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The Flopper. There has been a good deal said. thus early in the campaign, as regards the "flopper," by the Parkerites. In the first place, what is a "flopper?" the man who stands by a principle, or the other fellow? It is strange, in our way of thinking, that any sane man could imagine a man as being a "flopper" who stands by his convictions and principles although his party flops. In the case of Mr. Seibert, of Potter county, we fail to see him in the light of a "flopper." He is simply holding up the same principle and argument he held to eight years ago. Mr. Bryan is doing the same thing, and Mr. Bryan is not classed as a "flopper." The writer carries the same views he did eight years ago, and he does not consider or feel himself a "flopper." We are not courting political controversy, but as our convictions were

well known in the last two presidential campaigns, and having a right to stand firm if we so desire, we deem it our privilege to defend those views, and state that it is a breach of friendship and an error in judgment for one man to brand his fellow as a "flopper" because he did not see fit to join hands, conscientiously or otherwise, with the fleeing crowd.

We believe that Parker & Davis are the candidates of the monied monopolies, and are not to be 'trusted outside of the 'trust.' ' Of course, all voters who are in sympathy with the monopolization of things will stick to or flop over to Parker & Davis. The Democrat or Republican who believes in legislation against the Trust has only one way to express his judgment, and the Democrat, out of two evils, will select the least, by voting for the candidate who has in his platform one plank, and that a strong one, on which to stand. The Democrat who voted for Mr. Bryan surely cannot, consistently, vote for Parker, unless his conscience is like rain water-kind 'o soaks in or returns to sea and is transformed, transfigured or disfigured—gets the principle washed out of it. Then, some consciences are like merchandise and the medium of exchange becomes more desirable than the merchandise. The man who flops with a party is as much a "flopper" as the man who flops alone. If you go to the devil with a crowd you must have asbestos wings just the same as though you went alone, only you may get em cheaper in job lots and have the advantage of the company that misery likes so well. We are thankful for the hope and belief that the "floppers" are not so numerous as some may think and that the laboring man is not going to be "fooled all the time."

J. A. Johnston. Emporium, Pa., Aug. 16,'04.

Baptist Church.

The pastor is giving a series of Sunday sermons on "Bible's Bravest" and last Sunday night he spoke on the 'Psalmist Persecuted or David's Dash from Danger." Next Sunday evening his subject will be "A Daring Daniel or The Brave Boy Moulded Into a Might Man." Short Song Service. All inside of an hour. Public cordially invited.

Preserve The Trees.

The dying of three of the tall, beautiful trees, fronting the new Presbyterian Church property supposed to have been caused by a leak in the gas line nearby, has necessitated their removal. This is much regretted by all as they were a matter of municipal pride. The large number of beautiful shade trees in Emporium, is one of its chief attracvisitors. Let our property owners use every effort to preserve the trees.

Named Themselves.

A few years ago in the course of a heated political campaign the Democrats in a certain city organized a monster torch light procession. Among the marching clubs was one named the Democratic Jackson Association. This name was found to be too long to place in full upon the transparency carried at the head of the club, and so it was written in abbreviated form, like this: DEM, JACK. ASS.

It is needless to say that the merriment of the Republicans was aroused wherever this transparency was seen.

Now is the time to buy your clothes, and the best place is at N. Seger's.

Rev. Mr. Oyler Returns.

The Rev. R. S. Oyler, of Keating Summit returned to his home last Saturday after spending six weeks in attendance at the Summer school of Theology, of Harvard University, Boston. He also took voice training in the Emmerson school of Oratory, and though necessarily a very busy man reports a pleasant time amid these classic surroundings and takes up the burden of his work with freshened

The Good Fellow.

"Whenever you find a man who is slapped on the back wherever he goes and called a good fellow, go to his home and find out whether his children have got good shoes on their feet, and whether his wife is wondering how she is to pay the bills. When there is a raffle of some kind, and tickets have got to be sold for the benefit of some other good fellow, who has spent what didn't belong to him, it is the good fellow of the moment who comes along and buys the tickets with the money that he owes for honest debts. Many a man trying to be a good fellow, has disgraced himself, made his family miserable and missed a chance to be a self respecting man."

Miss Steck Pleasantly Surprised. Last Saturday night Miss Maud Steck had a forcible and felicitious reminder of the recurrence of another birthday, when a 'dozen or more of her friends unceremoniously dropped in, their declared purpose being to help her celebrate in a becoming way the interesting event. An elegant supper was served under the supervision of her aunt Mrs. Blum. Music and games indulged in to a late hour when all dispersed, but not without showering her with their good wishes and presenting her with a china fruit dish of of choice and elegant design as a memento of the occasion. The following were present: Miss Winward, Miss Metzger, Miss Bonham, Miss Smith, Miss Lingle, the Misses Taggart, Miss Montgomery, Miss Hogan,

Miss McDonald and Mrs. Branson. Musical August 25th.

In the musical to be given in the First Methodist Episcopal Church Thursday evening, August 25th, the pipe organ numbers will be rendered by Miss Anna Metzger. At present Miss Metzger is at the head of the department of voice culture at the Randolphe-Mascon College for young women at Lynchburg, Va.. and needless to say is in the first rank of the members of her profession. The Emporium admirers of her abilities both as vocalist and instrumentalist are numerous and the opportunity to hear her upon this occasion will doubtless be taken advantage of by many. The assisting talent will consist of Miss Frank Huntley, Soprano; Mr. Geo. A. Walker, Jr., Barytone; and Mr. A. D. Ericsson, Pianist. The above list gives further guarantee of the excellence of the program and insures an evening replete with en-

When Visiting the World's Fair Ride on the Ferris Wheel.

The great Expositions held during he last fifteen years have produced two marvelous examples of engineering and constructive ability. One of these, the Eiffel Tower, was designed and built by a Frenchman at Paris for the Exposition of 1889; the other, the Ferris Wheel, was designed and built by the late Geo. W. G. Ferris for the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, in 1893.

Paris again held a great exposition in 1900 but failed to produce, any feature to take the place of the Eiffel Tower. In America, St. Luir, in 1904, planned and produced the greatest Exposition the World has ever seen. Scores of attempts were made to invent something more wonderful and more attractive than the Ferris Wheel, tions, justly exciting the admiration of but as Paris failed to out do her own Eiffel Tower, so did St Louis fail to equal the far-famed Ferris Wheel of the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893. Arrangements were accordingly made to bring the Ferris Wheel to the Lousiana Purchase Exposition, and it was given a location near the geo-

graphical center of the grounds. The problem of moving the Ferris Wheel from Chicago to St. Louis was stupendous-4,200 tons of material, including the 70 ton axle, besides engines, boilers and derricks and falsework, had to be transported. One hundred and seventy-five freight cars were required to move this material.

TONER—REED—At the office of M. M. Lar-rabee, J. P., on Tuesday, Aug. 16, 1904, Mr. Mack Toner and Miss Rebeeca Reed, both of

Less School Money.

The majority of the school districts in Pennsylvania will receive less money for support of their common school for the year beginning June 6 than they received in 1903. This is because the amount appropriated by the last legislature to these schools is not quite as large as the appropriation made by the previous legislature

The department of public instruction has completed the calculation for the next year, and will begin the issuidg of warrants on the district as soon as State Treasurer Mathues is ready to pay them. Mr. Mathues will probably follow the custom of withholding payments from the district during the summer vacation in order that the favorite banks may have the use of ths money during the period.

The regular annual appropriation made by the last legislature is \$5,500. From the amount the legislature deducted \$237,500 for the State Normal school and \$50;000 for the township high school leaving a balance of \$5,-212,500 for the common schools.

The amount received by the several districts next year will vary somewhat from those received for the year about closing, owing to the fact that appropriations for next year is based on new returns of teachers, resident taxables and children between six and sixteen

years of age.
Following is a list of the amount to which the counties in this part of the state are entitled for the school year beginning June 6:

Cameron, \$7,233,50, Elk, \$32,361.27; Lycoming, \$74,287.14; McKean, \$47,-321.41; Potter, \$28,752 17; Tioga, \$50,

Great Loss of Life.

"They called that Eastern battle a big one the other day," said the G. A. R., man "because several thousand men were killed and wounded, but that was only a shirmish compared to the big fights in my day. Times change.

"Why, at Gettysburg we lost 20,000 men and the Johnnies 30,000. In two days of the Wilderness there were in all 18,000 killed, and at Bull Run our oss was 12,000.

The losses in the France-Prussian and the Crimean wars were especially heavy, and at Omdurman, in 1896, the British killed 11,000 Dervishes, and then they say, went out next morning and finished up 3500 of the wounded. Julius Caesar's battles netted 1,000,000 men killed, and some of the other famous Roman generals never considered a fight seriously unless at least 50,000 of the enemy were put out of the business. Hannibal's troops killed 40,000 at Cannae, and that wasn't such a big affair either.

"The truth is that the invention of machine guns and the introduction of the 'open order' have made the old sort of war impossible. In the old days, when men met face to face, they fought till there wasn't any one left to fight. But that's all over."

Base Ball.

The game of base ball between Emporium and Driftwood, at the latter place, Monday, resulted in a victor for Driftwood, by a score of 9 to 3. It was an exciting game and one of absolute harmony.

There is a game booked for this place to be pulled off Saturday next between Johnsonburg and the home team. This promises to be a most interesting game as the teams are evenly matched and both have blood in the eye to win. It is hoped that there will be a good at-

Senator Penrose's Pun. Senator Boies Penrose was showing

a party of friends through the vaults of the United States Mint. "Mercy," exclaimed a woman from

Baltimore, "how chilly it is down here." "Yes, madam," replied the Senator, 'you are surrounded by a cool fifty millions "-The Public Ledger.

To Remain in Emporium.

The many friends of Miss Lillian Heilman will be pleased to know that she has relinquished her position with the Grit in Williamsport and will be a member of the borough force of instructors, having been engaged to teach the C. Primary grade the coming year.

Cholera Infantum.

This disease has lost its terror since Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy came into general use. The uniform success which attends the use of this remedy, in all cases of bowel complaints in children has made it a favorite whereever its value has become known. For sale by Jno. E. Smith, Sterling Run.

For Deaf Mute Mission

The monthly missionary offering in Emmanuel Church next Sunday morning will be for the Mid-Western Deaf Mute Mission.

Ice Cream To-Night.

The members of Saint Mark's congegation will serve ice cream on their Church lawn this (Thursday) evening and will appreciate any patronage accorded them in their worthy efforts.

World's Fair Excursions.

Low-rate ten-day coach excursions via Pennsylvania Railroad, August 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31. Rate \$15.95 from Emporium. Train leaves Emporium at 8:10 a.m., connecting with special train from New York arriving St. Louis 4:15 p. m.,next day. 3230-23-5t

Moving Big Saw Mill.

The first train of about 20 cars length, bearing the dissected remains of the big DuBois saw mill, pulled out for Dents Run a few days ago. The outfit was hauled by Mr. DuBois' large locomotive. Several trips will be made before all the material for the new mill on Hicks Run is transferred to that place.-Lock Haven Republi-

Firemen's Convention.
The following paragraph we clip from the Warren Mirror: "The Firemen's Convention proved somewhat of a disappointment to the business men at Warren for the reason that they figured on a crowd for at least three days. A small percentage came on Wednesday and about the same number remained Friday, and Thursday was the only big day of the week."

Renovo Hose Company Wins The First Honors. West Branch Hose Co , No. 2 of Re-

novo won the first prizes at Warren on Friday in the competive drills. The prizes consisted of \$100 in cash and a handsome silver trumpet and were well worth striving for.

The next annual meeting of the association will be held in Bradford in August 1905.

Wreek at Driftwood.

In the Driftwood yards of the Alle-gheny Valley railroad, Sunday a passenger train ran into a couple of freight cars and the passenger engine and a baggage coach were wrecked. Mrs. Krebs, wife of the passenger conductor, had three ribs broken. Another women had her collar bone broken.

Annual Picnic.

The annual picnic of the First Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday School yesterday, at Keystone Park was a pleasant affair, despite the drenching rain that came in the late afternoon. Above 200 was present. Games were played and the well ladened tables offered a tempting treat to the hungry appetites.

Facts for the Voters.

The following facts are of general interest. Cut them out and preserve for future reference:

Last day for registering votes, Wednesday, September 7.

Last day for paying taxes, Saturday,

October 8

Last day for filing certificates of nomination (state,) Tuesday Septem-

Last day for filing nomination papers (state,) Tuesday, October 4.

Last day for filling certificates of nomination (county,) Tuesday, Octo-

ber 11. Last day for filing nomination papers (county,) Tuesday. October 18.

Reception.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Leet, on East Third St., was last Tuesday night the scene of a pleasant reception given in honor of their guests Miss May Sheller, of Port Royal, Miss Bessie Smith, of Philadelphia, Miss Bertha Taylor, of Cresson, and Mr. Lew Haskill of Coudersport. Miss Iva Leet, who came home from Buffalo to attend the function, was one of the receiving party which consisted of nine persons. About fifty people were present at intervals, during the evening, to greet the happy guests, partake of the choice refreshments and enjoy the excellent music, furnished by Mr. A. D. Ericsson, pianist and Miss Smith vocalist. The affair was voted a fine suc-Cess.

Warning.

All persons are hereby forbidden from trespassing upon the property of this Company without a permit from this office, or the Superintendant at the works works.

KEYSTONE POWDER MFG. Co. Emporium, Pa., August 1st, 1903.

The Man Who's in Debt.

The man who can easily pay his debts and who refuses to do so, is dishonest. He may pose as an upright honorable man, but he is a swindler nevertheless

If he runs up large bills intendirg. eforehand, to let the accounts stand indefinitely, he is perpetrating a fraud on the man who furnishes him with articles or services secured in that

He realizes that grocers, meat dealers, clothiers, physicians and others who provide for the needs of a family are required to pay their bills and meet their obligations, but the deadbeat does not concern himself about their interests.

His scheme is to impose upon them and to get something for nothing at their expense.

A man who is temporarily without means of support may for a time run behind in his accounts. He pays when he is able to do so. His case is not to be classed with that of the chronic dead-beat to whom reference is made in these remarks.

The larger type has no more honesty in him than a burglar. And he lacks the burglar's courage. He takes no chances.

But he takes such other things as he can grab.-Bradford Era.

Some Medicine For Us.

Mr. Whitman Osgood, of Washington who has just returned from a journey to St. Louis by automobile, has this to say about the roads:

"The condition of the roads was varied. They were good in Maryland, but all through Pennsylvania we struck nothing but abominable stretches of ground not worthy of the name of roads. The roads in West Virginia were in fair condition, and there was an improvement in Ohio. The roads, in Indiana were good, but those of Illinois were inconceivably I found the condition of the roads a pretty fair index to the prosperity and intelligence of the people living along them.

His Middle Name.

Ex-Senator Henry G. Davis, within the hour of his nomination for the Vice Presidency, was sought out by a corspondent for a newspaper that has a penchant for middle names. According to instructions wired from his office the reporter asked:

"Senator, what does the 'G' in your

name stand for?"
"Gassaway," was the reply.
"But really I must find out," said the reporter, smiling faintly.

"Gassaway," repeated the candidate.
"Is that West Virginia for 'chase yourself?" " inquired the young man. "No," chuckled the ex-Senator. "It's my middle name-an old family

"Oh!" said the correspondent, "I thought it was a slang expression I hadn't heard before."—New York Times.

name."

Events.

Tuesday, Sept. 6th, Sautell's Colossal Railroad Shows.

Tuesday, Sept. 6th, Annual Conven-Association.

Monday and Tuesday, Sept, 19th and the First Presbyterian Church. About sixty clergyman will attend.

7th, Cameron County Fair, Keystone Park.

The easiest way to get out of favor with people and make a bore of yourself is to talk too much, To know what to say and wnen to say it is a great gift. We flatter men and gain their favorable opinion much more readily by listening than by speaking. No matter how brilliant and learned a man may be, if he is always wanting to talk, and treats his companions as though they had nothing worth while to say but that he had much, they will soon avoid his company The gift of speech is a fine one, and if judiciously used will win honors and riches, but it is easily overdone. When it runs to garrulity it is tiresome beyond anything else. A blatherskite had better be deaf and dumb.-Punxs'y Spirit.

A Severe Storm. A terrific thunder storm, accompa-

nied by a fierce wind and a downpour of rain and hail, struck this place yesterday afternoon. While no particular damage was done our streets were kept full of flying rubbish for a short time. The light of the sun was almost completely shut out. The immense amount of rain quenched several large bonfires which were in progress dangerously close to some barns and sheds, and which the strong wind stirred to a raging condition, thus saving property.

WEATHER REPORTS (Forecast by T. B. Lloyd. FRIDAY, Fair. SATURDAY, Fair. SUNDAY Fair.

Political Announcement.

Easter Press:—
Please announce my name as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

HENRY LUDLAM.
Emporium, Pa., April 26th, 1904.

BRIEF MENTION.

Everybody reads the Press

The best clothing at the lowest prices t N. Seger's.

A charter has been granted to the Driftwood Land Co., for the sale of lots in Driftwood.

Ridgway is undergoing another epidemic of typhoid fever. It is said there are about 25 cases there at pres-

ent. Hargreave's circus has come and gone. The management was about as cheap a lot of men as we have ever

met. Call on N. Seger if you want clothes that will give you your money's worth in wear and be perfectly up to date

in style. St. Marys is experiencing an oil boom. There has been a well struck that produces twenty barrels per day

and is expected to do still better. John L. Johnson, the proprietor of the American House has men at work clearing a forty acre piece on the Portage. Another evidence of prosperity in the east ward.

We have ascertained that the Democratic leaders approached Methuselah with an offer of the vice-presidential nomination before it was finally offered to Henry G. Davis.

The Presbyterian Sunday School will picnic at Keystone Park to-morrow. They invite their friends to join them in making the day one of delight to

An official order has been posted by the New York Central Company, changing the name of Oak Grove, to that of Aris. The name has been selected in honor of Mrs. Orville Hickok, of Harrisburg, who was formerly Miss Aris Cochran, eldest daughter of Hon. J. Henry Cochran, of Williamsport.

An Exchange says: A physician gives direction in handling a splinter, which are well worth remembering. When a splinter has been driven deep ly into the hand it can be extracted without pain by steam. Nearly fill a wide mouth bottle with hot water, place the injured part over the mouth of the bottle and press tightly, and in a minute or two the steam will extract both the splinter and inflammation.

The editor of an exchange hits the right spot when he says: "The sor-riest fellow on earth is the fellow who will sit around and cuss his own town. If I lived astride the north pole, I would call it home and be ready to boost it up. If I could not say anything nice about it, I would say that my ice bill didn't come high. I would not stay in a town I had to cuss—not

while the world is as big as it is now." One of the features of the Cameron 20th, Northumberland Presbytery in County Agricultural Association Fair and Picnic to be held in Keystone Park, Emporium, Pa., on Oct. 6th and Thursday and Friday, Oct. 6th and 7th, will be the Baby contest. Prizes to be a silver cup for the prettiest baby, a silver cup for the best appareled baby, a silver knife, fork and spoon for the cutest baby, a silver powder box and puff for the fattest baby, and two silver mugs for the most attractive twins.

The Pennsylvania has decided to renumber all its freight cars. There are about 165,000 cars on the lines west of Pittsburg and 115,000 cars on the eastern lines, and in additions are more than 15,000 cars on the eastern lines, in the company's fast freight line. The re-numbering of the cars will be an enormous job, but when it is done the accouting reports will be greatly simplified. It is proposed to have certain blocks of numbers for each line in the system, and each class of cars will have a separate block, so that the number will show at a glance the kind of car, the capacity, and the line to which it belongs.

Wrongly Accused.

We will say for the benefit of the Independent, that the articles referred to in last week's issue of the PRESS, as having been written by Mr. J. P. Mc-Narney, that he made a very poor guess, as that gentleman did not write a line for this paper.

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