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The Bang and the Spigot.

Some years ago a church corporation in Centre county became involved in a quarrel with a farmer whose lands adjoined the church property over a few feet of ground that was used for hitching places for teams during the service.

Most of official Phillipsburg has been in Bellefonte attending court this week. That town is defending an action for maintaining a nuisance that is brought against it by a Mr. GATES. It appears that there is a short alley somewhere near or directly on the line between the boroughs of Phillipsburg and South Phillipsburg.

On January 6th, 1852, he was united in marriage to Miss Emily McKibben, of Clinton county. Of their twelve children nine survive, as follows: Dr. Edwin Holmes, of Harrisburg; J. Laird, Irwin, James and Hamill, of State College; Mrs. Emily Martin, of Pittsburg; Mrs. Mary Deal, of State College, and Miss Mabel, at home. He also leaves one brother, John Holmes, of Howard.

He was a member of the Captain Foster Post of State College, under whose auspices the funeral was held on Monday afternoon. Rev. Samuel J. Martin, pastor of the Presbyterian church of which he was a member, had charge of the services, and was assisted by Rev. C. W. Snively. The pallbearers were members of the James A. Beaver Camp Sons of Veterans. Burial was made in the Branch cemetery.

LEGGO.—Shortly after eight o'clock on Thursday evening of last week Mrs. Elizabeth Leggo, widow of the late Thomas Leggo, died at her home in Tyrone. She had been in comparative good health up until late in the afternoon of the day of her death when she felt somewhat weak and depressed and lay down on the sofa. She apparently fell asleep but when discovered she was dead.

Deceased, whose maiden name was Miss Elizabeth Nash, was born at Colerain, Huntingdon county, and was 82 years, 8 months and 7 days old. When she was but a child her parents and family moved to Bald Eagle where they lived practically all their lives. Sixty years ago she was united in marriage to Thomas Leggo, at Hannah Furnace. Mr. Leggo died about twenty-eight years ago but surviving her are six children, namely: Miss Emma Leggo, Mrs. Fannie Lane, Martin and Harry, of Tyrone; William, of Fowler, and John, of Bellwood. One brother, John Nash, of Spruce Creek, and two sisters, Mrs. Josephine Gates, of Warriorsmark, and Mrs. Mame Wriwer, of Osceola Mills, also survive.

The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon. Rev. C. W. Karns, of the Methodist church, had charge of the services and the remains were taken to Bald Eagle for burial.

FYE.—Emannell Fye, of Potter township, died very suddenly on Wednesday of heart disease. He had been in good health and on Wednesday morning went to help one of his neighbors butcher. He had not been there long when he fell to the ground and died almost instantly.

Deceased was born in Potter township about sixty years ago and followed farming since a young man. He was among the well known, progressive and enterprising citizens of the South Side and his death is cause for deep regret among his many friends.

Thirty-eight years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Julia Ann Meyers, of Nittany, who survives with one son and three daughters, namely: Harry, at home; Mrs. Edward Jamison, of Spring Mills; Mrs. Charles Stover, of Millheim, and Mrs. William Homan, of Centre Hall.

He was a consistent member of the United Evangelical church and his pastor, Rev. Sechrist, will officiate at the funeral which will be held at ten o'clock this morning, interment to be made at Centre Hall.

JOHNSON.—Miss Emma Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, of Eagleville, died at an early hour Saturday morning as the result of an operation for appendicitis. She had been ill about a week and when her condition became quite critical on Friday her attending physician advised her removal to the Look Haven hospital and advised an operation. Her condition, however, was such that she could not be taken to the hospital and the operation was performed at the Johnson home Friday evening. The disease had advanced so far that there was practically no hope and the young lady died Saturday morning.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

William Alexander Stuart and bride are expected to arrive at State College during Christmas week and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Stuart, are planning to give them a big reception on Wednesday, December 23rd.

HOLMES.—John Harris Holmes, an old veteran and one of the well known men of Centre county, died at his home in State College at two o'clock last Friday afternoon. He took sick while attending the annual reunion of the Centre county veteran club, held on the fair grounds near this place in September. He was able to go home but has never been able to get away since and most of the time has been confined to the house, his illness being a general breaking down of the system.

Deceased was born near Jacksonville, October 18th, 1831, hence was 77 years, 1 month and 16 days old. His boyhood days were spent in going to school in the winter time and working on the farm during the summer. When he grew to manhood he went to farming for himself, an occupation he followed until the breaking out of the Civil war when he enlisted under Captain Snyder in company D, Fifty-first regiment Pennsylvania volunteers. At the close of the war he returned home and purchased a farm near State College where he lived until twenty years ago when he retired and moved to a home he purchased in State College. Recognizing the fact that State College had a big future in front of it he invested his money in real estate and building and at his death owned one of the finest business blocks in that borough. He was a man who always took a kindly, almost brotherly interest, in the welfare of his fellowmen and all who knew him have just cause to regret his death.

He is survived by his wife, who, prior to her marriage was Miss Margaret Coan, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Coan, of Snow Shoe, and five children, namely: William, Joseph, Mary, Lee and Charles. He also leaves two brothers and two sisters, as follows: Mrs. Jeremiah Condo, of Spring Mills; John L., of Tusseyville; Samuel H. and Elizabeth A., of Centre Hall.

The remains were brought to Bellefonte on Tuesday morning and taken direct from the train to the Catholic cemetery for interment.

LEE.—Mrs. Hiram Lee died at her home at Chester Springs, Chester county, on November 25th. She had been a sufferer with tuberculosis for months though confined to bed but two weeks prior to her death.

Deceased was a daughter of the late Michael J. Decker and was born in Pennsylvania over thirty-seven years ago. About fifteen years ago she was united in marriage to Hiram Lee, of Potter township. Her husband, one daughter, Grace, and the following brothers and sisters survive: Mrs. Jacob Bible, of Phoenixville; Mrs. W. O. Reardon, of Milroy; Frank W., of Gregg township; James L., of Centre Hall, and Maurice, of Philadelphia.

On Friday following her death the remains were taken to the home of her brother Frank, near Penn Cave, from where the funeral was held the next day. Rev. Max Lantz officiated at the services and interment was made in the Spruce town cemetery.

FRANK.—The little village of Aaronsburg lost one of its oldest and best known citizens on Sunday in the death of Thomas Frank. He had been in feeble health for months and his death was the natural result of the wearing out of his once strong constitution.

Deceased was born at Aaronsburg and was 75 years, 10 months and 2 days old. For many years he kept the old hotel in Aaronsburg and was widely known for his open hearted hospitality. For a number of years past he had lived a retired life. His wife died only a few weeks ago but surviving him are one son, Edward, in North Dakota, and a daughter, Mrs. James Breen, of Aaronsburg. The funeral was held from his late home on Wednesday morning, burial being made in the Aaronsburg cemetery.

BIDDLE.—Mrs. John Biddle died at her home at Buffalo Run last Friday, after being confined to bed but ten days with a general breaking down of her system. She was 75 years and 10 months old and was born at Stormstown, being a member of the well known Way family.

She was the second wife of the venerable John Biddle who survives her. She had no children but is survived by a number of step-children, one brother, Jeremiah Way, of Stormstown, and two sisters, Mrs. Malinda Allen, of Ohio, and Mrs. Sarah Smith, of Unionville. She was a member of the Society of Friends and funeral services were held in the Friends church in Halfmoon valley on Monday afternoon, interment being made in the Friends cemetery.

CRIST.—William A. Crist, who up until a few months ago was the general manager for the Berwind-White Coal Mining company, died of heart disease at his home in Johnsonstown last Thursday night. He was born in Clinton county and when a young man located at Osceola Mills, this county, where he became interested in coal mining, learning the work through all its different stages so that he was regarded one of the best authorities on mining in this section of the State. He is survived by his widow but no children.

WILLIAMS.—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Williams, of Bellefonte, are mourning the death of their little daughter, Mary Agnes Williams, who died on Wednesday morning of pneumonia. She was three years old and a bright and interesting child. In addition to her parents two brothers survive. The funeral will be held today.

RUNKLE.—Jacob L. Runkle, a native Centre countyman, died at his home in Youngstown, Ohio, on Saturday, of a general breaking down of the system. Ever since the family moved to Youngstown, about seven years ago, Mr. Runkle had not been in good health, and his constant longing for his old associates and surroundings in Centre county kept him so depressed in body and mind that he grew worse instead of better. Six months ago he became so bad that it was evident his death was only a question of time and the fatal stroke came on Saturday.

Deceased was a son of Samuel Runkle and was born in Potter township, this county, a little over fifty-eight years ago. He worked on the farm during his younger days and after his marriage engaged as a traveling salesman and with his family made his home in Bellefonte. He was an ardent Democrat and in the spring of 1890 was a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff on the Democratic ticket. He was defeated in the convention by Hon. John Noll and it was a hard blow to his aspirations. Some time afterwards he quit the road and opened a green grocery store in the room now occupied by Beck's barber shop. His venture did not prove a very paying one and after several years he sold out. In the meantime two of his sons had gone to Youngstown and secured good positions and it was at their persuasion the family moved to Ohio about seven years ago, though Mr. Runkle was never reconciled to leaving his old home.

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MUFFLEY.—On Sunday afternoon, November 29th, occurred the death of Sidney Theodore Muffley, at his residence, No. 3708, Woodland avenue, Philadelphia. Mr. Muffley was born in Centre county, Pennsylvania, December 3rd, 1840, and the early years of his life, up to the beginning of the Civil war, in 1861, were lived in his native county, a part of the time at Howard, where a cousin of his, Mr. C. M. Muffley, resides at this time.

He was a former student of the Bellefonte Academy and in his young manhood was connected with the DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN. When the war of the Rebellion began he was quick to respond to his country's call for volunteers and enlisted in the Tenth Pennsylvania regiment, but was later on transferred to the 154th. In one of the battles in which his regiment was engaged he was taken prisoner and served a term in Libby prison, at Richmond, Va. At the time of his death he was a member of G. A. R. Post No. 2, of Philadelphia.

He was married to Miss Mary Brewer, daughter of Dr. William Brewer, of Annapolis, Md., who preceded him in the grave about twenty-five years ago. Mr. Muffley was a well known business man in the city of his adoption; and up to the time of his death was engaged in the work of chemist and assayer, in which line he was the inventor of a process which had for its object the liquidizing of metals, and which is intended to, and doubtless will, entirely supersede the old process of smelting. Under his patents the cost of smelting is reduced about eighty per cent., besides preventing all waste of the metals. It is a case of deep regret to his many friends that he was not permitted to live to reap the legitimate fruits of his discoveries, which are among the marvels of the age. His funeral took place on December first, from his late residence, and was in charge of the rector of the Protestant Episcopal church, of which he was a member, interment being made at Annapolis, Md.

JOHNSTON.—David Johnston, a native of Centre county, died at his home in Stroudsburg on Tuesday of last week, of heart disease. He was born at Stormstown, this county, March 5th, 1845, hence was aged 63 years, 8 months and 37 days. When a young man he left the farm and went to Tyrone where he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad company. Later he went to Stroudsburg and accepted a position with the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, a position he held until two years ago when he was compelled to resign on account of ill health.

In 1879 he was united in marriage to Miss Alice Waite, of Tyrone, who died thirteen years ago. Three children survive, as follows: Harvey, of Altoona; Edward, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Mrs. John Lehner, of Tyrone. He also leaves two brothers, John, of Spruce Creek, and Collins, of Bellefonte; and one sister, Mrs. Nancy J. Shered, of Spokane, Wash.

The remains were taken to Tyrone last Friday, to the home of deceased's daughter, from where the funeral was held on Saturday afternoon. Interment was made in Grandview cemetery.

WHITE.—After suffering for three years with rheumatism and dropsy, Mrs. Emanuel White died at her home near Penn Cave on Tuesday of last week. She was a daughter of the late John B. Ream, of Farmer's Mills, and is survived by her husband and three children, John B., of Penn Cave; Ellsworth, of Axe Mann, and Wallace, at home. She also leaves the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. John C. Rossman and Mrs. Samuel Frederick, of Spring Mills; Mrs. Israel Spayd, of Madisonburg, and Mrs. Rosetta Lutz, of Penn Cave. Rev. B. F. Reiber officiated at the funeral which was held on Saturday morning, burial being made in the cemetery at the Union church.

MEEKER.—Bertha, the fourteen months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Meeker, of Pine Glenn, died on Monday of pneumonia, after less than a week's illness. Her parents, three brothers and three sisters survive. The funeral was held at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

YARNELL.—Ralph Charles Yarnell, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yarnell, died on Monday of exhaustion, the result of a complication of infantile ailments. He was aged 1 year, 2 months and 16 days. The funeral was held on Wednesday morning.

OLD FASHIONED GOSPEL.—Rev. Campbell will begin a series of revival services in the local United Evangelical church December 14th, to continue until the end of the year. Rev. F. R. Sherwood, of Troy M. E. conference, has the following to say of Rev. Campbell's ability as an evangelist.

"Rev. B. F. Campbell's services have been very satisfactory to both pastor and people. He is an earnest, able, fearless preacher of the word, sound in doctrine, and presents the truth in a way to attract attention and to stir the soul, drawing large audiences at every service. He believes in the 'old fashioned Gospel' and in its power to save to the uttermost. The work accomplished bears every evidence of being substantial. Free from all objectionable methods, he believes in the Methodist altar, and in a genuine, thorough work of grace upon the heart. Conversion, Regeneration, and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost."

A twelve pound baby boy was an arrival this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Fisher, at Bellefonte.

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CANDIDATES EXPENSE ACCOUNTS.—A majority of the candidates voted for at the recent election have filed in the probonary's office of Centre county an itemized list of their campaign expenses, and with the possible exception of Congressman Charles F. Barclay they all tend to show that the campaign was conducted on fairly economical lines.

Mr. Barclay's expenses were almost equal to those of all the other candidates, being just \$5,362.10. Of the above amount \$1,500 were paid to the Centre county Republican committee, \$500 on August 29th and \$1,000 on October 24th. \$1,300 was the amount of his contribution to the county committee of McKean county and only \$600 to the county committee of Clearfield county, while to the Cameron county committee, his home county, he gave \$440. His next biggest item of expense was to the United Labor Journal, \$150. His personal expenses on his three trips to Centre county are given as \$72.44. Printing, lithographs, postage and stationery, traveling expenses, hotel bills, etc., make up the balance of the big total.

W. Harrison Walker, Congressman Barclay's opponent, gives his total expenses as \$567.14. Of this amount \$100 were given to the McKean county committee, the only assessment paid by him. His traveling expenses were \$101.34 and the balance was for hotel bills and miscellaneous expenses. W. E. Hurley, Republican candidate for Sheriff, expended \$404.55, of which amount \$150 were given to the county committee. W. H. Brown, for Recorder, spent \$308.90 and has \$41.50 of unpaid bills. His assessment was \$100. E. C. Tuten for Register, spent \$179.43 and contributed \$100 to the county committee fund.

H. E. Zimmerman, Republican County Commissioner, spent \$117.75 and Jacob Woodring \$80.81. They each contributed \$50 of the above amounts to the county campaign fund. For Treasurer George G. Fink spent \$302.37, contributing out of the above \$75 to the county committee.

George F. Weaver, Democratic candidate for Register, expended \$364.85. His contribution to the county campaign fund was \$200 and \$50 were expended for postage and stationery.

R. D. Musser and H. B. Pontius, candidates for Auditor, and Dr. S. M. Hoff, candidate for Coroner, all declare that their expenses were less than fifty dollars.

J. D. Miller, for Treasurer, expended \$464.05, contributing \$350 to the county campaign fund.

J. C. Meyer's expenses were \$381.89, of which amount he gave \$215 to the county committee. F. F. Smith's total expenses were \$394.19; \$250 of which amount went into the campaign fund. It cost F. P. Musser, in his campaign for Recorder, \$159.51, including the \$120 he paid the county committee.

The expenses of the two Democratic candidates for County Commissioner were nominal, C. A. Weaver spending \$80.41; fifty dollars of which he gave to the county committee, and J. L. Dunlap spending but \$64.54, twenty dollars of which were contributed to the general campaign fund. J. W. Beck's expenses in his campaign for Auditor were less than fifty dollars.

J. Thomas Mitchell, treasurer of the Republican committee, filed his account showing the committee's receipts as \$3,125. Of this amount \$1,500 were received from Congressman Barclay, \$500 from the state committee on account of transportation, \$710 from local candidates and \$415 from local subscriptions. The expenditures included \$386.15 for rent of headquarters, manager's salary, clerical services, etc.; \$407.38 for postage, printing, stationery, etc.; \$206.76 for telegraph and telephone service, express, freight and advertising; \$451.08 for traveling and personal expenses of committee; \$930.23 for transportation of voters, and \$742.50 for hauling voters to polls, payment of watchers, etc., on election day, leaving a cash balance of 95 cents on hand.

DECEMBER COURT IN SESSION.—The regular term of December court began on Monday morning with Judge Ellis L. Orris on the bench and W. H. Faris, of Sunbury, court reporter. John Meese, of Bellefonte, was made foreman of the grand jury. Monday morning's session was taken up with hearing the reports of constables, justices of the peace, passing upon motions, petitions, etc. In the afternoon the civil lists were gone over and cases ready for trial announced after which the court was officially notified of the death of Col. Coburn and a committee appointed to draft resolutions when, out of respect to his memory, court adjourned until Tuesday morning.

The first case called on Tuesday morning was that of the Commonwealth vs. Harry Toner, charged with wantonly pointing fire arms; prosecutor, George R. Clark. The defendant was driving through Patton township when he was stopped by the prosecutor who notified him that he was overdriving his horse, when Mr. Clark alleged, Toner drew a revolver and threatened him. Defendant admitted he pulled a revolver but declared he did so only after Mr. Clark had taken hold of the horse and refused to allow him to proceed. A verdict of not guilty was rendered and the costs divided between the prosecutor and defendant.

Commonwealth vs. O. P. Owens, assault and battery; prosecutor James Summers. Mr. Owens is agent for the National Biscuit company and Mr. Summers claimed that he assaulted him with a chair in his restaurant in Crider's Exchange. The defendant waived the finding of the grand jury and plead guilty. Sentence was suspended upon the defendant paying the costs.

Commonwealth vs. John Boyce, of Clarence, assault and battery and aggravated assault and battery. Bill ignored and prosecutor to pay the costs.

Commonwealth vs. D. P. Swartz, indicted for larceny and receiving stolen goods. Mr. Swartz was charged with stealing a barrel from the Howard Canning company on the night of September 29th. The jury returned a verdict of guilty of receiving stolen goods.

The case of the Commonwealth against the borough of Phillipsburg took up the time of the court from Tuesday evening until Thursday morning. The charge was maintaining a nuisance in refusing to keep an alley in proper condition. Mr. Gates being the prosecutor. A verdict of not guilty was returned. Mr. Miller, attorney for South Phillipsburg and Mr. Gates, will probably make a motion for a new trial to-day.

The last case on Thursday afternoon before the adjournment of court was that of the Commonwealth vs. George Walker, of Snow Shoe, two indictments of non-support, one for his wife and one for his child. A verdict of guilt on both was returned by the jury.

The grand jury submitted its report on Wednesday afternoon, recommending a number of repairs about the court house and jail.

Court adjourned at two o'clock yesterday afternoon after issuing bench warrants for two defendants who were supposed to be in court at that time for trial.

BOROUGH COUNCIL'S DOINGS.—Considerable miscellaneous business was transacted by the eight members of borough council present at Monday night's meeting.

The Water committee reported that the Phoenix mill station is now being used to pump the water instead of the pumps at the old water works. They also reported that the water superintendent had inspected all the fire plugs in town, repaired those needing it, and that all were now in good condition.

Mr. Musser, chairman of the special committee on water improvement, reported the purchase of the Green property at Mileburg. Council decided to have a new roof put on the old mill building as soon as possible and to have the same insured for \$1,500. The committee reported that the estimated cost of installing the new hydro-electric plant, changing the power and pumps at the water works and equipping the streets with lights, was \$35,000. The old stone house on the McClure property was reported in an unsafe condition and the surroundings a nuisance owing to a dilapidated billboard having fallen in an old cellar. The owner was to be notified to fill up the cellar and not rebuild the billboard.

Pursuant to a request of the burgess at the last meeting of council that William Beizer be reinstated as chief of police, Mr. Hamilton moved that he be reinstated. The motion was seconded, but before council adjourned Mr. Harper then nominated J. Daily Justice for a member of the police force and Mr. Phillip Beizer nominated William Beizer. The vote of council was four to three in favor of Justice.

The Finance committee reported a balance of \$155.86 in the hands of the borough treasurer and a note was drawn in favor of the treasurer for one thousand dollars to pay current expenses. It view of the condition of the borough's finances at the present time Mr. Harper suggested the cutting out of all unnecessary expenses during the winter, especially new work on the streets, etc.

The police were instructed to make a report once a month of all fines collected. The walk in front of the Brant house was reported in bad condition and the clerk was instructed to notify the owner to repair same.

With the approval of the following bills council adjourned to meet in an extra session the following evening.

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LIEUT. GETTIG RESIGNS.—Samuel D. Gettig, first lieutenant of Company B, Fifth regiment, of this place, a few days ago sent his resignation to Col. H. S. Taylor with the request that it take effect at once. Though the exact reason has not been made public it was because of certain differences between the Colonel and Lieut. Gettig, who practically has charge of the company in the absence of Captain Philip H. Garbriek, over his inability to have the full quota of members of the company out for drill every Friday night.

Mr. Gettig has been a member of the National Guard for twenty years and during that time has not been absent from drill over about a dozen times. He attended every encampment held in that time, was with the company at the riots at Homestead and Puxntown; went to the front during the Spanish-American war, was always in the ranks when the company went away to participate in any dress parade function. He was earnest and attentive to duty and won his present rank of first lieutenant by his own individual work in the Guard, and his friends will be sorry to learn of his resignation, and especially under the existing circumstances. His successor in rank will doubtless be elected in the near future.