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Card of Instruction, Act of June 16th, 1891.

## DIRECTION TO VOTERS.

SECTION 22. Any person desiring to vote shall give his name and residence to one of the election officers in charge of the ballots, who shall thereupon announce the same in a loud and distinct tone of voice, and if such name is found upon the ballot check-list by the inspector or clerks in charge thereof, he shall likewise repeat the said name and the voter shall be allowed to enter the space enclosed by the guard-rail, unless his right to vote be challenged.

No person whose name is not on the said list, or whose right to vote shall be challenged by a qualified citizen, shall be admitted within said guard rail until he has established his right to vote in the manner now provided by law, and his name, if not on the check-list, shall then be added to both lists.

As soon as a voter is admitted within the rail the election officer having charge of the ballot shall detach a ballot from the stub and give it to the said voter, but shall first fold it so that the words printed on the back and outside, as provided in section fifteen of this act, shall be the only wording visible, and no ballot shall be voted unless folded in the same manner.

Not more than one ballot shall be given to a voter, except as provided in section twenty-six of this act. As soon as a voter receives a ballot, the letter "B" shall be marked against his name on the margin of the ballot-check-list, but no record of the number of the ballots shall be made on the said list.

Besides the election officers and such supervisors as are authorized by the laws of the United States, or overseers appointed by the courts of this commonwealth, not more than four voters in excess of the number of voting shelves or compartments provided, shall be allowed in said enclosed space at one time.

SECTION 23. On receipt of his ballot, the voter shall, forthwith, and without leaving the space enclosed by the guard-rail, retire to one of the voting shelves or compartments, and shall prepare his ballot by marking in the appropriate margin or place a cross (X) opposite the party name or political designation of a group of candidates, or opposite the name of the candidate of his choice, for each office to be filled, or by inserting in blank space provided therefor any name not already on the ballot, and in case of a question submitted to the vote of the people, by marking in the appropriate margin or place a cross (x) against the answer which he desires to give.

Before leaving the voting shelf or compartment, the voter shall fold his ballot without displaying the marks thereon in the same way it was folded when received by him, and he shall keep the same so folded until he has voted.

After leaving the voting shelf and before leaving the enclosed space he shall give his ballot to the election officer in charge of the ballot box, who shall, without unfolding the ballot, number it as required by the Constitution of this Commonwealth, placing the said number in the right hand upper corner of the back of the ballot, immediately to the left of the folding line printed thereon, and no where else, and shall then at once fold the corner at the folding line and fasten it securely down with the adhesive paste, so as to cover the number on the ballot, so that it cannot be seen without unfastening or cutting open the part so fastened down, and shall then deposit the ballot in the box.

The voter shall mark and deliver his ballot without undue delay, and shall quit the enclosed space as soon as his ballot has been deposited.

SECTION 24. No voter shall be allowed to occupy a voting shelf or compartment already occupied by another, except when given the help allowed by section twenty-seven of this act, nor to remain within said compartment more than three minutes in case all such compartments are in use and other voters are waiting to occupy the same.

No voter not an election officer shall be allowed to re-enter the enclosed space after he has once left it, except to give help as hereinafter described.

Each voter's name shall be checked on the voting check-list by the officer having charge thereof as soon as he has cast his vote, in the manner now provided by law.

It shall be the duty of the judge of election to secure the observance of the provisions of this section, to keep order in the room in which the voting is held, and to see that no more per-

sons are admitted within the enclosed space than are allowed by this act. Each party which has, by its primary meeting, caucus, convention or board, sent to the proper officer a certificate of nomination, and each group of citizens which has sent to the proper officer a nomination paper as provided in sections two and three of this act, shall be allowed to appoint three electors to act as watchers at each voting place, without expense to the county one of whom shall be allowed to remain outside of the enclosed space.

Each watcher shall be provided with a certificate from the county commissioners, or if the election be held in a township or borough, from the auditors of the same, stating his name, names of the persons who have appointed him and the party or policy he represents, and no party or policy shall be represented by more than one watcher in the same voting room at any one time. Watchers shall be required to show their certificates when requested to do so.

Until the polls are closed no person shall be allowed in the room outside of the said enclosed space, except these watchers, voters not exceeding ten at any one time, who are awaiting their turn to prepare their ballots, and peace officers when necessary for the preservation of the peace.

No person, when within the voting room, shall electioneer or solicit votes for any party or candidate, nor shall any written or printed matter be posted up within the said room, except as required by law.

SECTION 25. No list or memorandum of the names of voters, except such lists as are expressly authorized by law, shall be made within the voting room by any person or officer, nor shall any list or memorandum of the numbers marked upon the ballots be made or kept, except such lists as are expressly authorized by law; *Provided*, That any voter may make a memorandum of the number of his own ballot, and the watchers may keep their poll books and challenge lists.

After the closing of the polls and before the ballot boxes are opened all the lists of voters upon which the numbers of the ballots are recorded, as now required by law, shall be placed in separate sealed covers, properly marked, and the stubs of all the ballots used, together with all unused ballots, and the ballot check-list, shall also be enclosed in a sealed package properly designating the voting place which package shall be sent to the proper office as required by law in the case of the ballots cast, and neither the said package nor the said lists of voters shall thereafter be opened, except by the return judges, or in the case of a contest, or upon the order of a court of a competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 26. No person, other than the election officers, shall take or remove any ballot from the voting place.

If any voter inadvertently spoils a ballot he may obtain another upon returning the spoiled one. The ballots thus returned shall be immediately canceled, and at the close of the polls shall be secured in an envelope sealed and sent to the proper office as required by law in the case of the ballots case.

SECTION 27. If any voter declares to the judge of election that, by reason of disability, he desires assistance in the preparation of his ballot, he shall be permitted by the judge of election to select a qualified voter of the election district to aid him in the preparation of his ballot, such preparation being made in the voting compartment.

SECTION 28. If a voter marks more names than there are persons to be elected to an office, or if for any reason it is impossible to determine the voter's choice for any office to be filled, his ballot shall not be counted for such office. No ballot without the official endorsement shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be allowed to be deposited in the ballot box, and none but ballots provided in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be counted.

Ballots not marked, or improperly or defectively marked, shall be enclosed as defective, but shall be preserved with the other ballots. If any ballot appears to have been obtained otherwise than as provided in this act, the judge of elections shall transmit such ballot to the district attorney without delay, together with whatever information he may have tending to the detection of the person who deposited the same.

To vote a straight Democratic ticket, make a cross in the square to the right of the word "Democratic" wherever it appears on the ticket, thus:

Democratic | X

There are but three places to mark.

## TO CONTEST THE WILL.

Mrs. Margaret Hummel died recently in Wilkesbarre.

The estate is estimated as being worth about \$35,000. The will divided it as follows:

To Mrs. Sarah J. Graham of Bloomsburg, her sister, her garnet ring.

To Mrs. Mattie Jones, of Bloomsburg, her sister, her diamond ring.

To Miss Carrie Everts, of Espytown, her niece, her earrings and brooch.

To her niece, Miss Flora E. Jones, of Brooklyn, N. Y., her valuable bracelets.

To Mrs. Alice Trembley, of Espytown, a niece, her silver set.

To Lillia Keller, of Bloomsburg, a niece her gold watch.

To Mrs. Lizzie Zimmerman, of Wilkesbarre, a cousin, \$200.

Toy Keller, of Bloomsburg, her nephew, \$1,000.

To Jerry S. Hall \$5,000 in cash and her property, 75 by 192 feet, on Barney street, with two handsome houses thereon, valued at \$7,000, including her grey horse, harness, buggy, sleigh, robes, etc.

The balance of her estate to be sold and to be shared alike among her three sisters, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Keller.

Jerry Hall and Lizzie Stewart are appointed executors.

A petition has been presented to Register of Willis Weaver of Luzerne county by Mattie M. Jones, Sarah J. Graham and Susan Ann Keller, sisters of the deceased, and T. Keller, a nephew, to revoke the probate of the will. The substance of the petition is as follows: "That the will was probated October 18th. That your petitioners were not heard and had no knowledge of the probate. That they can produce testimony to prove that at the time of the execution of the said will the said testatrix was not in the usual exercise of her faculties. That the excitement attending the execution of said paper was so great as to unsettle her mind, and that the said will was drawn in disregard of her entire will, after it had been written, read over to testator. That she was laboring under great and unusual excitement, and physically and mentally incapable of making said will. That about August 8, 1892, an operation was performed on her for tumor, that she was under anæsthetic, and that after the operation she continued weak in mind and body to the time of her death. That the will was drawn up and executed on August 31, and while she was intensely suffering from the operation. That the chief beneficiary of the will, one Jerry Hall, exercised undue influence over the mind of the deceased, that he was continually present ordering and directing what should be done, and that he controlled her disordered mind. That when the will was about to be executed it was necessary to prop the executrix up in bed and that Hall prevented her relatives and next of kin from having access to the rooms or to consult with the deceased.

That your petitioners can prove that Jerry Hall is no relative of the deceased, that he is a married man with a wife and several children living whom he abandoned several years ago and that during this time he has assumed and exercised virtual possession of said testatrix's house and property and prevented her relatives from communicating with her.

A rule was granted to show cause why probate shall not be stricken off and letters testamentary granted to Jeremiah S. Hall and Elizabeth Stewart shall not be revoked.

Returnable Monday, Nov. 14.

## CAMPAIGN SPEAKERS.

During the campaign now near its close, Democratic meetings have been held through the county, and speeches have been made by the following persons:

Hon. C. R. Buckalew, Col. J. G. Freeze, B. F. Zarr, Charles G. Barkley, A. L. Fritz, A. C. Freas, Fred Ikeler, Thos. B. Hanly, Robt. Buckingham, William Crisman, J. M. Clark, J. K. Bittenbender, W. H. Snyder, Guy Jacoby, E. M. Tewksbury, C. A. Small, John R. Sharpless, R. R. Little. Senator Herring has been out almost constantly making speeches through the state.

## DEMOCRATIC MEETING.

There will be a democratic meeting in the Opera House, Bloomsburg, Saturday evening November 5th. The meeting will be called at eight o'clock. Every democrat should be present to hear the cheering words concerning the election of Grover Cleveland. A special invitation is extended to the ladies to be present.

## VIGILANCE COMMITTEES.

The following persons are appointed to act as Vigilance committees in the several districts, in conjunction with the member of standing committee for the purpose of getting every Democrat to go to the polls early on Tuesday next and vote. Please do not fail to see that every Democrat in your part of the township goes to the polls on Election day. Stir them up, and get out a good majority for Cleveland and the whole ticket.

## VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

Beaver.—Jacob Baker, Paul Fry, Joseph Klingerman.

Beaton.—Geo. Poust, Harvey Hess, Clarence Albertson, J. D. Ikeler.

Berwick E.—Henry Jones, Daniel Riuard, James Hayman.

Berwick W.—J. C. McMichael, Harry Hess, Geo. E. Devans.

Bloom 1.—Thos. Gorrey, E. B. Clark, F. D. Dentler.

Bloom 2.—Freeze Quick, Levi Shoemaker, Frank Baum.

Bloom 3.—John Casey, W. H. Snyder, Harry Taylor.

Bloom 4.—J. L. Horman, Wesley Knorr, John Fry.

Briarcreek.—Geo. W. Miller, A. F. Learn, Emanuel Vost.

Catawissa.—W. T. Creasy, Jack Kreischer, W. Shuck.

Centre.—Edward Stewart, Frank Fester, Wm. Beck.

Centuria 1.—Michael Cleary, Thos. Gerrity, John Langdon.

Centuria 2.—John Kenny, Thos. Keilly, John McDonnell, Michael McDonnell.

Conyngam N.—R. H. Canfield, Thos. Ennis, Edward Flynn.

Conyngam S.—Martin Mohan, James Monahan, Patrick Shields.

Conyngam W.—John Gallagher, Anthony Walsh, Pat McNulty.

Fishingcreek.—J. M. Wenner, (Van Camp), Samuel Smith (Stillwater), Geo. La'or (Asbury), James Ammerman (Forks), Norman McHenry (Orangeville), Hiram Karnes (Stillwater), W. N. Hosler (Fishingcreek), Elias Wenner (Van Camp).

Franklin.—Jonathan Lohrman, C. L. Arty, Paul M. Shultz.

Greenwood W.—D. D. Brady, G. Lord McHenry, W. Eyer.

Greenwood E.—A. S. Kreamer, James T. Lawton, J. K. Trivelpiece.

Hemlock.—Geo. Bogart, Geo. Billig, Reuben Werkheiser.

Jackson.—Jacob Kanouse, H. H. Hirdeman, M. S. Renley.

Locust.—Jeremiah Snyder, Haines Yost, Louis H. Daniels.

Madison.—Jac. Wintersteen, Harry Hartman, Thos. Mordan.

Main.—Boyd Yetter, Frank Shuman, Freas Bauman.

Millville.—Bart Welliver, Charles Ely, Joseph Cole.

Millin.—Chas. Gearhart, Alfred W. Hess, John Michael.

Montour.—Eli Beyer, Peter S. Kashner, John S. Mensch, David Mauser.

Mt. Pleasant.—G. M. Ikeler, Isaiah Howell, W. A. Everett.

Orange.—Albert Achenbach, Abram Kline, Pugh Glorin.

Pine.—Hurly Shoemaker, Clark Bogart, J. R. Fowler.

Roaringcreek.—David Long, Francis Levan, Peter Hower.

Scott E.—John Englehart, Geo. Hess, Geo. Keichner.

Scott W.—John H. Townsend, Geo. Kressler, Chas. Rink.

Sugarloaf W.—John P. Hill, W. Stohner, John W. Diltz.

Sugarloaf S.—F. P. Hartman, Frank Getz, P. L. Kile.

J. H. MERCER,  
Chairman.

## OFFICIAL BALLOTS.

The ballots are done, and the county commissioners and Clerk Terwilliger and Janitor Coffman have been busy all the week getting them ready to send out. Each package had to be carefully packed and sealed. The commissioners will start out on Saturday to deliver them. It will require a big spring wagon for each, and several trips at that. The ballots bound and ready for delivery weigh about 2500 lbs. The contract of THE COLUMBIAN provided that the ballots should be completed by November 1st, and though we were delayed nearly three days because the official certificate was not sent from Harrisburg, our work was done, and we began to deliver the ballots to the commissioners on Nov. 1st, and completed them as fast as they could pack them up.

## Democratic Meetings.

Democratic meetings will be held as follows: Briarcreek, Miller's hotel, Nov. 4; Fowlersville, Nov. 5; Rhorsburg, Nov. 3; Millville, Nov. 4; Pine township, Central school house, Nov. 4; Slabtown, Nov. 4; Canby school house, Nov. 4; Jonestown, Nov. 5.

## MAINVILLE.

Dr. Steek has moved to Bravick, where he intends to continue his practice of medicine. His many friends wish him abundant success in his new field of labor.

The unusual dry weather is considerably felt in this vicinity as some are compelled to carry water long distances.

Mr. U. J. Campbell, a well known resident of this place has been lying seriously ill for some time. While picking brush he sprained himself internally and has not been able to be about since.

Columbus Day was observed by the schools throughout the township. Brown's school, Mr. Yorks teacher, rendered the whole official program, together with dialogues and many patriotic songs. Miss Lizzie Aten presided at the organ. At the Jamison school, Miss Powell teacher, about the same exercises were held, while Miss Daisy John had charge of the organ. All the other schools had some special exercises in memory "of the great Colon."

Forest fires have been raging over the wooded hills and mountains through here for the past week.

Dr. Vastine has moved to this place, where he will no doubt, have a large practice.

The Lutheran church was filled to overflowing on Sunday evening, it being the annual observance of Children's Day. The exercises were very entertaining and quite a sum of money was raised for mission work.

The democrats gathered here on Tuesday evening to show their loyalty to the old Jacksonian principles and hear the political questions of the day discussed by able and impressive speakers.

Hunters are now looking after the game and if the constant firing of guns indicates the amount of game bagged, the great wonder is where it is found.

## COURT PROCEEDINGS.

An adjourned court was held Friday forenoon by President Judge Ikeler and Associate Mordecai Millard.

The sale of the real estate of Lafayette Unger, dec'd, ordered.

Estate of Jacob Yeager, dec'd. Petition of administrator for clerk of Orphans' Court to make deed filed.

Richard Purcell vs. Michael Nertney. Petition for appointment of guardian: John Nertney, father of Michael, appointed.

Lilly Pettit vs. Frank H. Ringrose. Petition of plaintiff for alimony filed.

Thos. B. Hanly appointed commissioner in lunacy of Solomon Dirk.

Robert Williams appointed inspector of elections in west Conyngam district, vice James C. Phillips resigned.

Samuel Pugh appointed inspector of election in district number two Bloomsburg, vice J. M. Hower resigned.

Ash Bros. vs. Berwick Water Co. Petition for appointment of viewers to assess damages filed.

"Now Oct. 28, 1892, at 5 o'clock p. m., the several courts of Columbia County are adjourned to the 12th day of November at noon and to any time between this date and the said 12th day of November at the ringing of the Court House bell for the purpose of convening and holding said courts.

BY THE COURT.

A person who unlawfully takes and carries away the property of another on Halloween is a thief just as much as he who steals on any other night of the year. A joke is a joke, but the wilful removal or destruction of property is carrying things a little too far. Last Monday night was Halloween, and many boys and young men, and some of the gentler sex as well, indulged in pranks that, no doubt, considered cute, but which in the eye of the law was simple theft. Besides this, corn and cabbage and flour was thrown on everybody who ventured on the street.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., post office and will be sent to the dead letter office November 15, 1892.

Benj. A. Baldwin (3); Miss Minnie Beagle, Geo. L. Benham, Miss Lenna Doty, Mr. J. Arthur Eves, J. Glenn, Mr. Murray Laubach, Mr. Edward Sorber, Mr. Elisha Summers, Mr. James H. Vesceline, Mr. J. W. Vought.

Persons calling for these letters will please say they were advertised November 1, 1892. One cent will be charged on each letter advertised.

A. B. CATHCART, P. M.

Indian Summer is here. The days are as balmy as spring.

## PERSONAL.

E. A. Rawlings, went to Buffalo on Monday to buy cattle.

Mrs. R. C. Neal is visiting her mother Mrs. M. H. Clark.

D. A. Beckley of Philadelphia is visiting friends here, and helping to run the republican party.

Mrs. Bolton Whitenight and son of Tamaqua Pa., are in town on a two weeks' visit among friends and relatives.

County Treasurer John L. Kline is able to be out again after a serious attack of quincy, which confined him to the house for several days.

E. W. Drinker was compelled to leave his position at Hartford for the present, on account of ill health. He is improving and expects to be at work again soon.

Anna Park, grand daughter of Mrs. Eveline Rupert, died at her home in Springfield Missouri, on Thursday morning Oct. 27th of typhoid fever. She visited here three years ago with her mother and sister, which sister is lying very sick with the same disease.

Jacob Martz was thrown from his wagon last Saturday afternoon and his arm and nose broken, and he was otherwise bruised. The horse ran away because Jake had a load on, and couldn't manage him. He was thrown out in the alley back of Mrs. Kate Vanderslice's, and carried from there to Levi Cox's shop. The rumor was first started that Martz was run over by the cars and killed, but proved untrue.

On Monday last about noon the ice house adjoining the stone dwelling formerly known as the Paxton house, was discovered to be on fire. It is supposed that it caught from burning leaves. An alarm was brought to town and the steamer was taken out, but it could not be used, as it could not be run down close enough to the creek. After some delay, enough hose was on the ground to connect with the plug at the water works, and the fire was quenched. The wash house and ice house were destroyed, and the cornice of the house damaged.

## MILLVILLE.

The creamery looks quite gay in its new coat of paint.

T. M. Gurman received at the station at this place a new sewing machine wagon; he has taken an agency for the Singer at his home at Unityville.

Several specimen ballots have been received here, and the voters, are studying them so as to vote intelligently.

A sad accident occurred last week which might have resulted in the death of one of our school girls. Bessie Rich while on her way to school was run over by a runaway team, and quite badly hurt. The accident was caused by one of the pins coming out of the singletree on Simon Bardo's wagon, he went back to hunt the pin and the singletree fell on the horses heels causing them to run, the one horse not being fast to the wagon ran faster than the other causing them to run to side of road and over the girl before she could make her escape.

Edwin John who has been sick for some time is still confined to the house.

Last Saturday one of J. L. John horses got scared and ran into Dr. Christian's buggy which was tied in front of V. P. Eves furniture store, causing considerable damage to the Doctor's buggy and harness, besides badly frightening his pony.

Clark Alberson and wife are home from the South visiting friends and relatives, and gave some of their old acquaintance in Millville a call. Their former home was Rohrsburg, she being M. M. Appleman's daughter.

Lizzie Runyon of Bloomsburg who has been spending some time at her home near Jerseytown spent a few days last week in town at the home of her husband.

F. N. Heller has a spring colt which he may feel proud of. It is a pacer and gets there in great shape.

A neat flag stone pavement was put across main street from the lot of V. P. Eves to Ellis Eves & Bros. store, which was very badly needed. This is only one of the many improvements since we became a borough, give us a little time and we will get there by and by.

H. W. Kisner has laid a very neat flag stone pavement in front of his lot on main street which adds to the appearance of his home and is quite a convenience to pedestrians.