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Chas. H. Aiken,
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M. F Coolbaugh,
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S. E. Walker,
Henry Meyer,
Thomas B. Foley,
George Heard, 17. S. Z. Hawbecker, 30. Thomas B. Foley 31. George Heard, 32. Charles B. Payne.

State.

Italian.

heard a noise.

THE CHASE FOR CONSTANCE.

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Democratic County Ticket.

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W. G. RUNKLE, of Bellefonte. For County Surveyor: J. H. WETZEL, of Bellefonte.

Democratic Chances Brightening.

Chairman Quinn Declares Democrats will Have re Trouble Carrying Rhode Island. Towne is Sure of Indiana. President Roosevelt is Uneasy Concerning Hopes of Victory in West Virginia

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 .-- Very encourage ing reports from Rhode Island and Indiana brought to the headquarters of the Democratic congressional campaign com-mittee today. State Chairman Quinn and Representative Granger, of Rhode Island, came down to talk over with Chairman Cowherd some campaign matters and lay before him facts which warrant the belief that the Democrats can carry both congressional districts of Rhode Island, as well as the electoral ticket, this fall, if proper effort is made.

State Chairman Quinn called attention to the well-known fact that there has been a strong drift toward the Democracy among the Rhode Island voters for several years, and declared that this tendency is now stronger than ever and will be accentuated this fall by the strike among the mill operatives. He estimated that there would be 15,000 new voters at this fall's election and declared that facts in his possession showed a heavy majority of these new voters would cast Democratic ballots.

Dominic Constance Captured. While Sheriff Taylor and Posse Were Searching Bald Eagle Mountain for the Italian, John Switzer Captures

Him. Other Jail News.

Dominic Constance, the Italian who, | found any trace of Constance. When the with Green, Dillon, Henderson and Living- men started on the chase, however, sheriff ston, escaped from the Centre county jail Taylor espied a man in a field on the moun-Friday evening, July 29th, after turn-key tain side. Thinking it might be Constance Jerry Condo had been beaten to death, was the sheriff called to him to come down. re-captured Monday afternoon, about five The man did, and it proved to be not o'clock, on the mountain not over three Constance, but John Switzer, (Faraway miles west of Bellefonte, in which locality Moses) of Coleville, who had been out on he had been ever since his escape. the search all day by himself. Switzer All of last week rumors were heard that was armed with a big 44 and a 32 calibre Constance was up around the lime kilns, revolver, and he also joined the sheriff's either secreted in the shanties or in hiding party.

THE ITALIAN DISCOVERED.

on the mountains. The rumors daily gained in credence from the fact that on several oc-After a brief rest at the Purdue farm the casions Dominic's sister had been seen going sheriff's posse again started on the hunt. up to the woods with paper-wrapped pack-This time they hunted east along the south ages. It was not, however, until Monday side of the mountain. They had been plodding along until after four o'clock that any authentic clue was obtained. when they came to a point just above the Quite early in the morning he was seen on Italian shanties at the quarries. Sheriff the mountain road by Emma and Lucy Shadle. A little later he passed the store Taylor and a couple of his men went down and was 'recognized by George Rider and and hurriedly searched every cabin, lest Hirsh Corman. They, with Fern Eckley, Dominic, scared off the mountain, was procured guns and started in pursuit of the there in hiding, but he was not found. The Sheriff then went to Dominic's brother and sister, and by close questioning, threats

of arrest and a free display of handcuffs, The three men followed him out the mountain over a mile but never got even a was endeavoring to induce them to tell where Constance was. Both stoutly denied sight of him. In the meantime James all knowledge of his whereabouts. Kelley, Al. Corman and George Eckley,

three other young men of Coleville, having Suddenly there rang out on the clear air the short, sharp report of a pistol which heard of the Italian's being seen, started out along the mountain. They had gotten to was followed by three more in quick suca point at the edge of the mountain, just cession. Silence for a few moments, and above Roland Miller's house, when they then came the cry "We've got him ! Constance !" Up the mountain side rushed They peered around and finally descried the sheriff and his followers and in a couple Constance perched about twenty feet from the ground in the branches of an elm tree. minutes the entire posse had assembled to see standing guard over the recaptured Italian, John Switzer.

but was "wakee all the time; see Sheriff all time." When asked where he got the

clothing he had on, if he had not been at Henderson, securely handcuffed, were taken the shanties, Constance evasively replied, before Justice Keichline where District were killed by lightning. The cattle were "someone." Attorney N. B. Spangler and Ed. R. all valuable stock and the loss to Mr. The trip down to Bellefonte was made Chambers, who has been employed to without incident of any importance. The assist in the prosecution, appeared and prenews of the capture had been telephoned ferred against all of them the charges of here and when the Sheriff drove in, a little before 6 o'clock, several bundred people breaking." The men were without counwere congregated along the streets, in the sel, but themselves waived a bearing and diamond and up at the court house, all were remanded for trial at the August term

anxious to get a look at the Italian, of of court. In addition to the District Atwhose notoriousness the past year or so torney and Col. Chambers, Ellis L. Orvis everybody has heard. There was no Esq., will also assist the Commonwealth. demonstration whatever and on arrival at Up to this writing the Court has not apthe jail no time was lost in hustling pointed counsel for the prisoners, though Constance inside. He was first searched he will likely do so before the end of the and in his pockets were found \$4.47, but week. no weapons. Constance was then stripped

of all clothing but his shirt and trousers and put in the rear dungeon on the lower corridor, which had been prepared for him night, George Everhart and Philip Garby the removal of everything except a brick, being employed especially for such mattress to sleep on and a blanket for duty. No visitors are allowed in the cover. When taken to his cell door Constance sprang inside, saying. "Me prisoners. In fact, they are not even alsleep now all right; got good hed."

CONSTANCE'S STORY. Wednesday morning Constance was He was there charged with murder and the story of the escape which, concisely put even a match in his cell. together is as follows:

The escape had been planned some days before put in execution. All arrangements were made by Livingston, who had the run of the corridor, carrying notes back and forth between the inmates of cells 7 and 8. The sawing of the hinge steple on the door of cell 8 had been done some days previously. Dominic said that Henderson asked him several times if he want-

ed to get out by breaking jail, and that he and Sunday night, but up to this writing

COUNTY C. E. CONVENTION .- At a meet "murder in the first degree," and "jaillng of the chairmen of the committees appointed to arrange for a County C. E. Con-

vention to be held in Centre Hall August 31st, and September 1st, the following committees were appointed. Entertainment-Mrs. W. H. Schuyler, Mrs. Harry Harper, Miss Jennie Thomas,

-Last Thursday night during a thun-

der storm five cows and two bulls belong-

ing to G. F. Weaver, near Penns Cave,

Weaver is quite heavy.

Mrs. W. Frank Bradford, Mrs. G. O. Benner. Reception-Mrs. John Puff, Miss Elsie

Boal, Thomas G. Wilson, William Boozer, Verna Durst.

Music-Mrs. G. W. Bushman, Miss Clara Krape, Miss Lizzie Boozer, Mrs. Thomas G. Wilson, Miss Mable Arney. Decorations-Mrs. G. W. Hosterman, Mis. W. H. Schuyler, Miss Villa Rearick, Miss Anna Grove, Miss Tillie Keller. Press-Miss Love.

It was decided to hold the meetings in the Presbyterian church. The address of welcome will be given by Rev. Daniel Gress, and the sunrise prayer-meeting will be led by Mr. J. A. Pratt, president of the County Association.

The opening session will begin at 4 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, August 31st.

BELLEFONTE BOY'S THRILLING EX-PERIENCE.-Frank Eckenroth, son of Mr. Charles Eckenroth, of this place, had an experience Thursday of last week that he will not soon forget. Frank and his partner, Joseph Maxwell, had the contract for gilding the cross on the steeple of the Salem German Reformed church, on Fourth street. The steeple is three hundred feet high. Not caring to go to the trouble and expense of erecting a scaffold the young men decided to do the work suspended on block and tackle. Eckenroth had worked all of Thursday morning, when at noon, attempting to descend to eat his lunch, he was horrified to find that the tackle by which he was suspended in his perilous position three hundred feet in the air, would not work. The rope had become "choked," or caught in the block of the tackle, and could not be moved either up or down. There was danger that the rope might break, and Eckenroth clung to the foot of the cross while he signaled understood his mute appeal for assistance. Realizing his perilous predicament, Eckenroth slowly and very carefully, took from his pocket a piece of paper and pencil, scrawled the words, "Rope is choked; send up another tackle quick," thereon and weighting it with his knife, threw it down into the crowd. Luckily, the message fell at Maxwell's feet who, on reading it. hurried at once to draw up another rope and tackle, and after hanging for more than an hour, Eckenroth was finally safely brought to earth. He was nothing



WILLIAM DILLEN. GEORGE HENDERSON.

CLOSELY GUARDED. In the meantime the four men are kept constantly under close guard, day and

prison and no one is allowed to talk to the lowed to talk among themselves. Tuesday morning Dominic said to the guard, "me like to sing; me want to

OTHERS GIVEN A HEARING.

At noon Monday Green, Dillon and

aken before Justice Keichline for a hearing. sing," but was promptly told to keep quiet. They are given only the plainest of prison jail breaking. He emphatically declared, fare and the only luxury allowed them is 'Me no kill Jerry; me only go out jail to smoke, providing they buy their own when 'Little Georgie,' (meaning Living- tobacco, and the guard sees fit to light ston) unlock cell door." Constance told their pipe, as none of them are allowed

AS TO LIVINGSTON.

Various reports have been received the past week as to the whereabouts of Livingston, the last man of the gang. Monday word came that he was near Cato and Sheriff Taylor authorized a posse to go on a hunt for him, but they failed to find the man On Tuesday it was rum ored that he was up Spring creek, where he was alleged to have spent the most of Sunday he has not been found, and it is hardly likely that any very great effort will be put forth to find him.

ABOUT THE REWARDS.

The county commissioners have decided to pay the \$100 reward for the capture of Constance to John Switzer at once. The \$600 rewards for the capture of Green, Dillon and Henderson, for which claims from five men have been filed, will not be paid now. The commissioners will hold a public hearing when the five men can pro- for help. Not one in the crowd below duce the evidence in support of their claims, after which the court will be asked to decide who is entitled to the rewards.

THE NEW TURNKEY. Harry Shreffler, of Axe Mann, a member of Company B, has been appointed by Sheriff Hugh S. Taylor as Turnkey at the County Jail to fill the position made vacant by the untimely death of Jerry Condo.

-The Lutheran Sunday school picniced at Hecla park on Wednesday.

CAN BEAT CAPRON.

In view of this prospect he thought it not at all unreasonable to claim the State for the Democrats. He also thought it certain that the congressional district of the State now represented by Mr. Capron, a Republican, would be carried by the was only about 900. Mr. Granger, who represents the other district, is a Democrat, and will probably be nominated and re-elected. It is evident from what Chairman Quinn says and from the well-known political trend in Rhode Island that the hope of carrying the State for Parker and Davis this fall is by no means a rainbowchasing proposition.

There is a prospect that Governor Garvin, the Democratic chief executive, may be the Democratic nominee for Congress against Capron, which would greatly in-crease the probability of the defeat of the latter.

Ex-Senator Towne, of Minnesota, who is now a resident of New York, stopped off in Washington today on his way from a speaking tour in the west. H home He has been in Indiana and brought word that he found every indication there of Democratic victory this fall. He said Democrats of all shades of opinion were now working in harmony under the leadership of Chairman Taggart and were full of confidence that they could carry the State for Parker and Davis.

ROOSEVELT IS ANXIOUS.

The West Virginia Republican leaders seem to find great difficulty in quieting President Roosevels's fears over the ontlook in that State. Some of them are at the White House nearly every day telling him that the State is all right, notwithstanding the bitter factional fight in the Republican ranks and the harmony and enthusiasm among the Democrats because of the nomination of ex-Senator Davis for the Vice Presidency. Both Senators Scott and Elkins and Republican State Chairman Northcott called at the White House today and spent a half hour explaining to the President how impossible it was for the Democrats to get West Virginia away from When they left the Presithem this fail. dent they declared they had positively pledged the State's electoral votes to him by 25,000 majority at least.

His Opportunity.

From the New York Evening Post (Ind.)

We have heard a disgusted Republican official in this city say : "Why, it begins to look as if, in case Odell comes down here and applies his methods to the campaign, we won't get any votes at all." Moreover, Odell is in a position not to care the half of one straw about all the grim talk of holding him sternly "responsible" in the event of Democratic success. It would be the easiest thing in the world for him to say that the finest and most loyal organization on earth could not pull through such a load as Roosevelt, and then, having meanwhile made his position as Republican boss absolutely unassailable, he could enjoy himself diotating nominations and selling legislation.

The three surrounded the tree and called on the Italian to come down and surrender. The young men allege that Constance drew from his pocket a roll of money, saying, "Two hundred fifty, come git," but that

when they advanced closer he suddenly drew a big revolver and pointed it at them. The boys had two revolvers between them, but when they saw what they thought was a revolver in the hands of Constance they Democrats, as Capron's majority in 1902 broke ranks and took to cover behind some trees.

> This action on their part was evidently just what the Italian wanted, as he lost no time in sliding down the tree and taking to the woods. Corman sent two shots after the fleeing figure but failed to stop him. The boys then went to Coleville and telephoned word to the sheriff. This was about 10 o'clock Monday morning.

SHERIFF AND PARTY JOIN IN THE CHASE. Sheriff Taylor at once organized a posse and at 1 o'click, accompanied by Charles



R. Kurtz, Robert Montgomery, Bert Bayard and Joe Shaughensey, started for the scene. They drove out through Coleville and up to the lime kilns, known as the Stevens quarries, where Dominio's brother and sister live, and where Dominic

Dominic was dressed in a black suit, light bis capture Dominic talked very readily of shirt, black slouch hat and carried a big umbrella.

SWITZER'S STORY.

Switzer said that he was going along in the woods, close to the fence, when he cape. heard a noise in the bushes. He called out that he had a revolver in each hand and that whoever was in the bushes was to come out at once, or he would shoot. Al- day. Livingston inquired of one of the most instantly the brush parted and Constance stepped out in front of him.

Just at this moment James Rowan came along. Rowan was not a member of the searching party, but just happened along at that opportune time. When Constance stepped out Switzer covered him with both revolvers and called to Rowan to come and get a rope out of his pocket that they could tie the Italian so he could not get away. In the meantime Constance was swearing and crying, "Me no Dominic ! Me not right man !" and adding, "why don't you shoot? Me only have once to die."

Rowan was slow in getting the rope out of Switzer's pocket and the latter, putting both revolvers in his left hand, reached for the rope with his right. The opportunity was just the one the Italian was waiting for and, with the alertness of a deer, he jumped into the bushes and started to run. Switzer fired two shots toward his feet and called on him to stop but there was no stop. Giving one revolver to Rowan both men started in pursuit.

Switzer fired two more shots then called to Constance that if he did not stop he. would kill him, when the Italian gave a plunge and fell behind a clump of bushes. Switzer first thought he had hit him but on reaching the place where Constance lay he was found uninjured, and was then taken without further resistance, though he again cried out "Shootee me, d-n you ! Me hab revolver, me shootee you." The place where the Italian was taken was just above the house of A. I. Garbrick. When captured he had no gun of any kind in his possession, and it is thought that what the three young men took for a gun in the morning was merely the "Ike's"

THE RETURN TO JAIL.

umbrella.

Sheriff Taylor lost no time in securely handcuffing the Italian and then, hustling lived until arrested. There the sheriff him into his buggy, between himself and ascertained that when seen in the morning a deputy, started for Bellefonte. After

struck Jerry four or five times with a the escape and his whereabouts since. He broomstick he brought with him from his averred that the night they broke jail, as cell. This statement is born out by Depu- tember 5th to 7th. An interesting gath-The sheriff's party was joined by Hirsh soon as he got outside, he left the other ty sheriff Jackson, who says that Hender-Corman, James and George Eckley and men and "run likee d-l." That he went son had a broomstick in his cell, and after H. Hunt, of Boston, life director of the others. They threw out a skirmish line right up the valley to his old haunts, but the escape it was found outside the jail. National Educational Bureau, and World and started up and over the mountain in a denied that he had been at the cabins at Dominic further declared that he was tired and National Superintendent of Scientific northwesterly direction. Through the any time, declaring that he had stayed on and sore and wanted to give up long ago. woods and up over rocks the men plodded the mountain all the time, sleeping in a That he was coming in to give himself and then down between the mountains till deserted cabin the first night and after up Monday morning when he met the men with a lecture by this noted woman on they finally all met at the old Purdue farm, that out in the woods under his big um- who got after him and chased him back without any of them having seen, or even brella, though he said he didn't sleep much up the mountain.

told him he did. Henderson said they could easily disguise themselves and es-

On Friday they asked Jerry when Capt. Taylor would return from encampment Barner and Elizabeth Reed, both of Belleand he, unthinkingly, told them on Satur- fonte. girls at the jail what they were going to do

that evening and, on being told that they others, and they decided to make the break that evening. Dominic told how Green and Dillon got out of their cell by bending the door in and hid in the bath room; of hearing Jerry and McCullough come in out and strike Jerry. He heard Jerry cry out "What is wrong with you fellows tonight? There now; that's enough. Pat! hello, Pat! Oh!" and then he groaned several times. Livingston came and unlock-

ed their cell door and Henderson and he ran out. Dominic stated that he saw Jerry



JOHN SWITZER, The man who captured Dominic Constance.

lying on the side of his face, with his hand up at his head, but he denied that he had jumped on him, or even touched him. Dominic says he did not see either Green or Dillon strike Jerry.

He did say, however, that Henderson

-Col. Wilbur F. Reeder is slightly ill daunted by his trying experience, for, after eating his lunch, he again ascended at his home on north Allegheny street. to his lofty perch and worked all the afternoon.

-Only one marriage license was granted the past week, and that to John J. METHODIST DAY AT LAKEMONT .---Fully fifteen thousand people witnessed the Methodist day services at Lakemont

-The State College faus are rejoicing because their town team on Wednesday were going to the band concert, he told the defeated the Charter Oak team by the score of 6 to 0.

-No. Mr. Linn McGinley was not hit on the jaw by champion Jeffries or any other man. It's all owing to a healed jaw with the hobbles and Green and Dillou run that the one side of his face is so puffed up.

> -Emory E. Herr and Mrs. Mary S. Gillies, of Wilkesbarre, were married in Lock Haven on Tuesday. Mr. Herr was formerly'a resident of Salona and this is his third matrimonial venture.

-If you want to see a really good game of base ball, go down to the business men's picnic next Thursday and witness the game between Sunbury and Milton. Both teams B. Furry then favored the audience with a are playing great ball.

-----Mr. David Behres, of Benore, cel- Dickinson Seminary. A male quartette ebrated his 77th birthday anniversary last Sunday. All his children and grandchildren, to the number of twenty-five, were gathered around the dinner table.

-During the heavy thunder storm last Friday afternoon the barn on the farm of William Korman, about five miles east of town, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground with all its contents of grain, hay, farm implements and two calves. The loss is about \$2,500, with an insurance of \$1,200.

-Miss Mary Butts, Emma Holliday, Louise Armor, Lulu Harper, Emma Aikens and Mildred and Lulu Smith are camping along Spring creek this week, with James Harris and Jerome Harper as general camp roustabouts. Those who have visited them say the "food is grand." Of course every thing else is of the same order, with such a party of jolly people.

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION .- The annual W. C. T. U. convention for Centre county will be held in Petriken hall, Bellefonte, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sepering is promised by the program. Mary Temperance instruction, is to be the principal speaker. The convention will begin Monday evening, and an oratorical contest will take place on Tuesday evening.

Park, near Altoona, last Thursday. The services began at 10.30, the choir of the First church, Tyrone, having charge of the musical part of the program. Presiding Elder J. Ellis Bell conducted the meeting, Rev. N. B. Smith, of Birmingham, led in prayer, and Rev. W.R. Picken, of Tyrone, read the Scripture lesson. Then the presiding officer, after a few appropriate introductory remarks, introduced the speaker of the morning, Rev. Don S. Colt, D.D., of Grace church, Baltimore, Dr. Colt took as his theme "The Wonderful Jesus." The dinner hour was, of course, a prime part of the day. Then at 2:30 the afternoon service began with Rev. B. C. Conner, of Altoona, presiding and the Loysburg choir furnishing the music. Prayer was offered by Rev. James H. Black, D. D. Lorenza solo. This was followed by a few remarks by the Rev. A. S. Bowman, of Williamsport from Loysburg next sang. The speaker

of the afternoon was the Rev. Frank W. Warne, D. D., bishop of Southern Asia. Being a man of world wide travel and himself a missionary for many years, Bishop Warne brought his subject before his hearers in such a way that it held their attention from beginning to end.

The evening session was in charge of the Rev. Hiles C. Pardoe, D. D., and convened at 7:30: The music consisted of a chorus of 100 voices from the Epworth League of Altoona, under the leadership of the Rev. G. Murray Klepfer. The regular session was preceded by a twenty minute song service. After prayer and several selections of music, the Rev. J. F. Heise, D. D., of Baltimore, was introduced. His lecture, "The Tragedy of a Broken Chair, or Failing to seek Life's Best Gifts', combined pathos and humor. The sessio adjourned about 10 o'clock.

Czarina a Suffragist.

The Empress of Russia is a strong believer in female suffrage, woman's clubs, the higher education of women and in her right to enter any and all of the profes-

She holds that almost all of the great reforms of the world have been brought about by women, and that they are just becoming conscious of their power and possibilities. Under her imperial patronage socities for the education and development of females are growing numerous in St. Petersburg and even spreading through the jealously-gnarded realm of the Czar. "I have great and abiding faith in my own sex," she said recently. "Women are ever busy sowing the seed from which good springs up all over the world."