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Democratic County Committee for 1904.

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Democratic State Convention.

Democratic State Committee Rooms, Harrisburg, Pa., March 8th, 1904.

In pursuance of the requirements of the rules governing the Democratic organization of the State, and the action of the Democratic State Central Committee at a special meeting held in Harrisburg, on the 21st day of March, notice is hereby given that the Democratic State Convention will meet in the Lyceum theatre at

HARRISBURG, TUESDAY, APRIL 19TH, 1904, at 12 o'clock noon. The business to be transacted will be the nomination of

- One candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court. Two candidates for Electors at Large. Thirty-two candidates for District Electors. And to elect in the manner provided by the rules of the party: Four Delegates at large to the National Democratic Convention. Sixty-four District Delegates to the National Democratic Convention, and to act upon such other matters, pertaining to the interest and success of the party in Pennsylvania, as may be brought before it.

P. GRAY MEER, J. K. P. HALL, Secretary, Chairman.

Mormonite Secrets Are Being Revealed.

All Heads of the Church Polygamists. "Revelations from God" Placed Above Law of Land by Witness.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Interest in the investigation before the senate committee on privileges and elections of the protests against Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah, was unabated today, although most of the time was devoted to introduction of documents subscribed to as the law of the Mormon church. In that connection President Joseph Smith, who again was on the stand, testified that if the principle of plural marriage should be attacked it would be defended by the church.

Intense feeling was exhibited by President Smith against individuals who he said, had spied on the domestic and marital relations of the high officials of the Mormon church and had reported the same to the government. He said that he had favored the passage of the Evans bill to prevent prosecution for polygamist cohabitation, unless complaints were entered by husband and wife against the other. This bill was passed, but vetoed by the Governor.

It was brought out that all of Mr. Smith's predecessors, as presidents of the Mormon church, had been polygamists and that the man chosen to succeed him has more than one wife. Mr. Smith was asked which he would obey, the law of the land or revelations from God, if the two were in conflict. He said he might obey the revelation, though it was not compulsory. He added, "I should not like to be put in a position where I would have to desert my children—I could not do that."

Russian Forces Overstated.

War Correspondent at Port Arthur Says That No One Has Yet Seen the "Great Army" in Manchuria.

PARIS, March 4.—The war correspondent of the Journal, writing from Port Arthur February 25th, says:

"It was told at the beginning of February there were more than 20,000 Russian soldiers between Port Arthur and Vladivostok at Khabarovsk and Blagovestehensk but this estimate is not based upon actual evidence.

"In Manchuria everybody talks of the 'great Russian army,' but no one has seen it. Before the concentration was begun the army was spread over a territory as vast as France and Germany put together.

"The officers at Port Arthur are ignorant of the number of reinforcements which have reached the north, and the officers in the north know nothing of what is going on at Port Arthur. To-day the officers of the Russian squadron are anxious and irresolute, and even a little nervous.

"It fancy that these brave men have less confidence in their ships than in themselves. I think that they are under the impression that Russia is not to fight the enemy on equal terms. There are other things of importance which I know, but which I will not and cannot tell."

As Seen from a United States Man of War.

Alfred Terry Brislin Writes Entertainingly of Places He Has Visited While on a Cruise of Three Years

[The letters which will appear from time to time in this column are from the pen of Alfred Terry Brislin, a Mid-shipman on the U. S. S. Decatur, which is now on a cruise of three years in foreign waters. The writer is a son of the late Gen. James Brislin, U. S. A. and is apparent that he has inherited much of his father's talent for descriptions from his gallant father, who was a frequent contributor to these columns when he was on Indian campaigns on the frontier. The letters are not really written for publication; being merely the personal correspondence which he has directed to his uncle, Col. J. L. Spangler, consequently they may be regarded as all the more sincere in their content.—Ed.]

III. Malta.

February 20th, 1904.

Dearest Uncle:

I have been trying to get an opportunity to write you a decent letter from here for a long time, but we have been overwhelmed with invitations to dinners, dances and innumerable other forms of festivities. Rudeness in some cases is a virtue when judiciously used and after trying all known forms of polite requests I was forced to say yes and then fail to appear.

Hospitality is an unmistakable sign of friendship, but even this may be overdone and, as in our case, has become a bore. So I have quietly drawn into isolation and allurement of every sort have not been sufficient to draw me out. My trip to England has served to make me no end of trouble, for daily someone turns up to greet me in a brotherly way. Still, on to Malta.

These islands are historical from the earliest time. St. Paul in biblical days figures here prominently. He was shipwrecked and captured and incarcerated in a cathedral near here. The islands were originally under the dominion of the Carthaginians, from whom they were captured by the Romans in the first Punic war. On the decline of the Roman Empire Malta fell to the Goths and later to the Saracens. It was a dependency of Sicily from 1180 to 1530, when Emperor Charles V granted it to the order of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem, who held it for more than two centuries. Napoleon Bonaparte captured the island July 12, 1798, and until Sept. 5th, 1800, France retained it, but on that date it fell to Great Britain. This, in a nutshell, is its history and its various stages of dependency are marked plainly by well preserved relics of the older days.

Around the entire city stretches a marvelous stone wall with its draw bridges still in use. Built by the old Knights it is as solid now as a rock, after nearly four hundred years' exposure. Here is the old inquisitor's palace, with its myriad dungeons, torture chambers and subterranean passages. You can almost imagine the scenes that took place in these rooms and the many persons who entered their doors never to depart alive. Nearby is the cathedral, with its wonderful mural decorations. Here is the place where St. Paul was imprisoned and below, stretching for seven miles, are the catacombs containing the bones of thousands of monks. It is marvelous and almost incomprehensible.

The Maltese are not an attractive people, nor a thrifty race. They are closely allied to the Sicilians who are the lowest race of the Italians. The women all dress alike and have a noticeable and peculiar garment. It is a black hood and cloak reaching nearly to the ground and is known as "the hood of shame." When Napoleon captured the island he turned his army of libertines loose and they ravaged every woman who could be found. To this day all the native women wear "the hood of shame" as an indication that some one of their maternal ancestors was a victim of the Napoleonic lust.

The English have established their headquarters here and have an immense fleet in the harbor at all times. On land they have an army of about 9,000 troops. Its importance is solely due to this fact, for its products hardly suffice to supply the island. The climate is very pleasant during the summer, but extremely unpleasant during the hot months. There are no rivers, lakes and very few springs, the water supply being secured from tanks which every house has and which are filled during the rainy months.

Such is Malta. Interesting, but not a desirable living place.

ALFRED.

Negro Murderer Mobbed in Ohio.

SPRINGFIELD, O., March 7.—A mob gathered about the jail here tonight and at 11 o'clock forced an entrance and placed on Richard Dixon, a colored man, and shot him to death in the jail yard. Dixon yesterday shot police sergeant Charles Collins, who died today. After shooting the negro in the jail yard, the mob took the body to the corner of Main street and Fountain avenue and hung it to a telegraph pole, where the mob spent the next full hour riddling the body with bullets from several hundred revolvers.

Collins was shot by Dixon on Sunday morning, while the latter was in his room in a hotel, removing his baggage. He had decided to quit the place and, fearing trouble with Anna Corbin, a woman with whom he was acquainted, Dixon asked her to go to the hotel with him. While in his room, Dixon and Miss Corbin quarreled, Dixon is said to have shot her in the breast. The policeman then attempted to arrest Dixon, when the latter fired into the officer's body, inflicting fatal wounds.

The mob, which numbered fully 1,500 men, forced entrance to the jail by battering in the doors with a heavy iron rail. They then overpowered the police, the sheriff and the turnkey and deputies and dragged the negro from his cell.

Dominicans Lose Heavily.

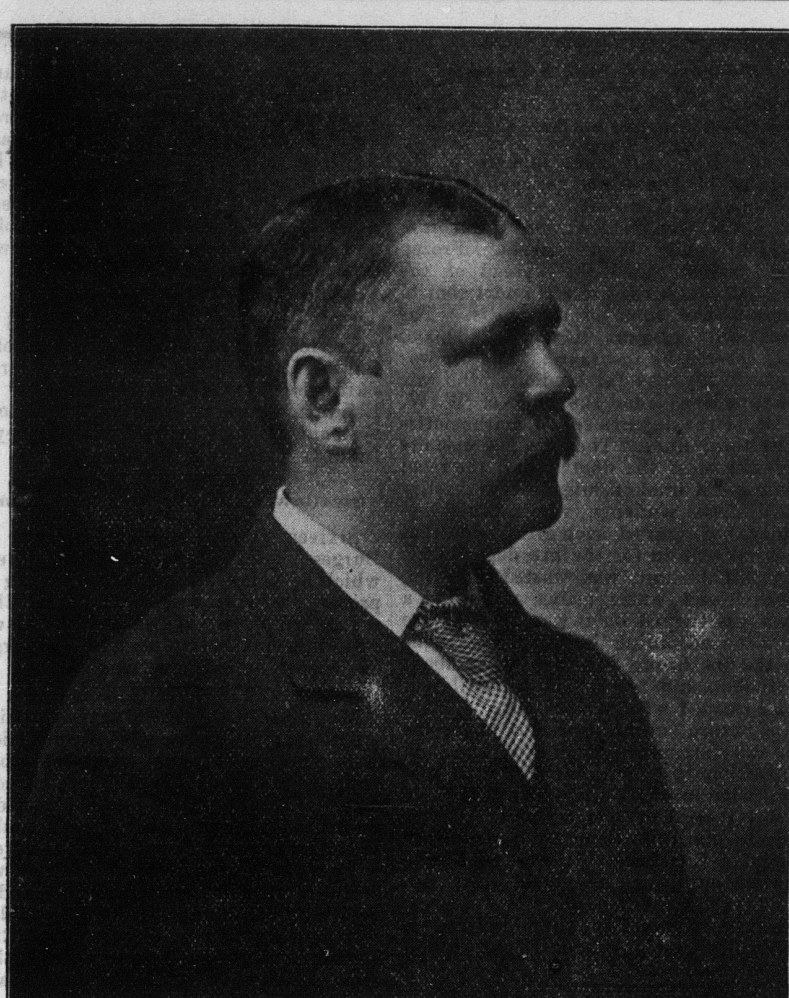
Warship Presidente Driven Off by Insurgents.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, March 8.—A semi-official letter received here from San Pedro de Macoris, Santo Domingo, dated February 25th, gives details of the bombardment of San Pedro de Macoris, February 27th, by the Dominican warships Presidente and Estrella.

The captain of the Presidente, a Spaniard, and 60 men on board were killed, only six of the crew escaping without injuries. In all 74 men were killed, and 25 were wounded on the two ships. The insurgents lost 36 men killed or wounded. The Presidente was driven away at daybreak February 28, the insurgents having brought up a field piece during the night, and unexpectedly opened fire on her.

Several defeats of the troops of President Morales, with heavy losses have been reported lately. General Jose Amador, who captured at San Antonio de Guerra quantities of provisions and clothing, and \$2,000 in cash, is now a prisoner at San Pedro de Macoris.

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JOHN M. DALE IS DEAD.—As a result of a stroke of apoplexy which he suffered about midnight on Tuesday of last week John M. Dale passed away at his home on East Linn street, on Thursday night at half past ten. Several years ago specialists had warned him of a predisposition to the trouble and while it cannot be said to have been entirely unexpected its coming in the prime of his manhood and usefulness was a shock such as this community will not recover from in years.

He had been a leading spirit in greeting a party of fellow Masons who arrived that day from Lock Haven to pay their Bellefonte brothers a fraternal visit, but knowing his danger he had retired from the Temple and gone to his home, where the stroke fell. Though his entire right side was effected he was almost entirely unconscious and it was hoped that he might be restored to partial vigor until his heart failed and the end came.

A very worthy, indeed a brilliant, representative of the fifth generation of Dales in Centre county was the man we mourn. His great-grand father, Christian Dale, came to this country in 1749. Leaving first in the vicinity of Lewisburg he moved, in 1790, to the end of Nittany mountain, Le Mont, and there made the settlement which to this day is largely influenced by the sturdy type of Dale citizenship. A sawmill and a grist mill were the first farms blossomed in the wilderness and "Dale Mills" became a centre of early day development. They were farmers and millers through successive generations to David Dale, the deceased's grandfather, who invented a carding machine and a mill, which were added to the other industries of the family. He died in 1854, leaving nine children; the eldest of whom was William. The latter married Mary M., a daughter of John and Sarah Thompson Mitchell, and in 1860 located at Neshannock, Lawrence county, where he was interested in a woolen mill. There, on Nov. 11th, 1861, John M. Dale was born. When he but three years old the family removed to the old homestead in Centre county. Their return marked the conversion of "Dale Mills" into a woolen factory in which his father was interested until his death in 1871. Edgar, the only other child of William and Mary Dale, having died in infancy the mother was left with none but her ten-year-old boy to comfort her. How well she reared and built up for him his many successes stand out in glowing evidence. The emptiness of her life without him can only be filled by the comfort of the Father who called him away.

Mr. Dale's early life was spent about Lemont, where he prepared for The Pennsylvania State College. Entering that institution in 1878 he was graduated four years later. He began the study of law at once, and in 1883 was admitted as a student in the offices of Beaver and Gephart, in this place. January 1st, 1886, he was admitted to practice in the courts of Centre county. Almost immediately thereafter he located in Lock Haven, where he became associated with Capt. W. C. Kress. He did not remain long in the latter place, however, for there was need of his services in the offices of his preceptors so he returned to Bellefonte and when Gen. Beaver was called to the gubernatorial chair he was made a member of the firm; which then became Beaver, Gephart & Dale. In November, 1893, Mr. Gephart withdrew to take up the iron business, leaving the senior and junior members of the firm associated under the title, Beaver & Dale. Then when Gen. Beaver was elevated to the Superior court, in 1895, Mr. Dale was left alone in the practice and with a clientele such as was had by few older practitioners. He retained the business of the office, aye, even increased it, because the public was not long in discovering that he was a safe counselor, a fearless defender and an honest man.

Aside from the legal profession he was identified with so many and so great a diversity of enterprise in this community as to bring him into contact with all classes of people. The Eagle iron works, the Curtin Forge company, the Bellefonte Electric Co., the Centre County Banking Co., the Fair Association and the Palace Livery knew him as partner or director. He was a trustee of the Bellefonte Academy, president of the alumni association of his alma mater, a member of Constans Commandery K. T. of the Royal Arcanum, of the Union League and Manufacturers' club of Philadelphia, of the Bellefonte club, the Nittany Country club and the Logan Engine Co. In all of which organizations he was actively interested; for Mr. Dale could be passive in nothing.

One of his most marked characteristics was the fact that he knew no middle ground in any cause. He was either for or against a proposition and when once his sober judgment had set the course his interest was unflinching and his energies ended only with the conclusion of the work. To foe, he was fair. To friend, he was devotion itself.

In no sphere of his life was this trait more marked than in politics. A Republican by birth, he continued one from conviction and though young, as party fealty is marked by years, he organized and carried to successful issue several of the most strenuous contests this county has ever seen. He had served his party as chairman and at the time of his death was a candidate for its leadership again.

He may have had his faults, but "whoever thinks a faultless piece to see 'Thinks what ne'er was, nor is, nor e'er shall be." and we prefer to remember him for the pre-eminent traits of manhood he possessed. Devoted to his family, loyal to his friends, useful to his fellow men there has gone out a life the lustre of which will shine on the Dale name from generation to generation.

On October 18th, 1888, Mr. Dale married Florence G. Fox, a daughter of J. E. Fox, of Leesburg, Virginia. She survives him with their two children, Virginia and John M. Jr., and his mother, Mrs. Mary Dale, of Lemont.

The funeral was held from his late home on Linn street on Monday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. Rev. George Israel Bron, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, read the service, after which the body was taken to Lemont, his old home, by rail. Two special cars accommodated the funeral party from here and at Lemont there was a great concourse of the friends of his early days gathered to follow to the old burying ground at "The Branch," where he had elected to be laid away. At the grave only the short burial service of the Episcopal church was read, after which Rev. Walter Harnish, of the Presbyterian church, offered a short prayer and it was all over.

tions with Mr. Dale. It was a beautiful tribute he paid to the memory of his fellow lawyer.

The regular memorial meeting of the Association was held in the court house on Monday morning. The resolutions were read by John Blanchard Esq. and at their conclusion he addressed the audience in eulogy of his friend. Other addresses were made by Ellis L. Orvis, J. C. Meyer, Col. Wilbur F. Reeder, Clement Dale, James Hamil, Col. J. L. Spangler, Edmund Blanchard, Hon. A. O. Forst, W. Harrison Walker and A. A. Dale.

LAURA JANE NEILL WILLIAMS.—The death of this christian wife and mother on Friday, March 4th, 1904, at her home near Port Matilda has brought a cloud of sadness over home and community. The deceased was born Dec. 30th, 1862, and lived 41 years, 2 months and 4 days. Last August she was successfully operated on at the Bellefonte hospital and for the time being death's hands seemed to be stayed. But it was only temporary. For several weeks Mrs. Williams has been an intense but patient sufferer from a complication of diseases. She died triumphant in the faith of Christ. She had been a christian since 16 years of age.

On Dec. 20th, 1888, she was united in marriage with Mr. A. S. Williams, a prominent citizen of Centre county. This union with his happy joy has been severed and the husband, together with three young children, Robert P., Kate M., and Jennie E., are left to mourn her loss. There also survive her two step-children, Samuel T. Williams and Mrs. Susie A. Gray, both of Phillipsburg; R. F. Neill, of Pittsburg, and J. P. Neill, of Buffalo-run; three sisters, Mrs. W. M. Zeek and Mrs. J. H. Moore, both of Buffalo-run, and Mrs. F. D. Young, of Fillmore.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church at Port Matilda on Monday at 11 o'clock, conducted by the pastor, A. C. Lathrop, assisted by Rev. J. B. Durkee, of the M. E. church. Interment was made in the Black-oak cemetery. Through a committee composed of H. M. Miles, Miss Olive Newman and P. W. Young the Baptist Sunday school, of which Mrs. Williams was the superintendent, adopted, on March 6th, appropriate resolutions of condolence and sympathy.

MRS. JOHN JACKSON.—After being in delicate health for some time Anna Lucy, wife of John Jackson, died at her home in Tyrone early Monday morning, her death having been superinduced by a slight stroke of paralysis which she suffered about two weeks ago.

Before her marriage Mrs. Jackson was Anna L. Pennington and she was born at Pleasant Gap January 16th, 1844. Later they located in Buffalo run valley and lived there until about eight years ago, when the family removed to Tyrone. Since her death Mrs. Jackson had been a member of the Methodist church, except during the last few years of her life when she had become connected with the United Brethren church.

She is survived by the following sons and daughters: H. Francis and Charles L. Jackson, at the Tyrone home; Mrs. George Clark, Warriorsmark, and Mrs. Calvin Robbins, of Tyrone. She is also survived by her step-mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Pennington, who resides at Milesburg, and two half brothers and one half sister, viz: Frank Pennington, of State College; John Pennington, of Sandy Ridge, and Mrs. Ellen Woodring, of Milesburg.

A WELL-KNOWN WOMAN EXPRES.—Miss Paella Dornblazer, who died in the Lock Haven hospital on Friday afternoon, was one of the most widely known women in Clinton and Centre counties. Though only 45 years old she had been so actively engaged in educational, literary and church work for so many years as to earn for her prominence in these circles seldom attained by unassuming woman.

She was a daughter of the late Peter Dornblazer and was born near Clintonville, where she was raised and spent most of her life. From girlhood she had manifested the keenest interest in matters sociological and she was always ready with her voice and energy to make for the common weal. A few years ago she located in Williamsport, where she had charge of a girls' industrial school and was superintendent of the bureau of charities of that city when she was stricken with the malady from which she realized there was no relief.

Her two brothers, Rev. Thomas F. of Chicago; Pierce W., of Porter township, Clinton county, and her sister, Mrs. Amanda J. Townsend, of Valley Falls, Kansas, survive her. Burial was made from her brother's home near Clintonville on Monday afternoon. Interment at St. Pauls.

MRS. BELLE W. RIDDLE.—Mrs. Belle W. Riddle, widow of Samuel Riddle, died at 9 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, March 2nd, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Randolph McMullin, in Tyrone township, Blair county. The deceased had been a sufferer from rheumatism for over twenty-three years.

She was born in Penn's valley, this county, August 10th, 1837; being the daughter of Robert and Matilda Watson, and is survived by two daughters, Mrs. L. Blanche McMullin, and Bertha L. and one son, Homer S., all of Tyrone township, and by one brother, Joseph L. Watson, of Joliet, Ill. The funeral services were held at the home on Saturday morning, Rev. J. E. Irvine, of the third Presbyterian church, of Altoona, officiating. Interment was made in the Hollidaysburg Presbyterian cemetery.

MRS. HENRY WALKER.—After a long period of patient suffering with a complication of troubles that seemed to baffle the skill of physicians and would not yield to the tenderest nursing Rebecca, wife of Henry Walker, passed away at her home on Logan street, Tuesday morning. Throughout all of her long illness she was cheerful and full of hope; begotten of the conscientious christian life she had led from girlhood and when the last hour came she closed her eyes in the peaceful sleep that has its awakening in the home of the blest.

Mrs. Walker was a daughter of Emanuel and Pauline Noll. She was born at Spring Mills October 19th, 1843. On Feb. 11th, 1868, the Rev. G. M. Settlemyer performed the ceremony that made her the wife of Henry Walker and almost immediately thereafter they came to reside in Bellefonte, where she has been a respected and useful resident ever since.

Surviving her husband and son Harry. Their daughter Sara, wife of H. E. Johnson, of Pittsburg, died in 1897. Her brothers Emanuel, of this place; John, of Kansas; James and George, of Milesburg; Thomas, of Pleasant Gap, and sister Mrs. Mary Swartz, of Somerset, also survive.

Her death is a sad blow to husband and son especially, for she was devoted to her home in which all the fruits of her energetic life blossomed for their comfort and contentment.

The funeral was held from the house yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock; the Rev. Ambrose Schmidt, of the Reformed church of which she was a life-long member, officiated and interment was made in the Union cemetery.

MRS. JOHN WAGNER.—The death of Mrs. Sarah, relict of John Wagner, occurred at her home on Spring street, this place, on Wednesday evening.

No particular cause is assigned as her health had been breaking down gradually ever since the death of her beloved granddaughter Millie.

Mrs. Wagner was born at Potter's Mills 87 years, 8 months and 22 days ago, making her one of the town's oldest residents. She was a daughter of Benjamin Weiser, of Revolutionary fame, and was a woman of rare character.

Her children, Mrs. Michael Hess, Mrs. Adam Wagner and John Wagner survive her. One son Henry F. died several years ago. Since she was 12 years of age she has been active in the Reformed church and even in her most recent years was just as enthusiastic in her devotion to her church as ever.

Interment will be made in the Union cemetery tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, after Rev. Schmidt has conducted burial services.

MRS. SAMUEL SLACK.—At the age of 62 years, 2 months and 13 days Mrs. Samuel Slack passed away at her home, near Colyer, on Monday evening at half-past six o'clock. She had been bed-fast for a long time with dropsical troubles. Before her marriage deceased was a Miss Kimpfort, a sister of James and Lot Kimpfort. She was a most estimable woman; loving in her domestic relations, charitable with those about her and zealous in her christian faith.

Surviving her are her husband and children Warren and Elizabeth. Rev. G. W. Mollney, of the Methodist church of which she was a member, officiated at her interment at Spruocetown yesterday morning.

—About midnight Sunday John Flynn died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Joseph Schell, in Tyrone. Deceased was 74 years old and was originally a resident of Snow Shoe at which place his wife died twenty-eight years ago. Though he had long suffered from pulmonary troubles heart disease was the immediate cause of his demise. The body was taken to Snow Shoe for interment on Wednesday.

Mrs. Aaron T. Walizer died at her home in Mackeyville on Sunday night at the age of 45 years. While she had been ill for some time her condition was not regarded as dangerous and when she suddenly expired of meningitis her friends were greatly shocked. Her husband and four children survive. Interment was made at Cedar Hill on Wednesday afternoon.

DIED AT SALONA.—W. W. Furst died from the effects of a stroke of paralysis at his home in Salona on Thursday evening. He was 68 years old and is survived by a widow. Interment was made at Cedar Hill, on Saturday afternoon.

—On Monday Irvin Tate caught three suckers in the pond at the pump house at the Bellefonte furnace, that weighed 6 lbs. It is not often that such whoppers are seen about here. Suckers do not seem nearly as plentiful, nor as large as they were in our streams fifteen or twenty years ago. On Monday Harry and Maurice Yeager, Ed Harper and John Nighbair went down Bald Eagle dipping and came home with ninety-five and an eel.

THE GOLDSMITHS BURNED OUT.—Goldsmith Bros., well-known dry goods merchants of this place when they ran the "Bee Hive," suffered a loss of \$115,000 by fire at Soranton on Tuesday night. Their store is one of the largest department stores in that city and its destruction is reported as being complete.

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