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Democratic County Ticket.

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Secretary Hitchcock's Complaint.

Secretary HITCHCOCK of the Interior Department at Washington also thinks that he ought to be let alone. That is to say he objects vehemently to the accusation brought against his Department by the Indian Rights Association that some of the Indians under the protection of the government have been swindled by agents of the Department. The publication of the charges was a discourtesy to him, he says in a letter to the Association, and likewise an injustice to the officials accused. Probably no man has ever estimated a charge of malfeasance in office as an act of courtesy. No man accused of corruption in office has ever yet believed that the incident was just, either.

But there couldn't have been much injustice in the accusations, after all, for the Secretary admits that they were substantially true. That is in his letter to the President of the Indian Rights Association he says that he had made an investigation of the service in May which resulted in some dismissals and a few forced resignations in July while the charges of the Association were not made public until August. That doesn't support his statement that the Association was unjust to the officials accused. At least if the Association was unjust making the charges, the Secretary was infinitely more unjust in dismissing some and forcing the resignation of others of the accused.

The truth of the matter is that all official autocrats think they ought to be let alone. It was the one cause of complaint which the late Boss Tweed, of New York, cherished up until the last moment of his corrupt control in that city. It was that feeling which influenced the managers of the QUAY machine to enact the press muzzle into law. They hoped that with such an atrocious device to silence the press in force, no one would dare denounce their corrupt operations and expose their venal practices. But the press muzzle failed of its purpose as the Secretary of the Interior has failed of his plan to silence criticism of his Department.

Hedging on Beirut.

The hysterical efforts of the State Department at Washington, Minister LEISERMAN at Constantinople, the Associated Press agents at London, Paris and other European cities, to bolster up the blunder of ROOSEVELT in sending a fleet of warships to Beirut, shows what a perfect machine the Republican party controls. There was no more justification for that incident than there is for declaring war against Great Britain at this moment. But in a frenzy of passion the President issued the order and the effort now is to show that there is actual disorder at the point to which the ships were sent.

In something which appears so have been a drunken orgy after a wedding at Beirut a shot was fired which was construed as an attempt to assassinate the Vice Consul at Beirut. The government of Turkey and the authorities at Beirut promptly instituted an inquiry with the purpose of punishing the perpetrators, if any crime had been committed or attempted. The investigation showed that there had been no crime but that the Vice Consul had been more or less gay. But the war ships had been dispatched and since every energy has been directed to show, not that an attempt to assassinate had been made, for that was clearly impossible, but that there was danger of some other disorder.

No greater outrage than this has been revealed in modern history. It shows that the administration is willing to resort to any desperate expedient to save itself from deserved censure. The constitution provides that war can only be declared by Congress and the violation of the constitution by the Executive is punishable by impeachment. Manifestly, therefore, the purpose of the extraordinary dispatches describing disorders at Beirut are manufactured to avert that danger which is hanging over the President, for sending war ships to a foreign port for a hostile purpose is equivalent to a declaration of war.

Osoeola has passed an ordinance prohibiting spitting on the pavements and crossings, of that borough and, be it said to Osoeola's credit, the town is far in advance of Bellefonte, where gum shoes or boats are often necessary to float over the puddles that filthy fellows squirt about.

We have been receiving some letters with very nice enclosures during the week. We would like to get several in each mail next week, so if you are arrears kindly try to send us a remittance. It will be very acceptable.

The Centre County Fair.

At Bellefonte, Pa., October 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th, 1903.

The time for the Centre County Fair is approaching. It will be held on the fair grounds at Bellefonte, Pa., October 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th, 1903. The association has been doing every thing in its power to add to the attractiveness of this occasion. The untiring efforts of Mr. John I. Olewine have done much to improve the grounds in every way. The danger from high water has been permanently overcome by a long stone wall running along the course of Spring creek, from the upper end of the grounds clear below the grand stand, and notwithstanding the excessive rain fall of this year, the grounds have received no damage during the year from high water and it is believed that damage from that source has been removed. The large number of young trees planted by Mr. Olewine are flourishing nicely, grass seed has been sown to make turf on the portions of the ground previously affected by the rains, and no expense or labor has been spared to maintain the grounds and the buildings in excellent condition.

Every effort is being made to secure material and excellent exhibits. Townspeople are being appointed in every township to arouse interest in this. Many additions and varieties have been added to the premium list. The ladies of the county, both old and young, and the children, will find the departments for needle work and other lines of household exhibits most attractive. If only the people of the county take the individual interest that they should in making exhibits, a rousing fair week is assured for Centre.

Arrangements are being made for a magnificent poultry exhibit, even exceeding the wonderful exhibit made at the first fair held in 1900. There will be a splendid chance for premiums on fair competition in this and all other departments.

The management are already assured of most excellent racing. The track which has now become thoroughly established, has been so improved from time to time that it has perfect alignment and now has such an excellent top dressing that it dries off with marvelous quickness after a rainfall. This improved condition has become so far famed among horsemen that they are arranging from all directions to enter the races, and there will be a hot time on the Centre county race track that week. Special match racing is being arranged and competition between horses driven by their owners will also be a feature.

The free attractions before the grand stand will be of the highest order. The management has engaged, at large expense, the services of prominent performers in most novel and startling acts. Among other things each day the spectators will see the thrilling free exhibition known as a "high dive" from the top of a perpendicular ladder at least 75 feet high into a tank containing 5 feet of water, and instead of diving forward, head foremost, the diver will start from his high perch with a back somersault in the air.

It is proposed also to have a band tournament in competition between our Centre county bands. Amusements of every description will be found upon the ground. No one can afford to miss the great Centre county fair.

For premium lists or speed programs, address, D. G. STEWART, Sec., Bellefonte, Pa.

Program for the Granger Picnic.

Beginning on Sunday the Granger's Will Picnic at Their Park at Centre Hall.

Saturday, September 12th—Opening of camp for tent holders.

7 p. m.—Free entertainment in the auditorium.

SUNDAY.

September 13th, 2.30 p. m.—Anniversary harvest home services. Sermon by Dr. W. H. Schuyler, of the Presbyterian church.

MONDAY.

September 14th—Opening of the exhibition proper and placing of exhibits, and further locating of tent holders.

TUESDAY.

September 15th, 1.30 p. m.—Opening exercises of the exhibition by the officers of the county Grange.

7 p. m.—Entertainment by the young people of the Grange. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

WEDNESDAY.

September 16th, 10 a. m.—Public exercises. Address by S. S. Blyholder, of Armstrong county. Recitations and songs by young people of the county Grange.

2 p. m.—Addresses by Prof. H. A. Surface, state economic zoologist, and J. T. Ailman, secretary of the State Grange.

7.30 p. m.—Entertainment by the young people of the Grange. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

THURSDAY.

September 17th, 10 a. m.—Addresses by Hon. W. F. Creasy, of Catawissa, and Dr. E. H. Warren, dairy and food commissioner.

1.30 p. m.—Addresses by Hon. Mortimer Whitehead, of New Jersey; Hon. N. B. Critchfield, secretary of agriculture, and Miss Emma Brewer, of Delaware county.

7.30 p. m.—Entertainment by the young people. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

FRIDAY.

September 18th, 10 a. m.—Addresses by Mortimer Whitehead and Miss Emma Brewer.

1.30 p. m.—Addresses by S. S. Blyholder, Col. James F. Weaver and other visiting friends.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS.

The evening entertainments will consist of plays, dialogues, recitations, class singing, solos, duets and instrumental music. The female quartette club will give some of their best selections.

DEPARTMENT MANAGERS.

The committee appointed by the county Grange will have the general supervision of the encampment. The public meeting will be in charge of master of county Grange George Dale and lecturer James F. Weaver.

Thos. L. Moore will manage the evening entertainments, while Mrs. Rose De Woody will have the various plays under her care, and Mrs. Helen Grenoble the marches. Mrs. Thomas G. Wilson is the musical director for the evening entertainments.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Pratts Food Company, Philadelphia, have offered a premium of five pounds of stock food to every poultry exhibitor.

D. C. Keller, of Centre Hall, will conduct the boarding house.

John Danerman will manage the ice cream pavilion.

Distributing post office, telegraph and telephone offices at headquarters. All mail addressed to Grange park will be delivered within an hour after arrival of mail.

Special train Wednesday and Thursday for Bellefonte and Coburn.

Special Trains to the Granger's Picnic.

The Pennsylvania Railroad will run special trains to the Granger's picnic at Centre Hall next week as follows:

Leave Bellefonte Wednesday and Thursday at 10 a. m.

Leave Grange park for Bellefonte Wednesday and Thursday at 9.30 p. m.

Leave Grange park for Coburn Wednesday and Thursday at 7 p. m.

These are in addition to the regularly scheduled trains.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

The venerable Daniel Irvin, who is in his 85th year, is quite ill at his home in Julian.

The store at Julian, so long owned by Daniel Irvin and his sons, has been sold to Howard Turner.

Mr. Thomas A. Shoemaker entertained a party of gentlemen at dinner at his home last evening. It was in honor of Mr. George L. Potter, 3rd vice president of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, who arrived in town in his private car yesterday morning in order to be here for the dinner. The guests were Geo. L. Potter, Jas. H. Potter, C. M. McCurdy, Rev. Geo. I. Brown, John Blanchard Esq., Col. W. Fred Reynolds, H. E. Fenlon, Harry Keller Esq., Jno. M. Dale Esq., H. C. Quigley Esq., Jno. M. Shugert, Joseph L. Montgomery and Edward L. Hoy.

AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.—Centre county will be quite well represented at the Louisiana Purchase exposition at St. Louis. W. F. Reber is already secretary to Commissioner James H. Lambert and two other Centre county men will have charge of Pennsylvania exhibits, as follows: Professor Louis E. Reber, dean of the school of engineering at The Pennsylvania State College, will be in charge of the department of mining, and Hon. John A. Woodward, of Howard, of the board of trustees, has been chosen to head the department of agriculture.

THROUGH TRAINS ON THE VALLEY.—Last Sunday morning for a few hours the Bald Eagle valley had the appearance of a main line division.

On account of a bad freight wreck east of Tyrone many of the main line passenger trains were sent over the B. E. V. to Lock Haven, thence on eastward over the P. & E. and N. C. tracks.

This traffic continued until towards noon when a large freight wreck at Vail put a stop to it and blocked the outlet in every direction. The main line wreck involved forty cars and caused a loss of \$100,000. It was caused by an extra freight running into the rear of another freight that had stopped to take a water. One brakeman was the only person hurt. His leg had to be amputated at the knee.

THEY WERE GETTING MARRIED.—Several weeks ago a young man, all over whose countenance "benedit" was written in great big smiles, came driving into town with "his lady friend." They were in a smart looking turnout and each one had a suit box. Pulling up in front of a private residence on Curtin St. they threw a cursory glance about as if to see if they had their right bearings before the young Lothario stepped out, kicked down his trousers and turned to jump his fair companion out over the wheel. She sprang at him like a gazelle and, after landing on the curb, gave a few mincing little prances and began smoothing the wrinkles out of her skirts.

Neither one of them looked the least bit timid as they walked directly up to the front door at one end of a double house; nor were they greatly disconcerted when they discovered that the friend they expected to find there was away from home. For with all the aplomb necessary they presented themselves at the door at the opposite end and asked if they could have a room in which to dress.

Of course the lady of the house didn't know them, but as they looked all right she decided to grant their request and sent them up to her spare bed chamber. It was not long until they reappeared and, what a transformation! Solomon's finest raiment must have looked like sack-cloth beside the clothes that had been dug out of those two suit boxes.

It is needless to say that there were a few Curtin street folks rubbering by this time, but before they had a chance to ask any questions the young couple had flitted out to the buggy and were off down the street in a flutter of frizzes, ribbons and beauty beans and a perfect trail of odor of sachet. Then all the neighbors ran over to the hospitable lady's house to ask questions. When they found out as much as they could they began to see something awful in what she had done. "What if they are elopers?" and all sorts of questions were put to her until she had a terrible attack of "cold feet." In fact they were just about fringed together when there was a rattle down the street that caused a general scattering of sunbonnet and gingham apron convention.

The good lady of the house had resolved to ask a few questions at the first opportunity but the young folks merely drove up to the gate this time and were away again as fast as their horses could go. They were gone only a few moments, however, until they were back again and into the house chirping like canaries. Right upstairs they flew again and in an amazing short time they were down stairs, all clad in their sombre clothes. In answer to the lady's questioning look the younger Mrs. turned a wondering glance at the man in the case and said: "Didn't you tell her anything about it, Dearie?" When "Dearie" confessed to being a delinquent his better half turned and smilingly said: "Yes, we were just getting married. When we drove back and then away so suddenly Dearie remembered that he had forgotten to pay the preacher. We are Mr. and Mrs. of Philadelphia, and if you ever come over there we want you to come to see us."

A CENTRE COUNTY BOY FIGURES IN A GREAT CHICAGO TRAGEDY.—Many of our readers will recall having read of the daring robbery of the car barn of the Chicago city Railway Co., early Sunday morning, August 30th, in which four men who were settling up the day's business were shot down by the robbers, who secured \$3,000 in cash and escaped. But few of them knew that one of the two men who were shot and survived was a Centre county boy. He was William Erdman, aged 38, a native of Madisonburg, where his father, John Erdman, conducted an extensive business in tanning back in the sixties.

Erdman and three fellow employees were in the business office of the car barn tanning the day's receipts when masked robbers opened fire on them through the windows, without a moment's warning. Two of the men fell dead at the first volley one with a bullet in his brain, the other shot through the abdomen. Clerk Biehl and cashier Erdman were left, but the next shots crippled both of them so that they could make no more resistance.

The Chicago Chronicle publishes Erdman's story as follows:

"I was standing at the window counting the money when the first shot was fired," he said. "That was my first introduction to the bandits. I looked up in amazement, unable at first to understand what was going on. I saw a flash and heard the report of a gun at the window, but the men who were doing the shooting were in the dark and I could not see them. By the time I could comprehend the situation the outlaws had every one in the office covered.

"I reached for my revolver and my first impulse was to begin firing at the window whence the shots came. Just then I saw Biehl and Stewart fall and thought of the alarm at my feet. As I stooped to pull it two shots were fired at the cage and one of them struck me in the hip. I fell in a heap on the floor and began tugging at the electric alarm. It seems that it did not work, however, for although there were three men in the rear of the barn no one came to my assistance.

"While I was pulling at the alarm I heard another shot in the outer office and then some blows were struck at the wicket which guards my window and at the wall. The next blow was leveled at the door and it flew open.

"As soon as I saw the bandits coming into the room I ceased tugging at the alarm and grabbed my revolver to prevent anyone from entering the cage and getting the money, which was lying in plain view. I had not had time to put it away.

"I turned over to cover the entrance to the cage with my revolver I saw one of the hold-up men standing in the gate and pointing his pistol at me.

"Now, get out of here," he commanded. I told him that I was shot and could not.

"Then turn over on your face," he ordered. I turned over, although I was in pain, and I heard him grab the money that was lying on the shelf and get out. I was almost crazy with pain and only half-conscious. I guess for the next thing I distinctly remember was that some men came hurrying into the room and a little later I was carried away. I do not think I could give a description of either of the men, one of whom I do not get a look at. I had just completed tying the paper money into bundles preparatory to counting the whole amount when the shooting began."

THOMAS F. RILEY.—Former associate judge of Centre county Thomas F. Riley passed away at his home at Boalsburg at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. For several years past Mr. Riley had suffered with stomach trouble and at times became very ill, but not until six weeks ago did the siege that terminated in his death develop.

Judge Riley was 63 years old on the 29th of last August and most of his long and useful life was spent in and about Boalsburg. He moved to that vicinity soon after his marriage to Margaret Seehler, of Mifflinburg, and for years farmed what is known as the old Riley homestead. He gave up farming to follow the painter's trade and traveled through the West for a number of years; later returning to make his home in Boalsburg.

He was prominent in the life of that community, a gentleman of unimpeachable character, unquestioned integrity and fearless in the pursuit of his duty. As an associate judge of Centre county, to which office he was elected by a majority of 1158 votes in 1889, he was cool, calm and impartial and retired from the bench with a record any man might be proud of. He was unwavering in his Democracy and as a soldier in an Ohio regiment distinguished himself during the civil war.

Surviving him are his widow, his son Edward and daughters, Mrs. Charles Whitehill and Mrs. Jacob Weber.

Funeral services will be held at his late home at Boalsburg on Saturday morning at 9.30, to be conducted by the pastor of the Presbyterian church of which he was an earnest member.

MRS. ROY S. READ.—Mrs. Cordelia Minsker Read, wife of Roy S. Read, who died at her home near Curwensville, in Clearfield county, week before last was well known to many of the residents of this place seventeen or eighteen years ago. Then her parents, G. W. and Rachel Minsker, were residents of this county. In May or June Mrs. Read had typhoid fever at the same time her husband and four children lay ill with the same disease and from the effects of it she never fully recovered.

She was born at Lock Haven June 6th, 1866, and is survived by her husband and six children, two daughters and four sons the oldest of whom is sixteen and the youngest six days. Her father, one sister, Mrs. A. R. Bonnell, of Philadelphia, and one brother, Eugene Minsker, of Seattle, Washington, are living. Funeral services were held at her home on Monday, Aug. 31st, by her pastor, Rev. Barber, of the Presbyterian church. He paid a high tribute to her noble christian character and interment was made in the Pine Grove cemetery.

DAVID ADAMS.—David Adams, aged 68 years, 8 months and 23 days, died at his home in Tyrone on Wednesday morning. He was the son of David and Letitia Morrow Adams, and was born December 17th, 1834, at Allegheny Forge, Centre county, an establishment then owned by the senior Adams. Later the family removed to Clearfield county. On December 24th, 1869, he was married to Mrs. Sarah E. Faber, at Pine Grove Mills. Two children were born to the union, one son and one daughter. The son Harry S. Adams, survives and resides in Tyrone. The daughter Maggie, died at Clearfield a number of years ago. Mrs. Adams also survives. Two brothers and three sisters survive Mr. Adams, viz: Oscar, of Phillipsburg; James I., of Clearfield; Mrs. Emily Southard and Mrs. E. B. Hartman, of Harrisburg, and Mrs. Godfrey Fisher, of Tyrone. Interment will be made in Tyrone this afternoon.

HIRAM C. CROSTHWAITTE.—Hiram Carson Crosthwaite, for many years a resident of this place, died at the home of his son, Dr. D. W. Crosthwaite, in Altoona, on Wednesday morning. The deceased was born near Potter's Mills, on September 3rd, 1825, and was by occupation a blacksmith. In early life he came to Bellefonte and for years was engaged with David S. Bollinger as a carriage and coach builder. In 1863, he went to Altoona and entered the service of the railroad company where he continued as head of his department until four years ago, when he was retired and pensioned. He is survived by his wife and these children: Mrs. J. E. Wiggard, of Columbus, O.; Dr. B. H. Crosthwaite, of Bennington, Kan.; and Dr. D. W. Crosthwaite, of Altoona. Two sisters are also living: Mrs. Susan Kohler, of Yeagertown, Mifflin Co., and Mrs. Mary Palmer, of Potter's Mills. He also leaves eleven grand-children and seven great-grand children.

His funeral will take place in Altoona on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

—The Rev. Theophilus Clapp, D. D., who died of apoplexy at his home in Syracuse, N. Y., on the 12th inst. was once a resident of this place. He was in his 60th year and was very prominent in the ministry of the Baptist church. After his graduation from Bucknell University he entered the army and was a member of the 15th Cav., "the Anderson Light Horse Brigade." After the close of the war he was pastor of Baptist churches in Williamsport and Syracuse, N. Y. Subsequently he was pastor of Congregational churches at Syracuse, N. Y.; Portland, Oregon; Manchester, N. H. More recently he has been engaged in the work of the Anti-Saloon League in New York State, residing at Albany, Brooklyn and again at Syracuse. Dr. Clapp was a brilliant conversationalist, an eloquent preacher, a devoted pastor, and an enthusiastic worker in every good cause. His tireless energy permitted no resting from toils that proved too severe for his strength. He died in the harness. His work is of the kind that abides. Dr. Clapp was married to Miss Caroline Chamberlain, member of a prominent Lewisburg family, who, with a son, Horace, a successful journalist in Manchester, N. H., and a daughter Mary, a teacher in Brooklyn, N. Y., survives him.

GEO. B. JACK.—Once a well-known resident of this county George B. Jack passed away at his home in Rushville, Neb., on the 21st ult., at the age of 62 years.

Mr. Jack was born and lived most of his life at Boalsburg. Years ago he was engaged in the mercantile business with his father at that place and continued there until 1886, when he moved West.

His widow, three sons and one daughter survive him, also a brother and three sisters.

Edmund, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Pifer, died at their home in Wilkesburg, on Tuesday morning, from the effects of heart disease, superinduced by pleuro pneumonia. He was 17 years old last May and gave promise of a very useful life. The body was brought to this place at noon yesterday and after services in the Reformed church interment was made in the Union cemetery.

—Henry, the seven year old son of John Grove, died at the family home near Fillsboro, on Friday night, his death having been caused by an abscess on the brain. Funeral was held on Sunday.

Howard.

John H. Wagner is rejoicing over the arrival of a new baby boy.

Miss Pearl Williams departed on Tuesday for her home in Philadelphia.

John Pletcher and wife from Johnsbury are visiting relatives here.

A number of our citizens attended the circus at Bellefonte on Tuesday.

George S. Henyhl departed on Monday for Myerstown, where he will attend school.

Miss Anna Taylor, of Milesburg, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. C. H. Pletcher.

Harry Williams and wife, of Altoona, spent a few days this week visiting his parents.

Miss Nellie Holter, after spending part of the summer at Oak Hall, returned home on Wednesday.

A little girl arrived at the home of Rothrock Gardner on last Saturday and they say she has come to stay.

Miss Rhue DeHass, accompanied by her mother, departed on Monday for West Chester, where she will attend a Catholic school.

Miss Anna Muffy and Alice and Arthur Long departed, on Monday, for Lock Haven where they will attend the Central State Normal school.

The Mission Band of the United Evangelical church will hold a lawn social at the home of Mrs. Wm. Weber on Saturday evening, Sept. 12th. You are all invited.

Pine Grove Mention.

Mrs. Mary Condo is recovering from an attack of dysentery.

Quite a number of horses have been sent to horse heaven this season by musty oats.

T. J. Boush and wife, of Aaronsburg, are visiting friends through Pennsylvania.

Thomas Glenn and wife, of Rock Forge, are visiting his parents on the Major Ross farm.

We have a wedding in sight in our town. At least it will take place before the snow flakes fall.

Miss Nora Goheen, of Baileyville, is spending this week with Mrs. A. P. Mitchell, on Main street.

The village blacksmith, W. S. Bailey, is taking a few days off to visit his brother Armstrong, at Stirling Run.

J. W. Biddle, one of the representative citizens of Buffalo-rone, enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Strouse over Sunday.

John Moore, one of the hustling young men of State College, spent last week with friends in this place before starting in for a busy winter.

Miss Amelia Hirst, a pleasant and agreeable young woman from McAlevy's Fort, was entertained at Fred Boller's the beginning of the week.

Mr. G. W. Homan has bought the Shreffler house at State College, which would indicate that some day he will help swell the Democratic majority there.

A pair of gold rimmed glasses were lost on Monday evening near Pine Grove Mills. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving them at Dr. G. H. Woods.

It is to be hoped that our people will decorate their homes and business places on Saturday in honor of the Centre County Veteran's Club picnic on that day.

Grandmother Black, of Altoona, is making her annual visit among Centre county relatives. This week she is at F. W. Swab's home on the James Mitchell farm.

Mr. William Barnard, of Chicago, registered at the St. Elmo on Monday. He is looking around for a suitable boarding place as he intends anchoring here for the winter.

Miss Laura Gregory, who has been visiting relatives here and at State College for the past month, returned to Neff's Mills on Monday afternoon very much pleased with her visit.

The parsonage has open doors again. Mrs. Aikens spent her outing at Cape May and at her old home at Hanover while the Reverend spent his two weeks with his father in Harrisburg.

James R. Smith with a squad of Tussey Council 515 J. O. U. A. M. will attend the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the organization which will be held in Philadelphia next week.

Owing to the long cold spell farmers are away back with their seedling. There is still considerable plowing to do and some of the afternoon farmers are still trying to dry their oats in the field.

The Shingletown lad who was arrested last Monday for killing deer out of season was taken to the county capitol for trial. On account of his youth he was acquitted with a reprimand after promising not to carry a gun until he was 16 years of age.

Morris Smith, of Bellefonte, laid by his paint brushes for a few days' outing at his old home here. While taking a stroll along the mountain with his best girl he killed a black snake five feet long and brought it with him to town.

Banker Isaac Mitchell, of Bellefonte, spent Labor day among the tall cedars at "Heart's ease." While at the station he greeted many old time friends in his usual happy manner and took home with him his little granddaughter, Deborah, as an excuse for getting to the circus the next day.

William L. Hoffman, the new proprietor of the Baileyville creamery, expects to make it a convenient and profitable place for farmers to dispose of their produce at top prices. A. W. Tressler is to assist him in the management of the business and it is their intention to adjudge every one fair treatment and a good market.

The Rev. Mr. Burger, of Petersburg, ably filled the pulpit in the Presbyterian church on Monday and Tuesday evenings. While here he occupied his time in visiting the members of the congregation, who found him an interesting conversationalist, an elegant preacher and an enthusiastic worker. His work is of the kind that abideth.

Eddie Martz was out on the mountain for berries on Saturday when he came across a big rattler. He decided to capture it alive and after carefully looking over the situation made a dive and caught it with a tight grip around the neck. He carried it home triumphantly while his snakeship made music with its nine rattles. He has it caged and many visitors are seeing his zoo these days.