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Information for County Democrats.

Since the last issue of the WATCHMAN, when it was announced that Col. D. F. FORTNEY and S. D. GETTIG Esq. would be aspirants for chairman of the Democratic county committee, to succeed JOHN J. BOWER, whose term expires in December, both gentlemen have withdrawn from the contest and will not appear as candidates. This is a most fortunate turn of affairs for the party, as it leaves the field open until the last moment for the selection of such an important officer and precludes the possibility of a contest.

It is particularly advantageous to the Democracy at this time. Had there been a contest for the office of county chairman it would necessarily have caused the friends of Messrs. FORTNEY and GETTIG to line up to their support and might have engendered feelings of resentment that would have had a deteriorating effect upon the efforts of the successful aspirant. Next year the campaign will be an unimportant one, but two years hence, in 1904, Centre county will elect a President Judge, vote for a President, Congressman, Legislators and several county officers. The election of a Judge will make it of utmost import and there will need be perfect unity and singleness of purpose in the ranks of the Democracy.

It is a desire to bring about such a condition that actuated Col. FORTNEY and Mr. GETTIG in their withdrawal from the WATCHMAN congratulates them, for there can be no question of the good results accomplished by it. It is at once eliminated the possibility of a split anywhere and gives the convention the right to the unanimous choice of a county chairman.

County chairman JOHN BOWER has announced the following list of officials who will conduct the primary elections in the various voting precincts of the county on Saturday, May 31st.

The first name mentioned in each precinct is the chairman of the precinct, who will be presiding officer of the election board, and the two following are the persons he has selected to act as his assistants:

Belleville Boro.—J. D. Daubert, Wm. Booser, G. W. Shank.

Howards Boro.—A. Weber, H. A. Moore, D. R. Wilson.

Milesburg Boro.—George Noll, William Shope, Homer D. L. Miller.

Milheim Boro.—F. P. Musser, Samuel Wiser, Lester Musser.

Philipsburg Boro, 1st W.—J. W. Lukens, F. K. Ecker, George E. Smith, William Kennedy, R. O. Glenn.

" 2nd W.—E. J. Jones, Ira Howe, Harry Paul.

" 3rd W.—A. J. Graham, Harry Train, William Reilly.

State College Boro.—M. S. McDowell, William Kennedy, R. O. Glenn.

Unionville Boro.—G. W. Rumberger, J. P. McDowell, J. E. Hall.

Benner Township, N. P.—D. K. Keller, Samuel Lucas, J. R. Barbee.

" " S. P.—John Ishler.

Boggs Township, N. P.—Oscar L. Fetzer, Ira P. Confer, Ed. Goodley.

" " M. P.—G. H. Lyman, Robert Lucas, J. C. Barnhart.

" " W. P.—James W. Fulmer, Henry Kolbaker, Harry Charles.

Burnside Township.—William Hippie, Nick Valmont, A. V. Daugherty.

College Township.—J. J. Draper, Ed. Goodley, William A. Collins.

Curtin Township.—Peter Robb Jr., D. B. DeLong, George Weaver.

Ferguson Township, E. P.—W. H. Fry, Harry Kooch, D. L. Miller.

" " W. P.—Isaac Harpster, Samuel Lytle, Ellis Lytle.

Gregg Township, N. P.—George W. Beam, Israel Rachau, George Z. Weaver.

" " E. P.—F. M. Fisher, Charles Barshels, W. A. Neese.

" " W. P.—William Peeler, William Goodhart, C. C. Bargee.

Haines Township, W. P.—W. Kelster, Luther Bower, H. A. Acker.

" " E. P.—E. M. Boone, M. O. Stover, L. D. Orndorf.

Harris Township.—R. B. Hertzler, George Ishler, Thomas R. Key.

Half Moon Township.—J. P. Sebring.

Howard Township.—Robert W. Confer, A. M. Butler, H. M. Confer.

Huston Township.—John W. Murphy, Freeman Craig, John Q. Miles.

Liberty Township.—E. W. Gardner, J. A. Bitner, John Abbott.

Marion Township.—J. W. Orr, Ira Condo, Rufus Barshels, W. A. Neese.

Miles Township, E. P.—Wm. H. Zeigler, H. C. Brungart, C. D. Weaver.

" " M. P.—J. N. Meyer, W. H. Mor, H. T. G. Hooper, William A. Collins.

Miles Township, W. P.—E. H. Zeigler, A. J. Hazel, D. C. Caris.

Patton Township.—Thomas M. Huey, W. D. Marshall, Wm. Sowers.

Penn Township.—A. L. Annad, Percival Sharp, W. E. Braucht.

Potter Township.—E. A. Carson, James F. Stover, S. J. McClintic.

" " N. P.—D. K. Keller, Samuel Lucas, Geo. H. Homan.

" " W. P.—P. B. Jordan, D. R. Foreman, J. S. Harman.

Rush Township, N. P.—William E. Frank, J. P. Long, John Habershon.

" " S. P.—John J. Wagner, John Kennedy, Samuel Wagner.

Snow Shoe Township, E. P.—Martin McLaughlin, George Travel, John D. Brown.

" " W. P.—Wm. Kerlin, Thos. Tubridy Jr., Chas. Lucas.

Spring Township, N. P.—Jas. S. Carson, Samuel White, Jas. Neese.

" " S. P.—James H. Cori, P. B. Bell, J. R. Barbee.

" " W. P.—John L. Dunlap, William Kane, A. V. Switzer.

Taylor Township.—J. T. Merriman, P. S. Hoover, John Shively.

Union Township.—A. B. Hall, S. K. Emerick, C. Walker.

Walker Township, E. P.—S. Peck, William B. Treaster, M. L. Beck.

" " M. P.—J. D. Miller, Frank Ishler, Wm. Minch.

" " W. P.—S. H. Shaffer, William Colman, John L. Cole.

Worth Township.—George C. Woodring, John A. Williams, William Young.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.

The number of delegates to which each election district is entitled as approved and ratified by the county committee is as follows:

BOROUGHS	Half Moon
Belleville, N. W.	2
" " S. W.	4
" " W. W.	1
Centre Hall	2
Howard	1
Milesburg	1
Milheim	3
Philipsburg	1
" 2 W.	2
" 3 W.	1
South Phillipsburg	1
State College	1
Unionville	1
TOWNSHIP	
Benner, North	1
" " South	1
Boggs	1
" East	1
" West	1
Burnside	1
Curtin	1
Ferguson	1
" West	1
Gregg	1
" East	1
" West	1
Haines, East	1
" West	1
Total	86

Under the rules of the party the election will be opened at 3 p. m. and close at 7 p. m. The delegates chosen at the above stated time will meet in the court house in Belleville, on Tuesday, June 3rd, 1902, at 12 o'clock, noon, to nominate one candidate for Register of Wills and Clerk of the Orphans' Court, two candidates for Legislators, one candidate for Recorder, one candidate for Sheriff, two candidates for County Commissioner, one candidate for County Treasurer, two candidates for County Auditor, four delegates to the next Democratic state convention, three congressional conferees, three senatorial conferees; to elect a chairman of the county committee, to serve from January 1st, 1903, to January 1st, 1904, and to transact such other business as may appear before the convention in the interest of the party.

I hereby certify that in accordance with rule 17, of the Democratic party of Centre county, requiring the registration of all candidates at least three weeks prior to the primary election, the following named persons have duly registered and are eligible to be voted for at the primaries.

- For State Senate:**
W. C. HEINLE, of Belleville.
- For Assembly:**
J. W. KEPLER, of Ferguson Twp.
ROBT. M. FOSTER, of State College.
J. H. WETZEL, of Belleville.
- For Sheriff:**
H. S. TAYLOR, of Belleville.
BURDINE BUTLER, of Howard Twp.
- For Register:**
A. G. ARCHER, of Ferguson Twp.
- For Recorder:**
JNO. C. ROWE, of Philipsburg.
FRANK A. FOREMAN, of Centre Hall.
- For Treasurer:**
W. J. CARLIN, of Miles Twp.
A. P. ZEBBY, of Penn Twp.
JNO. J. ARNEY, of Potter Twp.
JOHN F. ALEXANDER, of Centre Hall.
- For Commissioner:**
W. E. FRANK, of Rush Twp.
E. A. HUMPTON, of Snow Shoe Twp.
P. H. MEYER, of Harris Twp.
ISAAC FRANK, of Marion Twp.
HENRY HEATON, of Boggs Twp.
JOHN L. DUNLAP, of Spring Twp.
- Auditor:**
J. H. BECK, of Walker Twp.
W. H. TIBBENS, of COLLEGE TWP.
- Witness my hand this day and year at said.
- Attest:— JNO. J. BOWER, Chairman.
WM. J. SINGER, Sec.

The Democratic State Convention

Pursuant to the rules of the Democratic party in the State of Pennsylvania, and the action of the Democratic state central committee, notice is hereby given that a Democratic state convention for the purpose of nominating:
One person for the office of Governor.
One person for the office of Lieutenant-Governor.
One person for the office of Secretary of Internal Affairs, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, will be held on Wednesday, June 25th, 1902, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Park opera house, Erie, Penna.

The representation will consist of representative delegates, one for each one thousand or majority fraction of one thousand of the average vote cast for the Democratic candidates for state office at the last preceding state election in the respective representative districts of the State, provided that each representative district shall have at least one delegate.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 24th, 1902.
WM. T. CREASY,
Chairman, Democratic State Central Committee.

Declared Not Guilty.

Samuel Salter and Others Acquitted of Charge of Ballot Box Stuffing.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—Samuel Salter, Joseph D. Rodgers, Clarence Meeser, Harry McCabe and James T. Sheehan, who were indicted for ballot box stuffing in connection with the election of November 7th, 1899, were found guilty by a jury in quarter sessions court yesterday. The jury retired at midnight Saturday night.

Salter For Legislature.

May be a Candidate from the Seventh District.

ATLANTIC CITY, May 27.—Samuel Salter, who was acquitted of stuffing ballot boxes in Philadelphia, was here today in conference with Samuel Maloney and other Quaker City politicians, and it is said that an arrangement was made to make Salter the legislative candidate in the Seventh district of Philadelphia. It is also said that Salter's nomination has the sanction of Mayor Ashbridge, Collector of Internal Revenue McCoach and other leaders.

Explorers Safe.

Kennan and Hill, Thought to Be Lost, Are Safe.

PORT DE FRANCE, Island of Martinique, May 28.—5 p. m.—A tremendous explosion of very black smoke from Mont Pelee at a quarter before 9 o'clock this morning accentuated the fear entertained for the safety of George Kennan, the American author; who, with a land party, has been examining the northern part of the island. The governor of Martinique, M. L'Herrie, was at once seen with the object of arranging for a rescue party to proceed by land in connection with the voyage along the coast of the United States cruiser Cincinnati, about such steps appear necessary.

At about 11 o'clock this morning Fernand Clerc, a wealthy land proprietor of Martinique, arrived here and announced that Mr. Kennan and his party were safe on a plantation at the north end of the island.

Professor Robert T. Hill, United States government geologist and head of the expedition sent to Martinique by the National Geographical Society, who left Port de France on Monday on horseback for the coast of the United States cruiser Cincinnati, returned here this morning. He was completely worn out by his trip. Professor Hill made a thorough examination of the district through which he passed and obtained some data of importance.

The explosion this morning was accompanied by an enormous column of smoke, which rose nearly three miles into the air, but which was largely hidden from the view of the people of Port de France by a heavy cumulus. This column of smoke was seen from the British cruiser Indefatigable while she was at sea. The Indefatigable arrived here this morning to make another attempt to recover the body of the British consul at St. Pierre, Mr. Jepp, and the archives of the consulate. With this end in view, the British cruiser proceeded this afternoon to St. Pierre, but the explosion of this morning has probably made it impossible to effect a landing there.

So many people have left Port de France that the town is almost empty.

Speaking personally of his position to Mont Pelee, President Hill said:
"My attempt to examine the crater of Mont Pelee has been futile. I succeeded, however, in getting very close to Mont Pelee. At 7 o'clock Monday night I witnessed a frightful explosion from Mont Pelee and noted the accompanying phenomena. Following the salvos of detonations from the mountain, gigantic mushroom-shaped columns of smoke and cinders ascended far into the beautiful and clear starlit sky and then passed in a black sheet to the south, and directly over my head. Through this sheet, which extended a distance of ten miles from the crater, vivid and awful lightning like bolts flashed with alarming frequency. They followed distinct paths of ignition, but were different from lightning in that the bolts were horizontal and not perpendicular. This is indisputable evidence of the explosive hyphen of the gases after they left the crater. This is a most important observation. The phenomenon is entirely new in volcanic history.

Mont Pelee Still Active.

But all Within Its Range are Dead or Have Fled to Places of Supposed Safety. The Conditions on St. Vincent.

CALTRIES, Island of St. Lucia, Sunday, May 25.—St. Pierre, Martinique, is no longer of interest, except to the scientists. Mont Pelee is still active, but all within its range are dead or have fled. Fort Defiance is quieter after the large exodus of its inhabitants to neighboring colonies. The Martinique suffers have sufficient food for the present.

The lava stream passed behind Georgetown, which, with the Chateau Belair, was uninjured.

Terrific Storm Adds to Troubles on St. Vincent.

KINGSTON, Island of St. Vincent, Monday, May 26.—On Saturday night the dense clouds forming a canopy over the greater part of the island lowered and a severe thunder storm, accompanied by continued rain to-day, causing the mud streams in the windward district of Georgetown to be flooded. The water pipes were damaged, several houses were washed away and two lives were lost. The rainfall was so heavy that it disturbed the bodies of the buried victims of the volcanic disaster, and corpses with putrid flesh hanging to the bones were exposed to view. During the rain storm the Soufriere volcano appeared to give forth dense clouds of vapor and steam, rising to a considerable height and spreading over the neighborhood. Roaring sounds from the mountain also caused apprehension of another eruption. Severe lightning lasted all night Saturday and Sunday. Eight inches of rain fell at Kingston between Saturday and Monday, the heaviest downfall since the hurricane.

Royal Arcanum Elects Officers.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 27.—The supreme council, Royal Arcanum, to-day elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Supreme regent, Joseph A. Langgut, Pittsburg; supreme vice regent, A. S. Robinson, St. Louis; supreme orator, Howard C. Wiggitt, Rome, N. Y.; sitting past, supreme regent, W. Hol. Aggs, Trenton; supreme secretary, W. O. Robson, Boston; supreme treasurer, E. A. Skinner, Westfield; supreme auditor, Alfred T. Turner, Boston; supreme chaplain, Uriah W. Tompkins, New York; supreme guide, H. S. Burkhardt, Chicago; supreme warden, Isaac W. Canfield, New York; supreme sentry, Rev. E. H. Leisenring, Chambersburg, Pa.; supreme trustees, James M. Johnson, Chicago; Charles H. Prentice, Hartford; Clovis H. Bowen, Pawtucket, R. I.

Death of a Historic Horse.

LANCASTER, Pa., May 28.—"Duke," a valuable and historic horse owned by "Buffalo Bill," died here today. A few days ago "Duke" was severely kicked by another horse, and when the "Wild West" left here he was left behind for treatment. The horse, a large, handsome sorrel, 22 years old, was presented to Colonel Cody by General Nelson A. Miles and had been ridden by General Miles in his Indiana campaigns.

Disapproval of the Court's Findings.

MANILA, May 25.—The official findings of the court martial which tried Major L. W. and T. Walter and Lieutenant John H. A. Day of the Marine corps, for executing natives of the island of Samar without trial, have been made public. The reviewing authority of the court Major General Adna R. Chaffee, commander-in-chief of the American forces in the Philippines, has expressed disapproval of the court's findings in both cases.

Referring to the case of Major Waller, the reviewing authority says:
"The sending of natives in question to their death partook more of unlawful retaliation than a justifiable act of war. In justice to the American military service, the fields of acquittal demand that they shall not meet with unequalled approval. The natives in Samar entered into great suffering before their rescue and their officers, from their sickness, voiced the revengeful anger of the men, who telephoned to Major Waller advising that the stevedores be killed. Major Waller received this message while he was sick, prostrate from a fever, suffering acute pain of body, due to exposure and his exertions in behalf of his men and mental anguish concerning their fate, which had long been in doubt. Major Waller was at the time in telephonic communication with General Smith, who commanded the American forces in Samar, but he deliberately chose not to consult General Smith regarding his contemplated action and, rather than forego the execution of his arrested men, he assumed the power the laws of war and the customs of the service confer upon commanding officers only in time of war.

"Giving heed to the mental attitude of Major Waller, as much of the findings of the court as are to the effect that Major Waller is not guilty of murder are approved. But the reviewing authority is at a loss to understand why the court did not find against Major Waller in the minor offenses. With the exception noted, the acquittal, as it appears in the record of the proceedings, is disapproved."

Referring to the case of Lieutenant Day, the reviewing authority says:
"The accused knew that for three weeks Major Waller had undergone a test of his mental and physical endurance under such men are called upon to suffer. While fully conceding the grave responsibility assumed by a subordinate officer willfully disobeying an order of his commanding officer, still the weighty reasons related, with which Lieutenant Day was acquainted, so tainted Major Waller's order that Lieutenant Day should be exempted to positive disobedience. An officer must be conscientiously regardful of the unquestioned legality of his agency in taking the lives of his fellow-men. Above and beyond all personal considerations, officers must guard the name and honor of the country. Had Lieutenant Day been actuated by such considerations, he would probably have prevented one of the most regrettable accidents in the annals of the military service of the United States.

Two Herds of Mammoth Elephants.

The Great Walter L. Main—The Best Trained Elephants Ever Shown and Other Features.

One of the most stupendous and interesting sights of a circus that is given less concentration which is entitled to more than passing notice is the exhibition of the herd, aside from the amusement features. A child is sent to school and the average youth or younger finds as most interesting the study of natural history. It does not the lordly, ferocious lion; it is amused by the Lilliputian monkey; it marvels on the monstrousness of the elephant and wonders over the pronunciation of "hipopotamus." A teacher will vouch for the statement that one object lesson is of more value than a hundred of book lessons. The gigantic menagerie of Walter L. Main's big shows affords the only possible opportunity for a child to study in life the animals whose pictures they are wont to see in their school books. Consequently this enormous educational amusement institution will appear in Belleville, on Wednesday, June 4th.

In different rings the two big herds of performing elephants will appear, the collection of which began nearly a quarter of a century ago which has been in continuous training ever since. It includes some of the biggest, wisest and the oldest of their species, whose intelligence and powers of memory have been directed in different ways, illustrating in many astonishingly queer and comical ways, and in novel feats apparently impossible to such bulky mammals. They have graduated to the degree of masters of the elephantine art. They are great—great enough to command special attention among the innumerable thousands of greatest, secure this arrangement of the greatest, grandest amusement enterprise on earth.

End of Hard Coal Strike Said to be in Sight.

WILKESBARRE, May 28.—Everything now points to an early termination of the coal strike. There is not the slightest prospect of effective co-operation in any bituminous field, and the miners are convinced that their demands upon the anthracite operators will not be conceded. I am advised on the best authority that arrangements to conclude it have already been agreed upon, but that the details will not be given out until Monday, for the reason that the Stock Exchange will not have opportunity to take proper advantage of it before that day, owing to the general exodus of the Pennsylvania coal miners on vacation. I do not state this as a fact, but I am prepared to say it is believed by operators, bank presidents and representative men of the anthracite trade.

During the past few days, since the departure of Mr. Mitchell, every one connected with the management of the anthracite strike has manifested keen anxiety, and the union men who have been notified about the headquarters have appeared worried. Mitchell is expected back tomorrow. The attitude of the engineers, pumpmen and firemen is satisfactory to the leaders, and the fact that the plan to flood the mines as an act of war has failed of its purpose, together with the growing dissatisfaction manifested by the miners who did not want to strike, are desirous of returning to work, accounts for the evident uneasiness of the district leaders temporarily in charge.

Lucky It Was Dark.

From the Juniata Star.

A good joke is told on a Fayette township man. He went to Millfin and while there thought he would surprise his wife by returning in the evening in a brand new suit of clothes. When he reached the bridge near Oakland Mills he hastily pulled off his clothes and tossed them in the creek. When he reached for the new suit he found to his surprise that the bundle had jolted out of his buggy. Luckily it was after dark and he drove home and the surprise to his wife was a success.

Dredging For Gold.

The Method Which Mr. O. T. Switzer Will Employ to Get from the Earth the Millions Which He Has Discovered.

History does not tell us the method employed by King Solomon to extract from the mines in Africa, the fabulous wealth of gold with which he beautified and embellished the temple at Jerusalem. Whatever that method from our 20th century standpoint was primitive. Gold mining is almost as old as creation, and gold has always been the standard of value, because of its rarity and the difficulty experienced in its acquiring.

The onward march of civilization in the 19th century has been more rapid and more pregnant with true progress, than any five centuries in the Christian era. The age of steam and electricity, the substitution of mechanical for muscular energy, has made life more livable, and commercial progression more potential. The genius of invention has revolutionized all departments of the world's activities, and in the field of mining has made the problematic a real reality and the impossible a glowing certainty. The wealth of the hills and the valleys in copper, lead, iron, coal, zinc, tin, nickel, silver and gold pays tribute as never before in the world's history to the genius, determination and dauntlessness of the seeker after treasure. When Switzer left his home in Philipsburg, Pa., to brave the rigors of the Arctic circle his quest was gold, and the storehouse of the world's gold, is in the land of the midnight sun. Intelligent comprehension of the situation, coupled with patient endurance, brought its usual result and Mr. Switzer after four years of hardship and loneliness discovered and succeeded in acquiring 1,250 acres of the most valuable placer territory ever located, embracing 3 miles of Pine Creek in the Atlin District of British Columbia. From this creek, in the season of 1899 and 1900, was taken millions of dollars by individual miners working with pick, shovel and sluice box, the most primitive form of mining known. This gold was found in large coarse dust and nuggets, some of the latter weighing 823 ounces, at \$20 per ounce.

There are two distinct classes of mining, viz: quartz and placer. Quartz gold is found in the flinty rock and must be blasted for and tunneled, making the search exceedingly uncertain, and very expensive. Only about 5 per cent. of the quartz gold mines have proved very successful and the work can only be successfully carried on in very rich rock, by the investment of enormous sums of money in mining machinery, and the various complicated methods of extracting the gold after it has been mined. Placer mining is the washing of gold out of the gravel and dirt as it is found in the old river beds and creeks, and in the contiguous territory. Scientific explanation the phenomena by saying that during the Glacial period great mountains of snow and ice becoming dislodged through changing climatic conditions, sliding down the mountains with their weight of millions of tons, ground out the gold and deposited it in the valleys and river courses. Later came the volcanic period, and these particles of gold by natural action flowed together, and large gold nuggets were formed in this way.

Until a few years ago, the only method of extracting gold from this dirt or gravel was by sluicing. The sluice box is 12 inches wide by 12 inches high by 14 long. In the bottom of this box slats are nailed at right angles 2 feet apart; on top of these slats are other strips called riffles one and one-half inches in diameter, fastened together by cross bars. Through this sluice box a stream of water is running and the miner throws his gold-bearing dirt into the box. The gold immediately sinks to the bottom and is saved by the riffles, and the dirt and rock is washed away by the stream.

Individual miners can dig and wash about five cubic yards per day, and reasonably rich ground can get out from \$150 to \$450 per day.

Within the last few years there has been invented by New Zealanders a most ingenious machine, known as the inland dredge. This machine is not intended to work in lakes and rivers but anywhere the gold is found in placer formation. This machine has been greatly improved by American mechanical ingenuity and is to-day the most perfect running machine in the world. It consists of an endless chain of buckets, 64 in number, each bucket weighing a ton, these buckets revolving dig up against a bank in which the gold is found, and dump into a hopper at the rate of 18 per minute. The hopper feeds a revolving screen 25 feet long by 8 feet in diameter, filled with perforations. A stream of water, 3,000 gallons per minute, is forced through the screen and the gold is washed out and deposited on gold saving tables, while the dirt, boulder and gravel is elevated and stacked behind. This dredge digs 5,000 cubic yards of dirt per day, at a cost of 5 cents per cubic yard, doing the work of 500 men and doing it better. The ground which Mr. Switzer owns on Pine creek, shows values from \$10 to \$56 per cubic yard and this dredge will make a record for values never before made, as no dredge has been worked in ground which is so rich. A corporation has been organized to work this valuable discovery and only enough stock is being sold to install this machine upon the property. A limited lot of this allotment remains unsold, price 50 cents per share, par value \$1.00. When this dredge is installed dividends will commence being paid which will last a life-time. The banking and brokerage firm of Benjamin C. Warnick & Co., of Philadelphia, are the fiscal agents and subscription sent to them, accompanied by check, will be registered and certificate forwarded immediately. No subscriptions for over 2,000 shares received, nor less than 100 shares.

Pennsylvania Railroad Reduced Rates to Minneapolis or St. Paul, Account National Meeting, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

On account of the national meeting, Fraternal Order of Eagles, at Minneapolis, Minn., June 3rd to 8th, the Pennsylvania railroad company will sell excursion tickets from all stations on its lines to Minneapolis or St. Paul, May 31st to June 2nd, good to return not earlier than June 3rd, and not later than June 9th, at greatly reduced rates. These tickets will be good for return passage only when executed by joint agent at St. Paul or Minneapolis and payment of 25 cents made for this service. By depositing ticket with joint agent not earlier than June 3rd nor later than June 9th, and payment of 50 cents at time of departure to leave St. Paul or Minneapolis not later than July 7th.

Easy For Clement.

From the Clearfield Raftsmen Journal.

Clement Dale has announced for Congress in Centre county and will probably get the Conferees unopposed at the primaries, May 31st. Mr. Dale always runs for office when there is no opposing candidate and, therefore, nearly always wins.

Read—Read Carefully.

We sell harness to every part of the county, and over a large part of the State. Why should you run around looking for cheap goods when you can buy first class goods almost as cheap from us? We guarantee all goods and prices, and have at the present a very large assortment of light, single and double harness—at AWAY DOWN PRICES. Don't fail to see this line of goods. We have also placed in stock a big line of shoe findings, sole leather inside and out in strips. We carry a big line of men's working gloves and mittens at all prices.

We are employing four first class workmen and your orders by mail will work our prompt attention. When you come in to see the show be sure that you see it all—we will miss a good thing if you fail to examine our line of dusters, nets and horse sheets.

Respt. yours,
JAS. SCHOFIELD.

Boers Are Put to Rout.

Commandant Malon Mortally Wounded in Fight With Mounted Troops.

MIDDLEBURGH, Transvaal, May 28.—Major Collett, with a detachment of the mounted troops of this district, encountered a force of Boers on the Repon road May 27. The engagement which followed lasted for a long time, the enemy finally drawing off, leaving behind them on the field Commandant Malon, who was mortally wounded.

An armored train engaged the same party of Boers the evening of May 27, but no details of the latter engagement are at hand.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Ten dollars and a quarter a ton for astracite coal makes it quite expensive to roast beef in Philadelphia.

While handling a revolver on Wednesday afternoon John Solt accidentally discharged it and blew a finger off his right hand.

The Germania orchestra of Look Haven played for a dance in Philipsburg Wednesday night and for the high school commencement exercises yesterday.

Philip Iddings, of Unionville, took charge of the Penna. restaurant in Philipsburg on Wednesday. He has purchased the place and will conduct it in the future.

E. H. Meyers, a graduate of the Pennsylvania State College in the class of 1897, has been selected to complete the mathematical corps of the instructors at the Academy for next year. Mr. Meyers has been filling the place of Mr. Killen for the past month with such satisfaction to all concerned that the principals have deemed it the wisest thing to retain him. He is a teacher of several years coaching experience at College.

A combination Academy and High school base ball team went down to Howard, on Saturday afternoon, and defeated the team at that place by the score of 8 to 3. It was a very pretty game, throughout, with the exception of the second inning, when the Howard boys went to pieces for a few moments and before they got themselves gathered together the visitors had scored four times.

The trustee's sale of the real estate owned by Robert Valentine will be held at the court house in this place, on Saturday, June 28th, and is advertised elsewhere in this issue. The property to be offered includes the fine new home at the corner of Curtin and Allegheny streets, four good farms near Belleville and five other properties. They are to be sold by the trustees for the creditors of Robert Valentine and you would do well to bear the date in mind.

The civil service examination for the postal service that will be held in this place on June 11th affords an opportunity for two young men to get onto the substitute carrier roll in the Belleville post-office. Two substitutes are needed and this examination is the only avenue through which the position can be reached. Mail clerk Will Garman, at the Belleville office, is secretary of the examining board and will furnish you with all the particulars needed for information concerning it.

It is significant that a far smaller number of applicants than usual are appearing to take the examinations necessary to qualify as teachers in the public schools of the county. There can be no doubt of one of the causes. The salaries paid are so small that young men and women realize the folly of preparing for teaching when less energy and brains applied in nearly any other vocation would secure them more profitable and more continuous employment.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES IN CENTRE CO.—Beginning with the winter of 1899-90, when Dr. E. W. Hale represented the county on the State Board of Agriculture, thirty farmers institutes have been held in this county at fourteen of the more prominent farming centres as follow:

- Boalsburg, 2; Centre Hall 3; Howard, 5; Hubersburg, 2; Madisonburg, 1; Milesburg, 1; Millheim, 2; Pine Grove Mills, 2; Port Matilda, 2; Rebersburg, 3; Spring Mills, 1; State College, 1; Stormstown, 2; Unionville 3. Perhaps there are other places in the county where meetings of this kind could be properly accommodated, and would be appreciated; or it may be that some of these where but one or two have been held are ready for another.

The county board of managers, whose duty it is to select the places for the two which will be held during the coming winter, will meet at the office of the county commissioner on the third Tuesday of June, 17th, at half-past ten in the morning, for this purpose. All communities which desire institutes should be represented at this meeting to present their claims. If impracticable to send a committee, address a letter with the request to JOHN A. WOODWARD, Chairman, Howard, Pa.