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THE COLUMBIAN has the Largest Circulation of any paper published in Northern Pennsylvania, and is also a much larger sheet than any of its contemporaries, and to therefore the best medium for advertising in this section of the State.

Our Indian Policy.

Advices from the Indian country are such as to justify fears of a general war. Some 20,000 Sioux, it is reported, are already on the war path and are to be joined by more northern tribes. The reason given for the dissatisfaction of the Indians is, that they have failed to receive their annuities, and we have no doubt that it is a correct one. For many years the Agents deputized to deliver to these people their annual installments have shamefully robbed them, and by the distribution of whiskey have done much to degrade and demoralize them. It is useless to attempt to conciliate these wandering tribes as long as Agents are allowed to behave thus. More honesty is imperatively demanded. It is the root of all the trouble and Quaker Commissioners paid price of no value, whilst fair words are used to deceive. How much Sheridan's massacre of women and children has had to do with the general dissatisfaction it is impossible to say. That it has had an influence we have no doubt. It is but a poor excuse to offer, that the Indians are guilty of atrocities. We are presumed to be superior to them in civilization, and outrages inflicted by us degrade us without justifying us in them.

Cameron's Courtesy.

The New York World having commented severely upon Senator Cameron's publication of a breakfast table talk with Mr. Jefferson Davis, which occurred before the war, and which tends to show the Honorable Senator's high abilities as a prophet, the *Day* retorts sharply and draws a parallel between the ingratitude of Mr. Davis and that of Mr. Cameron. Now we are not aware of any rule of logic which makes a right out of two wrongs. The *Day* devotes itself to the refutation of an argument which was never advanced. The *World* was not discussing Mr. Davis, but Mr. Cameron, and failed to see how the publication of a private conversation which was held whilst Mr. Cameron was the guest of Mr. Davis, justifies him because Mr. Davis was guilty of ingratitude to the Government which gave him his early military education. The point was, whether it was a proper thing to give to the public a private talk, for the purpose of making political capital, and whether the amenities of social life are only to be regarded by those who are not "ill" and United States Senators to boot.

Hon. William Montgomery.

This prominent Pennsylvania democrat died at his residence, near Washington, Pa., on Thursday last. Mr. Montgomery was born at Canton, Bradford county, April 11, 1819, and was educated at Washington college. He graduated in 1839, studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1842. In a few years he won distinction in his profession, and also became a recognized leader in the democratic party. In 1856 he was elected to Congress, where he served two terms. During his congressional career his name became conspicuous in connection with the so-called Crittenden-Montgomery amendment, which is introduced as a measure of pacification to the slavery excitement. The latter years of his life were clouded by a painful family misfortune. It will be remembered that he figured in the Disunion murder trial as counsel for his own son, who was indicted for connection with the crime.

Howard.

"The investigation of Gen. O. O. Howard's official conduct has thus far failed to develop a single fact to his official disfavor."—*Frederick*. Ah ha! Well that is the way Republicans look at these things. The truth is that there does not seem to be any such thing as "official disfavor" now-a-days. The investigation has brought to light, that Gen. Howard used Government money for private purposes and took in exchange therefor worthless Church bonds, which we presume, as things go, is quite right and proper. Gen. Howard having been one of the Radical saints must needs be upheld, but suppose he had been a Democrat and done this. How would things be then? Eh?

Election Contest in Phila. Decided.

PHILADELPHIA, May 3. Judge Allison, of the Court of Common Pleas, rendered his decision this morning in the contest for the District Attorneyship. The Court decides that Shepherd, deposed, was elected by a majority of thirteen over Charles Gibbons, the Republican candidate at the election in 1868. This has been a curious case. First, Shepherd entered on the duties of the office by a certificate of election; then a contested election, when the Supreme Court decided that Gibbons was elected, by ruling out the vote of a certain division on account of fraudulent votes; and now the Common Pleas decides after a recount and almost interminable arguments that Shepherd was elected.

THE House of Representatives, in Committee of the Whole, has raised the duty on half-pins 50 per cent. ad valorem. The honorable members have struck a brilliant lead. May they follow on through chignons, switches, braids, powder, wigs, and all the paraphernalia of feminine dandyism which from the days of Isiah (chap. 3, v. 16) has been used in the subjection of man.—*Press*.

The Germantown Telegraph announces Colonel John W. Forney as a candidate for Governor to succeed Governor Geary.

A correspondence reports the average price of votes in a Southern Carpet Bag Legislature at \$1,374 per dozen, 5 per cent off for cash.

Court Proceedings.

Court met on Monday, May 24, 1870, the Hon. William Ellwell, President Judge, and his associates, Hon. Iram Derr and Hon. L. S. Monroe, on the bench.

John A. Funston, Esq., Appointed Foreman of the Grand Jury.

Daniel Noyhard, Samuel Stetler and Isaac McBride returned Tipstaves.

Constables' returns received, and the Constables elected for the ensuing year sworn in and their bonds approved.

In the matter of exceptions to the account of John Kelsch and Lavina Davenport, administrators of Jno. Davenport, deceased, on motion of E. H. Little, Esq., C. W. Miller, Esq., continued as Auditor on exceptions with power to make distribution.

In the matter of the account of the administrators of Andrew Fress, a committee of Stephen Walpo, on motion of Mr. Jackson, George S. Coleman, Esq., continued as Auditor.

Com. vs Charles Snyder—Fornication and Bastardy—Charles Snyder and John S. Mensch bound in the sum of five hundred dollars for appearance of defendant at next term.

Com. vs Daniel Giger; Court order for forfeiture of recognizance to be stricken off on payment of costs.

Exception to the account of Wm. Lutz, administrator of Catharine Lutz, deceased, and Executor of Peter Lutz, deceased, on motion of Mr. Jackson, C. B. Brockway, Esq., appointed auditor on exceptions.

Com. vs Jacob Flick—Fornication and Bastardy—Wm. Crossley bound in the sum of five hundred dollars for the appearance of defendant at next term.

Com. vs Thomas Penrose—Assault and Battery—Recognizance filed, on motion of E. R. Kleier, District Attorney, the court grant leave to enter nunc pro tunc on payment of costs.

John Shipman vs Thomas J. Vanderlice—on motion of Mr. Freese, attachment for Jacob Gult as witness for defendant.

S. Herdle (use) vs B. H. Creveling, et al., affidavit of defence filed.

Stacy John vs Mary John's committee—by agreement of counsel judgment for plaintiff, for \$190.12—consent of parties.

Wm. Spots for the use of Thomas Hughes vs Wesley Ruckel—on motion of Mr. Clark rule granted to amend the caption of this case so as to read Thomas Hughes endorses of William Spots vs Wesley Ruckel.

Wm. Brooks et al. vs Wm. Struthers et al. Jury called.

Com. vs Philip Cain. Assault and battery. A true bill.

Com. vs Peter A. Kline and Delmer Golden, et al. A true bill.

Petition of John Walt, Guardian for sale of real estate, C. B. Brockway, appointed auditor to report facts and his opinion.

Report of Wm. H. Abbott, auditor on exceptions and to make distribution among the creditors of the estate of George Yinger, deceased, confirmed, n. l.

Auditor's report in the estate of William Snyder, deceased, confirmed, n. l.

Return of inquest in the estate of Thomas W. Young, deceased, confirmed, n. l.

Petition of Mary Rupp, administratrix of the estate of George Rupp, deceased, for sale of realty for payment of debts. Sale ordered of lot first mentioned in petition.

Petition of Jenny Mosteller for guardian. Daniel Rambach appointed guardian.

Petition of Lullie L. Johnson for guardian. Mason C. Johnson appointed guardian.

Return of inquest in the estate of Jacob Eyer, deceased, confirmed, n. l.

Petition for the appointment of guardian of minor children of David Gearhart, deceased. Sarah Gearhart appointed guardian.

Petition of Flora A. Kline for appointment of guardian. George Markes appointed guardian.

Report and return of sale of real estate of the minor children of Calvin B. Refsnyder, dec'd, confirmed, n. l.

Report of sale of the real estate of David Fry, Sr., dec'd, confirmed, n. l.

Report of sale by Lewis Yetter, guardian of Julia Ann Clark, and petition for continuance of order as to lands not sold, confirmed, n. l.

Auditor's report appointed to report facts and opinion in the matter of the petition of John Wimmer, guardian of Oscar E. and Wm. W. McBride, for private sale of realty. Private sale ordered.

Petition of John Staley, administrator of Elisha Albertson, dec'd., for discharge as bail of William D. Albertson as guardian of his minor children. Citation ordered to show cause why other surety shall not be given.

Return of inquest in the estate of John Richards, confirmed, n. l.

M. V. B. Kestonhaver vs J. H. Hinderliter and Henry Hinderliter—application for subrogation, rule to show cause why Henry Hinderliter shall not be subrogated.

Sarah Cole vs William Mosteller and Jacob H. Fritz—application for subrogation, rule to show cause why Jacob H. Fritz shall not be subrogated.

J. J. Brower vs Pine township—on motion court grant leave to issue execution.

Petition for incorporation of the Mutual Building and Saving Fund Association of Espy. It is ordered that the application for incorporation be published in one newspaper at least three weeks before the first day of next term.

Exceptions to report of viewers of road in Montour township through lands of Francis Evans and others.

Report of the re-viewers of a road in Pine township confirmed, n. l.

Report of a road in the town of Catawissa extending Fourth street confirmed, n. l.

Report of viewers of a road in Jackson township near Samuel Hartman's, confirmed, n. l.

Petition to transfer Clemens McHenry's tavern license to Andrew T. Kleier—license transferred by the Court.

In the estate of Jeremiah Kline, deceased, on motion of C. B. Brockway, Esq., C. W. Miller continued Commissioner to take proof of contract.

Petition of H. M. Hoekman, high constable of Berwick borough, for the appointment of a deputy—Levi Kutz appointed.

Remonstrance from citizens of Centralia borough, against licensing new houses in Centralia.

Jacob Koestelbaer appointed supervisor of Franklin township.

Thomas Adams appointed overseer of the poor of Briarbeck township.

Matthias Gilbert appointed supervisor of Mount Pleasant township.

Petition for appointment of supervisor of Beaver township; Tilman Rittenhouse appointed.

Com. vs Philip Cain—Indictment, assault and battery—a true bill. On motion of District Attorney, court directed a non pro. to be entered on payment of costs.

Com. vs James Harris—Indictment, Fornication and Bastardy. A true bill.

Com. vs Joseph Hess and Frank Hess—Indictment, cheating by false pretense—a true bill.

Com. vs John U. Leiby—Indictment, perjury—a true bill.

Com. vs Wm. Bahme—Indictment, assault and battery—a true bill.

TUESDAY, May 3. Wm. Brooks et al. vs Wm. Struthers et al. Verdict of \$100.00 for plaintiff.

The account of M. E. Jackson, Esq., assignee of P. M. Traugh, confirmed, n. l.

Report of Wm. Masteller, adm'r. of John Richard, dec'd., sale of realty.

Petition for sale of real estate of Lydia Wanich, dec'd., for payment of debts. Sale ordered.

Report of E. H. Little, Esq., to ascertain the amount due on bonds given by Jacob Gearhart, Jr., to the heirs of Jacob Gearhart, Sr., and to whom payable. Confirmed, n. l.

In the estate of A. W. Rea, dec'd., decree for specific performance of contract in making a deed to Wm. Peifer by Annie M. Rea, administratrix.

Exception to the auditor's report making distribution in the estate of John Boaler.

Petition of Valentine Wintersteen, guardian of minor children of Adam Wrean, to raise money on real estate in Lyeomg county. Ordered that the sum of five hundred dollars be raised of lands in Lyeomg county.

Emmanuel Brown vs Philip Ort—On motion of B. K. Rhodes, a rule granted on the sheriff to pay the money raised of the sale of the property of Philip Ort, n. l.

N. J. Hendershott vs. Bloomsburg Literary Institute, &c.—Rule to show cause why the sheriff should not amend his return.

Conyngham township vs. The Borough of Centralia—On motion, Court grant leave to issue an execution against defendant.

Catawissa R. Co. vs The Danville, Hazleton & Wilkes-Barre R. Co.—Injunction granted restraining the defendants, their agents and employees from putting in their crossing across the Catawissa railroad.

McAnell vs Jacoby—On motion of Mr. Jackson, attachment issued.

Theodore P. Swazo vs L. V. Myers—on motion of Mr. James the court directed judgment to be entered against the plaintiff.

Com. vs J. G. Morgan and M. A. Keefe—Disturbing the public road, recognizance for the appearance of the defendants at next sessions.

WEDNESDAY, May 3. William Marr vs Wesley Ruckel—verdict in favor of defendant.

Com. vs George W. Edgar—Fornication and Bastardy—Recognizance forfeited.

Com. vs Wm. Bahme—assault and battery—verdict, defendant guilty in manner and form as indicted.

All licenses advertised granted except Samuel Leiby, P. F. Burke, Benjamin Williams and James Dorey.

In the matter of the estate of Jacob Goho, deceased, rule granted on the heirs to appear on the first day of next term, and accept or refuse the estate at the valuation, or show cause why the same shall not be sold.

In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth Langer, deceased—rule granted on the heirs to appear on the first day of next term and accept or refuse the estate at the valuation, or show cause why the same shall not be sold.

Petition of Benjamin McHenry for discharge as bail of William D. Albertson as guardian of his minor children. Citation ordered to show cause why other surety shall not be given.

Return of inquest in the estate of John Richards, confirmed, n. l.

County Fair.

The Executive Committee have called a meeting of the members of the Agricultural Society for the purpose of selecting officers to serve during the ensuing year. We have repeatedly urged that this meeting be held at a time when it would be convenient for a large attendance from the country. It appears that the regulations of the society prevent its being held at the time we suggested, therefore we must do the next best thing which is to secure as large an attendance as possible. These annual exhibitions are not intended to be mere gala days. If properly conducted and supported by the people they can be made of real and lasting benefit to the county. Let our farmers and mechanics commence now, to make preparation for the fall exhibition. Till and plant and cultivate with a view to excelling in your department. What is done, endeavor to do in the best possible manner. Let each strive to this end and whether you succeed or not you will at the end of the season have made immense strides which will enable you to commence the next year far in advance of where you now are. When you meet in the fall with men from different sections of the county you can compare notes with each other, exhibit your crops, and arrive at the best conclusion. We hold the opinion that Columbia county can be made as rich in agricultural wealth as any section of the State. To do this our farmers must be free, earnest men, not squandering recklessly upon their soil, but judiciously advancing all the while. Whatever you raise either of grain or stock let it be of the best quality or breed. If unable alone to do this, join with your neighbors and by combined effort you can succeed. We hope there will be such an attendance at the meeting on the 21st of the present month as will induce the people are going to take an annual interest in the fair.

In this object we can certainly unite, without political bias. Our neighboring paper will join us in the effort to do good in this direction. Let us go to work.—*Republican*.

The State National Guard.

We give below an official announcement of the staff of Gen. Osborne. We are pleased to learn that the General is determined to revive the militia of this division, composed of the counties of Luzerne, Wyoming and Columbia, and to make it a credit to the State. He has called to his assistance officers who have all seen active service, and who will take pride in making the movement a success. We hope, now that the proper initiatory steps have been taken, that companies will be speedily formed through Luzerne—we ought to have almost a regiment in this city.

HEADQUARTERS (THE DIVISION NATIONAL GUARD) BLOOMSBURG, PA., April 29 (1870).

General Order No. 1. The following officers are announced as the staff of the Major General commanding:

Lieut. Col. William L. Wilson, Plymouth, Adjutant General.

Lieut. Col. George N. Reichard, Wilkes-Barre, Assistant Inspector General.

Major Charles M. Conyngham, Wilkes-Barre, Aid-de-Camp.

Major Cyrus C. Campbell, Pittston, Aid-de-Camp.

Major Albert P. Barber, Plymouth, Quartermaster.

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Major M. L. Blair, Hyde Park, Paymaster.

Lieut. Col. Charles H. Wilson, Plymouth, Chaplain.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly. EDWIN S. OSBORNE, Maj. Gen. Commanding.

Columbia County Teachers' Association.

A meeting of the Columbia county Teachers' Association will be held at Berwick on Saturday the 14th day of May 1870 at 10 o'clock a. m. The following programme is announced by the Committee.

FORENOON. 10 to 11, Opening Address by County Superintendent, C. G. Backley.

11 to 12, Discussion, "Causes of failure in teaching," opened by Mr. S. B. Miller.

AFTERNOON. 1.30 to 1.45, Essay, by Miss Senie Smith.

1.45 to 2.10, Class exercise—Arithmetic—Prof. F. M. Bates.

2.10 to 2.20, Discussion on same, opened by Miss Sue E. Thompson.

2.20 to 2.45, Report—"How shall our public schools be made more popular and more useful," by Mr. Wm. Snyder.

2.45 to 3.15, Discussion on same, opened by Miss Kate A. Betz.

3.15 to 3.30, Class exercise—Reading. 3.30 to 3.45, Discussion on same, opened by Mr. A. B. Hartman.

3.45 to 4.10, Class exercise—Grammar—Prof. H. P. Walker.

4.10 to 4.30, Discussion on same, opened by Mr. G. W. Barthe.

4.30 to 4.45, Class exercise—Orthography & Spelling, by Mr. Albright.

4.45 to 4.55, Discussion on same, opened by Miss Mary F. Woolley.

EVENING. Lecture by Rev. John Thomas at 7 o'clock.

The Committee respectfully request the attendance of all teachers and particularly those who have work assigned in the programme.

F. M. BATES, Secretary, Bloomsburg, April 28th 1870.

Communication.

BERWICK, Pa., May 24 1870.—Our townsman E. A. Bowman has frequently lectured in our midst for some time. His lectures have invariably evinced careful preparation, and have been listened to by appreciative audiences. It is proposed that his farewell address be a benefit; and accordingly he will lecture in our Old Fellows' Hall the forthcoming Tuesday night, the 10th inst. His subject will be of general interest. "Our Country, its Past and Future" void of political bias. As the speaker is well known, doubtless there will be a general turnout of our people to give substantial appreciation for past services. Patriotic airs will be sung upon the occasion by our best singing talent. Tickets of admission 35 cents can be procured at Jackson & Bowman's store, also at the Bank, and at the door of the Hall on the night of the lecture. Come one, come all.

Committee of Arrangements, C. G. A. P. Looock, John Mc Donald, and John P. Dravo, of Beaver. Each of these gentlemen is bound in the sum of \$50.00.

Congress.

THURSDAY, April 28.—In the Senate, yesterday a bill was reported, among others, to organize the Territory of Oklahoma, and to consolidate the Indian tribes under a territorial form of government. The bill for enforcing the Fifteenth Amendment was made a special order next after the Franking bill.

In the House, the Tariff debate again occupied the greater part of the morning, and an evening session, the various sections relating to iron being still under consideration. During the debate an announcement of the Richmond calamity was made, and a motion made to adjourn, which, after deliberation, was withdrawn.

FRIDAY, April 29.—In the Senate, among the bills introduced yesterday, was one to incorporate a National Academy of Letters and Arts; also one removing disabilities under the fourth amendment; also one revising the coinage laws. The report of the committee in the Florida contested election case, in favor of Mr. Gilbert, was adopted.

In the House, the Election Committee made a report in the Third Louisiana Congressional district election case. The report was adopted and is in favor of C. B. Darrell. The bill establishing a Department of Justice passed, as did also a joint resolution directing the purchase of a portrait of the late Major General Thomas, to be placed in the Capitol.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the tariff bill, and again discussed the iron items.

SATURDAY, April 30.—In the Senate, the House bill providing for a portrait of the late Gen. Thomas, passed the day before, was, after some debate, referred to the Library Committee. A number of reports were received, and some new bills introduced, among the latter, one by Mr. Wilson, providing a new mode for the selection of military and naval cadets.

In the House the most important event of the day was a long discussion on the question of granting public lands to aid in the construction of railroads. The debate occurred on the Senate bill granting lands to the road from Portland to Astoria and McMinnville, in Oregon. It was finally passed by a vote of 97 to 60.

MONDAY, May 2.—In the Senate not in session on Saturday.

In the House a motion was agreed to that when the House adjourns Thursday, May 3, a large amount of business was taken from the Speaker's table and disposed of.

TUESDAY, May 3.—In the Senate, a resolution was adopted relative to so amending the patent laws as to give the Government the free use of every patent hereafter issued and disposed of, among them one to increase the number of United States Supreme and Circuit Court Judges.

In the House, a bill was passed to allow Mrs. Lincoln a pension of \$3,000 a year. A resolution was adopted making May 30 a public holiday forever for the decoration of soldiers' graves. At 11 P. M. the House went into Committee of the Whole on the tariff bill, and discussed the iron section.

WEDNESDAY, May 4.—In the Senate, yesterday various reports of minor interest were received and several bills introduced. Among the latter was one to furnish medals to Massachusetts and Pennsylvania volunteers.

In the House the morning hour was mainly devoted to a discussion of Mr. Jencks' bill for the organization of the civil service. A concurrent resolution was adopted for a final adjournment on the 10th of July. Considerable progress was made with the Tariff bill, and all the sections relating to iron being disposed of and also several relating to steel.

Latest News.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 27.—About 2 o'clock this morning Police Officer Max arrested a man for behaving disorderly in Third-street, above Montgomery avenue. He was attacked by another man, who attempted to rescue him, prisoner, when Officer Max used his revolver with fatal effect, killing both men.

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Pennsylvania State Sunday School Convention.

The annual Convention, for the year 1870, will be held at Harrisburg, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 14, 15 and 16. George H. Stuart, Esq., is expected to preside. Each Sunday School in the State is invited to send two or more delegates. Pastors of Churches, Superintendents of Sunday Schools, and prominent Sunday School workers from all parts of the State are invited to attend and participate.

Our Sunday School brethren from other States are also cordially welcomed. It is requested that the names of those who expect to attend shall be sent to Rev. Thos. H. Robinson, or John M. Sayford, Secretary, on or before the