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Taft's Natural Home.

President TAFT is not meeting with marked success in his effort to "bridge the chasm" which separates the factions of his party. He seems to be shy on tact. He can't fool a considerable number of he people even part of the time. His thabit of playing fast and loose with everybody has lost its potency. His perennial and expansive smile has ceased to charm and it looks as if he is destined to "fall between the stools." He gets no comfort from the stand-patters and as little solace from the insurgents. Even his "lameduck alley," in the executive building fails to furnish recompense for disappointments that are attributed to him by the victims of both sides.

Speaker CANNON is more philosophic. He says things might have been worse for his party. They couldn't have been much worse, of course, for Pennsylvania was only saved by a fluke and Wisconsin and Minnesota might as well have gone Democratic as insurgent. But the personal equation intervenes to help CAN-NON. He was re-elected. His majority was reduced, certainly, but a reduced majority carries a commission. TAFT has no such consolation and very little hope for it. Out of the overwhelming majority of Judge HARMON, of Ohio, there is discernible nothing but TAFT disaster. It is at all. The drawing of the jury sad but certain. Excuse these tears.

President TAFT "is in wrong." He began his work of reconciliation badly. He first sent for ALDRICH and CANNON and then for CUMMINS and LAFOLLETTE. If he had pinned his faith to one or the other of these discordant elements, he might have had a chance. The audacity of the action might have served as a soperific. But he undertook to placate both and revealed his own uncertainty. That "God hates a coward" is axiomatic, and men despise a trimmer. Poor TAFT is the victim of his own folly. The "lame duck alley" which he prepared for dispairing Senators and Representatives in Congress is his logical home.

-Mr. DAVID LANE, first lieutenant to boss PENROSE, has announced that such is his devotion to recognized authority that "had he lived during the days of the Talesmen: Revolution he would have been a Tory." No doubt of that. And even as a "Tory" he wouldn't have been as great a men. ace to the welfare of the people and the fonte. or of the country as he is in being the manipulator of election returns and the encourager of a debauched ballot that ship. he has shown himself to be. No. Mr. LANE, there are depths of disgrace even Hall. deeper than that of being a "Tory" and yourself and brother "gangsters" seem to take pride in wallowing in them.

Taken Up in Securing the Jury. Trial May Not Be Concluded Until Late Saturday.

murdered her to hide his guilt, after she

verdict in his case will be.

terest in court this week was that of the Commonwealth against Bert Delige, charged with the killing of Mrs. John Baudis on the evening of October 16th, by cutting her throat with a razor in a sod field near her home at Scotia, and the court house is crowded with those anxious to hear the trial. It was expected that the case would be reached by Wednesday morning but the balance of the list was not cleaned up until a half hour after court convened yesterday morning and it was 9:30 o'clock when the case was

reached. Delige was brought into court by sheriff Hurley and deputy sheriff Fred Reese, apparently as cool and unconcerned as any man in the room. At the counsel table with him sat his sister Nora and N. B. Spangler looked after the interests murder Delige refused to make any plea began at 9:40 o'clock and it took almost a half hour to get the first one, and most

of the day was spent in securing the required twelve. The regular panel was exhausted before three o'clock, when the court house doors were closed and the calling of talesman began. Twenty-one talesman were called before the jury was complete and as made up it is as follows:

Green Heaton, farmer, Benner township. Charles D. Moore, laborer, Harristownship.

B. F. Kreamer, farmer, Benner township. J. A. Scholl, photographer, Millheim,

Christ Cowher, clerk, Rush township. Homer Decker, farmer, Spring town-

ship A. Stine Walker, farmer, Ferguson township.

George W. Rumberger, clerk, Unionville.

William Tressler, gentleman, Belle-

the act of drawing some gasolene from

year of his age. In 1865 he emigrated to death at the above time was the result. office and later worked in the Centre Commonwealth vs. Frederick Rockey, A third confession made by Delige con Canada where he remained four years Deceased was a son of John and Eliza- Democrat office. About fifteen years ago indicted on three counts: Playfully dis-

one of the incorporators of the Moshan- until his death. brother Walter. As stated last week the A peculiar circumstance in counection ville. with these latter interests is that one of In May, 1862, he was united in mar-

fever and died Thanksgiving week.

second wife being Miss Janet Donaldson, lege. The funeral will be held from his most respected residents. Mr. Thomas was Industrial Schools for Girls who survives with three children, name- late home tomorrow morning. ly: Mrs. S. H. Wigton, James and Miss Janet. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon. Services were held in St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church, of which he was a member, and burial was

made in the Philipsburg cemetery. BURNS AND SHOCK CAUSES DEATH .--

in an explosion of gasolene gas. Gensler

Wednesday morning Gensler went into collapse and died within a few hours. It next term of court. gasolene. For some purpose he was in

plosion followed. The fluid was thrown

by which they manufactured gas from at home caused heart failure.

Delige on Trial for Murder. PASSMORE.-James Passmore, proprie- SNYDER.-Henry A. Snyder, one of the CROSTHWAITE.-Walter H. Crosthwaite, charged with desertion and non-support tor of the Passmore house in Philipsburg oldest and best known residents of a native of Bellefonte, died at his home of wife and two children. Prosecutrix Confessed to Have Outraged His Victim. and quite an extensive coal operator, died Blanchard, died at eight o'clock on Wed- in Brooklyn on Sunday of pleuro-pneu- Lizzie M. Miller. Defendant appeared at his home in Philipsburg last Friday nesday morning. Although he had not monia, after only a few days illness. He before the court on October 14th and Case Was Called at 9.30 O'clock Yester- morning as a result of sorosis of the been in the best of health the past year was a son of Robert and Mary Crosth- waived the finding of the grand jury and day Morning and Most of the Day Was liver, with which he had been afflicted for he was able to be around and look after waite and was born in this place May plead guilty. Whereupon the Court susabout a year. Deceased was born in his business until ten days ago when he 4th, 1867, hence was 43 years and 6 pended sentence upon condition that he Newton, Devonshire, England, April 4th, contracted a bad cold. On Thursday of months old. When a young man he maintain and support his wife and chil-1846, so that he was in the sixty-fifth last week pneumonia developed and his learned the printer's trade in the Gazette dren and pay the costs of prosecution.

victs him of the most unspeakable then crossed to Portland, Me., and from beth Snyder and was born in Beaver he went to Brooklyn, N. Y., to work at charging a gun, and aggravated assault crime of having outraged his victim then there made his way to New York where county November 28th, 1833, making his his trade but soon after took up electrical and battery, Benjamin Kauffman prosehe assisted in placing the charge of nitro- age 77 years and nine days. He engineering and ever since has followed cutor. The case is from Spring township had recognized him. If this be true there glycerine which blew out the mountain was educated in the public schools of that occupation. He was a steady, in- and was brought because the defendant cannot be any question as to what the of rock at Hell Gate and made New York Beaver county and at the age of nineteen dustrious man and his sudden death is alleged that on March 11th, 1910, his harbor what it is today. He then made a years began teaching, an occupation he deeply regretted by his many friends grand-niece, Carrie Kauffman, whom he trip through the south and west and fi- followed during the winter while he here.

Naturally the one case of exceeding in- nally landed in Philipsburg on September worked for his father on the farm during About thirteen years ago he was united shot from a target rifle fired by young 3rd, 1863. He at once secured employ- the summer. In 1855 he came to Beech in marriage to Miss Blanche Johnson, Rockey, and that she was permanently inment in the old Decatur mines then oper- Creek and went to clerking in a store, a who died a year later, leaving him a little jured thereby. The case was on trial all ated by John Nuttall. A year or so later position he held until the opening of the daughter, Roxie, who has since made her day Wednesday and given to the jury he married Mrs. Alice Haworth, who Bald Eagle Valley railroad in 1862 when home with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mallory, shortly after five o'clock. It took them owned and operated the Swan hotel. In he was made station agent at Eagleville. in Altoona. In addition he is survived until four o'clock Thursday morning to 1876 he erected a building on Spruce and For some years he was the only telegraph by one sister. Mrs. C. H. Schroyer, of reach a verdict, which was one of not Front streets which was the start of the operator between Lock Haven and Belle- Altoona, and one brother, Frank A., guilty, dividing the costs between the present commodious Passmore house. fonte, having had charge of the telegraph station agent at State College. After plaintiff and defendant.

In addition to his hotel business he was office even before the railroad was built. going to Brooklyn he joined the Masons one of the promotors and backers of the In the latter sixties he left the railroad and also affiliated with the Methodist Philipsburg street railway; he was finan- company and the ensuing twenty years church. The remains arrived in Bellecially interested in the Philipsburg Elec- were spent in clerking and working in fonte Wednesday morning and were taken tric Light company, of which he was the woods until 1889 when he opened the to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton R. president at the time of his death; was store in Eagleville which he conducted Johnson, on north Spring street, where

they reposed until yesterday morning non National bank and a director of the "In politics he was an ardent Republican when the funeral was held from the Adopted Children of the United States same, and was also largely interested in but always fair even to his political op- Methodist church at 10:30 o'clock. Dr. the Belmore Coal company and the Urey ponents. He was a member of the Odd Thomas S. Wilcox officiated and burial Ridge Coal company, of Cambria county- Fellows and of the G. A. R. Post of Eagle- was made in the Union cemetery.

prisoner's chief counsel is Edward R. with these latter interests is that one of In May, 1862, he was united in mar-his partners was Mr. Bellis, of Altoona. riage to Miss Susan E. Linn who sur-burg last week was the death of Mr. and The Force of Example The Panama Canal Chambers with W. D. Zerby as assistant, while district attorney W. G. Runkle and his partners was Mr. Bellis, of Altoona. riage to Miss Susan E. Linn who sur-Less than three weeks before Mr. Pass-vives with four children, namely: Miss Mrs. Joseph Thomas within nine hours Mrs. Joseph Thomas within nine hours The Panama Canal. The Development of Aviation more's death he went to Philipsburg to Cora B., at home; Mrs. Charles H. Foster of each other. Mrs. Thomas had been ill other friend that probably the next time lege, and Harry B., of Chicago, Ill. He two o'clock on Thursday afternoon. Mr. he came to Philipsburg would be also leaves three sisters and one brother Thomas had been ill only about a week to attend Mr. Passmore's funeral. He as follows: Mrs. Roland Smith, living in and his death occurred about eleven Are We Making Serfs of Our Women? went home, was taken sick with typhoid the State of Washington; Miss Sarah, of o'clock on Thursday night. The latter Eagleville; Mrs. William Bechdel, of was an old soldier with an honorable rec- The Flowers of Spring. Mr. Passmore was twice married, his Eagleville, and Thomas A., of State Col. ord and the two were among Milesburg's

Rev. C. T. Aiken, president of the Susquehanna University, died very unexpectedly at her home in Selinsgrove on Tuesday

old friends in this county.

was raising, was shot in the arm by a

HIGH SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT .- The following is the program of Christmas orations at the Bellefonte High school for December 16th, beginning at 2 p. m., in High school auditorium.

The Influence of Florence Nightingal Elsie Altenderfer

Emma Bach Let America See America Alice Barnhar Significance of the Italian Christmas Marguerite Coxey

The Blight of Idleness .Bertha Dietrich Roy Grove Millard Hartswick Edith Houser

The Conservation of Our Forests ....... Harry Noll\* Necessity of Knowing Current Events

.Clare Reynolds

Helen Saylor **Grace Showalte** Recent Results of Aviation. ... Henry Keller Anna Shuev Anne Spangler seventy-two years old and Mrs. Thomas The Future of the Liberty Bell. ...Mary Straub sixty-nine. They are survived by several Modern Road Building .... .Joseph Taylor

The Indian's Service to the White Man on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, burial Disadvantage of Life in a Mining Camp Esther Undercoffer Mildred Wetzel

Perseverance ...Beulah Woods DECEMBER COURT .- The regular term Will the Battleship Remain Supreme?

...Burns Yorks Undeveloped Energy Homer Zimmern

State College last Wednesday evening as private sanitorium just outside of Phil- of prothonotary Arthur B. Kimport L. A. cember 15th, and after that you can put adelphia. She had grown so much better Schaeffer presided as clerk of the court. your gun away until next year's hunting that it was deemed best to take her home After the grand jury had been polled and season comes around. Of course the kind had charge of the mechanical part of the to Selinsgrove which was done last Thurs- sworn, the constables made their returns of weather we have had this week is not laundry conducted by his brother, Arthur day. During the few days she was at and the list of traverse jurors polled, the the most ideal hunting weather, even for

## PINE GROVE MENTION.

A. J. Fortney, of Tusseyville, spent Sunday civil action between Harvey Hoy and the among friends in town.

## AIKENS-Mrs. Athalia C. Aikens, wife of children. The double funeral was held being made in the Milesburg cemetery. evening. Just before Christmas of last of December court convened on Monday year Mrs. Aikens suffered a nervous morning with Judge Ellis L. Orvis pre-

breakdown so severe that for months past siding and H.F. Geddis, of Wilkes-Barree, -----It will be lawful to hunt rabbits up Raymond C. Gensler died at his home at she had been undergoing treatment in a as court reporter. Owing to the illness to and including next Thursday, De-Gensler and Arthur Miller under the firm home she was bright and cheerful until list of cases for the two weeks was gone rabbits. Tuesday afternoon when she suffered a over and a number continued until the

a basement room to examine the machine is believed that the excitement of being The first case called for trial was a Deceased was a daughter of Josiah and | overseers of the poor of Maria Gitt and was born at Hanover ship. The action was brought by Mr. spring and move here for a good rest. the tank when it took fire and a loud ex- forty-nine years ago. She was highly Hoy to recover for board and mainteeducated and accomplished and a charm- nance of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Miller 400 pounders are reported. all over Gensler and he was almost im-ing woman in every way. Twenty-one and her two children. The Millers lived years ago on Thanksgiving day she was in Bellefonte until two years ago when united in marriage to Rev. Aikens, who they broke up housekeeping, stored their has been told and retold in this paper so chine and hearing the explosion and ob-had entered the ministry only a year or goods and Mrs. Miller with her two chiltwo previous and the young couple went dren went to the home of her parents in to housekeeping at Pine Grove Mills Benner township. In the spring of 1910 jing. where the reverend was pastor of the Mr. Hoy and family moved into Spring Farmer Wm. Glenn is off duty nursing a badly and rushed into the wash room to the Lutheran church. For seventeen years township and on May 21st an order of they resided in that place and during that relief was taken out for Mrs. Miller and flight of stairs. time Mrs. Aikens endeared herself to all her children and served on the overseers time Mrs. Aikens endeared herself to all her children and served on the overseers was sold at public sale and knocked down to D-with whom she came in contact by her cf Benner township. After one order had W. Garner for \$3,800. extreme kindness and lovable character, been given the overseers investigated and so that her death is the cause of sadness found that the case rightfully belonged in every home in that locality. It is four to Bellefonte and the Bellefonte overseers will rent the McCracken farm in the Glades. years since the family left Pine Grove were notified and thereafter furnished re- Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Potter and Mr. and Mrs. William Cole home near the laundry Mills and moved to Selinsgrove, but in lief. In the two years she was at home John Rudy enjoyed a drive Sunday over old Tuswhere he was given all the attention pos- that time, as long as her health permitted, prior to May 21st, 1910, Mr. Hoy never Mrs. Aikens made many a visit among her received anything for his daughter's keep, hence the action against the Ben-In addition to her husher in sur ner township overseers. Inasmuch as the

-----The jury having been filled in the DELIGE case the fight is now on to decide giving him a fair and impartial trial and whether the law will permit the hanging of the brute. Hanging is a mild punishment for the crime to which he has con- duced as to the degree of crime for which fessed, but the law in the case might not even permit that.

## ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

----Miss Edith Payne has been seriously ill for the past week, at her home on Reynolds avenue.

-Pitt Parker, the "Crayon Wizard." tell you of the verdict, for that is all there will appear in Petriken hall in crayon can be of importance after the confession, recitals on Monday evening, December 12th, as the second entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. Star course. The originality progess of the trial. So if you care to call avail and he died at ten o'clock the and seeming spontaneity of his programs have made them one of the most popular forms of amusement and education. Aside from his pictures his recital is full has been reached we will telephone it to of wit, good sense and inspiration. His all the postoffices in the county. humor is as irresistible as it is original. The regular price of fifty cents admission will prevail.

-On Sunday register Earle C. Tuten got the old vest pocket system abolished, was forty years old and in celebration of have determined to give the bosses all the event his wife arranged for him and the chance they want to have things their carried out very successfully a surprise own way. Now they demand a ticket like they have down in Australia, that only party on Saturday night, at which a number of the court house officials and sevabout one man in ten can vote without eral other friends, to the number of one assistance, and in addition are asking that dozen, were entertained at a chicken and the primaries be put off until in Septemwaffle supper. Through the connivance ber. As registration in the country disof a friend Mr. Tuten was detained down tricts close during the first week in Septown until after six o'clock when he tember to have the primaries come after finally managed to escape and made his it was too late to register would be such way home on a dog trot, hoping, no a Jim-dandy proposition, to insure a short doubt, that we would be on time for the registration in the country, that we wongood, hot supper he anticipated and little der the entire Philadelphia gang is suspecting what awaited him in his own home. His friends in the meantime had not howling for it. In some way or other the reforms proposed by these professional assembled in the dining room with the reformers are always such as best suits lights all out and as Mr. Tuten rushed the needs and purposes of the fellows through the sitting room and pushed open they pretend to be fighting. And if the the dining room door the electric light election laws are again changed to suit the diaing room door the electric light was turned on and he was confronted by the group of his fellow officials. Being of a rather diffident nature he was some of a rather diffident nature he was somewhat taken aback, but he soon recovered people are now to anxious have amended. what taken aback, but he soon recorded his self-possession and entered into the spirit of the gathering. When everybody present had disposed of all the chicken means that were able to store under the holy bonds of matrimony Thursday their belts, the guests presented Mr. evening December first, at 7.30 o'clock.

Isaac Miller, carpenter, Bellefonte, Jonathan Packer, farmer, Boggs town-David Bradford, machine agent, Centre

The history of the Mrs. Baudis murder was standing alongside the collar ma-

serving a sheet of flame shoot up alongthat it is not necessary to reprint it here. The fact that Delige made a confession side the machine by which he was stand does not relieve the Commonwealth from ing, realized at once what had happened proving him guilty, if such he be. And it trap door leading to the basement. At the bottom he saw Gensler standing with depends entirely upon the evidence prohis clothing all on fire and he dragged him out and tore the burning clothing he can be convicted. The Commonwealth has a big array of witnesses and as it

from his body, being quite badly burned looks at this writing the case may run himself while doing so. way into Saturday. The full proceedings

Gensler was hastily removed to the will be given in next week's WATCHMAN. While the WATCHMAN does not believe in exploiting horrible crimes of this nasible then taken to his own home. He was badly burned about the face and ture and will not issue an extra edition to upper portion of the body, but the gravest fear was that he had inhaled the fire. vived by one so-Every effort was put forth to relieve his lowing it will be very glad to give any one all information at its command concerning the sufferings and save his life but without this office by phone at any time we will evening. A post-mortem revea give you personally all the information fact that his death was directly ... you may desire and the moment a verdict the shock to his system. Gensler was twenty-seven years and had but recently moved to Stat

lege from Bethlehem. He leaves a -Evidently those goody-goody reand two small children; his parents, formers of Philadelphia, who have been two brothers to mourn his unfortun. fixing our election laws ever since they end. The remains were taken to Lebano, on Friday for burial.

> AL.MERMAN .- Mrs. Harry B. Ammerman, a well known resident of Philipsburg, died quite suddenly of heart failure last Friday morning. She left her hom shortly after nine o'clock to go dov street on an errand. She was taken i on the street and was assisted into th Jacob Swires home and seated in a Mor. chair, where she expired in less than fi minutes.

Deceased's maiden name was M Amanda Jane Copelin, a daughter of N and Mrs. Isaiah Copelin, and she w. born in Philipsburg December 28th, 186. She was married to Mr. Ammerman : January, 1875, and to them twelve chi dren were born, seven of whom, with the husband survive, namely: Fred, of Philipsburg: Robert, Lemoone, Cal.; Herbert S., San Francisco, Cal.; Almeda, Arthur. Andrew and David, all at home. She also leaves the following brother and sisters: Charles, of Pitcairn; Mrs. S. B. Murray, of Falls Creek; Mrs. Samuel Dunkle, of Munson; Mrs. Andrew Nelson, Mrs. George Hurley and Mrs. Frank Richards, all of Philipsburg.

Tuten with a very comfortable easy chair for use in his de-(re) clining days, Paul Fortney making the presentation speech. The groom is a trusted employee of the the Pennsylvania Match company and the bride is an accomplished young woman who has many friends in this community. Rev. S. D. Wilson officiated at the funeral services which were held on Monday afternoon, burial being made in the Philipsburg cemetery.

"ase belonged to Bellefonte and ownship, and that the womin was the plaintiff's own compulsory non-suit was

the plaintiff for \$90.20.

mmonwealth vs. William the prosecutor being his Kessinger. This is the hard in which the plainaction for assault and er husband whom, she

's times abused her, struck bruising her cheek and

urned. h vs. W. H. Musser, ina justice of the peace in

of Milesburg, when he in nington, in this place. E. R. Chambers went into Mrs. Swope, teacher of the primary school, fell

badly sprained her wrist. The M. E. church will hold a Christmas enterit issue of the WATCHMAN. tainment here on the evening of December 24th

urned a verdict of guilty of Everybody is invited to attend.

In spite of the fact that the word dys-Groft, charged with larceny larged with larceny, prosecutor L. H. lusser, settled. lusser, settled. Commonwealth vs. Frank F. Miller, pleasure it should be.

Farmer Isaac Harpster will ouit the Butchering season is well on and a number of

We are sorry to note the serious illness o Frank Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bailey. O. F. Shaw went to Altoona Tuesday on busi

ness pertaining to his extensive harness trade. Sheriff Smith with his deputy, Samuel Martz ourneyed to the temple of justice Monday more

bruised shoulder, caused by a tumble down a

Last Friday the Wm. Garner farm at Pine Hall

J. H. Hoover has decided to continue farmin and not flit to Dixie land as was reported. He

sey to visit friends in Stonevalley.

Harry Shugerts came down from Altoona las week to visit old neighbors in the valley and spent a few days with his father, who is very

J. P. Wagner and wife autoed down from the Mountain city last week and with Mrs. Emma Hess spent Sunday at the N. E. Hess home on the Branch.

Walter Woods and family have been visiting his old home on Main street. On Monday he started oers vs. Joseph Weist, was on a tour through Dixie land. Mrs. Woods and ight to recover a fee of \$82 Miss Virginia will tarry yet awhile.

ntiff alleged he was to re- Martin Dreiblebis is suffering with a bad eye lucting the transfer of a that is keeping him in bed. While breaking stones a spawl struck the ball of his right eye The jury returned a ver- and it is feared he will lose his sight.

Farmer Chas. Johnstonbaugh will till the broad ninal case taken up was and fertile acres of the Emma Hess farm after April 1st, 1911. Jacob Meyers, the present tenant, will retire and with his good wife enjoy a well deserved rest in their country home Boalsburg. Mr. Meyers would like to hold the keys to Centre county's big vault in the treasurer's office next term.

BENORE BUBBLINGS.

Butchering is all the go around here.

ag two ribs. A verdict Mrs. Jesse Pennington is lying very ill at this

Miss Rilla Ghaner and Miss Mary Tomko

-Miss Esther Pennington, of State College, is

charged with assaulting visiting at the home of her brother. Jesse Pen-

ffice on legal business. The on Monday while going home from school and

The Christmas Dinner

pepsia means literally bad cook, it will not Bill ignored, awealth vs. Charles H. Bierly, first count, furnishing liquor to second count, furnishing liquor of known intemperate habits secutor. Elias Breon. Bill ignored county to pay the costs. a weak stomach there is nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla. It gives the stomach vigor and tone, cures dyspepsia,

ult and battery. The de-spent Sunday with the former's aunt, Miss Dora Ghaner, of Waddle.

s of this case were publishwealth vs. H. H. Fye, prosecu-

Bill ignored, rson of known intemperate habits. d county to pay the costs. Commonwealth vs. W. G. Bullock,