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The Democratic State Ticket.

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The County Ticket.

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It Won't Fool Anybody.

The effort of the Republican board of county commissioners to re-elect themselves by reducing the county millage is a little thin. Farmers are not so green that they cannot understand just what this is for. If they had reduced the county expenses; had brought the cost of county management down to a figure that would meet the county income at the lower rate of millage, that will be charged this year, the scheme might have had some merit in it. But they didn't do this, and every taxpayer in the county understands just as well as does Messrs. FISHER and RIDDLE, that at the present cost of running the county the half-mill taken off the tax levy this year, will have to be put on it again next year or a large county indebtedness made.

It is so clear that this reduction in the tax levy was made simply because these two Republicans wanted to be re-elected and thought this was the way to fool the tax-payers of the county that it is likely to prove more disastrous than the more manly course of standing up for all they have done, would have been.

When these two men took charge of the commissioners' office, in January, 1897, a three mill tax was all that was being levied. As soon as the opportunity offered itself they proceeded to increase the rate to three and one-half mills and at the same time instructed the assessors that a higher rate of valuation should be placed upon all kinds of property. When they got that accomplished, they concluded that the proper thing to do was to increase the expenses, so as to eat up all the increased income. This they proceeded to do and have done it well ever since. In fact it has kept them so busy doing it that they have not taken a day off since they were first sworn in. And how well they have succeeded is shown in the manner in which they have kept up the county expenditures.

Years ago, when we were building county bridges, and when repairs were being made to county buildings and improvements to the public grounds, the total expenditures for county purposes, averaged but from \$35,000 to \$42,000. For the last ten years they have been gradually increasing until in 1898, under the management of Messrs. RIDDLE and FISHER, they reached \$63,239.11,—the highest figures ever known. Of this amount less than \$3,000 were expended on permanent improvements to county buildings, showing that with them in control of county affairs, the tax-payers were made to pay over \$60,000 a year for ordinary county purposes.

Now when we remember that the total income of the county, secured by a tax levy of 3½ mills on present valuations, amounts to less than \$52,000 a year and Republican management costs over \$60,000 it can be readily understood what the effect of a half mill reduction in the tax-levy will mean; either an increase in valuation, or an actual indebtedness amounting to just the difference between the amount expended and the amount levied.

This fact is so plain that the effort to deceive the tax payer by a reduction of millage will fool no one. They know that the tax taken off this year will have to be made up next, and they can see through this little trick of a reduction of the millage, just as well as can these two Republican aspirants for re-election.

It is a trick that won't work.

To read the Republican papers, and to rely upon the statements they make, one would naturally draw the conclusion that the fight for State Treasurer, here in Pennsylvania, is between President MCKINLEY and the obstreperous AGUIBALDO. If the people were idiots or the voters as easily gulled as these papers must imagine they are, such stuff would go. But unfortunately for this hope of the ring, and while there may yet be abundant work for the fool killer, there are enough of sensible men still living to effectually end this kind of nonsense and to show the ring that they fully understand the situation that confronts them.

Verily a party that has so disgraced its record while in charge of the State's money that it fears to refer to and dare not defend, it is not the party to secure the support of thinking voters, by attempts to deceive them as to the issues involved.

The MCKINLEY-AGUIBALDO combination will not win this year.

Why Shouldn't They Want Harmony?

Governor HASTINGS' two mouth-pieces in this place are terribly in earnest just now for harmony in the party and a united Republican vote for the county ticket. This is not to be wondered at. Their wing of the party is on top. It made the ticket. It has control of the county organization. It is responsible for results. As its boss asserted just after his victory, "it was a hard fight and a pretty costly one to get where we are, but we knocked the other fellows out and we now propose to keep them out." His hope of doing this is by electing his county ticket and then pointing to that fact as evidence of his ability to carry things his way when he leads. This, he thinks, would strengthen him for next fall's campaign, when he expects to dictate the Republican nominees for Legislature, or defeat the election of any one who will not do his bidding, should he get to Harrisburg.

There is a whole lot of glory in it for Governor HASTINGS, if he can carry his county ticket through. This he knows, and it is to gain this that he now has his county organs working so strenuously to get those whom he abused and vilified so shamefully to come to the front and aid him.

It will be noticed that neither of these organs have a word to say for the Republican state ticket. That ticket stands on a platform that endorses QUAY and ignores HASTINGS. The county ticket stands on a platform that endorses HASTINGS and ignores QUAY. It is easy to see why his excellency is so anxious about a united vote for the county ticket.

Clearfield County Outlaws in Prison at Last.

Tortured and Robbed Henry Bruner and Wife. Charles Pierce, Now Serving Ten Years in the Penitentiary for the Crime, Inclined the Wrights, Who Flew From Indiana Before They Could Be Arrested, But Recently Returned—A Fourth Accused, Daniel Best, is Still at Large.

INDIANA, Pa., Sept. 5.—Sharp and Clint Wright, the two desperadoes of Burnside, Clearfield county, who have been wanted for the past three years for a robbery committed in this county, and who were finally arrested by Deputy Sheriff John Neal, Saturday, have been brought to jail here. The Wright brothers were incriminated in the robbery and torturing of Henry Bruner and wife, an aged couple of Berks township, on the night of April 17th, 1897, by Charles Pierce, who turned State's evidence, and who is now serving a ten year sentence in the Western penitentiary. Immediately after the robbery they both left the county, and nothing was heard of them until a month ago. District Attorney Mahan learned that they were in the vicinity of Burnside, and had the warrant revived and they were arrested on the first opportunity.

The crime for which the Wrights have been wanted for the last three years was ferocious and brutal, and excited considerable interest at the time as it was of the bandit order. While Mr. Bruner was being tortured and robbed, Charles Pierce's mask became loosened and he was recognized, and Mr. Bruner thought he recognized Pierce's brother John by his voice.

PIERCE ACCUSED THE WRIGHTS.

The Pierce brothers were arrested and tried in June, 1896. Charles pleaded guilty and in doing so said that his brother had nothing to do with the robbery, but incriminated the Wright brothers and a man named Daniel Best. Since that time Best has not been heard of. John Pierce was then placed on trial, but on the strength of his brother's testimony was cleared.

At the trial Mr. Bruner testified that on the evening of the robbery four men broke into his house shortly after dark. All the men wore masks, and one of the intruders struck Mr. Bruner on the face while another one grabbed him around the waist and said: "Your money or your life? That we want and that we will have." They threw Bruner to the floor and tied his hands and feet and horribly beat him.

MRS. BRUNER TORTURED.

Mrs. Bruner was even more cruelly used. After she was tied her shoes and stockings were taken off, and lighted matches held to her feet in order to make her tell where the money was hidden. The soles of her feet were frightfully burned. The thieves then searched the house and secured \$365 in money, a revolver and a gold watch that Mrs. Bruner had carried for 30 years. While the search of the house was being made one of the robbers took Mr. Bruner's gun and kept guard around the house. When they left they fired the gun and stood it against a tree in the orchard.

A diligent watch has been kept for the Wright boys and Best. Within the last year the warrants were allowed to lapse, but last week District Attorney Mahan had a new process issued. When arrested neither of the brothers had anything to say. Sharp wears long hair which reaches almost to his waist.

ALTOONA'S PUBLIC BUILDING.

The Site Found to Be Clear of Encumbrance—Work Awaits Attorney General Grigg's Decision.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Ex-Representative Hicks, of Altoona, was in conference today with the officials of the Justice department and the supervising architect's office regarding the Altoona public building site. He was informed at the Justice department that the examiner of titles has prepared his report and it agrees with that of the district attorney for Western Pennsylvania, that the original site as agreed upon is clear of all encumbrances. Attorney General Grigg will decide the matter as soon as he returns to the city. After this is done Supervising Architect Taylor will have authority to draw up the plans for the new building, and it is anticipated that the preliminary work will begin shortly thereafter.

ADMIRAL DEVEY WELL AGAIN.

GIBRALTAR, September 5.—Admiral Devey, who has recovered from his indisposition, is much pleased at the cordial welcome that was accorded him here. The Admiral is living ashore at the Bristol hotel. To-day he lunched with Horatio J. Sprague, the United States consul at Gibraltar.

ADMIRAL DEVEY TO-DAY EXPRESSED A FAVORABLE OPINION AS TO THE OUTCOME OF THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, SAYING THAT HE HOPED THE NEXT DRY SEASON WOULD SEE THE INSURRECTION QUELLED.

The Admiral said that he did not expect to go on sea service again except in the event of war and that he will probably retire under the regulations.

Fifty Years Ago Last Friday.

The First Train on the Pennsylvania Railroad Proceeded Westward from City of Harrisburg. Facts of Circumstances Which Culminated in the Formal Opening of the First Link in the Company's Great Chain of Transportation Lines on Sept. 1, 1849—A Through Train Left Lewistown for Philadelphia at Ten O'clock on Morning of Above Day.

Fifty years ago last Friday, at half past 2 o'clock p. m., the first scheduled passenger train on the Pennsylvania railroad started from in front of the Portsmouth and Mount Joy station at Harrisburg and proceeded on its westward journey.

The following information concerns the circumstances which culminated in the formal opening of the first link in the company's great chain of transportation lines on Sept. 1st, 1849. The efforts to secure to the State of Pennsylvania the trade of Pittsburgh, the Ohio valley and the newly settled western territory were followed by the granting of the first railroad charter in Pennsylvania on March 31st, 1823, which gave authority "to incorporate a company to erect a railroad from Philadelphia to Columbia, in Lancaster county."

The prosperous farmers along the line of the proposed railroad were, however, so fully satisfied with the facilities for travel afforded by the famous Lancaster turnpike that the efforts of John Stevens, the projector of this railroad, proved futile, and it was not until April, 1834, that in compliance with the act of March 24th, 1823, a single track railroad, eighty-two miles long, built by and at the expense of the commonwealth, was opened for traffic between Philadelphia and Columbia.

At Columbia connection was made with the main line of the canal leading to Hollidaysburg, where passengers and freight were transferred to the cars of the Portage railroad and were carried to Johnstown, where another transfer was made from car to boat.

From Johnstown the Western division of the canal through Blairsville and Saltsburg to Pittsburgh.

This chain of alternate links of land and water system of transportation was built by the state of Pennsylvania, the expenditure for which to Oct. 31st, 1834, amounted to nearly \$20,000,000 for the following line:

	Length in miles.
Railroad, Philadelphia to Columbia.....	81
Canal, Columbia to Hollidaysburg.....	132
Railroad, Hollidaysburg to Johnstown.....	172
Canal, Johnstown to Pittsburgh.....	105

Total.....390

Largely attended conventions held in the interior of the state and the public meetings at the Chinese museum, Philadelphia, culminated in the granting of a liberal charter to the Pennsylvania Railroad company, on April 13th, 1846.

This charter was put into full force on Feb. 16th, 1847, when Governor Francis B. Shunk, by the act of the Pennsylvania general assembly, authorized the organization of the company, which took place March 31st, 1847, when the first board of directors assumed control of affairs, under the direction of Samuel V. Merrick, first president of the company.

The eastern terminus of the road was established in Harrisburg, at the station erected by the Harrisburg, Portsmouth and Mount Joy railroad, ten years before. The surveys from that point fifty miles westward, to Millin, were made in April, May and June, 1847, and on Tuesday, July 7th, 1847, work was begun and the first ground broken at Harrisburg, with due formality.

By the last of November, 1847, the road was under contract to Lewistown, sixty miles from Harrisburg, and a year later work was well under way on over 110 miles of road as far west as Spruce Creek. The grading of the road from Lewistown to Huntingdon having been almost finished between June and November of that year.

The line that was opened for traffic fifty years ago is remarkable for the fact that it embraced the bridge over the Susquehanna river at Rockville, the bridge, then a wooden structure, of the Howells, and the one finally finished Aug. 28th, 1849, the day before Mr. Patterson became president, at a cost of \$170,000.

President Patterson having been notified on Wednesday, Aug. 29th, the day he assumed office, that the bridge was practically finished, decided to open the road to Lewistown on Saturday, Sept. 1st, and the date was written in each time table by direction of Herman Haupt (still living), who was then superintendent of transportation of the road, he having prepared the figures for the printers a few days before.

An accordance with the time table a through train, the Hiawatha, left Philadelphia at 10 a. m., Sept. 1st, 1849, arriving at Harrisburg at 1:30 p. m., and proceeded eastward by way of Mt. Joy to Dilleville and thence over the state road through Lancaster to Philadelphia. The train which left Philadelphia at 7:30 a. m., passing Dilleville at 10:30 a. m., arrived at Harrisburg at 2:30 p. m., for Lewistown, where it was due three hours later. This was the first scheduled passenger train to move westward on the Pennsylvania railroad.

The line was opened and trains run from Harrisburg seventy miles through to McVeytown, Dec. 24th, 1849, eighty-five miles to Mt. Union, April 1st, 1850; ninety-seven miles to Huntingdon, June 10th, 1850; 137 miles by way of Altoona to junction of Portage railroad, near Duaneville, Sept. 16th, 1850. On Feb. 15th, 1854, through travel by way of Gallitzin tunnel and avoiding all inclined planes was inaugurated between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

From this modest beginning the Pennsylvania railroad has grown in a short half century from a single track road, 360 miles long, to a system which, including all lines east and west of Pittsburgh, comprising 9,036 miles of railway, embracing 16,013 miles of tracks and sidings valued at more than a billion of dollars, upon which a traffic was conducted in the year 1898 equal to over one and one half billion passengers and nearly fifteen billion tons of freight carried one mile, the gross receipt for which, through the exertions of an army of over 111,000 men, amounted to nearly \$133,000,000.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Rush township school directors have adopted the vertical system of writing for all schools in that district and copy books and spelling pads will be supplied accordingly.

George Brungart, the Nittany valley farmer who was adjudged insane after he had been arrested for burning the barn on the Dornblazer farm and stealing wheat, will probably be taken out of jail and tried for his offenses. The district attorney of Clinton county is making an effort to have him brought to trial.

The assessor's return for the West ward alone shows thirty new voters on the list there. This speaks volumes for our growing population.

John Ginter, a Tyrone gardener, thinks he can knock the wind out of any other bean grower in the county with a good bean he has. One of the pods measures twenty-seven inches in length.

The advertisement for a housekeeper in this paper is a position well worth applying for, as it means a comfortable home and good wages for a capable woman. An experienced cook is also wanted by the same family.

The safe in the Owens' hardware store in Philipsburg was blown open early last Thursday morning, but the explosion attracted the night watchman who frightened the burglars away before they had secured any plunder.

Mike Trestleowski, an Austrian employed at the Bellefonte furnace, fell through a trestle out there about 10:30 Wednesday night and was quite seriously hurt. He suffered several painful gashes on his head and leg.

Ask your grocer for our flour. "Finest" and "Fancy Patent" brands lead all others.—Phoenix Milling Co.

Next week an old time concert will be given at the home of P. Gray Meek, on High street, for the benefit of the piano fund of the W. C. T. U. You are cordially invited to be present, for it is going to be well worth hearing and seeing and the admission will be only twenty-five cents.

Lewis B. Blair, a son of Supt. S. S. Blair, of Tyrone, was married to Miss Elenora Guyer at the bride's home in that place on Monday evening. Rev. W. W. Frysinger, D. D., performed the ceremony in the presence of none but the immediate relatives of the bride and groom.

Eli F. Townsend late of Philipsburg, has moved from that place to Delancy, Pa., where he has accepted a position with the Philadelphia, Rochester and Pittsburgh coal concern. His removal leaves the Republican party of Centre minus one of its most ardent and unique agitators. He was a nominee for the Legislature two years ago.

While trying to save her little grandson from falling down the stairs of the workshop at the rear of their home on west High street, on noon, Thursday, Mrs. W. T. Speer fell down the entire flight and seriously injured herself. She was carried to the house, where it was found that no bones were broken, but as she is quite a large woman the shock was such that she will not get over it for some time.

Lawrence Heltman, of Mackeyville, was on his way to market in Lock Haven early last Saturday morning, when his horse shied and the entire outfit tumbled down an embankment onto the C. R. R. of Pa. tracks. The accident occurred near the Creighton farm and would have been avoided had the supervisors placed guard rails along the wagon road, as should have been done.

The presentation of Gilbert's comedy "The Wedding March," at Garman's Monday evening, by the local amateurs was a success, both from an artistic and financial standpoint. The gross receipts were something over \$158, with less than \$25 in expenses. One of the pleasant features of the evening was the announcement that Col. James Milliken, of New York, had handed his check for \$100 to Misses Blanchard and Meek, who had so successfully managed the play. His gift was in the nature of a starter for the free library fund for Bellefonte and it should point the way to men who are more deeply interested in the town, than is Col. Milliken, to similar bequests.

A NOTABLE ENCAMPMENT.—Recently one of the most notable family encampments that has ever been heard of in this county made things lively in the Shingletown gap. The Barchfelds, descendants of old judge Wm. Barchfeld, with their children to the number of fifteen or twenty, spent two weeks camping in the old saw mill in the gap.

Most of the family are now from Altoona, but they are all natives of Centre county and the place they selected for the outing is still owned by Mrs. Hanna Johnson Barchfeld, widow of the judge, who was there in her 65th year. She is a daughter of Col. Johnson, of Boalsburg, and enjoyed it as much as the others.

The last Sunday the party was in camp fifty guests took dinner with them.

MAJ. WILLIAM HASTINGS IN TOWN.—Maj. William Hastings, brother of the former Governor, was an arrival in town from New York yesterday morning. He came direct here after landing from the Westerland, a Red Star line boat, and looks exceedingly well as a result of the nine days voyage from Antwerp.

Of course Maj. Hastings' presence in town caused no little of a ripple and there was a great rush to get a glimpse of him. He avoided all notoriety by going to the Brockerhoff house and giving orders that no one should be admitted to his apartments except upon cards, and that his meals should be served in his room.

He received a WATCHMAN representative, however, yesterday afternoon, in that gracious, polished manner which is so natural to him and talked pleasantly of his trip abroad. He looks little changed by his absence from Bellefonte. Though his hair is slightly whiter, his luxuriant beard gone and his face bronzed by foreign travel anyone would recognize him on the instant.

Maj. Hastings declined to talk on the purpose of his visit, further than to say that it is purely a business mission of an amicable sort. He will remain in Bellefonte for a few days.

There will be an important meeting of the Village Improvement society in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Saturday evening at 7 o'clock. All interested are requested to attend.

The Bellefonte Academy will open its fall session in all departments on next Monday, Sept. 11th. The corps of instructors will be as follows:

The mathematical and scientific departments in charge of Rev. J. P. Hughes, the principal, assisted by James G. Wright.

The classical department in charge of J. R. Hughes, the associate principal.

The English and modern language departments in charge of Miss Carrie Alice Lawrence, the lady principal.

The intermediate department in charge of Miss Edith B. Wertz.

The primary department in charge of Miss Helen E. Overton.

ALFRED BRISBIN IS SAFE.—Alfred Brisbin, nephew of Col. J. L. Spangler, about whose safety there was so much concern in this place lately, is safe ashore and will arrive in Bellefonte to-day, for his first vacation in Bellefonte to-day, for his first vacation from the United States naval Academy.

He was on the training ship "Monongahela" which was ten days over due when sighted off Cape Henry and it was feared that the old vessel had gone down in the recent storm that played such havoc with shipping on the Atlantic. Singularly enough the "Monongahela" was late in arriving because of being becalmed.

WILL LOCATE HERE.—Musical circles in Bellefonte will receive a very superior acquisition soon in the person of Miss Emily K. Alexander, of Centre Hall. She expects to locate here about the 20th inst. and will at once organize a class in voice culture and singing.

Miss Alexander is a daughter of Dr. John F. Alexander, of Centre Hall, and has been a pupil at the Boston conservatory of music for several years. She is said to be a very accomplished instructor and will doubtless meet with much success here, where such advantages have long been needed. She will sing in the choir of the Presbyterian church.

Bellefonte has ever had something to be proud of, even though more recent years may have seen other towns pressing her hard with beautiful buildings, manufacturing industries and everything which the ingenuity and riches of man can suggest, and that is her sons and daughters. Many have become closely associated through business and social interests with other cities, yet always seem to retain a warm spot for Bellefonte, as has been strikingly illustrated the past week. [Mr. James Milliken, who for many years was one of our most prominent citizens but whom the greater attractions of New York have deprived us of for the past ten years, has spent most of the summer among his old friends—to their great pleasure—and has left them a souvenir destined to make the year of ninety-nine a memorable one to them. The town has long needed a public library and Mr. Milliken, realizing this, generously started the ball rolling with one hundred dollars. It is to be hoped that having been so started, others will become so enthusiastic that in a short time we may be able to invite Mr. Milliken to make the dedicatory address in a beautiful building which was started by his munificence.]

MRS. JAMES E. SCOTT.—After long months of weary, though patient suffering, Mrs. Anna McCormick Scott passed peacefully into the haven of rest on Sunday morning. She had been ill beyond hope of recovery for nine months and while she left a husband and one child to mourn her early death it was really a blessed relief from the misery she had tried so bravely to bear up under.

She was born at Sprucetown, Centre county, April 10th, 1862, and was married on the 6th of March, 1887, to James E. Scott, one child, Albert, being born by this union. Besides her husband and son she leaves four brothers and two sisters. Her brothers and sisters are, Thomas, of Chicago, Ill.; James, of Cleveland, Ohio; Samuel, of Joliet, Ill.; Vance, of Montandon, Pa.; Sara Messinger, of Joliet, Ill., and Maggie Dawson, of Missoula, Montana.

Services were held at the house on Logan street on Monday evening at half past six, conducted by Rev. Dr. Holloway, of the Lutheran church. The body was taken to Sprucetown for interment on Tuesday morning.

Diphtheria is still prevalent about Millheim, though the afflicted members of Adam Schreckengast's family have about all recovered. Three new cases are reported this week: Willie Keen, Norman Harter and James Confer. The disease is of a mild type, but the citizens of that place have become alarmed and active measures are being taken by the board of health to prevent its further spread.

Elizabeth, the baby daughter of Charles Snyder, of Hubersburg, died on Monday with diphtheria. She was buried at Millheim next day. Other members of the family had had the disease when the baby took it. The others are all convalescing.

William Corman died at the home of Abram Sweitzer, at Coleville, last Thursday. Trouble with his spine caused death. The young man was 23 years old and his remains were buried in the Union cemetery Saturday afternoon.

The venerable Martin Morrison died at his home on east Lamb street last evening, about seven o'clock. Heart disease caused his death.

SEPTEMBER WEDDINGS.—A quiet but very joyous wedding was celebrated at ex-sheriff Woodring's, on High street, Wednesday noon, when his daughter, Anna Mabel, was united in marriage to Mr. William Taylor Hunt, of Williamsport. Only the immediate families of the bridal party were present but the house was artistically decorated with hydrangeas and asparagus and an elaborate wedding breakfast was served after the ceremony.

The bride, whose resemblance to Mary Anderson De Navarro, America's former great actress, has oft time been remarked, looked exceedingly well in her bridal gown of white organdy and lace. With it she wore a tulle veil and carried her marriage certificate. Two little flower girls, Adaline Woodring, the bride's sister, and Sarah Hunt, a sister of the groom, dressed in white and carrying baskets of pink carnations, preceded the bridal couple into the reception room, and added to the picturesqueness of the occasion. Rev. Dr. Laurie, of the Presbyterian church, pronounced the ceremony.

After a visit to Washington and Old Point Comfort, upon which they started on the 1:42 train, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt will go to house keeping in the Burnside house on west Curtin street. They were heartily congratulated as their wedding seemed especially propitious to all their friends. They are young, well known and well liked, fond of company and fully equipped for the practical side of life. In appearance they are both tall and fine looking, and fate surely holds nothing in store for them but contentment and happiness. Mr. Hunt is a son of Asher R. Hunt, of Williamsport, and is now employed at the machine shops of Jenkins and Lingle.

The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Asher Hunt, Miss Margaretta Hunt, Miss Sarah Hunt, and Mrs. Sarah Clark, of Williamsport.

BEAUTIFUL WEDDING AT NITTANY.—The home of Mr. J. H. Beck, at Nittany, this county, was the scene of a beautiful ceremony, on Wednesday, when his daughter Marie Elizabeth became the wife of Walter E. Brandt, of Mt. Joy, Pa. The interior of the house was tastefully decorated with evergreens and a gate of everlasting was hung at the entrance to the parlor, through which the bridal party had to pass to reach the altar.

Promptly at high noon the bride-elect, with her wedding party, descended the stairs to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march. They were preceded by Miss Ruth Beck and Miss Kathryn Jackson as flower girls who opened the gates at the parlor entrance as the party approached. The bridesmaids were Misses Grace and Helen Beck, sisters of the bride.

The bride wore a dainty gown of mousseline de soie, slightly *en train*, with quilled satin trimming; the effect being heightened by a veil and the large bunch of bride's roses that she carried. The maids wore white organdy; the one being trimmed in pink, the other in blue, which style was also carried out in the frocks of the flower girls.

At the entrance to the parlor the groom met his prospective bride and led her to the floral bower which had been arranged as an altar. An aisle was made for them by master Louis Reber and Miss Alva Walker, who held great ropes of everlasting. At the altar Rev. N. K. Diehl, of St. Mark's Lutheran church, Snydertown, stood waiting and had soon finished the impressive ceremony that made them man and wife.

An informal reception followed, with a splendid collation, after which the bride and groom departed for a tour along the great lakes. After returning they will make their home at Mt. Joy, where the groom is in business with his father.

Guests were in attendance from Mt. Joy, State College, Bellefonte, Lock Haven and other places. The couple were the recipients of many useful and costly presents.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted, orphan's court clerk, G. W. Rumberger, during the past week:
William F. Patton and Maggie Reese, both of Port Matilda.
Walter Fanning and Cora Duff, both of Colgate township.
Grant Hoover, of Bellefonte, and Anna E. Gray, of State College.
Jacob Balhous, of Sandy Ridge, and Florence Lucas, of Julian.
David M. Tate and Etta Hamer, both of Lemont.

William T. Hunt and Mabel Woodring, both of Bellefonte.
Walter E. Brandt, of Mt. Joy, and Marie E. Beck, of Nittany.
Andro Drapp and Barbara Loviney, both of Clarence.
William Reed and Meda Bradley, both of Bellefonte.
Samuel S. Yearick, of Madisonburg, and Mary M. Brumgart, of Millifinburg.
Wm. O. Ripka and Ida M. Lingle, of Spring Mills.

WAS IT AN ASSAULT OR AN ACCIDENT?—C. C. Bell, formerly of this place, but now an instructor in brick laying and masonry at the Huntingdon reformatory is recovering from the effects of quite a severe fall he had last Thursday evening.

Mr. Bell has no distinct recollection of what happened to him other than that he stumbled over a curbing in the neighborhood of the P. R. R. station in that place. He wandered home in a dazed condition and while no bruises or scars could be found he suffered considerably from having struck his stomach in falling. His pocket book, containing a considerable sum of money, being missing has led to the belief that he might have been snatched.