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STATEMENT.

At the Close of Business November 10th, 1904.

Table with columns: RESOURCES, LIABILITIES. Rows include: Cash, S. Bonds, Other Bonds, Building, Loans from Banks and U. S. Treas., Cash and Reserve, Capital, Surplus and Profits (net), Circulation, Deposits.

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Political Announcements.

SUBJECT TO THE RULES OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

PRIMARY ELECTION, SATURDAY JUNE 10. CONVENTION TUESDAY, JUNE 13th.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER, A. N. YOST of Bloomsburg.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, ISAAC REICHART of Scott Township.

FOR PROTHONOTARY AND CLERK OF THE COURTS, C. M. TERWILLIGER of Bloomsburg.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER, J. C. RUTTER JR., of Bloomsburg.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, CHRISTIAN A. SMALL of Bloomsburg.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER, M. H. RHODES of Bloomsburg, Pa.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, ELISHA RINGROSE of Center Township.

Subject to the rules of the Republican Party. Primary Election Saturday, April 15th. Convention, Monday, April 17th.

Little of importance has occurred in Congress during this week. Judge Swayne has been acquitted, a result long before discounted by the evident weakness of the case against him, although it is generally admitted that the House Managers made a more creditable showing, in the light of the facts, than did the defence.

Senator Bailey has introduced in the Senate a resolution which is calculated to reveal to the country that nothing but the obstinacy of the Speaker of the House prevented the admission of Oklahoma to the Union, provided, of course, the Speaker persists in his present course to the end.

The naval appropriation bill has passed both houses of Congress and is now in conference. It provides for two new battleships and the debate in the Senate developed the fact that the Republican programme for the upbuilding of the navy will provide for the construction of one new battleship each year, hereafter, these ships to be constructed at an approximate cost of \$7,000,000 each and the entire navy to call for annual appropriations of \$1,000,000,000.

The Russian government is believed to be making effort to induce the 25,000 Slavs in the Pennsylvania anthracite region to return home and enlist. Most of these men have been in America only a few years, and are favorably disposed. Free passage and considerable money constitute the consideration offered.

THE BAR.

Columbia County has on its calendar of resident attorneys, about fifty names, gentlemen of good ability, of high character, trained at Classical Academies, at State Normal Schools, at Colleges and Law Schools of good reputation as educators in their special departments and studies. Complete amity seems to exist between the different members and in a perfunctory way they are and are held to be legal brethren. And yet when all that has been stated there seems to be lacking the atmosphere of cheerful fellowship which ought to permeate the intercourse of the members of the Bar.

It has been thought over and talked over on many occasions, by some with regret, and without results, because no way of overcoming the difficulty was possible or feasible. The only suggestion that seemed to have life in it, was to secure a suitable room within easy distance of the Court House for a Lawyers' Club House and fit it up with furniture, pictures and books, that it would afford just such a place as is needed for a n hour's recreation and legal gossip, with just shop enough to keep up professional interest, and news and literature enough to stimulate a proper human anxiety in the doings of the world of men and women.

The man who can give these suggestions life and a local habitation will be a real benefactor to persons who need such a place for a quiet talk, for an earnest talk, for a joke full of innocent laughter, and for awakening and keeping alive the personal respect and professional courtesy without which life will grow more and more dreary.

A Matrimonial Danger.

An Allegheny man who married an athletic wife acquired a jag, went home, tried to lick her, got licked by her, was tied to a chair and made a spectacle of for the amusement of the neighbors who were called in by the busy little wife. And then, because he yelled a few when she was tying him, she had him arrested for disorderly conduct—not because he tried to beat her, understand, but because he was noisy in defeat.

This should be a warning to young men who in the spring will inevitably let their fancy lightly turn to thoughts of love and will of a certainty contemplate matrimony. Let us warn them right now that it is the feminine fad to be athletic. The fad won't last long, but think of its harrowing consequences.

Suppose you get married to HER and you and your jag try to whip her, and both you and the jag are put out of business by a few feminine punches on the jaw, and a ladylike swing to the neck, and a womanly slam in the solar plexus that makes the jag lose confidence in its staying powers, wouldn't you hate like the dickens to be tied to a chair? Is man's inalienable right to get drunk and beat his wife to be destroyed by a disturbing combination of pulchritude and cross-counters, and muliebrity and straight leads. Woman is at all times distracting enough, but the man who marries the athletic girl will not always be able to tell his head from his heels.—Ev.

Bill Against Pigeon Shooting.

The Philadelphia advocates of the passage by the Legislature of the bill prohibiting pigeon shooting, are very active in offsetting the opposition to the measure. They are flooding the state, especially, the districts where the most opposition exists, with literature pointing out the brutality of maiming and killing the birds for mere sport. The promoters of the bill believe if the committee act favorably upon it that it will pass the Assembly and Senate.

ARGUMENT COURT.

Considerable Business Transacted at Monday's Session.

All the judges were present at the March Session of Argument Court, held on Monday. There was no audience. The lawyers interested in the various cases, and the newspaper reporters, constituted the attendance.

The business transacted was as follows:

Petition for appointment of a guardian of Bessie Grimes, the court appointed Wm. M. Grimes guardian, bond being given in the sum of \$1000.

Petition of Wm. M. Grimes, guardian of Bessie, to join in the sale of real estate of Jos. Grimes, dec'd. Granted.

In petition of Dora Ward, Rebecca Ward, John Ward, Maggie Ward and Roy Ward, minor children of John Ward, deceased. Josephine Ward was appointed guardian and the bond approved.

Petition of Josephine Ward, guardian, to join in making deed, etc. Granted.

In re-estate of C. C. Sharpless, dec'd, report of sale confirmed nisi.

In petition of Locust Mt. Coal and Iron Company, petition to make roads, etc., granted by the Court.

In re-estate of H. F. Rittenhouse, demurrer to petition of receiver to vacate and set aside writs of execution, etc. filed.

Venire was ordered for 24 grand jurors and 48 petit jurors for the first week of May term, 1905, and 36 traverse jurors for the second week of May term, 1905.

In re-estate of Emma H. Neal, deceased, petition of trustee to borrow money, granted by the Court. Bradley W. Hess appointed guardian of John W. Hess, minor child of F. C. and A. L. Hess.

In case of John E. Gallagher vs. John Sellers, petition for rule to show cause why Seller shall not bring action of ejectment within 90 days for lot described, the Court made absolute the rule no answer having been filed.

In petition for rule to show cause why Sellers shall not bring action of ejectment within 90 days for lot described in action of Wm. McCullough, et al., vs. Sellers, rule was made absolute, no answer having been filed.

In petition for rule to show cause why action of ejectment shall not be brought in action of E. S. Reichart vs. Perry D. Hess, the Court granted the rule.

Citation was awarded by the Court and rule granted to show cause as prayed for in estate of Agnes Brown, late of Fishing Creek.

In divorce proceedings of Susanna Pursel vs. Geo. W. Pursel, alias subpoena was awarded and the sheriff was directed to make publication.

The Court appointed Michael Murtrey guardian on petition of John Murtrey.

The Court granted the rule to show cause, etc., on petition of Michael and Francis Murtrey to file application for liquor license.

New Swindling Scheme.

Raised Money Orders the Latest Plan of Operation.

The postoffice department has sent out warning to hotelkeepers, merchants and others to beware of purchasing money orders, as swindlers are operating with them extensively. The scheme is to purchase an order for \$6 or \$8 and then raise it to \$50 or \$80. With the increasing order they pay hotel bills or purchase merchandise for small amounts and get \$50 or \$60, as the case may be, in change. When the order is presented at the postoffice it does not agree with the advice, and by that time the swindler has departed.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral advertisement. Text: 'We know what all good doctors think of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Ask your own doctor and find out. He will tell you how it quiets the tickling throat, heals the inflamed lungs, and controls the hardest of coughs.' Includes logo and address: J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

HICKS FOR MARCH.

Rev. Ira Hicks, the weather prophet, who foretold the January and February blizzards, makes the following predictions for March:

The 5th to the 17th will bring a marked storm period, culminating in rising temperature and general storm conditions, ending in wide areas of rain and snow. Another high barometer and March cold wave may suddenly slip in from the northwest from about the 17th to the 19th, but it will give way as suddenly as it came, and the most general and violent storm conditions of the month will appear during the storm period immediately following.

The storm period is from the 19th to the 24th, being at its center on the 21st. This is a storm period that every student reasonably familiar with our forecasts will watch with much interest. The indications are that tropical storms and hurricanes will reach the extreme parts of our south country about the 19th to 22d, notably on and touching the 21st, and that rain and high winds turning to snow and very cold for the season, will meet the tropical, equatorial storms from the northwest. A severe March blizzard over much of the country northward is among the probabilities at this period.

A reactionary storm period will be central on the 27th, 28th and 29th. At this time the temperature will rise decidedly and general storms of rain and wind, turning to snow in the north, will pass eastwardly across the country, all followed by another decided rise of the barometer, northwesterly winds and much colder.

The public should keep in mind the possibility of disastrous floods during the month of March. Frozen streams and rivers that do not break up in February will bring absolute danger to all localities not entirely above the reach of such danger. The month will not bring a maximum of cold, but much precipitation in the form of rain, sleet or snow will occur, with disagreeable fluctuations of temperature, an unsteady state of the barometer and some furious storms.

Lied Like the Devil.

In Criminal Court before Judge Hart at Williamsport on Tuesday, W. C. Currin, counsel for James L. McCloskey, denounced his client and then threw up the case.

McCloskey, who had once before been convicted, was on trial for wife desertion and endeavoring to marry a girl. Evidence was overwhelming against the prisoner, who on the stand endeavored to defend himself by declaring that he was "only fooling."

At this Lawyer Currin, addressing the Court, said "I have supreme contempt for a man who will employ a lawyer to defend him and then lie like the devil to him. I leave this man and his case in the hands of the Court."

There was a burst of applause from the spectators. The jury convicted McCloskey without leaving the box.

W. C. Currin, Esq. is a son of Rev. Currin, former pastor of the Evangelical Church in Bloomsburg.

Days are Growing Longer.

The days are again growing longer. The period from sunrise to sunset is lengthening, and it is possible again to work indoors until 6 o'clock without calling into requisition artificial light. The afternoons have lengthened more rapidly than the mornings because the sun has been changing from "sun fast" to "sun slow," occasioned by the elliptical form of the earth's orbit, and the varying route of the earth's motion in its orbit.

Proof of Burial Necessary.

Governor Pennypacker on Friday signed the House bill requiring proof of the burial of the carcasses of sheep killed by dogs before damages may be received. The governor also signed the joint resolution creating a commission to co-operate with the New Jersey authorities for the propagation of sturgeon, shad, bass, perch or other fish and the adoption of concurrent laws relating to both states.

\$12,000,000 for Public Schools.

In the State Senate a bill was introduced appropriating \$12,000,000 for the support of the public schools for the two years beginning June 1, 1905; \$2,000,000 for the encouragement and support of township high schools, to be apportioned by the Superintendent of Public Instruction in accordance with the provisions of existing laws.

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