

**Congressional Compliments.**



Though the contest for Congressional honors in this District, composed of Centre, Clearfield, Cameron and McKean counties, is yet nearly a year distant, says the Bellefonte Keystone Gazette, the subject in some parts has already become a matter of vital consideration; and the agitation seems to have centered in Clearfield county—in fact has practically narrowed down to the town of DuBois—where we understand three candidates reside who are trimming their sails for the contest, and who expect to enter the fight to win the nomination.

In our opinion the office of Congressman has been much misunderstood in this district. It has been treated as a compliment to the candidate, and is distributed according to the claims of the different localities represented in the district, with the result that a change is made every four years, and every time, after an incumbent was thoroughly initiated in the workings of the body and rendered capable of performing the functions of the office and be of service to the people, he was retired by force of custom to make room for another, who by virtue of his location or ability, was set in his place to begin anew to learn the retinue of the office, again to be retired by custom just about the time when his fitness for the office was made manifest by what he was able to accomplish.

In our mind this is a great mistake. In other districts where members in Congress have been allowed to succeed themselves, the people enjoy the influence of their representative in the Lower House by virtue of their accumulated strength, and as a result, they get what they want. They recognize the fact that corporations and business firms who enjoy able management would be loath to change heads every four years. In fact it would be suicidal. And the same is true in this case. They cry against the third term in Congress, where new members are practically helpless until they have time to prove their practicability and develop their strength, is a fallacy.

In this connection the Gazette would ask for a consideration of the candidacy of Captain Charles F. Barclay, of Cameron county, to succeed himself, who as every one must admit, has developed unexpected and unusual strength during his incumbency in the office. We are free to declare and challenge contradiction in the statement that he has done more for his constituents than any other man who has ever represented Centre county, irrespective of the counties which composed the district heretofore. He is not a wind-jammer—one who delights to hear himself talk to the disgust of his colleagues and the weakening of his own influence, but a quiet, earnest, active, indefatigable worker,—one who recognizes the full responsibility of his office and who is incorruptible in its performance.

The fact is becoming recognized more and more every day that the office of Congressman is a losing investment when considered in a financial sense, and that it is not the place for an honest man who has not a competency ahead sufficient to make up the losses sustained without experiencing embarrassment. And there is not a man in the district who is so agreeably gifted with all the elements that make a good representative as is Captain Barclay. His tremendous business energy, back-up by good horse sense, and which coupled with his long experience with the working man as an employer of labor, has given him an inside knowledge of their wants which few men possess, while his acquaintance in early life with the "plain and simple annals of the poor" makes him appreciate the rights of all, and no eminence to which he may attain will render him imper-

ious or disrespectful of those in the humble walks of life.

We write without suggestion or consent of Captain Barclay. We do not know whether he would accept a re-nomination if it were tendered him. Nor is there anything personal in it, as he has never done anything for us nor have we asked him to do anything for us in the future; but we are interested in good representation in Congress—probably more so than in any other office outside of President of the United States—which, without proper support from the two Houses, would necessarily be rendered but a figure-head.

Hence we suggest that the time has about come when our people should get on to the fact congressional compliments are expensive gifts, and that it is not good business or political sense to exchange the old and tried for the new and untried—just to gratify ambition at the expense of the public.

**Lechner-Mulcahy.**

On Monday morning at six o'clock, during Mass at St. Mark's Catholic church, occurred the marriage of Miss Laura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Lechner and Mr. John H. Mulcahy. Miss Carolyn Lechner, a sister of the bride, acted as bride's maid, while Mr. Leo Hayes did the duties of best man. Rev. Father Thos. B. Downey performed the ceremony. Mrs. Mulcahy is one of Emporium's most popular young ladies and has a large circle of friends and is sure to make a true helpmate to the husband of her choice. Mr. Mulcahy enjoys the respect and esteem of all who know him, and is one of our promising young business men. The bride was attired in a gray traveling suit and was attended by Carolyn Lechner, her sister, who was dressed in old rose silk.

After the ceremony the guests repaired to the home of the bride where a delicious wedding breakfast was served by Mrs. Emma Robinson to immediate relatives and intimate friends. The dining room was decorated with sweet peas and ferns.

The happy couple departed on the eight o'clock train for a short wedding trip—destination unknown.

The guests from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Lechner, and Miss Marion Lechner, Erie, Pa.; Miss Pearl Kelve, Weedville, Pa.; Miss Mame Ritchie, St. Marys, Pa.

The best wishes of the PRESS and their large circle of friends go with them through life's journey.

**Colored Folks Picnic.**

Mrs. Wm. Robinson and sons gave a picnic at Keystone Park last Friday in honor of Rev. Farley Fisher, wife and children, of Williamsport. The following were invited guests: Mrs. Z. A. Jones and child, of Rock Hill S. C.; Euben Fountain and family, Wm. Scott and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Battle, Mrs. H. W. Graham. Of course they had a delightful day.

**Death on Train.**

Last Thursday afternoon a log train on John E. DuBois lumber road struck a woodsman named Sagnitia, terribly mangle his right leg and one arm. Dr. Merrill placed him on a train to take him to a DuBois hospital, but his injuries being so serious that he died on the train between Hicks Run and Benetzette.

**Children's Day Services.**

The Children's Day service at the Baptist Church last Sunday evening was enjoyed by a large and attentive audience. The floral decorations were exquisite. The program used was Tullar-Meredith Co's "Carland of Praise." The committee in charge are to be complimented on the success which attended their efforts.

**"Nice and Dandy, Thank You."**

Ed. Hackett and wife, who reside on Third street, are exceedingly proud of those twin boys who made their advent at their home last Saturday morning. Mr. Hackett, who is one of C. B. Howard Company's efficient woods foremen, did not know of the important event until he arrived home Saturday evening. Although this is their second bunch of twins, they are "nice and dandy, thank you."

**I. X. L. Ice Cream for July 4th.**

To avoid disappointment leave your order early for Fourth of July Ice Cream. With a large additional line of new packers just purchased, I am prepared to take care of all orders. J. B. MEISEL.

**Emmanuel Church Services.**

July 4, Fourth Sunday after Trinity: 10:30 a. m., Holy Communion. Subject of Sermon, "The Nation and Humanity." 7:30 p. m., Evening-Prayer and Sermon.

## JOE PAGANO PAYS THE PENALTY

### The Italian who Murdered John Kibe Executed in the Jail Yard at 10:11 Tuesday Morning DISPLAYED WONDERFUL NERVE

The second execution in the history of Cameron county took place on Tuesday morning at 10:11, when Joe Pagano, aged 27 years, paid the penalty for the murder of John Kibe, a citizen of Emporium, on the evening of Nov. 26th, 1908, at the American House, while intoxicated.



JOE PAGANO.

**THE CRIME.**

On the evening of Nov. 26, 1908, about 8:30, Joe Pagano, an Italian who has resided in Emporium for two or three years, went into the American Hotel conducted by Chas. Farley and being boisterous and disorderly the landlord ejected him from the house at three different times. The infuriated Italian stormed around in front of the hotel when he pulled out a revolver and fired in the sidewalk. Mr. John Kibe who stood in the hotel, went to the door to see what the Italian was doing and spoke to him, requesting that he go home. Almost instantly he raised the gun and fired at Kibe, the ball entering his right side near the heart. Kibe at once turned back and sitting down, said, "I'm shot." Great excitement prevailed. The injured man was removed to the parlor and Drs. Smith, Bush and Falk summoned. Promptly upon the arrival of the Drs. it was evident that the unfortunate man had but a few minutes to live. The leaden messenger of death had severed an artery and the wounded man passed to the great beyond surrounded by his grief-stricken wife and children, at 9:07.

While the sad scene was taking place in the "death room," Chief of Police Frank Mundy called for volunteers to aid him in finding and arresting the murderer, who after committing the dastardly deed walked up to Leet & Co's store and passed across the street down towards the Junction. Mr. Mundy hurried down to Wm. Clark's and requested his assistance which was readily granted. The officer passed the Italian while enroute for Clark's and after telling Mr. Clark to "give him the club as soon as he jumped into him," retraced his steps and caught up with the murderer in front of E. D. Mumford's residence, when Mundy threw both arms around him, Mr. Clark at the same time vaulted him on the head. After properly securing him he was taken to St. Charles Hotel and searched. Upon his person was found a large stiletto, one razor and five or six cartridges. The revolver, which he dropped when captured, contained two charges—one being fired in the sidewalk, one into John Kibe and the other at the hotel as he passed down the street.

On Friday morning he was taken before Esq. Larrabee, who committed him to jail to await the action of the grand jury on the second Monday of January, 1909.

**FOUND GUILTY.**

The prisoner was tried at the term of court convened on Monday, Jan. 11th, 1909. Was defended by Mr. F. D. Leet and prosecuted by District Attorney, J. P. McNarney. On Thursday, Jan. 12th the prisoner was found

guilty of murder in the first degree by the following jurymen:

- Adams, Delmont, farmer Shippen.
- Burk, F. S., laborer, Grove.
- Bailey, C. M., farmer, Gibson.
- Comley, Fred, laborer, Lumber.
- Council, C. A., clerk, Grove.
- Darrin, J. H., carpenter, Lumber.
- Goss, R. R., laborer, Grove.
- Mote, Howard, laborer, Gibson.
- Reid, J. L., farmer, Shippen.
- Spangler, Chas., farmer, Shippen.
- Wykoft, Isaac, laborer, Lumber.
- Williams, A. R., laborer, Grove.

On the following day, Friday, Jan. 13th, 1909, his Honor, Judge Hall, re-convened court at 2:00 p. m., when High Sheriff, John W. Norris, brought the prisoner before the Bar, when sentence was passed. The prisoner seemed dazed and did not seem to realize the terrible truth.

**AWAITING SENTENCE.**

During the long months awaiting the death warrant, which was issued May 26th, 1909, the condemned man fretted and worried and not being familiar with the ways of this country thought that every person who entered his cell had "come to kill me." At times he grew very sociable and chatted with the prisoners pleasantly. When a prisoner escaped from the jail, Joe was made to have his sentence commuted to life imprisonment, but without avail. Before his trial, a fellow countryman collected a large sum of money, said to be about \$500, with which to secure the services of a first class criminal lawyer, but the chap skipped out for Italy with the money.

**NEARING THE FATAL DAY.**

About six weeks ago he began to prepare for death and called for Father Thomas Downey, who almost daily visited his cell and prepared the condemned man to meet his God. Pagano insisted that he did not know he had killed Kibe, saying "America whiskey bad whiskey—make crazy." For weeks the condemned man ate little or nothing and became very sick two or three times. However, he got better and more reconciled. On Saturday he requested Ed. Blinzler to call and give him "his last shave." During this time the prisoner's arms were handcuffed behind his back.

**THE EXECUTION.**

On Monday, the final preparations were made between the jail and court house, an enclosure being placed around the scene. A couple of State constabulary police arrived on Monday and assisted, in addition to a number of deputy sheriffs' and aided in guarding against any outbreak. Sheriff Norris took no chances. Crowds of people gathered at the court house Monday evening and early Tuesday morning, but were kept back by the special officers.

At ten o'clock all being in readiness the following Sheriff's jurymen took their places around the scaffold:

- Stewart Nellis, Emporium.
- Amos Ross, Gibson.
- Jacob Kritner, Shippen.
- Wm. Berry, Lumber.
- Joseph Kissell, Lumber.
- Anson O. Swartwood, Emporium.
- Geo. Market, Shippen.
- Wm. McDonald, Shippen.
- Sylvester McDonough, Emporium.
- Henry J. Darrin, Lumber.
- Byron Duell, Gibson.
- Wm. Rankin, Gibson.

**THE DEATH MARCH.**

The rites of the Catholic Church having been concluded in the cell the solemn procession entered the yard, accompanied by the three Fathers and officers, the condemned man walking with an air of confidence and resignation.

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## No Press Next Week.

"In accordance with the time-honored custom" there will not be a paper issued next week from this office. The office will be open for transaction of business and job printing. Let us all reverently observe the 4th of July.

**Knights of Columbus in Their New Home.**

Emporium Council, No. 990, K. of C., are now grandly located in their new home in Egan Block, formerly known as Olmsted Block, on East Fourth street. They met there last Monday evening for the first time and last evening was ladies night. They occupy one-half of the second floor as social rooms, this section being elegantly furnished, newly papered and painted. The rooms consist of a parlor, fitted up in style that presents a very inviting appearance, a billiard room containing two new and up-to-date tables, card rooms, bath room, all carpeted and furnished regardless of cost. The third floor will be used as lodge room, regalia room, preparatory room and kitchen. The taste displayed in the fitting of their new quarters are now the best appointed in this county. This rapidly growing order are certainly to be congratulated upon having such grand quarters. Mr. B. Egan, the proprietor of this large building, contemplates additional improvements, well calculated to enhance the value of the property. A PRESS representative was delighted to visit this finely appointed "home" but failed to locate the goat, but he is there for we saw its tracks.

**"The Peerless Leader."**

The death of Hon. Israel W. Durham removes from the Republican party, and especially from Philadelphia, one of the most fearless leaders. Senator Durham was closer to the rank and file of the Republican party than any other leader. His shoes will be just as hard to fill as Senator Quay's—the man has not yet been born to take Matthew Stanley Quay's place, as a leader. Senator Durham's funeral takes place this (Thursday) afternoon.

**Obituary.**

William Paul Barr aged three years and three months, only son of W. E., and Margaret Barr, died Tuesday, June 22, from injuries received in an accident June 20th. Interment was made in Hicks Run cemetery on the 24th. William was a bright child and his parents have the sympathy of the entire community. Rev. Beale, of DuBois, delivered the funeral address.

**Fish and War Stories.**

Judge LaBar and party came home from Findley Run last evening, after spending three days after trout. Jas. Wright and Jos. Friendel joined them on Tuesday and sat up most all night listening to the Judge's interesting war stories. He was there and helped to skin them and can tell how it was done, too.

**A Pleasant Home.**

H. S. Lloyd and family have moved into their new home on West Fourth street and they certainly have a very pleasant place. The writer had the pleasure of being shown through the house and everything is cozy and very neat. Here's hoping that H. S., and family will live long to enjoy their new home.

**L. O. T. M. Notice.**

Ladies of Gladioli Hive are hereby notified that Review will be held every two weeks during July and August, beginning with July 13th. Those in arrears are kindly requested to remit at once at home of the R. K.

HELENA M. BUTLER, R. K.

**State Constabulary.**

C. E. Haas and Roy Nevius, members of the State Constabulary, stationed at Punxsutawney, came to Emporium on Monday to remain a few days.

**Card of Thanks.**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Barr wish to thank their many friends for the kindness shown, following the accident and death of their son, WILLIAM. MR. AND MRS. WALTER BARR.

**Dance at Park.**

There will be a ten cent per set dance at Keystone Park, from 2:00 to 6:00 p. m., Monday, July 6th. Come and have a good time.

**For Sale**

One second hand Reaper; one second hand mower; one platform scales; one cultivator; a lot of log chains. The above will be sold cheap for cash. WM. HACKENBERG, Emporium, Pa.

THE WEATHER.  
FRIDAY, Fair.  
SATURDAY, Showers.  
SUNDAY, Showers.

ASSETS  
**First National Bank,**  
EMPORIUM, PA.  
At the close of business, June 30, 1909,  
**\$803,799.27.**

**EARLY TRAINING.**  
In the practice of self-denial; instructions as to the use and value of money; opportunities for earning and saving money; all these tend to fix and fasten the children in the ways of thrift and prosperity.  
**\$1.00 Starts an Account.**  
3% INTEREST PAID ON SAVING BOOKS, ACCOUNTS AND CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.

DR. LEON REX FELT,  
DENTIST.  
Rockwell Block, Emporium, Pa.

DR. H. W. MITCHELL,  
DENTIST.  
(Successor to Dr. A. B. Mead.)  
Office over A. F. Vogt's Shoe Store,  
Emporium, Pa. 12y



**Program for the Fourth of July Celebration on Monday, July 5th at Keystone Park.**

One p. m.—Parade of Firemen, Boys Brigade and other organizations headed by Fisk's Juvenile Band to Keystone Park. Parade starts from corner Fourth and Broad street. At Keystone Park, unfurling of the Human Flag, represented by 108 maidens, singing the "Star Spangled Banner" and "America."

"Tug of War" by two teams of the Boys' Brigade, Prize \$3.00. 50 yard dash—Free for all. First prize \$2.00; second prize \$1.00.

Girls Race.—First prize \$2.00 parasol; second prize \$1.00 parasol. Sack Race.—first prize \$2.00; second prize \$1.00.

Wheelbarrow Race.—first prize \$2.00 second prize \$1.00. Potato Race.—first prize \$2.00; second prize \$1.00.

Nail Driving contest by ten young Ladies. Prize, beautiful jewelled Come. Base Ball—Emporium vs Olean. Dancing in the pavillion during the afternoon.

Lunch and refreshments can be had at the park.

REQUEST—The children taking part in the Human Flag are requested to be at the Grand Stand in the park next Saturday afternoon at four o'clock for practice.

**Engagement Announced.**  
Mrs. Frances E. Richardson of Driftwood announce the engagement of her daughter Ruth to Mr. Chas. D. Porter, of Mifflin, Pa., last Friday afternoon at a tea.  
Mr. Porter is a son of Dr. Miles Porter, a prominent surgeon of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Miss Richardson is a frequent visitor in Emporium where she has many friends.  
Mrs. Laura Bryan, Miss Bryan and Miss Grace Walker were among the out of town guests.

**First Methodist Episcopal Church.**  
Class meeting at 9:30 a. m.; Patriotic sermon at 10:30, a. m.; by the pastor; Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.; short sermon at 7:30 p. m.

**Cattle Killed.**

It is reported that thirty-three cattle on the John E. DuBois farm at DuBois have been killed by the state authorities, the cattle being infected with tuberculosis.