means to secure his nomination.

A. C. THOMPSON,
W. H. GARDNER,
G. L. GOODHART,
J. T. MCCORMICK,
H. E. BIERLY,
W. H. HESS.

DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION.

After taking his seat Mr. Thompson regained the floor and nominated Messrs. A. Y. Casanova, P. J. McDonald, John P. Condo, John Smith and Hammon Sechler as delegates to the State convention at Reading. The names were chosen unanimously and a more representative, thoroughly competent party of men could not have been found to represent the county Democracy than they are.

The last business transacted was the reelection of chairman Taylor for a second term. On motion of Mr. Casanova he was made the unanimous choice of the convention.

All the business having been cleared up everyone seemed in such a good humor that they wanted to remain longer and Hon. James Schofield was called for a speech. He had only a few minutes time before his train for Harrisburg was due, but he rattled off the snappiest little talk we have ever heard from him. He kept the audience in a continued uproar of cheers and laughter and had plenty of good hard political sense mixed up in his words. James had the delegates with him from start to finish and when he concluded with his chicken story and batted for his train the woeful look on his own face, when he found it gone, was a fitting atonement for the peals of laughter he had left behind him.

Altogether it was about the jolliest, most entertaining Democratic gathering we have been at in a long time and the enthusiastic interest augurs well for our future success.

DELEGATES ELECTED TO THE CONVENTION.

Bellefonte Boro., N. W.—J. L. Spangler, J. L. Dunlap.
Bellefonte Boro., S. W.—Ed. Brown Jr., John Howley, M. Cunningham, Sr., (2) Al. Garmann.
Bellefonte Boro., W. W.—Lew McQuiston.
Centre Hall Boro.—J. M. Goodhart, Jno. Rider, Howard Boro.—John Wagner.
Milesburg Boro.—Arthur Prondt.
Millheim Boro.—John P. Condo, F. P. Musser.
Phillipsburg Boro., 1st W.—Arthur Casanova.
Phillipsburg Boro., 2nd W.—W. A. Ward, substituted by M. Y. Casanova, C. A. Faulkner.
Phillipsburg Boro., 3rd W.—Wm. Hess.
S. Phillipsburg Boro.—J. E. Holt.
State College Boro.—Albert Hoy.
Unionville Boro.—W. H. Eason.
Benner Twp., N. P.—L. C. Reareck, John McCloskey.
Benner Twp., S. P.—Curtis G. Wagner substituted by Harry A. Wagner.
Boggs Twp., N. P.—J. Frank Heaton.
Boggs Twp., E. P.—M. H. Harvey.
Boggs Twp., W. P.—W. Fulmer, Jos. Charles, Burnside Twp.—Wm. Hippie.
College Twp., W. W.—M. J. Williams.
Curtin Twp.—N. J. McCloskey.
Ferguson Twp., E. P.—W. H. Bloom substituted by T. T. McCormick, J. R. Smith, John Snyder.
Ferguson Twp., W. P.—D. H. Kustenborder.
Gregg Twp., N. P.—G. F. Weaver.
Gregg Twp., E. P.—M. J. Fisher substituted by H. B. Heitler, J. C. Condit.
Gregg Twp., W. P.—John Smith, M. L. Rishel, J. O. McCormick.
Haines Twp., E. P.—L. D. Orndorf, J. H. Foltz, Haines Twp., W. P.—J. G. Meyer, C. H. Stover, Geo. W. Kelder.
Half Moon Twp.—A. C. Thompson.
Harris Twp., N. P.—K. Page, Earnest Hess substituted by Jas. Swab, (2) Thos. F. Riley.
Howard Twp.—Jno. A. Woodward.
Liberty Twp.—L. J. Gieger.
Huston Twp.—W. H. Gardner, B. S. Brown.
Marion Twp.—S. Frain substituted by J. J. Hoy, J. W. Orr.
Miles Twp., E. P.—J. A. Meyer.
Miles Twp., N. P.—Dr. T. C. Hosterman, C. O. Malory substituted by H. E. Bierly, J. N. Meyer substituted by H. A. Dettweiler.
Miles Twp., W. P.—John E. Miller.
Patton Twp.—Samuel Balsor.
Penn Twp.—D. B. Geary, J. S. Meyer, J. E. Harter, A. E. Meyer.
Potter Twp., N. P.—Robert Bloom, George H. Emerick.
Potter Twp., S. P.—James M. Meyer, G. L. Goodhart, W. H. Roy, D. R. Foreman.
Rush Twp., N. P.—John Todd, Jr., Jim Batchler.
Rush Twp., S. P.—Michael Dempsey, D. D. Wood, Patrick Heffernan.
Snow Shoe Twp., E. P.—R. C. Gilliland, Thomas Kelley.
Snow Shoe Twp., W. P.—Jno. T. Lucas.
Spring Twp., N. P.—A. V. Hamilton.
Spring Twp., S. P.—Calvin Walz, Adam Hazel.
Spring Twp., W. P.—A. J. Switzer.
Taylor Twp.—Vinton Beckwith.
Walker Twp.—J. L. Loughry.
Young, D. M. Dunkle substituted by Jacob Dunkle, Harry McCaulm, J. C. Johnston.
Worth Twp.—A. J. Johnston.

—Mr. George Potter, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, arrived in this place shortly after noon, on Sunday, on a special train, and remained here until Monday. Mr. Potter was on his way to a meeting of railroad men at Old Point Comfort and while the others of his party were tarrying at Altoona he ran down here to see his sister, Mrs. John C. Miller, who has been in such a critical condition since her return from the hospital. He is superintendent of motive power of the Pennsylvania railroad west of Pittsburgh and won that high position through pure merit, as he never had any of that later day talkman that they call "pull."

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—Attention, Old Soldiers!—All members of Gregg post, No. 95, and all old soldiers are requested to meet at the post rooms on Friday, June 11th, at 3 o'clock, p. m., to go in a body to the funeral of comrade William Jones at four o'clock.

DAVID BARTLEY, Commander.

News Purely Personal.

—Mr. Thomas Kelley, of Snow Shoe, transacted business in town on Tuesday.

—Elizabeth B. Meek is home from Austin, Tex., where she has been teaching since last September.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Montgomery returned from their wedding trip, on Wednesday evening, and are living at the Bush house.

—Miss Sara Tyson, of Phillipsburg, is in town, the guest of Mrs. C. T. Gerberich, on Thomas street. She came over to be present at the Wetzel-Gerberich wedding.

—Rev. Edward E. Hoshour, of this place, has gone to Mansfield, Ohio, to attend the meeting of the general synod of the Lutheran church of the United States.

—Ralph Fitch Martin, of Honesdale, spent Sunday in Bellefonte, visiting old friends here and enjoying side excursions to State College, from which institution he was graduated in 1895.

—Mrs. Louisa Ingram and her daughter, Mrs. James Kellerman, left Monday morning for Philadelphia, where the former will enter the Medico-Chi., hospital to have the cataracts on her eyes removed.

—Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hazel, of Spring creek, who, with Miss Lizzie Hazel, of this place, were visiting Mrs. Hazel's relatives, in Altoona, for two weeks returned to their homes Monday evening.

—A. C. Thompson, of Phillipsburg, was in attendance at the county convention and was chairman of the resolutions committee that made a report ringing with such sound Democratic sentiments and doctrine.

—Hon. John T. McCormick, of Ferguson township, couldn't stay away from the county convention and was in town, on Tuesday, shaking hands with old friends and talking hopefully of the future of Democracy.

—M. L. Rishel, the tall farmer from Farmers' Mills, who is so well known for his integrity and straightforward manner down there that he seems to be always engaged in settling up some one's estate, was in town, on Tuesday, a delegate to the county convention.

—Robert H. Hunter went down to Philadelphia, on Tuesday morning, and will return to-morrow. He is unattached as to locating with an insurance company and went down there to consult with the managers of a large corporation, regarding a position that has been offered him.

—Mrs. Dempster L. Glenn, of Elyria, O., was in town, Thursday, for a few hours on her way home from a short visit with her husband's relatives at State College. Miss Eva Kephart, of Fillmore, will spend part of the summer with her in the prosperous Ohio town, where so many Centre countyans have located.

—Wm. H. Fry, of Pine Grove Mills, spent Wednesday night in town and journeyed on to Philadelphia yesterday morning. While in that city, he will attend a few lectures at the University of Pennsylvania where he keeps up his knowledge of the ailments of stock. He is a progressive veterinarian and tries to keep pace with all the advances in the profession.

—A group of earnest young Democrats from "the lower end" were interested delegates at the convention, on Tuesday, and showed that the party is by no means deteriorating when such young blood is being infused into it. They were H. E. Bierly, Dr. Hosterman and H. E. Dettweiler, from Rebersburg and John E. Miller, of the south precinct of Miles.

—Mrs. Nannie Willard, of Williamsport; James Chambers, of DuBois; and George, of Huntingdon, attended the funeral, of their brother, Charles, last Saturday morning. Josie Willard and her grand mother, Mrs. M. A. Chambers, accompanied Mrs. Willard to Williamsport, Tuesday, Josie to stay with her mother and Warden and Mrs. Chambers to visit a week or two.

—A man is always known by his works and when D. D. Woods, of Sandy Ridge, appeared in town, on Monday morning, wearing a silver hat we knew he was here for the convention. The surprise proved correct for Mr. Woods was here to represent the southern precinct of Rush, and came a day early—not because there was a contest on for any of the offices that he was particularly interested in, but he had a little legal business that needed the attention that he gave it on Monday.

—M. Dempsey, one of the ways in line, always interested Democrats from Rush township, was among the many who laughed and cheered at the brilliant speeches made by Col. J. L. Spangler, Hon. James Schofield, chairman Hugh S. Taylor and A. C. Thompson here on Tuesday. A Democratic meeting in Rush without Mr. Dempsey would be like a circus parade without a hand wagon and he is ably backed up, over there, by our friend John O'Neill. Both gentlemen live in the vicinity of Pottsville where they are rated among the best citizens.

—Last Saturday night Mr. William Parks, one of our Democratic workers in the West ward, limped into the Watchman office just too late to get a vote in at the primary election. His misgiving it did not trouble him half as much as the rheumatism that had paid a visit to his knee. As it happened Hon. Willis Bierly was in the office and was just loaded for "rheumatism." Mr. Parks had the necessary faith and we were actually surprised to see him walk off without a sign of limp or pain after the law-book man had painted him up a little, with a magic preparation he carried.

—Messrs. A. Y. Casanova and M. Y. Casanova, both of Phillipsburg, were in town, on Tuesday, attending the county convention as delegates. The convention very wisely chose the former as one of the five delegates who will represent the county at the state convention in Reading. Both gentlemen are enthusiastically working for Cuban freedom and the sacrifices they are making for the oppressed island shows the earnestness and unselfish love with which they consider their fellow-rebelling against the Spanish yoke. Mr. A. Y. Casanova is interested in the number of the public works about Phillipsburg and is recognized as one of her foremost citizens.

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county and was a leader in the House, then drifted West and became editor of the Grand-Forks, N. D., News, the influential paper of the Red river valley and gave that up last year to return East to educate the people on the silver question. Now he is traveling for Rees Welsh & Co., law book publishers of Philadelphia, and if there is anything in making a success of that his past experience ought to guide him to making a record.

—Miss Lillian Barret returned, Wednesday, from Williamsport where she attended the wedding of her friend Miss Maggie Ranck, on Tuesday.

—Our friend S. S. Pletcher, who is a Howard boy doing well in Washington, enclosed the "stuff which makes the printers' heart beat gladly" and we owe him this paper for a whole year now. The good act was done on June 4th.

—Hon. J. G. Meyer, of Aaronsburg, was one of the delegates to the county convention and remained here to pay a visit to his son, J. C. Meyer Esq. Mr. Meyer represented this county in the Legislature and has been identified with its politics for many years. Though seventy-two years old he still manifests an active interest in the party's doings and his advice is usually seasoned with that reserve and directness begotten of long experience.

BELLEFONTE'S MOST UNIQUE CHARACTER IS GONE.

—In all the history of this cradle of statesmen no life has ebbed out that has left the unique memory that the passing of William Jones will do. While men have sought preferment and had honors thrust upon them, thus bringing themselves into prominence and becoming household favorites in Bellefonte "old Billy Jones" steadily slipped in and out, round and about, unweariedly, unceasingly at his work. Faithful as the Moses of the wandering, so methodical that he might merely have been a machine, instead of one of God's own creatures, this man had filled his sphere, as no other man had done before him, and none will rise up to take his place.

The announcement that William Jones had been found dead in bed at his home, in this place, Tuesday morning, cast a pall over many of Bellefonte's business places and at once started inquiry as to the cause of it. Though nearly 77 years old he was such an active, hard working man that no one thought of such a thing as his dying and for that matter his bent form and gray hair had been such a familiar sight on the streets, in fair and in stormy weather, that we suppose there were many who thought "Billy" had at one time or other out-generated De Soto and actually bathed in the eternal life-giving spring that the Spaniard sought in vain.

Monday evening he retired in his usual good health, after having eaten a hearty supper. Laughing and joking with his family he bade them "good night," just as he had done for years, "and that" "good night," was his "good bye," for the frail craft shipped its anchor and glided peacefully out into death's dark stream and when morning dawned nothing but the cold moorings were there. It was his habit to get up about eight o'clock, but members of his family passed through his room as early as half-past six that morning when he appeared to be sleeping peacefully. About breakfast time Mrs. Jones called him, but the usual response was not forthcoming; then their daughter went to his room again and made the sad discovery that he was dead in his bed. Rheumatism of the heart is supposed to have caused it.

William Jones was born at Hull, England, June 24th, 1820, and when a young man he served in the British navy, having been on Lord Nelson's flagship. About 1857 he came to America, after having gone through with a little romance that separated him from his parents, and located in Indiana. When the late war broke out he served with honor in both marines and infantry and none are there who cherish a fonder love for the old soldiers than did he. Shortly after the close of the war he came to Bellefonte, as he has often told us, not knowing exactly what for, and became one of the fixtures of the place.

Possibly a better collector never lived than he was. As quarter master of Gregg post, as runner for the first national bank, as tax collector of the borough and as collector for many corporations of the town he handled thousands and thousands of dollars and the man does not live who can say he was short one farthing. His name will be a synonym for trustiness, a twin with doggedness. During his life he enjoyed the friendship of the late Andrew G. Curtin and Edward C. Humes and might truly be said to have been a *portage* of theirs. If there ever has been a dead veteran at whose grave others should weep here is one, for poor "old Billy" was never behind when honor was to be done to another.

His wife, Hannah, and three children, Ella, Katharine and John Paul survive him. Funeral services will be held at the Episcopal church this afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be in charge of Gregg post, No. 95, G. A. R.

DIED IN ALTOONA.—Mr. Adam M. Hartwick, of 716 Green avenue, Altoona, died Wednesday morning at 1:30 o'clock of a complication of diseases after an illness of nine months. The deceased was born in this county, February 27, 1834. He went to Altoona ten years ago and was since employed in the Pennsylvania railroad lumber yard. During the year 1897 he married Miss Sarah E. Mothersbaugh, who survives with these children: Mrs. Frank Kensing, Mrs. O. W. Layson, John, of Altoona, and Mac, and Miss Edith at home. One brother, H. B. Hartwick, of State College, also survives. The deceased was a member of the Third Presbyterian congregation. The interment will be made at Lemont, this afternoon. Short funeral services will be held at the house at 10 o'clock this morning previous to shipping the remains.

—Jacob H. Iselt, a well known old citizen, died at his home, near Spruce Creek, on Saturday morning. His remains were interred on Monday.

DEATH OF HENRY BOOZER.—Henry Boozer died Friday morning of last week at nine o'clock, aged forty-four years and six days. Interment at Centre Hall, Tuesday morning, Rev. S. H. Eisenburg, of the Reformed church, assisted by Rev. W. W. Rhoades, officiating.

He was a son of John Boozer, deceased, and was a resident of Centre Hall, during almost his entire life time. He was a man without an enemy, and lived a true Christian life. He was a member of the Reformed church from his youth, and was always a regular attendant at all the services.

About nineteen years ago deceased was married to Miss Annie Derstine, daughter of Michael Derstine, deceased, who, with an only son, survives him. His aged mother and two brothers—David A. and John, and two sisters, Mrs. P. F. Keller and Mrs. Sanders, also mourn his loss.

Two years ago Mr. Boozer went to the Pacific coast in search of health and was temporarily benefited, but did not like the country and so returned. He led an active life and was engaged in a number of enterprises, among which were the Centre Hall implement works, which he successfully operated for a number of years, and a member of the firm of Boozer Bros., liverymen and saddlers.

For the past three or four months he had been confined to his bed and suffered the pains that that dread disease, consumption, is capable of inflicting.

THOMAS NEWALL'S DEATH.—The remains of the late Thomas J. Newall were brought to this place from Reading, last Monday evening, and interred in the Union cemetery on Tuesday evening. He had died at Reading, the previous Thursday, with pleuro-pneumonia, and is survived by a widow, his sister, Miss Mary, and his two aunts, Mrs. Miles and Miss Newall.

The remains were taken to the home of Mrs. Joseph Miles, on Bishop street, where the services were held. Tom Newall is remembered by many Bellefonters. He had worked in nearly every carriage shop in town, while living here and had many friends who were sorry to hear of his death. Deceased was 36 years old and the Bellefonte lodge of Odd Fellows attended his funeral in a body.

JOHN HENDERSHOT IS DEAD.—A long illness with consumption culminated in the death of John Hendershot, at Valentine's iron works, early Saturday morning. Deceased was 46 years old and is survived by a widow with two daughters and one son. His remains were interred in the Union cemetery, on Monday afternoon, at 2 p. m. Deceased had been a member of the Methodist church for twenty-two years and for ten years was superintendent of the Sunday school at the forge. He was one of the most trust-worthy and esteemed men who has ever been attached to the Valentine works.

The surviving members of his family are very grateful for the kind and considerate attention of their friends during the illness of Mr. Hendershot.

—Mrs. Margaret Hoover, aged 70 years, one of the oldest residents of Phillipsburg, died in that place, last Friday afternoon, after an illness of several months with cancer. Her funeral took place on Monday.

—Charles W. Keith, at one time station agent at Marengo, on the line of the Lewisburg and Tyrone railroad, died at his home at Council Grove, Kansas, last Saturday evening. Dropsy caused his death.

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